

today's hot line

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what's inside

School Report

A concise summary of school events in 1970 is offered inside today's Farmington Enterprise & Observer by Supt. Roderick J. Smith. In the same article, Dr. Smith gives his preview of what 1971 holds in store for the Farmington School District.

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It's Your Winter!

This winter can be an educational one for Farmington residents of all ages because of a large variety of classes sponsored by the Farmington Community Center and another series of classes co-sponsored by the Farmington Public Schools adult education department and the Farmington Arts Council. A full listing of a large variety of winter experiences available can be found inside.

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Beauty Work

There's a lot more to beautifying an area than planting flowers, as you'll learn when you read about this week's "Women Of The Go."

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Suburban Baby

If the GOP calls Jackson its birthplace, what about the new Human Rights Party? Farmington and Southfield are its joint birthplace, and dissatisfied liberals from other Observerland towns are joining at the delivery. Here's one of the dailies missed.

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Double College

Right now Schoolcraft College has 5,000 students, but plans are afoot to handle 10,000 in a few years. President Eric Bradner, in his last six months in office, tells what kind of planning is going on. See Regional Affairs.

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TRAGEDY STRIKES--This is the spot on 13 Mile Rd. that Miss Debbie Sams was attempting to cross on her way to North Farmington High School Monday morning. When our photographer arrived, only Debbie's hat, shoes and school books were on the pavement be-

cause Debbie was already in Botsford General Hospital, where she died Monday afternoon. Police caution all pedestrians that roadways should be crossed as quickly as possible with all normal cautions taken. (Ralph Evert photo)

NFHS Coed, Driver Die In Traffic

The beginning of the new year in Farmington was marred by two traffic fatalities.

Dead are a Lansing man and a high school student. Both accidents occurred in Farmington Township.

Debbie Sams, 17, died Monday afternoon in Botsford General Hospital after being struck at 7:20 that morning.

Miss Sams had left her residence at 2815 Quail Hollow Rd. and was en route to North Farmington High School. Police said she was walking near the center line on 13 Mile Rd. just west of Ravenscroft Street when she was struck by an eastbound auto.

The driver reported he failed to see the girl until after the impact. Miss Sams was with a girlfriend who had

already crossed the road when the accident occurred.

THE OTHER fatality was Larry Baun, 74, of Lansing.

Baun reportedly drove his car off 1-696 onto Orchard Lake Rd., stopped and then pulled directly into the path of an auto driven by Randall McDonald, 18, of Farmington Township, witnesses told police.

Baun and his wife were thrown from the car onto Orchard Lake Rd. Baun was pronounced dead at Botsford Hospital about two hours later, and his wife was listed in serious condition. They were on their way to visit relatives in Birmingham.

McDonald and one passenger, David Abbey, 19, of Farmington Township, were taken to Botsford and released.

Another passenger, Dean Tucker, 18, also of the township, was admitted for treatment.

Police made no charges.

OTHERWISE, city and township police recorded a relatively light 20 accidents over the weekend.

From noon Dec. 31 to midnight Jan. 3, there were 14 automobile accidents in Farmington Township.

This is a little higher than normal, reported Sgt. Arlo Newell of the Township's traffic safety division, but was attributed to bad driving conditions rather than holiday celebrating.

There were only five traffic accidents in the City of Farmington during the same period.

"We normally do not have many accidents during the holiday periods," explained Robert Deadman, director of the Public Safety Dept. "Our residents seem to travel from city to city and don't do much driving within the city."

Deadman added there were a lot of family trouble calls handled during the holiday season but nothing of a serious nature.

Will Honor Holland James Brickley Speaking Here For Chamber Jan. 13

Michigan's lieutenant governor, James H. Brickley, will be the keynote speaker at the Farmington Chamber of Commerce's annual meeting Jan. 13. Brickley's address will follow the business meeting which will be held in the Botsford Inn. Social hour will begin at 6 p.m., followed by dinner at 7 p.m. and the business meeting which will include election of nine directors.

IN ADDITION to the lieutenant governor's address, the chamber will also honor Ron Holland as its selection for the chamber's first "man of the year" award.

Holland, head football coach for 10 years at North Farmington High School, has

also been active in the community including two years service as Founders Festival chairman. George Ray, chamber president, says Holland is being recognized "not only for bringing the state football championship to our community but also for his character building influence on the boys he has worked with through the years."

The following persons have been proposed for election to the chamber's Board of Directors: Ed Balden, Farmington Center Co.; John Burke, attorney; John Courville, Ebenezer Shop; Bill Flattery, First Federal Savings; Ed Lane, Panasonic; Ray Lyons, Lorne Co.; Philip H. Power, publisher, Observer Newspapers, Inc.

Alan Warner, Farmington Holding Co. and Tom Zoedes, architect.

The six candidates with the highest number of votes will be elected to two-year terms and the other three will serve for one year.

THE GUEST speaker has an extensive background in public service at city, county and federal levels.

Most recently, before being elected lieutenant governor, Brickley was U.S. attorney for Eastern Michigan. Previously, he was a Detroit common councilman and chief assistant prosecutor for Wayne County.

He earned a bachelor of philosophy in 1951 and a law degree in 1954 from University of Detroit and in 1958,

received a master's degree in public and administrative law from New York University.

Brickley spent four years as a special agent for the FBI and then entered private law practice in 1959 for two years until elected to the Detroit Common Council in 1961. At 32, he was one of the youngest men ever elected to the council.

In 1967, Brickley was named chief assistant prosecutor for Wayne County and two years later was appointed U.S. attorney for Eastern Michigan.

Brickley, who has also served as part-time lecturer in government at U-D, WSU and UM, is married, has six children and lives in Detroit. Tickets for the prime rib



JAMES H. BRICKLEY Lieutenant Governor

dinner are being sold for \$7 per person. Reservations may be made by calling the chamber at 474-3440.

Violet Clark Asks Grand Jury Probe

By EMORY DANIELS

Mrs. Violet Clark has filed a formal request with Detroit Recorder's Court asking for a grand jury investigation into the criminal charges brought against her husband, Dr. Ronald E. Clark.

Mrs. Clark believes a grand jury should specifically investigate two points—the willful destruction of evidence and the suppression of evidence.

Her charges stem from the latest chapter in the developing tragic epic of the once, and maybe still, brilliant physician who now is serving a 2-1/2 year manslaughter sentence in Jackson State Prison for the death of his former nurse, Grace Neil of Livonia.

THE FORMER Farmington physician has now been charged with manslaughter for the death of another former aide, Mrs. Hannah Bowerbank. The pre-trial examination

of patient records of Mrs. Neil and Mrs. Bowerbank that she loaned to the Farmington Township Police Department. The records were turned over to then Det. Sgt. Earl Teeples, she adds.

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