

Test your knowledge for events of 1978

Looking back has its hazards. Let's wife looked back at Sodom and Gomorrah and turned into a pillar of salt.

But the Farmington Observer is hoping that sort of thing won't happen to readers who take one last look at 1978 via the following trivia quiz.

The quiz deals with odds and ends of the last 12 months and is presented in a multiple guess form.

So sharpen those pencils and party chilled minds and take one last look back at the past year.

1. Taking friends to a local bistro can be lots of fun. But there's one watering hole that is impossible to enter. That's Waack's Bar. Now tell us why most would-be patrons find the place so impossible.

*A. After Mick, Candy, Cher and Truman enter, the owner is stationed out front so only the "right people" get a chance to mingle with the regulars.

*B. Waack's burned down in early January, 1978. It basically is hole in the ground at the moment.

*C. It's absolutely the chic-est disco in town.

2. As the Observer reported in August, Springbrook and Holly Hills Farms subdivisions have something few other area subs possess. What is it?

*A. There's gold in them thar subdivisions.

*B. Both subs have lakes in the middle.

*C. High rise housing is slated for those locations.

3. The Farmington Hills Founders' Festival is an annual event. But how much does it cost to put on the bash?

*A. Last year it was free. The whole event was the product of prodigious community spirit and donations.

*B. Last year, the festival cost about \$17,000.

*C. Last year, the festival bill was about half a million dollars.

4. Speaking of the Founders' Festival. Last year a group of teens sold some t-shirts with unusual hand symbols printed on them. What sort of shirts were sold at the festival?

*A. They were designed by area art students and sold so the youths could attend school in Europe.

*B. They were obscene gestures printed on shirts by a group of local rebels.

*C. The shirts were sold by teens from Our Lady of Sorrows parish to help Middlebrook, a school for the hearing impaired. The symbols were hand signs for "Hi" and "I love you."

5. What's an Alkoon?

*A. A Belgium group that performs in native costume and uses medieval flag ceremony as the basis for its act. The group entertained at the Farmington Founders' Festival.

*B. An nearly extinct species of bird discovered by children in the back of the Farmington Public Library.

*C. The last name of a little known Farmington City Council member.

6. Who is Heather Cunningham and why is she well known?

*A. She's a character from the latest best seller based on life in Farmington.

*B. She's a star on Hee-Haw.

*C. The Farmington High graduate plays Dee Stewart on the CBS soap "As the World Turns."

7. What do Alberta Taylor and Mary Lou Masters have in common?

*A. They're well-known Farmington sisters.

*B. They operate the city's only disco.

*C. Ms. Taylor retired as director of the Farmington Community Center this year and Ms. Masters assumed that position.

8. Karrel Fox has fond memories of milk. Why does this Farmington Hills resident associate good luck with a bottle of milk?

*A. He played the clown Milky on "Milky's Party Time," a magic show once sponsored by the Twin Pines Dairy.

*B. He is Farmington's last milk deliveryman.

*C. His mother always fed him right.

9. This summer Farmington Hills Police Chief John Nichols found himself acting as an exterminator for his own offices. Why?

*A. The city budget didn't provide money to hire a company to get rid of the roaches in the cop shop.

*B. Nichols removed five bugging devices placed in the department by his predecessor Ron Holko.

*C. Exterminating bugs is Nichols' hobby.

10. Oakland County residents were annoyed by a phenomena usually reserved for science fiction, this summer. What was it?

*A. An invasion of pod-creatures which snatch human bodies.

*B. Election campaigns run amuck.

*C. An influx of bees which were more than ready to sting and made life miserable for county residents.

See answers to trivia quiz in Monday's edition of the Farmington Observer.

11. A Farmington Hills firm decided to enter the vanity market this fall with an interesting do-it-yourself twist. What was it?

*A. The firm decided to offer monogrammed paper plates.

*B. The firm published novice photographers' work in a magazine called "Here's Looking at You."

*C. The firm offered to round up the musicians and record a song tailored to any person or subject selected by the buyer.

12. This was the year Betty Crocker goofed. What did she do?

*A. Issue recipes for canning sauces and pumpkin that were likely to be poisonous. The mistake was corrected in September.

