

Farmington year-end review, part IV

The following is the final installment of the 1976 year end roundup of events in the Farmington and Farmington Hills area.

OCTOBER
 • Local political officials generally were pleased with the open meeting bill which was passed by the state legislature and due to become effective in April of 1977. The bill requires that most council and board sessions including those dealing with the hiring of public employees, must be open to the public.

• Lt. Governor James Damman came to town to help the campaign efforts of local GOP hopefuls such as State Rep. Wilbur "Sandy" Brotherton (R-Farmington). Brotherton was successful for his bid for reelection to the state house.

• A record number of voters were registering in Farmington and Farmington Hills for the presidential election, according to the two city clerks. A fourth Friday student head count in the Farmington School District revealed that 283 fewer students were registered. A total of 14,610 students were tallied at the annual count which helps determine the amount of state aid to be received by the district. District Business Manager William Prisk estimated the district would get approximately \$4 million in state aid.

• The Farmington school board passed a student non-discrimination policy in the face of charges by two trustees that the action implied past guilt. Dissenting from the majority vote were Trustees William Gravus and Mervyn Ross.

• Farmington area residents were rolling up their sleeves for snow blower shots. Free shots were being offered to residents 60 years of age and older and the chronically ill.

• The Botsford Inn and the Pennsular Machinery Company were honored as centennial businesses by the Farmington Historical Society. They were recognized after a contest was conducted by the Historical Society of Michigan.

• U.S. Senate candidate Marvin Eche made the rounds in Farmington to garner support for his election bid against Democratic opponent Donald Riegle.

• The school district's task force on declining enrollments targeted four elementary schools as possible facilities to be closed in the future. Ten Mile, Alameda, Larkshire and Middlebelt were named. Earlier this year Ten Mile was closed.

• City drain development was more important than a new courthouse according to a consensus of the Farmington Hills City Council which opted to apply for federal funds for only a drain system. Councilmembers Jan Dolan, Earl Oppertbauer and Joanne Smith voting for including the courthouse in the application. But the disagreement was all for naught. The drain grant was denied.

• Thanks to the efforts of the Farmington Hills Historical Society, a natural history of the Farmington area was published. • Despite rising property values, the Farmington school administration pared \$1.3 million from

the budget to brace for budget cuts from the state.
 • (Two Farmington Hills volunteer firefighters began their battle against height and age requirements which prevented them from becoming full-time members of the force. The battle is being waged in the courts.
 • The Wallace Kourjian family filed suit in Oakland County Circuit court against the Farmington School district for negligence and building safety violations in the death of their son Robert an East High School student who was electrocuted in shop class.

• The City of Farmington submitted its bid for federal funds to revamp its department of public works building. The city received its grant earlier this year.

NOVEMBER

• U.S. Rep. William Brodhead, Robert McConnell and Sandy Brotherton were the local winners in the November election. Brodhead was elected to a second term in Congress. McConnell, a Farmington Hills councilmember, was elected to the Oakland County Board of Commissioners and Brotherton was reelected to a second term in the state house.

• The Farmington Area Chamber of Commerce launched a five-point crusade to make the businessmen's organization more effective in addressing the needs of the twin city communities. The chamber focused on community development, governmental and organizational affairs and special events.

• The Ten Mile School came under consideration for use as a district court facility by Farmington and Farmington Hills officials. The school is slated to be closed at the end of the 1977 school year.

• Farmington Hills resident David Jones was murdered as he walked to his parked car at Olympia Stadium.

• The annual Goodfellows Drive to provide a Merry Christmas for needy children was kicked off in the Farmington area as hundreds of volunteers gathered to plan a strategy to collect food, gifts and funds. • Detroitite Ruthornu Massenberg was arrested in connection with the slaying of Farmington Hills resident David Jones who was shot to death on Nov. 7 at Olympia Stadium.

• The Farmington Hills City Council launched its campaign to find a replacement for outgoing council colleague Robert McConnell, who was elected to the Oakland County Board of Commissioners in the November election. Twenty-five residents applied for the position, and all businessman Robert Amori won the spot earlier this month.

