

C of C Beauty Queen Contest Needs Entries



JUDY CLARKSON

The Chamber's supporting program for the Music Circle Theatre at Botsford Inn. Mrs. Margaret Ward and Frank Holtzman are co-chairmen.

ENTRIES must be in the Chamber of Commerce office by noon, June 13. They must include an 8x10 glossy photo of the winner, a letter of recommendation from the sponsor, a dress for the contest evening. She must be single, between the ages of 17 and 21, and must live within the township or city. Three judges will be named.

Prize for the winner, to be named Miss Chamber of Commerce for 1958, is not definite yet. However, the contest will be held at the audience that night will feature a week end for two at the Sheraton-Cadillac hotel in Detroit, plus a trip on the Aqueduct.

THE QUEEN will be crowned June 16 by Frank Parker (of the Arthur Godfrey show cast) who will host the contest. The "Blossom Girl," the Music Circle presentation starting that evening.

This is part of the Chamber's promotion of Farmington Night at the Music Circle theatre. Members have been asked to sell a large quantity of tickets, and a list of various types of advertising will be available.

The committee includes Mrs. Ward, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Holtzman, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hartman, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Young, Mitchell Deeb, Mrs. Don Pullen, J. Dee Ellis, Mrs. Gordon Upton and made further plans for 1958.

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Twp. Group to Study, Report On 'Splintering'

Ten members were named to a township study group by the board at its meeting Tuesday night, with the understanding the independent group would file a report on the subject.

Eight were nominees of the board, and two were volunteers from the audience.

BOARD MEMBERS asked the committee to study all the facts regarding the proposed annexation or incorporation, to meet with the backers of the various plans, and to present to all in the township.

Local Citizens of the Township CPA, was earlier instructed to go into the areas involved, to get facts, and present them to the committee.

The board told members present the group should not try to block township changes, but only to present facts to all interested parties.



THE TEN SENIORS compiling the best scholastic records throughout their four years of study at Clarensville High were: left to right: Cynthia Beorholm, Beverly Tucker, Sharon Tuthill, Mary Fleury and Martha Williams. Standing, left to right, are Paul Stevenson, Gretchen Remington, Alvin Wilson, Nancy Burd and James Lamb.

Missing Dogs May Be In County Pound

Several residents in the Colfax-Flanders area are between Farmington and Gills Roads who have been bothered greatly by dogs, including night barking.

They've been told if they capture the dogs and notify the Farmington Police Department, they will be picked up. If any dog owners miss their animals, first place to look might be the county pound.

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According to Farmington Area Recreation Commission officials, playgrounds will be maintained at seven school sites in the Farmington School District with a wide variety of activities being planned. As in past years, youngsters will also be taken on swimming excursions to Ken Lutz Memorial Park several days and on a variety of field trips.

Keller Suit on Fill To Judge on June 9

A suit against Farmington Township by Mrs. Emma Keller to force the township to permit sanitary land fill on her property will go before Judge Frank J. Day June 9.

The township board turned down the request for fill by the City of Detroit, and was supported by many people who believe the property is north of Grand River, at Middlebelt.

Change Plans To Use Jr. High For El. Grades

A change in plans for use of the Farmington Junior High as temporary grade school classrooms next year was outlined to the School Board Monday night by members of the administrative staff and favorably received.

At the last regular meeting of the Board, the administration had indicated that they felt it was necessary to convert the classrooms into the old portion of the Junior High into temporary grade school quarters to eliminate the need for double classrooms in some of the heavy overcrowding at some schools. Board approval was given to the proposal at this time.

DURING the past two weeks, a re-study of this situation by the two new members of the Board. By shifting students in two or three areas to different schools and by increasing classroom loads slightly in some rooms, it is believed possible to get by without using space at the Junior High, he said. The average class load would be increased by one or two more students, but not more than 25 or 30 students, it was emphasized.

Not only will the cost of converting the Junior High to grade school use be eliminated, but the administration feels smoother operation will be possible, Harrison concluded.

ORIGINAL plans were that a hired non-elementary school, but as a result of shortage of instruction, would be ready for occupancy by the start of school in the fall or shortly thereafter. The school district has not yet been started and little head is held out that it will be ready now before 1959.

City Paving Likely to Start Middle of June

The summer street paving program for Farmington City will probably start about the middle of June, according to City Manager Earl Scherffius.

This includes concrete paving on Shilwell on the river valley from the top of the hill east to the city pumps, and from Orchard Lake east to the city pumps, and the stretch of Power from Grand River north to the blacktop at Valleyview, State Street from Liberty to Wilmarth, and McGee Hill.

