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only been open for dinners on a limited basis. Lovill said dinners are served during what is called the "12 Days of Christmas" program.

It is expected that Lovill will be able to serve wine within 30-45 days, as soon as a final inspection and paper work is completed, said Jacqueline Stewart, chairwoman of the LCC.

The state legislation, first proposed in 1995, was strongly backed by former 37th District House Rep. Jan Dolan and current state Sen. Bill Bullard, said Farmington City Manager Frank Lauhoff. It limits the number of class C licenses to 60 applicants, as long as they meet stringent requirements (such as serving full menus and being open in the evening) and are located in downtown

business districts.

According to Stewart, only 21 of the licenses remain available, but that doesn't mean they will be granted. She said no one community can receive more than two, which means Mrs. Lovill's Tea Cozy is the last Farmington restaurant to be granted one.

Lauhoff said there were four applicants who sought the special licenses, including Luigi's Trattoria, Mrs. Lovill's Tea Cozy, Dimitri's of Farmington and the Tai Kitchen. These applicants were prioritized by the DDA board of directors and the city council.

"Those other two can still seek liquor licenses through those that are in escrow," said Lauhoff, adding that there currently are no such available licenses in Farmington. Licenses in escrow mean they are owned, but

not in use.

Stewart said some of the factors that go into whether an area is granted one of the DDA licenses include: whether there are any licenses in escrow; the impact on downtown development; the support of the community and governing body.

"All of that adds up to who gets one of these licenses," Stewart said.

There now are "23 or 24 license applications out there, but some of them just don't meet expectations."

Stewart said there will be a review of Mrs. Lovill's Tea Cozy in approximately six months, "to make sure they are in compliance" of all requirements.

Farmington man lauded

Kal Engelberg of Farmington, the director of Oakland County Youth Assistance, received the 1998 Pamela G. Voss-Page Lifetime Achievement Award Feb. 3 at the Oakland County Youth Summit.

Students Against Drunk Driving-Michigan Alumni, known as the Emeritus Association, established the award in 1998 to honor an individual who has dedicated his life to developing strong, capable

and contributing young leaders.

Engelberg has been empowering youth for 30 years. He donated time and advice to the SADD-MI program for 17 years. Engelberg has been a strong advocate for youth leadership and guides youth to be effective leaders. He became a friend and mentor to lonely, troubled, confused and forgotten youth, according to Student Leadership Service.

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LIBRARY NEWS

Winners of the 1999 Newbery and Caldecott awards, the most prestigious awards in children's literature, are Louis Sachar, author of "Holes," and Mary Azarian, illustrator of "Snowflake Bentley."

The Farmington Community Library has several copies of each of these books. The Newbery winners are shelved in a special Newbery collection as are the Caldecott winners in a separate Caldecott Collection.

The Newbery and Caldecott medals were announced Feb. 1 at the American Library Association's 1999 midwinter meeting in Philadelphia. Considered the Academy Awards of children's book publishing, the Newbery and Caldecott medals honor outstanding writing and illustration of works published in the U.S. during the previous year.

Sachar's "Holes" tells the story of Stanley Yelnats. The heir to his family's curse of bad luck, Stanley is convicted of a crime he didn't commit. He serves his sentence at Camp Green Lake, a dry, flat wasteland where the warden assigns each inmate the task of digging one deep hole every day. Hole by hole, Stanley and his friend, Zero, dig their destiny.

"Snowflake Bentley," winner of the Caldecott Medal for the most distinguished American picture book, was written by Jacqueline Briggs Martin. The book introduces Wilson Bentley, a boy who loved snow more than anything in the world and is determined that one day his camera would capture the extraordinary and unique beauty of snowflakes.

One Newbery Honor Book was also chosen. Richard Peck received the distinction for "A Long Way from Chicago."

The Caldecott Committee cited four Honor Book illustrators: Brian Pinkney for "Duke Ellington, The Piano Prince and His Orchestra," written by Andrea Davis; David Shannon for "No, David!"; Uri Shulevitz for "Snow"; and Peter Sin for "Tibet Through the Red Box."

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