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School Opening Announced

Clarenceville Sets September 5

The Clarenceville Public Schools will officially open on Wednesday, September 5, at which time all children will be enrolled for their respective grades.

Plans are being made to take a field trip to the local community. These figures are derived from the fact that there are 130 five-year olds entering school and the graduating class of June contained only 25 students, thus making the difference of over 100.

The Board of Education is deeply concerned over the possibility of post-war building in this school district. With the present facilities, the average enrollment for the school will approximate 37 or 38 children per room.

Last year the Board of Education received the following sum of money from the State and Federal Government: approximately \$57,000 from the State; \$12,670 from the Federal Lanham Act; and \$31,000 from Federal Works Administration for the new addition.

Likewise the school was accredited by the University of Michigan and the Department of Public Instruction through 1946. These agencies in a letter to the Board of Education praised the officers on its establishment of a fine school and encouraged the continuation of good education in this community.

At the present time the Board of Education is in need of two elementary teachers and a night janitor for the High School.

Band Rehearses For Labor Day

The Farmington High School Band will begin its preparations for the annual American Legion Labor Day parade by meeting to rehearse on Tuesday evening, August 28, at 7:30 p.m. Other rehearsals will be held on Thursday, August 30, and on Friday, August 31, both beginning at 7:30 p.m. All band members are requested to please bring their instruments.

Students must attend these rehearsals in order to be eligible for a new uniform. The uniforms were shipped the week of August 15 and will be issued to band members during the day, Monday through Friday, August 27 through August 31.

The new uniforms are navy blue trimmed in white with gold buttons. Students should have black stockings, black shoes, all-black tie, and white shirt suitable for a tie, to go with the uniform. If all goes well, Farmington citizens should see a 55-piece band completely uniformed on September 3.

Band members are asked to please bring all the spare coat hangers they can.

PLAYGROUND PROGRAM CLOSURES AFTER GOOD YEAR

The school playground closed on Friday, August 17. The playground is used by the youngsters, and many boys and girls spent an enjoyable morning or afternoon on the playground and in the wading pool.

Many thanks are due to Miss Margaret Leach, summer playground director, for her untiring efforts. Miss Leach will teach in the South Bend schools this year.

YOUTH GROUPS ENJOY PICNIC AT CITY PARK

On August 12 ninety members of the Evangelical and Reformed Youth Fellowships of the Detroit area joined with the Salem Youth Fellowship of Farmington at the City Park for an afternoon and evening of picnicking and recreation.

Group recreation was led by Misses Clara and Cora Billing, and a surprise feature was the play-off of four baseball games, the final fast moving game being participated in by several returned service men who were formerly members of the various Youth Fellowships.

Livonia Schools Tell Of Opening

The schools of Livonia Township will open with a two-day Teachers' Institute Tuesday, September 4, and Wednesday, September 5, presided by H. O. Johnson, Superintendent of Schools. Students will report Thursday, September 6, for registration and a full day's program of regular school activities.

Schools in the North end of the Township, including Pierson, Westwood, and the new addition, will open at 8:30 a.m. and close at 3:30 p.m. Those schools South of Schoolcraft, including Elm, Rosedale, Stark and Newburg, will open at 9:00 a.m. and close at 4:00 p.m.

Because of crowded conditions, the entering school for the first time must be five years of age on or before December 1, 1945. Parents desiring to enter beginners this fall should bring birth certificates for these beginners.

There will be two first grade sections at Wilcox this coming year. This will necessitate transferring some of the Sixth Graders from the Five Mile area to Rosedale. Pupils, however, will report to the schools attended last year with their own grade.

Crowded conditions in any of the other grades may necessitate some transfers. These conditions will not become known until school opens.

Tentative bus schedules have been made. This year, the district will operate four buses instead of three as they did last year. This added equipment will improve the transportation.

During the summer months all schools were renovated. Floors have been varnished and waxed, desks cleaned and retreated and the entire classrooms redecorated. The outside trim on several school buildings has been painted and two buildings had the roofs tarred and repaired. The Board of Education has inaugurated a program whereby all buildings and school-rooms will be completely redecorated inside and out every five years.

A new basic textbook in reading has been added throughout the grades. Supplementary materials in science, social studies and history are being added to the course of study were ordered during the summer months. Arithmetic and English texts tried out last year in several schools have been adopted for use in all schools.

