Hills residents to see fall, then rise of tax rate

A last-minute tax change by the state means that the summer tax bill for Farmington Hills resi-denta who live in the Clarence-ville School District will be differ-ent than for other residents in the

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Farmington Hills residents in Clarenceville will see their homesteads taxed at 6 mills.

But the homestead tax rate for Clarenceville residents living in the Livonia and Redford Township sections will be 7.2578 mills, the new tax rate that the state on June 20 authorized Clarenceville to levy. The higher tax rate was approved Thursday by the

Clarenceville Board of Education.

Farmington Hills deputy treasurer Lawrence Williams said the change came too late to be included on Farmington's bills, which already have been printed and which go in the mail Judy 1. Farmington residents will simply make up the difference on their winter tax bills, he said.

Livonis treasurer Robert Bishop said the city will use laser technology to print the higher tax rate on Clarenceville's summer tax bills. Bishop said the had received a mandate from the Livonia City Council to make sure the new levy is reflected on the tax bills.

Redford Township treasurer

CLARENCEVILLE SCHOOLS

Robert Brang Jr. said the higher tax would show up on his bills if Clarenceville got the information to him Friday. Clarenceville Su-perintendent David Kamish said

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The higher tax will cost a Clarenceville resident with an \$30,000 home an extra \$46 a year, aaid Ralph Skrocki, finance direc-

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The higher state-authorized rate came as a surprise to Kam-ish, who said he was thrilled ear-lier this year to see Clarenceville's high tax rate of 42 mills plungs to 6 mills under the state aid bill sp-

proved by voters under Proposal A and subsequently passed by the Michigan Legislature. Clarenceville's new tax rate of 7.2578 mills is 1.1578 mills higher than the 6.1 mills previously au-

than the 6.1 mills previously au-thorized.
"The new school sid act contin-ues to have many twists and turns all resulting in necessary changes," Kamish told the trus-tees Thursday. "This change is a complete surprise, and I am very disappointed. We wanted it to stay at 6 mills. We didn't want to levy any 'hold harmless' mills at all, but now we have to.

"It shows you how quickly the state changes things, and this could change again. We got this information 10 days before having to have our budget approved. That's how late it is and Lansing is still fooling sround. Now we have to tell people, and people may not understand."
With its higher tax rate, Clareneville now the do some Michigan school districts, including Liveniend more than \$3,500 are tudent and which are about the do some Michigan school districts, including Liveniend more than \$3,500 are tudent and which are about the downward of the downwa

Districts with a 1994-95 foundation grant exceeding \$6,500 per, pupil are authorised to levy supplemental, or hold-harmless-mills, to generate the money they need over the \$6,500 per pupil level.

"We have no choice but to levy this." Kamish said. "It's nice, it means more money. It will help us out every year, having this exit mills. It's a great benefit to us, but it's still a shock. If we had not levied the extra millage, it would have cost the district money."

The \$55,000 generated by the carrier will go will go into Clarenceville's fund equity, or ainly day fund, boosting it to \$30,000, Kamish said.

Kids, brush up now for festival pet show contest

The Pet Show, part of Kids Day, begins at 1 p.m. Tuesday, July 12, on the stage of the Show-mobile in Farmington's City Park, Shiawassee and Power

roads.
Official entry forms containing

rules of the event are available at parks and recreation department playrounds, the children's sec-tions of both branches of the Farmington Community Library, the Chamber of Commerce office, the Farmington Area YMCA,

Farmington area pet and pet sup-ply stores, and at the Plaza Veter-inary Hospital.

All Pet Show entrants will be

given a certificate of participa-tion. Trophies will be awarded to the first-, second- and third-place

winners in each category. En-trants and their pets will be invit-ed to ride on or walk alongside a float in the Festival Parade on Saturday, July 16.

For more information, call Pla-za Veterinary at 476-3662.

OBITUARIES

ELIA MAE TOUGAS

Mrs. Tougas, 71, of Farmington
Hills died June 21.
Born in Owensboro, Ky., Mrs.
Tougas was a seamstress for a dry
cleaner.
Survivors include her husband.
Robert; sons, Ben and Robert;
daughters, Virginia Ann Bartley
and Patti Mullins; brother, Hugh
Sigler, sister, Laura Bullock; 14
grandchildren and two greatgrandchildren.
Services were at the Heeney.

Services were at the Heeney-Sundquist Funeral Home, Farm-

ington, with the Rev. James P. Kummer of Clarenceville United Methodist Church officiating. Burial was in Glen Eden Cemetery, Livonia.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of Southeast Michigan.

MENNO J. HORSCH

Mr. Horsch, 93, of Frankenmuth died June 15 in The Lutheran

Home in Frankenmuth.

Born in Berne, Ind., Mr.

Horsch began his career as a high

school teacher and was promoted to school principal and school superintendent and then accepted a college presidency, and finally became a nationally recognized authority in the building industry.

Mr. Horsch was educated at Eartham College, Carnegie Institute of Technology, Penn State University and received an honorary doctor of education from West Virginia Wesleyan in 1949.

Survivors include his wife, Alma, daughter, Alma, deapher, Alma, deapher, Alma, deep tender, sons, Dr. James Robert

Horsch, John David Horsch and Dr. Richard Horsch of Farming-ton; 15 grandchildren and seven

ton: 15 grandchildren and seven great grandchildren.
A private memorial service was held at First Presbyterian Church of Birmingham with the Rev. Louise F. Westfall officiating.
Arrangements were made by the Bell Chapel of the William R. Hamilton Co. Funeral Home, Birmingham.
Memorials may be made to The Lutheran Home, 725 W. Genesse, Frankenmuth, Mich. 48734.



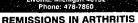
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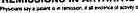
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4th Class Tournament Wed. Aug. 3 OPEN TO JUNIORS AGE 8-16 TOTAL COST '10.00 PER PERSON

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