



GET TOGETHER — WJR disc jockey Jimmy Lounce and Farmington Supt. Rodrick J. Smith chat at the recent gala honoring Farmington school retirees. (Evert photo)

City Expanding Its Fight Against Pollution

FARMINGTON An anti-pollution ordinance to clamp down on open burning in the city of Farmington will be considered by the city council at its July 6 meeting.

The ordinance was introduced at the June 15 council session after vocal opposition from Councilman John Allen.

THE ORDINANCE prohibits the burning of leaves, trash, wood, garbage, food containers, etc., except in a proper incinerator.

City Manager John Dinan explained the ordinance, intended to prohibit fires used for preparation of food, the use of indoor fireplaces, or outdoor campfires in designated areas in public parks.

"This is a serious problem in our community," Allen asked, adding, "Have we given people a chance to cooperate before we go ahead and write a law?"

Dinan countered that the city already has an ordinance prohibiting open burning but it cannot be enforced and stronger action is needed.

"I agree a municipality should not infringe on the rights of a citizen," said Councilman John Richardson. "But neither should a citizen infringe on his neighbor's rights."

The ordinance was introduced by a 4-1 vote with Allen dissenting. Final action is expected July 6.

THE COUNCIL ALSO introduced an ordinance, for consideration July 6, which changes the restrictions on which commercial vehicles may be parked on residential property.

The present ordinance provides that any vehicle with commercial plates cannot be parked on residential property. That rule was challenged by Bruce Habermehl after he was ticketed for parking his pickup in his driveway.

Proposed is an amendment which will allow to be parked on residential property any vehicle which weighs less than a half-ton.

The proposed change also states the vehicle must not have any lettering or advertising on it, and may not be loaded with material, equipment, tools or anything exposed to public view.

Another matter on the July 6 agenda will be a request to allow location of the London Drive Restaurant in the building at 23331 Farmington Rd.

local news

By MARIE LONG GR 4-3114

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Lyons and family and Mr. and Mrs. Greg Lyons and family of Elmhurst, Ill., and Mr. and Mrs. Pat Lyons of Lombard, Ill., visited Mr. and Mrs. Orm O'Farrell and her mother, Mrs. Bernice I. Martin, of Valley View Circle Dr.

brother and wife and attended a wedding of a nephew. Their two daughters also were here, Mrs. Linda Page DeGry and children Kim and Bill of Flint and Mrs. Jean Page Long and son Michael of Mio, Mich., drove down for the wedding and to attend her class reunion.

round home or for the Weaver's retirement. The Senior Citizen Drop-in Center held its second pot luck dinner June 15. It was a birthday party for yours truly, Herbert Taylor and Mel Kennedy. We enjoyed the birthday cake and goodies provided by the club members.

brook Dr. visited her son George and his wife Marge Goers and family at Tipston Lake recently for a few days. New residents at the Leonard Stidwell residence, on Longacre, are the Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Gallinger family.

MR. AND MRS. WILLIAM HOMMEL of Takoma Park, a suburb of Washington D. C. are visiting relatives in Michigan. Hommel is curator of the Frederick Douglas Museum of African Art in Washington D. C. Mrs. Hommel is the former Barbara Flood, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Page of Grand River Ave., Farmington.

CURTIS E. WEAVER of Grand River spent a pleasant time at his lovely home on Tawas Bay. This home is sleek and can be used as a year-around home.

New officers for the coming year are: Mrs. Marie Faunce, president; Mrs. Helen Abramhamson, vice-president; Miss Margaret Chavey, secretary; Mrs. Mae Goers, treasurer; Committee Chairman Mel Kennedy for activities; Sunshine Lady, Mrs. Helen Abramhamson; hospitality, Mrs. Ruth Henke; publicity, Mrs. Marie Long; county-council representative, Mrs. Estelle Flood.

An annual street party was held in Alta Loma on June 27 for residents of Moore Dr. Adults and children alike participated in this block party. All types of outdoor games were enjoyed.

State Rep. Raymond Baker (R-Farmington) congratulated Gov. Milliken for signing into law the "Campus Drug Dealer Bill" he supported during its passage through the Legislature.

"As the governor said, 'This new law will provide college administrators and law enforcement officials with an effective tool for maintaining order and continued protection of our institutions of higher learning,'" Baker said.

"It is a clear indication of the Legislature's intention to end the disruption and deterioration of property that has occurred on our university campuses."

"This is a very accurate description of our motives in the House of Representatives. We took this action because we recognize the problem in our campuses today."

A group of four university of Michigan students were granted permission to post address numbers on curbs throughout the city. The students will paint the addresses and then approach residents for donations with the money used for tuition for the four students.

The planning commission denied the site plan because it did not conform to the Central Business District (CBD) ordinance which prohibits carry-out food establishments in the downtown area.

The commission also took notice that the restaurant would only have 18 parking spaces, nine near Baskin-Robbins and nine in the municipal parking lot west of Farmington Rd.

Richard Uhl, attorney representing London Drive, said the restaurant will have a seating capacity of 40 and only about 15% of its business will be carry-out.

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