

obituaries

MARY STRACHAN

Mrs. Strachan, 57, of Farmington died Sept. 14 in Bolsoford Hospital.

Born in Scotland, Mrs. Strachan was a cartographer. Survivors include her son, Alexander, brothers, John, Sam, Tom and Joe McGee; a stepister, Ross Barthwick.

Services were Sept. 22 at the Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington, with the Rev. James Wright of St. Alexander's Catholic Church officiating. Burial was in Oakwood Cemetery, Farmington.

Mrs. Ostrander was a homemaker. Survivors include her husband, Terry; daughters, Jennifer and Carla; parents, Joan and Richard Pearson; sisters, Donna Griffith, Karen Pearson and Denise Knowlton; brothers, Kenneth and Paul Pearson.

Services were Sept. 18 at the Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington, with the Rev. V.F. Halboth Sr. officiating. Cremation was in Evergreen Cemetery, Detroit.

JACK M. PATTERSON

Mr. Patterson, 62, of Farmington Hills died Sept. 15 in Sinai Hospital, Detroit.

Born in Illinois, Mr. Patterson was director of information services at

Bendix Corp. He received a mathematics degree from Princeton University and Columbia University. He taught at Wayne State University and Detroit Research Institute. Mr. Patterson was a member of the Mathematic Associates of America, American Ordinance Association and New York Academy of Sciences. He was the founder of the Industrial Mathematic Society.

Survivors include his wife, Janet; sons, Richard and James, one brother. Services were Sept. 21 at the Birmingham Unitarian Church of Bloomfield Hills, with the Rev. Robert Marshall officiating. Cremation was in United Memorial Gardens, Superior Township. Arrangements were made by Heeney-Sundquist Funeral Home, Farmington.

ELMA STACKLER

Mrs. Stackler, 78, of Louisville, Ky., died Sept. 18.

Mrs. Stackler was a retired secretary for Farmington Board of Education. Survivors include her daughter, Gail Sensenbrenner, three sisters, seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Services were held in Louisville.

LOUISE E. ABBOTT

Mr. Abbott, 63, of Redford Township died Sept. 18.

Mr. Abbott was self-employed. He was a member of the Farmington Elks. Cremation was in Evergreen Cemetery, Detroit.

Memorial services were Sept. 26 at the Farmington Elks Lodge. Arrangements were made by the Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington.

HELEN DE VIVO

Mrs. De Vivo, 71, of Farmington Hills died Sept. 19 in Ford Hospital, Detroit.

Born in Hungary, Mrs. De Vivo was a homemaker.

Survivors include her son, Joseph; a daughter, Mary Sullwaggon; four sisters and one brother; eight grandchildren. Rosary service was held at the Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington, with the Rev. Keane Cronin of Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church officiating. Mass was celebrated in St. Mattheus

Catholic Church, Ridgewood, N.Y. Burial was in Evergreen Cemetery, Brooklyn, N.Y.

MINNIE H. TUREWITZ

Mrs. Turewitz, 87, of Farmington died Sept. 21.

Mrs. Turewitz was a retired salesperson. She was a member of the Farmington Senior Citizens Club, Covenant Lutheran Church Ladies Aid and Lutheran Deaf Institute.

Surviving is her sister, Emmy Schner. Services were Sept. 25 at the Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington, with the Rev. John C. Strelt of Covenant Lutheran Church officiating. Burial was in Woodmere Cemetery, Detroit.

SANDRA MARIE OSTLANDER

Mrs. Ostrander, 29, of Ewart, Mich., died Sept. 14.

memory lane

One maple tree jumped the gun on fall

Memories, memories... have you got the memories. And we'd like to share them with you. Using local newspaper files, we're dishing up generous slices of life in the Farmington community from 40, 30, 20 and 10 years ago.

SEPT. 28, 1944 —

"ONCE AGAIN the maple tree on the south side of the Town Hall Park has 'come through' for this year," noted an Around the Block item in the Farmington Enterprise. "As in past years, the tree was the first to show signs of the beautiful color we may expect this fall. Seems strange that this tree, ahead of all others, feels the nip in the air, and sheds its green leaves in anticipation of winter months to come. Other trees in the community are now changing to red and gold, and before long the country side will be a riot of color."

