

Grid Contest Starts, Winners to Receive Cash Prizes Weekly

Will the Lions beat the Packers? Will Penn State beat Oregon? Picking the winners of these and other games to be played weekly during the current football season will bring you big cash prizes. These cash prizes will be given away each week to lucky winners of the Farmington Enterprise Football Contest. The contest starts this week and runs through the entire season.

Over \$30 will be given away each week.

City Charter Sets Uncommon Deadline Date

When the deadline for paying taxes falls on a non-business day should the deadline be advanced to the next business day or set back to the last business day prior to the deadline date?

This was the question presented to city administrators earlier this month and the City Council at its regular meeting Monday night.

A letter from Chesley Industries objecting to a penalty of 4 per cent charged them for not paying their city tax bill payment in until September 3, prompted the discussion. The deadline for paying city taxes without penalty is August 31 which was a Saturday this year.

THE CONTENTION of the industrial firm was that since the deadline date fell on a non-business day they had until the next regular business day, Sept. 3, to get payment made without penalty. The city treasurer's office held that payment should have been made on August 30 or the tax payment check letter at least post-marked by August 31 to avoid the penalty charge.

It was pointed out in the letter from Chesley Industries asking for a waiver of the tax penalty charge that a nearby governmental agency they know of advances the deadline date when it falls on a non-business day.

THIS CLAIM was not challenged but Robert Kelly, city attorney, reported that it states clearly in the present City Charter that the presently practiced procedure is to be followed. In view of this, the Council decided that its hands were tied in granting the waiver of the penalty charge as requested.

The three members of the five-man Council present at Monday's meeting all agreed that consideration should be given to changing these provisions in the charter. Mayor Robert Lindberg and Councilman Sandy Erickson were not at the meeting to express their views.

It was agreed that in the future all new industrial or business firms should be notified of this provision in the charter until such time as it is changed.

Details on procedure to follow are on the first week's contest page appearing on Page 8-B in this week's paper.

It's really quite simple. Just read all the ads on the contest page and then get yourself a piece of paper and make out a four entry form listing the name of each advertiser and then the name of the team you think will win the game sponsored by that advertiser.

IN ONE OF the ads your guess on the score of the game as well as who you think will win will be asked for. You must make this guess.

Be sure to put your name and address on your entry and mail it so it will be postmarked before noon Saturday or deliver to the Enterprise office in person before the Saturday noon deadline.

The first place prize money is \$15; second place wins \$7 and third place \$3. If you take any of the other prizes the participating merchants and have them stamp or sign it before delivering or mailing it to The Enterprise you are then eligible to share in an additional \$6 merchants' bonus jackpot.

BUSINESS establishments participating in the football contest are: Weisley's House of Music, Ken Balden Standard Oil Agent, O'Green Ford, Clapson & Co. Roy Insurance, Farmington Sausage Center, Ross Shoes, Town & Country Dodge, Farmington Hobby Shop, Towne Toggery, Gay-Way Bar, Professional Park Pharmacy, A & P Super Market (Farmington stores only), First Farmington Savings & Loan, Farmington Club Joint, White House Valet, Boddie's Sport Shops, Grimes Cleaners, North Farmington Realty, Conroy's Super Market, Farmington Lumber Co., Farmington Cleaners, Modern Men's Shop and Heppner's of Farmington.

Delay Action on Anti-Blight Ord.

Introduction of an anti-blight ordinance for the City of Farmington similar to the one recently adopted by Farmington Township was scheduled for the regular Council meeting Monday night but was delayed at the request of the city attorney.

It was pointed out by the Council that he wanted more time to improve on wording in sections of the ordinance as drafted by the Township and councilmen agreed to a delay of two more weeks.

One provision that has been requested for inclusion in the City's ordinance would require that all garbage and trash cans be kept at least 30 feet away from any neighbors home.

Annual UF Drive

A request from United Foundation officials to conduct their annual "Give Once for All" fund raising drive locally again this year was unanimously approved by action of the City Council Monday night.

