

Editorial Page

Our Hopes for 1960

The projects and endeavors we hope for during the new year, 1960, are many and ambitious but ones which we feel can be accomplished and will be necessary if Farmington city and township is to be truly the kind of community we want to live in.

These are our hopes:

(1) That city, township and school officials will make an even more vigorous effort to economize in every way possible to keep local taxes from climbing still higher.

(2) That the efforts begun in 1959 to improve the township's tax base will be accelerated considerably. The only real means of doing this appears to be by attracting more light industry and sizeable commercial developments. In so doing, however, we hope that township officials will set up necessary controls to protect residential property owners' investments.

(3) That the businessmen throughout the city and township will join together in an all-out effort to keep Farmington business in Farmington. Whether this be through the formation of a chamber of commerce, a businessmen's group or any other type of organization we do not feel is important. The important thing is that local businesses start working together rather than as individual business establishments. New types of businesses not presently located here must be attracted.

(4) That some type of organization be formed to get action on improving unsafe and generally unsatisfactory walking conditions for many youngsters to and from the various schools in the area.

(5) That residential building will continue at a rapid but controlled pace. We sincerely hope that real estate people and developers will be required to give more accurate information about the community (its tax structure, its lack of recreation facilities, its school problems, etc.). We feel that it is the responsibility of city and township officials to see that prospective new residents are aware of the community's problems as well as its advantages.

(6) That a continual effort will be made to clean up unsightly conditions in the community. Several old buildings, both residential and commercial, must either be repaired or torn down. Farmington is to be the beautiful type of community I'm sure we all want it to be.

(7) That Detroit water will be made available to the so-called "dry areas" of the township and that families in these "dry areas" will find it financially possible to tap into this water source.

(8) That some means of getting at least the most serious road conditions in the township improved will be found.

(9) That city, township and school officials will continue in their trend of working in closer and closer harmony on objectives and projects for the betterment of the community as a whole.

(10) That all residents and businessmen in the community will have a happy and prosperous 1960, free from undue hardships and sorrows, and filled with accomplishments.

Minimum Lot Sizes

What should the minimum size of a residential lot be?

This is a question that can draw a wide range of answers. There are probably still a few greedy developers who would say that a lot with a 30 foot frontage, 50 to 90 feet deep, is big enough. The gentleman farmer might well say that anything less than an acre or two in size is much too small.

It is our feeling that the township planning board's latest proposed minimum for R-1 zoned property (60 x 120 feet) is just about right. We have a lot this size ourselves and find that even a piece of property this size tends to put our house pretty close to the next-door neighbors. The only time we really think we'd like a lot much smaller is when it comes time to mow the grass.

The fact that nearly 20 square miles of the township is being proposed by the planning board to be zoned to the highest minimums (100 x 200 feet) seems a little stiff to us (thinking of the grass mowing problem again) but we haven't analyzed the matter in enough detail as yet to make a firm statement one way or the other on this.

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Wants News from Junior Highs

To the Editor: Citizens of Farmington Township subscribe to the Farmington Enterprise because they want to know as much as possible about what goes on in Farmington Township. I am quite sure that there are as many subscribers who are interested in the activities of the junior high schools as there are those interested in the high school.

For this reason I purpose that you take into consideration the beginning of two new columns in the paper: Activities of Farmington Junior High and Activities of Dunclee Junior High. These columns you could report on such things as athletic contests, clubs and maybe even intramural activities. If you do not think that this news from the junior high schools is important, I believe that you owe it to your subscribers to at least try to pull to see just how many of your subscribers are interested in what goes on in our junior high schools.

If necessary such a column could be written by junior high students.

I am sure you would have little trouble in finding well informed students who could, and would gladly, handle this chore. A Subscriber

EDITOR'S NOTE: We are very much interested in running news about activities at both of the junior high schools as well as news from the various elementary schools. We have been for some time and have repeatedly made this fact known to the principals of the schools as well as many of the teachers we have come in contact with.

Any news from the junior high schools as well as the elementary schools that we have received has always been published in the past. We would like very much to have more and would make every effort possible to print it. We suggest that the writer of this letter and any others interested in seeing news from the junior high schools and elementary schools contact the principals of the respective schools they are interested in. We will be glad to work with them in any way possible to get more news from their schools in the paper.

