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## Garden Clubs Big Yule Season Flower Show Saturday, Sunday

By BETTY FRANKEL  
Area residents are invited to attend the flower show being presented by the four Federated Garden Clubs on Dec. 5 and 6 at the North Farmington High School on Thirteen Mile Road at Farmington Road.

The show will be open to the public from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 5, and from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 6. There is no admission charge.



The Botsford Garden Club, Farmington Garden Club, Forest Park Garden Club, and Hill and Dale Garden Club of about 250 women have combined efforts to put on the show, the largest of this type to ever have been presented in this area.

On display will be more than 60 artistic flower arrangements. One group of those will feature an arrangement to enhance a madonna figurine. Another will center around an imaginatively displayed crocus scene. Yet another will be a silhouette arrangement staged in a shadow box.

THERE WILL be a series of arrangements displayed in front of tall triptych panels, and some spectacular free-standing arrangements to be viewed from all sides. One of the more unusual decorations will be a group of lighted pendant ornaments a yard long made of fresh plant material and other materials. These will be suspended from above.

There will also be a collage display. Natural plant materials will be worked into a tapestry. See FLOWER SHOW, Page 8-A, Column 5

## Masons to Meet To Consider Remodeling Job

A meeting of the members of all Farmington Masonic Orders which meet in the Farmington Masonic Temple will be held on Tuesday, December 10, to decide on remodeling plans for the building.

The Temple Board of the Farmington Lodge 151 F.&A.M. has been working for the past few years to provide a more adequate building. A year ago they purchased the old Town Hall building from the City and Township of Farmington, after deciding against plans for a new building.

LAST SPRING at an association meeting, the Temple Board was directed to prepare plans and obtain prices on costs for having the old building remodeled, upstairs and downstairs.

The Board reports that the plans are now ready for consideration and when they are approved, bids can be taken. All members of Farmington Masonic Orders are urged to attend the meeting which will be at the Temple at 7:30 p.m. Out of town members are asked to write and let their wishes be known.

## Methodists Mark 135 Years In Farmington Sun., Dec. 6

Sunday, Dec. 6, will mark a milestone in Methodism in Farmington with a 135th anniversary celebration to be held by the Farmington First Methodist Church on Grand River at Warren Avenue on this date.

Bishop Dwight E. Loder will speak at both morning services at 9:15 a.m. and 10:40 a.m. At 12:30 p.m., immediately following the second service, a church-wide Anniversary Dinner will be served in the Farmington Junior High School which is located directly behind the church.

## Economic Ed. Is Popular Course At Gill School

"No one can have everything he wants," a statement that sometimes doesn't "sink in" for many years. But Farmington 4th and 5th grade pupils participating in an Economic Education pilot program at Gill School already understand why the statement is true.

Miss Grannis McCarty, principal of the school, is a member of the Michigan Council on Economic Education and a member and past chairman of the Michigan State Committee on Education.

She appeared before the Board of Education on November 23, with Mrs. Eveline Jackson, 5th grade teacher and Mr. Carl Wilson, 4th grade teacher, to discuss the program on Economic Education which she introduced to the district last year.

SHE EXPLAINED that under the heading, "How Americans Obtain Goods and Services," pupils are being taught the meaning of needs, desires, services, work, division of labor, money, consumption, saving, etc.

Miss McCarty said that an understanding of these key concepts gives the pupils a better understanding of social studies, history and geography, supply and demand, and what happens when one has unlimited wants and limited resources.

A STUDENT who has a knowledge of economics is better equipped to make decisions, to select a career, and to cope with ideological conflicts, she said.

Textbooks and materials used in the course were presented and the two teachers showed slides of Mrs. Jackson's 4th grade class last year. Her class had chosen a cake-baking project to show examples of consumer wants, efficient production, materials, equipment, labor, division of labor, services, and consumption.

THE PROJECT ALSO showed the inter-dependence of people and nations in producing and obtaining the necessary components of the cake.

## Tarabusi Arm Bond Sale OK'd

R. J. Alexander, Director of the Oakland County Department of Public Works, announced this week that the Michigan Municipal Finance Commission has approved the sale of \$61,000 of Oakland County Sewage Disposal Bonds for the construction of the Farmington System, Tarabusi Industrial Arm, Extension No. 1.

Alexander said bids were taken on Monday for the sale of the bonds and the bids will be awarded on December 17. Bids on the construction of the Tarabusi Arm, Extension No. 1 will be awarded on the same day if the bonds are sold, Alexander said.

Construction on the Industrial sewer arm extension which will serve the Diamond National Company and the Farmington Township Industrial Park Area at Haggerty and Ten Mile roads, is expected to be underway yet this month. The construction is expected to take about two months.

# Winter Tax Billing in City, Twp. \$1.2 Million Higher Than Last Year

Winter tax bills for all Farmington City and Township property owners have either already gone out or will be going out yet this week.

The total combined billing for the City and Township runs \$4,534,369.41 which is an increase of almost \$1.2 million over the total winter tax billing of school, county, township and special assessment taxes for last year by the two local governing bodies.

Part of the increase is due to substantial increases in the total equalized valuation of the community due to new buildings but some is also due to voted increases which must be applied to the tax bills this year.

CITY TREASURER Kathryn Cotter reported that all of her tax bills were put into the mail last week but Township Treasurer Elise Avery was not expected to have her bills mailed out before today, Thursday, Dec. 3, and perhaps not having all of them out until the first part of the following week.

Mrs. Cotter reported the total assessed valuation for last year was \$22,637,720 and its equalized valuation \$24,689,269.

This year's total billing in the city represents an increase of over \$17,000 from the total billing in 1963.

