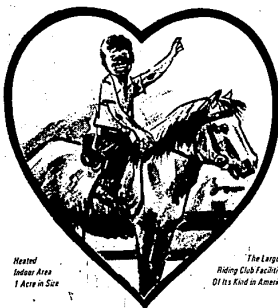


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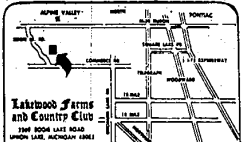
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At the Center

Big news at Farmington Community Center for the coming week is the first presentation of the fall discovery series, "Ins and Outs of Fashion" by Marji Kunz, Oct. 7 at 10 a.m. (coffee at 9:30).
Miss Kunz is familiar to everyone through her vivacious and informative columns in the Detroit Free Press where she is fashion editor. She has, at various times, reported on courtier showings in New York, Paris, Rome, Florence, Athens and London.
A native Detroit, Miss Kunz received her bachelor degree in arts from Wayne State University. During her college days, she was awarded a guest editorship on Mademoiselle Magazine.
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MRS. VAN ASKOUNES' Christmas Ideas Workshop has been an over-subscribed that she has agreed to do another series on successive Mondays, Oct. 26, Nov. 2, 9, and 23 from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

In the first two sessions, the class will make a holiday ensemble consisting of a table wreath and pair of wall sconces. The third session will be devoted to constructing a topiary tree of pine cones.

At the fourth, fresh greens will be used for holiday centerpieces, mantel, buffet or table arrangements. Free for all four is \$10 with an extra charge for materials.

OVER THE PAST year, the Center has received countless gifts from friends in the area and these have been deeply appreciated.

There are still many needs. Donations of which would make the facility more comfortable, more attractive, or more useful. Such gifts are tax deductible.

If any individual or business or organization is willing to make such a donation, the following are the most needed items:

- Trading stamps, pictures, lamps, folding tables, vacuum cleaner, blackboard, facilities for showing films or slides, loud speaker and/or intercom system, carpeting, pad for large Oriental rug, electric heater, china plain white or cream with simple gold or silver border to add to some given last year! (Iat silver or stainless steel).

Many volunteers have given and continue to give their time assisting with the many projects always simmering in the pot at the Center. Many such workers would be welcomed with open arms - volunteers who could help with office work, senior citizen programs, class registrations, and social events such as the coming bridge luncheon which begins Wednesday, Oct. 14.

Township Delays Action On Police Political Acts

Discussion concerning political activity by policemen is scheduled to be held again by the Farmington Township Board at its Oct. 12 regular meeting.

Discussion is expected to center on the behavior of Earl Teeples, supervisor-elect, and other police officers alleged to have participated in political activity.

IF ACTION is taken against Teeples it will follow 10 weeks after he was elected in the Aug. 4 primary and four months after Teeples signed an affidavit confirming his candidacy.

The item first appeared on the township agenda the night the board held a special meeting to discuss the refusal of certain officers to cooperate with the county prosecutor.

But the special meeting consumed too much time and the agenda item was tabled until the next regular meeting, Sept. 28.

At the Sept. 28 meeting, Trustee Earl Oppertbauer was absent and Trustee Thomas Nolan asked that the item be removed from the agenda because of Oppertbauer's absence.

Oppertbauer underwent an operation, was released from the hospital, and is home recovering.

THE SEPT. 28 agenda item read: "Consideration of violations of Police Manual. Regarding political activity on the part of certain officers."

A few weeks back, Township Attorney Joseph T. Brennan had advised the board to investigate the behavior of Patrolman William Hoelt, who allegedly circulated petitions for Nolan's candidacy for treasurer.

Since the agenda item referred to political activity of "certain officers", it is expected the Hoelt's behavior will be reviewed as well as Teeples'.

Oakland County Circuit Court has refused to issue a restraining order preventing the board from disciplining Teeples. The action leaves the board free, if it so desires, to suspend or dismiss Teeples as Detective Sergeant with the township police force.

If that action is taken Oct. 12, it would leave Teeples unemployed for 39 days because the supervisor-elect will take office as supervisor on Nov. 20.

A REPORT which might be divulged Oct. 12 is one written by Farmington Township Police Chief Irving Yates concerning Patrolman John Hedrick, president of the Farmington Township Police Officers Association (FPOA).

Yates was instructed by the board to investigate and take whatever disciplinary action he deemed necessary against Hedrick for bringing a POA attorney on the scene of a crime.

It was the POA attorney who instructed township police officers not to give information to the prosecutor concerning the shootings of Harold Braun and Eldon Kephart.

Yates has completed his report and submitted it to Supervisor Curtis Hall before the Sept. 28 board meeting. However, mention of the report was not made then.

The board has been conducting its own study of the quality of command leadership in the township police force.

It is probable the Oct. 12 meeting will include discussion on Yates report concerning Hedrick, the behavior of Teeples and Hoelt, and any conclusion the board might reach on police leadership.

ANOTHER POLICE matter which definitely will be on the agenda is a legal opinion from Brennan on the township's responsibility to pay legal fees for its police officers.

Brennan was asked at the last meeting to search the law relative to the township's responsibility to pay legal fees incurred by the issuance of warrants against police officers who are ultimately vindicated.

Hall commented that in Detroit the POA pays for legal costs incurred by officers defending their actions in line of duty.

The supervisor said other communities have not had the question come up but indicate they would decide each individual case on its own merits.

BRENNAN SAID the law permits the township to defend an officer in a civil suit but he is not sure if a law exists allowing the township to pay for the legal defense of a criminal action.

Nolan said he wanted a legal opinion and survey of what communities do across the state before the board establishes a policy.

"If the prosecutor's office can cause legal expenses up to \$10,000 and the warrant is not upheld," commented Hall, "Then communities will have a problem recruiting police officers."

Trustee Margaret Schaeffer said: "I don't think we should pay legal fees if the officer is convicted."

"But if he's acquitted, it is asking a lot to have the police officer assume the obligation. I am hopeful that the FPOA could work this out like it seems to be done in Detroit."

Hall observed the Detroit POA has 4,000 members while the FPOA has only 36 which would be costly because there were two criminal warrants issued last month.

"I think the county should be held liable for legal fees if the prosecutor issues a bad warrant," Hall said.

"The officer always has the right to ask the court to appoint counsel if he can't afford one," said Trustee Fred Lichtman "or the POA attorney could volunteer to handle the defense."

Worthington, a township resident, will attend classes for eight weeks at the Detroit Police Academy before being assigned road patrol says Hall.

AT ITS LAST meeting, the township board hired a returning Army veteran as a patrolman replacing an officer who was injured in an accident and has not been working since last January.

James A. Worthington was a cadet with the township for two years before entering the Army for a two-year stint. He left the military with the rank of corporal.

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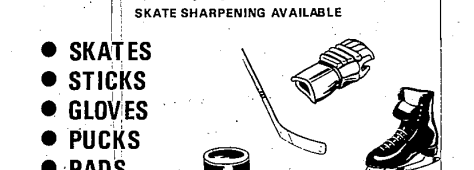
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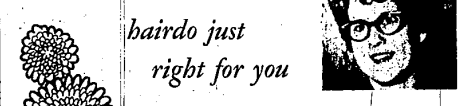
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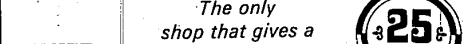


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