

Farmington Calendar

SWIM REGISTRATION

July 20-24. Registration for swimming instruction at all levels will take place from 1 to 4 p.m. at Farmington and North Farmington High Schools. Classes will begin July 27 and continue for two weeks. Fee is \$8.

PIONEER GOLDEN AGE CLUB

July 22. The Pioneer Golden Age Club will meet at noon for potluck luncheon in St. Alexander's social hall. For transportation phone in advance to Luther Duell GR 6-8865.

SMORGASBORD DINNER

July 23. Trinity Shrine, 44 Order of the White Shrine of Jerusalem will serve smorgasbord dinner from 5:30 to 7 p.m. in the Farmington Masonic Temple.

MAX DAVEY SINGERS

July 23. The Max Davey Singers will make a short musical presentation at 8:30 p.m. in the Farmington Downtown Shopping Center.

SENIOR CITIZENS SOCIAL CLUB

July 24. The Senior Citizens Social Club will meet at noon in the First United Methodist Church social room. Bring a sandwich. A social afternoon with cards will follow the business meeting.

OUTDOOR CONCERT

July 26. The Max Davey Singers will present an outdoor concert on the grounds of the Farmington Community Center at 4 p.m. Bring a folding chair or blanket for listening comfort.

FARMINGTON AREA NATURALISTS

July 27. Farmington Area Naturalists will meet at 8 p.m. in the Farmington Community Center to hear Hartley Thornton, naturalist from the Proud Lake Recreation Area, lecture on "The Shawassee Trail" as part of a study of Indians of the area. Those who attend are invited to bring Indian artifacts for identification, comparison and discussion.

FESTIVAL FLEA MARKET

All this month, antiques, trash and trinkets are being collected at the Farmington Community Center for the Founders' Festival flea market. Please deliver them to the center if you can or call 474-6873 for a pickup.

What's Behind Green Door?

Daniels Den

By EMORY DANIELS

This week is an opportune time to publish the sixth annual edition of Daniels Den's "What's What in Political Activity."

This publication is a biennial public service guide for voters which alphabetically lists candidates for office. Following each description in small print, is a listing of individuals who can be counted on each campaign to employ that particular tactic.

WHEN THE guide first appeared six years ago, it was only 15 pages and rather dull reading. But growth of the mass media has encouraged politicians to become more sophisticated in selecting stunts and speeches to sway the electorate.

Today, the guide has grown to 45 pages and is more interesting reading. Because of its length, only portions can be reprinted here.

For many readers' benefit, excerpts selected come from Chapter 13 which is entitled: "70 Ways to Win in '70." The following are those voters who wish to vote without being duped by skilled political tacticians.

AN INTRODUCTION to the guide reads: "The listing of political tactics in this guide is, in no way, intended to give you any doubts on the integrity of candidates seeking public office."

"The name of the game is win. Within some pretty wide boundaries, any tactic is permissible which accomplishes that goal."

"Tactics are not discredited because they might be damaging to the opponent at, whom they are leveled. It can be found on the scorecard and has the same opportunity to use all tactics available."

"The release began with the startling announcement that our Senator voted directly to the governor's office to obtain information about how a candidate can file an unfair campaign complaint against an opponent."

The next dozen paragraphs were devoted to explanations by George of all the nasty and dubious things his opponent, Carl Pursell, has been up to. At no point in the release did George hint he would ever file a complaint against Pursell — only that he was seeking information about the procedure to do that.

But to the casual voter, it sounds pretty serious when a senator goes straight into the government office — and what was that about unfair campaign practices? George has not only hammered the largest spike so

far but has lodged it in the thinnest board.

A FAVORITE tactic employed by politicians is to level "conspiracy" charges against his opponent. This tantamounts to forming, depending upon which level our candidate is seeking election.

Some Oakland County circles, the conspiracy ploy is used by accusing your opponent of being influenced by Democrats. This tantamounts to being duped by the Reds.

Notice the opponent is never accused of actually being a Democrat. In Oakland County, such a direct charge would certainly result in a stunner but for defamation of character. To avoid lawsuit, the accuser simply states the accused has Democratic "supporters."

Supporters of the French, are hidden in closets, seldom are publicly identified, and can be neither confirmed nor discredited. How can you prove you don't have ringworm?

AGAIN, we turn to Sen. Kuhn, who has been dropping vicious hints that Pursell is not a good Republican and if he's not a Democrat he's being duped.

Farmington Township Supervisor Curtis Hall is also a master in employing the conspiracy tool. Nobody ever chooses to run against Curt, they are duped into running by a handful of discontents who prefer behind green doors about how to grab power in the township.

Hall has started his campaign by hinting that his opponent, Earl Teeple, is really a Democrat but is running as a Republican to fool solid party members who would never think of supporting "those people" (a liberal epithet for Democrats).

Worse yet, there are "those people" who are scurrying behind the scenes, arousing the populace, stirring the pot, contents, and plotting to unseat Curt Hall to gain a petty foothold.

ANOTHER FAVORITE tactic is to raise a point of honor or ethics to make your foe appear to be something less than a gentleman.

This tactic was used by Hall when Terry Brennan, township attorney, sent a letter to "Teeples" suggesting the "honorable" thing for Earl to do would be to either withdraw

from the race or resign his detective's job. If reason being, of course, was that Earl Teeple was a policeman cannot become engaged in political activity. By deep down inside, Terry knew the best way to test the legality of a rule is to break it and test it in court.

