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Election Surprises

The deadline has passed for candidates to file for the August primary and in Farmington Township the last-minute filings produced a couple of surprises. One is that four candidates have filed for the treasurer's post and another that L. David Stader, planning commission secretary, is seeking to move up to the township board.

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Spiro & George

American history may have turned out different if Spiro Agnew were King George. But being an Englishman, George kept his cool and the yellow press in Boston was left free to continue publishing as a mouthpiece for the colonial radicals. The Boston Gazette's "contributions" is the topic of today's second in a series of articles on that first Fourth of July 194 years ago.

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Saving Yesterday

Lost in the torrid suburban sprawl of recent years have been old towns like Farmington and Plymouth. But social thinkers see something worth saving in their life style. Emory Daniels takes a look at a fresh approach to a communications and commercial revival.

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Business Beat

Popcorn in 33 flavors... an expensive new subdivision... a new home for a familiar restaurant. The Business Beat has the word on the local economy and entrepreneurs.

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Doc's Dope

In addition to the inside dope at the race tracks, Doc Minard tells the story of Ted Taylor, the winningest harness driver last year and the possessor of a rocking-chair job in 1970.

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It's Mutual

Mrs. William F. Lancaster is a rare teacher in several ways. She's 89 years old, and she's been teaching almost 70 years. She's enthusiastic about her students, and her students are enthusiastic about her. There's more.

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MR. BUSINESSMAN,

LOOKING FOR SUMMER HELP?

See today's want-ad section and pick from the local kids with initiative, we think you'll find willing workers.

FREE work wanted ads to all Jr. & Sr. high school students. See student want ads and find how to place your ad.

Classified WANT ADS

A Rare Opportunity For Area

A wonderful opportunity to sit on rolling greensward and hear beautiful music in an outdoor setting is coming up June 28 at the Farmington Community Center.

At 4 p.m. on that date, Max Davey of 25747 Kilreigh Ct., Farmington, will present his orchestra of 18 top professional musicians and his 40-voice Max Davey Singers for the first time in Farmington.

Davey is doing this because "it gives me personal satisfaction to do something like this for the community."

THE CENTER will pick up the tab for the musicians, but the singers are a non-profit group organized by Davey nine years ago. All proceeds from concerts are donated to selected charities and individuals.

The singers have a background of two major concerts a year, originally at the Detroit Institute of Arts and more recently, as the demand for tickets assured sellout audiences, at Ford Auditorium.

They have also presented several lesser concerts in Detroit annually.

IN 1969, the Max Davey Singers presented an international television show on Channel 2 hosted by Hollywood star Don Murray and featuring Pat Boone, Shari Lewis, Jackie Vernon, the singing Little People and a rock group, the Free Design.

The show was sponsored by the Alexander Hamilton Life Insurance Co. of America.

DAVEY, who attended Wayne State and The Kings College, does this sort of thing with show business acumen, although he is a design engineer by profession.

A member of the North Farmington Kiwanis Club, Davey and his wife are best known for the work they did in initiating drug assemblies and the showing of the drug film "Way Out."

As an adjunct to his presidency of the Davey Design and Die Engineering Co., Davey is also president of Concert Series, Inc.

He plays the trumpet and got his first impromptu experience as director of music for five years at Camp of the Woods, a resort in upstate New York.

THE MUSICAL BILL at the center concert on June 28 will have something for everybody, featuring hit songs from yesterday and today.

Yesterday's songs will include "Summertime," "76 Trombones," "Say It with Music" and a piano solo of "Exodus."

Current songs will include "Phoenix," "Sinning Wheel," "Up, up and Away," "In My Beautiful Balloon" and a couple of soul numbers.

The center is sponsoring the concert in connection with its fund-raising drive and it marks the first time an entity like the center has produced its own musical concert.

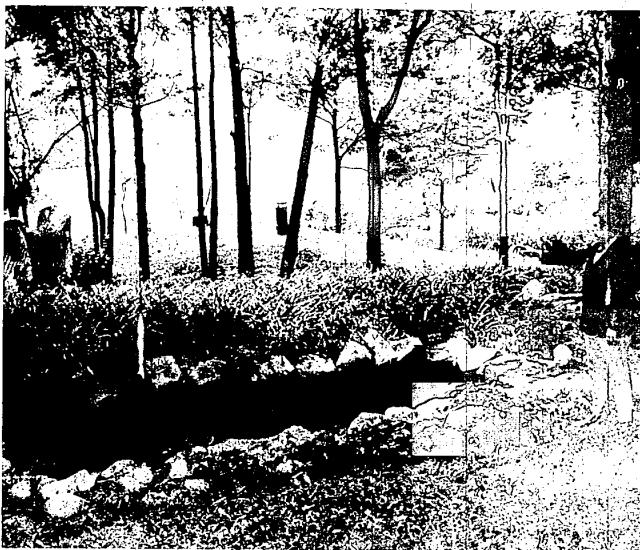
Auto Victim's Memoriam Will Help Addicts

A Gary P. Riley Memorial Fund has been established with contributions going to Rap Line, Inc., a drug prevention program in the Farmington area.

