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# GOP Takes All Township Posts

The voters of Farmington Township showed that they like incumbents Tuesday when they returned Republican Supervisor Curt Hall and his entire administration to office.

Along with Hall the voters re-elected Township Clerk Floyd Cairns. Township Treasurer Elise Avery and Trustees Tom Nolan and Arthur Bassette. Thus the GOP continues to hold all of the posts in the Township Administration. One member of

the Board, Earl Oppenheimer, was not up for election this year, while the seat vacated by Thomas Duke has not been filled by appointment.

Hall's opposition in this election was lead by the Democratic Club Chairman Aldo Vagnoli, who was the Dem candidate for supervisor in 1964.

Other members of the Democratic ticket were: Elizabeth O'Connor, clerk; George T. Hungerford, treasurer; and Eugene Harold Schipke and Harris F. Fager.

In what must be termed a quiet campaign marked by non interest by the Democrats continually passed away at the GOP's refusal to meet on the same platform with them

and the administration's relook and said that the Democrats were merely trying to assist the business community—the Democrats in turn charged that the Township administration was deficient in its duty in refusing to discuss the issues.

While preventing a stand on various matters—health, safety, water and sewer facilities, police and fire protection as well as a proposal to

# City Bats .500 on Annexation



A CASUALTY of the high winds Wednesday night was the tree in front of the Lebeski residence on Colgate in Farmington Township. The tree blocked the driveway, broke the railing on the porch and some bushes in addition to landing on the house roof.

## Strelczuk Heads Group

George Strelczuk, chairman of the City's Beautification Committee, was authorized by the City Council Monday night to go ahead and form a committee to take care of moving the veteran's monument from the private property in front of the Masonic Lodge to the City Park.

The idea of moving the monument and redesigning it to allow for the listing of Farmington's war dead from World War II, the Korean Conflict, and the war in Vietnam was originally proposed some months ago by the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the American Legion.

At that time the Council was receptive to the idea, but suggested that perhaps the Township should be contacted to determine if it would be interested in participating in a joint project.

City Manager John Dinan told the Council that he had contacted the Township about the matter, but it must have been "pigeonholed" as he had heard nothing.

Actually the matter did come up at a Township Board meeting and several members expressed the thought that perhaps the Township should have its own monument and not go in with the City on the project as there were many people living in the Township.

In fact, one Board member noted that during the past 10 years or so interest in the commission on the part of civic, fraternal and service groups had declined. Stitts stated that anything hampering either himself or Mrs. Hoeglund from functioning could stop the work of the commission and he asked the assistance of all the participating units.

In addition to Washburn, the Board of Education also directed that Jack Cotton, the director of athletics in the Farmington Schools, participate in the sessions and assist the commission.

In other action the Council: • Scheduled a public hearing Nov. 21 on the rezoning of four lots on Grand River to allow public parking; and • Tabled a proposal for codification of all the traffic control orders in the City until its next session Nov. 21 thus allowing the Council members additional time to study the matter.



LENDING A HELPING HAND to the Greater Farmington Board of Commerce between the school athletic fund and the Farmington High's football team. The boys' fund from left the boys are: North Farm are helping to unpack the community Christmas decorations now, but on Nov. 12 the teams will play the Old Yule Log Game at the North Farmington stadium.

## Committee Old Yule Game Sets Open This Saturday

A capacity crowd is expected for the Third Annual Old Yule Log Game Nov. 12 not only because of the traditional rivalry between the Farmington Schools and the North Farmington Bulldogs, but also because it is North Farmington's homecoming.

Kickoff time is 2 p.m. at the North Farmington field. The game, sponsored annually by the Greater Farmington Board of Commerce, is the season finale for both teams. Proceeds from the ticket sales are divided between the school athletic fund and the Board of Commerce Christmas Lighting Fund.

Dick Hahle, chairman of the Board of Commerce project, reports that this year's decorations will include the usual "across the street" displays in both the city and township. In addition, lighted "Christmas Greetings" will be erected in locations visible from each of the two expressways cutting through the community.

Tickets to the game may be purchased at the gate or in advance. The advance tickets for adults and children may be purchased at: Bon Ton Shop, Budde's Sport Shop, Grimes Cleaners, Harvi's, Pets 'N' Particulars, Greg Shoes, Denny's, Hephner, and the Quick Pick as well as the Board of Commerce office in the Masonic Lodge Building.

