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Vagnozzi, Brennan Heading Field for Commission

Aldo Vagnozzi and Joseph T. Brennan headed a list of the nine elected members of the Charter Commission... This group no sooner were named winners from a field of 26 candidates and the office and duties were defunct. The Charter Commission only would have served to draw up a city charter had the voters chosen to incorporate. In view of the lopsided returns defeating the incorporation

proposal, many of the charter commission candidates laughingly looked on the return as a popularity contest. "It's just by luck I finish first for a non-existent office," Vagnozzi said. He was candidate for Supervisor of Farmington Township in the last election when he was defeated. Vagnozzi tallied 2,707 votes to Brennan's 2,114. Close behind these two men was Fred A. Cairns, Township Clerk and pro-

ponent of incorporation, with 2,076 votes. The other elected charter commission members in the order of their placement were: Elise P. Avry (1,970 votes), Margaret G. Schaeffer (1,928), Calvin F. Oppenbuser (1,815); Thomas R. Nolan, (1,656), Douglas A. MacArthur (1,621), and Richard J. Hart (1,579). Additional candidates and the number of votes they received:

were Charles W. Stevenson (1,533), Robert Lewis Brown (1,416), Ervin J. Knight (1,378), Norman E. Kreider (1,351), Thomas A. Duke (1,202), Eva E. Ross (1,267); John I. Bain (1,251), Clifford B. Moorhead (1,170), Charles W. Furr (1,142), Russell E. Nankervis (1,099), Nyla Archer (1,084), Warren E. Hansen (1,075), Ronald G. Enders (1,066), William B. Smolek (1,060), Richard H. Gaul (965), Bruce E. Duke (950), and Nick Charles Mondella (702).

Defeat Incorporation by 4-1 Vote

Jaycees Answer Some Questions on Proposal

(This is the fourth and last in a series of articles prepared by the Farmington Jaycees explaining the Pools and Auditoriums proposal. In this article, the Jaycees have summarized their previous articles and have answered the questions most often asked during the weeks leading up to election day.)

AN EDITORIAL Monday's Election Poses Big Questions to Voters

By SUE SHUAUGHNESSY
Voters in Monday's School election will determine the character of their schools. For this reason The Observer urges all citizens to get out and vote for candidates for three vacancies on the Farmington Board of Education and on the proposal, which if passed would allow the construction of swimming pools and auditoriums at each of the two present high schools and at the third which will soon be constructed.

unity, next Monday, June 13, to answer the questions in the passage of both referring for the addition of swimming pools and auditoriums to our high schools. Also to be decided is the election of three members to the Board of Education.

A yes vote on U.S. first proposition will authorize the Board of Education to sell bonds in the amount of up to \$3,000,000 for the construction of these facilities. A yes vote on the second proposition will authorize the Board to levy up to one mill additional tax for the operational maintenance expenses.

There have been some recurring questions which have been presented to the Jaycees, and members of the Board of Education, and the Administration, at the various public meetings at which they have spoken about the proposal. The Jaycees feel that the answers to these questions do the best job of summarizing the facts regarding the proposal.

Why do we need three pools and three auditoriums? The Board of Education has established the policy that each school should have equal facilities. This is reasonable since no student should have a disadvantage over another, simply because of his geographic location. (Continued on page 54B)

Clarenceville Will Elect 3 To School Bd.

Clarenceville voters will elect board candidates and vote on the issue of more millage for Schoolcraft College on Monday.

Six persons have filed for election terms on the Clarenceville Board of Education.

Two who will seek a three-year term remaining: as the result of the resignation of Fred Bailey are Norman L. Hunt, 21215 St. Francis St., Farmington, who was appointed to fill out the balance of the fiscal year, and Seymour B. Rosen, of 18922 Lathers St., Livonia.

The Clarenceville District in the northeast corner of Livonia was extended into Farmington and Redford Townships. Incumbents Richard J. Wood, of 20279 Gillman, and Dr. Herbert P. Kagan, of 20328 Weaver St., are being challenged by Marshall J. Fry of 20124 Brentwood St. and Harold M. Weiss of 18159 St. Francis St., all of Livonia.



