

Letters To The Editor

EDITOR:

I strongly believe that some things need to be said about the June 12 election of two trustees to the Farmington Board of Education. And I believe that the time has come to say them.

WHAT MOST concerns me about this election is not so much whether a candidate is for or against busing; it is for or against local school tax increases. But, more important than these, where he stands with regard to his philosophy concerning public education, and whether he is genuinely interested in, and supportive of it.

I have always been convinced -- and I remain so despite the rejection of recent school tax proposals -- that there are many more supporters of our Farmington school program, than there are detractors.

The emotion - charged issues of today, such as busing, taxation, and to a lesser degree the several Family Life Education curricula, provide almost built-in platforms, from which a candidate of almost any political and social persuasion, with carefully chosen rhetoric, can springboard into office.

It becomes extremely important, therefore, for the future well-being of our school community, that the voters make their choices with care and reason. The election of any candidate to the Board, whose real interest is not the advancement of public education, but rather would turn it onto a path of virtual stagnation, would have far more disastrous consequences and long range affect, than does the current financial plight.

THE RIGHT of free speech and press has been used by some as a license to practice deception and deliberate misrepresentation. The Farmington school community has unfortunately been exposed to much of that already, and I do not believe that the end is yet in sight.

So I would respectfully request each and every voter to look a little deeper than the controversial issues that we are all aware of. Choose your candidate in accordance with your feelings on these issues, if you will; there is always

CLIP & SAVE

Farmington Elementary Schools LUNCH MENU

MOR., May 29
No School

TUES., May 30
Hamburger on Bun, Tater Tots, Pear Half, Cookie, Milk

WED., May 31
Pizza, Jello, Applesauce, Fruit Nut Bar, Milk

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room for diverse opinions on any board of education.

But first and foremost, be absolutely certain that you support only those candidates who have demonstrated a genuine dedication toward, and have worked for the betterment of public education.

The election to the Farmington Board of Education, of any candidate who has not proven himself in this manner, and who might choose to impose his own personal and social and political philosophies that are contrary to the foundations of public education, cannot be allowed to happen.

JOHN M. WASHBURN III
Farmington
(Washburn is a former trustee and president of the Farmington Board of Education - editor).

wood creek farms

By ANNE M. PHILLIPS MA 6-6335

A public hearing on the proposed budget for fiscal year 1972 - 1973 will be held in the Sarah Fisher Home at 8 p.m. Tuesday, June 6.

Residents are responsible for keeping their driveway culverts clear for drainage purposes. Please check your driveway culvert to see if it needs cleaning out. Blocked culverts increase problems of road maintenance, especially during rainy seasons.

RESIDENTS have been calling our Clerk about the problem of pets running loose in the village. Section 6 of Ordinance No. 8 of the Village of Wood Creek states: "Dogs shall not be permitted to run at large or to trespass upon the lands of others than the owner of such dogs). A dog beyond the premises of the owner must be under reasonable control of the owner or the responsible person. Reasonable control shall mean keeping a dog on a suitable leash or under the oral control of the owner or custodian."

Please be considerate of your neighbors and keep your pets at home. It is not fair to those many residents who observe the ordinance and keep close tabs on their pets. To have to tolerate the nuisance of careless pet owners who do not seem to care at all where their dogs go. Upon conviction, a person violating the ordinance can be fined \$100.

The village council approved the hiring of George Lotrey to maintain Village roads beginning May 15 because the previous road contractor did not serve satisfactorily. A contract has been signed with Oakland County for calcium chloride on the roads. Let's hope our roads will be better from now on!

PROBABLY YOU have already read about the marriage of Doug Lam and Robyn Gephart May 12. Conrad and Marian left here May 10 driving to Durham, N.C. where the ceremony was held in the Duke Gardens. That was Friday afternoon. On Sunday, Doug graduated

Local News

By MARIE LONG
GR 4-3114

The Senior Citizens Social Club of Farmington held its annual Spring Blossom Luncheon and card party on May 18 in the Salem United Church.

