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PLAY BALL... is the cry that rings out across the diamond.

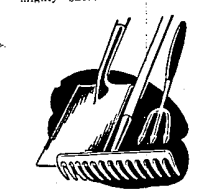


matter what else is going on in the world, baseball still remains an all-American favorite.

THE CURIOSITY BUG... This curiousity bug... Monday morning when they observed Freshmen of Farmington High School.

AND SPEAKING OF WINDS... A gal has all she can do these days to hang onto her hat and her skirts.

THE GARDEN TOOLS... should be gotten out of wherever you've squirreled them away.



be ready to plant seeds and set out the plants you want. In fact we've heard of a lot of residents who have already put up their row some individual always seem to be right on their toes.

THAT DATE... on April 21, that you marked down on your calendar some time ago is almost here and do you've only a few more days to wait before seeing the annual Kiwanis production "Make Way For Tomorrow".

REGISTER NOW... as a Blood Donor—either with the lady you will find in the Bank, the lady who is at the Civic Theatre in the lobby, or at the Warner Delray office.

Altar Society Sponsors Saturday Bake Sale

The Altar Society of Our Lady of Sorrows Church will sponsor a bake sale on Saturday, April 21, at Pauline's Market, beginning at 10:00 a.m.

Honorary Society Is Formed

Eleven Seniors Are Charter Members

Charter members of the National Honorary Society sponsored by the Principals of the Secondary Schools Association and introduced into Farmington High School this year, were honored at a special convocation Thursday afternoon.

These eleven seniors were chosen by the Faculty Council, after long deliberation, from the twenty-two who were eligible. Since it is primarily an organization emphasizing scholastic achievement, membership each year is limited to fifteen percent of the upper third of the graduating class.

Thursday morning the candidates swam out in blue and gold bades, blue shoulder drapes and in plaques. In part a reproduction of the pin. These were planned and given by the Journalism Class, who wished to express in some way their support.

Miss Ruth Bales made the commendation letter awards, presented the members to the assembly, and assigned the charter to the school.

The Faculty Council was composed of Miss Ruth Bales, V. O. Bates, R. E. Davis, Miss Marian Dammou D. Oliver, and Miss Ann Pavlovich.

KIWANIS OUTLINES PLAN FOR VETERAN AID

Glenn Carrill, chairman of the Wartime Citizenship Committee of Farmington Kiwanis Club, had charge of that group Wednesday evening.

Mr. Carrill outlined the purpose of such a committee, and after studying bulletins from Kiwanis International, he proposed a committee plan, and appointed committees, designated to handle various phases in relation to returning veterans, and possible assistance they might need.

Committees named are the following: Legal Aid: Wendell Brown, P. W. Paris. Education: V. O. Bates, Lloyd Smith, Sam Kosmenschy. Employment: Dick Taylor, James Warner, Harold Hurrett, John Rudberry, Harley Walters, Red Carrill.

Establishing new homes, or assisting with rentals: Cliff Tagg, Al Ross, Carl Schulz, Jim Lynn, Stanley Coon, Gerald Grace and Reno Carter.

New business enterprises, possible and finance: Joe Himelcamp, Edgar Pierce, Kenn Loomis, Vic Blakeslee and Trace Conroy.

Farm ownership, or help them to re-establish themselves on the farm: George Nowlin, Leo Glidewast, James Grubek, Ivan Anderson and Ray Eichler.

Redford Minister Speaks At Exchange

An excellent talk, entitled "Miracles of America" was given Wednesday evening at the meeting of Farmington Exchange Club, by Rev. Greenwood of the Redford Calvary Methodist Church.

WOMAN'S CLUB PLANS BENEFIT FOR LEADER-DOG

The Farmington Woman's Club is sponsoring a card party Friday evening, May 4, at 8:00 p.m. in Farmington Town Hall, as the opening move of their most worthy project, the leader-dog school.

We are all familiar — or are we? — with the efforts being made to give freedom of movement to blind men and women. Our own Rochester, Michigan Leader-Dog School is recognized as the best Guide Dog School in the country.

The training period for the dog was set at three months, before he is assigned to a blind woman. The leader-dogs and students work together for another month. The result is the rehabilitation of the blind person — hope comes again, self-respect is restored and very often financial independence is gained.