SALLY SIELOFF, 15, of 32036 Red Clover Rd., ninth grader of Dunsick Junior High explains her exhibit to, from left, her science teacher, Sylvia Margarine; Dr. Muir Clapper, professor of cardiology at WSU School of Medicine; and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sieloff.

Rubbish Woes Spark Council Discussion

Rubbish collection in the City took up a considerable amount of time at the Farmington City Council meeting Monday night. Two items on the agenda prompted the discussion.

The first, a letter from the Farmington Oaks Homeowners Association, requested the Council to investigate rubbish collection in their subdivision. The Association said that for the past couple of months the collection has run from one to three days late and that some items had been collected and others not.

They requested clarification on the days of collection and on what type of material will be collected. The letter touched off a flurry of comments from the Council.

It brought to light the fact that the City is not satisfied with the present contract for rubbish collection and has specifically spelled out what should be collected in the new contract.

Councilman John Allen asked when the Council would start receiving regular monthly reports from the Department of Public Services so that a record could be kept.

Under the reports of the City Manager the subject of the new contract for rubbish collection with the Gus McCreehy Trucking Co. was discussed.

City Manager John Dinan reported that only one bid had been received by the City and that was from McCreehy at a price of \$38,000 for the year or a 27 percent increase over last year's contract of \$29,000.

Dinan recommended that the Council table the bids and that he would renegotiate the contract. (Continued on page 24B)

Where To Vote
Polls for the annual school election in Farmington will open at 7 a.m. and stay open until 8 p.m. There are four precincts for the school election. The boundaries are:

Precinct No. 1 votes at Farmington Junior High bounded by 5 Mile Rd., Hagerty Rd., Grand River and 10 Mile, Orchard Lake and Grand River.

Precinct No. 2 votes at Dunsick Junior High bounded by Grand River and 10 Mile Rd., Hagerty Rd., 13 and 14 Mile Rd. and Orchard Lake Rd.

Precinct No. 3 votes at the Eagle School bounded by 12 Mile Rd., Orchard Lake Rd., the northern boundary of the school district, and 12 Mile Rd.

Precinct No. 4 votes at the Middlebelt Elementary School and is bounded by the southern boundary of the school district, Grand River, Orchard Lake Rd., 12 Mile Rd. and Inkster Rd.

Pistol Stolen from Quigley

Quigley Manufacturing was robbed and ransacked over the weekend, but the thief's only loot was a 25 caliber pistol. Whoever entered the building on Saturday, however, raided the ice box and consumed its contents.

According to Farmington City Police reports, the safe was pryed and ripped, but not actually entered. Every drawer in the office had been searched and the contents disturbed.

An aceless torch was taken from the rear of the building to the office to work on the safe. Police say that at least two people were involved as it would take that many to move and operate the torch.

Whose Running?

A complete guide to the candidates for the Farmington Board of Education and trustees of the Oakland Community College is published on page 20A of today's Observer. Voters are urged to read about the candidates prior to Monday's School election.

Take Much Loot

The Standard Station at Nine Mile and Farmington Rd. in the City of Farmington was entered last week and merchandise valued at \$77 was taken. The building was entered June 4 through the southeast corner.

No actual cash was taken, but tires, spark plugs, air filters, batteries, oil filters, and eight gallons of motor oil was missing the next morning when the owner reported the theft to the police.



BLUE STAR MOTHER Mrs. May Fox (left) of Farmington Township received an achievement award for her work with disabled veterans at Veterans Hospitals at the dinner following the Memorial Day Parade in Farmington. Mrs. Mary Note, national president of the Blue Star Mothers of America from Medford, Ore., presented the award.

Seek Queen To Reign

Miss Farmington Founder's Festival will be chosen in conjunction with the second annual Founder's Festival July 28, 29 and 30. Contestants will be chosen on the basis of personality, poise and appearance. The contest is open to single girls between the ages of 17 to 22 who reside in Farmington.

MISS FOUNDER'S FESTIVAL ENTRY BLANK

Name
Address
Phone Number Age
Mail entry blank with recent photograph to: Farmington Board of Commerce, P.O. Box 15, Farmington, Michigan

Firecracker Injures 16-Year-Old

A 16-year-old student of Our Lady of Sorrows High School was injured Monday when a firecracker exploded in his hand.