The drive will be conducted from October 15 through Nov. 7.



THE NEW BOTSFORD GENERAL Hospital is being built on land to the east of Oxford just south of Independence street, behind Botsford Inn. The four-story structure is not expected to be ready for use before 1965.

Dropout Comm. Working to Get Work-Study Programs in Schools

This is the third and final article in a series on the special dropout study committee functioning in the Farmington public school system.

With many committees having been appointed earlier to conduct various types of studies relative to students quitting school and ways the local school system curriculum might be improved, the March committee meeting was devoted to reports on the visiting teacher and home economic training programs in the Farmington system presently available.

Hugh Walton, head of the special education department, along with four of the visiting teachers on the staff explained the operations of the visiting teachers program in Farmington and the services rendered to students who are dropping out of school.

Each of the four visiting teachers presented a case history to show specifically how a young boy or girl was helped by their work.

W. W. A. emphasized that through the visiting teacher program it is now possible to spot nearly every potential dropout student in the early elementary grades and to be able to prevent at least some from becoming actual dropouts.

It was explained by the home economics teacher at Farmington High that the home economics program offered here is about the only truly vocational department in the school system presently.

She outlined the seven areas of study in the homemaking program which are: child care and audience, clothing, food, health and safety, housing management and family relations.

Car Hits Girl Riding Bicycle On 14 Mile Rd.

A ten-year-old Farmington Township girl was seriously injured on Saturday, September 14, when the bicycle she was riding along 14 Mile Road was struck by a car.

Taken to Elliot General Hospital suffering a broken leg, a minor concussion and internal injuries was Evelyn Adams of 3117 Glen Muehr Drive in the Township. The driver of the car, Christopher J. Peterson, 15, of 2837 Kendall Drive in Farmington, told Township Police the girl swerved her bike in front of his car as he approached to pass her and another girl, riding a bike on the opposite side of the street.

IN ANOTHER accident this past week, two persons were injured in a three-car crash at the Ten Mile and Middlebelt Road intersection in the Township. The accident occurred Saturday, September 14, at 4:25 P.M.

Injured seriously was Mrs. Margaret Loraine Buettner, 39, of 30760 Springland Drive in Farmington. A passenger in her car, which was headed east on Ten Mile, escaped injury.

The driver of one of the other cars, Walter Koenig, 62, of Union Lake, suffered minor injuries. A passenger in his car escaped injury.

Koenig's car, and another car driven by Herman A. See CAR HITS GIRL Column 3, Page 8A

Move to New City Hall Scheduled This Weekend

This weekend City of Farmington officials will be moving from their present quarters on the north side of Grand River Avenue into the modern, new municipal building on Liberty Street just south of Grand River Ave. at the western edge of the downtown business district.

Keys to the attractive and compact new \$130,000 building were officially turned over to the City on Monday morning of this week.

City Manager John Dinan has reported that he expects no interruption in the normal flow of City business since all is in readiness for the big weekend move. The doors will be open to the public in the new building the first thing Monday morning of next week with the normal amount of minor reorganizing by the various employees yet to be done, he stated.

Contracts Let For Three City Blacktop Jobs

A contract was awarded to Detroit Concrete Products Co. Monday night by the City Council for three separate blacktop surfacing projects at a total cost of \$8,425.50.

Work was taken last week by this firm's bid being the lowest of the two companies seeking the work.

A major portion of the money will be spent for asphalt drives and a parking area next to the new City Hall which is now being moved into. The total cost for this work will run \$3,857.

Providing a hard surface drive at the DPW building on Nine Mile just west of Farmington Road will cost \$1,797.50.

THE REMAINING \$1,428 will go for a hard surfaced "magic square" recreational activities area at the Flanders School between Eight and Nine Mile roads east of Farmington Road. The city is working in cooperation with the school district on this project. It is an effort by the City to provide a location in that section of the community where a variety of recreational activities can be conducted with cost being kept to a minimum.