The Leader-Dog League is in its sixth year, and is a non-profit organization. The demand for leader-dogs today far exceeds the supply. Training facilities must be expanded to meet this demand.

For tickets please call Mrs. Leo Gildemeister at Farmington 0130. Mrs. Fred Bassall at 0168, or Mrs. Leo Gamache at 0965.

Two Casualties Are Reported

The news of the death of two young men, both former residents of this community, was received this week.

Ray Dwyer, a former employee of Farmington State Bank, was killed in action aboard an aircraft carrier, and was buried at sea. The Dwyers made their home on State Street, Farmington, and his family went with him to California at the time he entered the Navy, but have now returned to Michigan. He leaves his wife and two children.

Sgt. Irl Smith, who lived at 3104 1/2 Edward Street, for two years, was killed in action while serving with the 9th Army in Germany, after crossing the Rhine. Sgt. Smith had been in service since September, 1943, and had been overseas about eight months. His wife is now living in Mayfield, Kentucky, and his mother resides in Highland Park.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH WILL HOLD SPECIAL SERVICE

Next Sunday, April 22, St. Paul's Lutheran Church, at Middlebelt and Eight Mile Rd. will participate with other churches of the Missouri Synod in a gigantic Peace Thank offering. The Synod, which numbers about one million members, has set the goal of five million dollars. The Rev. E. L. Stuemppig, pastor of the church, announced that a special service is planned for Sunday, with a message bearing on the need and purpose of this offering.

The great share of this Thanksgiving is to be used in the rebuilding and rehabilitation of the Church in Europe, the cradle of the Lutheran Church. A representative of the church, recently returned from an exploratory trip to Europe, reports that the physical ruins of refugees is all the more sad because of the spiritual distress which they face. Therefore, this Peace Thankoffering.

Mr. Stuart Ruelle and daughter, Barbara, have returned to Farmington after visiting Sgt. Ruelle at Panama City, Florida, and will remain here until Sgt. Ruelle receives his new duty.

School Honors Are Awarded

A release from the principal's office at Farmington High School announces Joyce Samuelson and Lois Goers as winners of Highest Scholastic Honor. At this time eight others were named who, with the principal, have maintained an "A" average in all subjects throughout the first three and one-half years of her high school career.

Both girls are active in extracurricular activities, particularly in church and hospital work. The others named in this special Honor Roll, in order of standing, are Bernice Calkins, Jean Power, Joyce Lussenden, Charles Lorcker, Gloria Smith, Martin Vandenberg, Patricia Young and Sue Goodrich.

CLARENCEVILLE SCOUT BANQUET IS A SUCCESS

One of the most successful banquets held in Clarenceville lately, was the Boy Scout-Band banquet, held on Friday, the 13th. About 120 boys and their dads were present at the fish dinner prepared by the Clarenceville Mothers Club, and served by the Girl Scouts.

Mr. Swarthout as chairman had a wonderful program lined up. Mr. Bryce, Cubmaster of Volney Smith provided music with bagpipes, and the Scotch Ladies Quartet, two professional singers of Mr. Henry Ford's group were also much enjoyed. Fred Grose and his sons, Fred and Don, Earl Silver of Headquarters, speaking on scouting, and Cliff Hefferton, speaking on the proposed Centennial Club to be organized, also appeared on the program. The Scouts of CL 1 and CL 2 presented skits and ceremonies.

The success of the affair provided the leaders with a new incentive for the coming year.

ALBERT JACKSON RETIRES FROM POSTAL SERVICE

A resident of Farmington Township, Albert Jackson, was recently honored by fellow employees of the Detroit Post Office, upon his retirement, after 32 years of service. Mr. Jackson retired with a perfect record, as a carrier out of the Milwaukee Junction Station, 2105 E. Grand Boulevard. His route was the largest industrial mail route in the world.

Mr. Jackson received many good luck presents from his customers as a token of their appreciation for the splendid service he had given them, and on April 11, employees tendered him a party at Veterans Hall.

Mr. Jackson will continue to make his home on his small farm on Middlebelt Road, just off Nine Mile, where he hopes to raise chickens.

OXBRIDGE CLUB RAISES \$250 FOR MEMORIAL

The Oxbridge Women's Club, a very active organization sincerely interested in community projects, gave a highly successful card party in the High School Auditorium on April 7. A pleasant evening was enjoyed by all present. Many prizes were given and excellent refreshments were served.

