



BOTTOMS UP—No room in a college dormitory is complete without a campus mug. Ginna Parsons (left), of Farmington, tells freshman Camilla Cooley as the semester begins at Northwood of Indiana. Ginna is the daughter of William R. Parsons, 25345 Ridgewood, and is a major in performing arts.

Phunkett Issues Guidelines To Detect Drug Users

Thomas G. Plunkett, Oakland County chief assistant prosecutor, has issued guidelines for parents, teachers and interested citizens to assist them in recognizing the danger signals of drug abuse and illegal possession of drugs.

Plunkett stated that recognizing these danger signals is important to law enforcement efforts to end illicit drug traffic.

"I also believe that parents can save their children from the serious and even tragic consequences of drug experimentation by being alert to the symptoms of drug abuse," he said.

Plunkett said that major abuse occurs with marijuana, amphetamines and hallucinogens.

"MARIJUANA cigarettes," Plunkett stated, "are rolled in a double-thickness of brown or off-white cigarette paper. These cigarettes are smaller than a regular cigarette with the paper twisted or tucked in at both ends and with tobacco that is greener in color than regular tobacco."

"The odor of burning marijuana resembles that of burning weeds or rope. The cigarettes are referred to as 'reefers', sticks, joints, Texas ten, pot, rope, Mary Jane, loco weed, jive, grass, hemp, hay."

"The marijuana abuser is difficult to recognize unless they are under the influence of the drug at the time they are being observed. In the early stages the user may appear animated and hysterical with rapid, loud talking and bursts of laughter, he may be sleepy or stuporous and his depth of perception is distorted, making driving dangerous."

About the hallucinogen LSD, Plunkett stated, "It is odorless, tasteless and colorless and may be found in the form of impregnated sugar cubes, cookies or crackers. LSD is usually taken orally but may be injected. It is imported in ampules of clear blue liquid."

"The hallucinogen abuser is often found sitting or reclining quietly in a dream or trance-like state. Users may become fearful and experience a degree of terror which makes them attempt to escape from the group. The drug primarily affects the central nervous system, producing changes in mood and behavior. Perceptual changes caused by this drug involve senses of sight, hearing, touch, body-image and time."

FHS Students Talk On 'Busy' Subjects

"Busy" is the best way to describe the speeches being made in classrooms at Farmington High this year.

Student speech subjects have dealt with every type of activity from shoe polishing to poncho making, from weight lifting to making popovers. Senior Carol Seeburger even showed a class how to pierce ears.

All this is part of the speech program which is revolving added emphasis under the new English curriculum instituted in Farmington schools this fall.

Teacher Mary Setina feels these off-beat demonstrations are a good introduction to speech making because they give the novice speaker something to do with his hands.

Exchange student kept her hands busy showing slides of the Netherlands to classmates and Bob Larson was occupied demonstrating a Oulja board.

Pylar Trains

Army Pvt. Stanley G. Pylar III, son of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley G. Pylar II, 23030 Purdue, Farmington, has completed nine weeks of advanced infantry training at Fort Polk, La.

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Halloweeners Postal Tampering Gets Big Charges

The ghosts and goblins are after Farmington area mail boxes again, but post office officials warn that tampering with street or house boxes is a serious crime.

"It's a Federal offense," said Farmington Superintendent of Mails Maurice Dever, "and anyone tampering with private house boxes or collection boxes could be subject to Federal court action."

"Residents should watch each other's boxes to report any tampering to the police and the post office," Dever said that local police should be contacted so that immediate action could be taken.

The Oakland County postal inspector is notified, but heavy case loads prohibit the post office department from investigating random mischief reports, he said.

Dever said that street collection boxes could be removed from areas where mischief could not be curbed.

"If the people watched the boxes, and reported vandalism or suspicious persons, it would help curb the problem," Dever said.

Several cases of vandalized mail boxes have been reported to Farmington area police, but lack of specific information has hindered investigations.

Neighbors should watch for each other and notify parents when vandalism occurs," Dever said.

"Sometimes, immediate attention to the kids' backyards helps stop the problem, too," he said.

Beechview Invites 2 Guests

"New Approaches in Education" will be the topic at the Beechview PTA meeting to be held at 8 p.m. Oct. 21.

The program has been arranged by Dr. Hector-Neri Casanueva, program chairman. It will include William T. Rice, director of Michigan Bell-Northern High School programs and special activities in employment relative to the hard core unemployed, and Mrs. Ann Finn, teacher in the READ project in cooperation with the New Detroit Committee.

Mrs. L. David Stader, president of the PTA, will conduct the business meeting.

Other dates for Beechview meetings are Nov. 18, Jan. 20, Feb. 17, March 17 and April 21.

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Judge's Role Different From Police

"Beware of the judicial candidate who sounds like he is running for police chief."

The statement was made by John F. Foley, candidate for judge of the Michigan Court of Appeals, in a speech to the Human Relations Council of Royal Oak.

"Police and judges have separate functions in our system," Foley said. "The job of the police is to bring before the court persons whom they have reasonable cause to believe have committed crimes. The judge must then conduct a fair trial and sentence, if there is a conviction. These separate functions require different outlooks and training."

Foley is on leave of absence as commissioner of the Court of Appeals to run for an additional seat created by the Legislature in the court's Second District, which takes in most of Southeastern Michigan including Oakland County.

He told the Human Relations Council that a "vital and moderating influence in the United States is the confidence with which minority groups generally look to the courts for protection. This confidence has been usually well founded and the courts must continue to provide minorities with protection from repression by the majority."

Foley added:

"Discouraged persons in the black minority today say their old leadership placed too much faith for protection in the courts. They call now for self protection in the streets. The courts must demonstrate that every person can count on them to see that he is not repressed."

"A judicial candidate can promise to be fair and to guard zealously the rights of individuals. Beyond that, other promises are more appropriate to executive and legislative candidates."

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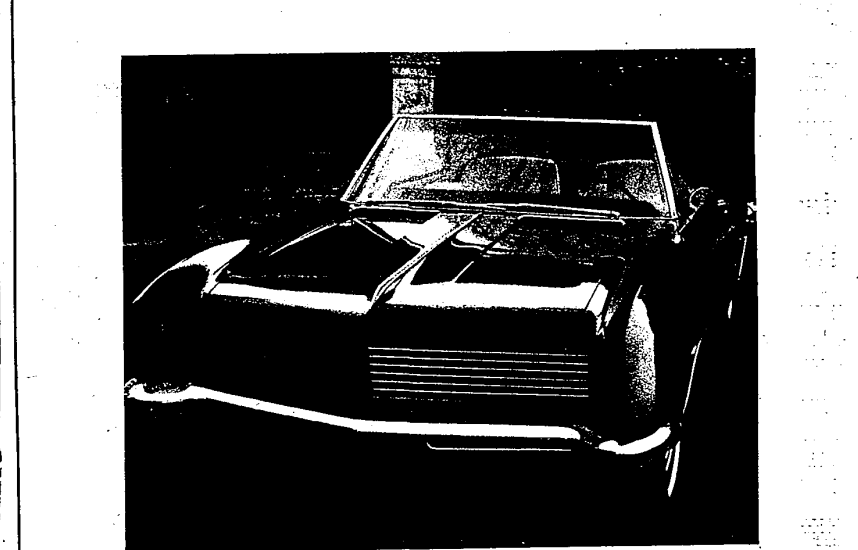
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