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## It's Our Opinion

### The Recent Upsurge . . .

in serious and fatal traffic accidents on Middlebelt Road in Farmington Township is causing considerable alarm, as well it should!

This section of road has been extremely hazardous for some time, but it is becoming even more so as the flow of traffic increases. Traffic accidents on Middlebelt have resulted in death to several persons and serious injury to a score of others thus far this summer. Most of the accidents have been the result of excessive speed or failure to halt at stop signs.

Citizens of the Farmington area are well aware of the seriousness of the situation. Many of them will not even drive Middlebelt because of the danger involved. But we wonder if highway and safety officials of the county and state realize what is happening. Early last spring, authorization was given for the erection of traffic lights at Grand River and Middlebelt, but at this writing the lights are still missing. Township officials have made repeated inquiries as to when the lights would be installed and have gotten various answers. In the meantime a number of serious accidents have occurred at the intersection.

A lot of time and effort are being expended in an all-out drive to reduce the heavy toll of accidents on our highways. Frankly, it is very discouraging to write editorials pleading for safe driving and in the same week report new deaths and injuries because of a lack of safety facilities. If we are to reduce accidents on Middlebelt Road, lights must be installed immediately at the intersection of Grand River and Middlebelt, possibly at the intersection of Nine Mile Road. In addition, a speed control zone should be set up and the high shoulders at the various intersections should be cut back, allowing adequate vision. Larger stop signs should be erected on Middlebelt Road or paving markings installed to warn motorists of the dangerous intersections.

These projects cost money . . . but what does the loss of a life cost?

### At Last . . .

the Council has taken positive steps to insure more adequate and modern fire protection for the City of Farmington.

By earmarking \$12,000 from the 1952-53 budget surplus for a new fire truck the Council has initiated action that should have been taken years ago. In fact, several times during the past, monies have been set aside in the budget for the eventual purchase of modern fire equipment, but it has always been drawn out for some other purpose. This time the money has been definitely earmarked by the Council.

Although there has been only one major fire in the city in the past seven or eight years, it is no sign that there will not be more. We must be prepared to meet any situation. In order to meet it our volunteers must have the necessary equipment to work with.

The Enterprise hopes that a new fire truck will be purchased as soon as possible now that the money has been allocated, and we hope, too, that it will serve as a stimulant for the establishment of a regular 24-hour fire department.

Adequate equipment and regular, on-duty fire fighting personnel are essential to the welfare and safety of any growing community.

### The Battle . . .

On Post Office ridge continues as it has for the past several years. The conflict was initiated by the previous administration and is being carried on with vigor by the present one.

Although the battle concerns the entire general public, much of the action has been leveled at the users of second class mail as a diversionary measure. The newspapers in particular have become the object of a flanking attack designed to break the Post Office Department deficit. In spite of several increases already in effect, Postmaster General Summerfield proposes a new 42% boost in second class rates.

We appreciate Mr. Summerfield's desire to balance the Post Office Department budget, but we represent the implication that newspapers are being subsidized as a result of the rate structure. The newspapers are willing to pay their just share based on the actual cost of handling and distributing their respective publications. At the same time they have a right to expect, as any citizen does, that suggestions presented at committee hearings, which would add to the efficiency and service of the Department without any major rate increases, be put into effect.

## GO TO CHURCH THIS WEEK

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH  
2360 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 departments.  
Divine 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 Wayne Avenues

Adult Church School, 9:15 a.m.

Morning Worship, 10:15 a.m. (Nursery available during this hour)

Church School Classes, 10:15, for

beginners, Primary and Juniors.

LIVONIA METHODIST CHURCH

W. 7 Mile, E. of Farmington Rd.

Morning Worship, 9:30 a.m.

Children through third grade

provided for during hour of regular service.

No senior Sunday School for summer.

FARMINGTON ASSEMBLY  
OF GOD

Grand River and Middlebelt

Sunday School, 10 a.m.

Morning Worship at 11:00 a.m.

Evening Service, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday Prayer Service, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, 7:30 p.m., Young People's meeting.

