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## Township Board Sidelines Youth Employment Funding

The Youth Employment Service (YES) may be in deep financial trouble as a result of Monday's action by the Farmington Township Board.

For the second time in two months, it refused to grant the YES program \$7,100 - funds YES officials say they must have if they hope to continue beyond Aug. 31.

The program has been funded already by \$2,375 from the city and \$4,725 from the school-kind (office, phone, supplies).

"Townships are a limited form of government. I can't find any place where we can support an employment agency. It's highly problematical that we can't certainly don't know of any statute that allows it."

Trustees asked for a formal opinion in time for the next meeting. Brennan's opinion effectively stalled any action on the YES request, and trustees did not vote on the matter.

However, they spent an hour discussing the issue.

They heard from John Ahl, chamber of commerce president, who pledged \$1,000 from the chamber if the township would grant its share.

THEY ALSO heard from

directors of two neighboring youth employment services: Norb Topolewski of Livonia and Gloria Kennedy of Southfield. Both directors urged the trustees to grant the funds.

Trustee Fred Lichtman was among those opposed to the funding.

"I've been made the 'heavy' in this thing. I'm not really opposed to youth employment. The thing that concerns me is the cost to the taxpayers - \$7,100."

Lichtman said that youth programs were cutting too deeply into the township general fund. He said the township had already given Rapline (drug program) \$12,500, the Farmington Area Recreation Commission (FARC) \$10,000 and the Youth Guidance program \$5,000 (probate court counseling).

TRUSTEE L. David Stader said he also opposed the YES program. "I think it can be more meaningful if a kid gets a job on his own. I really admire a kid who has bought a

lawn mower and started his own lawn business."

"People write to me and ask why we can't support this. My answer is: Well, you didn't support the last two school millages."

"I'm not really against it. The question mark is who will

finance it," Stader said.

ANOTHER TRUSTEE, Earl Oppert, took a different point of view.

"There are a lot of groups helping youths. I argued in

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### Starboard Tack

A local restaurant seeking to build a new building on Orchard Lake Rd. lost an important concession at the Farmington Township Board meeting Monday night. Details are on Page 4A

### A Small Mall

What have they done with the old bank building at the corner of Farmington Rd. and Grand River in downtown Farmington? Our reporter and photographer have found out. Page 5A

### FCC Boosters

A local group of youths, headed by student directors from MSU, will stage two shows during the next two weekends to help the Community Center. We have pictures of the Farmington people involved. Page 6A

### A New Look

City of Farmington police are changing their image by changing their uniforms. Pictures and words tell the story on Page 7A

### North Winning

The North Farmington-West Bloomfield Pony All-Stars swept the Lafayette, Ind. baseball regionals and now move on to the divisional finals this weekend at Kankakee, Ill. For the complete story, flip to today's sport section. Page 1B

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## Teeples Asks Recount In Eight Precincts

Defeated Farmington township supervisor Earl Teeples said Monday he had filed for a recount of the Aug. 8 results, which showed him losing by 91 votes in the GOP primary.

Teeples, who lost to cityhood champion Robert McConnell, said he filed his recount petition with the Farmington Township Clerk, the clerk of the county and the township canvassing boards, and the Michigan Secretary of State, elections division.

According to township clerk Floyd Cairns, the Oakland County Board of Canvassers must conduct the recount.

"That's the way I read the law," Cairns said. "The results should hold up, unless there is a glaring error. I've never had to change a vote in all the years I've been clerk."

Cairns said he thought that the recount would take at least two weeks.

TEEPLES specifically asked for a vote recount in precincts five, eight, 13, 15, 17, 18, 21 and 22. The last two are absentee ballot precincts.

Teeples had six days from the date of local certification to file for a recount. The local results were certified by the township's canvassers Wednesday; Teeples filed for a recount Friday.

"I don't think the results are

a true reflection of what the community wants," Teeples said. "Is this really what all the people want?"

Teeples said he was very disappointed by the turnout. "One guy came back from vacation, read the headlines and called me. 'I didn't know you needed me,' he said. But I did."

The supervisor said many people had called to say they were sorry they didn't vote in the primary election. He noted that many people didn't vote in the supervisor's race.

"Frankly, I don't know what to do. I want to hear from the people," Teeples said, when asked about the possibility of a write in campaign against McConnell.

Teeples said he also questioned the voting machines and their state of repair. "In December, 1970, after we had trouble in November, I asked the clerk to explain what happened, why, what was responsible, and what's going to be done to prevent it from happening again. I followed that up with a letter, but got no response."

Cairns said Tuesday that the machines were in good order for last week's primary election. He noted that six workers count the votes in each precinct "very carefully."

"There would have to be six

crooks in each precinct. That's not possible," Cairns said.

TEEPLES also said he disagreed with charges that he had not been working on a master drainage plan.

"It's out of my hands. The engineers have it, and they say it will take at least two more months. They got it months ago."

