April 11, 1963

Community-Wide Rather Than Private

We couldn't help but be deeply concerned last week when voters of Farmington Township. rejected the proposition calling for a small special tax levy
to provide a year-around recreation program for young and old alike in the
community.

All that was being asked for was 50c
per \$1,000 equalized valuation which
would have cost the average homeowner
less than \$5 per year to have a good
elisure-time activity program locally the
year around for young and old alike.
Even the owner of the \$30,000 home
would have had to pay no more than \$15
annually.

Take the lowest initial membership of \$250 per year and multiply it by approximately \$950 families living in Farmington City and Township and you come up with \$2,375,000. This would build three or four nice indoor year-around pools at schools in the community of course we know that the immediate rebuttal will be that only the well-to-do can afford this kind of money for swimming club niembership. This well go along with but we don't think there are too many families in Farmington who couldn't spare \$25 a year for a couple of years and this would raise almost a half million dollars for a good indoor pool that could be used the year around by everyone. Ten dollars per family a year for maintenance would be lenty.

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Bowling also is a very good recreational pastime and:an awful lot of local people spend pienty of money to participate. It's a wholesome recreational activity that we're all for but cannot see how people can spend the kind of money they do for this either and still reject paying;85 to \$15 per year for an organized community recreation program with a real variety of leisure-time activities offered which all the community can enjoy.

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Belonging to a private swimming club or some other type of private club is supposed to give one desirable social status, we are told. Personally we fact that it is supposed to give one desirable social status, we are told. Personally we fact that it is supposed to give one desirable social status, we are told. Personally we fact the recognized the need to become a member of private clubs to make ourselves "somebody" in the community.

Let's start thinking community and et off the social-climbing merry-goround at the neighborhood level.



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Answer Distress

To he Editor:

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Chief J DeVriend:

Dept. of Public Safety

City of Farmington

Dear. Siz:

We sincerely, appreciate the methors of your department, afforded us in our time of directions of the public states during the recent illness to four baby daughter.

If is gratifying to know that one large reported by such an ex-Girl Scout Movie

To Be Shown in Area A Girl Scout film, "The Road to Button Bay", will be shown in this area on April 11 at 7:30 p.m. in the Walled Lake Junion High School, 615 Pontiac Trail Walled Lake, For further information call Mrs. Edward Bundoff, MA: 44274.

Quakertown Lane, at any time Lapplesseds are once again re minded of the change in danc-dates. The group will go to Drayton Plains on Freday, Apri 18. Contact Isabel North, GR. 4 8599, for details and directions. Members of the Pincelle Clul are reminded of the April Bot Members of the Pincelle Clul are reminded of the April Bot Members of the Pincelle Clul are reminded of the April Bot Members of the Pincelle Clul are reminded of the April Bot Members of the Pincelle Clul are reminded to the April Bot April 20. Each member will hear trym either Thelma or Jean Nankervis as to the final foor plans.

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Let's Let Everyone Know What We Have future time pass his impression of this community or that on to other friends

Farmington may not have as many active and really going service clubs and other community organizations as a lot of other progressive communities but we do have several and they have rendered some very fine services to the area over the past several years.

We've often wondered why we don't do a better job of advertising the service clubs and organizations we have and the churches and a lot of other things which people driving through would like to know we have. If you're like us, you develop some favorable or unfavorable impressions about a community by the things you see as you enter that community.

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When you see attractive signs giving the name of the community and an identifying slogan, if it has one, along with smaller signs heralding the major clubs, and organizations functioning in the community, it gives you a favorable first impression of that community. Many communities also have other signs listing the major churches and their times of services.

These signs provide the passerthrough with some valuable information about that community. Even more important, it gives him a good impression of that community and tells him that it is a progressive community with a product of the passer-through will undoubtedly at some

future time pass his impression of this community or that on to other friends and associates.

These favorable impressions of a community have a way of attracting good commercial and industrial develonments to a community which, ideally at least, should help in making it a better community in which to work and live. It even has benefits in the kind of citizen that is attracted to live in the community although not necessarily bringing anything into the community except himself and his family.

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The signs showing that a community has many active clubs and organizations and is a progressive and active type of community won't mean much to the family that only looks at a community as a place to sleep and eat but it will to those who are really community minded. Let's face it, the latter type of families are the ones that really make for a good community and these are the kind we want to attract here.

We appeal to service club officials, our governmental leaders and church officials to give this proposed project some very serious immediate consideration. Such signs at either end of Grand River Avenue, at both ends of Farmington Road and the north end of Or-

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Looking Back in the Files

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No Tax Increase
The City of Farmington's proposed 1988-39 fiscal year budget
will not call for any tax increase
as presented to the City Courcil at their last regular meeting.
Ajpublic hearing is scheduled on
the budget for May 12 at 8 prh.
and the City Council must take
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