

# Jehovah's Witnesses Defined

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Staff Writer

As presiding minister of the Farmington Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses, Ernest Szalma could take exception to being called the leader of a "cult" or "sect."

He does not, in many words, "We feel," he says, "that our teachings and our method of teaching is founded on how we conform to the Bible. We feel this determines whether or not we should be considered a cult or a Christian organization."

The Jehovah's Witnesses' method of teaching is unique to the organization. It is done by zealous house-to-house, door-to-door canvassing. Szalma explains, "In order to be a Christian, we have to follow the pattern Jesus himself established."

"The scriptures show that Jesus was the originator of the door-to-door ministry,"

ADULTS of the 120-member Farmington congregation cover, house by house, a territory that is designated by the Watchtower Bible and Tract Society, guiding light of the Jehovah's Witnesses.

A congregation committee of

three, which includes Szalma, breaks this territory down into small sections that can be worked in the most efficient way. The doctrine these workers pass along concerns the Jehovah's Witnesses' belief in the second coming of Christ.

THE JEHOVAH'S Witnesses believe, according to Szalma, that "Armageddon is not waiting for us and we will continue our work until it comes."

"There is no second chance for sinners," he goes on. "Those who have died who have never had an opportunity to know God's provision would be among those who would be brought back in the millennium. There would also be restoration of those faithful men of times past, such as the Old Testament prophets. This is borne out in Chapter 14 of Job, verses 12 through 15."

Jehovah's Witnesses are accustomed to meeting rebuffs in their house-to-house ministry.

Says Szalma, "We never try to give like for like at a time such as this. We're not trying to win an argument."

SZALMA has been presiding minister of the Farmington congregation since 1957. The congregation meets in the Kingdom Hall built in 1949. Growth of the local group has led to formation of congregations in Livonia and Milford.

Szalma received his appointment to his post from the Bible and Tract Society and was trained by the society at the Kingdom Ministry School in Brooklyn.

HIS LIFE, as overseas, as he is called, takes some shape because he also runs a shoe repair business. He must find time to write such free hours, as sermons in his few free hours.

About this, he notes, "It's something you must grow into, but this is the focus of our lives. Everything else falls in place."

One of 12 children, 10 of whom are Jehovah's Witnesses, Szalma became interested in the movement through a sister.

He attributes his interest in the belief to "When I became interested in the Bible, it was a progressive thing. As I progressed with my study, my faith progressed."

Pair Promoted

Farmington resident Patrick Tilley, serving with the U.S. Navy in the Azores Islands, has been promoted to machinist mate 3rd class. He is a 1966 graduate of Farmington High School.

Tilley's brother, Michael, also serving with the Navy in the Azores, has been promoted to constructionman 3rd class.

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JOHN CLAPPISON

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ERNEST SZALMA

## Kendallwood Komments

By EMILY ORR 474-7499

While out making house calls for the United Fund you truly got news galore....

"Welcome!" to William and Pat Lindsay and family, who now reside on New Castle. The folks moved here from Dearborn Heights. Other members of the family are David, 8, Douglas, 5, and Debbie, 4.

Mr. Lindsay is employed by the Ford Motor Company, but is no relation to Ted the hockey player.

On Oct. 15, Jeffrey Hilderbrand celebrated his seventh birthday. "Twas a family celebration.

"Congratulations to Mary Kay Burr who was selected as one of the finalists in the Miss Teenage Contest at W.W.J. Final contest will be on T.V. today so we all are cheering for the girls from Farmington. Also today is the Rummage Sale at the Social Hall at St. Fabian's.

MAYBE WE have future football stars such as Hammon, Eyle etc., here's the scoop, last Saturday a group of boys from K-1 had themselves a victory. These boys have been practicing football and have organized their own team and most of them are either in the 6th sixth grade or seventh. On Saturday, Oct. 14, at 2 p.m., our boys from K-1 beat the Briar Hill bunch to a score of 28 to 14....

Some of the team players are Bruce Goodwin, Carl Goetzke, Kevin Harris, Tim Thayer, Steve Munroe, Allen Burt, Jim Morley, Blaine Jenda and others....

Hats off to Mr. and Mrs. Richardson of Peppermill who belong to the Alumni Association of U of M and are members of the Friendship Club. The purpose of this group is to entertain foreign students attending classes at the University of Michigan.

