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## EDITORIALS: It's Our Opinion

### Several Weeks Ago . . .

the members of the Farmington Exchange Club had an opportunity to learn the whys and wherefores of the "Welcome Wagon", an institution dedicated to the business of building friendships.

One of the major functions of the "Welcome Wagon" is to extend a hand of friendship to new residents of the community. The "Welcome Wagon" hostess can not only advise these newcomers of the merchandise and services available in the community, but can inform them about our churches, schools, and civic organizations. They can make our new neighbors feel at home!

The Enterprise has mentioned this type of a program several times in the past. We mentioned it because of our experience with similar activities in other communities. Over 1,100 municipalities, large and small, are participating in the "Welcome Wagon" project. It is not only effective as far as the merchants are concerned, but extremely impressive to new families moving into the community.

We are putting the emphasis on new residents because of the tremendous increase in population already under way in the city and township. This is ample justification for the initiation of such a project in Farmington. However, the "Welcome Wagon" can effectively serve all of the residents, old and new. It can honor the birth of a baby, a birthday or anniversary, or a marriage engagement.

Whether it is the "Welcome Wagon", a local organization, or some similar program, we believe that the idea should be given some serious consideration by the merchants and businessmen of the Farmington community. Our population is on the increase and it will continue at an ever-increasing pace. It is important that we personally welcome these new residents into our community and make them feel at home. There is no substitute for friendship!

### There's A Feeling Of Spring . . .

in the air . . . and it's wonderful. Yes, the grass is getting green, the buds are beginning to show on the trees and there are colorful blossoms on some of the early flowers . . . and, oh yes, the stories of death and injury on our highways are becoming more and more prevalent.

It is a sour and terrifying note, isn't it, right on the end of a hopeful sentence about spring? But it is a reality we must face . . . a reality we must do something about. Many of us, out to enjoy the color and warmth of the new season, will experience that terrifying jolt into reality unless . . . we beat carelessness.

We have seen an increase in auto accidents during the last few weeks right here in Farmington. And from all reports the highway accident toll is expected to rise steadily as spring turns into summer. These are facts we must face and must do something about. We can protect the lives of our family and others by fully realizing the serious responsibility we have when we get behind the wheel of an automobile. Your car can mean convenience and pleasure or it can mean sudden death or long painful injury. The choice is largely yours to decide.

None of us wants to die, be permanently injured or spend months flat on our back in a hospital bed . . . but we forget! Our hospitals are full of people who thought it couldn't happen to them . . . but it did. It can happen to you!

There's a feeling of spring in the air and it's a wonderful feeling, let's keep it that way!

### Another Government Target . . .

will be eliminated from the archery range if President Eisenhower has anything to say about it.

For years purchase and mass storage by the government of surplus dairy products has been a justified target for the people to shoot at. According to latest reports the government-bought surplus has piled up to an amazing 429 million pounds of butter, cheese and dried milk at a cost to the government of about \$159 million.

President Eisenhower logically wants to get rid of the surplus not only to save the taxpayers millions of dollars, but to eliminate needless spoilage and to stop the inflationary spiral. It is a step in the right direction, but the steps are usually pretty slow down Washington way.

## GO TO CHURCH THIS WEEK

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH  
6500 Grand River Avenue  
Early Service, 8:30 a.m.  
Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.  
Late Service, 11 a.m.

ST. PAUL'S  
LUTHERAN CHURCH  
Middlebelt at Eight Mile Road  
Sunday School and Bible Class,  
9:30 a.m., nursery to senior de-  
partments.  
Evening services at 8:30 and 10:45  
a.m.  
Lutheran Hour broadcast at 8:30  
p.m. Sunday over CKLW.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH  
Grand River and Warner Avenues  
Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.  
Morning Worship, 11:15 a.m.  
Youth Fellowship, 6:30 p.m.

LIVONIA METHODIST CHURCH  
W. 10th and Cass Street  
Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Service, 7:45 p.m.  
Wednesday Prayer Service, 7:45 p.m.  
Thursday of each month at 1 p.m.

FARMINGTON ASSEMBLY  
OF GOD  
Grand River at Middlebelt  
Sunday School at 10 a.m.  
Morning Worship at 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Service, 7:45 p.m.  
Wednesday Prayer Service, 7:45 p.m.  
Wednesday, 7:30 p.m. Young  
People's meeting.

CLAREMONT  
METHODIST CHURCH  
Cambridge and Grand River  
Sunday School, 9:45 a.m., large, enthusiastic  
Sunday School.  
11:15 a.m., Morning Worship,  
11:45 a.m., Intermediate Youth  
Fellowship, 6:30 p.m., the Wesley Adult  
Fellowship.  
7:30 p.m., the Evening Service.  
7:45 p.m. every Wednesday evening  
the Prayer Service.

FARMINGTON FIRST BAPTIST  
10:00 a.m. Nursery, Junior  
Church and Sunday School with  
all-grade lessons.  
5:00 Young People's Choir.  
6:30 Sunday School, H-E-Y, and Senior  
Young Groups.