In the case of the senior high schools, we will continue to publish news from the journalism department there. We set all the type that they use in their own school paper. That which we feel is of general interest to the community as a whole we re-set for publication in The Enterprise.

A Thank You

Dear Editor: We wish to express our sincere appreciation for the many courtesies you have rendered us during the past year.

Through your kindness we have been able to present our material so that the women of Farmington might be aware of the program of the United Church Women of Farmington.

Very truly yours,
UNITED CHURCH WOMEN OF FARMINGTON
Mrs. E. Cope
President

It's fashionable for furniture to be slender, too. Home economists at Michigan State University say furniture can be slim and light, yet still be strong and durable.

For a cool, crisp salad, home economists at Michigan State University suggest you chill the salad dish before serving.

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Lots of luck to you and yours in the New Year. May the year ahead be your best and happiest yet!

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Do You Remember . . .



HORSE-DRAWN sleighs loaded with logs were a common sight in the Farmington area back 50 or 60 years ago when this community was still very much of a wilderness. Wood for many of the older buildings still standing in this area was cut from densely forested areas in Farmington township and vicinity. Some may very likely have come from the spot where your home is located in a subdivision in the township. (Photo courtesy of Mrs. Henrietta Adams, one of Farmington's older residents still residing here.)

Bel-Aire Hills

Sally Witt
GR. 6-0733

Christmas is a just a pleasant memory of a glowering tree and exciting packages. Most everyone spend the day in their own living room or at the home of nearby relatives. The nicest part of any day, holiday or not, is when we're with the ones we love.

Bob and Doris Baker and Jim, Sharon, 6, and Larry, 3, enjoyed the annual family Christmas day potluck dinner at the home of Doris's sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. T. Robinson in Detroit. As many neighbors did, the Bakers and Fred and Ann Foster of Lamar got together over the long weekend to celebrate the holiday.

THE CARL BRODIES of Marquette hosted a Christmas Day dinner with the menu boasting a delicious turkey and all the trimmings. Seated at the gaily decorated table were the Brodies-Carl, Marlene, Debbie, Carl, Steve and Matt; Marlene's folks and her brother's family, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Robert of Detroit, and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Robert of Canada. Mr. and Mrs. Allen Starbird and Ken and Karen, Marlene's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. William Starbird, and family stopped in for an evening get-together.

PRIOR TO CHRISTMAS day Fred and Grace Kerr of Detroit were busy performing the duties that accompany their duties as Commander of the Women's Club of Farmington. They were busy performing the duties that accompany their duties as Commander of the Women's Club of Farmington.

Throughout the year the Kerrs frequently visit relatives in the Detroit area and take baskets of food to the needy but at Christmas-time their place is considerably stepped up. This year the party, headed by the Kerrs, took presents to the aged at the Wayne County General Hospital, held a Christmas party for the children in the Redford area, and took baskets to the poor in their particular area.

Watching their grandchildren open Christmas gifts is an annual pleasure for Mr. and Mrs. A. Gorkin of Detroit who each year spend Christmas Eve and all day Christmas at the home of Bernice and Barb McKee of Leelanau. Linda, 4, Jeffrey, 2, and Jimmy, 10 months, were the center of attraction and loved every minute of it.

HAPPY NEW YEAR May your New Year's Eve be superlative, stimulating yet safely sober and your new year be significantly satisfying and spectacularly successful!

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Looking Back Thru The Enterprise Files

15 Years Ago DECEMBER 23, 1944

School Officials

Members recently elected to serve on the Board of Education of the Farmington Consolidated School District met this week to name officers.

Dr. Z.B. Aschenbrenner was named president. Paul Schriener is secretary and Guy Duran is treasurer. The two remaining Board members are Isaac Bond and Jess Early.

B-6 and C-6 Gas Coupons

Good for five gallons each, now being issued by the Detroit district office and are valid. The Detroit OPA office announced at the same time that B-4 and C-4 gasoline coupons would not be accepted by gasoline stations after December 31, 1944. Fourth quarter gasoline coupons will also expire for consumers on Dec. 31.

10 Years Ago DECEMBER 30, 1949

Mail Delivery

Effective January 15, a large portion of the eastern section of Farmington Township will receive one-trip mounted city curb mail delivery service. Farmington Postmaster Norman Lee announced.

