

In Our Opinion . . .

Share the Goodfellows' Joy of Giving

In direct contrast to today's commercialized Christmas is the Legion of Farmington Goodfellows standing ready again this year to carry out true Christmas symbolism by doing for others.

By the simple expedient of buying a paper Friday, December 9, from one of these Goodfellows, local residents can also partake of the joy of helping those less fortunate than themselves.

All proceeds from the Goodfellow newspaper sale go to help those families in need of assistance who might otherwise find Christmas the unhappiest day of the year.

And there's much more, from the Goodfellow Christmas effort than the selling of an Enterprise.

Under Investigation Committee Chairman Mac Goldman, workers are already checking lists of the needy to match gift goods with requirements, and various signs and other data so that individual items will match what each family needs.

Further than this, service groups, women's groups and church groups

lend their efforts by dressing dolls, collecting canned goods and foodstuffs or clothing to make everybody's Christmas a happy time.

Names of those whose Christmas might be dismal are being tabulated now. Persons knowing of families in need, may call 474-9960 Monday through Friday between the hours of 9:30 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Women who may want to dress a doll may contact the doll chairman, Sally Witt. There are still about 70 dolls to be dressed for Santa Claus.

With Farmington residents enjoying a year of plush and plenty, it is easy to assume that what holds true for them holds true for everybody.

The Goodfellows know better.

Friday, December 9, no matter what the weather, will be doing their part by standing all day on one of our main corners to sell you a newspaper.

Do your part by buying one and know the joy of giving.

In Defense Of The Commonplace Dog

While cat lovers are still preening and purring over last week's tribute to the feline population, let us consider the case of the commonplace dog.

There is nothing of the haughty aristocrat about him; so often his hereditary so dubious he can't think of anything to be haughty about. But for downright friendly, warm-hearted adoration, what can match him?

What dog owner doesn't feel ten feet tall when several pounds of palpitating, wagging canine exuberance hurls itself forward the moment his master enters the door?

While the cat may be a humanitarian with psychological attributes, the down-to-earth dog is a real Christian, forgiving even unto seventy times seven the many slights and punishments inflicted upon him. Who hasn't cringed with guilty conscience when Fido fondly licks the very hand which but recently yielded him the folded newspaper or slammed his tail in the storm door?

Historically, dogs have shared man's deepest atavistic experiences — who was there when old Fred fared forth, club in hand, to track down the old hen meat supply? Wilma? Nope. Old Bowler, that's who.

identifiable breeds. And you may be sure, they were not worshipped as was the cat, but just plain loved.

Dogs have been used to pull sleds and carts, carry burdens, herd animals and rescue lost travelers. Can't you just imagine a cat being sent out with a keg of brandy on a rescue mission? He'd probably lasso the same old Marquis de Meville and between them they'd lap it all up.

And whoever heard of Leader Cats for the Blind? Only the superb intelligence of the canine can fulfill such an almost-human responsibility. Guarding his country's frontiers in wartime also falls into his province. Now can a cat even be considered in the same you must forgive this category?

While some people object to the nocturnal noises of dogdom and to their deprivations on the neighborhood trash cans, we consider this highly intelligent.

What is more comforting than to wake briefly from slumber to the beautiful belling of a distant beagle or the musical staccato of a German shepherd and to retreat back into soothing sleep knowing that the night is peopled for dogdom with these eager guardians?

Dogs are indispensable.

The defense rests.

Looking Back in the Files

5 Years Ago 10 Years Ago 15 Years Ago

DECEMBER 7, 1961

Recreation Commission

The second meeting of the newly organized Farmington Recreation Commission has been held to study and discuss possibilities of providing year-round recreational program in the community.

Proposed Hospital

Proponent of a proposed 240-bed hospital in Section 36 of Farmington Township is John Nutt, owner of Bedford Inn, the hospital would be known as the Ziegler Osteopathic Hospital.

Tax Billing

Total tax billing for school, county and township taxes for the year ending September 30, 1961, amounts to \$3.5 million, over \$600,000 more than the billing year ago.

196 Expressway

Work is underway at Orchard Lake Road, past Farmington Road, on a major hook-up to the new Interstate 96 expressway. A considerable amount of work is necessary before the expressway at Drake Lake can be completed and traffic again.