The street work is done under the agreement with the Twin Valley developer, with the city paving over what it would have cost to blacktop this road.

Twp. May Get Same Allocation As Last Year

A request for two mills out of the 15-mill tax pie was denied Farmington Township Tuesday by the county allocation board, and it is very likely the township will get a mill—same as last year.

The allocation was to be applied Wednesday, but changed to Monday. The allocations become official next Monday.

THIS means the Township will probably get about \$43,000 instead of some \$53,000 it had planned on fixing the budget before the annual meeting. It will force the board to decide on what steps must be dropped to get by.

Novels Tract Zoning Asked

A recommendation of the Farmington city planning commission that 4 1/2 acres of the Novels property be rezoned to residential is presented to the city council at its hearing on this question at 7:30 o'clock Monday evening, June 2.

Last week the group was asked by the council to study and report on the rezoning request. Area involved is at the north end of the Novels building at Orchard Lake. It is north and east of the Farmington Shopping Plaza.

The council was told last week it would probably be used by a chain store, and a major oil company, and for a 20-acre building which is in Farmington Township. The school and City of Livonia will split the remaining \$800 cost, and the light will be installed by the Livonia and Oakland County Road Commission.

The stop light will be turned on at 6:30 a.m. morning, noon and afternoon, and operate as the remainder of the day. State police have suggested that the stop light be installed at WESTBROOK Manor Ass'n wrote its opposition to a proposed school to be built by the Archdiocese of Detroit housing for students under 18. While sympathetic to the school they asked any taxpayer who had approved the school be fully developed and ready to go. This question about the school was asked by the township to take over the system, for if two certain lots might be returned when the school was made to Detroit. There are 213 water connections in this area, the board has the election should be held first.

Zoning Held Up Until August

The township board wants to wait until after the Aug. 5 election on Quaker Town village until it makes any decision on rezoning an area at Farmington, zoned an area 1 1/2 miles to commercial.

Discuss Method To Stop Flooding

A proposal that a retainer wall be built along the west property of the William Grace school to prevent the excessive flooding of the school property into adjacent property was ruled out by the School Board Monday night as being too costly.

IT IS STIPULATED that the school shall award contracts to the low bidder and supervise all work as well as maintaining the system after it is put in operation. The school district and the cost of the line from the school site to the city and the expansion of an existing line through Bel-Aire subdivision will be \$23,745.76. Expansion cost of another line through Mooney will be borne by the city.

No Sewer Taps

Farmington township schools is building a private sewer on Power Road to connect with the intercepting line at Detroit. The intercepting line at Detroit is 1 1/2 miles long at proper places so they could be used. The township board granted permission to cross Grand River on the school property without school requirement until the system is adequate.

Boost in School Operating Tax Levy With No Tax Hike Proposed

A proposal to ask property owners for approval to levy an additional 8.39 cent on the \$1.15 state equalized valuation (for school operations) was made to the Farmington School Board Monday night by Superintendent Harrison.

Harrison indicated that this could be done without any increase in the total school tax rate from 1958 by reducing the school debt service tax rate by an equal amount. He pointed out that the amount that could be saved by means of the additional operation levy would be needed if the school system was to operate without considerable deficit under the proposed 1959-60 budget.

Overpass Planned

A pedestrian overpass across the expressway between Power and Parker roads is planned for the near future by the highway department. It is planned over a year ago as the result of requests by residents south of the expressway, it was approved Tuesday by the township board. It also authorized the school board to also authorize the transfer of a small sum from the 1949 debt service election, Fred Bailey (incumbent) is unopposed for a three year term of office.

Scherffius Named League Secretary

Farmington City Manager Earl F. Scherffius was elected Region 4 secretary for the Michigan League at its annual meeting in Flint recently. The region includes Genesee, Oakland and Macomb counties.

Twp. Officers All Out if Two Cities OKed

Should voters later this year approve incorporation of the two new cities proposed, and the charter which actually make them cities, the township at that time would be completely out of office.

The supervisor and six board members all live either in the proposed Farmington Woods or Clarensville. None lives in the remaining township areas, other than the bank and an annexation to Farmington City.

STATE LAW prohibits a resident of one municipality from holding office in another.

Residents of the proposed Farmington Woods City are: Floyd A. Cairns, Elise Avery, Wendell Brown and Richard Hug. In the Clarensville city area are Supervisor Francis S. Fred Westlake.

