

Exiting trustees roasted

By Sue Buck
Staff Writer

Levity was the name of the game June 15 as departing Farmington school board members Jack Cotton and Helen Ditzhazy enjoyed a miniroast by fellow board members and superintendent Michael Flanagan.

Both Flanagan and board president Jack Inch referred to the two as "the class of 1985" because both came on board that year.

Cotton led the ritual Pledge of Allegiance which begins every board meeting.

For his effort, Flanagan presented him with the familiar "I Led the Pledge" pen usually awarded to the visiting student who serves that role at meetings.

Cotton was also presented with

red roses from female board members because he was known to present the same to them.

"I want you to know that these are a gift for Mr. Cotton, and I'm not going to pass them around one by one," Cotton said. "I'm going to keep them."

Quipped Inch: "This certainly doesn't speak well for the male members of this board."

More seriously, Inch said that Ditzhazy was one of the first female administrators in education in Michigan. A former assistant school superintendent in Jackson, Ditzhazy is a professor at Eastern Michigan University.

"Mr. Cotton has the flowers," Inch said to Ditzhazy. In turn Inch lauded Ditzhazy's accomplishments as an administrator.

"I think Illies are appropriate," remarked Ditzhazy, who recently lost her bid for reelection to newcomers Bobbie Feldman and David York.

"Helen, you haven't changed," Inch said.

Ditzhazy presented Flanagan with a tin. Flanagan is known for his flamboyant ties. Ditzhazy's gift sports kids' pictures and the words "Mike Flanagan, Superintendent."

Ditzhazy also received an "I Led the Pledge" pen from Flanagan.

"I don't know if the public realizes it — the rest of us do this for a living — these people (board members) in effect are volunteers. They put in a lot of time and a tremendous amount of energy,"

POLICE/FIRE CALLS

Listed below are some of the Farmington area police incidents, fire calls and court cases reported during the past week.

THEFT
A payroll check for \$693.50 that had been placed in an envelope was stolen from Credit Bureau Reports on 13 Mile in Farmington Hills on June 14.

A man's wallet with credit cards and checks worth \$150 was stolen from a white 1993 Chevy Lumina parked on Oak Crest in Farmington Hills on June 14.

A purse with a wallet containing credit cards with a value of \$7,500 was stolen from the Paco Warehouse on Haggerty on June 15.

About \$1,300 in cash in a deposit bag at the Taco Bell on Orchard Lake was stolen from the manager's purse on June 16.

A Yamaha jet ski worth \$5,500 and a boat trailer worth \$900 were stolen from the parking lot of the Citation Club Apartments on Medallion Court in Farmington Hills between June 15-16.

Scenifolding worth \$1,500 was stolen from the boiler room of the Alameda Early Childhood Center on Power Road in Farmington Hills between June 9-12.

Wheel covers worth \$400 were stolen from a 1990 Dodge Dynasty parked on West Eight Mile between June 15-16.

A Holly four-barrel carburetor and a chrome air cleaner worth \$500 were stolen from a 1988 yellow Ford Mustang convertible parked at the Farmington Square Condominiums on 12 Mile in Farmington Hills on between June 15-17. Tires were cut causing \$50 in damages.

A man's blue World Sport Schwinn 10-speed bike worth \$400 was stolen from the garage of a residence on Newell Circle in Farmington Hills between June 16-18.

reported missing from the safe at Arby's restaurant on Haggerty in Farmington Hills.

Shortages of \$2,500 were reported by the Vineyard Wine Cellar on Northwestern Highway in Farmington Hills. The shortages took place between May 10 and June 16.

AUTO THEFT
The partially opened driver's side window of a 1987 Dodge Shadow parked on Uxley in Farmington Hills was broken in an attempt to steal it between June 14-15.

A black 1989 Ford F-250 pickup worth \$8,500 and tools worth \$3,500 parked on Golfview in Farmington Hills was stolen on June 16.

A white 1993 Jeep Grand Cherokee worth \$24,333 was stolen from Bob Saks Jeep Eagle on

Grand River in Farmington Hills between June 9-14.

A 1979 white Chevy Blazer worth \$3,000 parked at the Farmington Mobile Manor trailer park on Eight Mile in Farmington Hills was stolen on June 18.

VANDALISM
The driver's side window of a blue 1992 Chevy Astro was parked at Vladimir's on Grand River on June 15 was smashed causing \$150 in damage.

Break lines were cut on a white 1992 Pontiac Grand Am parked on Parkhill between June 16-17 causing \$200 in damage.

An Orchard Lake Road resident, sitting in her living room reported June 16 that someone shattered her front picture window with a rock or another projectile.

OBITUARIES

CLEMENT A. CLIFT
Mr. Clift, 60, of Farmington Hills died June 10 in the crash of a private plane in Epworth, Ga. He was a pilot for Federal Mogul Corp. in Southfield.

Mr. Clift graduated from Pershing High School and Boston University.

After serving in the Air Force, he became an aircraft mechanic for General Motors Corp at Detroit City Airport.

