

Council Wants Drake Paved

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The plan to pave Drake last year with concrete fell through when the state failed to classify Drake as a major road, making it ineligible for financing with gas and weight tax refunds from the state. The asphalt paving was suggested by the city a couple months ago as a cheaper alternative.

ROBERT TILLEY of Drake Rd. told councilmen a meeting held Jan. 9 was attended by almost all residents of Drake Heights subdivision who overwhelming objected to paving Drake, whether homeowners were assessed, whether Polozker paid their share or whether the city picked up the cost.

Dinan commented that the project was initiated by the city and the council could proceed without the formal petitions bearing signatures of 51 per cent or more homeowners asking for the

improvement.

Councilman Ralph Yoder agreed the council lacked the right to allow Polozker to pay homeowners' assessments but added he felt Drake needed to be paved.

Councilman Fred Siebert said he was unable to understand why anybody would oppose Drake being paved because it's impassable in the spring and because single-family homes fronting Drake are set way back from the road.

Dinan defended his recommendation, saying that if Drake is paved, homeowners would receive benefit of the improvement, the road deficiencies would be removed and the city would eliminate its high maintenance expenses.

CHAMPNESS argues the paving would require removal of trees and removal of the fence in front of his property. Dinan answered that the

ence now encroaches on the public right-of-way and should be removed anyhow. The other choice is to remove a couple trees on Champness's side of the road or pave a number of the high pine trees across the road.

Homeowners argued the road had been impassable because of construction traffic during completion of Drakehire but will be adequate now that construction has ended.

All councilmen agreed that Polozker's request for cluster zoning was completely unrelated to the suggestion to pave Drake and suggested homeowners were confusing the project by making the cluster zoning matter an issue in the paving discussions.

Siebert denied there was any devious plot in motion to pave Drake because cluster housing was being requested by Standard Construction Co.

He added Drake Park could be added to the residents if Drake were paved.

When Tom Ross of Drake Heights said he opposed paving because he was against cluster housing, Dinan answered that a determination on that rezoning request will be made regardless of whether Drake is paved.

COUNCILMAN John Allen commented the city tried to pave Drake before the cluster zoning request was made.

He added that three councilmen, including himself, ran for re-election last fall on a campaign that Drake would be paved.

"People are entitled to get in and out of the park without having to travel a bumpy country road. Shawassee was also a country road when I moved there, but since then I have become used to the conveniences of a paved road."

Farmington Calendar

BLUE STAR MOTHERS
Thursday, Jan. 20, at 1 p.m. Farmington Chapter 49 of the Blue Star Mothers of America will hold its regular business meeting in the home of Margaret Henige of 31481 Dobany Dr., Farmington.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST
Sunday, Jan. 23, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. the Farmington Masonic Temple Board will sponsor a pancake breakfast in the Farmington Masonic Temple at Grand River and Farmington Rds. Cost is \$1.25 per person for all the pancakes you can eat and a portion of country sausage.

NATURALISTS CLUB
Monday, Jan. 24, at 8 p.m. the Farmington Area Naturalists Club will meet in the Farmington Community Center for a program on "Biological Clocks," featuring Raymond Stiles and Roger Sotherland discussing the botanical and zoological aspects and Dr. Robert Douglas discussing the medical aspects. Anyone interested is welcome to attend.

COED EXPLORER POST
Tuesday, Jan. 25 at 8 p.m. an Explorer Post sponsored by the Farmington Township Police Department will meet in the police station at 11 Mile and Orchard Lake Rds. Males and females are eligible for membership. Anyone interested in joining the post is welcome to attend. Meetings will be held twice a month.

DIABETES CLASSES
Wednesday, Jan. 26, from 1:30-3:30 p.m. a series of five classes on diabetes will be held in the Oakland County Health Department at 2725 Greenfield at 11 1/2 Mile Rd., Southfield. Classes will be held each Wednesday until Feb. 23. Call the health department for registration.

WOMEN OF NORTH FARMINGTON
Wednesday, Jan. 26, at 11 a.m. the Women of North Farmington will hold its January luncheon in the new Holiday Inn at 10 Mile and Grand River in Farmington Township. Guest speaker will be Scott Matthews, Rap Line psychologist. Cost of luncheon is \$3.75 per person and public is invited. For reservations, contact Mrs. Louise Dolsy of 2828 Ravenwood, Farmington Township, or Mrs. Mildred Burke of 32559 Hargrove Ct., Farmington Township, by Jan. 21.

NEWCOMERS CLUB
Saturday, Jan. 23, the Farmington Newcomers Club will have a Sweetheart's Ball in the Holiday Inn on 10 Mile in Farmington. Cocktails at 6:30 p.m. with dinner and dancing to follow. Price is \$20 per couple and guests are welcome. Reservations must be made by Jan. 24 by contacting Sue LaVanway or Muriel Lorenzini.

HOMES ARE NEEDED
Several Farmington homes are needed for South American students arriving to stay several months in Farmington under the Youth for Understanding program. Persons wanting to volunteer as host families should contact Mrs. Wesley Orr of 26508 Farmington Rd.

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YMCA Expanding Gymnastic Classes

The Farmington Area YMCA is offering two new classes in gymnastics for students of both sexes in grades four, five, six and junior high.

These classes are an expansion of the program which began last November. The November gymnastic classes were met with overwhelming response and quickly filled.

THE NEW COURSES are planned now with the assistance of the Hill Day School of Farmington and Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic School Farmington.

Instructor will be James Hafke of Farmington who is coach of the Farmington YMCA gymnastics team.

Each of the two classes will be divided into ability groups after the warm-up exercises. Classes are limited to 25 participants and content will cover fundamentals of tumbling and the intermediate skills in gymnastics including floor exercises.

THE BEGINNING and intermediate classes will meet

Wednesdays from 7-8 p.m. beginning Jan. 26 in the Hill Day School at 32200 Middle Belt between 14 Mile and Northwestern Highway, Farmington.

Registration, class fees and membership can be handled at the first meeting of each class.

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Sosnick Indicted

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Robert Sosnick of Still Valley, Farmington, stood mute Jan. 12 before Federal Magistrate Paul Komives on charges resulting from a nine-count tax indictment returned by a federal grand jury.

Sosnick was indicted along with Harry Levine and Paul Elias, both of Southfield. Komives entered pleas of innocent and released Levine on \$50,000 bond and Sosnick and Elias on \$25,000 bond.

The first three counts charge Levine, president of Ewald Steel Co., with evading a total of \$420,200 in corporate income taxes of Ewald Steel during 1965, 1966 and 1967.

Three more counts charge Levine with evading personal income taxes totaling \$651,450 during the same three years.

The final three counts charge Sosnick and Elias with aiding and assisting in preparation of false corporate tax returns of Ewald for the three years.

Sosnick is a former vice-president of Ewald, and Elias is secretary of the company.

Maximum penalties on each of the six counts against Levine is five years prison and/or a \$10,000 fine. Each of the counts against Sosnick and Elias carry maximum prison sentences of three years and/or a \$5,000 fine.

Burns Awaits Robbery Trial

Hugh Burns, 21, of 21535 Negaunee, Southfield, waived pre-trial examination on an armed robbery charge on Jan. 7 before Farmington District Judge Michael J. Hand.

Burns has been charged with the \$120 armed robbery of the Rainbow Park Motel on Grand River, Farmington Township, which occurred Oct. 20.

Burns was arrested by township police on Dec. 8. A Circuit Court trial date will be set.

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