

## Check Petitions Brennan Told

The Farmington Township Board has instructed Township Attorney Joseph T. Brennan to take all necessary steps to ensure that the petitions filed last week by the City of Farmington to annex 1,828 acres of prime industrial land in the Township are legal.

In the words of Farmington Township Supervisor Curt Hall, "We want to be certain that everything is in order."

The Board agreed to the authorization, but only after Trustee Earl Oppenheuser asked with tongue in cheek whether or not the Township would be faced with a civil suit prohibiting them from expending funds to try to save the Township.

Hall, who was on vacation when the petitions were filed, told The Observer Monday night that the action "is a calamity to the Township's master plan for water and sewer systems. If it should go through it could cost the Township millions of dollars over the years in connection fees," he added. "If there should be a deficit to pay for sanitary sewer and water systems it would have to be made up by a millage levy on the remaining portion of the Township."

In another part of the area the Farmington Democratic organization held its third annual dinner. The chairman of this organization and the Democratic candidate for Supervisor, Aldo Vagnozzi, told the partisans that "I think the move toward annexation is wrong. I think the best

solution is a consolidation of the present city and township into a single city.

"The annexation move, if successful, will make consolidation harder to achieve. A successful annexation at this point will open up antagonisms between city and township that will live with us for years."

"We have too many things we support in common — schools, library, recreation program, the business establishment — to jeopardize with a move of this type."

"You already know that some politicians are taking the attitude of 'I told you so' and apparently throwing up their hands and giving up on keeping that area in the township," Vagnozzi continued.

"It's easy to say, 'I told you so.' It's harder to meet a problem head on and seek a solution. My good friend Vic Stockell made a suggestion yesterday in this area which I think has a lot of merit. He said that a citizens' committee should be formed in the township — broadly representative — to work on keeping the affected area in the township."

On Monday morning the petitions were read at the Oakland County Board of Supervisor's meeting and referred to the Boundaries Committee to determine the legality of them and to recommend either acceptance or rejection to the Supervisors and recommend a date for election.

## Day Camp Openings Are Still Available

For boys and girls who are through 11 years old, there is still time to enroll in the YMCA Day Camp for the second, third, and fourth periods. The dates for the four day a week camps are: July 11 to July 22, July 23 to Aug. 5, and Aug. 8 to Aug. 19.

What a delightful way to spend those hot summer days — the Day Camp program includes swimming (both instructional and recreational), nature, sports, crafts, archery, games, songs and to end each period, an overnight complete with cook outs and tent camping.

The Day Camp staff consists of Director Frank Kovacs.

## Grant Goes to College for Materials

The office of the Honorable Billy S. Farnum, United States Congressman from the 19th District, announced today that Oakland Community College has been granted \$50,000 under Title VI, the Higher Education Act, 1965.

Grants under Title VI are made on a matching basis and are to be used for audio-visual materials and equipment, printed materials, and other educational media suitable for use in undergraduate instruction. A College official hailed the grant as a major contribution to the implementation of the College's instructional approach which utilizes a wide variety of such materials.

For boys who is a teacher in the Livonia schools and a resident of Farmington. Assisting him is Jan Sell, a student at Tusculum College in Greeneville, Tenn. Jan comes to the Day Camp staff with many years of camping experience.

John Collins, a student at Wayne State is also a member of the Senior Staff. His personal experience and background also brings a great deal to the Day Camp program. Four counselors-in-training will assist the Senior Staff. They are Christine Schaeffer, Harold Anderson, Muff Morris, and Darrel Carlson.

A special bus pick up is offered for day campers as an extra feature of the program. The map indicates the bus route throughout the community. Buses will be made at any point along the route for the convenience of the campers en route.

There will be a parent's meeting before each Day Camp Period. This will give parents and campers an opportunity to meet the counselors, learn more about the program, and have any questions answered. A YMCA Membership is required. Annual Youth Membership is \$5 and Family Membership is \$15.

The Day Camp fee is \$28 — additional youngsters \$24 if they attend the same period. The fee covers leadership, insurance, program supplies, milk, overnight camping costs, and a YMCA-T-SHIRT. Call the Farmington Area YMCA at 474-3232 for further information or registration material — or come to the YMCA House located on Grand River just east of Drake Road to register.



**CHARLES W. BERLIN** of 28469 Hawberry, Farmington, has been named General Sales Manager of the Air Conditioning and Refrigeration Products Division of the Ready Power Company. He has been managing the Food Store Refrigeration Products Division for the company since 1965.

## Schools Add 2 Executive Staff Posts

The Farmington Public School District realizes that it is suffering from growing pains and as a result has reorganized its business operation.

At the School Board's regular Monday night meeting, the administration received authorization to seek applicants for two newly created high-level administrative posts. They are to be titled the Director of New Construction and Building Maintenance and Director of Personnel.

The Director of New Construction and Building Maintenance, a position that requires engineering background, will be directly responsible to Assistant Superintendent James Reed.

Immediately responsible to the new director would be the present Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds. Under this supervisor, the new organizational structure calls for two foremen — one of maintenance and one of buildings and operation.

The present position of assistant supervisor of buildings and grounds will be eliminated with the duties being taken over by one of the foremen.

The second high-level administrative position — Director of Personnel — is to work under the Assistant Superintendent Marjorie Van Ameyde. This director will assist in recruiting additional certified staff and aid in the handling of the certification of teachers.

