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## 13 Mile-Middlebelt Traffic Light Sought

The Farmington Township Board was again confronted with citizen reaction to the traffic controls in existence at 13 Mile and Middlebelt roads and asked to consider measures which would reduce the hazards at the "blind" intersection.

Representatives of homeown- ers were asked to present the board with a petition signed by some 400 residents calling for a stop and go traffic light at the intersection Monday night. One of the Township's six

## Set Areas for School Signs, Crosswalks

A detailed report was submitted to the Farmington Board of Education Monday night on the location of signs and school crossing signs and painted crosswalks throughout the school district to afford extra safety for children walking to and from school.

A survey around the various schools in the district had been made earlier by Byron Oliver, administrative assistant for the school district, to determine where it was felt signs and crosswalks would be needed.

The school district's request for signs and crosswalks will be made to the Oakland County Road Commission which has jurisdiction over the township, and to the City of Farmington.

## Summer Band Being Formed

Instrumental music classes will be offered at nine schools in the Farmington public school system this summer and will be open to all boys and girls in the Farmington area.

Richard Taylor, summer school director, announced Tuesday.

Registration blanks for the summer school music program are now available at all the schools in the Farmington district and can be picked up any time during regular school hours, Tyler said.

Classes will be conducted at the Cloverdale, Beechview and Eagle schools for all but stringed instruments at 8:45 a.m.

The classes at East Junior High, Ten Mile School and Highmeadow will be at 9:55 a.m. The hour for classes at Farmington High, Alameda and Dunckel Junior High will be 11:10 a.m.

Instructions for those playing stringed instruments will be at the Cloverdale School at 8:45 a.m.; Dunckel Junior High at 10 a.m.; and East Junior High at 11:15 a.m.



**NORTH FARMINGTON** High School honor society members were named last week with 54 members of the first NFHS graduating class coming in for recognition. Pictured above are high honor students (front row, l. to r.) Richard Blatchley, Tony Bogo, Janene Browne, Carol Bajak, Ray Dineu, Jackie Gilyard, Jeannette Green, Sandra Hagemann, Chris Meyers, Gloria Mingo, Robert Blair, Betty Regentick and Steve Rossiter; (second row, l. to r.) Janet Sell, Janice Short, Marilyn Smith, Nancy Weller, and Marlene Welton. (Honor students) Edward Ader, Helen Aylsworth, Jackie Blake, Diane Boisen, Donald

## Five Bands to Play in Annual May 30 Parade

Plans are now being finalized for Farmington's annual Memorial Day parade to be held this Saturday, May 30, in the City of Farmington. The parade is again being sponsored jointly by the Groves-Walker American Legion Post and the Farmington VFW Post.

The parade will start promptly at 10 a.m. at the assembling point in the Farmington Junior High parking lot area on Thomas Street just off Grand River Avenue. All members of the Legion and VFW as well as the various other groups that will be marching are urged to arrive at 9:30 so that the parade can be arranged.

IN ADDITION to the veterans groups including Blue Star and Gold Star Mothers, members of boy scout and girl scout units and other organizations in the area will be parading.

This year's parade will feature the largest assembly of bands ever arranged for a parade locally. Charles Currie, parade director, stated. Bands from five area schools will take part. The Farmington Senior High and Clarenceville High as well as the Farmington Junior High, East Junior High and Dunckel Junior High bands will all play in the parade.

THE MARCHES will proceed from the Farmington Junior High assembling-point westward on Grand River Ave. to the old Town Hall site at Farmington Road and Grand River where a wreath will be laid at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. From here the parade will continue on along Grand River to Oakwood Cemetery near Gill Road where a graveside ceremony will be conducted in tribute to all deceased veterans.

Mayor Pro-Tem, Sandy Brochert and Rev. Carl H. Schultz of the Salem United Church of Christ will give brief talks at the cemetery.

Following the cemetery ceremonies, the marchers will return down Grand River Avenue again to the Junior high school grounds to be dispersed.

## Attention Teens Fri. Deadline On Free Ads

Teenagers looking for summer work or part-time jobs throughout the year are reminded that The Enterprise will run a Work Wanted classified advertisement for them absolutely FREE in the June 4 issue of the paper.

The deadline for placing the ads, however, is this Friday, May 29, at 5 p.m.

The only requirements are that the boy or girl placing the ad must be between 15 and 18 years of age, must confine the number of words in the advertisement to 15 words and state their age in the ad.

All teens placing ads are asked to have them completely prepared before bringing them in to copy them off in The Enterprise drop box.

