Registration now at arena

Registration is now underway at the Birmingham Ice Arena for classes beginning the week of Sept. 23.

Classes include beginning school figures, figure skating, U.S.F.S.A. basic skills program, boy's power skating, adult beginners, freestyle, and dance.

Further information is available by calling 645-0732, or at the arena to register.

Schools sponsor lecture series

By BARBARA UNDERWOOD

BIRMINGHAM — A mini-town-hall series featuring eight programs will be offered during the fall by the continuing education department of Birmingham Schools.

The "Ladies' Day Out" programs will be offered at 10 a.m. on eight Thursdays starting Oct. 3 at the board room in the administration building, 550 W. Merrill, Birmingham.

Subsequent dates are Oct. 10, 24 and 31; Nov. 7, 14 and 21, and Dec. 5. Each program will last about 90 minutes.

Programs already scheduled include:

• Doris Biscop, Channel 7 newscaster, speaking on "Women in Media — How to Make It."

• A plant happening with Deborah Brackenbury and Mary Lou Mirek of the Sunshine Co. who will bring 20 to 30 plants to discuss and then sell.

• Detective Richard Chambers of the Birmingham Police, speaking on "A Woman Should Know How to Protect Herself," a slide presentation and discussion.

• "Fad versus Fashion — How to Buy Smart," demonstration and advice by Barbara MacIntosh of Affiliated Models.

• "The Perfect Trip — How to Spend Travel Dollars Wisely," by Michael Jacobson of Town Travel, discussing trips from $100 to $2,000.

• "Women's Role in a Changing Society" by a representative of the Oakland University Continuum Center.

The remaining programs will include a consumer panel discussing "How to Make Yourself Heard" and a health panel telling of new advances in three areas — heart, cancer and learning disabilities.

The programs have been chosen for their relevance to everyday life, according to Reva Rosen, coordinator for the continuing education department.

Depending on response, a similar series is planned after the first of the year.

Advance registration is advised at the continuing education office. Enrollment is limited to 150 persons.

Exhibits, lecture at 'Focus: Change'

Woodward Avenue in the Cultural Center will be closed and decorated with shrubbery and torches as the Detroit Institute of Arts and the Detroit Public Library join forces for an evening gala Wednesday.

The public may attend two special exhibitions, hear a lecture and attend a symposium from 7:30 p.m. until 10 p.m. on the general subject "Focus: Change." The event is made possible by Winkleman's for the fourth successive year.

Judge George C. Edwards will start the program with a talk on his new book, "Pioneer-at-Law." This is a biography of his father, George C. Edwards Sr., who fought for changes in law and society in the early years of this century.

The author, a former Detroit police commissioner and now circuit judge, U. S. Court of Appeals, will speak at 7:30 p.m. in the Friends Auditorium of the Main Library.

THE PROGRAM MOVES to the Detroit Institute of Arts lecture hall at 8:30 p.m. for a symposium. "Focus: Change, Energy, the Arts," moderated by Dr. Ann Larimore of the University of Michigan Department of Geography.

Panelists will include poet Donald Hall, professor of English, University of Michigan; Dr. Diane Kirkpatrick, department of History of Art, University of Michigan; artist Boyd Mefferd of St. Louis and New York, who utilizes natural and synthetic light in sculpture; sculptor Ed Wilson, professor of art and art history, State University of New York at Binghamton.

The "Focus: Change" theme honors the World Energy Conference being held in Detroit, as well as the art institute's major exhibition "Cobra and Contrasts," documenting a key period in modern art, and the library's "Imagination: The Great Effector of Change" exhibit of books. Both exhibitions will be open during the evening.

The lecture and the symposium, followed by music and refreshments at the museum, are open to the public without charge. Free tickets for the symposium are available in advance at the art institute ticket office.

Peace center to broadcast

"Military Spending — Its Impact on Inflation and the Economy" is the subject of a Channel 56 program at 11 p.m. Thursday (Sept. 19). Prepared by the Peace and National Priorities Center of Oakland County, the program is a part of the "It's Your Turn" series.

Musical opening and closing will be performed by Geri Lester of Franklin and Beth Jones of West Bloomfield. Other local participants are R. B. Angell, Birmingham; Judy Cumbee, Lake Orion; Gerry McNabb, Orchard Lake; and Ralph Stallard, Rochester.

Special guest Marion Anderson will discuss findings in her recent study on unemployment, "The Empty Pork Barrel."

For further information call Mrs. McNabb, 682-4061.

Christmas shops open at museum

The seasonal Christmas Gallery of the Detroit Institute of Arts Museum Shops has opened its doors.

International, national and local sources have been explored to assemble 'finds' in every holiday shopping category, from greeting cards to unusual personal and household gifts.

Highlights in the Christmas Gallery this year are textiles and wall hangings from Guatemala, Mexico and Africa; metal bells created by Italian-born architect and designer Paolo Soleri; a kinetic engagement calendar for 1975 produced by The Museum of Modern Art, New York — a transparent hourglass complete with shifting sand on the cover.

MICHIGAN ARTISTS are the source of one-of-a-kind toys, jewelry and ceramics. Wooden toys for youngsters or adult collectors are crafted by George Landino of Birmingham.

Exotic brass and bead necklaces are created by Mary Solaka who finds material and inspiration on her travels in Middle Eastern countries.

Marie Woo and Jan Sadowski, both of Birmingham, and Joan David are signatures on ceramics.

Continuing import favorites are delicate Russian lacquer boxes and colorful woven baskets from Africa and Central America.

CHRISTMAS wrappings, decorations for tree and table and small stocking stuffers add to the variety.

Four new greeting cards are introduced this season, reproducing full color works from the permanent collection of the Detroit Institute of Arts by Claude Monet, Emil Nolde, Charles Demuth and Charles Le Brun.

They join previous favorites from the Detroit collection, as well as selections from the Metropolitan Museum, the Museum of Modern Art, the Philadelphia Museum of Art, Olsen Press and Caspari.

The year-around Museum Shop provides art books in all price ranges, the largest selection in Detroit. Special Christmas editions and limited editions are now emphasized.

The Christmas Gallery complements the two permanent Museum Shops located in the Woodward entrance lobby and the South Wing lobby (Farnsworth entrance).

ALL THE SHOPS are open Tuesday through Sunday, 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. They are operated as a service of the Founders Society Detroit Institute of Arts for the general public.

Special gift wrapping and mailing may be arranged. The Museum Shops accept Mastercharge and BankAmericard. Founders Society members receive a 10 percent discount on all purchases over $5.

Real estate courses set

Persons who wish to learn about the real estate business or to prepare to take the state realty licensing examination for salespeople can now do so through a new home study 10-lesson course offered by Oakland University's Division of Continuing Education.

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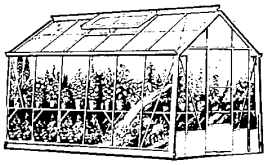

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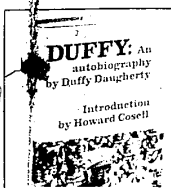

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