This party was given to raise money for the Memorial Home Fund. Proceeds amounted to \$250 which has been turned over to the Memorial Home Association for this purpose.

Groves-Walker Post 346, American Legion, wishes to thank the members of this club for their efforts to help provide a Memorial Home in honor of and for the use of all men and women of this community serving in this war.

Mrs. John C. Price of Chicago spent several days with Mrs. Mrs. John C. Price of Chicago spent several days with Mrs. Mrs. Calvin Mason and Mrs. Edith Price.

NAVIGATOR



Lt. JAMES COLLINS

Wings of the aerial navigator of the Army Air Forces went to graduates of the 29th graduating class to train at the AAF Training Command Installation at San Marcos, Texas, Saturday morning of last week.

Among the graduates was James Herbert Collins, 24, son of Mr. and Mrs. John B. Collins, 31629 Shaw Avenue. He was commissioned a Second Lieutenant.

Register Now For Blood Bank

Registration of blood donors is now being considerably stepped up, with a volunteer in the Farmington State Bank during business hours each day, and also at the Civic Theatre each evening. As in the past, registrations may also be made at the Warner Dairy, or at the office of Dr. Z. R. Aschenbrenner.

The blood bank will be in Farmington on Tuesday, May 8, and at this time, those of the unit wish to have 250 appointments made by prospective donors. Mrs. Howard Warner, blood bank chairman of Farmington, is confident that the people of this community will answer the call, and the unit will be able to credit Farmington with another successful blood bank visit.

Appointments may be made between the hours of 2:15 and 7:00 p.m. with a brief period being allowed for members of the unit to eat. Any of the volunteers will be glad to make an appointment for you at a time you find convenient.

MAY DANCE WILL BENEFIT LEGION HOME

There will be a big May Day Dance at Farmington High School Gymnasium on Thursday, May 3, with dancing from 8:00 p.m. to 11:30. This dance is given under the sponsorship of the American Legion Auxiliary, with proceeds to go to the Memorial Home Fund.

The Auxiliary extends a cordial invitation to the people of this community to attend the dance, and enjoy a pleasant evening. There will be square dancing as well as the usual favorite waltzes and fox trots, the same orchestra and caller having been secured for this dance as provided music at the dance is given in February.

The dance is semi-formal. There will be cards for those who do not care to dance, and a light lunch will be available at small charge. It is hoped this dance will be a real success, as the auxiliary is anxious to do its share to raise the money for the Memorial Home just as quickly as possible. The home will be of benefit to all who serve our country, and should be ready for their use upon their return home.

High School boys and girls, as well as adults, are cordially invited to attend.

Bake Sale To Be Held At Noble School

The Girl Scouts of Noble School will hold a Bake Sale at the school on Saturday, April 21. Donations will be appreciated. Come and buy your week end bakery needs.

Boy Scouts Will Collect Old Clothing On Saturday

V.F.W. POST PLANS FOR BUDDY POPPY DAY

Members of the Farmington Post of Veterans of Foreign Wars met Wednesday evening at Farmington Town Hall for the first service of the V.F.W. should have free rental of the Town Hall, for meeting purposes only, for the next six months.

Several new members were inducted at the meeting, and the members laid further plans for Buddy Poppy Day, which will be held in Farmington on May 18 and 19. All proceeds from the Poppy Sale, over the cost, so solely for relief to veterans and their families. This money can be used for no other purpose.

CAP SQUADRON SPONSORS DANCE AT WEBSTER HALL

The Non-Coms Club of Civil Air Patrol Squadron 5344 is sponsoring a Square Dance to be held Friday evening, May 18, beginning at 8:30 p.m. in the Starlit Room of Hotel Webster Hall.

Proceeds from the dance will be used to construct a building for the Squadron on property at Eight Mile Road and Grand River. The hope to build a building, similar to a hangar in design, which will accommodate a class room, a work shop and repair shop. Here members of the CAP will be able to rebuild motors, instruments, and obtain practical instruction and experience. This has not been possible before due to the fact that there was no place where the work might be carried on.

Music for the dance will be furnished by Jules Klein, and there will be a six piece orchestra and girl violinist.