The event was well attended and enjoyed by all. Through the generosity of local merchants of the club, all those attending received a prize. A table prize was given at each table for high score.

The Farmington Historical Society held its annual dinner on May 17 in the Farmington Community Center. After the buffet style dinner, Mrs. Richard Daugherty, Romeo history buff who has spearheaded a "Save Romeo" campaign, spoke and showed slides.

The society is suggesting two names for Farmington schools: Harry N. McCracken Junior High has been suggested as the name for the school system's fifth junior high, and the society is suggesting Farmington Junior High's name be changed to Warner Junior High.

The school board has received 18 other suggested names for the fifth junior high so it will be interesting to see which name will be selected.

Arts Council Meets Soon

Involvement will be the key to the annual general assembly of the Farmington Community Arts Council to be held 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, May 23, in room J 191 (J building) on the Orchard Ridge Campus of Oakland Community College.

Board elections, the calendar and a concert are among the items on the agenda. The council is encouraging new members to be present at this meeting.



SECOND ANNUAL BALL — John Anhut, president of the Farmington Area Chamber of Commerce, announced May 18 that co-chairmen for the second annual Presidents Ball will be the same as those who conducted the first ball just three weeks ago. Co-chairmen Bill Flattery and John Courville announced at a cocktail

party in the Botsford Inn that next year the affair will again be held in the Holiday Inn, Farmington Township. Working committees will be picked shortly to set a date for next year. From left are: Corky Miller, who is catering manager for the Holiday Inn; Flattery; Anhut; Courville; and Alan Warner. (Evert photo)

Outstanding Citizen, Educator

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the high school and adult choirs at Trinity United Methodist Church of Detroit, is a clarinet teacher for 18 Farmington school-age musicians, and was chairman of set design for the performance of "MacInnane" this year by the Farmington Musicales.

Swanson was selected outstanding young educator after screening of entries by all Farmington School District principals and PTA presidents.

HE IS A member of the Farmington Community Arts Council and has served on a number of committees during his three years as a teacher for Farmington Schools.

Mrs. Carol Hachlinski, who nominated Swanson, says he is "particularly and sincerely interested in children and helping them daily in the classroom setting."

"He spends a great deal of his time also in contact with parents of many of the Wood Creek children. He has outstanding ability of really caring for the problems of children, and is an avid community server."

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8:45 a.m. Divine Liturgy
8:45 a.m. Church School

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Northwest Unitarian Universalist Church
Sunday Service and Church School 10 a.m.
"The Inevitable Future"

Guest Speaker: Dr. Charles L. Swan
Northwestern Hwy. at Maple Ridge 354-4488

Holy Resurrection Orthodox Church
26275 Northwestern Hwy.
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Pastor: Archpriest Nicholas Feder

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8:45 a.m. Church School

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WORSHIP SERVICE (Nurses) 10:15 A.M.

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11:15 a.m. Worship Service
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7:30 p.m. The Evening Service
Wednesday 7:30 p.m. Prayer Service

GR 4-3563 ELISIE A. JOHNS, Minister GR 4-6902

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Southfield Road between 8 and 9 Mile
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8:00 a.m. Holy Communion
10:30 a.m. Morning Prayer and Sermon

Church School and Nursery
Holy Communion 10:30 a.m. on First Sunday

Emmanuel LUTHERAN CHURCH
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Church School 9:30
Service of Worship 10:45
Rev. Donald W. Muehlke, Pastor

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11 a.m. Morning Worship
6 p.m. Eve. Worship

Wednesday
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G. E. Montgomery, Minister

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29887 W. 11 Mile Road
Farmington 476-8860

Walter Mercer, Senior Minister
Meredith Muehlbauer, Associate Minister of Music
Ira Slater Still and George T. Still
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"Life's Milestones Memorial" Dr. Mercer Preaching
Sunday School Nursery 10:00 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.
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