The new service is being initiated in an effort to improve the mail delivery service in the more populated areas of the community.

Lions Treat

A total of 380 youngsters were treated to a pre-Christmas turkey dinner on Tuesday, Dec. 29, by the Lions Club of Farmington. All of the youngsters were those in the community who could well appreciate such a special meal.

The youngsters devoured 500 pounds of turkey as well as a bushel of potatoes, two cases of canned peas and 180 half-pints of milk.

5 Years Ago DECEMBER 30, 1954

Council Meetings

The first session of the City Council under the newly adopted-

Primary Election

The largest field of candidates in the history of Farmington Township is expected to file nomination petitions next week for the biennial Primary Election to be held in February.

Although only one petition has been filed to date, several others are being circulated. It is expected that as many as four or five candidates may be running for a single office.

Carl Waack Rites Dec. 24

Funeral services were held Thursday afternoon, Dec. 24, for Carl H. Waack, of 20454 Angling Road, Livonia.

A lifelong resident of this area, he died suddenly at his home on Tuesday, Dec. 22. He was 78 years old and a retired fireman.

Waack's wife Edith preceded him in death. Sons left to survive are Earl, Maurice, Louis, Ralph, Russell, Carl, Jr. and Edwin and daughters, Mrs. Ruth Rozenboom, Mrs. Edith Kuffel and Mrs. Janet Pisk. He also leaves 29 grandchildren and 37 great-grandchildren as well as four brothers.

Funeral arrangements were handled by the Osterline Funeral Home in Northville. Services were conducted by Rev. Elsie John of the Clarenceville Methodist Church with interment in the family plot at the North Farmington Cemetery.

Text dressmaker's chalk or carbon marking paper on a sample of fabric before marking a garment to sew. Home economists at Michigan State University say these marks may be difficult to remove from some fabrics with resin finish.

Tap Dances For Patients

Jayne Elizabeth Marsh, five year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Marsh of Haledale Rd. performed a ballet and tap dance number for patients at Harper Hospital, Detroit, on December 28.

Jayne's teacher, Miss Deloris Ruhl of Franklin took her concert group to the hospital for a Christmas entertainment and Jayne was selected to accompany them.

Jayne also danced two numbers in the Christmas recital on December 22, held at the Bloomfield Hills High School.

PFC Petrosky In Germany

Army PFC John Petrosky Jr., 22, whose wife, Irene, lives at 20224 Angling Rd., Livonia, recently participated with the 4th Armored Division's 2d Artillery in a field training exercise in Germany.

Petrosky, a radio and telephone operator in the artillery's Battery B, in Zirndorf, entered the Army in December 1958, completed basic training at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., and arrived overseas last May.

He attended Farmington High School. His parents live at 23835 Farmington Road, Farmington. Petrosky was employed by the Star Cutter Company in Farmington before entering the Army.

It's apple season in Michigan. Home economists at Michigan State University suggest a Delicious for salad, a Northern Spy for pie, and a Macintosh for Jonathan for either use.



Happy New Year

May the joys of the New Year be yours! We extend season's greetings and wishes for a rich and rewarding life in all the years to come.


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For a lace dress, home economists at Michigan State University recommend using a zipper or buttons with "button" loops rather than buttonholes.

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Barbara Berschbach.....	Wayne State University	Sally Ann Lyndrup.....	Eastern Michigan College
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Lawrence J. Girling.....	Michigan State University	Ronald Randolph.....	Wayne State University
Paula Hanchett.....	Nazareth College	Vivian C. Reinhardt.....	Madonna College
Louis B. Hanne, III.....	Michigan College of Mining & Technology	Daniel A. Roman, III.....	University of Detroit
Joseph R. Henninger, Jr.....	Detroit Institute of Technology	Gerard C. Rutkowski.....	Wayne State University
Richard Janowski.....	Oliver College	James D. Schick.....	Lawrence Institute of Technology
Cona L. Johnson.....	Highland Park Junior College	Ronald G. Shepard.....	Michigan State University
Dorothy A. Kalrosok.....	Aquinas College	Thomas C. Simonson.....	Michigan College of Mining and Technology
Norma A. King.....	Cablin College	Virginia Slinker.....	Western Michigan University
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