

FARMINGTON FOCUS

Clowning for a cause

Circle Sunday, April 23, on the calendar as the night to dine out at the Farmington Big Boy restaurant, and you can "clown around" for a good cause.

The Farmington Big Boy Restaurant, 20783 Farmington Road, and the Alhambra Clowns, will host "Circus Night" from 4-8 p.m. in order to help send developmentally disabled children to summer camp at St. Francis Camp on the Lake.

The festivities will include an appearance by the Big Boy costumed character, pony rides, face painting, Big Boy treats, and balloon sculptures for the kids.

According to restaurant owner George Darany Jr., 10 percent of the entire day's sales and 100 percent of tips will go directly to this cause.

"For the parents of a developmentally disabled child, the day-to-day cost of their care often means sacrificing what most of us take for granted," said Darany. "These children deserve a summer of fun and laughter, and with the help of our wonderful Big Boy customers and the Alhambra Association, we hope to give it to them."

Vegas in the Hills

Jayce chapters from Farmington Area and Troy will co-host a Vegas Night on Saturday, April 29, with a portion of the proceeds going to benefit Team Farmington special Olympics and the March of Dimes.

The event will be 6 p.m. to midnight at Langan's Bowling Alley, 14 Mile Road and Northwestern Highway.

Memory Lane

From the April 14, 1965 edition of the Farmington Enterprise:

- Farmington businessman Delos Hamlin was re-elected to the office of chairman pro-tem of the Oakland County Board of Supervisors.
- Attraction at the Civic Theater in downtown Farmington was "Cattle Queen of Montana," starring Ronald Reagan and Barbara Stanwyck.
- Short item: "Music washes away from the soul the dust of everyday life."

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But several residents who use the service or just want to keep it available, saw the issue in other terms.

Dora Pappas, who is visually impaired, said she depends on SMART to "keep her job in Detroit."

"I couldn't afford to take a cab," she said. "How would you get me to work without it? This allows me to be independent."

Other residents, like Andy Nickelhoff, said the service also serves those who don't ride by allowing workers from Detroit to come to Farmington Hills.

Jan Hooper, a Hills resident and bus rider for the past 12 years, said she sees faculty and students from Wayne State University, employees of General Motors, Henry Ford, Blue Cross and other businesses on her buses.

"There's a myth that we don't need Detroit and Detroit doesn't need us," she said.

Mary Ojala, executive director of Supporters of Regional Transportation, said she was "very disappointed" in the stand by Wolf and Moffitt, adding that Oakland and Macomb counties had been given a "free ride," and had not supported the system through taxes.

Ojala said the council should get all the facts before deciding whether to put the issue to Farmington Hills voters.

"Get your facts straight," she

said. "At least do that." Councilmembers agreed to consider the issue at the April 24 meeting. Paul Majka, deputy general manager for SMART, said he will make available information on efforts to improve the system.

Farmington Hills has until May 5 to take a stand on the matter and decide whether or not to remain part of the authority. If it does, Farmington Hills would not have a say, but would not be taxed for the system. The city currently contributes \$84,448 annually to the system. If no action is taken, Hills voters will take part in the county-wide vote.

Several communities have already backed out. Novi, West Bloomfield, Waterford Township, Groveland Township, Holly

Township, Rose Township, Highland Township, Independence Township, Lyon Township, and the villages of Leonard, Wolverine, Ortonville and Milford will not vote on the issue.

Councilman Terry Sever said SMART has not done a good sales job considering that it is running a \$4 million deficit and a \$21 million debt. He asked whether fares could be increased to bail out the system.

"That would mean that the users would support the service," he said.

Majka said studies had shown that fare increases would cost the system customers and that the system now receives 21 percent (\$11 million) of their budget from fares.

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losses of service, convincing the post office not to end Saturday hours and to provide early delivery of mail, setting up a senior citizen's center committee that eventually moved the city toward purchase of the Mercy complex,

and helping obtain tax money for city road projects. Himself a council watcher for 25 years before being elected, Vagnozzi said traffic problems are becoming one of the maturing city's biggest headaches.

He recently asked for a citywide traffic review, has supported the police and fire departments, and supported passage of the ice arena proposal and the parks and recreation tax proposal.

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