During discussion of a voters' ordinance Tuesday night, one of the board members pointed out that all the members might have a little more direct interest in that about six months (after the several votes on incorporation of Farmington Woods and Clarensville cities, but this is pretty certain to be later in the year.

Area Polio Clinic Slated June 4

A polio clinic will be conducted next Wednesday, June 4, from 8:30 to 9 a.m. and children under 10 will receive their inoculations.

The clinic is being sponsored by the Farmington Junior Chamber of Commerce and will be held at 2801 Farmington Road, (three doors south of the Enterprise office). A fee of \$1.00 will be charged.

Study Reports By Plan Board

Reports on firehail local zoning and zoning and industrial zoning came from the May 22 meeting of the Farmington Township Planning Board, and were presented to the Township Board at the meeting Tuesday night. Copies of the township fire hail study have been given board members with a suggestion they be studied for possible future action.

C-D Drill Is Big Success

Last Wednesday's Civil Defense alert showed the township organization and other groups were ready for any emergency and well trained. Only need is for more volunteers.

Only one very heavy rain fell for Don Pullen and Ass't Hugh Owen.

The tornado drills in five schools were well operated. First aid women under Mrs. Jack Tabb were in full strength at the (Continued on Page 8A)

Pigeon, Go Home Is Not Complaint Here

There's a homing pigeon in the area that apparently doesn't want to go home, but his "host" isn't exactly complaining — at least not yet.

Several days ago the pigeon started hanging around the Robert Barnum home at 55353 Longwood. It's quite tame, and has a metal band around one leg with "Kentucky 194" stamped on the band.

The Barnums are feeding it and enjoying its company. But if anyone knows the owner, they will appreciate information.

Cville School Tax Notes Sold

The low bid of Manufacturers National Bank of Detroit on \$80,000 tax anticipation notes was accepted last Monday at the Farmington board of education. Four banks had bid.

Last April 30 the board opened bids on \$50,000 notes on the district and on May 6 the school received \$24,800 of the state aid, leaving a balance undistributed of \$25,200.

The board considered this, and decided to pay National Bank of Detroit a minimum of \$20,000 immediately upon receipt of the state aid, and to pay the remainder in accordance with the agreement.

Water Storage Plans Advance

Pressure tests of the water system in the northeast city area have been favorable, reports City Manager Earl Scherffius.

Palo & Hirt, city engineers, are working on plans for a multi-million gallon level tank near the present city water tower, and it is possible bids may be asked within a month.

Date Debated for Incorporation Vote

Several township officials met Tuesday at Pontiac with the Oakland County boundaries commission on the petition of the proposed City of Farmington Woods to vote on incorporation.

The attorney for the proposed city asked the date not be Aug. 5 but later, preferably Nov. 4, the general election date. A special date was also proposed. A future meeting will be held June 9.

FEA Asks School Bd. Candidates to Speak

A citizenship meeting will be held by the Farmington Education Association on Tuesday, June 2, at the multi-purpose room at the Ten Mile School.

The committee has extended an invitation to all School Board candidates in the coming election to be present and give their views on education in Farmington.

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Two Memorial Parades Slated

Two parades, one in the City of Farmington and the other at Clarensville, will highlight Memorial Day activities tomorrow.

Both parades will start at 10 a.m. Members of the American Legion and its Auxiliary, Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts and representatives of various other civic organizations will participate.

C-D Police to Aid This Week

Five members of the township Civil Defense auxiliary police force, in full uniform, will assist township police over the Memorial Day week end. They will work from 8 a.m. to midnight, in traffic control and emergencies.

All the auxiliary police have had traffic and other training. Ken Lutz, township director, says he plans to start another police training program within ten days or less. Anyone interested should contact him immediately.

Two Days Left To Register

Only two days remain, today and Monday, in which to register for the annual school elections in the City of Farmington and Clarensville School Districts on Monday, June 9.

Only persons not already registered in their respective school districts need to make application to vote.

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Two Injured in 4-Car 'Chain Reaction' Crash

Lottie Hellick of 33100 Marlborough and her three-year-old son, both suffering lacerations, were the face in a four-car "chain reaction" rear-end collision on Grand River at Orchard Lake Road on Friday 5 p.m. Friday.

The crash resulted when an auto driven by Edward J. Medchett, 40, of Grand Court Street, crashed into the rear of the Hellick car, stopped behind two other vehicles waiting to make a left hand turn from Grand River onto Orchard Lake Road. The Hellick car was driven forward, causing the other two autos to collide.

What Kind of Water?

The township board would like to know any signs of Westbrooke Manor subdivision "City Water." They have direct authority over the vision, water, and sewerage is being written.