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# 16 File For Charter Unit



MISS FARMINGTON FOUNDERS FESTIVAL of 1967 is 18-year-old Cathy Karwoski (center). The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Karwoski of 20938 Larkspur, the Eastern Michigan University student was crowned Thursday night at

the Village Green. The three day festival continued through Saturday. First runner-up (right) in the beauty pageant was Julie E. Smith, 20, of 31712 Sherwood. Sue Nicholls, (left) of 33772 Glenview Ct. was the second runner-up.

## 9 To Be Elected Oct. 23

A total of 16 persons have filed for charter commissioners in the proposed City of Farmington Hills.

Nine will be elected to a charter commission Oct. 23 when residents of most of the township will vote on whether or not to incorporate as a home rule city. By state law, the charter commissioners are elected at the same time.

The commission will serve only if the incorporation proposal is approved.

The 16 names are a mixture of familiar township hall faces, some representatives of the Citizens Council for Community Development, which filed the ballot petitions; prominent Jaycees, some of the candidates in the unsuccessful 1966 incorporation election and some new faces.

Filing were: John Bailey, 30215 Stockton; Joseph T. Brennan, 29630 Fernhill Drive; Edwin C. Blumberg, 28919 Glen Arden; Floyd A. Cairns, 32524 13 Mile Rd.; William G. Clancey, 32860 Raphael; Thomas A. Duke, 27639 Forestbrook; Richard L. Gould, 29746 Highmesadow; Leroy F. LeGros, 2141 Randall; Frederick Lichman, 28618 Kendallwood Dr.; Donald E. McEachin, 30929 Ridgeway Dr.; Robert B. Pierce, 32306 Bantree; Margaret G. Schaeffer, 26900 Drake Rd.; L. David Stader Jr., 30262 Piper Lane; Aldo Vagnoni, 26193 Killarney; Kenneth W. Vesey, 31521 Stamen Circle; and Charles H. William, 22001 Trewhet.

Of these Brennan, Cairns, Duke, Mrs. Schaeffer and Vagnoni were candidates for charter commission in 1966. Vagnoni, Brennan and Cairns were the top three vote getters for the posts and Mrs. Schaeffer was also elected.

Brennan is the township attorney, while Cairns is township clerk. Duke is a corporation trustee and the developer of the Independence Green apartments. One other member of the township administration, L. David Stader, a member of the Planning Commission, also filed.

Vagnoni is chairman of the 19th District Democratic organization and was twice the Democrat's candidate for township supervisor. Mrs. Schaeffer is a lawyer with offices in Detroit.

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CHARACTERS from books they have read are painted by some children enrolled in the summer library program which the school PTA made possible for youngsters to enjoy again at Flanders School this summer. (See additional pictures and story on page 2-A.)

## Poverty Group To Zero In On Target Areas

Health, family life, employment, education, and housing are target areas a Citizens Advisory Council or anti-poverty programs will be trying to improve in the near future. Five committees will be set up on a county wide basis to give advice and answers to any problems that arise.

On the local level, Farmington's Council has already begun to take action. The areas they will explore will be urban renewal and incorporation. A road committee is already working on the "bad road situation" in the Township.

Mrs. Loraine LeGros, council president, explained, at the council's monthly meeting, what the council is and why it was formed.

"Playing a hunch," a Farmington Township police officer saved the life of a 58-year-old woman who had attempted suicide in a wooded area near 1-696 in the township last Monday.

Township Police received a routine call at 6 p.m. to check on a vehicle parked on Edgemoor south of the expressway. Although all seemed in order, Corp. Muri Spencer went back to check on the car 8 p.m.

Spencer said Tuesday that a "hunch" led him to investigate the wooded area along Edgemoor.

He found the woman whose name is withheld, about 300 yards in the woods, stretched out on a blanket and covered with blood from deep slashes in her wrists. She was unconscious.

Spencer applied first aid, called for an ambulance and took the woman to Bozinger General Hospital, where she was given a blood transfusion and released to her brother who lives in Detroit.

Spencer said the woman had three knives and a pair of scissors in her possession when she was found.

She told Spencer that she was despondent over a divorce after 15 years of marriage. She had come from her home in Maine a short time ago, to live with her brother.

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DR. JACK CLEVELAND, director of Farmington's adult education program, said, "The amount of income a person receives is directly related to the amount of education that person had."

He added that the adult education office is "very much open to suggestions from residents for the kinds of courses to be offered for Farmington people."

The schools already offer courses in typing, bookkeeping, and business machines. Most of the classes are self supporting. Teaching fees and material fees are taken care of from the tuition paid by the students.

Cleveland said that people can finish high school on an individual basis. "It is an individual program and the student takes their courses at their own speed and in very small steps."

The Michigan Employment Security Commission (MESC) is planning to locate in Farmington in the near future.

Mrs. Phyllis Antkowiak, MESC supervisor, said that they are going to set up a mobile office as soon as they can locate the needed space.

"The MESC has recently re-evaluated its role and is now going to do something for those people who the MESC call 'disadvantaged,'" she said.

"A disadvantaged person falls into one of five categories. He is either 45 or under 16, he is without a skill and is a high school drop-out. Also, this person might be physically or emotionally handicapped."

