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By MARIE LONG GR 4-3114

Producer Bill Richards of New York City was recently in town to film excerpts of the Suburban Concert Ballet Company and how it works. It is to be used in a documentary film on the world of ballet and the life of Leon Daniellian for the New York Dance Archives. Daniellian has danced with many major ballet companies

including the Ballet Russe and the American Ballet Theatre. He is now director of the American Ballet Theatre School in New York City.

MR. AND MRS. Charles Barot of Glynns celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on May 2 in the home of son Frank and Adele in a open house. A hundred guests were present from Detroit, Canada, Royal Oak, Farmington and other parts of Michigan plus their eldest daughter who flew in from California.

An elaborate buffet lunch was served by the daughter Jan. A tiered cake graced the dining room table and ice cream was formed in pink and white rose buds for each individual serving.

The Barnes received many beautiful gifts. Also present was their son and new bride of three weeks just returned from their honeymoon in Canada.

MR. AND MRS. Charles Evans of Farmington are happy to announce the birth of daughter Shawn Michela on April 20 in Royal Oak Hospital. Baby weighed in at seven pounds, eight ounces and was welcomed home by sisters Avaada, three, and Tracy Lynn, two.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Newsum of Astor Dr. celebrated their sixth wedding anniversary April 22 quietly at home with children Larry and Jodi.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Baker of Jefferson St. and daughter Julie are enjoying a slight seeing vacation of two weeks throughout Florida.

Miss Peggy Christmas, daughter of the William Christmas of Farmington, spent Easter vacation in Rome with 30 young people from Farmington Senior High. The young folks were on April 9 and returned ten days later. Peggy is a junior.

MR. AND MRS. Lowell Karinen family, formerly of Farmington and now of Higgins Lake, spent Easter vacation in Farmington with former neighbors.

Mrs. Ernest Danielson of Oxford St. underwent major surgery in Botsford General Hospital on May 3. Evelyn is a member of the Senior Drop-In Center. We wish her a speedy recovery. She is in Room 409A.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph DeNeis of Mayfield returned recently from a vacation in Florida. Mr. and Mrs. Philip Thomas of Warner, Farmington, flew to Europe for a vacation while their teenage family are at home with their grandmother. Mrs. Elton Thomas who returned to Farmington recently after spending the winter in the East.

MRS. JAMES WILLIAMS (the former Peggy Ann Allemus) and children James Dewey and sister Jeanette, Jersey recently visited with her parents, the R.D. Allemus of Farmington.

Mrs. Mabel Burgess of Peppermill is visiting her sisters, one in Upper Lake, New York, and the other in Connecticut.

Farmington Calendar

News items for the Farmington Community Calendar should be typewritten and contain the type, event, date, time and place. Mail to the Farmington Community Center, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150, at least one week in advance.

May 10 at 8 p.m. "An Evening with Hartley Thornton" will spotlight the popular naturalist from Proud Lake Recreation Area in a lecture entitled "Outdoor Education: Your Life." Fee is \$1 for adults and 50 cents for children.

May 14-16 a benefit. Flea Market and Germanium Sale at the Center on Farmington Rd. between 10 and 11 Mile Rd.

BOY SCOUT BAND SALE
Saturday, May 8, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. the Farmington Boy Scout Band Mothers Rummage and Bake Sale will be held in the Farmington Masonic Temple at Grand River and Farmington Rd.

CLOVERDALE CLEAN UP
Saturday, May 8, from 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. the Cloverdale Elementary PTA is sponsoring a Clean Up Day. Areas cleared will depend upon the number of volunteers. After the Clean up, all identified workers are invited to attend a picnic on the Cloverdale School yard. Family participation is encouraged.

GOP BENEFIT
Sunday, May 9, at 7 p.m. "Cactus Flower" will be presented by the Farmington Players in the PTA's Barn for a donation of \$2.50 per person. This is the year's major fund raising event for the Republican Women's Organization of Farmington. Contact Mrs. V.C. Crump or Mrs. H.R. Henderson, club president, for ticket.

SPEAKEASY CLUB
Monday, May 10, at 7 p.m. the Toastmaster Speakeasy Club will meet in the Hillside Inn at 41661 Plymouth Rd., Plymouth. All men interested in improving public speaking are invited to attend.

WELCOME WAGON CLUB
Tuesday, May 11, at 6:30 p.m. the Welcome Wagon Club of Farmington will hold its annual installation of officers dinner in the Botsford Inn.

COMMITTEE FOR KIDS
Tuesday, May 11, at 8 p.m. the Committee for Knowledge, Involvement and Decision (KID) members formed to support the Farmington Board of Education and its programs, will meet in the fellowship hall of the Farmington First Presbyterian Church at 11 Mile and Farmington Rds.

