

Farmington Calendar

HIGHMEADOW CONCERT

May 28. Highmeadow School will present an instrumental music program at 7:30 p.m., directed by Mrs. Fern Barber. Election and installation of new PTA officers will also be held.

SOUTH FARMINGTON PONY LEAGUE

May 30. Opening day ceremonies of South Farmington Pony League Baseball will be held at noon on the Farmington High School playing field on Orchard Lake Rd. Ball games to follow.

FLANDERS PTA

June 1. Flanders PTA will meet at 7:30 p.m. Candidates for the Farmington Board of Education will present their qualifications for election and answer questions from the audience. Also on the agenda are the installation of new officers and a by-laws amendment vote to raise PTA dues.

FARMINGTON MUSICALS

June 3. Farmington Musicals will hold its annual membership tea in the Farmington Community Center. For reservations, call Mrs. Robert Williams, 476-5185.

DRUG PROBLEM

June 3. Farmington Area Jaycee Auxiliary and Farmington junior high schools will present their final drug symposium at 8 p.m. in Farmington High School. Arthur Jalkanen, chairman of the Oakland County Drug Abuse Committee, will discuss "How Do We React?"

EMOTIONALLY DISTURBED CHILDREN

June 3. Oakland County Chapter of the Michigan Association for Disturbed Children will hold its annual meeting at 8 p.m. in Standard Federal Savings of Birmingham (northwest corner of Lahser and 15 Miles). Guest speaker, Dr. Morris Weiss, will discuss day treatment for disturbed children in Oakland County. There will also be a discussion of the report submitted to the Oakland County Mental Health Services Board, election of officers and a report on vocational education.

SENIOR DROP-IN CENTER

Farmington area senior citizens are invited to the Senior-Drop-In Center held from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays in the Farmington Masonic Temple, Farmington Rd. and Grand River.

ROTARY CLUB OF FARMINGTON

The Rotary Club of Farmington meets at noon each Tuesday in Botsford Inn.

Gen. Dean Named Memorial Speaker

The Memorial Day Committee has announced that Army Brig. Gen. John W. Dean Jr. will appear in Farmington May 30 as guest speaker at the Memorial Day banquet.

Gen. Dean, deputy commander of the 24 Region Army Air Defense Command ARAIDCOM, headquartered at Selfridge Air Force Base, will speak on "Memorial Day-1970."

THE BANQUET will be held in the American Legion Hall on Grand River immediately following services at the Memorial Monument.

The parade Saturday will begin at 10 a.m., and about an hour later the memorial service will be held. After the banquet, an open house will be held in the VFW Hall on Orchard Lake north of Shiawassee.

The banquet is being held to honor the special military guest coming to Farmington for the Memorial Day Parade as well as the area Blue and Gold Star Mothers.

DEAN ENTERED the Army as an enlisted man, attended Officer Candidate School and was commissioned a second lieutenant. After

graduating from the Command and General Staff College, he served a tour with the 75th Infantry Division in Europe. For awhile he was an instructor for the California National Guard and then entered combat in Korea in 1951. Between 1952-53, Dean served as chief of staff, Military Assistance Advisory Group in Japan.

AFTER RETURNING to the states, Dean took more military schooling and then commanded a field artillery battalion at Ft. Sill, Okla.

Dean was secretary of the Artillery and Guided Missile School for two years until he attended the National War College in 1958.

After a stint in the Pentagon working in personnel and international security, Dean was assigned overseas as chief of staff, U.S. Army Southern European Task Force in Italy.

He was promoted to brigadier general while serving with artillery units at Ft. Sill. He commanded an air defense brigade in Korea and then returned to join ARAIDCOM.

Dean is one of two Army generals stationed in Michigan and is the senior ranking of the two.

A request for Planned Residential Development (PRD) zoning of the area southeast of 14 Mile and Drake Rds. was denied Thursday night by the Farmington Township Planning Commission.

The commission voted 4-1 against the request of developer Marvin Rollins after conducting a public hearing attended by over 125 residents.

Ban Political Clubs In Schools -- Flattery

William Flattery asked the Farmington Board of Education Monday night to ban all political clubs in the school district.

Flattery, a Farmington Township resident and branch manager of First Federal Savings of Detroit in the City of Farmington, asked for and received a spot on the agenda to present his arguments.

IN CONCLUDING his appeal, Flattery said, "I highly recommend that the Farmington Board of Education adopt a policy of NO political group allowed to function in Farmington School system."

"This would include Republican and Democrat clubs. Let's keep politics out of our schools and stick to the problem of educating our children."

Flattery told the Farmington Enterprise & Observer he became concerned two or three weeks ago after reading news stories about the attempts of the Student Mobilization Committee (SMC) to organize a chapter at North Farmington High School.

