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## Residents Air Sewer Problems In Woodbrook

Residents from Woodbrook Subdivision in Farmington Township appeared at the regular Township Board meeting Monday night, June 8, to register complaints about sewer problems.

The sewer problems, it was explained by a spokesman for the residents, stemmed from improper drainage of the subdivision. It was stated by the Woodbrook spokesman that a dangerous health problem existed and no action was being taken.

The spokesman for the Board of Health of the subdivision, both of whom had been notified of the problem, Township Supervisor Curtis H. Harrison said it was the first time he was aware of any such problem and he pledged the full cooperation of the township in solving the problem.

The residents told the board that 25 homes were presently located in the subdivision and plans call for another 110 homes. They felt steps should be taken to prevent further development until such a time as the sewer problem is corrected.

Township officials agreed to issue building permits until they received notification from the County Health Department that the problem had been corrected in the subdivision.

A representative from the subdivision development company was on hand at the meeting and indicated he would be extending efforts to see that plans already under way for correcting the problem would be carried out to the satisfaction of the residents.

## Act To Expedite Next Round of School Const.

The new Farmington School District maintenance building should be able to be put under construction by the early part of next month, Supt. G. V. Harrison stated Monday night.

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## FARC Six-Week Program Opens Here June 22

The Farmington Area Recreation Commission this week announced plans for its annual summer recreation program for 1964.

The opening date for this year's six-week summer recreation program has been set for Monday, June 22. The program will run through July 31.

CHUCK SHANDOR, FARC Director, said this week that children may register at any time during the six weeks to take part in the activities. Shandor said there is no charge but added parents may be asked to contribute in a small contribution. If they like, to cover the cost of craft materials. These contributions can be given to the playground supervisor, he added.

Shandor said children participating in the summer recreation program must be home for lunch. On swim days, children are to be on the playground at 8:30 a.m. to get the school bus.

Playground hours will be from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. with a half hour planned for lunch. Shandor stated that children are not required to participate every day.

## Start Two Auto Dealer Bldgs.

Permits have now been taken out and construction started on two automobile dealership buildings in Farmington Township.

Both buildings are being put up by the Chrysler Corporation with the Chrysler handling the Chrysler line of cars. One of the buildings will be located on the south side of Grand River Avenue just west of Nine Mile Road intersection. This will be the new home of Towne & Country Dodge, presently located on Grand River at Power Road.

The other building, which will house a new Chrysler-Plymouth dealership, is being located at the southeast corner of Grand River Avenue and Middlebelt Road.

Each of the buildings will be approximately 11,500 square feet of floor space. The approximate valuation for each of the buildings has been set at \$180,000.

Construction on both buildings is being handled by Viking Contractors.

## Twp. Bd. Moves Quickly To Add New Policemen

Farmington Township officials moved quickly this week to fulfill plans to hire seven additional police officers, who will be hired as a result of the voter approval May 18 of the special police and fire protection millage proposal.

An examination will be given to more than 20 applicants for the available positions on the township police force. The examinations are scheduled to be given in the Farmington Junior High School, 30200 Thomas Street, in the City of Farmington at 7:30 p.m. tomorrow night, Friday, June 12.

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## C'ville School Proposals OK'd

In a very tight voter turnout election in the Clarenceville School District on Monday, voters who cast 82 per cent of the vote approved a \$2 per \$1,000 operating millage proposition and a second proposal on a \$14 million bond issue for the previous year.

The first and second doses are of identical vaccine but two doses are necessary for maximum immunization, health officials have stated.

A donation of 50 cents per person is asked for but it was emphasized that no one would be charged for their polio-fighting sugar cubes because of a lack of funds.

St. Paul's Lutheran Church officials for the transportation of the elementary children in the Farmington School District was discussed at some length by the board of education Monday night but no final decision was reached.

St. Paul's Lutheran School is located on Middlebelt Road just north of Eight Mile in Farmington Township but is within the Farmington School District but the Clarenceville District.

It was estimated by Supt. G. V. Harrison that there would only be about 65 pupils from the school in the Farmington School District. He indicated that the problem was that the school was located outside the Farmington School District which a few Farmington young people are attending.

It was estimated by members of the school board that there might be 15 or more schools outside the district which would be in the area. One school would be Cranbrook, Catholic Central, Ladywood, Detroit Country Day School and others were mentioned.

The issue of the serious implications that granting approval of the St. Paul's Lutheran Church request might have, it was decided that more time would be needed to study the matter before taking action.

Free Lunches Request Denied

A request from officials of the Farmington American Fund Service chapters that the board consider furnishing hot lunches to foreign exchange students free of charge in the future was rejected by the board of education Monday night after a rather lengthy discussion.