Library books will be ordered following the opening of schools. A library exhibit has been prepared, so that teachers in this system may have an opportunity to select materials needed to supplement their classroom work.

Harrison Reunion Is Well Attended

One hundred and fifteen relatives were present at the annual Harrison reunion held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Harrison on Eight Mile Road on Sunday, August 20. Relatives came from Monroe, Flat Rock, Inster, Detroit, Royal Oak, Port Huron, Jeddio, Cass, and City, Ann Arbor, and Sandusky. Twenty-three of the boys who are serving in the armed forces were invited to attend.

Membership Rules Relaxed

Groves-Walker Post 346, American Legion, is looking forward to a large increase in membership in the immediate future, due to the fact that members of the armed services are now eligible for membership in the American Legion before they are granted honorable discharge. Heretofore it was necessary for them to be discharged from service before becoming a Legionnaire.

Word of this change in policy was received by way of a telegram from Edward N. Scheberling, National Commander, in which he stated that because of provisions in the National Charter, the National Constitution and Executive Committee action of November, 1944 "persons remaining in Armed Forces after cessation of hostilities as defined by the U.S. Government immediately become eligible to membership in the American Legion, prior to discharge or separation from service."

This means that approximately twelve million men and women are now eligible for membership in the Legion, who otherwise would not have been able to join until after they had received their discharge.

Under the direction of James Nourjan, membership chairman of the local Legion post, it is planned to carry on an intensive membership campaign.

With the construction of the Memorial Home now exceeding the point of being a mere possibility and actual building to be started in the near future, the American Legion feels they have something to offer every returning man and woman. The Memorial Home will serve as a center for these veterans, not only for social activities, but a center to which they may turn for aid and assistance.

There is still time to make your contribution to the Memorial Home, but do it now before it is too late. You'll want a part in making this memorial possible.

ST. PAUL'S SCHOOL ANNOUNCES PLANS FOR OPENING

St. Paul's Lutheran Christian Day School will open for registration of pupils on Tuesday, September 4, at 9:00 a.m. Mr. Paul E. Dorrer, principal of the school, announced today.

Due to its rapidly increasing enrollment, a primary room has been added to the school and an experienced primary teacher has been added to the teaching staff. Extensive remodeling and enlargement of the school carried out through the summer months is nearing completion.

The only Protestant Parochial school in Farmington and Livonia Township, St. Paul's School is open to all children whose parents are seriously concerned about the spiritual training of their children in true, biblical Christianity from day to day along with a practical understanding of the required secular subjects.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS MEMBERS ATTEND CAMP

Members of the Intermediate Classes of the Salem Evangelical and Reformed Sunday School who attended Lakeside Camp last week were George Barrows, Lawrence Cox, Helene Gauslin, Phyllis Hough, Margaret Maas, Richard Morris, Richard Schrieber, Lee Tyler and James Yull.

The group was accompanied for the week by Rev. Carl H. Schultz, Camp Counselor.

Sunday school teachers of the Intermediate classes are Mrs. Fred Lenz, and Robert Clayton. Sponsors of the campers were the Church, the Sunday School, and the Women's Guild. This is the second group from this Sunday School to attend church operated camps in 1945.

Miss Josephine Bobak of Toledo, Ohio, and Henry Haywood of Cleveland, Ohio, were the guest and guests of Mrs. M. E. Bowen, Equal Rights Chairman for the Livonia Township Woman's Club.

AIR CORPS OFFICER WEDS WAVE



Flight Officer and Mrs. John W. Hubenschmidt were married Saturday, August 4, in Our Lady of Sorrows Church, Farmington. The bride, the former Norma Marie Pegg, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James G. Pegg of Redford Township and a Seaman First Class in the Waves until recently when she received her honorable discharge from the U.S. Naval Reserves.

The Flight Officer is the son of Mrs. Amelia Hubenschmidt of Livonia Township who, as a bombardier on a flying fortress, was shot down while on a bombing mission over Germany and remained a German prisoner for 18 months until his release on May 9 of this year by the invading Russian Army.