According to the police report Jan. M. Board of 34350 West Eight Mile Rd., Farmington, was sitting in his car in the Sorrows parking lot and lit a firecracker to throw out the window.

Not realizing that the firecracker was lit he continued to hold it in his hand. It exploded and he was rushed to St. Joseph General Hospital. From there he was transported to St. (Continued on page 24B)

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Fails to Carry Single Precinct

Voters in Farmington Township went to the polls in record numbers Monday to turn down a proposal to incorporate into a city. The vote produced a four to one landslide.

Turnout of 7,204 voters produced 5,657 votes against incorporating into what would have been Oakland County's largest municipality. One thousand five hundred forty seven favored the proposal which failed to pass in even one of the 15 precincts.

Slightly over 30 percent of the township's 11,092 registered voters took part in the election, termed one of the state's most controversial and heated.

The balloting climaxed seven months of campaigning: The move to incorporate into a city—probably to have been called Farmington Hills—was launched last November by township officials who were spurred into action after the city of Farmington narrowly missed annexing several hundred acres of choice land.

At that time Township Supervisor Curt Hall said the move was instigated in order to prevent further annexation attempts by areas such as Livonia, Southfield and Farmington.

Since that time much time and money has been spent debating the issue.

Shortly after petitions were filed, two separate cases were initiated in the Oakland County Circuit Court in Farmington by township officials. The ruling in one of these cases enjoined the Township from spending its public funds to promote the issue or hire a consultant on the question.

The Court also prohibited the use of Township buildings for meetings on the issue, and forbade the Township officials from exercising the rights to express themselves as private citizens.

Those in favor of preserving the Township status in the maximum organizations and formed the Committee for the (Continued on page 24B)

Form Council For Safety in Township
A South Oakland County Traffic Council was formed last week following the deaths of three teenagers in separate accidents on Farmington Township roads.

Elected to head the Council at an organizational meeting was Sgt. Arlo Newell, Traffic Safety Officer for the Farmington Township Police Department.

Serving with St. Newell on the Council are Township Police Chief Irving H. Yaker, John I. Bain of the Oakland County Prosecutor's Office, and Dr. Donald Bosman and Dr. R. E. Goldman of Farmington. Bosman and Goldman serve as coroners for the County.

The group has drafted a program for promoting traffic safety, especially among children and young adults. The aims of the Council include campaigning for lower speed limits on city roads, adding police officers for traffic enforcement in the Township and creating a greater awareness of the need for increased safety in all citizens using the highways.

In reaction to this news the Farmington Democratic Club last week praised the formation of the group and called for expansion of the Council to include representatives of interested organizations and interested individuals. (Continued on page 24B)

More Than 1,000 Graduate From Farmington Schools

More than 1,000 Farmington students will receive their high school diplomas this month and embark on careers or go off to college.

Largest graduating class is at Farmington High School with 367 students. Dr. Eric J. Bradner, president of Schoolcraft Community College, will speak at the commencement Thursday, June 16 beginning at 8 p.m. at the school.

At Farmington Senior High 357 students will receive diplomas. Dr. Leroy Augenstein, professor of biophysics at Michigan State University, will speak at the June 16 commencement at the school.

Dr. Augenstein received statewide publicity during the spring when he announced his candidacy for the Republican nomination for the U.S. Senate set currently held by Senator Robert P. Griffin. He has since withdrawn from the statewide political contest.

The Farmington High Swing-out Assembly will be conducted this Friday. A farewell dance for the seniors will be held Saturday evening at one of the local country clubs.

A total of 207 girls will graduate June 12 from Our Lady of Mercy High School in Farmington township. The graduation and baccalaureate ceremonies will be the first conducted in the school's newly completed auditorium.

Rev. Joseph Ryder, pastor of St. Alexander's Church in Farmington Township, will be the speaker. A Baccalaureate Mass will be said by the Rev. Gerald Flanagan, assistant pastor of St. Hugh of the Hills Roman Catholic Church in Bloomfield Township, June 8. This will also be held in the school's auditorium. At Our Lady of Sorrows High School in the City of Farmington 85 students will receive diplomas June 12 in the church. The Rev. Edward F. Knopka, pastor of St. Coleman's parish in Farmington Township, will be the speaker.

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