

## today's hot line

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## what's inside

### City Votes Tuesday

Next Tuesday, Nov. 2, City of Farmington residents will elect three councilmen and vote on three charter amendments. A summary of the six candidates is given inside by the League of Women Voters. (In the weekend edition, a summary of the charter amendments on the ballot will be given).

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### Vandals Unecologize

The project by Earth Alive to recycle paper has been slowed by vandals but the Farmington ecologists haven't given up yet. The Earth Alivers are giving a call this week for help and want to know if you have the solution.

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### Newcomer's Gift

The new Farmington Library under construction on 12 Mile in Farmington Township may be ready for opening before spring. Assistance has been given by the community's newcomers.

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### Women's Lit

No, that's not a mis-print. It means women's literature, which is a community college course about the ladies' changing role as characters and authors. Kathy Moran interviewed a teacher who wants to be called "Ms."

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### 'Adults Rude'

A number of persons who were at the anti-bussing rally in Clarenceville are taking issue with Irene McCabe's statement that the kids were rude. They say the adults were just as bad.

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## How Preventable Is Death? Township Using Federal Funds To Find Out

Four police officers are being added to the Farmington Township Police Department and shifts reshuffled to create a traffic safety bureau in an attempt to reduce injury-producing accidents.

The bureau is being organized with the help of a federal grant, previously announced, which will fund the salaries of four patrolmen for three years.

Applications are now being taken and the four officers will be hired by mid-November, announces Ronald Holko, township director of public safety.

THE THREE - YEAR federal grant, renewable each year, is for the purpose of establishing a traffic safety bureau.

The total grant is for \$251,360. For the first year, the federal government will provide \$62,960 and the township 50 per cent or \$31,480.

The township board had already budgeted for two new patrol cars and these cars will be assigned to the traffic bureau, allowing two patrolmen and two cars to work each shift.

THE UNITS will be assigned to high accident areas, says Holko, and will increase patrol of high speed areas.

Other goals, Holko adds, are to improve driver-police relations, develop pedestrian and bike safety programs in the schools, and compile and analyze accident and violation data.

Experienced patrolmen will be assigned to the

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## Boycott Scanty Against Bussing

The announced boycott of Farmington Schools by NAG (National Action Group) had little effect on school attendance Monday.

Parents had been urged to keep their children home from school Monday to protest the idea of cross-district bussing.

ATTENDANCE at Farmington Schools Monday was only down about five per cent district-wide with the heaviest absenteeism on the junior high level.

The Farmington NAG chapter had asked parents to either keep their children home from school Monday or send them to school with a "proxy card," that indicated the child's parents were opposed to cross-district bussing.

For the district's four junior highs, attendance was 85.1 per

A check of the various

schools by Oliver indicated that about half of the truants at each school had indicated their absence was to protest bussing.

At one school, the principal counted 29 proxy cards that were turned in as a protest. Oliver said these cards will be sent to the U.S. Congress.

"I think most Farmington residents realize that it does very little good to keep their children out of school to protest bussing," said Oliver, "and that the logical way to protest is to write their legislative representatives in Washington, D.C."

Oliver added that if attendance drops below 70 per cent district-wide on any one day, the district will have to add a day to the school year to meet the minimum requirement of 180 class days.



SPOOKED! -- Melissa May (left) and Ann McNichols, both of Farmington, have fun being spooked in the Haunted House at 30005 Orchard Lake Rd., just north of 13 Mile Rd., Farmington Township. Sponsored by the Farmington Area Jaycees, the house features a spider room, head room, Frankenstein room and a maze room. The house is open from 6:30 - 10 p.m. Oct. 28-29, and from noon - 6 p.m. Oct. 31. Donation is 35 cents. (Evert photo)

## Plymouth Judge To Try Vagnozzi

By MARTHA MAHAN

District Judge Dunbar Davis of Plymouth has set Nov. 2 for a hearing on motions to dismiss assault and battery charges against School Board Trustee Aldo Vagnozzi.