At that point, he began researching the SMC and its national background and prepared the statement (read Monday night) documented with news stories from the Washington Post, New York Times, and quotes from the Congressional Record and a special report by US News & World Report.

AMONG THE FINDINGS Flattery disclosed were:

The SMC steering committee has over 28 known or admitted communists active in the organization.

Ron Young, an SMC member, went to Stockholm for a meeting with the Viet Cong and representatives of North Vietnam on Oct. 11-12, 1969.

Flattery reported on an SMC conference held at Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, calling for demonstrations and student strikes.

The two-day gathering, he said, was marked by fierce factional disputes and the exercise of tight control by the Young Socialist Alliance (YSA).

FLATTERY SAID he has found the YSA, a Trotskyist group, has asserted control over the SMC by filling most of that committee's key staff positions.

He observed that the House Internal Security subcommittee in Washington, D.C., has ordered an investigation of SMC "with particular reference to the extent to which it was identified with the Communist Party U.S.A."

Flattery mentioned that FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover says SMC is controlled by members of the YSA which Hoover says is the youth group of the Socialist Workers Party (SWP).

The SWP is the largest Trotskyist Communist Party in the U.S., Flattery added, and has been declared subversive by the House Un-American Activities Committee and two Attorney Generals.

from subdivisions adjacent to the proposed development.

ROLLINS HAD proposed to build single family detached homes and multiple dwellings, including townhouses and condominiums, in a 150-acre area. Open space was to account for about 21 acres.

Residents from Rolling Oaks, Woodbrook, Muer Cove and Briar Hill subdivisions pre-

sented petitions against the PRD zoning. Over 350 signatures had been collected opposing the plan.

"The introduction of multiple housing in this section would have an adverse effect on the property values of residences already in the area," said Fred Hughes of Rolling Oaks.

"I don't see how in the world it will affect the valuation of your homes," commented

Edward McDonnell, a professional appraiser for 35 years.

"People who would buy these multiple dwellings can contribute to the community," added McDonnell.

"Well, homes near townhouses do go down in value," countered Norman Newman of Rolling Oaks. Newman said he has seen this situation occur in other areas where he is a builder and developer.

"I'm concerned with the character of the community," said Gerald J. Weisman of Rolling Oaks. "I didn't just move into a new house, I moved into a neighborhood."

WEISMAN FELT that people living in condominiums have different interests than families with children. "I expected the neighborhood to have people with similar interests," he said.

PRD zoning would increase the population by 10% in the area.

"Ten percent isn't much but still the density increases," said a resident.

"You have to remember that every generation felt the same way," commented L. David Stader, secretary of the planning commission.

"You don't know how upset the people of Farmington were when we came in from Detroit," Stader continued.

He said farms were broken up for the present subdivisions and people predicted the ruin of the township.

The point is that you think this is being progressive because it's new," said Mrs. Leona Kline of Rolling Oaks.

"You're breaking the faith of the people. It's not fair of you to even consider this PRD proposal."

"I don't consider single fam-

ily homes a high level of development," commented William Jarratt, the dissenting commissioner who voted for the PRD zoning.

WHEN JARRATT suggested that residents "go around the country" to see that multiple dwellings are popular, the residents started booing and yelling.

He cited the Springwells area in Dearborn where single family homes have retained their value with multiple dwellings coming in.

Rollins, finally getting a chance to speak, said some of the residents' arguments were based "entirely on emotion."

"Many of the single family homes will cost considerably more than your own homes," Rollins told the residents.

HE BELIEVED persons who bought these homes would be just as interested in keeping up the area as were present residents.

"All we are asking for is the introduction of different types of dwellings to get a different type of market," said Rollins.

"The one valid reason I have heard tonight is the so-called unknown," he added.

Rollins was talking about what David Edgar, a resident, had previously mentioned during the public hearing.

"What are you expecting underneath with the PRD proposal is the fear of the unknown," Edgar had said.

groups from the school system.

WHEN FLATTERY was asked by Peters if he investigated the actions of the NFHS group, he answered the letters from the police departments covered the local situation.

Peters said he did not believe the police letters were specific about the group at NFHS.

Trustee Aldo Vagnozzi said all of the statements about the national SMC do not apply to the local situation at North.

He pointed out the North SMC does not have the constitution of the national group and is very loosely organized.

"It is my observation, it

might go out of existence if some parents didn't keep bringing it up at board meetings."

Vagnozzi said the local SMC has sponsored only two activities this year, both proper. He mentioned an assembly on the war which he said "was very much part of the educational process."

He described the assembly as a debate on the war with both sides represented and as a "mild exchange which didn't raise any fireworks."

He added the local group has assured the board it is not bound by the national constitution and has also promised to

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