

FARMINGTON COUNCIL BRIEFS

A number of appointments and re-appointments to Farmington city boards and commissions were approved during Monday's city council meeting.

Pamela Lysaght was appointed to the planning commission, and will serve until June 2003. She will fill the slot to soon be vacated by 28-year commissioner J. Lee Ratliff, who asked to not be considered for re-appointment.

Also appointed was Elizabeth McConnell to the Farmington Area Commission on Aging. She is taking over the position held by Carole Hund, who also is not seeking re-appointment. Hund is concluding 18 years of community service. McConnell's term will expire in June 2003.

The following were re-appointed to three-year terms, to expire in June 2003: planning commission, Terri Jean Morency, Mandy Stirling; board of zoning appeals, Alton L. Bennett, Mark McConnell; Farmington Employees Retirement System Board of Trustees, Gerald G. Wason; Farmington Area Arts Commission, Evanthis Samra.

The council will send letters to Ratliff and Hund, thanking them for many years of devoted service.

Tribute to Lapham

Several members of the family of the late Harry L. Lapham Sr. were on hand at Monday's city council meeting for the unveiling of the updated plaque honoring

the memory of top Farmington civic leaders. The plaque now includes Lapham's name, along with W. Allen Nelson, D. Russell Milligan, Carl P. Boehnke, Arthur G. Lamb, Max Hulett and John A. Allen.

"It was a privilege knowing your father," said Mayor Bill Hertsoek to Lapham family members.

The council also presented the family with a proclamation, recognizing Lapham for exemplifying community service "with quiet dedication" for over 70 years.

Lapham served on various boards and commissions, including the planning commission and Retirement System Board of Directors.

Artist in residence

A proclamation recognizing Marjorie Hogan Chellstorp as 2000 Artist-in-Residence Award Recipient by the Farmington Area Arts Commission was presented to Chellstorp.

Chellstorp recently received commissions to repaint a mural at the Farmington branch of the Farmington Community Library and to paint a watercolor memorial triptych for Nardin Park United Methodist Church. A triptych, explained Chellstorp, is composed of three paintings that, when put together, become one large work.

Damman is almost ready to make a move

Later this month one Damman Hardware store will close and another will open in downtown Farmington.

Farmington City Manager Frank Lauhoff said Damman is expected to move "around May 24, they'll close one and open the other. But at least one of the stores will always be open."

Damman Hardware is moving to another location in the Downtown Farmington Center, the space formerly occupied by Farmer Jack.

Lauhoff said a grand opening at the new location is tentatively being planned for the second weekend in June, between June 9-11.

Meanwhile, after the current Damman's vacates, according to Lauhoff, owners of The Dollar Castle will get possession. But the discount store probably won't open until at least August, following renovations.

Delegates selected from schools Merchants asked for help

The 60th session of the American Legion Auxiliary will be June 17-24 at Michigan State University in Lansing. Groves-Walker Unit No. 346 of Farmington will sponsor 11 delegates.

These delegates have been selected from five area high schools: Farmington High, Harrison High, Mercy High, North

Farmington High and Walled Lake Central.

The girls are Areej El-Jawahri, Heather Drewinski, Jillian Maxey, Gayle Ternes, Adrienne Cuschio, Brynne Barnes, Joyce Chung, Andrea Coleman, Christine Grasinski, Lauren Zakalik and Julie Gogowski.

Remember when you were a child and your parents took you to see the show under the "Big Top?"

On Sunday, Aug. 13, the Farmington Hills Recreation Division will bring the Kelly-Miller Circus back for their third consecutive year to provide people of all ages the thrills and

entertainment associated with the circus.

The recreation division is asking for the support of area merchants who will be contacted to purchase children's tickets for this event. These will be distributed to children community organizations for the shows. For more information call 473-9570.

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