DECEMBER 4, 1956

Bell to Expansion

The Bell Telephone Company will spend a record \$12 million for new construction to expand and improve service in the Farmington area next year. This makes a total of more than \$2.8 million spent by the company in Farmington in the last three years.

Woodcraft Farms

The final draft of the proposed charter for the Village of Woodcraft Farms is now being typed preparatory to its being filed with the governor for examination and signature.

PTA Council

A meeting has been scheduled for all Farmington School District PTA officials and all others interested in the Farmington PTA Council now being organized.

No Left Turns

Steps are being taken by the City Council to prohibit all left turns at the main intersection of Grand River and Farmington Road to ease congestion in the central business area.

DECEMBER 6, 1951

Knox Shopping

Most of the stores throughout the Farmington area will remain open after Christmas for the convenience of their customers.

Annual Campaign

The annual campaign to raise funds to aid the blind and sight deficient in the Farmington area has been officially launched by the Farmington Lions Club.

Falcon Cagers

The Farmington High School basketball team got off to a winning start by defeating Plymouth High School 34 to 19 in the opening game of the season.

City Sidewalks

At a special afternoon meeting, the City Council adopted two new ordinances governing the construction and repair as well as the cleaning of sidewalks within city limits.



PAT HARRISON, DEBATE COACH Lloyd Smith, Eric Johnson, Ron Schulte, Kiwanis Club President Ron Taylor, and William Seppel pose at Bedford Inn prior to their first League meet at Pontiac, held last Monday. The Farmington High School varsity debaters and their coach

appeared at the weekly meeting of the Farmington Kiwanis Club. The National High School League for debate is held at Pontiac, Mich. "Resolved, That the Foreign Aid Program of the United States Should Be Limited to Non-Military Assistance."

Wood Creek Farms

ANNE M. PHILLIPS
MA. 64335

The Billius, Alice and Everett, are back from a trip to Tryon, N.C. They left here November 7, driving down to warm days in the 70's with color still to be enjoyed. They had dinner with the Nelsons—most of us still remember Eibel and Roy who left here about a year ago; the Weavers, Bob and Ruth, also were at the dinner. Many of our newcomers will not remember them as they have been gone several years.

They also had lunch with Ensigns and Jim Davis. Wood Creek seems to be doing a lot of retiring to Tryon. Then this group all attended a Kiwanis pancake supper together. The Billius then drove to Franklin, N.C. to visit Al and Alice Griggs who have retired there from Franklin,

Ida and Frank Jensen got back Tuesday from a trip to Costa Rica. It was a combination business and pleasure trip as Frank had inquiries from that country to attend to. They left November 10 in a drive-away car which they drove to Miami. From there they flew to San Jose, Costa Rica, where they spent a very enjoyable week. They flew home from there in a big snowstorm, and drove to them in Cleveland for a night staying their return by one day.

Dick Agnello, in a group of six friends, went to Pelee Island pheasant hunting. They left here on Wednesday, November 2, the day of our first big snowstorm, and drove to Canada to the ferry that would take them to the island, but no ferry was running until the next day. When they reached

Mr. Gerald Harrison, Superintendent, Farmington Public Schools 32500 Shawwassee Farmington, Michigan

Dear Mr. Harrison: As President of the Eagle PTA, I thank you for your efforts in securing SIDEWALKS for the Eagle School Children. We are very grateful to all who worked so diligently on this very serious issue.

Your foresight and leadership in the Farmington Public Schools has brought forth many, many improvements, and we are pleased to see this sidewalk among those achievements. Although cooperation was required from many people, this project would never have been resolved without your support and guidance.

May our children always continue to enjoy the results of your conscientious leadership such as you have shown. Due to a grave illness in my family, I regret being unable to attend the final, conclusive meetings. I do, however, thank you for all courtesies extended to me personally. SINCERE CONGRATULATIONS from all of us at Eagle for a job well done.

Sincerely yours,
The Eagle PTA
Mrs. N. C. Hattjonnou
President

To the Editor: Each year at this season we receive requests from individuals and groups interested in remembering our patients at

Public Letter Box

Northville State Hospital. Surveys, of course, assume the major responsibility of remembering our patients. There are a limited number, however, without relative friends, who indeed would appreciate a gift from a donor. Often of much greater value and of a durability beyond the Christmas Season, itself are worthwhile gifts to ward areas and departments—gifts which make much more effective our efforts in patient care. Appliances of many kinds, musical instruments, sewing machines, recreational equipment—these are a few which have been well received.