Judge Davis, appointed to hear the case after Farmington District Judge Michael Hand disqualified himself, will hear arguments on the motions in Plymouth District Court.

JACK BAIN, ATTORNEY FOR Vagnozzi, has asked the court to quash the charge on grounds his client was denied due process.

Bain also asked the court to order the township attorney to provide the defense with the history of any psychiatric or psychological treatment undergone by the plaintiff, Mrs. Mary Kenney, in the past eight years.

Bain supported his claim of denial of due process on allegations that at least three and possibly four judges had on occasion to examine the

complaint after it was signed by Mrs. Kenney and declined to sign a warrant. This, Bain stated, was in effect a finding of no probable cause.

"To be allowed to go from judge to judge until eventually the prosecutor finds one who will sign a warrant would be a violation of due process," Bain said in his motion.

TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY Paul H. Bibeau, in his filed answer to Bain's motions, asserted there is "no legal basis" upon which the court could order the prosecution to produce any psychiatric records.

The prosecution has no authority, Bibeau claimed, to compel a complaining witness to subject herself to a request for her psychiatric history.

"The question of the defendant's honesty and integrity is not presently at issue," Bibeau continued in his filed answer, "and may never be an issue in this case."

The proceedings at trial will determine whether the defendant's honesty and integrity will become a factual

issue, and that issue will have to be determined by the trier of the facts. This issue cannot be determined as a matter of law at this juncture in the proceedings.

Bibeau also asked expungement of results of a polygraph (lie detector) test which Bain said Vagnozzi underwent and which support the contention he did not commit assault and battery.

THE EXAMINATION contained "several contradictions and 'loaded questions,'" Bibeau said.

Bibeau's filed statement said he objected "vehemently" to the filing of Bain's document which "can only make the prosecution suspect of defense counsel's motives."

"Prosecution can only hope," Bibeau said, "that it was in the interests of procuring the truth."

Mrs. Kenney's husband, Donald, was leader of a now defunct recall drive aimed at Vagnozzi and certain other trustees as part of a sex education controversy.

DIRECTORY AVAILABLE -- The Community Organization List, a directory of clubs and organizations in the Farmington area, has been published and is now available at the Farmington Chamber of Commerce office at Grand River and Farmington Rds. The directory is compiled each year by the Farmington Jaycee Auxiliary and distributed by the Chamber. The new edition is shown by Mrs. Carol Kurth (left) of the Jaycee Auxiliary and Mrs. Barbara Benya, executive secretary of the Farmington Chamber. (Evert photo)

## C-C Seeking Outstanding Citizen

The individual who has performed outstanding service for the Farmington community will be honored in January by being named "citizen of the year."

The "citizen of the year" award is being sponsored by the Farmington Chamber of Commerce and, now in its second year, is destined to become a regular event in the community.

NOMINATIONS of deserving individuals, male or female, may be made beginning Nov. 1 and must be filed by Dec. 1.

The award was first conferred last year when it was given to Ronald Holland, head football coach at North Farmington High School who guided the

Raiders to the Class A state championship in 1970-71.

Eligible for this year's title of Farmington "citizen of the year" is any person who the judges determine has given outstanding service to the Farmington community during 1971, above and beyond job-related duties.

There are no limitations on the nominee's age, sex or residency. A man or woman in any field may be nominated and nominees are not required to live in Farmington, but they must have contributed outstanding service to the Farmington Community.

FROM THE field of candidates, a screening committee selected by the Chamber of Commerce will pick the top three nominees, with the final winner

being picked by the chamber's board of directors.

The person selected will be announced and honored at the chamber's annual meeting in January, 1972.

"It is our hope that this award ceremony will spotlight community activity and serve as a challenge to all community-minded citizens," said John Anshut, chamber president.

Nomination forms are available in the Chamber office in the Farmington Masonic Temple at Grand River Avenue and Farmington Rd.

When completed and signed by both the nominator and nominee, forms should be mailed to the Farmington Chamber of Commerce Post Office Box 15, Farmington 48024.