Gary, a 15-year student at Farmington Junior High School, died Sunday morning in a car accident near Lima, Ohio.

Checks for the fund may be mailed to Gary's father, George F. Riley, at 32781 Eleven Mile Rd., Farmington. The money will be passed on to Rap Line.

Gary and another boy, William Gzinski, 15, of Northville, were killed when the car they were passengers in struck a culvert and ran into a pillar



CONCERT SETTING -- The pool, statue of an eagle, and grove of trees is the setting for the June 28 outdoor concert by the Max Davey Singers of the Farmington Community Center. Davey stands at the right of the pool and surveys the center grounds to find the best natural setting to backdrop his concert shell. The public is invited and no admission will be charged for the concert which begins at 4 p.m. (Evert photo)

Will Center Survive? Certainly! And You Can Profit

Farmington has a Community Center -- in name only.

Before the Goodenough mansion becomes a full-fledged Community Center it must receive the financial backing of the entire community and draw the community to its groups.

HALF OF THIS requirement has almost been realized -- an amazing accomplishment considering the center has just observed its first birthday.

Yes, residents have been drawn to the center for special programs and to enroll in special classes. Much more use will be made of the center as the community awakens to the many advantages offered there.

EDITORIAL

But the Goodenough mansion will be a Community Center in name only unless it does receive financial backing from the entire community.

THE CENTER was opened last year only because of generous contributions from merchants, industrialists, professional people and other large donors. This was necessary, for that first year, to get things going and to acquire the house.

But the Farmington Area should not depend upon these large donors to continually finance the center. After one year's operation, it is now evident the center will never become self-sufficient but will always depend upon charitable donors for its continued operation.

This year, \$35,000 is needed just to continue operation, not to mention capital improvements. For the next few years, Farmington residents can look forward to being asked to finance an operating budget for the Center between \$30,000 and \$50,000.

True, industry and business are capable of underwriting this cost from year to year. But the spirit of a Community Center will not be realized in the Farmington Area if only this happens. To obtain this spirit, the center must be supported by the 50,000 residents of the Farmington Area.

It's an easy task, really, if the community wants to have a center. If 3,500 homeowners write a check for \$10, operational expenses will be met and in 1970, for the first time, the Goodenough mansion will become the Community Center in the fullest sense.

FOR \$10, \$15 or \$20, Farmington residents can do their part to insure the center can operate in 1970-71.

That check is a season's ticket for use of the center and can be presented any time during the year.

The center has already held events for the entire family and will continue to be a gathering place for the entire community! This month, Max Davey will present a spectacular outdoor summer concert on the grounds of the center -- free of charge. This is just one event your season's ticket will buy.

The center is a fine locality for family events -- place for a wedding reception; a picnic spot for family reunions; or golden anniversary parties; graduation parties, etc. Since Farmington does not have a large banquet hall, the center is available to meet a very definite community need.

ANOTHER VERY definite community need being met by the center is a gathering place for our senior citizens. The center offers the atmosphere of a home and is a pleasant environment for retirees to enjoy social activities.

In addition, the center has already sponsored excellent programs for senior citizens, such as the bus trip to Detroit Institute of Arts to see the Rembrandt exhibit and another trip to Frankenmuth. Both trips were very popular with senior citizens.

Another popular offering at the center was the Discovery Series, featuring local potter John Glick and other experts giving lectures and demonstrations. Well received has been the numerous classes offered in the center, ranging from archery, ballet, wood carving to sewing, arts and modeling.

The classes are a very valuable service to the community and will increase in value as residents become better aware of the opportunities. Especially valuable are the self-improvement classes. A speed-reading class offered this summer is just the thing for a student having trouble in high school or a young person enrolling in college this fall.

IN THE VERY near future, the Community Center will become the real focal point for the Farmington Area. The Center is worth keeping and very definitely needs your support.

We urge all residents of this area to write a check today for \$10 or \$20. And drop a note when you mail the check stating: "I believe Farmington needs a Community Center. As one of 50,000 beneficiaries, I will do my part to make it a Community Center in spirit so it will not be just a title."

Checks may be sent to: Farmington Community Center, 24705 Farmington Rd., Farmington, Mich. 48024.

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