Accident Trips Three Drivers

A car stopped after an accident at Orchard Lake Road and 13 Mile was hit broadside by a third car at 10:35 p.m. November 27.

Driver of the first car, Leon Caffee, 34, of Niagara Falls, N.Y., was on his way to work in the first accident.

The second driver, Dana Jean Crawford, 19, of Pontiac, said she did not see Caffee stopped on the road.

Miss Crawford and Marvin Caffee, 28, passenger in the first car, were taken to Botsford General Hospital.

Minutes

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The Farmington School board has agreed to these increases and the Farmington is going to approve these increases as being equitable to the bank for increased cost in operation to provide this service over a long period of time.

City Manager Dignan stated that the National Bank is justified in the request for the increase in Paying Agent's fees after 25 years at the old rate.

The National Bank has purchased several of our smaller bond issues, and has given the City an extremely good interest rate.

City Manager Dignan recommended that the City Council adopt a form resolution approving the increased Paying Agent's fee as of November 21, 1966.

Motion by Yoder supported by Peterson to accept the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED: That the City Council hereby approve the National Bank of Detroit increased Paying Agent's fees, effective November 21, 1966, as follows:

Account Maintenance Fee—to be billed semiannually. \$25.00 per annum on issues having less than \$250,000 par value bonds outstanding.

\$50.00 per annum on issues having \$250,000 or more par value outstanding.

\$100.00 per annum on issues having \$500,000 or more par value outstanding.

For Payment of Interest Coupons. \$0.07 per coupon - related to bonds of \$1,000 denomination or less.

\$0.14 per coupon - related to bonds of \$5,000 denomination or less.

For Payment of Coupon Bonds At Maturity or on Redemption Prior to Maturity When All Outstanding Bonds are to be Redeemed. \$1.00 per bond - \$1,000 denomination or less.

\$1.20 per bond - \$5,000 denomination or less.

\$1.25 per bond - \$10,000 denomination or less.

\$1.50 per bond - \$50,000 denomination or less.

Plus Out-of-Pocket Expenses. The fees of any Co-Paying Agent will continue to be paid by the City to the Agent from its compensation.

AYES: Councilmen Thayer, Yoder, Allen, Brotherton, Peterson.

NAYS: None.

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED November 21, 1966.

TRENA M. QUINN, City Clerk

representatives of staff of the Council of Governments and Edna Hamlin, member of the Coordinating Committee of 100, that proposed this government to the first meeting, December 5, 1966 at 7:15 p.m. Mr. Richard C. Hartman, staff member, stated that he was in a position to be in attendance at this meeting to answer any questions that the City Council may have relative to the Southeast Council of Governments' operation.

The proposed organizational structure will include five basic functional divisions: General Services, Health, Education and Welfare, Public Safety, Planning, All State and Regional Planning. All work operations of the Council will be supervised by staff director responsible to the executive committee.

The report included the initial budget and allocation of funds of cost of governments.

According to the City and Village allocated to the City of Farmington would be classified between 5,000 and 10,000 with the contribution of \$450.00 per year.

Mr. Hartman stated that several communities have already approved resolutions to intent to become charter members of this proposed Council of Governments to handle the various regional problems.

D. Report RE: Beautification Committee suggestion "One for One" Tree Replacement Program.

City Manager Dignan reported that a communication had been received from George Strickland, Chairman of the Beautification Committee, suggesting that the City Council consider developing a plan that could be referred to as the "One for One" program. This would be the replacement of trees that are removed from the public right-of-way by property owners or City in an effort to retain shade trees that have been given to the Farmington so much charm.

They state that the "One for One" program would make mandatory for citizens or business plans and/or the City itself to follow program of replacement with a healthy young shade tree of minimum height and size of tree removed.

They presume that an ordinance should be adopted requiring City of Farmington removal of trees which automatically gives the implementation necessary for the following:

They suggest that the Council investigate the purchase of stump removal equipment and make it available and mandatory whenever a tree is removed.

City Manager Dignan stated that this program has a somewhat but probably can be regulated in the public right of way because he believes that the City does not have jurisdiction over replacement on private property.

