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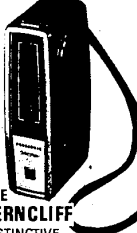
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Readers Write

Says Headline Was Misleading

EDITOR:

Does your newspaper deliberately try to mislead the public? When you write "Taubman will not develop a shopping center here," you are misinforming your readers as to Taubman's intentions.

Notwithstanding the fact that the people of Farmington made it amply clear by voice, petition and attendance at

meetings they are against the rezoning of 13 Mile and Halsted-Drake area for commercial use, Taubman, money-made and power hungry, still is pursuing his self-obsessed plan motivated by personal greed.

Whether he calls it a "shopping center" or its synonym "regional retail development" it smells as badly as ever. We Farmingtonians will use every means at our disposal to maintain our "bedroom" community and to prevent land profiteers from commercializing our area, destroying our peace and quiet and from turning lovely residential rolling hills into a cluttered concrete, noisy, traffic laden, crime ridden maze.

Our paradise will not be lost. Who is Taubman to say "people should live closer?" Is he now trying to play God? If he wishes to live closer, let him put up his retail

development in his own backyard or better yet, let him move to and build in downtown Detroit where he can be as snug and cluttered as he wishes.

Taubman is fully aware of the sentiments of our citizens, and it is his obligation now to bow out gracefully—if he has any honesty or conscience at all.

Our township board is committed to give us adequate notice of this new hearing, and the OBSERVER should feel obligated to "tell it as it is," not confuse the public with

inaccurate headlines. S.D. Johnson Farmington

The news story was an interview with A. Alfred Taubman, chairman of the board of the Taubman Co. and accurately reported his opinion that his firm develops "regional retail centers" and not "shopping centers." That opinion was reported as accurately as views of homeowners have been and the headline was simply a summary of Taubman's definition of his developments. — Editor.

Homeowner Tells View On Center

EDITOR:

Your recent articles covering interviews with A. Alfred Taubman, chairman of the board of the Taubman Company and a member of the HTK Corporation, was read with a great deal of interest.

Taubman presents a very impressive and convincing picture showing why the "regional retail center" proposed by the HTK Corporation for 13 Mile and Halsted roads would be a cultural and economic asset to the entire Farmington area.

Taubman indicates that there will be a "regional retail center" in the general area whether or not the Farmington Township Board overrules the planning commission's decision. And, if it were to be relocated elsewhere, for example Walled Lake or Novi, the Farmington area residents would be the losers.

Since the great bulk of the tax dollars we pay locally go to the local school district, and since the proposed "regional retail center," if permitted, would be located in the Walled Lake School District, it follows that Farmington would have all of the expense for roads, sewers, police protection, fire protection, etc., but would receive relatively little of the tax base paid by such a complex. The amount returned in this case would approximate only 10 per cent of the assessed taxes.

Location of the retail center in Walled Lake or Novi will still afford our community all of the "advantages" suggested by Taubman, including additional job opportunities for our residents, but without the resulting costs and problems such a complex can generate.

The Council of Homeowners Association of Farmington Township has extensively studied the proposed complex and we fail to see advantages that would warrant circumvention of our existing township master plan, which was prepared at our great expense, by professional planners, and was subsequently approved by both our planning commission and our township board.

However, if our township board does overrule the judgment of our planning commission and permits the rezoning request, the Council of Homeowners is prepared to circulate petitions of referendum to place the question before the people of this community. And the people will have the final choice in this matter.

After all, isn't that the democratic way of resolving differences?

ROBERT BYRON
Chairman
Council of Homeowners
Association of
Farmington Township

Veterans Thankful

EDITOR:

The American Legion, Groves Walker Post and Unit No. 346, sincerely thank the citizens in the Farmington area for their support and generous contributions to our Poppy Days program May 27, 28 and 29, 1971.

All proceeds are used for our rehabilitation programs and the youth and children's program. Our aims and purposes, under the national and state code, are to assist veterans in hospitals and to aid the disabled and handicapped so that they may support their families. We support the "whole child program" that assures care and protection for children of veterans; to preserve the integrity of the family home and assist in the needs relative to physical, spiritual, emotional and educational.

We honor those who made the supreme sacrifice for our country and for many years we have taken up the torch by selling poppies for the living and are keeping faith with those who gave their life. We thank you for keeping the faith by wearing your poppy with pride.

HAROLD QUINN
Post Chairman
JEANNINE MCGOVERN
Unit Chairman

Bell Thanks Well-Wishers

EDITOR:

A few weeks ago, the Farmington Express & Observer ran an article about my being hospitalized with a broken hip from a fall while working as Farmington Township zoning inspector. Since that time, an avalanche of get well cards and telephone calls have come to my home. Many from people I don't know.

I am home now and the recovery is coming along fine. Please pass on my appreciation to the many fine people who have called and sent cards. I don't know how to thank them enough with words.

RALPH BELL
Farmington Township

Connie Jo Shook, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Shook of 22840 Frederick, Farmington, has been initiated into Tau Pi Phi, national business administration and economics honorary fraternity, at Willamette University in Springfield, Ohio.

Saddened By Bias

EDITOR:

After reading the article on Oak Hill Nursing Home's growth, I had to write and give my opinion. Who do these people of Farmington think they are? They don't want to see these "unsightly" residents of Oak Hill outside. They must be so miserable they don't want anyone to enjoy life, not even the sick or handicapped.

After such a cold, ugly winter, I thought how wonderful these people can get out again and enjoy life more.

The days pass faster for them if they have something to do, even if it's watching others go by.

These residents of Farmington who made these statements should get down on their hands and knees and thank God they're healthy themselves. Next time you drive around the corner by Oak Hill, take in the scenery the Oak Hill Patients have — it's the cemetery, and not very pretty, I might add.
MRS. JOYCE VERGILIO
Farmington

Lost \$ Isn't Marginal

EDITOR:

I am writing to take issue with the analysis of the recent millage defeat rendered by certain members of the news media.

The Farmington Forum, in its June 17 edition, makes the statement that, "in view of the decisive millage defeat, the administration is now prepared with plans for trimming the edges of curricula and personnel, border-line athletic programs, some custodial help and others." It is this kind of faulty analysis of data, and community events which does the real disservice to Farmington residents. The recent millage failure will mean that an estimated \$1,443,000 will have to be cut out of present program. To state, or even imply, that a reduction of this magnitude can be accomplished via "trimming of the edges" borders on the irresponsible.

It has been further

suggested in some circles that the school district would not face such fiscal difficulties if it were not for the excessive demands of Farmington teachers. Even the most casual review of the record will indicate that those rights and benefits which have been awarded Farmington staff through the negotiating process are not excessive, but rather in keeping with those found in neighboring school systems.

The real issue soon to be faced by the Farmington community is much larger than any single millage proposal. It concerns rather the choice between a well balanced school program, which attempts to meet the needs of today's youth, or conversely a so called "basic approach," which has as its cornerstone mediocrity.

ROGER K. ALLEN
Executive Director
Farmington Education Association

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Application for registration should be made to the clerk of the city or township in which the elector resides. Registration will be received during regular office hours Monday through Friday of each week. Their offices will be open for registration from 8:00 o'clock A.M. until 5:00 o'clock P.M. on Saturday, July 17, 1971, as well as during regular office hours on other dates. Farmington City residents may register at City Hall, 26600 Liberty Street, Farmington Township residents may register at the Township Hall, 31550 Eleven Mile Road, West Bloom Township Hall, 4600 Orchard Lake Road.
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Secretary of the Board of Education
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