**Will Learn Munitions**  
Airman Roger C. Hanson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Verne R. Hanson of 14215 Cranston, Livonia, has been selected for technical training at Lowry AFB, Colo., as a U.S. Air Force munitions specialist.

## Boy Makes Big Catch in State

A fishing trip with his grandfather turned into a real adventure for 10-year-old Richard Miller of Farmington Township.

While fishing on Munuscong Bay in Michigan's Upper Peninsula, the youth caught a 26½-pound Muskie — "a record catch" for the area. Ricky and his catch, which measured 47 inches in length will be featured June 30 on the popular "Michigan Outdoors" television show.

The Millers have just moved to their home at 23197 Hawthorne from Novi. Ricky will attend the Shawassaw School in September.

**Combat Trained**  
Marine PFC Patrick W. Elito, son of Edwin E. Elito, 29521 Munger, Livonia, has completed individual combat training.



The dog days of summer are on us. However, they might be they still have advantages.

Forget about the ghastly heat while traveling back and forth to the office or while working and think about the lazy hours spent at the beach or just sitting under the trees in the yard.

Think about the endless conversations with neighbors that you wouldn't have if the temperature was below 40 degrees.

Summer is a nasty and wonderful time. It's nasty because very often it is uncomfortable and sticky. This writer no more likes to go to work when the temperature goes above 80 than the next man. Much better to live in a bathing suit sans shoes at the edge of a body of water and just to relax and drink cooling beverages.

But think of the free time. Consider also how much less time is required for sleep because you seem to have so much more energy. (It must be from the rays of the sun.)

Consider the less hectic pace. No more den mother meetings, no more PTA sessions, no more fighting with the kids to make certain that their homework is done. No more battling the TV obsession (that's one good reason for a summer of re-runs).

Temperatures might be shorter when the temperature rises, but in ordinary life the stress and strain on one's equilibrium decreases in a proportionate degree.

Since the temperature is above 80 and all my neighbors are congregating on the front lawn this writer can't help but feel that enough has been said about the dog days of summer and that the time has come to join them.

## Reading of Historic Paper Will Highlight Festivities

Another new feature which will be added to this year's celebration of the Fourth of July in Kendallwood 1 was announced on Friday. Residents will hear the words of the Declaration of Independence. It was felt to be appropriate to the 190th anniversary of its adoption.

A public reading of the Declaration of Independence used to be the custom in past celebrations of the Fourth in our country. The exact text will be used but it will be considerably shortened by a single omission, the long list of complaints against George III.

The reading of the Declaration of Independence will take place while the fireworks are going off, with music in the background and using alternating voices. The voices will be those of three Scouts selected from Troop 163 of Kendallwood for the Honor Committee of Correspondence which was named after the famous ones of old. The Scouts are: William Morgan, Jr., Sylvester Smith and Roger Waite.

Still another new feature announced for this year's celebration is the opportunity of full participation by former residents of Kendallwood 1. There are two requirements, both of which are essential: (1) nomination and (2) receipt of a proper contribution by the General Chairman from the former neighbor.

Nominations may be made to the General Chairman only by a family presently living in the subdivision. Upon receiving a nomination the General Chairman will ex-

tend to the nominated former neighbor the opportunity of becoming an official guest and thus entitled to full participation in the holiday celebration, just as if that family still lived in the subdivision, except for the right to make nominations.

Ralph Evert has accepted assignment as the official photographer of the celebration and will be taking candid and other photographs of the decorations, fun and festivities — from the assembly for the parade through the dancing under the stars.

It was also announced that the procedures for announcing and distributing parade prizes will be different than in previous years. The problems caused by large volume may finally be licked. At 2:55 p.m., after cold drinks and the Fourth of July oration, there will be announcement of first-prize winners (red tag, white tag and blue tag) and second-prize winners, but no trophies will be distributed at that time.

At various times during the late part of the afternoon, trophies for the first and second-prize winners will be distributed, and there will also be both announcement and distribution for additional trophy winners, ribbon winners and other prize winners.

Each parader must save his tag until the time of actual distribution. In exchange for his parader tag he will receive his trophy, ribbon or other prize, and also a balloon ticket and four sparkler tickets. Dipping into the three honorable-mention prize pools will be in accordance with the ranking determined by the judges. There will also

be three consolation prize pools, with distribution on a first-come-first-served basis.

The three panels of judges will use only parade tag numbers in determining selections, as was done last year! It will be the duty of the court recorders to track down the names belonging to the numbers.

The first-prize winners (red tag, white tag and blue tag) in last year's parade have been offered the option of purchasing, at their own expense, a trophy like the ones to be offered this year.

An example may be seen in the front window-wall of the general chairman's home, the house in the woods. Trophies are being offered this year for the first four places in each of the three types of parade entry, ribbons for fifth through tenth. The holiday committee will award the trophies as top prizes, and will authorize engraving at a reduced rate, but the engraving will have to be paid for by the prize winners themselves.

It was also announced that there are some extra programs available at the general chairman's home for those who did not receive one.

Lancey Heyn had to go to the hospital, to Dick Thelner took the afternoon dancing contests and the evening dancing, while Line Avery took the job of Game Chairman.

An additional feature of the Kendallwood celebration is the announcement that the Farmington School District's marching band will appear in the parade. This group is directed by Lawrence J.M. Haver.

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