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# City, Twp. Report Poor First Quarter Building

Severely cold weather was credited with causing one of the poorest first quarters of build-ing activity in recent years for both the City and Township of

both the City and a Farmington.

New building dipped in the City from 46 total permits issued during the first three months of 1962 to just 13 permits issued for the same three months

this year. Township issued only is residential building permits between January 1 and March 3 this year wille 22 residential permits were issued flor the same period in 1982, a decline of more than 65 percent. AMONG THE BIGGEST Items of new construction in the City

## Re-Zoning for Apts. Denied

The much discussed and studied request for re-zaning of an approximately four acre parcel of land adjacent to the city park to permit the construction of 56 apartment units was resolved decisively by the City Council Monday night.

Monday night.

At two public hearings, one before the Planning Commission and another before the Council, strong objections to this proposed re-zoning was voiced by residential homeowners of the neighborhead

orhood.

The Council's motion to deny
he re-zoning request made by
homas Duke, local developer,
vas unanimous.

Informas Duke, uncertainty, was unanimous.

In brief discussion prior to the action, Councilman, Howard Thayer stated that this had defined by the councilman of the councilma

Councilman Henry Forrest stated that he felt the Council would be remiss if it did anything other than follow the recommendations of both the Flanning Commission and the city's planning consultants.

## Nat'l Library Week Now Being Observed

31503 Grand River, valued at \$33,005; industrial re-middleding of a plant at 2009 Elect. Wile Boad valued at \$35,005; and business consistent of the business control of the b

réported by the Gity during this year's first quarter. IN THE TOWNSHIP, along with the 15 residential building permits issued for the first quarter totaling \$333.00, there was one industrial permit issued which was valued at \$21,000 cm. which was \$250.00 cm. which was valued at \$21,000 cm. which was valued at \$21,000 cm. which was valued at \$21,850, and two commercial additions valued at \$31,850.

mercial additions valued at \$17.560.
Not to go on the tax rolls but the Township's first quarter still to be considered along with the Township's first quarter building reports is the permit issued for construction of a \$25. 000 day nursery at 250% if alstead Road.

Betier than average amounts of building, activity are being routing during the next three months as construction curtailed during the first quarter is now apparently being put under way. The second quarter reports will have to show a marked in every single part of the contrast of the contra

#### Plaza Names 50 Winners of Easter Hams

Easter Hams

Fifty lucky families who did their pre-Easter shopping at the Farmington Plaza Stopping Central their pre-Easter shopping their tables through the generosity of the merchants in the Center. The lucky winners were:

Louis Stevens, 22313 Spring-book Division of the merchants in the Center. The lucky winners were:

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Ave.; Mrs. F. Needs 30049 Feddler



GROUND IS RAPIDLY being cleared at the corner of Alta Loma and Farmington Road as sevidenced above where wreckers are pictured nearing the end of their work on one of the

three homes which have been leveled to provide a site for the proposed new National Bank of Detroit branch office building in Farmington.

# Twp. Bd. Stages Hearing On Park Hill Sewer Arm

A public hearing on the necessity for a sanitary sewer arm to serve Park Hill Subdivision and other abutting property owners in Farmington Township was conducted Modady night, April 15, before the Township Board

Board.

About 40 residents appeared at the hearing to gel answers on the proposed sower arm but only eight cf the ritizens in attendance indicated they were opposed to the plan. A total of 14 written objections were received by the Board.

THE AREA TO BE served by

ship.

Action was initiated by residents in the area who circulated a petition to gain support for the sewer arm. It was revealed

Still without a firm policy on

som without a tirm policy on which groups to allow and which groups to deny the right to soli-cit funds door-to-doer in the city, the Council spent a considerable amount of time Monday night re-evaluating the American Can-cer Society request to solicit funds hore.

cer Society request to Soitch Mands here.

Earlier action had been taken by the Council denying the American Caneer Society's request to 2 door-to-door on Monday, April 22, to conduct its annual educational and fund raising crusade. The Council had based its initial decision on the fact that it felt this would be a duplication of offent. It had granted the Michigan Caneer Foundation the right to 30 door to-door in the city only a short-time earlier.

under Michigan Act 143.

Supervisor Hail told the group
the Board would consider all
feelings expressed at the hearing and the written statements
by property owners in arriving
at its final decision to establish
the district.

