

Congestive Heart Failure

One major problem in the field of cardiology is congestive heart failure, which is common and causes significant discomfort. The main symptom of this condition is shortness of breath or difficulty in breathing, which is very bothersome and intolerable. It occurs when the blood is not pumped out of the heart at a normal rate, and backs up to the lungs, causing the lungs to have more of the blood in their vessels. The end result is congestion and heaviness of the lungs, which makes them move slower and harder. With congestion of the lungs the heart needs to work more, and this makes a failed heart get even worse, and the vicious cycle continues.

Patients with heart failure feel bad, get tired easily, may not be able to sleep due to shortness of breath, and generally cannot do much. At some point they learn to raise their upper bodies with more pillows to decrease the congestion of the lungs, and in severe cases may wake in the middle of night with serious shortness of breath to go to the window for a breath of fresh air. (Will continue.)

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Wooddale evacuated after rock smashes window

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There was potential for chaos and panic when an unknown projectile slammed into and broke one of the windows in Wooddale Elementary School fourth grade teacher Brian Graves' classroom Wednesday afternoon.

But none of that ensued, even though all classrooms emptied 25 minutes early while Farmington Hills police investigated the incident, which took place shortly before 3 p.m.

Wooddale Principal Lascenia Jones Thursday said there were no injuries, with all staff members and students following proper rules for emergency evacuations. While police continued their investigation, all students were led to and kept in the cafeteria. It soon was discovered that a golf ball-sized rock was thrown at the window from a line of trees on the east side of the school building.

The rock shattered the outer pane of glass, but did not break through the inner glass, thus ensuring that none of the students was injured.

"We didn't know what had hit the window," said Jones, about why classrooms were evacuated.

personal belongings - and then brought back to the cafeteria, where they awaited official dismissal at around 3:25 p.m., Jones said.

Parents quickly learned about the incident as students took home notes about what had transpired. An update was later put on the school's telephone hotline.

According to Jones, there was "no visible hysteria" among Wooddale students as a result of the incident, which remains

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stein, recalling the assignment. "And Erik picked right up on that. The sky was the next feature of that (El Greco's) print."

Erik, whose regular fifth-grade teacher is Karen Farber, also likes to draw original cartoons.

"I like to do things," he said with a shrug. "I think about it, I just do it."

CLARIFICATION

A story in Thursday's Observer about the preliminary exam in a fatal police chase should have identified one of the defendants as Joseph Foreman, 54, of Farmington Hills.

Foreman was incorrectly identified as Gary Foreman in information from official sources.

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er than later.

"It's just becoming too clear that there is evidence of overcrowding at Longacre," school board Trustee Priscilla Brouillette said Thursday. "... Our goal is for there to be some consideration of their overcrowding" in the final plan. Heath cited several indicators about why Longacre parents are worried about overcrowding. As of Tuesday afternoon, there already were 66 children to be signed up for next year's kindergarten classes at the school, twice that of any other school; the average class size at Longacre, 23.9 pupils, the largest in the district; the composition of the Longacre attendance area is changing, with older people leaving and younger families moving in.

"Longacre parents are not looking for a quick fix, like hiring a teacher," Heath said. "What we are looking for is a long-term fix for our (renovated) school."

After the meeting, Maxfield said efforts will take place to make sure the Longacre situation is included in whatever final proposal draft is voted on by the board.

"Maybe this should be looked at this spring," Maxfield said,

Goldstein described the process of making a tissue paper painting as taking strips of colored paper, dabbing it with water, and enabling the dye to run onto the canvas. Erik then augmented his prismatic portrait in a more-conventional style, using markers to add elements such as the sailboat, for example.

about Longacre. "But the committee felt it didn't have enough concrete information" to have a more-definitive recommendation in the original proposal that was introduced Feb. 6.

One of the reasons the committee recommended splitting Section 8 between Forest and Hillsdale, the schools chief continued, is "We wanted to have a cushion at Hillsdale, should we (eventually) need more room at Longacre."

To reiterate

Some of the parents' other concerns brought out on Feb. 6 were revisited Tuesday.

The redrawing of Section 8 would enable students to attend school much closer to home, a point made by Farmington Green subdivision resident Kelly Small.

"Within one-and-a-half miles (of) my home are three schools," Small said. "I have four major concerns about distance to Wood Creek: inclement weather, emergency, extracurricular and social activities, parental involvement."

"The bottom line is ... being a parent in Section 8 is difficult. It can be 50 or 60 minutes for a round trip. Wouldn't more par-

number of evacuation drills and they know they are to follow directions."

Graves' classroom was the first to be evacuated, followed by all of the other classrooms on that side of the building. Finally, all other classrooms were led to the cafeteria.

Because the school day was near its conclusion, and factoring in the usual time to prepare for normal dismissal, Jones said it's unlikely instructional time will have to be made up.

The veteran art teacher recently was selected National Elementary Art Educator of the Year for 2001 by the National Art Education Association. He will be honored at a special reception at the New York Hilton and Towers, as well as at the National Art Education Association Conference. The conference is from March 13-19.

parents be involved if they were closer?"

Parent Melinda Lansky, who has a first- and third-grader now at Wood Creek, repeated what she said at the Feb. 6 meeting. She would like to see a "grandfather clause" instituted so that any current Wood Creek student could stay there if they wanted to, through fifth grade.

"I'm not opposed for parents wanting their children closer to home," Lansky said. "But on the flip side, I'd like to see students now attending Wood Creek have the opportunity to stay."

"I have first and third grade daughters and they love each other. I'd like to see this as a 'win-win' situation. I don't want to have to make the decision to split them or maybe move my third-grader."

Following the Feb. 6 board meeting, to get a feel for what all Section 8 homeowners thought about the redistricting proposal, survey letters were mailed to all homes. Maxfield said about 220 of approximately 800 homeowners returned the surveys.

"There's very, very strong support" for the redrawing of Section 8, he said. "But there are concerns over implementation."

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