In the last few months the Richardson's entertained a

young lady from India several times and consequently became close friends with her and her family. In India, just recently a young man from Paris spent the week-end with these folks and one of their daughters, Elise, was so fascinated with Spanish that she is taking a course in that language.

It's been at least six weeks that most bowling leagues have been at that favorite sport, so what's more appropriate than to report on one of the many leagues? Today we shall comment on the Woodlake P.T.A. Woman's League.

As of last Monday leading the league is Jackie Martin with a 131 average while Jerry Poole is first in the Hi Single category of 182 and a 468 series. With 12 wins and four losses in team Sevep and its members are: Stefanes, J. Clark, L. Howard, C. Harris and C. Marable.

ST. ANTHONY and St. Gerard Circle of St. Fabian's entered the patients of Northville State Hospital Oct. 18. Their next date at the hospital will be Dec. 5 at which time a Christmas Party will be given for about 40 patients.

Concert Follows Ceremony

The new quarters of Farmington's Universalist-Unitarian Church will dedicate and rededicate its new quarters today (Oct. 22) in ceremonies beginning at 4 p.m.

The church is located on Halsted Rd. between Grand River and 11 Mile Rd.

The century-old building was moved from Warner St. in the city in February to the larger location in the township. The church numbers 150 families in its congregation.

Dr. Philip Giles, the last president of Universalist Church in America before the merger with the Unitarian Church, will be the speaker. The newly added facilities of the church will be dedicated to the memory of Dr. Frank Adams, past pastor of its Farmington group.

Following the dedication ceremonies a concert of baroque music will be held. The public is invited.

## Historical Society Begins New Season

The Farmington Historical Society begins its sixth year Wednesday, Oct. 25 with a meeting in the Farmington Senior High Library.

The 8 p.m. meeting is open to the public.

Mrs. Donald Adams, president of the Oakland County Historical Society, will be the main speaker.

She was the first curator of the Michigan Historical Collections at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor. She was also, for six successive terms, on the Michigan Historical Commission, the official state body in the field.

Other items on the agenda include:

A celebration in the form of cake and coffee will mark the Society's winning of trophies for its finds on historic themes.

The most recent triumph occurred during Fire Prevention Week when the Society's 40-foot-long "Make Fire a Thing



MRS. DONALD E. ADAMS

## Mercy Nun Chaperon In Europe

Sister Marjorie Marie Allen, R.S.M., a teacher at Our Lady of Mercy High School, Farmington, has been selected to be a counselor-chaperon in Europe next summer with the Foreign Language League.

The Foreign Language League is the oldest and largest non-profit, tax-exempt, international high school in the world.

As part of its program the league chapters help leaders of dorms and school buildings and schedules tours and classes. Sister Allen and her students, with 6,000 other students and teachers from the U.S. and Canada, will spend six weeks on Foreign Language League campuses throughout Europe.

The curriculum ranges from foreign languages, art history, comparative government, music history, English drama and literature, ancient civilizations and Bible history.

## Dems Open Stock Selling Campaign

Farmington Democrats will begin the Oakland County Democratic Party's drive to raise funds in Farmington by selling symbolic stock in the Party project "Demo '68" this Oct. 21 and 22.

Local volunteers will go door to door in precinct six in the Township to sell shares of stock in the Democratic Party for \$1 per share or more.

Precinct six is bounded on the north by 10 Mile, on the west by Orchard Lake, on the south by 9 Mile, and on the east by Middle Belt.

The funds will go toward strengthening the party while paving the way for it to effectively communicate its new programs and ideas.

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32500 W. Thirteen Mile Road  
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SERMON, "THE CONCEPT OF SOMETHING"  
Church School... 10:00 a.m. (Nursery)  
Church School... 11:10 a.m. (All Ages)

#### Orchard Methodist Church

30450 Farmington Road  
Between 13 and 14 Mile Rd.  
MA 6-6820

Worship, Church School, Nursery - 9:30 and 11 a.m.

Rev. Eric S. Hammar, Minister  
Rev. William M. Hughes, Assoc. Minister

#### TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

25885 LaMura Drive  
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In Springdale Subdivision  
6:00 a.m. Holy Communion  
10:30 a.m. Family Worship Service

Church School Facilities at Beechview School

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26145 Farmington Rd.  
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ELSIE A. JOHNS, Minister  
GR. 4-3543 GR. 4-8982

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