CLARENCEVILLE  
METHODIST CHURCH

Cambridge and Grand River

11:00 a.m., large, enthusiastic

Sunday School, 9:15 a.m.

Wednesday, 7:30 p.m., the Intermediate Youth Fellowship, the Wesley Adult Fellowship.

Wednesday, Evening Service, 7:45 p.m. every Wednesday eve-

ning the Prayer Service.

FARMINGTON FIRST BAPTIST

11:00 a.m., Nursery, Junior

Church and Morning Worship.

11:15 Sunday School with all-

graded lessons.

5:00 Young People's Choir.

6:30 Junior, Hi-BY, and Senior

Youth Groups.

6:30 Adult Study Class.

7:00 Pre-service prayer meet-

ing.

7:30 Happy Evening Hour.

8:30 Wednesday, Hour of Power.

8:30 Friday, Senior Choir.

WEST POINT PARK

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Bible Study at 9:30 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

11:00 a.m., Sunday School, 9:15 a.m.

Morning Worship, 10:00 a.m.

Church School, 11:15 a.m.

Youth Fellowship, Sunday even-

ing, 8 p.m.

FOREST HILLS

UNITED MISSIONARY CHURCH

Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.

11:15 a.m., Sunday School

11:00 a.m., Morning Worship.

7:30 p.m., Evening Service.

Wednesday Prayer Service, 8 p.m.

OUR LADY OF SORROWS

Sunday Masses, 7:00, 8:30, 9:45, 10:

11:00 a.m., 12:30.

Holy Day Masses, 6:30, 7:00, 8:00

and 9:00 a.m.

Daily Masses, 6:30 and 8:00.

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST

Grand River at Oxford

Sabbath School, 9:30 a.m. Saturday.

Church 11:00 a.m. Saturday.

8 p.m. Wednesday, prayer meet-

ing.

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

Word of Prophecy" WXYZ Sun-

day 9:30 a.m., CKLW Sunday 10:30 a.m.

SOUTHFIELD COMMUNITY

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

21123 Indian Road

10:00 a.m. Sunday School.

11:15 a.m. Morning Worship.

11:00 a.m. Wednesday, Prayer

Fellowship.

Five Young Clubs weekly. For

free transportation phone SO 5372.

CHURCH OF GOD

200341 Shallowford at Middlebelt

10 a.m. Sunday School.

11:15 a.m. Morning Worship.

8 p.m. Evangelistic Service.

8 p.m. Wednesday, Hour of Pray-

er.

8 p.m. Saturday, Young People's

Service.

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Rev. J. B. Guinan, Farm, 1049

(Services in Universalist Church)

9:30 a.m. Morning Prayer and

sermon, Holy Communion on each

third Sunday.

10:30 a.m. Sunday School.

11:00 a.m. Morning Worship.

6:30 p.m. Evening Service.

7:30 p.m. Evening service.

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

vice.

FREE WILL BAPTIST

Grand River at Middlebelt

10:00 a.m. Sunday School.

11:00 a.m. Morning Worship.

7:30 p.m. Evening service.

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

vice.

MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

Services at the Middlebelt School

Sunday School 10:00 a.m.

Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.

Young meeting, 6:30 p.m.

Evening service, 7:30 p.m.

Mid-week prayer service in the

home of the Pastor at 2196 Tu-

lane Wednesday 8:00 p.m.

Gaylord Baptist Church

19189, Gaylord Road

Sunday School 11:00 a.m.

Morning Worship, 11:15 a.m.

B. Y. F. 6 p.m.

Evening Service, 7:30 p.m.

KENWOOD CHURCH OF CHRIST

10000 N. 1 Mile, N. of 8 Mile

Sunday School 11:00 a.m.

Morning Service, 7:30 p.m.

E. G. C. Crauder, Minister

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mediate Youth Fellowship.

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ORCHARD METHODIST CHURCH

18 Miles East at Greenleaf

10:00 a.m. Church School.

11:00 a.m. Morning Worship.

Sermon theme: "Spring Clean-

ing."

6:00 p.m. Junior and Intermedi-

ate Youth Fellowship.

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