THE TOTAL billing in the township of over \$3.8 million was made on the basis of a total equalized valuation of \$55,740,083 which is over \$6 million higher than last year's equalized valuation. The township, which assesses property low, had last year's assessed valuation of \$38,816,285 last year compared with a total assessed valuation this year of \$40,637,430.

Out of the total township billing, the "lion's share" goes to the school district and county. The regular township operating levy out of this total is only \$883,515 with another \$263,222 for voted increases approved by local voters for the district library, additional police and fire protection and a sewer arm into the township's industrial park.

Also out of the total billing for the school district and county is \$1,210,983 in special assessment levies.

AS THE RESULT of new state legislation which went into effect earlier this year, property owners are being given almost a month longer to pay their real property taxes without penalty which may help ease some of the pain on the increased amount to be paid locally.

Up until this year the deadline for paying taxes without penalty was January 31 at 11:59 p.m. It is necessary for Sullivan's committee to investigate each family in order to determine what items are needed most. He urged that all persons knowing of any needy families in the community to call in the information as soon as possible to allow for proper investigation by his committee.

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WATER WAS TURNED ON Friday morning, November 27, for homes in Kimberley and Lincolnshire subdivisions, the East Junior High School and sisters of Mercy College in Farmington Township. On hand for the occasion were township officials and others connected with the new water system, part of a two million dollar project. Pictured above



(L to R) are Farmington Township Supervisor Curtis H. Hall, Oakland County Water Department Foreman Albert Mancini, Project Engineer Jim Lueders, Superintendent of Water and Sewer for Oakland County Bud Corwin, General Foreman for the Detroit Water Board Rene Whiteside and Farmington Township Clerk Floyd A. Cairns.

Conrad Sullivan. All names of the area's needy families should be called in to GR. 4-9930. It is necessary for Sullivan's committee to investigate each family in order to determine what items are needed most. He urged that all persons knowing of any needy families in the community to call in the information as soon as possible to allow for proper investigation by his committee.

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## Goodfellow Paper Sale To Be Staged Here Dec. 11

Farmington's Old Newsboys will be out selling the Goodfellow Newspaper next Friday, December 11, to raise funds so that needy families in the community can share the blessings of a Merry Christmas.

The Farmington Goodfellows report that again this year all of the community's service clubs have pledged their support in helping to sell the Annual Goodfellow Newspaper, a special edition of the Farmington Enterprise.

GENERAL CHAIRMAN of this year's Goodfellow Campaign is Dr. John Richardson. Dr. Richardson expressed the hope that again this year a goal of \$3,500 might be realized from the sale of the Goodfellow Newspaper. The funds will again be used to buy the needed items to go into Goodfellow baskets which will be distributed in time to help less fortunate members of the community at Christmas time.

In charge of investigations Ruth L. Bailey, a well known Farmington school teacher for many years before her retirement, died Tuesday, December 1, at the age of 61.

Funeral services will be held at the McCabe Funeral Home on Thursday evening, December 3, at 8 p.m. Burial is set to take place in Coldwater, Michigan.

Mrs. Bailey had been making her home with a sister, Mrs. N. B. (Rena) Schooley of 14223 Languere Street in Detroit.

## Time to Renew City Licenses

Under provisions of the Farmington City Code all business establishments and all vending machines and other coin operated machines must be licensed each year. City Clerk Trena Quinn reminded this week.

She advised that she would be sending out notices to all known business plates advising the owners as to what their license fees are for operating in the city in 1965. The fee varies depending on the type of business you are in.

The license fee for each vending machine or other coin operated machine is \$10.

New licenses for 1965 will be issued, Mrs. Quinn said.

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## Announce Sale Of Farmington Plaza, Dec. 1

The purchase of the Farmington Shopping Plaza, one of the largest shopping centers in the area, was announced today. The announcement was made by Edward B. Emery, B. H. Carey and Lorne G. Olson, who head the group of businessmen making the purchase. The purchase price was not disclosed. However, it is estimated that the center is in excess of \$1,400,000.

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## File Petitions For Vote on Twp Pay Raises Dec. 1

Petitions calling for a referendum vote in Farmington Township to block a pay raise for the township officials next April 1 were filed with Township Clerk Floyd A. Cairns on Tuesday afternoon.

A total of 123 signatures were contained in the petitions which must be checked and validated before further action on a referendum vote can be taken.

Clerk Cairns estimated the cost of holding a special Township election at \$2,000. The raises approved for the Township Supervisor, Clerk and Treasurer on November 9 by the Township Board will total \$11,000 should they go into effect April 1.

FARMINGTON GOODFELLOWS will be on street corners around the community Friday, December 11, to sell the Annual Goodfellow Edition of the Farmington Enterprise. Some of the Old Newsboys who will be selling Goodfellow Papers to raise money for needy families in Farmington this Christmas are (L to R, top row): L. Al

VanDell, Harley Walters, Hugh Bronough, Lee Stevens, Municipal Judge Sylvester J. Pheneay, G. V. Harrison, James Reed, Dr. Don Wingard, Ken Chappell, Rex Jernigan, Tom Bonner; (L to R, second row): Chief Maurice D. Foltz, Officer Michael Guilmette, Officer Carl Varner, Cec Roberts, Bill Conroy, Rev. Richard Markham, Dick

Habicht, Dr. John Richardson, Pete Peterson, Ned Oglesby, Devere Fleming, Harry Lapham, Roy Rystrand and Henry L. Trombley; and (L to R, front row kneeling): Lt. Tom Schriber, Bill Fryor, Bob Carson, Dick Kelly, Fred Menke, and Kenneth Melcher.

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