Prior to action on the awarding of the contract for the "magic square" projects, own- See CONTRACTS LET Column 6, Page 8A

Court Action Taken Against City on Purchase of Access

Court action has been started against the City of Farmington on the Council's recent decision to expend City funds for the purchase of a 19-foot access right-of-way east of the Van Furniture store in the downtown business district.

The plaintiff is Robert Walker of Farmington Meadows Subdivision. Walker had appeared at the Council meeting at the time that this proposed acquisition of right-of-way was under discussion and voted objection to the spending of City funds in this manner at that time.

A RESTRAINING order against the purchase of the right-of-way as well as an order to appear in court to "show cause" was served on the City Monday afternoon. The restraining order actually came too late since the purchase had already been completed as of Friday.

The "show cause" hearing has been set for Monday, Sept. 23, at which time Walker's attorney and the city attorney will both have an opportunity to present their arguments for the judge's consideration.

The motion to purchase the access route by the Council carried 5 votes to 2 with Henry R. Forrest and Sandra Brotherton voting against buying the right-of-way.

WALKER contended in his bill of complaint that Mayor Robert Lindberg, as a major stockholder in the Farmington Overcar Corp., and Hugo Peterson, as a businessman on Grand River, should both have declared themselves ineligible to vote on this matter because of personal interests in the acquisition.

This was the same argument made by Councilman Forrest in his heated objection to spending City money to acquire the access route prior to the voting on this matter at the August 19 Council meeting.



Plan Controls On Bike Riders

Acting on a request from Joseph DeVrenti, City public safety director, the City Council Monday night instructed city attorney and city attorney to draw up proposed regulations governing the operation of bikes in the community.

At an earlier meeting, DeVrenti had requested that the Council that problems with bike riders are becoming more and more serious and frequent. He stated that he had expressed agreement with him at that time and cited personal experience of "dangerous" and reckless riding experiences that he had observed.

Proposed to be included in the City's traffic control orders are provisions requiring proper lighting on all bikes, the riding on sidewalks, the use of illegal as well as riding two on a bike and other careless and dangerous practices that are now prevalent.

Free Tickets to Movie Offered

A special Family Movie Night will be held at the Civic Theatre this coming Wednesday night, Sept. 24. Free tickets to a number of business establishments in the downtown area.

The special movie feature for this special night will be the inspiring story of "The Trapp Family" which is an A-1 rated movie the whole family should enjoy.

Complimentary tickets to this special movie are available now at many of your favorite downtown Farmington stores. While at any of the stores displaying a Family Movie Night banner just ask for your free theatre ticket from the manager or one of his sales people. A number of tickets will be given away daily.

There will be two showings of this special movie: one at 7 p.m. and another at 9 o'clock.

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FARMINGTON TOWNSHIP Clerk Floyd A. Cairns (L) is pictured above reviewing plans of the Old Farm Colony Subdivision sewer construction project with contractor and engineer of the Wells and Brewer Contracting Company.

Work is progressing rapidly on the capital improvement project begun earlier this month and scheduled for completion in December of this year.

Hearing Set on Moving Home

A public hearing has been set for Monday, Oct. 7, on the proposed relocation of a home from Grand River Avenue in the City to property at the south-west corner of Silvassee Road and Lehigh Avenue.

The home is situated on the south side of Grand River just beyond the vacant property west of the American Legion Hall. The request to move the home has been made by Thomas Duke, local developer.

City Manager John Dinan said he inspected the building and found it to be structurally sound. The building would be in keeping with the homes in the neighborhood where it is proposed to be moved, he added.

FLAG PRESENTATION was made last week by the Farmington Junior Chamber of Commerce to President Russ Gilbert (center) of the Farmington Board of Commerce. Making the presentation were Dr. John Richardson (L) and Tom Lindberg, of the Jaycees, who are displaying the flags at their places of business on holidays during the year under a community service program which the Jaycees have conducted for the past several years.