Everyone is cordially invited to attend the dance, and further this worthy project.

GARDEN CLUB PLANS BENEFIT CARD PARTY

Members of the committee of the Farmington Garden Club met Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Robert Crooks, chairman, to plan for their annual benefit card party.

Entertainment for a physical disability acquired in the heat and horror of actual battle, gives many a veteran courage to face again that world of business that he once knew. Miss Betty Roberts of WJBK is speaking at the Farmington High School Gymnasium on Thursday, May 3, at 8:00 p.m., to describe this reconstruction work in detail. Farmington Garden Club members are attending as a group. Everyone interested in this vital work will be glad to miss this opportunity to hear Miss Roberts.

Early plans for the Farmington Garden Club benefit bridge, to be given on Wednesday, May 23, will be followed by card games, according to the choice of each table. The drawings will take place. Among the exciting prizes are two framed oil paintings done by recognized artists, a \$25.00 War Bond, a hand made quilt in soft yellow tones, a carton of cigarettes, and a lamp through a tempting list.

There will be more news about this big benefit party later, but keep the date in mind—Wednesday, May 23, at 1:00 p.m. at the Farmington Town Hall—for this party, you certainly do not want to miss.

Mrs. Lynn Bush entertained Monday afternoon, April 9, in honor of her son, David, on his second birthday anniversary. Guests were Mrs. Stuart Coe and daughter, Beverly and Marlene, Mrs. Leslie Peters and daughter, Catherine, and little Mary Hulse.

Drive Soon Enters Final Period

With the words, "What can you spare that they can wear?", now posted about town, in many advantageous spots, the people of Farmington are really going all-out to contribute all their used clothing to the Allied Nations Used Clothing Drive. It is the purpose of this drive to collect clothing no longer being worn, but which would keep people in the occupied countries warm and dry. The clothing will be carefully sorted and packed. It is hoped that the collection will average five pounds per person in the city and township.

There will be a pick-up of clothing this Saturday, April 21, in conjunction with this drive. The Boy Scouts, under the direction of Harley Walters, will make the collection. Residents are asked to please have the bundles of clothing they wish to contribute on the street. Have them out early, as the Scouts expect to be out early in the morning.

Meanwhile, the Farmington Post Office is proving to be about the most popular depot in the city, and as bundles brought to the post office by people of this community. Contributions may also be left at any of the churches, the city hall, or at the main depot, the Howard Thayer barn.

In the Township, collection centers have been established at Dickinson Real Estate office, Orth's Gas Station, and Robertson's Hardware. Only a little over a week remains before the clothing drive ends. Your cooperation by bringing in your old clothing to one of the points would be greatly appreciated by all who have worked so hard to make this collection a success.

NEW PLATS IN TOWNSHIP ARE APPROVED

A regular meeting of Farmington Township Board was held Tuesday evening, with Blanchard, Mr. Cracker, Goers and McCullough present. Justice of the Peace Frank Steele was not able to attend because of illness.

Mr. Brown presented two plats for approval to the Board. One was for Farmington Hills Subdivision, and the second for Farmington Hills Subdivision, Number One, lying to the East and West of the intersection of Powers Road and Ten Mile Road. Both plats were approved as presented.

The Board voted to continue the same depositories for Township funds. However, Farmington Bank of Pontiac, and the Detroit Bank.

Mr. Pryor, in behalf of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, asked the Township to permit the V.F.W. to use the Town Hall for their evening card party for organizational purposes, free of charge. A resolution to this effect was adopted at the last meeting of the Farmington City Commission. The Board had not yet received a copy of this resolution, however, the Farmington V.F.W. they would approve a plan such as that the City adopted.

Mr. Elder will be retained by the Board as auditor for the fiscal year.

General discussion was held regarding the Farmington Township Dump, at the corner of Halsted Road and Grand River. The public has so abused the privilege of using this dump, that it has become a health menace and general nuisance. No definite action was taken upon this matter, but steps will be taken to take care of the situation.

Blue Star Mothers Meet Next Thursday

The Blue Star Mothers will hold a regular meeting on Thursday, April 26, at 7:30 p.m. at Farmington Town Hall.

Officers and members are requested to be prompt. Mr. and Mrs. Harry O'Dare of Fortier, Ontario, was the week end guest of her sister, Mrs. Henry West and family.