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In Our Opinion

Facilities Many Should Know More About

It was just one year ago this week that Farmington city officials made the big move from the old city hall quarters on Grand River Avenue to the modern, and efficiently designed municipal building on Liberty Street from which nearly all city business is now conducted.

Citizens of the City of Farmington as well as those in Farmington Township, who have a modern and quite new Township Hall on 11 Mile Road, can well be proud of the up-to-date governmental buildings that we have in our community.

One of the first places which prospective new business and industrial interests visit when considering a new location for their enterprises is the governmental buildings of the communities in which they are considering locating. Often times, as well, it is one of the first places that prospective new home buyers will visit to find out more about the local community.

We can't help but feel that those who visit either our Township Hall or City Municipal Building when first coming into the community must be favorably impressed.

It seems a little unfortunate to us, however, that there are still a large number of local homeowners and business people who aren't really familiar with the governmental buildings and facilities in the community in which they have chosen to live or do business.

From some of the calls that come into

The Enterprise office, it is obvious that many people who have lived or done business here two or three years and even longer still haven't been inside the local governmental buildings or even know for sure where they are located.

Perhaps some people just aren't at all interested but it seems to us that it would be nice if every homeowner and business person not only saw but was aware of the various departments in our local governmental buildings and how each functions.

As a solution, The Enterprise would like to suggest that serious consideration be given to holding annual open houses at our governmental office buildings running two or three days and evenings in a row with one of the days preferably being a Saturday. The extra hours of working time that might be required of our governmental employees and officials might be compensated for with some special "time off" time.

It is almost certain there would be some who just couldn't spare the time to look over the governmental buildings in their community or learn more about the way departments function from them even if they received personal invitations and special free ride service. But we do feel that a lot of citizens might take advantage of such a special opportunity to become better acquainted with their local governmental body's operations and the facilities worked from and as a result become better informed citizens of the community.

Public Letter Box

Letters submitted to the Letter Box publication must be signed. Names will be withheld upon request. Opinions expressed in this column are those of the writer and do not necessarily represent the opinion of this newspaper. Maximum length is 1,000 words.

Concern for Trees

Dear Sir: Those who are fond of trees and appreciate their value in beautifying the city are concerned with the lackadaisical attitude taken by some individuals in the control of the spread of Dutch Elm disease in the Farmington area.

Many conscientious property owners have gone to considerable trouble and expense to remove diseased trees removed and burned without delay while others allow dead trees to remain and infect nearby healthy ones, thus making effective control almost impossible.

On the western end of the city of Farmington, at the corner of Oak Road and Grand River, a diseased elm was removed last year, many months after the disease was discovered. Now in this same area, another tree has been marked for removal for over two months — yet nothing is done.

From this very tree one can look around and spot other diseased trees; the one next to it; several more across Grand River. On township area property, a diseased elm stands about a mile and a half down Oak Road. There are several more suspects.

Trees, even on another's property, can be enjoyed by all. Why are not all residents of Farmington and the township equally concerned about the Dutch Elm Disease? The killer elms, and cooperate to control the spread of this disease.

Michigan State Bulletin P-195 tells how to collect diseased specimens from suspected trees. If you have an elm which looks suspicious take it to a local expert. A one-half inch in diameter, enclose them in a plastic bag and mail immediately to Michigan Department of Agriculture, Plant Pathology Section, Laboratory Division, 6th Floor, Lewis Cass Bldg., Lansing 13, Michigan. Your sample will be analyzed and a report sent you.

If your tree is infected, please have it removed and burned immediately. The entire city of Farmington and surrounding area should appreciate it. We property owners with elms sincerely thank you.

Edward T. Satory

Gravel Piles Irrk Residents in K'wood

To The Editor: The homeowners of Kendallwood have been amused but mostly irritated by the gravel commission is playing with tons of rock and gravel which they have been spewing all over our streets and lawns these past few weeks.

Piles of stones have accumulated on street intersections causing bicycles to skid producing mud and mess and legs and at least one severe concussion.

After many telephone calls from concerned mothers, the street cleaner was dispatched to brush up the gravel — we wish the trucks would return with their crews of men and shovel up the remaining gravel. It could be used elsewhere for real honest to goodness repair work at these intersections.

The gravel at Kendallwood near Kenbrook School, Kendallwood Drive, curve going into Brandywine, the corner of Brandywine and 12th Avenue, the corner of Farmerville turning into Bainbridge Road, and the corner of Farmington Road turning into Heartstone. In fact, the excess gravel on Heartstone Road alone would fill a truck for repairs in the whole subdivision.

Kendallwood No. 1, also has mountains of gravel at Thorny Brae and Bayberry and Westbrook Manor has huge piles on Looklay.

Let's have the real pot holes and gouged out corners taken care of and stop the useless waste of gravel shoveled across homeowners' lawns.

Kendallwood Residents

Takes Part in Army Exercise

Army Pvt. Richard A. Sanders, son of Mr. and Mrs. Andy J. Sanders, 3230 Briar Crest Ct., Farmington, and other members of the 4th Armored Division recently participated in a three-week field training exercise at Grafenwohr, Germany.

During the exercise Sanders underwent extensive weapons training and marksmanship training.

HE IS A TANK DRIVER in Company C, 31st Battalion of the division's 3rd Armored Regiment, stationed near Grahlsheim, Germany.