SEVERAL QUESTIONS were
raised concerning the financing
of the proposed sewer arm
which were answered by Supervisor Hall and Township Clerk

Cuncil's rejection of its request, the American Cancer Society asked for a special hearing in an effort to get the Council to change its position. Robert Wichman, executive director of the American Cancer Society, attended the Council not some that the American Cancer Society has been and is continuing to do. He was successful in getting the Council to experience of the Council of the Council

See CANCER DRIVES Column 7, Page 8A

**Cancer Society Request** 

Discussed at Length

at the public hearing sufficient stagnatures have been obtained to have the area established as a special assessment district. Township Supervisor Curt Hall told the residents at the hearing at least 20 percent of the land area to be served by the computer of the land control of the land to the resident stage of the land computers as opposed to the property owners as opposed to the project to impede the establishment of a special assessment district, under Michigan Act 143.

Supervisor Hall told the group the Board would consider all referring and the written statements by property owners in arrival statements and the written statements and the written statements are the stage of the stage of the statements and the written statements are the stage of the stage o

mates on the construction of the sewer project.
TOWNSHIP CLERK Floyd Cairps said Wednesday morning 'batt all pelitions from property owners in the proposed special assessment district had been turned over to Pate, Him and Bogue for study and computation:
Michigan Act 143 is an amendment to Act 188 which allows

Mitchigan Act 130 is an amend-ment to Act 188 which allows townships, to establish, special assessment districts for capital improvements upon the support of petitions signed by at least 51 percent of the property own-ers in the area to be affected. Under Act 188, unless at least cluded in the proposed district is registered in opposition to the project, a township can establish a special assessment district.

## Downtown Assn Picks Directors

An initial step in the reorganization of an association for business and professional people of the downtown Farmington area has been taken. Tuesday night at a meeting attended by approximately 25 an eight member board of directors as beceited.

Elected as directors were bick MacPherson, National Bank of Detroit; Russ Gilbert, Town and Country Dodge; Net Ogelsby, attorney; Bill Senoratt, Hindles of Farmington Businesses of Farmington Electron Country Detroit, and the Kiley, The Farmington Enterprise City Manager John Diana will serve as an honorary member of the board.

The directors have been instructed to work out details re-

over eas an nonorary member of the board.

The directors have been instructed to work out details regarding qualifications for membership and control of the state of the stat

## Clean-Up Campaign Planned in Township

A Clean-up Campaign, will be efficially opened next month in Farmington Township with special trash pick-ups planned to provide residents an opportunity to dispose of junk.

The Township Board indicated a zoning inspector may be appointed to check on cases of insightly conditions where property owners have accumulated junk.

# **Local Equalized Valuation** Climbs \$5 Million in Year

### Council Acts **Paving Way for** Night Softball

The path was cleared by the City Council Monday night to pelmit an even greater amount of night time ball player activities to be enjoyed mission and the council of the proposed mission and the country of the proposed mission and the main diamond area nearest the Power and Shiawassee Road intersection as requested by the city manager was approved by the Council.

A week earlier representa-

mianager was approved by the Council.

A week earlier represents were dearlier to the Sammington Junion-dicated to the Council that the Jayces would be willing to stand the entire cost for erecting lights for night softball leaguh play if the city could come up with a suitable diamond. Farmington Baseball for Boys Company of the Council of the Little League diamond at the park could be converted satisfactorily for this duel use.

THE CITY manager was in-

the park could be converted satisfactorily for this duel use.

THE CITY manager was instructed to study the matter and report back to the Council on what changes would be necessible to the council on the council on the council on the feet was the cost involved would be.

The changes to be made will include re-location of the feeting along the southern part of the field putting it back some 30 feet further and also changing the location on the feeting along the westerly portion of the pullipse field-arter.

Another part of the project will be the council of the disposal of the council of the disposal of the council of the disposal of the council of the counci

#### House Trailer Ord. Proposed

An ordinance prohibiting the parking of house trailers next to residential homes may soon be added unto the city's books.

added unto the city's books. Councilman Howard Thayer informed his fellow councilmen Howard might be the control of the councilment which is the councilment which

thim.

The city manager was instruc-ted to work with the city attorn-ey in drawing up a proposed ord-inance for Council consideration.

## C'ville Board Okays Borrowing \$80,000

Borrowing \$80,000

The Clarenceville Board of Education at its regular meeting Flurusday night authorized a go ahead on necessary steps to barrow up to \$80,000 in anticipated state aid notes due the school. The need to borrow, in this manner is the result of an expected delay in getting state aid poymelts and supply the proposed property of the result of the state aid payments, it was explained.

Combined equalized valuations for Farmington City and Township announced by the county equalization committee this week totaled over \$104 million, up over \$5 million from last year.

The exact combined figure runs \$104,335,388, which is an increase of \$5,358,314 over the total valuation of a

The exact combined figure runs \$104,335,388, which is an increase of \$5,358,314 over the total valuation of a year ago.

