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## Drug Series Shows Contrasts Between User's Horror, Hope

By ELIZABETH WISSMAN

Wednesday night's session on drugs, arranged by the Farmington Area Jaycee Auxiliary and Farmington junior high schools, was a contrast between hope and despair.

An intellectual, hopeful note was offered by Ronald Cowan, consultant in vocational rehabilitation for Oakland Schools.

A combination of hope and despair was offered by a 19-year-old former drug user named Lynn who is undergoing rehabilitation.

BEFORE she described her progression from marijuana to acid, Lynn took exception to being called "an addict."

"Addict is not a proper word," she said.

Looking like an old-world Italian painting, and speaking in modulated tones, Lynn told the audience in Farmington High School about a world full of horror.

She traced her experiences with LSD from experimentation with marijuana when she was 17 and attended parties at which 20-30 teenagers would turn up under the influence of drugs.

HER FIRST TRIP with acid, Lynn said, lasted 12

hours, and she hallucinated, losing perception and seeing flashing colors and lights.

After her parents discovered she was using drugs, they reported her to the police, Lynn said. "The police aren't the answer."

The girl went off drugs, left home, but was back on drugs in two months when friends started "bringing her acid and pills."

IN A STILL softer voice, she said, "In July I went on a burner. I got so high I was scared and asked for a downer. I really went into the burner when I went home and was all alone. On the way I ran over a paper bag and I thought I heard a bloody scream. "At home I laid down and smelled smoke, or thought I did. I lay there and could feel my flesh burning, and I lay there for three hours with my flesh burning. It took me three days to come down."

"I went back to the Pontiac Mental Health Clinic. This time I was with a group of kids, and we could talk. This is important because you can't talk to your parents."

The former user said she lived with the drug sub-cult off and on, and "When you're really heavy with drugs, you're stuck with them because you're as far down as they are."

IN CONTRAST WITH Lynn, Cowan discussed par-

ent relationships with the teenage addict and non-user.

He said: "90% of the teenagers growing up today are different than we were. They're rebellious. If you begin by not liking them because they wear their hair long or some other thing, then it's senseless—there's no relationship, if the only thing you say to your child is 'I don't like,' then you'd better examine your relationship right now."

"You should have the kind of relationship with your children in which, if they need help, they'll come to you. I think that at some point all kids using drugs are on the fence. In that instance, hopefully, one of the people they'll check with is you."

CITING REASONS for youths using drugs, Cowan said: "Many suffer from inability to find pleasure in existence. They're alienated. They have an inability to find a meaning outside themselves."

He added, "Somehow you're going to have to communicate with them that you still love them and that you're still open to communication so that when you are needed they can come to you. If you need help in feeling out the situation, then seek it. The logical place to start is with the school counselor, who probably knows more about the stresses your child faces than you do."

## New Township Hall Dedicated

It was a warm, breezy spring day when the crowd gathered outdoors at 11 Mile and Orchard Lake to dedicate the new Farmington Township Hall.

The ribbon-cutting was to have been delayed until landscaping was completed, but the decision was made that a suitable occasion for the ceremony would be Government Day (May 18) during Michigan Week.

SUITABLE ALSO because it was the day the Farmington Township Beautification Committee presented awards for Beautifiers in the community (See story elsewhere in today's issue).

Those present were quick to observe that they were standing on beautiful grounds and were hardly surprised when the Township Hall was among the buildings in the community receiving a beautification award.

The program started with the invocation from the Rev. Hugh Stewart, pastor of St. Stephen Presbyterian Church and chairman of the Farmington Youth Guidance Committee.

Stewart prayed for the blessing of the township hall, not just as a building but as a place where the needs of people can be met and justice accomplished.

The American and Michigan flags were raised by Farmington Boy Scout Troop 45 and then guests were introduced

by Farmington Township Supervisor Curtis Hall.

AMONG THE guests were: Sen. George Kuhn (R-West Bloomfield), Rep. Raymond Baker (R-Farmington), Ray Alexander, director of Oakland County Parks and Recreation, and William Andre, visiting mayor from North Muskegon.

Also present were: Dr. Roderick J. Smith, superintendent of the Farmington School District; Bill Bowman, of Thompson-Brown Co. and chairman of the township building committee; George Ray, president Farmington Chamber of Commerce; and Farmington City Manager John Diman.