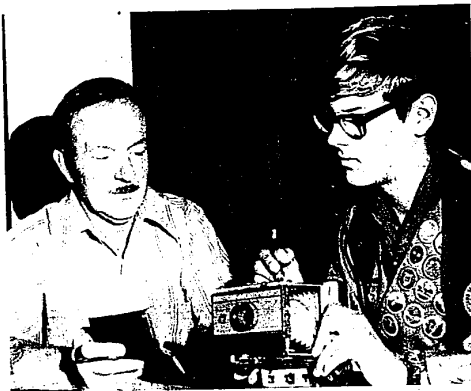
Teeples said the township's engineering consultants had said he (Teeples) had done everything possible on the drainage plan.

Teeples said other drainage problems were either being solved, or being held up because all the parties involved could not get together.

In last week's election, 4,231 Republicans voted in the supervisor's race, 3,925 for clerk, 3,607 for treasurer, and 3,742 for U.S. Senator Robert Griffin (R-Mich).

Exactly 6,150 (Democrats and Republicans) voted, with U.S. senate candidate Frank Kelley leading the Democrats with 1,024.

Using these figures, some observers note that about 900 people didn't vote in the GOP primary race, or possibly got confused in the voting booth over how to pull the party lever, or erased their own vote.



ENGRAVING -- The engraving of valuables by Farmington residents is continuing this week with the help of local scouts, the Farmington department of public safety and the Soroptimist Club. Here, Scout Marty Kelly, of Troop 110, engraves a camera for Richard Nawrocki, 36830 Lansbury, Farmington. The program involves engraving driver license numbers on household goods. (Photo by Fran Evert)

## Horizons Program Seeking New Home For Workshop

New Horizons of Oakland County is on a serious shop expedition.

The non-profit organization that rehabilitates the county's mentally and physically handicapped is looking for more adequate quarters for its Farmington work activity center and for new contracts from industry to provide work and wages for its 165 clients in three of its workshops.

New Horizons' current Farmington work activity center at 35100 Grand River is simply inadequate to meet the non-profit rehabilitation

organization's growing requirements, Peg Frenice, center manager, said.

"Ideally," said New Horizons Executive Director Glen D. Smith, "we need a contribution of a facility with 10,000 to 12,000 square feet of shop and office space in a location that is zoned industrial - conveniently accessible to clients living in the Farmington area."

"Realistically," he added, "we have scant hope that our problem will be solved that easily."

"Thus, I think New Horizons would be happy to accept a

gift of property that might either be used in the interim as an improvement over our present Farmington facility or resold to produce cash which we could use to buy or build what we really need."

SMITH attached a few conditions to such a gift.

"If a gift of property is to be of maximum benefit in achieving our objectives, there should be no restrictions on our use or disposition of it. And, needless to say, such a contribution is deductible on Federal income tax returns."

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## Botsford Hospital Opens New Wing

Final inside work is being completed this week on a new 118-bed addition to Botsford Hospital.

The hospital, located at 28050 Grand River behind the Botsford Inn, serves people from Redford Township, Southfield, and surrounding areas.

The new wing means about 350 full and part time jobs for the area, according to Seymour Cantor, hospital administrator.

"We always need good employees. We particularly are grateful for all our part time employees. If it wasn't for them, we couldn't operate."

"But we still need lab technicians, and nurses," Cantor said.

CURRENTLY about 80 percent of the jobs created by the hospital expansion are filled.

Staff and patients officially moved into the new wing Aug. 1.

The new wing, and renovations and changes in the old structure cost about \$6 million. The hospital now has a 310-bed capacity, Cantor said.

More important, however, is the sophisticated medical equipment now available at Botsford, Cantor noted.

The new wing includes surgical rooms, intensive care, and coronary care units. The hospital's floor space was more than doubled.

Special heart monitoring equipment was in the process of being installed Monday, and those sections of the wing are expected to be in service soon.

The monitoring equipment gives a constant reading of heart action, for a coronary or emergency patient.

The x-ray laboratory has

been expanded at Botsford.

"It took two men six weeks to set up our new x-ray equipment," Cantor said.

CONSTRUCTION for the new wing began in October 1970. Of the \$6 million cost, about \$700,000 was needed for equipment, Cantor said.

In other developments, Cantor said the hospital would begin teaching a first aid course for firemen, policemen and ambulance drivers.

Cantor said the emergency room was busier than ever.

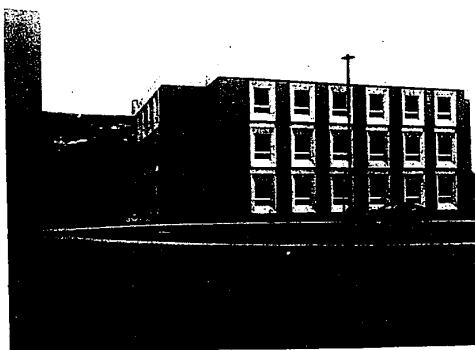
The first aid program would merely allow the men to handle the patient better until he gets to the hospital. "It does not make them paramedics," he said.

The 80-hour course is offered under the direction of the Michigan State Highway Dept., safety division, Cantor added.



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BOTSFORD HOSPITAL -- Staff and patients have moved into this new \$6 million wing at the hospital. Finishing touches are being completed this week. (Photo by Ralph Evert)