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representatives." In August 1974 then-Vice President Ford took the oath for the nation's highest office on the resignation of Richard Nixon, who was facing impeachment in the aftermath of the Watergate scandal. Two years later, Ford lost one of the closest elections in history to Democrat Jimmy Carter.

"In August 1974 I said, 'Our constitution, our system of checks and balances, works. The people rule. It may not be the most efficient system of government but it has protected our freedoms.' I'm proud to have been a part of this century."

"We've been successful for 200 years. Whenever formidable challenges occur, our nation has prevailed. There is still the fundamental belief that the things that unite us are more enduring than that which divides us. All of us have striven together for a more perfect union."

About 700 guests heard Ford's speech at Laurel Manor in Livonia. Also honored at the dinner were Tyndale Student of the Year Pamela Gorka, a graduating business major who worked with inner-city homeless people and studied in Russia; Alumnus of the Year retired Army chaplain Col. Henry Wake, who was

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awarded 18 personal decorations during his 30-year military career including two Bronze Stars and the Vietnam Service Medal with two battle stars; and Tyndale Citizen of the Year Clara Oster, director of information technologies and college librarian.

The late Dr. Bartlett Hess, founder of Ward Presbyterian Church and a 50-year member of the Tyndale board of directors, was honored with the 2000 Lifetime Achievement Award. It was accepted by his wife of 62 years, Margaret. The award was permanently renamed the Bartlett Hess Lifetime Achievement Award.

College President James McHann introduced King Ayl of the Republic of Togo. The college and the king's Royal Green Cross have partnered to sponsor three students from Togo, West Africa, for four-year bachelor of arts degree programs beginning the fall term of 2000.

Clark Durant, a member of the Tyndale board and vice president of Munder Capital Management, told the crowd, "Tonight is about legacy, living lives of enduring meaning. Your support



Cheer: Farmington Hills residents George and Edie Lovell applaud former President Gerald Ford.

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—Former president

provides scholarships to help students achieve a Christ-centered education." William Tyndale College

began in 1945 as the Detroit Bible Institute, then became Detroit Bible College. It moved to Farmington Hills in 1978 and was renamed three years later after William Tyndale, who first translated the bible into English, 600 years' ago.

Community Band plans summer concerts

The Farmington Community Band will continue its traditional summer concert series by performing three concerts this summer in Heritage Park.

In addition to the three Heritage Park concerts, the band will also make two appearances as part of the Northville Clock Concert Series at the gazebo in downtown Northville.

Music is for the whole family so bring lawn chairs and blankets and enjoy a summer evening with the Farmington Community Band.

Opening the season will be the FCB Concert Band performing light summer music at 8 p.m. Thursday, June 8 at Heritage Park. The FCB Jazz Band will perform back to back concerts on June 29 and 30.

You can hear jazz music at its best at 8 p.m. on the 29th at Heritage Park, or catch the Jazz Band the following night at 7:30 p.m. at the Gazebo in Northville.

On Thursday, July 27, the Concert Band returns

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to Heritage Park at 8 p.m. to present another mixture of light pops music to suit all musical tastes. This performance of the Concert Band will be repeated at 7:30 p.m. the following night, July 28, at the Gazebo in Northville.

Heritage Park is located in Farmington Hills on Farmington Road between 10 and 11 Mile Roads.

The Clock Concert Series is performed at the Gazebo in downtown Northville. All concerts are free.

Additional information may be obtained by calling (313) 261-2202, (248) 469-3412, or by visiting the FCB web site at www.fcb-music.org

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