He received his pilot's license in 1958. He was a pilot for Federal Mogul for more than 25 years.

Mr. Clift was a member of the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association and founded the Shrine Flying Club in Detroit.

Survivors include his wife, Pauline Collins; daughters, Sherry, Diane and Tracy; sons, Jeff and Paul; two sisters and a brother.

Burial was in Epworth, Ga. Memorials may be made to Shrine Crippled Children Fund, Moslem Temple, 434 Temple, Detroit 48201.

ANNA MARY COUVEAU
Mrs. Couveau, 72, of Farmington died June 14 in Botsford Hospital, Farmington Hills.

Born in Hamtramck, Mrs. Couveau worked for General Filter in Novi for 20 years.

Survivors include her son Karl Stantliah; brother, Frank Stantliah; four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Services were June 16 at the Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington, with the Rev. Gerald McEnhill of St. Gerald Catholic Church officiating. Burial was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield.

Memorials may be made to the Michigan Humane Society or American Diabetes Association.

and Gorr Willey of Northville; four grandchildren.

Services were June 17 at the Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington, with the Rev. Daniel C. St. John of the Lutheran Church officiating. Burial was in Oakland Hills Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Michigan Cancer Foundation.

SOPHIE H. RONCONO
Mrs. Roncono, 67, of Farmington died June 16 in Wm. Beaumont Hospital, Royal Oak.

Born in Detroit, Mrs. Roncono was a key press operator in the machining industry.

Survivors include her husband, Florian; sons, James and Nicholas; sister, Olga Banchoff; brother, Steve Hucal.

Services were at the Heeney-Sunquist Funeral Home, Farmington, with the Rev. Michael Chowning of St. Michael Church, Southfield, officiating.

Memorials may be made to the Michigan Cancer Foundation.

EMBEZZLEMENT
On June 14, \$1,968 in cash was

Robber hits eatery

Farmington Hills Police are investigating the robbery of the Kyoto Steak House on Haggerty that took place at about 12:30 a.m. Friday.

The restaurant's assistant manager was closing the business and turning on the alarm at the time of the robbery. A waiter and a busboy were just leaving when a man — described as black, about 6 feet tall and 210 pounds,

dressed in blue work pants, a blue sweatshirt and wearing a dark ski mask — brandished a nickel-plated semiautomatic pistol and forced them into the office.

He took cash and then forced the three men to turn over their wallets, with cash, credit cards and 24-hour bank cards.

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Thief pedals off with bike

Police are looking for a bicycle enthusiast with expensive taste and a light wallet.

A man in his early 20s "rode off" a new bicycle worth more than \$1,000 from D and B Bicycle Shop on Northwestern Highway in Farmington Hills. Police learned that it wasn't a first for the man, described as blond-haired, 6 feet tall and 195 pounds.

The same man apparently had also ridden off with expensive

bikes from shops in Royal Oak and Dearborn. In each case, he gave salespeople a fake I.D., wallet or keys before taking the bike for a spin — never to return.

A salesman at a Birmingham shop noticed the man's late-model Subaru parked nearby and became suspicious. He didn't go along with the test-drive ploy.

Anyone with information may call the Farmington Hills police at 474-6181.

ON THE AGENDA

Below are highlights from a meeting this week. All meetings are open to the public.

Farmington City Council
23000 Liberty St., 474-5500
8 p.m. Monday, June 21

Agenda items include:

- Petitions and Communications
- Letter from Waste Management of Michigan-Detroit North

re: donation of park bench.


- Local government 15-day notice from Michigan Liquor Control Commission re: application for a new SDM license at 32930 Grand River.
- Request for sign variance: Kimco Realty, new owner of Downtown Center properties.
- Request from Tove Baesaler, 23001 Maple St., re: annual block

party.

- Request from Randall Patterson re: support for Resort Class C liquor license.
- Fox Alerts from the Michigan Municipal League re: energy tax.
- Letter from Yvonne Singer, community service coordinator, Farmington Hills Senior Adult Division re: October red ribbon campaign.

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SUPERMARKET SHOPPING - part one

If you have arthritis, you know supermarket shopping is more than a chore.

Just walking aisles can cause fatigue. In addition there is heat. A spot from a spill, a single grape squashed on the floor, or a child screeching across your path may cause you a slip or fall.

If your hands are arthritic, picking up a jar to inspect the price or read the label can become a reason for worry; you could drop the item, causing you embarrassment and creating a messy clean up job for management.

Necessary items may be outside your reach. If a can of frozen juice you want is wedged in a back corner of the store's freezer, you may be forced to settle for a lesser brand up front.

Then you face the unrelenting wall. Even if you opt for two people in front of you, your choice of check-out is a chance. Problems of coupon exchange, an harassed clerk, or an unreasonable customer, may keep you standing interminably when your legs have only minutes of reserve left.

Even if you leave the market with no difficulties, tasks remain: lugging groceries into your car, carrying them from car to kitchen, and from counter top to refrigerator.

My next column will consider strategies to conserve energy and minimize joint strain.