Among the programs ready to implement by the committee are the following: • Coordination of local youth services; • Prediction of delinquency by square mile location; • Problem solving groups organized to attack localized problems; and

Passengers in Peckette's vehicle were: David Luke, 16, and Richard Mitchever, 16, both of Detroit.

## Woodcroft Says Yes to Proposal

The City of Farmington was partially successful in its attempt to annex more than 2,000 acres of Farmington Township Tuesday when voters in Woodcroft Subdivision agreed to become part of the city.

Residents in the bigger parcel that had been termed the industrial proposal, however, voted no on the question.

In order to carry both the city and the affected areas, The Woodcroft parcel of 475 acres carried by a vote of 72 to 63 in the Township.

Residents of the 1,528 acres in the area including the Township's budding industrial park, the Star Cutter plant and the Independence Green Development voted 86 to 18 against the question. The vote in the city carried on both proposals.

The City's action in filing for the industrial area came shortly after the refusal of residents of Farmington Township to study the proposed incorporation of the community in June.

Petitions to file the Woodcroft section were filed a few weeks later. The City had tried to annex this section last fall and lost the election by a slim margin.

It was right after this city effect that the Township filed for incorporation. Proponents of incorporation in the Township said that one of the major reasons behind the move was to protect the community's boundaries and referred to the City's attempt.

Estimates of loss of tax revenue to the Township if Woodcroft became a part of the City placed the figure at about one percent. The industrial area, however, would mean a potentially greater loss to the Township coffers.

When fully developed the Township hopes that the industrial park would contribute between six and 10 percent of the local tax revenue.

Residents of the Township at large pledged several years ago to provide water and sewer facilities to the park. The Township Industrial Arm is currently being paid for by all the Township residents as opposed to the usual Township practice of special assessment districts whereby only the residents of the affected areas pay for such facilities.

## City Names Yoder To Recreation Group

Ralph Yoder has been named by the Farmington Area Recreation Commission.

He joins John M. Washburn III who was named the Farmington Board of Education's representative in the effort to install new vigor into the Commission and a still to be named representative from the Township.

The Township representative, who will serve as temporary chairman of the commission, is expected to be named at next Monday's Township Board session.

H. M. Stitts, president of the commission, wrote to the City Council, the Township Board, and the Farmington

## Police Aid Distressed Damsel

Rescuing young ladies in distress is one of the more pleasant tasks performed by the City of Farmington's Department of Public Safety.

During last Wednesday's snow storm Sgt. Jay Harrison was called upon to help out a young lady.

While on patrol Sgt. Harrison was flagged down in front of the 10 Mile Road School by a small girl. She said that her girl friend had fallen through the ice in the ditch.

Sgt. Harrison found 10-year-old Jean Dompierre of 32125 Marbleshead caught in the ice. When she'd gone through the ice her foot had turned and then the ice had frozen around the foot.

The policeman used a wrench to break the ice away from Jean's foot and delivered her to her home.

## Dinan Asks Contribution from Council

Farmington's City Manager John Dinan wears many hats in the community.

Monday night Dinan wrote to his bosses, the Farmington City Council, on non-City business. In fact he was looking for a donation.

In what was probably one of the shortest letters ever received by the Council requesting funds, Dinan, as president of the Farmington Exchange Club, asked the Council to make its usual donation of \$100 to the Farmington Goodfellows.

The Council, with three of its members also members of the Exchange Club (Allen, Peterson and Thayer) agreed to make the donation.

Auto Hits Tree Roland D. Gripe, 31, of 21812 Rockwell, Farmington, had an unexpected trip to Botsford General Hospital Nov. 2. According to police reports Gripe hit a tree on Orchard Lake Rd., south of 11 Mile, at 4:35 a.m. Police said that he eventually fell asleep and went off the road.

## A BIG HELP



## FOR CHRISTMAS SHOPPERS

With Active in Next Week's Observer West Ad Section, The Gift Section. The special section features a treasure chest of sparkling practical gifts for everyone on your list.



EXAMINING THE Farmington Organization List are from left, Mrs. Jerry Bloomer and the Board of Commerce. The Auxiliary and the Board cooperated in publishing the list and Mrs. Larry Nejahe of the Farmington Jaycee Auxiliary, and Barbara Benya, administrator of the Greater Farmington

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