The Army flyer returned to the States 7 weeks ago. Wedding attendants to the bride were: Mary Penattis, maid of honor;

Mrs. C. Raymond Rowe, Bertrice Ann Pegg and Patricia Esslin, bridesmaids. Kenneth Randall was best man while Peter Hubenschmidt, Ervin Esch and Alvin J. Dunscher were ushers of the groom, assisted by Thomas P. Beahan as Altar Boy at the wedding Mass.

Breakfast was served at Botsford Inn, followed by a reception at the home of the bride's parents, S/Sgt. Victor F. Pegg, brother of the bride and a veteran of 31 bombing missions over Germany, made the trip by plane from his Keeler Field, Miss. base, arriving in time to join the more than 300 celebrants at the Pegg home on Cayton Road.

The former Wave will accompany her husband when he reports to the Miami Beach re-distribution center after a brief honeymoon at a Canadian summer resort.

Farmington Schools Open To Pupils On September 11

BOYS TO REPORT FOR FOOTBALL PRACTICE

There will be a meeting of all boys interested in football at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, August 29, in Farmington Gymnasium. This meeting is being held for the purpose of laying plans for the coming season, and it is necessary that all boys planning to try for the team be present.

Horse Show Is Announced

The annual American Legion Gals Days will be held on September 1, 2 and 3, with a horse show scheduled to highlight the three-day event. A portion of the Warner property in back of the William Maas residence on Grand River, near Maple will be the scene of the celebration.

Due to wartime restrictions no carnival has been booked for the event this year, but it is possible that now, with the relaxation of restrictions it may be possible to secure a carnival. If not, however, there will still be a huge parade, complete to every detail except for amusement rides.

The horse show this year is the major attraction. A parade will start at 11:00 a.m. on Labor Day afternoon, September 3, and proceed along Grand River to the Gals Day grounds. There will be judging of all entries and prizes will be awarded for the most attractive costume, most unusual entries and others. A complete listing will be available next week. The show will be held on the field, and prizes will be awarded to the winners in each division.

American Legion Gals Day is of such long-standing and enjoys such popularity with the residents of Farmington that it has become almost a custom here, and the year would not seem quite complete without it. This year there is an added incentive to wholeheartedly supporting the event for the proceeds may complete the fund for the Memorial Home, and it will soon be ready for the use of the veterans of this community.

Complete plans will be given next week.

Health Officer Issues Warning

From time to time regularly there have been sporadic outbreaks of diphtheria, with several cases now reported.

Dr. John Vos, the Farmington Township Health Officer, advised this week that all children under ten years of age be taken to their local physician to be actively immunized against diphtheria. Also, any adults who have been exposed to diphtheria should see their physician immediately to be Schick-tested.

The compliance of this request by all residents will be a great help in controlling the disease, and your cooperation is earnestly requested.

St. Michael's Youth Presents Play

St. Michael's Youth Organization of Livonia Township recently sponsored their first play, entitled "The Nativity of Saint Nelly." The exceptional acting on the part of the cast brought much spontaneous merriment from the audience, and they proclaimed the play even better than some of the larger playhouses of Detroit have featured.

St. Michael's may well be proud of this Catholic Youth Organization, and it merits continued support.

Miss Jean Ross of Chatham, Ontario, was the recent guest of Mr. and Mrs. S. Shauler of Farmington Road.

Bus Schedule Published Next Week

All children who will attend the schools in the Farmington Township system will report at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 11, for a full-day session. Teachers in the system will meet on Monday, September 10, for a general meeting and conferences.

All buses will operate on their regular schedules on Tuesday. For the most part, bus schedules will be similar to those of last year.

A complete listing of morning routes and time will be given in this paper next week.

The Cafeteria on the Farmington site will operate on Tuesday. It is expected that approximately 1,450 pupils will enroll in the Farmington Township Schools this year. Boys and girls are expected to attend the school which serves their area. The Win-Grace School will enroll pupils in Kindergarten through the third grade, and the Noble School will enroll pupils in grades four through seven. Grades one through eight will be handled by the Bond School for that area.

Pupils in grades one through six in the former District 1 P.R. area will attend the Bond School. West Farmington School will serve pupils in grades one through six. The Fairview School will enroll pupils in grades one, five and six for that area, and also those living in the former District 2 P.R. Pupils living on the west side of the former Nichols District will attend the West Farmington School, and those living on the east side of the Nichols District will attend the Bond School.

