

League Explains Bussing Stance

The West Bloomfield-Farmington Area League of Women Voters announced it is opposed to any proposed constitutional amendment which would prohibit bussing to achieve racial integration in the schools.

Mrs. Richard Gould, president, explains the LWV stands for "opportunity for education, employment and



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BEAUTY AWARD — The City of Farmington Beautification Committee has received the distinguished achievement award earned in a national contest for efforts in 1971. The award was given by the committee to the city to recognize combined efforts of residents, merchants and civic groups. From left: Mrs. Shirley Richardson, beautification committee; Mayor Whitour Brotherton, and Mrs. Carol Kurth, beautification chairman. (Evert photo)

North Concert Held Tonight

The annual mid-winter choral concert is being presented by North Farmington High School in the school on Saturday, Feb. 26, beginning at 8:15 p.m.
Admission is \$1 for students and \$1.50 for adults.
The choral groups will perform a variety of music dating from the Renaissance period through the present era.
The Women's Chorale will feature two Brahms folk songs and a Bach anthem while the men of the Nunsamen will perform two sea chanteys.
Combining to form the Concert Choir, the two groups will sing Bachmann's "Nure Dimittis." The singing of the Northern Chorale will bring the concert to an end.
Selections will include a Protestant hymn and two songs of Debussy.



PYSANKY TAUGHT -- Pysanky, the ancient Ukrainian art of decorating Easter eggs, will be taught by Anastasia Volker beginning March 2 in the Farmington Community Center.

200-Plus Honor John Dinan

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head table to overcome his mental blank.
Robert Deadman, acting city manager, was chairman for the banquet and was assisted by Judge Hand serving as master of ceremonies and Thomas Duke, Charlevoix contractor, entered the restroom with a bottle of blue dye. He flushed the blue dye and then went outside to a worker he had left watching and discovered the dye had entered the interceptor.
After confirming the store was using the sewer line without going through the meter, Dinan confronted the owner and received a double-rate payment to the city in lieu of a lawsuit.
"It was things like this that makes Dinan a better city manager than most," Lindberg commented. "There is no group which would rather wish John well than those of us who know him from the beginning."
AFTER FINISHING a number of gentle digs, in the best style of a roastmaster, Duke complimented Dinan for these accomplishments:
1. Removing the gas stations along Grand River and replacing them with the mini-parks west of city hall and the attractive florist shops constructed by Lawrence Meyer.
2. Taking steps to curb the decay of the downtown business section and maintaining a stable tax base.
3. Constructing a new city hall and DPW building and vastly improving city services.
4. Doing an excellent job writing city budgets, being one of the few administrators in the state who received higher state equalized valuations and responded by lowering the millage rate to keep tax dollars at the same level.
Richard Habich presented a summary of newspaper headlines which began on Sept. 22, 1961, with a story announcing Dinan's appointment as city manager and ended with the recent resignation announcement.
AFTER WAITING nearly four hours, the praises finally ended and Dinan took the podium.
"It was a very difficult decision to step down," Dinan concluded, "but I was faced with a challenge in private business and decided it was an ideal situation to take on a new opportunity."
Dinan is presently selling mobile homes throughout Wayne County with headquarters in Taylor near the Metropolitan Airport in Romulus.



CITY'S GIFT — John Dinan gets the feel of one of the golf clubs presented him from the city in honor of his retirement as city manager after 11 years. At the microphone is Councilman John Richardson. (Evert photo)

Albert Capable To Stand Trial

Harry J. Albert, 85, of 29734 Drake, Farmington, has been committed to a rest home to await trial on manslaughter for the Jan. 8 death of his wife, Mrs. Marc E. Albert, age 83. Albert had been charged with first degree murder of his mate of 58 years, but that charge has been reduced to manslaughter upon recommendation of Jeffery Faintuck, assistant prosecutor of Oakland County.

ALBERT STOOD mute to the manslaughter charge on Feb. 18 and waived pre-trial examination. Farmington District Judge Michael J. Hand set bond at \$2,500 with the stipulation that Albert be placed in a rest home until his circuit court date for trial.
Ronald Holko, township director of public safety, reports that the Forensic Center at the University of Michigan examined Albert and determined he was mentally competent to stand trial.
THE ALBERTS had been living with their daughter, Mrs. Joan Knapp on Drake, for the past three years.
Mrs. Albert was found by her daughter with a stab-wound on the left side of the chest and rope burns on the neck. Albert was treated at Botsford Hospital on Jan. 8 for superficial, self-inflicted wrists cuts, says Holko.

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