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**HONORARY SCHOOL BOARD** — Students were honored at the last Farmington Board of Education meeting by being honorary board members. North Farmington High honorees were: Darrell Younger, board president; Beth Godwin, vice president; Mathew Spears, secretary; Debbie Gosmanian, treasurer; Sandy McLean, Judy Grow and Richard Zahler, trustees. Farmington High honorees were: Chris

Washburn, president; Jim Rowe, vice president; John Naughton, treasurer; Carol Bryant, secretary; Elaine Edwards, Julie Graham and Bob Renner, trustees; Harrison honorees were: Amy Rollins, president; Bob Fisher, vice president; John Allen, treasurer; Carol Gully, secretary; Ed Frankel, Maxine Graff and Frank Arcangel, trustees. (Event photo)

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## Minority Understanding Plans Being Rewritten

By MARTHA MAHAN FARMINGTON

The Farmington Board of Education is privately rewriting its controversial guidebook for advancing minority understanding.

How extensive the revisions are is unclear before the board takes official action. President John M. Washburn III has said, "But whether citizens will have a chance to speak their piece about it at a prior public hearing is not yet known."

Attempts of a board minority to open editing sessions to the public failed at last Monday's board meeting. Trustee Aldo Vagnozzi first proposed that the full-board, "committee of the whole," meetings be thrown open. He was joined by Lichman and Trustee Ronald Emmitt. Washburn and trustees Kenneth Perrin, Richard Peters and Kathryn Stirling joined to vote them down.

Vagnozzi then moved, as the "next best course of action," that the guidelines be referred to the board's curriculum

committee, which Lichman heads, for revision at open meetings. Only Lichman voted with him on that. Vagnozzi is a committee member.

"I hate to see a number of changes reported and adopted after several private meetings and not much public discussion of the reasons," he said. "The public should hear the deliberations."

Vagnozzi said he "was dissatisfied but went along" with private review of the family life education (sex education) program, "but it's not a public posture I like."

"I'm not going to handle this (minority understanding) program the same way," he insisted.

PETITIONS For recall of Vagnozzi, Lichman, Peters and Emmitt now are being circulated by a group opposed to sex education. Many in the recall effort also are opposed to the minority understanding program.

The tie-in became evident upon Monday night's report of a contemplated switch in social studies textbooks. The 22 new books contain some

"significant" changes, Lichman remarked, whereupon Dr. Donald J. Kenney, chief of the recall movement, rose to announce he "intends to look at all 22."

Commenting that he thinks "there is going to be more than average interest" in the textbooks, Peters suggested that all be brought together in one place for parents to scan. Lichman suggested the books be kept together for a week for parent perusal. It was decided the texts would be made available to parents at the school administrative offices during the week beginning May 10.

AT VAGNOZZI's request, May 10 was designated for parents to have the opportunity to preview all audio-visual and other material to be used in the sex education program. The viewing will be at Harrison High.

The board also agreed to Peters' suggestion that in event of an "overflow crowd" or evidence of unusual interest a second viewing date be designated for those who couldn't attend the first.



**CENTER BENEFIT** — The Farmington Community Center has raised \$7,500 but has a ways to go to reach its goal of \$35,000 to operate in 1970-71. Appearing at the benefit dinner dance Friday in Glen Oaks were: Earl Teeple (left) and Mr. and Mrs. James Ebel. Ebel is chairman of the board for the Farmington Library District and a local attorney. (Event photo)

## Kenbrook Gymnasts Do Well

FARMINGTON

The Kenbrook Elementary gymnasts of Farmington public schools performed well during the recent Michigan Association of Gymnastics state meet held in East Lansing.

Jack Neitzel placed first in the sidehorse and still rings, third in vaulting and fifth on the horizontal bars.

Mark Peterson placed sixth in vaulting and seventh in the still rings competition.

Richard Burrell placed third in vaulting and on the side horse and eighth on the still rings.

Rex Grimes placed fifth in vaulting and sixth in floor exercises. Blair Brown placed eighth on the parallel bars and Steve Montague placed seventh in the same event.

## Honor Mrs. Bell

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Mrs. Rebecca Bell, daughter of Supt. and Mrs. Roderick J. Smith, has been named to the dean's list for the first semester at Spring Arbor College in Spring Arbor, Mich. Dr. Smith is a former president of Spring Arbor College.



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32800 Grand River in Farmington Township, according to Township Police Chief Irving Yakes.

Kenneth C. Ryan, 26, of Detroit, and George Algar Jr., 25, of 18211 Lathers, Livonia, were arrested by Officer Ed Wozniak and Corporal Thomas Godwin inside the store loaded onto a truck and nine recovered in a home in Detroit by township detectives.

Yakes says a second warrant is being requested against Ryan for carrying a concealed weapon.

ON MAY 1, at about 3:40 a.m., township police arrested a Ferndale man and charged him with breaking and entering the Wood Creek Venture office at 28000 Middle Belt.

Franklin B. Frye, 28, of 20205 Ten Mile, Ferndale, was arrested by Officer Ed Wozniak and Corporal Thomas Godwin inside the office building. A warrant was requested Monday by township detectives.

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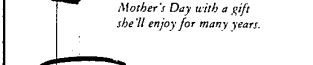
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