In the Townhish the total equalized valuation are 379,486,119 which is an increase in valuation of \$75,883,950. The City's 1963 equalized value which was set at \$24,899,269 is an increase in valuation of over \$1.8 million. Last year's equalized valuation for \$75,883,950. The City's 1964 equalized valuation for equalizing valuation for \$75,883,950. The City's 1964 equalized valuation for the City's 1964 equalized valuation for the City's 1964 equalized valuation placed on properties the county equalization for the various city officies and posterone placed on the county equalization postero

spach's by the city.

A mock Council meeting was held from 1:15 until 3 p.m. in the municipal court chambers.

On Tuesday night the student officials as well as regular city officials were guests of the Farmington Kiwanis Cutb at a dinner at Botsford Inn.

Farmington would be.
Looking at the assessed valuations for the two local governing badies for 1952 clearly demonstrates this difference in assessing practices. The Townsessing practices. The Townsessing practices. The Towntown in the consideration of the consessing practices. The Townsessing practices. The Townsessing practices. The Towntown in the condition of the content of the condition of the content of the condition of the content of the condition of the convaluation.

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See EQUALIZATION Column 6. Page 8A

# **Plan Local Activities** All Thru Mich. Week

rarmigion kiwanis Citb at a dinner at Botsford Inn.

The students and the offices they held were: Peter Fusco, mayor; Carol Oldfelt, Colleen Kelly, Mary Marginean and Robert Clappison, councilmen; Charles Brenner, city manager; Kathy Warmer, treasurer; Susan Mosshamer, Clerk; Douglas Griffin, attorney; Barbara Brogren, assessor; Al Kirby, Judey; Ton-ko Tanzawa, director of public states of the state of th

At an organizational meeting hold Thursday at the Batsford Inn plans were laid for a full week of local activities during Michigan week which will run frem Sunday, May 19, through Saturday, May 26, through Saturday, May 26, through Saturday, May 28, th



BEING OFFICIALLY SWORN into office by Farmington Township Clerk Floyd Cairns (L) is the new Township Board Trustee, Brorn Waller, who won election to the seat vacated by Ray Wilcox April 1. With all incumbents seeking re-election in both the City and Township this spring with the exception of Wilcox, Walter was the only successful newcomer voted in.

SUNDAY WILL be Spiritual SUNDAY WILL be Spiritual Foundations Day and Rev. Elsie Johns of the Clarenceville Methodist Church has been named to work with clergymen of the community in setting up some special programs.

special programs.

Monday will be Our Government Day and activities will be highlighted by the annual mayor's exchange which the City of Farmington will again partici-

or's exchange which the City of Farmington will again participate in.

Working out details for activities among the various service clubs for Hospitality Day on Tuesday will be Tom Adock of the Farmington Klwara Corio and the Farmington Savings and the Parmington Savings and Corio and the Farmington Savings and Corio and Corio and Parket Parmington Savings and Corio and Parket P

system, with handle all details. Friday with handle all details. Friday with handle all details. Friday with he abg day for Farmington as we will host a special program for the tri-county area historic Botsford Inn. Leading figures from communities in all three counties will be in attending dedication of a state site location, marker, a fashion show, featurity dress of a 100 years ago and a glaiplay of antique cars. Guest speaker will be Sec. of State James Hare.

Saturday will be Youth Day.



THE NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY initiates at Farmington Senior High School were pictured above following ceremonies at the high school attended by their parents and fellow students. In the front row (L to R) are Karen Bartsch, Lynni Cox, Dan Dustin, Gretta Ginnial, Carol Lawshe, Vivienne Rickey, Larry Thompson, Nell Warriner (all juniors), and Leslie Ash, Cheryi Angust and Linda Birmingham; Second row (L to R), Stuanne Blachut, Linda Bilas, Harlan Boles, Battara (M. 1988), Bartara (Bartin, Mary Jame Carpentee, Battara (L), Chengene Dreyer, Guancies, and Susain, Fisher; Third row, (L to R), Peter Fanco, Douglas Griffin, Marge Harding, Adele (L, to R), Peter Fanco, Douglas Griffin, Marge Harding, Adele

Howden, Naomi seri, Colleen Kelley, Albert Kirby, Richard Kirsten, Bilabeth Konicki, Margaret Lipson and Janet Maender; Fourth row, (L. to ft), Mary Marginen, Search Med, Michael McGaw, John Mergidit, Judy Porter, Day Radebauth, and Jane Roblet Top row (L. to ft), Gaylann Rowe, Susan Schafer, Karen Schuter, Susan Schafer, Karen Schuter, Susan Schafer, Karen Schuter, Mars Speiter, Susan Schafer, Karen Kristen, Mars Spittle, Masako Tanzawa, Bruce Techow and Jill Yordy. The students were slecteded on the basis of their qualities of outstanding scholarship and good citizenship.