7:00 Adult Study Class  
7:00 Pre-service, prayer meet-  
ing.  
7:30 Happy Evening Hour.  
7:30 Wednesday, Hour of Power.  
8:00 Friday, Senior Choir.

WEST POINT PARK  
CHURCH OF CHRIST  
Bible Study at 9:45 a.m.  
Sunday Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening Service, 7:30 p.m.  
Wednesday Evening Prayer Meet-  
ing, 8 p.m.

SALEM EVANGELICAL CHURCH  
A nursery department is main-  
tained during the Morning wor-  
ship.

Morning Worship, 10:00 a.m.  
Church School, 11:15 a.m.  
Youth Fellowship, Sunday even-  
ings.

FOREST HILLS  
UNITED MISSIONARY CHURCH  
Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship, 11 a.m.  
Evening Service, 7:30 p.m.  
Youth Fellowship, 6:45 p.m.  
Wednesday Prayer Service, at  
8 p.m.

OUR LADY OF SORROWS  
Sunday Masses: 7:00, 8:30, 9:45,  
11:15 and 12:30.  
Monday Masses: 5:30, 7:00,  
8:00 and 9:00.

Friday Masses: 6:30 and 8:00.

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST  
Grand River at Oxford  
Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. Sat-  
urday.

Church 11:00 a.m. Saturday.  
8 p.m. Wednesday, prayer meet-  
ing.

"Faith for Today" telecast 11:30  
a.m. Sunday, Channel 7.

"Voice of Praise" on WKYX Sun-  
day 9:30 a.m., CKLW Sunday 10:30  
a.m.

SOUTHFIELD COMMUNITY  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
2112 Indian Road

10:00 a.m. Bible School.  
11:15 a.m. Worship.

Wednesday, 7:45 p.m., Prayer  
Fellowship.

Five Youth Clubs weekly. For  
free transportation phone SO. 6372.

CHURCH OF GOD

20841 Shallowtree at Middlebelt

10 a.m. Sunday School.

11 a.m. Morning Worship.

8 p.m. Evangelistic Service.

8 p.m. Wednesday, Hour of Prayer.

8 p.m. Saturday, Young People's  
Service.

FREE WILL BAPTIST

Grand River at Middlebelt

11:00 a.m. Sunday School.

7:30 p.m. Evening service.

7:30 p.m. Thursday, prayer ser-  
vice.

NOVI BAPTIST CHURCH

10:30, Morning Worship Service.

Special music by the choir, illus-  
trated children's message.

11:30, Sunday School: Bible study

in classes; classes for all ages.

During the Sunday School hour the

Junior Choir will practice.

7:30, Evening Worship service.



## Looking Back Through The Enterprise Files

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO (April 12, 1928)

Sign of Spring

The sweet sign of spring was measured in Farmington. In the mud day it is not the song of the robin or the first warm day, but the kick-out-pat" of the motorcycle on which rides the officer of the law. Deputy Clayton Stokes has begun his daily patrolling on a new machine, which is one of ten obtained by the county for its officers.

New Superintendent . . .

The Farmington Board of Education has made its selection of a new superintendent of schools. At a special meeting Monday evening, the Board voted to engage Ralph B. Baker, for four years superintendent of schools at Utley, Michigan. Mr. Baker is now studying at Mt. Pleasant for a master's degree.

Theatre Party

On Monday evening about thirty Farmington residents will attend the Bonstelle Playhouse in Detroit to witness the comedy "Two Girls Wanted". A motor coach has been provided for those who have already purchased tickets and will take the passengers directly to the theatre.

TEN YEARS AGO (April 8, 1943)

Recital

Under the auspices of the Music Department of Stena Heights College, Adrian, Michigan, Miss Louise Ward presented her graduation recital Sunday evening in Walsh Hall. Many of Louise's relatives and friends from Farmington attended the recital.

Officials Re-Elected

Voting was light in the city and township and all incumbents were returned to office in landslide election. Those winning in the general election were Daleas Hamlin, Adolph Nacker, Fred W. Barnall, Andrew Hinger, Harrison Johnson, Emory Hatten, Aris Goers, James Hogue, Harry Moore, Clinton Wilbur, Floyd Nichols, Lloyd Gulter, Horace Durham and Elmer Catherman.

Red Cross

The final figures have been compiled for the Red Cross War Fund Drive. Contributions from Farmington City and Township totaled \$6,748.48, and to this sum may be added two allocations, one from General Motors in the amount of \$1,696.00 and one from Consumers Power Company of \$150.00. This brings the total to \$8,594.48.

FIVE YEARS AGO (April 8, 1948)

No Expansion

Farmington City and Township voters defeated both proposals in a Mayoral special election, as did voters over Oakland County in general. Only a few areas went on record in favor of the hospital expansion program, and the total county vote was overwhelmingly against the proposal for county hospital expansion.

Seek Legal Status

Action was taken at the Saturday morning meeting of the Farmington Area Recreation Commission to speed up completion of the organization of the group and to create a summer recreation program for the Farmington area. Following a suggestion by the National Recreation Association, the group will seek official status so that funds may be accepted wherever and whenever available for recreation purposes.

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