Terry, last November, ignored the "honorable" path of action when he filed for the charter commission for the consolidation question.

State law (not a local regulation) specifically stated that elected or appointed officials would not serve on the charter commission. Yet, Terry Brennan entered the race. If elected, it is predictable Terry would not have resigned as township attorney but, instead, would have gone to court to test the legality of the state law.

Unfair rules which are never broken remain forever on the books. It takes a challenge to clarify validity. But let that challenge be made in a political context and somebody has ammunition to use for his cause.

CHAPTER 13 is also devoted to the tactics Earl Teeple has used in this summer's campaign. The first stunt used was the "split," one of the oldest and most insidious in the book. Earl's "supporters" will insist all the time that Earl was "split" and forced to run by a large, enthusiastic body of "supporters" dismayed with the performance of incumbents.

This is a great tactic because you can never accurately measure the strength in numbers of that "bloc" of supporters engineering the split. Also, it appears there is a "grass roots" movement "swelling" up, unorganized to voters' plain old citizen into public office.

Another strategy employed by "Teeples" people is to stay on the offensive. Is Earl not making public appearances because the administration has

the power to enforce the departmental regulation preventing Teeple from actually engaging in politics? Of course not! When Earl first decided to run, supporters say, he insisted he would obey all departmental regulations and not make any public appearances. This puts him on the offensive because it was Earl who decided not to campaign. Not the administration which says he must not. Thus, Earl did the "honorable" thing by insisting he would obey all departmental rules before "agreeing" to run.

AS STATED in the introduction, use of tactics by office-seekers does not necessarily discredit the candidate. Candidates win but never sin, contain this advice!

Voters who succumb to white rabbits need not be dismayed. Let us not be overcome by the observation that some officials obtain seats of public trust because they were more skillful in magic than their opponents.

In the long run, the music comes not from the conductor but the boys in the band. If you keep your eyes glued on the conductor's wand, the bunny will hop from the tuba. But pay attention to the boys in the band and you'll know from whence cometh the sour notes.

"And remember always that music is more for en-

tertainment than an art. It's the tone which reaches your ear that counts, not the physical beating of drums, blurring into a tuba or hisses on a flute.

"Simply put, the voter must learn to ignore the tricks and recognize the true issues at stake. If he watches the movements the politician engineers, the voter will be victim to sleight of hand. But with effort, the boys in the band can be found. Look for them."

Now that "What's What in Political Activity" has been reprinted, next year's edition will be longer. Exposing tricks forces politicians to become even more sophisticated. It'll get better next year.

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The grievance was upheld by a 4-3 vote. Voting in favor of the union's position were Vagnozzi, Lichtman, Peters and Ronald Demmit. Voting against were Ferrin, Mrs. Stirling and John Washburn III.

"I don't appreciate having to over-ride the decision of the administration but, at the last meeting, I did offer a motion which would allow a resolution without the board acting." That motion died also by a 3-3 vote on June 23.

"I'm also guided by advice of our attorney who indicated we have a weak case and either ought to let Mrs. Nichols take a new test or give her the job," Vagnozzi said.

FERRIN SAID: "It's not our position to judge whether or not the edge should be given to Mrs. Nichols but to judge if there's been a violation of the contract. . . we must decide if the administration made an honest attempt to evaluate both people, and was the contract violated?"

Lichtman said it was his opinion the contract was violated. "We have a situation here where an employee served adequately for some length of time in a position much akin to the job she has filed for," said Richard Peters. "An insufficient consideration was given that past performance," he said, while explaining why he felt the grievance should be upheld.

"I feel a valid argument can be made on either side but we must stick with the contract we've written, as written," said Perrin. "Maybe we have a predilection to want Mrs. Nichols to have this particular job but to my mind there has been no violation of the contract."

Vagnozzi countered: "If we are not to look beyond the decision of the administration, then let's eliminate step four from the contract and go straight to binding arbitration and save the board time."

Perrin answered: "To my knowledge we have already examined the actions of the administration to see if it conforms with the contract."

Attends Interlochen

Debbie Tomchak, Farmington High School Junior, has just returned from two weeks with the All-State High School Band at the National Music Camp in Interlochen.

A student of the French horn, she was the winner of a \$50 music award from the Farmington Musical.

On Monday, July 20, Miss Tomchak leaves for Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp at Twin Lake where she will attend a four-week session with the high school orchestra, for which she

received a \$100 scholarship from the camp. As well as being a member of the Farmington High School Wind Ensemble, Miss Tomchak is also a member of the Farmington Community Center Band and the Livonia Youth Symphony Orchestra.

Earns Medal

Sergeant Gary W. Gearhart, son of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Gearhart of 20863 Kenwood, Farmington, recently received the Army commendation medal while serving with the 2d Armored Division at Ft. Hood, Tex.

Gearhart earned the award for meritorious service as a member of Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion of the division's 6th Armor.

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On Dean's List

Connie Shook, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Shook of 22840 Frederick, Farmington, has been named to the dean's list at Wittenberg University. She is a sophomore.

Cousins Have London Date

Sellers, of Rodondo Beach, Calif., the third cousin, is studying in France this summer. For the Michigan cousins, the London date will be the climax of a tour that will take them to the Netherlands, Germany, Austria, Italy, Switzerland, France and England.

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