*B. Admitted in a rare interview that she absolutely detested cooking.

*C. Inadvertently issued recipes which omitted any measures.

13. What's an Underground Shopper?

*A. A new Farmington boutique.

*B. A listing of all the known bargains in Wayne and Oakland County in the publication, "The Underground Shopper."

*C. A free-spirited, free-spender catered to by posh boutiques.



First in 1979

It took a while but the Farmington area's first baby Father is Alex Grays. Kyras weighed in at a healthy of 1979 came along at 8:10 a.m. on Jan. 1 at Eotsoford Hospital in Farmington Hills. She was Kyras Jol Wellman seven pounds and seven ounces. (Photo by Karl Grays who is proudly held by mother Georgianna.)

New year

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admitted a Farmington Hills detective.

While the traffic department in the Hills coped with some fender-benders, the detectives looked into the breaking and entering of the Michigan National Bank on Nine Mile and Farmington Road. One calculator was taken.

"It's got to be kids," a detective said. "There's nothing in there but machines. There's no loose change lying around a bank," he said.

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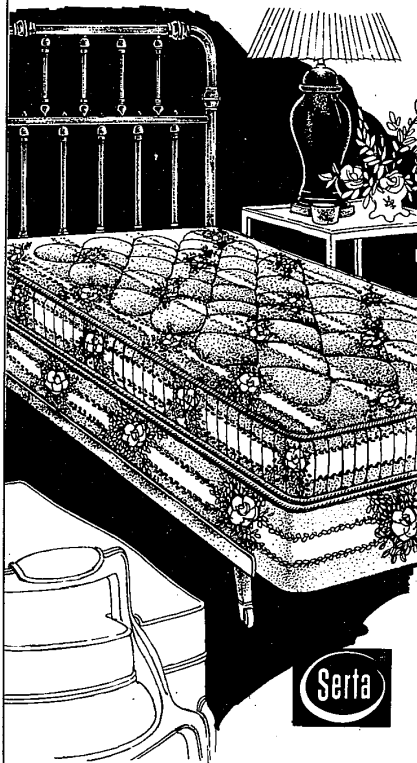
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On one page in the math textbook, fourth graders are asked how many 15-cent Hershey's bars can be bought for 15 cents.

Ross raps textbook 'ads'

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year and the brand names have already been dropped where it could be," Nielsen said. "We are changing to more generic things. I don't know what the items will be but we will be showing other things, other ways to teach kids addition and multiplication."

Co-director of the local citizen's group, Mrs. Miller, said California already has school code guidelines that prohibit use of brand names and corporate logos in school textbooks.

However, in checking with the Los Angeles School District textbook center, the newspaper found that the same book Ross finds objectionable is being used in Los Angeles public schools.

Consumers Union, publishers of Consumer's Reports, joined forces last year with Vigilance in Public Education, the California Citizens Action Group, the Committee on Children's TV and the Children's Rights Group to successfully convince the California board of education to set school code guidelines to ban advertising in textbooks.

The guidelines take effect next fall, said Mrs. Luana Martilla, attorney for Consumers Union. Consequently, California school districts can use the guidelines this school year but can't order more for future instruction.

ROSS SAID he will introduce legislation later this month "to forbid the adoption of textbooks containing illustrations and photographs of commercial brands."

Ms. Martilla said the consumer groups in California tried to get the state legislature to pass such a law and failed, with legislators stating that the school code guidelines were enough regulation.

"I wanted legislative recognition of the problem," Ms. Martilla said. "Once something like this is codified into law it is more permanent and it becomes a stronger statement of public policy."

Scott, Foreman & Co. vice-president Nielsen said there was no kick-back from companies whose products appeared in the mathbooks and said the publishing company is always open to criticism.

"We will cooperate in every way we can," Nielsen said. "I am amazed how a company like Scott, Foreman, bends over backward not to offend anybody."

Nielsen said he has seen future elementary math texts and found the wording and illustrations "very careful." "I don't know what they're using in the illustrations. It might not be apples and oranges, it might be balls."

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