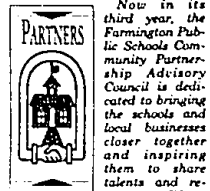


WWII history lesson taught by those who lived through it



Now in its third year, the Farmington Public Schools Community Partnership Advisory Council is dedicated to bringing the schools and local businesses closer together and inspiring them to share talents and resources. Direct queries to Betty Wolford of School/Community Relations at 429-3849.

Area senior adults provided an adventure in learning to a class of seventh-grade students from Dunckel Middle School.

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Dunckel teacher Claudia Doughty developed a project for her geography class that would help students see the wealth of information available through senior adults' firsthand accounts of events. Her objective: to intro-

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duce her students to a variety of cultural backgrounds as experienced by older generations.

She contacted Farmington Schools' senior coordinator, Annette Gasparotto, who made arrangements with several independent, active senior adults living at Carrington Place and Marian, Oakland-West who agreed to help the students prepare and present a cultural study on each senior's life.

The students and senior adults first introduced themselves to each other with a brief written biography which included a photograph. Students then drafted 20 questions to gather information on the senior adults' cultural background, traditions, life experiences and a variety of information on their country of origin.

After the seniors responded in writing, students compiled the in-

formation and created a feature story on their respective senior partners. The stories were done in magazine format and included a title, a cover featuring the senior partner, and a map of the senior's country of origin. When the magazines were completed, each student gave an oral report to the class.

The highlight of the project came when the students and senior partners finally met face to face at Dunckel. Students greeted their partners with signs and escorted them to the media center for refreshments and talk. There the students gave their senior partners the magazines they had prepared about them.

This paved the way for more questions from the students and reminiscences by the seniors. Both students and seniors learned from the project, Doughty



Good listener: Dunckel student Carissa Ramirez listens intently as Al Lutringer recalls some of the events he has witnessed.

said. "Students learned information about cultures and events they could not have gotten from me or from textbooks." The smiles and animated conversations among the partners showed how much they also enjoyed it.

RECREATION NEWS

Several activities are on the agenda with the recreation division of the Farmington Hills department of special services.

Registrations are now being accepted for the summer day camps which will be held at Heritage Park and the activities center. Day camps are scheduled for 6- to 8-year-olds and 9- to 12-year-olds. There are eight one week sessions beginning on June 19. Half day sessions for children ages 3 to 5 are also available.

On Saturday, May 20, a bike rodeo is slated at the Farmington Hills activities center, 28600 11 Mile, gate 4, 2-5 p.m. The first 150 children who pre-register will participate. The event will cover bike safety, riding skills, and proper equipment. An antique bicycle demonstration by the Michigan wheelman will add entertainment value. Adult bicycle enthusiasts who would like to volunteer to help on the riding skills test are also being sought. They should call the recreation office at 473-9570.

Bring your own lawn chairs or blankets and listen to the sounds of the Farmington Community Concert Band on Thursday, May 25, at Heritage Park. Concerts begin at 8 p.m. and there is no charge for the performances.

On Saturday, May 20, 9:30-11:30 a.m. in the Farmington Hills City Hall, council chambers,

you may register children for Safety Town. Registration fee is \$52 per child.

Enjoy Heritage Park when you participate in Walk Michigan on the various trails of the park. Individuals will be eligible for a drawing to win a trip to participate in the Mackinac Bridge walk on Labor Day.

Registration is taken on site the night of each walk. The walks will be every Thursday evening beginning at 6:30 p.m. through July 27. Participants should meet at the day camp building. There is no fee for this program.

Tickets for your favorite amusement park can be purchased at a discount rate at the recreation office. If you're going to Cedar Point, Detroit Zoo, Four Bears Water Park, King's Island, Sea World or Greenfield Village, stop by and see us for a savings on tickets to these facilities.

Pre-registration for children ages 3 to 6 and a parent or grandparent is being accepted for a program that provides a tour of Heritage Park's natural sights and sounds of spring. Participants will ride on a hay wagon with special stops along the way. The evening will end with a campfire and roasting of marshmallows. Fee is \$5 per person and will be accepted for the Monday, June 5, or Wednesday, June 21, program. Program runs 7-8:30 p.m.

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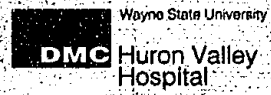
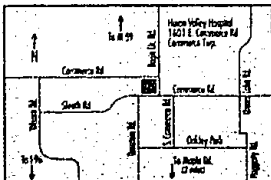
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