Board members and the administration alike indicated that they did not feel this cost should be absorbed by the school district for at least a couple of reasons. One was that this would not give the exchange students a realistic picture of the American way of living. Another was that it was not within the legal bounds of the township board to require taxpayers money for such things.

The board also felt that it would be wrong to ask exchange student clubs in the schools to provide hot lunches for the foreign pupils for the host families of the exchange students.

## Forrest Dickerson Hurt in Auto Crash

Forrest Dickerson, 37, of 33620 Grand River Avenue in Farmington was seriously injured Friday, June 5 when the car he was driving went off the road and struck a tree at Ten Mile near Broadway in Farmington Township.

The board agreed with his recommendation and authorized a go ahead with plans for the 20 classroom school.

THE HIGHEST AWARD which can be presented to a graduating senior from Farmington High School, the Keith Johnson Award, was presented to Carol Lawshe at Swingout ceremonies held last Friday by assistant principal at FHS, Clayton Graham. The Keith Johnson Award was established by the FHS class of 1941 in memory of a classmate of Johnson, who was a Student Council President and stricken with a fatal illness during his senior year.



## 2nd Anti-Polio 'Cube' Feeding This Sunday

A reminder is being issued to Farmington area families that this Sunday, June 14, is the date for distribution of the second dose of anti-polio sugar cubes.

The hours for this second and final mass feeding of polio vaccine on sugar cubes to assure complete protection against polio will be from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m.

The four feeding stations in Farmington are at East Junior High, Farmington Junior High, Flamingo School and North Farmington High.

Citizens are being urged to return to the same feeding station they visited to get their first polio vaccine sugar cube. It was emphasized, however, that citizens could go to any of the feeding stations if it was going to be extremely difficult for them to get to the same one they went to the first time.

IT WAS ALSO stated that anyone who may have missed the first feeding should take the second sugar cube feeding anyway and obtain their second dose from their private physician or health care provider.

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## Two New Police Cars Approved by Twp. Bd.

The Farmington Township Board authorized Clerk Floyd Cairns and Supervisor Curtis H. Harrison to proceed with the purchasing of two new police cars at the regular Township Board meeting Monday night, June 8.

The two cars will be purchased from the Pontiac Retail Outlet in Pontiac and are expected to be delivered within a few weeks. Since one of the township's present patrol cars with 70,000 miles on it will be traded in for the purchase of the two new cars, the township will gain only one new car. Another car, however, ordered from Russ Gilbert's Town and Country is expected to be delivered in the next few weeks to provide an increase of two police cars for the township fleet.

# Community College Proposals Carry; Incumbents Re-elected to School Bd.

Farmington School District voters approved by one-sided margins both the propositions for the establishment of a community college system in the Oakland County Schools system and the levying of a \$1 per \$1,000 special tax to help finance the college system's operations.

The voters also indicated their apparent satisfaction with the method in which the Farmington School District has been operating in the past by re-electing by one-sided margins both incumbent candidates

whose terms of office were expiring.

While the voter turnout was a little better than that recorded a year ago at the annual school election, it was still considered by school officials and community leaders to be a very poor showing in view of the importance of the matters to be decided.

There were a total of 1,846 votes cast. This figures out to a voter turnout of less than 11.6 per cent on the basis of the latest estimate of registered voters in the school district of 16,855.

On the community college propositions, Farmington voters favored the establishment of a college district by a better than 2 to 1 margin. The vote on this proposition was 1,174 "yes" to 532 "no." On the second proposition asking permission to levy an additional \$1 per \$1,000 in taxes on state equalized valuation the vote was 1,069 "yes" to 650 "no."

Approval of the propositions locally by these substantial

margins played a big part in both propositions carrying county-wide and particularly the later proposal which carried by a 60 to 40 vote for the whole Oakland Schools system.

THE COUNTY vote on the proposal for establishing the community college district was 17,584 "yes" to 17,584 "no" while the vote on the proposal to levy additional taxes to support such a college district slipped by one vote margin of only 20,341 "yes" to 20,681 "no."

The Holly, Lyon, Madison Heights, Southfield and Westland school districts all voted against both college propositions while Brandon, Hazel Park, Huron Valley, Lake Orion, Novi, Rochester, Royal Oak and Troy voters approved the establishment of a college district but rejected approval of levying an additional tax to support the same.

In balloting for the two local board of education seats to be filled, Richard Peters, president, led the field of candidates with a total of 1,050 votes. Treasurer George A. Nahlstork received 915 votes, president George V. Srelecak was Nahlstork's closest contender.