BLUE STAR MOTHERS
Wednesday, May 12, at noon, Farmington Chapter 49 of the Blue Star Mothers of America will hold a luncheon and card party in the Farmington Community Center.

PIONEER GOLDEN AGE CLUB
Wednesday, May 12, at noon the Pioneer Golden Age Club will hold its monthly meeting in St. Alexander Catholic Church's social room on Shiuwassee Rd. Transportation arrangements must be made in advance by contacting Luther Duell on Orchard Lake Rd. in Farmington. The club's potluck luncheons are held the fourth Wednesday of each month.

WORLD WAR I VETERANS
Thursday, May 13, at 1 p.m. the Farmington Barracks of World War I Veterans will meet in the American Legion Hall at Grand River and Lakeway. Coffee will be served followed by a business meeting at 2 p.m. All WWI veterans are welcomed to join the fellowship. Regular meetings are held the second Thursday of each month.

FAIRVIEW PTA FUN FAIR
Friday, May 14, from 5-8 p.m. Fairview Elementary PTA will hold its Fun Fair at the school with rides, games, treats, refreshments and prizes including a two-wheel bike and croquet set.

SENIOR CITIZENS SOCIAL CLUB
Friday, May 14, at noon the Senior Citizens Social Club of Farmington will meet in the social room of the First United Methodist Church of Farmington for a Potluck luncheon. A social afternoon with cards will follow.

Prisoners

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Robert Deadman, the city's director of public safety, "it is an honor system with minimum supervision."

"In the future, we hope to have details of offenders clean out some of the vacant lots in the community," Fees said. "Vacant lots are eyesores that collect junk and weeds. People are scared to walk by a vacant lot at night. If we obtain permission from the lot owner, we will remove rubbish, cut down weeds, and hopefully give the lot a parklike appearance."

The program is an economical one too. "It costs less than \$1 per man for an eight-hour work day compared to \$9.50 to keep a prisoner in the Oakland County Jail," Teeple said.

"We can not force anyone to work and if someone refuses to work we give a jail sentence," Judge Hand said. "Usually one day in the Oakland County Jail is enough to make them see the light."

"Three boys even came back and wanted to join the police force," Judge Hand said.

SPRING CLEAN-up of lawn and flower beds, pouring cement, painting fire plugs and parking lot stripes, planting shrubs and washing windows are a few things prisoners do around the township hall.

A Hilltop, The Climate And Our School Board

It takes a compass and a wet index finger to determine sometimes which way the wind is blowing atop the hill between the other two hills on Shiawassee Rd.

That rather crude topography sketch describes the point where Farmington Board of Education members meet to discuss what will be done and to do it. Wind directions change, and trustees can waver, especially when they meet on a hilltop in clear view of all the people in the valley. But these are cloudy days, and about the way the wind blows is to watch the clouds.

SOMETHING IS happening to the proposed minority understanding program behind the closed doors of the board's private study sessions. Closing of the doors in itself is an indication of wind direction change. The minority understanding program was developed by the Family Life Education (FLE) citizens advisory committee over a year's period with meetings open to the public. The public could watch all discussions and ask questions at the end of each meeting.

When the FLE gave its report to the board, trustees voted to accept the minority understanding program in principle and instructed the administration to draw up a plan for implementation. I have always assumed that the board accepted the substance of the minority un-

Daniels Den

By EMORY DANIELS

denstaring report those many months ago and the only thing left was to draw up an implementation plan for approval.

THE BOARD held public hearings on the minority understanding plan, first an open study session with trustees discussing the proposal and then a public hearing with residents speaking out.

Then the board held another of those secret meetings and decided not to make a decision at its next board meeting. Instead, the proposal was tabled while private meetings are held to discuss "modifications."

"Modification" is an innocent word which can mean anything from correcting misspellings to a rewriting of the substance of what is recommended. My suspicious nature is turned on when only trustees are allowed to discuss these modifications.

When trustees allowed the program to be attacked in public, and released in open study session, why is it now being "modified" in secret meetings without opportunity for residents to be heard who

might want to defend the proposal?

IF THE substance is changed, the board has a moral obligation to hold a second open study session and public hearing to discuss those changes.

If only "modifications" are being considered, then it is appropriate to have the secret meetings be attended by representatives of those who helped draft the program: mainly either Hugh Stewart, FLE chairman, or Joseph Nicilia, director of secondary curriculum.

When hot and cold air clash, a wind can become a tornado which usually makes unexpected from one area to another destroying wherever it touches dirt.

The analogy will end with the observation that sudden wind shifts cause turbulence in a sky, cloudy or clear.

Senior Minister of large, well-established Protestant church in Southfield offers free counseling as a community service. Please telephone his secretary, Mrs. Williams.

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