Should you have any questions about this offer call GR. 4-6225.



Bramlage and Randy Brouse; (third row, l. to r.) Clifford Burk, James Cale, Rauli Curie, Cheryl Fileham, Carolyn Fox, Mark Gaylord, Sharon Harriman, Forrest Hayford, Drew Hodge, Karen Jacobson and Carol Jones; (fourth row, l. to r.) Bruce Lapinski, James Larson, Marilyn Myers, Gilbert Pruss, Susan Remo, Deanne Rokicki, Robert Rokicki, Greg Rouke, Beverly Smith and Michael Sucher; and (top row, l. to r.) Sandy Sundy, James Uhl, Al Voss, Pauline Waatt, Nancy Weir and Marsha Young. Absent for the picture were honor students: Marsha Mitchell, Carol Northen and Carol Raus.



FARMINGTON REALTORS gathered in the City Hall last Thursday to witness City Manager John Dinan's signing of the official proclamation declaring the week of May 24-30 as Realtor Week in the community. Pictured above are (l. to r. seated) Paul Fisher of Fisher & Worringlar, Ken Loomis of Ken Loomis Realty and Ella M. Cottone of E. L. M. Cottone Realty. (l. to r. standing) Glenn A. Timhan of John-

stone & Johnstone, Harold E. Rowe of North Farmington Realty, Dan Williamson of the Gordon Williamson Company, Russ Froman of Russ Froman Real Estate, Russell Ellis of Ellis Real Estate, Don Dates and Jean Morningstar of Dates & Morningstar, Ken Loomis of Ken Loomis Realty and Ella M. Cottone of E. L. M. Cottone Realty.

## Township Board Enacts Ordinance Controlling Access Routes to Hwy's

The Farmington Township Board took action at their Monday night meeting, May 25, formally adopting two new ordinances, one to regulate access routes to major thoroughfares and the other to regulate the flow of rain and surface water.

Both new ordinances were drafted by Township Attorney Joseph T. Brennan at the request of the board in the interest of giving the township added control in future residential and commercial developments.

THE ORDINANCE passed to control access routes will allow

## 3 Twp. Zoning Matters to be Aired Tonight

Matters which will be up for more discussion at the regular meeting of the Farmington Township Zoning Board tonight, Thursday, May 28, at 8 p.m. will be a proposed multiple residential and commercial center at 14 Mile and Middlebelt and re-zoning to commercial of additional land at Grand River and Middlebelt.

A public hearing will be held on the proposed commercial expansion of the Aldrich property on Grand River near Middlebelt. Efforts will be made to determine whether or not a public hearing should be established for the development at 14 Mile and Middlebelt.

The board will also review a preliminary plan and re-zoning request for Franklin Gateways Subdivision. The plan calls for 132 luxury apartment units, 17 two-story apartment buildings and 40 single family residential units in the vicinity of Middlebelt Road and Northwestern Highway.

the township the added assurance that business fronting on main roads will in the future consist of progress and progress in compliance with the recommendations of the State Police and Oakland County Road Commission, both of which will serve as a consulting agency for the township where problems of traffic safety are involved.

Township officials became concerned with the problem of traffic congestion near business centers and other areas which drew heavy traffic earlier this year and determined to adopt ordinances that would eliminate hazardous entrances and exits from these places.

In the new ordinance to regulate rain and surface water flow, the township is particularly interested in putting more teeth in the building code to protect new homeowners. New home builders will be required to grade residential building lots in such a way as to conform with the natural drainage of the area, insuring that the property owner's home will not be adversely affected by improper grading work.

## Old Light Bill Check Reveals \$1,500 Error

The Franklin Knolls Improvement Association is now \$1,500 short in its share of the cost of the Old Light Bill. The association's treasurer, Mrs. Lee DeCoy of 32169 Nottingham Knoll,

Mrs. DeCoy was checking on the bill when she discovered that the association had been paying more than its share for the past nine years. Due to a clerical error.

IT SEEMS BACK in 1955 both Franklin Knolls and the Clarenceville School District put in requests with the Farmington Township Board to have street lights installed in their respective areas of the township. However, since the township only acts as a middleman for the Detroit Edison Company in such lighting projects, the two requests came over as one bill which was sent to Franklin Knolls. Payment for the lights, made in installments of about \$3.50 per month, was assumed entirely by Franklin Knolls.

And not until Mrs. DeCoy decided to count just how many lights the subdivision had did the error become evident.

