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community calendar

FOOTBALL GAMES

Nov. 2 at 1 p.m. -- The Rockets will play at the Southfield Jayhawks. Nov. 9 at 2 p.m. -- The annual Oldie Yule Log game between Farmington High School and North Farmington High will be played on the NFL athletic field. Game price is \$2.50 for adults, 50 cents for elementary school children. Tickets may be purchased at area businesses.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Nov. 3 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. The Farmington Vivians Club, an affiliate of the Elks Club, will serve pancakes and sausage in Mike and Tom's Pub, 31650 Eight Mile, Farmington. Price for adults, \$1.35, for children, 75 cents.

CHICKEN DINNER

Nov. 3 from 12 noon to 4 p.m. The Ladies Auxiliary to VFW Post 4033 will serve a family style chicken dinner in the post home, 23414 Orchard Lake Rd., Farmington. Adults, \$1.75, children 75 cents. Co-chairmen are Mrs. Irene Staub and Mrs. Vivian McKenna.

SCHOOL DISTRICT SEX EDUCATION SERIES

Nov. 4 at 8 p.m. Farmington School District's fall sex education classes will begin in East and Farmington Junior High Schools. Resource persons are Dr. Jack Cleveland and Lawrence Freedman.

YOUTH GUIDANCE COMMITTEE

Nov. 5 at 8 p.m. Farmington Youth Guidance Committee will hold its monthly meeting in the YGC office, 33423 Grand River, Farmington.

YMCA SEX EDUCATION PROGRAM

Nov. 7 from 7 to 9 p.m. Farmington Area YMCA will hold the first of three sex education programs in Farmington Junior High School, 33000 Thomas, Farmington. Topic to be discussed is Anatomy and Physiology of the Body. Resource persons are Dr. Edwin Blumberg, Farmington physician, and the Rev. Carl F. Kaitreider, pastor of Antioch Lutheran Church.

FARMINGTON Socially Speaking

By KATHY ZISKA
GR. 4-7251

Self discipline is one of Sharon Wichman's great attributes! Sharon is the niece of Maryland Bob Wichman, of Farmington Rd., and in conversation with them, there are more qualities to this young lady of 16 than meets the eye.

Sharon is the daughter of Bob's brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Francis H. Wichman, originally from Royal Oak, now residing in Indiana. Possibilities are good for the family to return to the Detroit suburbs and perhaps Farmington.

SHARON was honored with being the first United States woman champion in the 200 meter breast stroke in the Olympics held in Mexico. She received for the United States the Gold Medal, and added another honor by beating the Olympic time record in this event at 2:44.4. The Bronze Medal was won by Sharon in the Olympics this year for the 100 meter breast stroke.

It took Sharon three years of sacrifice and dedication to prepare to be the champion she is. Her daily schedule was to get up at 4 a.m. off to swim practice, then to school and off to swim practice again in the evening.

This dedication and effort led her to California for the Olympic tryouts where only eight of the best in that category went on to the Olympics.

Amongst Sharon's trophies

and medals for this past year's efforts is a medal earned in Japan and a gold medal from Germany. Her aunt, Mary Wichman, proudly related that with all the school Sharon had had to miss for her European scheduled events, she still is an all "A" student.

THE BETA SIGMA PHI Michigan Chapter Convention was held in the Boyne Highlands Ski Lodge. The Pi Chapter was well represented by several Farmington area residents. Attending were Tiny Brown, of Peartree; Janet Russell, of Foxgrove Ct.; Linda Dimock, Marvel Stelger and Ginny Cook, of Quail Hollow. Beta Sigma Phi is a philanthropic, cultural, and educational organization.

Young friends of five-year-old Stacey Traynor, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M.J. Traynor, of Colony Park, may wish to remember her with a "Smashin' Card." Stacey is home recuperating from kidney surgery, although she would rather be back with her kindergarten classmates in Wooddale School.

ALL ENTHUSIAST about attending the Michigan State Council for the Fine Arts, held in Lansing, were two area residents -- Dee Schneider, representing the A.A.U.W., and Marlowe Belanger, president of the Madrigal Singing Club.

The all-day session, attended by approximately 200 representatives, was held to consider the "Community Arts Program" and the advantages of such a program in each community.

Troop 921 Prepares Viet Gifts

As its Christmas project, Farmington Girl Scout Troop 921 is sending 50 gift boxes to servicemen in Vietnam.

The girls are seeking the assistance of Farmington area residents for donations. Needed are pre-sweetened Kool-Aid; sweetened food tea mixes; nail clippers; pads of paper and pens; plastic hair and nail brushes and combs; plastic soapboxes; wallet inserts for pictures; windproof lighters and flints; small-size playing cards; dark-colored towels and washcloths; packets of wash and dry; wallet calendars and night flashlights and batteries.

Donations must be received by Nov. 6. They may be made by calling Mrs. Anne Struble, GR 6-2737, or Mrs. James Trull, 474-3360.

Oakland New Homes Decline

New residential construction for building in Farmington and throughout Oakland County decreased during the first six months of 1968 as compared with the same period of 1967 according to the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments.

The regional unit reported that residential construction in Oakland County had decreased by 25.4 per cent.

During the same period the City of Detroit showed a gain of 31.7 per cent in new residential construction.

In Oakland County 4,112 units were authorized during the first six months of 1968. The 1967 figure for the same period was 5,514.

Actual units authorized in the City of Farmington during the first half of the year are: 34 single-family homes and 96 apartments for a total of 130 units.

In Farmington Township, 142 homes were constructed, while no new apartments were constructed according to the Council of Governments. However, five structures were demolished in the township for a net total of 137 new units.

In 1966 Farmington Township ranked seventh among all the governmental units in the tri-county area for new-home construction with 575 private

homes reported during the first six months.

The township was ranked ninth in the tri-county area for apartment construction during 1967 with a total of 179 units constructed during the first half of the year.

Neither the city nor the township were ranked among the top 10 for the first six months of 1968.

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