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YOUNGSTERS WILL FLOCK to the Farmington Junior Chamber of Commerce Bikes this Saturday, June 13, in the Farmington Junior High School parking lot on Thomas Street downtown. Pictured above are a few of the eager participants who will be on hand at the start of activities at 10 a.m. Pictured are (L to R) Peter Lachmann, 10,

Beth Schwartz, 11 (who was last year's third place winner in the senior division); Jeff Kobman, 9; Cheryl Kobman, 6; Heidi Lachman, 8; and Betsy Kobman (Cheryl's twin sister). Beth Schwartz is holding the trophy she won last year. (See the Jayce Bike Race story on Page 7A.)

## National Bank of Detroit to Open New Farmington Office on June 22

The new twin-unit banking center of the Farmington Office of the National Bank of Detroit will be opened for business Monday, June 22, it was announced today by vice president Byron E. Lapham.

Official opening ceremonies will be held at 9:30 a.m. Thursday, June 25, to be followed by two days of open house activity on Thursday and Friday at the new office on Grand River and Alta Loma.

All residents of the community are invited to participate in the festivities which will be held at the new bank from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Thursday, June 25, and from 9:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Friday, June 26, Lapham said.

The new building, of contemporary design, will replace the bank's present main office at Grand River and Farmington Road. The walk-up windows in the local office will continue to be operated, however, Lapham said.

THE NEW QUARTERS will provide approximately 1,000 square feet of the most modernized banking facilities available today. The drive and paved lot will accommodate five to six cars. The building will have two new drive-in windows and parking for about 60 autos.

The larger of the two units

will house general banking operations. The smaller of the units will house the Installment Department offices. The increased loaning activity of the Farmington office, sometimes necessitated providing separate quarters for the Installment Department, thus enabling faster service to customers, bank officials commented.

The three new drive-in windows are located on the south side of the building. Safe deposit facilities are provided by the Safe Deposit Company of Detroit. Night depository facilities are also available.

The new property has 223

foot of frontage on Farmington Road and a 215-foot frontage on Alta Loma. The new facilities are located about 600 feet south of the present main office on Grand River.

The building was designed by Keith Sipleary of the architectural-engineering firm of Smith, Hirsman and Freilich.

A special effort was made to make the bank harmonize with its surroundings. Some of the existing trees on the property have been saved and an intricate masonry wall separates the bank from adjacent residential property.

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## Expanding Satellite Plan For School Hot Lunches

At the regular board of education meeting Monday night, Mrs. Ella Plichta, cafeteria supervisor of the district, discussed with the board the possible procedures to be followed for setting up a central kitchen and food preparation center in the district which might eventually handle the feeding of as many as 3,000 pupils or more at several different schools.

She related what she had learned from personnel handling the satellite feeding program set up at Knudsen School in Detroit which provides lunches not only for that school but several others around it.

Mrs. Plichta had been requesting that the board of education earlier to investigate the possibility of using one of the existing secondary schools for a central kitchen facility at North Farmington High. She estimated that with the addition of about 800 square feet of storage space, some other changes and

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## Schools to Pay Half Insurance

The Farmington Board of Education took official action Monday night approving adoption of a policy whereby the school district will pay half the cost of medical insurance costs for full time employees in an amount not to exceed \$15,000 per month.

The board also agreed that a lesser percentage of the cost should be paid for workers on the school system's staff not considered to be on full time basis but still considered to be regular employees of the school system.

The matter of paying at least part of the cost of hospital and medical insurance costs of teachers and other employees of the school district has been under consideration for some time now. Board members and the administrative staff have had frequent discussions on this matter with the Farmington Education Association and officials of other employees groups in the district.

It was indicated by Supt. G. V. Harrison that the school board's ability to take on this additional expense has been found to be possible as a result of the fact that the district has a higher amount of state aid money than had originally been planned on.

The administration was instructed to set up a special committee to make up from teachers, other employees and the administrative staff to determine the best insurance program for those wishing to take advantage of it. It was asked that the study be completed and a report made back to the board as soon as possible.

## Circulation Now Over 7,000

In a circulation drive conducted during the month of May, a total of 336 more subscribers were added to Farmington's oldest and best growing list of Farmington City and Township readers.

This circulation increase coupled with increasing sales of approximately 1,000 copies per week throughout the community has boosted the Enterprise's total press run over the 7,000 mark.

Although for file only, these papers which go out free to regular contact advertisers, the Enterprise's paid subscription list still totals over 4,000. Based on latest post office figures available on the number of residential postal stops in the community, the percentage of paid Enterprise newspaper readers in Farmington City and Township now stands at approximately 70 per cent.

According to state and national newspaper association average percentage figures, this is considered an exceptionally high percentage of paid subscribers.