She said that the MESC is going to come to Farmington because they feel there is a need for their services here.

"WE ARE GOING to train the disadvantaged person and make him qualified for a particular job," she said.

"These people have been screened out of the files up until now because the main objective of the MESC is to place the best qualified people in the available jobs," she said.

The last guest speaker, Oscar Boyes, assistant director of the Oakland County Health Department, explained the functions of his office.

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## School Doors Are Open For New Pupil Registration

Farmington elementary schools are open for registration of all new elementary age children, kindergarten through grade 6. Hours for registration are 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. at each of the 18 elementary schools.

Registration for the new Forest Elementary School in section 4 of Farmington Township is being taken in the library at Bond Elementary School.

Parents of children eligible to start kindergarten in September who are not registered are urged to do so at this time.

A child must be five years old on or before Dec. 1 to start kindergarten. A birth certificate is required at the time of registration.

Children enrolling in a Michigan school for the first time must submit a statement signed by a physician that the child

has been immunized against smallpox, diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis and poliomyelitis. He must also have a tuberculin test.

All 7th grade students will attend school from 9 to 1 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 5, for an orientation program. School buses will pick up students on regular routes at 8:30 a.m. On arrival, students will report to the gymnasium.

An orientation program for incoming 10th grade students and students new to Farmington high schools will be held from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 6, at Farmington and North Farmington High Schools.

Buses will travel regular routes to pick up these students at 8 a.m. Students reporting to the high schools will also go directly to the gymnasium. Pre-school staff meetings will be held Sept. 5-6. Students will begin regular classes Thursday, Sept. 7.

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## Potshot Muddies City Water Rate Explanation

The water was muddied rather than cleared when the Detroit Free Press "Action Line" took a potshot last week at the City of Farmington's complex sewer-water rates.

In the process, the usually mild-mannered City Manager John Dinan was painted in the columns in the darkest colors of a sarcastic villain.

The query came from a township resident who is a water customer of the City of Farmington. The customer, who has only water service and no sewer, asked why he was hit with a 75 per cent surcharge for sewer service.

To one complex question, Action Line provided three quick answers—and set telephone lines to this newspaper buzzing with indignant calls.

When the sludge settled, these answers emerged:

1. WHY IS A water customer with no sewer service charged

75 per cent of his water bill for sewers?

It is required under the City of Farmington's bond ordinance, which financed the sewer system.

The City of Detroit, which sells Farmington water wholesale and treats its sewage, charges on the amount of water used for sewage disposal. The City of Farmington sets the 75 per cent surcharge under requirements of two bond issues.

The amount of water that ultimately finds its way back into the sewers even out, over the course of a year.

The city has some \$800,000 worth of bonds outstanding for water and sewer improvements. The city has one billing for both water and sewer service.

2. WHY IS A township resident charged 100 per cent more than a city resident?

This bit of information was supplied by Action Line, though not asked for by the customer.

There are two reasons for the premium, said Dinan. "These people are more or less temporary customers. The higher rate is required by the city's bond ordinance. They haven't contributed toward the improvement of the system, either. This premium method helps to offset some of the liability of the city residents."

3. WAS DINAN really being an ogre when, according to Action Line's indirect quote, he said "If you don't like it, they'll be glad to shut your water off?"

Actually, it's a common policy in Michigan for cities to charge non-residents a premium for water and sewer. That way, the city residents can't complain that non-residents are getting services without paying the price of annexation.

The actual number of non-residents who buy water from the City of Farmington is "less than 10," according to Dinan. The township's water line along Grand River Ave. and the city's annexation of a west side area had cut down the number of non-resident users.

Farmington City Council policy, Dinan said, is this: "The city doesn't go out to find customers for its water system who are not living in the city limits."

"But as a concession and to hardship cases, the Council has allowed non-residents to use the system."

"Non-residents understand the increased charges before they tap in."

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RIDING ATOP a house moved east on Grand River this week, a workman lifts a street light which would have been broken if he had not been on his perch. The house, purchased by Paul J. Buchanan, was moved to 22624 Colgate, Farmington Township. Buchanan will move his wife and seven children into the five-bedroom home as soon as the redecorating is completed.

## Girl Loses Pet

A 14-year-old Farmington Township girl is heartbroken over the loss of a pet filly, lily a car early Thursday morning.

Lisa Adams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Adams, 26705 Farmington Rd., had the year-old filly, named "Poco," as a pet for some time and was training it.

"POCO" RAN IN FRONT of a car, driven by Joseph Allender, 33873 Harlan, at 12 Mile and Farmington Rds., at 12:45 a.m. Thursday.

Township Police were called at 1 a.m. and had to shoot the horse because it was so badly injured.

The Adams knew nothing of the incident until police came to their home. Mrs. Adams said the animal had evidently broken through a fence.

Allender was not charged with a violation. The filly ran in front of his car before he could stop. The left front of his car was damaged.

## Tax Funds Distributed

Oakland County Treasurer James E. Sletten has announced the release of \$1,685,989.12 in sales tax diversion money to the township, cities and villages in the county for the three months ending June 30.

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