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Motion by Allen seconded by Thayer that the City Attorney and the City Manager be requested to investigate possible legislation to make it mandatory for property owners and business plans and/or the City itself to replace trees in the public right of way that have been removed. Motion carried, all ayes.

MISCELLANEOUS

A. Public Safety Monthly Operation Report.

Placed on file.

B. Audit Report October, 1966.

Placed on file.

C. Councilman Thayer RE: Salvador Road Barrier.

Councilman Thayer reported that the road barrier at Salvador Street and Farmington Subdivision had been damaged and posts removed. City Manager Dignan stated that the posts would be replaced.

D. Councilman Thayer RE: Private Property.

Councilman Thayer questioned why the alley would be paved and damage to private property replacement.

City Manager Dignan stated that the paving was delayed due to weather, and any damage to private property will be replaced. He expects that the paving will be completed by the following week.

E. Councilman Thayer RE: Disposal of old tires at business places.

City Manager Dignan stated that he had contacted one business regarding the disposal of tires and was attempting to contact Munn Construction Company regarding a dumping site.

principal of and interest on said bonds shall be payable at a bank or trust company to be designated by the original purchaser of the bonds.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the CITY OF FARMINGTON, County of Oakland, State of Michigan, has caused this resolution to be signed by its Mayor and to be countersigned by its City Clerk, and the seal of the City of Farmington to be hereunto affixed, and has caused the annexed interest coupons to be signed by the facsimile signatures of its Mayor and City Clerk, all as of the first day of February, A.D. 1967.

CITY OF FARMINGTON

By _____ Mayor

(SEAL)

Countersigned:

City Clerk (Form of Coupon)

No. _____ On the first day of _____ A.D. 19____ the CITY OF FARMINGTON, County of Oakland, State of Michigan, will pay to bearer the sum of the United States of America, shown hereon, lawfully being the interest due that date on its Special Assessment Alley Improvement Bonds (Districts Nos. 66-21, 66-22 and 66-23), dated February 1, 1967, No. _____

Mayor

RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

A. Bond Resolution S.A.D. 66-21, 66-22, 66-23.

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United States of America
State of Michigan
County of Oakland
City of Farmington

Special Assessment Alley Improvement Bonds (Districts Nos. 66-21, 66-22 and 66-23), dated February 1, 1967, No. _____

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS that the CITY OF FARMINGTON, County of Oakland, State of Michigan, acknowledges itself indebted and for value received hereby promises to pay to the bearer hereof the sum of _____

HUNDRED DOLLARS of the United States of America, on the first day of _____ A.D. 19____, with interest thereon from the date hereof until paid at the rate of _____ per annum, payable on October 1, 1967, and semi-annually thereafter on the first day of April and October of each year, on presentation and surrender of the annexed interest coupons as they shall become due. Both principal of and interest on this bond are hereby made payable at _____, and for the prompt payment of this bond, both principal and interest, the full faith, credit and resources of the City of Farmington are hereby irrevocably pledged.

This bond is one of a series of fourteen (14) bonds of even date and like tenor, except as to denomination and date of maturity, _____ aggregate principal sum of \$6,000.00 noncallable prior to maturity, issued in anticipation of the collection of special assessments on lands in Special Assessment Districts Nos. 66-21, 66-22 and 66-23, and shall consist of three (3) bonds of the denomination of \$400.00 each, and ten (10) bonds of the denomination of \$200.00 each.

It is hereby certified and recited that all acts, conditions and things required by law precedent to and in the issuance of this bond, exist, have been done and performed in accordance with time and form, as required by law, and that the total indebtedness of

AYES: Councilmen Thayer, Yoder, Allen, Brotherton, Peterson.

NAYS: None.

Resolution declared adopted. November 21, 1966.

TRENA M. QUINN, City Clerk

CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS

A. Monthly

Motion by Allen supported by Peterson that claims and accounts for November, 1966, be approved for payment as submitted: General Fund - \$1,450.00, Water & Sewer Fund - \$280.32 and John E. Hiltz & Associates - \$2,672.45.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Allen, Brotherton, Peterson, Thayer, Yoder.

NAYS: None.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Peterson seconded by Yoder that the meeting adjourn. Motion carried, all ayes.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

WILBUR V. BROTHERTON, Mayor

TRENA M. QUINN, City Clerk

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