The Farmington School will enroll all high school pupils in the Township, the elementary children in the Farmington area, the eighth grade from the Bond School area, and those living in the eighth grades from German School area, Nichols School area, West Farmington School area, Fairview School area, and the former District 3 P.R. area.

Kindergarten classes will be taught in three schools. Boys and girls residing in the Bond School (Continued on Page Ten)

KIWANIS PICNIC PROVES TO BE HIGHLY POPULAR

About 200 people were on hand Wednesday evening, at the annual Kiwanis Club Picnic, held in the Farmington City Park. Despite the chilling breeze the crowd was in high spirits and everyone seemed to have a good time.

Trace Conroy was chairman of the event, with Stan Coon acting as co-chairman. They are to be highly complimented on the excellent dinner, and the efficient manner in which it was served. Anyone who didn't get enough to eat himself for the food was there — a plenty. It was a revelation, no less, to discover such culinary talent among the Kiwanis members. The talent should be encouraged for — it has been dormant much too long now.

Following the dinner, Farmington Kiwanians "took" members of the Redford Club in a spontaneous baseball game — but the entire credit should not go to the Kiwanians for they procured reinforcements that carried them to victory.

During the dinner, and later in the evening, "The Torrid Five" seated on a truck provided by Farmington Mills, entertained with musical selections.

Jim Warner conducted the portion of the program at which prizes were drawn. The top prize, a \$25.00 War bond, was won by Harvey Blough, and additional prizes given were a set of tires which proved to be bicycle tires, chickens and cartons of cigarettes. Additional tickets were sold on the grounds for an electric iron, turkeys and oyster suppers.

The most popular sport on the grounds was the area immediately surrounding the charcoal fire on which the cooking was done — but even that seemed to be fun. Kiwanians extend their appreciation to all those who helped make this picnic such a success.

SCHOOL

takes the center of the store this week, with all the schools of the community announcing their opening date, and plans for the new year. The kids are getting anxious to return and see schoolmates they have not seen for the entire summer, and welcome back their teachers. Mother, too, is busy



scurrying around getting their clothes all in shape and replenishing items of their wardrobe. And then of course there are all those last minute picnics and trips to get in before again settling into the routine of the school year.

LASALLE WINES

are to be complimented on the benches they have recently put out along Grand River Avenue, both on the north and south sides of the street. Many a weary traveler, or one of those unfortunate who just missed a bus, will silently offer thanks, too, and be grateful for a place to sit. It adds a hospitable note to strangers just entering Farmington, too.

TO OUR ATTENTION

This week came the story of some very youthful celebrants of V-J Day. The spirit of gratitude and thankfulness for the end of the war was greater in them than anything else, and so they went to the church on V-J Day, rather than joining the throngs on the street. Late in returning home, they were questioned as to their whereabouts, but when the answer came that "we went to church, and just sat there, and then we prayed before we left, and we went to another church and did the same thing" there could be no argument. That is the spirit of Young America.

LEGIIONNAIRES

are mighty busy individuals this week, completing all arrangements for the annual American Legion Gals Days, to be held September 1, 2 and 3, on the field in back of William Maas residence, near Grand River and Maple Avenues. Farmingtonites are so used to the annual event that it would not seem like Labor Day here without it. We hear the horse show is going to be bigger and better than ever before, and with horses enjoying the popularity they do around here, it's sure to be a success.

REMEMBER

the good old days when the kids used to bring all their friends home, or you yourself used to come home, after a football game, and get out a feed of hot dogs or hamburgers, pots of strong hot coffee, and lots of other things to go with it? These days will re-



turn and in the not too distant future, for with meat more plentiful, and wide-spread talk about the ending of rationing, we can more than just dream about such things. Who knows — even steak may not be an impossibility!

THE OAK PHARMACY

has now received a new window frame to replace the one which was a casualty of the fire, and the store was getting a new paint job on Wednesday.

THE GAY COMPANY

of Farmingtonites, members of Salem Evangelical Church, who so thoroughly enjoyed the outing to Niagara Falls last week end, report that they even enjoyed the experience of going around in the fog, and they minded not in the least the fact that they were considerably delayed in arriving at the home dock in Detroit.