FRANKLIN KNOLLS has been paying for 31 street lights which they only have five. The other six are in the Clarenceville area some 6 miles away in the southeast corner of the township.

The Farmington Township Board voted unanimously to reimburse the Franklin Knolls Improvement Association the \$1,500 it overpaid on the township's general fund. Clarenceville, in turn, will receive at long last the bill for its share of the cost for the lighting project.

FENCES WILL also be required to come in for inspection in areas where they cross a natural drainage area and will be prohibited where, in such cases they hinder or obstruct the flow of surface water.

Both of the new ordinances carry penalty clauses and will go into effect June 27. The new ordinances are printed elsewhere in this paper in their entirety.

Action was also taken at the Monday night board meeting finally approving an amendment to the township's zoning ordinance to provide for golf courses and amend the Sign Ordinance. The board followed the recommendation of the Township Zoning Board, which conducted lengthy public hearings on the matter, in approving the new amendments.

SIGNS IN THE township will now be restricted to a maximum size of 64 square feet or less.

## Fair Layout Plan Submitted

A proposed layout for the location of rides, booths, etc. for a fair which the Farmington Optimist Club is hoping to get permission to stage in August on a triangular parcel of land adjacent to the Farmington High School was submitted to the board of education Monday night.

The board requested that the administration review the plan and report back at the next regular board of education meeting making a recommendation either in favor or opposed to the plan.

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## Ungraded Classrooms Study at W. Grace School Praised Highly

A detailed, special report was made to the Farmington Board of Education Monday night on the pilot study program which was started at the beginning of the current school year with ungraded classes at the first grade level at the William Grace School.

The decision was made by the board of education and administrative staff in the spring of last year to try the ungraded classroom approach on a three year trial basis for grades one through three. The William Grace School first grade classes were selected for the experimental program from a field of five schools in the district.

During the current school year now drawing to a close the continuous progress plan for first graders has been used in the William Grace School in the area of reading only. But, during the coming school year, it is planned to include in the ungraded program for the lower grades reading with numbers (or arithmetic) and spelling.

NICK ABID, principal at the school, and members of his teaching staff as well as Miss Minnie Zielke, elementary consultant for the entire school district, were all high in their praise of the continuous progress training program with numbers in their study and experimentation with it.

If the enthusiasm which was expressed to the board in the past year is added to some of the other schools in the district in the very near future and perhaps still in later years.

Miss Zielke stated that principals and teachers at some of the other schools in the district have seen UNGRADED PLAN

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## Jackson Out of School Bd. Race

The Farmington Enterprise learned at press time this week that William E. Jackson, Jr. a candidate for the Board of Education in the Farmington school district, has withdrawn from the race. He stated that he plans to leave the community and return to his native state, Indiana, where he has accepted another educational job.

Jackson, 40, has notified the Clarenceville Board of Education of his intention to give his position as principal of the Edgewood Elementary School since 1956 effective on the expiration date of his present contract, June 30. He indicated he will ask the Clarenceville Board of Education to release him from next year's contract which would become effective August 1.

IN WITHDRAWING from the Farmington School Board race, Jackson said he would like to thank all those who had signed his nominating petitions and given him support.

Jackson and his wife, Mary Joyce, and their five children reside at 32843 Meadowlark in Farmington.

Both the Farmington City and Township offices will be closed this Friday, May 29, to permit employees to celebrate the long Memorial Day weekend. It was announced this week which would become effective August 1.

Both governmental offices will resume normal operations again on Monday morning.

The Farmington School District central office will remain open as usual all day Friday, school officials reported.

## Twp. Zoners OK Retiree Village

At an executive session held earlier this month, the Farmington Township Zoning Board determined that the Detroit Baptist Manor Corp. should be allowed to develop a retirement village on 13 Mile Road east of Orchard Lake Road but with some restrictions. This will be the zoning development that the township board.

It was agreed by the zoning officials that 200 feet at the eastern edge of the property proposed for development should be a present single family home development should be left residential-one and not rezoned for multiple dwelling. They also agreed that it should be stipulated that unless a building permit is taken out for the total development of the proposed retirement village within three years, the zoning should revert back to one family residential development classification again.



THE ASCHENBRENNER AWARD was presented to Farmington High School track star Dennis Hunt (left), who took runnerup honors in the State Track Finals for the mile run this year, by John K. Crack, Director of Athletics and Physical Education for the Farmington School District. The Aschenbrenner Trophy, which is annually presented to the outstanding senior athlete at FHS, was presented to Hunt at the Falcon Sports Award Banquet held Monday night in the Parker House Frontier Towne.