"STILL GROWING!" screamed a front-page headline. "2,000 copies of The Enterprise printed this week, 1,374 Farmington homes receiving The Enterprise regularly."

THE FARMINGTON Fire Department was called to put out a fire at the Howard Warner residence on Grand River on Sept. 24. "The Warners were not aware of the fire, but it was noticed by passers-by," said a newspaper account.

AN EDITORIAL — "School Days Again" — said, "The other morning we

looked out the window and thought with a sort of pang, Summer is over! For here went the children to school, shoes shined, hair combed, small dresses starched and sults pressed.

"Never do I see this September parade, or feel the new emptiness outdoors at nine o'clock, without wondering, Does school still smell the way it did on my own first day — of fresh paint and apples and chalk and crayons and brown drawing paper?"

"Well, they're the luckiest children in the world today, these youngsters with clean faces, trudging off with their books. Do we realize, I wonder, just how lucky?"

"In Poland, for instance, all books by anti-Nazis were blacklisted — no new books have put out for five years. Universities have been closed, teachers arrested and students sent to concentration camps. Higher education has been forbidden in many lands, the Netherlands, for instance. Even young children, like the ones who pass your house, go off to work in war plants."

SEPT. 30, 1954 —

SOME 1,140 Farmington youngsters flocked to the Civic Theatre Sept. 28 for a special show for children sponsored by the local Kiwanis Club as part of that organization's annual Kids' Day. The line led from the Civic along the Grand River sidewalk to Farmington Road and north past the Heeney Funeral Home. A peanut sale on the Kiwanis program had to be scratched because the peanuts didn't arrive.

THE NEW St. Paul's Lutheran Church at Eight Mile and Middlebelt roads was to have been dedicated Oct. 3 with Pastor W. Rutkowski conducting services.

AN EDITORIAL said, "The Political Trail... is getting ever warmer as the various candidates take off in a cloud of dust in search of victory."

"There will be many a giddy-up and whoa before the political horsemen ride back to town. In spite of the pledges of soft words and no brass knuckles, the horsemen are already digging their spurs into the opponents' flanks."

"No one expected it to be otherwise... not way out in the wild and woolly world of politics."

Classified Ad: "FREE TO some farmer, good mouser, mother cat and half-grown kittens. Farm. 0552." Another classified: "LOST — Cigarette lighter engraved 'Rose'. Please call Farm. 1860 or 1555."

SEPT. 24, 1964 —

SEVERAL RESIDENTS living south of Grand River near Power Road appeared at a recent Farmington city council meeting to ask that a public safety officer be assigned to help children cross busy Grand River on their way to Our Lady of Sorrows Elementary School or Farmington High. Residents learned that it would be at least another two months before a traffic signal could be installed at Grand River and Power Road.

BOB LINDERMAN scored a touchdown on a short run to lead North Farmington past Clarenceville, 18-0, in the high school football opener for both teams.

IN ANOTHER PREP football opener, Roy 'Cowboy' Leach ran for a touchdown, and Ron Cleveland passed to Tom Mitchell for another score as Farmington ripped Livonia Bentley, 19-2.

Ladies' "comfy snuffs" slippers were going for 99 cents a pair at the Cunningham Drug Store in the Farmington Plaza Shopping Center, according to an ad.

MOVIEGOERS COULD look forward to "McHale's Navy" and "Island of the Blue Dolphins" at the Farmington Civic beginning Sept. 30.

SEPT. 26, 1974 —

A MAN WITH a snub-nosed revolver robbed a Farmer Jack supermarket on 12 Mile Road Sept. 23 and escaped with an undisclosed amount of money. According to Farmington Hills police, the gunman told the supermarket manager to fill a bank bag with cash.

CEREMONIES FOR THE new Finnish Cultural Center at 53200 Eight Mile Road in Farmington Hills were held Sept. 21. Finnish Consul Harri Virko and Ted Purri, president of the Finnish Center Association, took part in the dedication.

A \$250 FINE was imposed on the owner of a lawn sprinkling business who was found guilty of attempting to establish a business in a residential area of Farmington Hills. Residents of Waldron Street suspected that the man was trying to start a business or a factory in a garage in back of a house on Waldron.

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