DECEMBER

• Farmington Harrison was defeated by Midland Dow in the finals of the Class A state football playoffs conducted at the Silverdome in Pontiac.
 • The Kanne Corners and Friends Pet Shop was the first victim of winter fires in the Farmington area.
 • School officials were downcast after learning that a bill to compensate school districts with declining enroll-

ments would garner the district only between \$3,000-\$7,000.
 • Farmington Hills councilmembers found themselves confronted with a recommendation by city administration to replace Police Chief Ronald Holko. Holko had been involved in a number of controversies since coming to the community from the Westland

police force. His fate still is undetermined.
 • The Farmington School District and officials from Marillac Hall joined forces to save the institution which was threatened with closing. The district agreed to supply teachers to the education center for pregnant teenagers.

Vandals get windows

Twenty-one Farmington residents are preparing to replace windows of their cars which were shot out with a BB or pellet gun Tuesday evening.
 • Farmington police suspect a group of juveniles in a car were responsible for the path of broken auto windows throughout the city.
 • Some of the cars have all their

windows broken, other cars have only one or two broken," said Lt. John Santamura, of the Farmington Police Department.
 The spree resulted in an estimated \$2,000 in damages.
 Seven cars in the K-Mart parking lot on Grand River and Halsted were damaged during the evening.



Henry McArdle, Farmington Hills, has been elected vice-president, Ford group office, Dearborn, by the board of directors of John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Co.



Eileen McDevitt, daughter of Mrs. and Mrs. Richard McDevitt, 2514 Castlereigh, Farmington Hills, has been named president in the application.

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 Charter number 15049 National Bank Region Number 7

Statement of Resources and Liabilities

Thousands of dollars

	THOUSANDS
Cash and due from banks	2,248
U.S. Treasury securities	2,809
Obligations of other U.S. Gov't. agencies and corps	625
Obligations of States and political subdivisions	1,914
Other bonds, notes, and debentures	None
Federal Reserve stock and corporate stock	21
Trading account securities	None
Federal funds sold and securities purchased under agreements to resell	2,400
Loans, Total (excluding unearned income)	15,356
Less: Reserve for possible loan losses	140
Loans, Net	15,216
Direct lease financing	None
Bank premises, furniture and fixtures, and other assets representing bank premises	633
Real estate owned other than bank premises	14
Investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries and associated companies	None
Customers' liability to this bank on acceptances outstanding	None
Other assets	135
TOTAL ASSETS	26,015
Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corps.	7,523
Time and savings deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corps.	12,581
Deposits of United States Government	209
Deposits of States and political subdivisions	3,795
Deposits of foreign govts. and official institutions	None
Deposits of commercial banks	None
Certified and officers' checks	229
TOTAL DOMESTIC DEPOSITS	24,337
Total demand deposits	8,278
Total time and savings deposits	16,059
Total deposits in foreign offices	None
TOTAL DEPOSITS IN DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN OFFICES	None
Federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to repurchase	None
Liabilities for borrowed money	None
Mortgage indebtedness	None
Acceptances executed by or for account of this bank and outstanding	None
Other liabilities	195
TOTAL LIABILITIES (excluding subordinated notes and debentures)	24,532
Subordinated notes and debentures	250
Preferred stock - No. shares outstanding (par value)	None
Common stock a. No. shares authorized	None
b. No. shares outstanding (par value)	522
Surplus	167
Undivided profits	544
Reserve for contingencies and other capital reserves	None
TOTAL EQUITY CAPITAL	1,233
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY CAPITAL	26,015

Average for 15 or 30 calendar days ending with call date:	
Cash and due from banks	1,923
Fed. funds sold and securities purchased under agreements to resell	3,000
Total loans	15,305
Time deposits of \$100,000 or more in domestic offices	3,176
Total deposits	24,666
Fed. funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to repurchase	None
Liabilities for borrowed money	None
Standby letters of credit (outstanding as of report date)	None
Time deposits of \$100,000 or more (outstanding as of report date)	3,176
Time certificates of deposit in denominations of \$100,000 or more	None
Other time deposits in amounts of \$100,000 or more	None

Edmond O. Dodson
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 Title

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 Signature
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