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New look: The Royal Oak Music Theatre, the Metropolitan Music Cafe, and 3-D have taken on three distinct looks during their respective remodeling projects leaving patrons some colorful choices. /8A

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Machus Enterprises Inc.: A lot has changed since Hans Machus opened a bakery in the area 60 years ago. His grandson, Robert, carries on the family tradition. /1B

CABLE TV WEEKLY

Local access: "Defense Tactics" will be presented on Channel 12. Check your cable guide for time and date.

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'New right' is grass-roots threat



BY BILL COUTANT
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The Reagan years may be over, but to many people the legacy of the religious right's intrusion into politics is stronger than ever.
"The 'right wing' has always been with us," said Sharon Howell, professor of rhetoric, communication and

Journalism at Oakland University.

Howell was on a panel talking on "Exposing the New Right Agenda" at a forum at Adat Shalom Synagogue in Farmington Hills.

Howell, Howard Simen, of the American Civil Liberties Union; the Rev. Ann Kramer, of St. Andrew's Church in Clawson; Patricia God-

chaux, trustee for the Birmingham Public Schools; State Rep. Maxine Berman, D-Southfield; and J.B. Dixon, a public relations specialist talked about the history of the right wing in American politics and its agenda in the coming years at the forum last week.

The panel members agreed that although the religious right had lost prominence nationally since the election of President Bill Clinton, the strategy had turned to a distinctively grass-roots one.

Howell outlined a history of right-

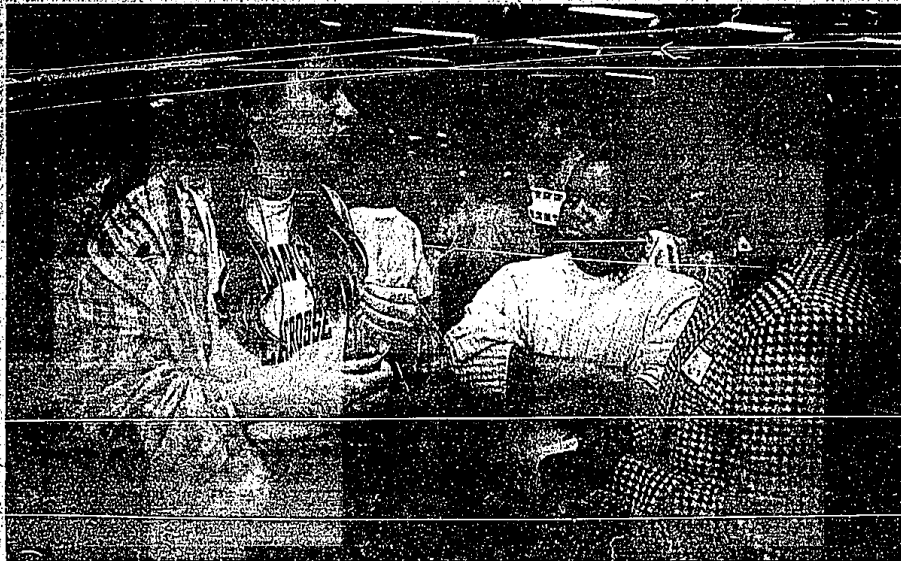
wing politics and worked the audience into her talk by asking, "The 1950s were sometimes called what?" To which the mostly agreeable audience of more than 400 replied, "the McCarthy Era," named for the late Wisconsin Sen. Joseph McCarthy.

"The second oldest party in the U.S. is the KKK," Howell said. "That's significant."

Like the Ku Klux Klan, the so-called religious right is not operating in the open, Howell said. The relig-

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Getting to know you



SHARON LAMME/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

And bridging the gap: Warner Middle School student Patti Dizon (left) gets acquainted with Detroit Dreu Middle School kids April Hill and Latonya Rogers (right). The students were brought together by Warner principal Darlene Russell.

School kids cross city-suburbs line

BY LARRY O'CONNOR
STAFF WRITER

The line between city and suburb is sharp and perceived as impenetrable. But some middle school students looked beyond barriers.

And from their vantage a friendship has developed.

Kids at Warner Middle School in Farmington Hills and Drew Middle School in Detroit extended hands,

FRIENDSHIP CONNECTION

shared songs and laughs and, afterward, even exchanged phone numbers.

Some 50 students from Drew visited Warner May 7.

Principal Darlene Russell initially invited the Drew School choir to perform in order to help Warner's

fledgling choral program. Things evolved from there.

Russell plans to have Warner students return the favor next school year.

"I think they realized kids from Detroit are not bad kids," Russell said. "They saw themselves and

they saw no differences.

"They treated one another very well."

The Drew choir performed, took a tour of Warner school and ate lunch with the students. Kids from both schools were paired off.

Russell said the idea is to break down barriers and misconceptions

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Marwil runs to help land job

BY LARRY O'CONNOR
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Joel Marwil is going to lose. He said so.

That's hardly a battle cry one would expect to hear from a school board candidate, embarking on his first campaign, but Marwil admitted he has his own agenda. He wants a job.

Marwil, a substitute teacher with 28 years experience, somehow believes gaining a seat on the Farmington School Board will accomplish

SCHOOL ELECTION

what resumes and cover letters haven't.

The election is Monday, June 14. Marwil is one of nine candidates.

"Just like those other candidates, I'm out for myself," said Marwil, who listed his age as "46 1/2" and who has lived in Farmington for two years.

"I'm using this as a gimmick to get myself a job," Marwil said he's overqualified for

most teaching positions. He's tried several times to get hired in Farmington, but to no avail.

Instead, he works as a sub at elementary schools in the Southfield and Clarendonville districts. Previously, Marwil was a contract teacher in the Detroit Public Schools for six years.

Career aspirations have evolved into one of the most peculiar campaigns in this year's election.



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Stars in the Park

Break out the lawn chairs and blankets. . . the stars are about to shine in Farmington Hills' Heritage Park.

Stars in the Park — a summer entertainment program of band, jazz and contemporary music — begins at 8 p.m. Thursday, May 20, at Heritage Park on Farmington Road between 10 and 11 Mile roads.

The Farmington Community Band will provide the music.

The free concerts, sponsored by the Farmington Hills Department of Special Services, will emphasize local talent. Concerts will start at 8 p.m. most summer Thursdays.

June headliners are: June 3, Jim "Knight" Nuckolls; June 10, One flight Up; June 17, Ban-

FARMINGTON FOCUS

Joes of Michigan; June 24, Farmington Community Jazz/Dance Band.

Rest of the season: July 8, Novi Community Band; July 22, Farmington Community Concert Band; July 29, Farmington Community Chorus; Aug. 6, Sweet Adelines (Spirit of Detroit); Aug. 12, Birmingham Straw Hat Band.

For more information, call Cathy O'Rourke-Wendrick at 473-9579.

In the cards

The euchre season ended on a happy note for the team of Margi Weinhaus and Pam Finkel.

They accumulated 69 points to beat the second-place team of Judy Racke and Jaynie Comstock with 63 points in the city-sponsored championship.

The winning team received gift certificates from Mountain Jacks restaurant and two 9-hole passes for golf at San Marino.

The euchre tournaments will resume in October. For more information, call the recreation office at 478-9570.

Memory Lane

From the May 14, 1963, edition of the Farmington Enterprise: Bayard Tupper and Wendell Brown, trustees on the Farmington Board of Education, will be unopposed for re-election in the annual school election.