DETROIT'S OWN DODGE Boys officially welcomed the world's most famous "Teddy Boys" the Beatles, recently while the winners were here for a one-day performance at the Olympia Stadium. At Metropolitan Airport are (L to R) Jip Howitt, factory sales promotion executive; Pol

Raynal, president of the Tri-County Dodge Dealers Advertising Association; and Russ Gilbert, vice-president of the Greater Detroit Dodge Dealers. Mr. Gilbert lives at 32374 Farmerville, Farmington, and is president of Town and Country Dodge, Inc., 32411 Grand River.

Detroit's Bewigged Dodge Boys Sneak Preview of the Beatles Kappa Deltas Start New Year

The world's presently most popular male theatrical troupe, the Beatles, were fittingly welcomed on their arrival recently in the U.S. by Detroit's newest automotive characters, the Dodge Boys. The latter, of course, were suitably bewigged. For a genuine nostalgic touch of home, on hand were James K. Howitt, Dodge sales promotion executive, himself a Lancashireman from the Beatles' home town of Liverpool, England. He accompanied the other

welcoming committee members. Pol E. Raynal, president of the Tri-County Dodge Advertising Association, and Russell A. Gilbert, vice-president of the Greater Detroit Dodge Dealers Association, and President of Town and Country Dodge, Inc. in Farmington. THE BEATLES, on popular demand, again land by private jet at Metropolitan Airport Sept. 5. Ranking representatives of the popularized leader group informally greet them with a prearranged entourage of new white convertibles for transportation use throughout their stay.

Taoism Is First Topic of Series At Uni.-Uni. Ch.

A series of talks on China — past and present — will begin Sunday, Sept. 20, at the 10 a.m. service at the Universalist Unitarian Church of Farmington.

Minister Robert M. Eddy said he would begin with a look at the writings of Lao Tzu, founder of the ancient religion, Taoism. The sermon will be titled "Tao-Te-Ching," the name of this leader's only literary work. Two regular discussion groups, one concerning ethics and the other current events, got under way Sept. 13 and will be continued weekly at 11 a.m. This Sunday will mark the beginning of a bi-weekly music appreciation series, also scheduled for 11 a.m., with Donald Davidson of Farmington as leader.

Two-hour church school classes for children from nursery to junior high will be in session each week, with class meetings during the first hour and junior church the second.

The congregational will meet Friday, Sept. 18, at the Park man Farm Cupboard, 2230 Kirkwood at Nine Mile, for a turkey dinner and discussion of the church's program for the year.

Wayne Offering 39 Courses

Thirty-nine evening courses will be offered to west and northwest Detroit area residents starting September 21, by Wayne State University's Applied Management and Technology Center.

The courses are being offered as a part of the Center's program to update and upgrade personnel from business and industry and to motivate them to become more resourceful, productive, adequate and cooperative on the job, according to Dr. Spencer A. Larson, director.

General categories of the courses are business, finance, management, science, technology, mathematics, and industrial techniques and relations. Now in its 13th year, the program utilizes over 150 specialists from business, industry and the University itself to assist men and women in industry to acquire new skills and modern methods in the fundamentals and latest developments in their special fields.

"This is an important requirement in these days of explosive advances in science, technology, industry and business," Dr. Larson said.

In the west and northwest Detroit area, evening classes from 7 to 9 p.m. will be offered at the following locations: Oak Park High School, 3701 Oak Park Blvd. and Les Thurston High School, 2955 Schoolcraft, South Redford Township.

Registration for the program is currently in progress. Anyone desiring more information is invited to call the WSU Applied Management and Technology Center at 831-7655 or 831-1775. Catalogs and schedules are available on request.

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Farmington Sailor On Missile Cruiser

Duwayne E. Fuleher, fireman, apprentice, USN, son of Earl Fuleher of 3172 South Nine Mile, Farmington, was one of 92 crewmen aboard the guided missile cruiser USS Providence to arrive in Long Beach, Calif., following an extended tour of duty in the Western Pacific.

Providence recently arrived at her new home port of Long Beach, following a two-year, two-month employment in the Western Pacific, serving as flagship for Commander Seventh Fleet.

During her employment in the Seventh Fleet, Providence traveled more than 90,000 miles, visited 24 ports in 12 countries including all major ports in the Western Pacific and hosted more than 150,000 visitors.

Relieved as flagship by the guided missile cruiser USS Oklahoma City, Providence departed Yokosuka, Japan, on July 5, signifying the end of an event-filled cruise.

In addition to maintaining the high degree of readiness expected and required of Seventh Fleet ships, Providence participated fully in the People-to-People program in furthering the promotion of goodwill and understanding between the United States and other nations.

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Camping, hiking, or just lounging on a lawn chair — beer brings to each just the right touch of extra good living.

Your familiar glass of beer is also a pleasant reminder that we live in a land of personal freedom — and that our right to enjoy beer and ale, if we so desire, is just one, but an important one, of those personal freedoms.

In Michigan... beer goes with fun, with relaxation

Banquet Set Sept. 30 For N.F. Little League

A buffet style banquet for the North Farmington Little League Baseball Association players and personnel will be held on Wednesday, Sept. 30, at 1:30 p.m. at the Roma Hall on Schoolcraft, between Middlebelt and Inkster. This banquet is for boys and their fathers from all the leagues.

Tickets must be purchased by Sept. 25. Any boy who has not been contacted as yet, please call their managers for tickets. No tickets will be sold at the door.

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