The ceremony was held on the courtyard with Hall, Bowman, Kuhn and Baker cutting the ribbon.

Construction of the building, valued at about \$380,000, started early in 1969 and was finished just over a year later. Township officials occupied the building last August.

In 1962, the township moved into the old township office, now connected to the new building. But as the population grew and police force expanded, the old hall was quickly outgrown.

"Now, all of the township offices are in the new building with the exception of the police department which has occupied all of the old hall."

BEFORE 1962, township offices were housed on the lower level of the Masonic Lodge

building at Grand River and Farmington Rds. in the City of Farmington.

Recalling the days of occupancy in the city, Hall said in 1940 the township had 4,000 residents and administrative offices occupied 4,000 square-feet.

In 1970, Hall added, the township has about 35,000 people and administrative offices occupy 15,000 square-feet.

Hall quipped that this change was a good example of "Republican efficiency."

After ribbon-cutting, those in attendance witnessed the beau-

tification award program, toured the new building and visited the old hall to view the new radio-communication unit of the Farmington Township Police Department.



HALL DEDICATIONS--The new Farmington Township Hall was dedicated on Government Day during Michigan Week. Cutting the ribbon are (from left) Farmington Township Supervisor Curtis Hall, Rep. Raymond Baker (R-Farmington); Sen. George Kuhn (R-West Bloomfield); and Bill Bowman, of Thompson-Brown Co. and chairman of township building committee. (Everett photo).

## Quakertown Habitants Fear Sewer, Offices Will Destroy Area's Image

The Village of Quakertown is embroiled in a controversy involving the continuing development of the Farmington area.

Early next month the village council will decide the fate of a proposed 120-acre office complex to be constructed between Drake and Farmington Rds. just north of I-696. The northern boundary of the proposed project would be 12 Mile Rd.

Besides being the first commercial development in the otherwise all residential village, the project calls for completion of the last large link of sanitary sewers in Farmington Township.

The sewer line, Quakertown residents fear, will cause the wells on which they depend for water to go dry and also damage the scenic beauty of the 16-year-old village.

Max Sheldon, co-developer with Thompson-Brown Co., presented his plans to villagers Monday night during a special meeting in the First Presbyterian Church. About 100 persons attended.

Sheldon, who said he developed the first Kendallwood subdivision in Farmington Township 17 years ago, displayed plans for the complex which would be developed about 1975.

THE DEVELOPMENT,

Sheldon said, would require a change in village zoning ordinance. The present ordinance fails to provide for commercial zoning. Offices are allowed on 40-acre or larger parcels.

The proposed office complex includes a 200,000-square-foot shopping center at the southwest corner of Farmington Rd. and 12 Mile.

Sheldon's planner, Charles Leman, said the shopping center part of the complex would be a little less than twice the size of the Demery's shopping center northeast of the intersection of 12 Mile and Farmington Rd.

Leman said 20 acres of the site would be used for a "high quality shopping center." The

offices in the complex would be "similar to the type of development you've seen to the east in Southfield," Leman commented.

THE PLANNER said the complex would have up to four-story office buildings initially but includes space for buildings up to 10 stories.

Leman said the village zoning ordinance needs to be "pretty thoroughly overhauled."

"The way the ordinance is structured," Leman said, "makes it hard to develop."

Leman noted an extensive market survey has been done on the property.

"The trend is apparent. The

market is there. We can prove the market is there," Leman said.

Sheldon noted that Quakertown may be absorbed soon by either the City of Farmington or a new city in the area of Farmington Township.

A group of Farmington Township residents have petitioned for an election to consolidate Farmington Township and Quakertown. A recent consolidation attempt among the City of Farmington, Farmington Township and Quakertown failed.

The residents would have less control over zoning in either case, he said.

Here is your opportunity to have a say," Sheldon said.

RESIDENTS seemed most concerned with construction of the sanitary sewer and changing the character of the Quakertown area from residential to business.

Resident comments included: "Why must this be here? We have a nice quiet community."

"We're doing all right now. Add 300 to 500 people there and we'd be better off."

"This would push the issue to provide municipal services."

The sanitary sewer, which Sheldon said was planned 12 years ago by the Oakland County Department of Public

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