

Clarenceville
**Weekly Lunch Money
Pay Plan Starts Feb. 2**

A new "once weekly" lunch plan will be put into effect for all elementary schools in the Clarenceville School District on Monday, February 2. It was disclosed this week.

Junior and senior high students will continue to pay on a daily basis, however.

UNDER THIS new plan, payment for lunches, milk or ice cream will be collected in advance on Monday, or the first school day of the week. It will thus be necessary for parents to print the school lunch money in the school bulletin and study them with their children to decide what lunches will be wanted for the week.

The price for a hot lunch is 27 cents. Milk alone sells for 2 cents and ice cream for 6 cents.

A sample order for one week would look like this:

- Monday - milk02
- Tuesday - lunch27
- Wednesday - lunch27
- Thursday - lunch27
- Friday - milk02
- Total sent Mon. morning91

Each teacher will be responsible for keeping a "lunch record" list in the classroom and

checking out the students daily at the lunch hour under this plan. A student who is absent on any day will receive credit the following week. It was emphasized.

AN OCCASIONAL emergency necessitating the payment for a lunch during the week will be acceptable, it was indicated.

"We will need to have the cooperation of parents to make this weekly plan successful. It will mean considerable saving in time for the teachers, office staff and parents. It will also help the kitchen staffs in making a more accurate lunch count for week and lunch, milk and ice cream accounting will become more standardized in the schools," an official spokesman said.

NOTICES will be sent home with students for use in totaling their lunch orders for the first two weeks in February. They will not be sent after this time, however.

Parents not receiving the Clarenceville School Bulletin are asked to call the school system office at GR. 4-8900 and request that their name be put on the mailing list.

Tax Payments Come In As Well as Last Year

Despite a so-so business year, taxes in Farmington City and Township are apparently being paid at least as readily as in past years.

This is probably true because most owners of homes built within the last five years are paying on mortgages, and the taxes are collected monthly and paid from escrow accounts.

IN THE CITY Treasurer Kathryn Cotter reports that as of Tuesday 92 per cent of taxes have been paid, compared with 88.7 per cent a year before.

Here are the 1958 figures:

- To be collected \$563,696
- Collected now \$17,043
- Uncollected \$546,653

The 1957 taxes as of comparable date were:

- To be collected \$504,838
- Collected now \$47,763
- Uncollected \$457,075

The increase in total taxes is due to more improved property in the city, not to increased millage.

Minstrel Show Plans Revealed

Preparations for the Farmington Jaycees twelfth annual minstrel show "Fine and Dandy" are now underway.

Performances will be given at the Farmington Junior High School auditorium on March 20 and 21.

Producer for this year's show will be Dave Fitzpatrick. Bill J. Conroy will again be director. He has been director of these "Fine and Dandy" minstrels for the past five years.

Don Kobman will serve as emcee. Senior endman will be Norm Potts. Other endmen will be Jack Hilsberg, Dick Poole and Al Kenerson. Rosemary Fitzpatrick and Ed Chismon will be the leading ladies.

The minstrel show is the major fund raising project for the Farmington Jaycees. All proceeds are used for a variety of worthy civic projects. A big project of the Jaycees now in progress is erecting of a new parking lot at a site on the west side of Farmington Road between Alta Loma and Freedom Road.

Zoning Mixup May Iron Out

Zoning of part of a lot adjacent to the proposed commercial development northwest of the Orchard Lake-12 Mile intersection will go to the township zoning board of appeals under a plan suggested by the township board.

The mixup occurred when the township board made arrangements to sell the larger tract, which is zoned commercial. Her husband had bought the property under township zoning. It was always believed it also was zoned commercial. The lot is landlocked, and could be used for no other purpose than commercial.

The planning board and township board were both sympathetic, and suggested the proper procedure under township ordinances. If the tract is re-classified it would have restrictions including use only for parking, and a greenbelt.

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Twp. to Push Legal Action On Pit Use

The statement on township action against Dacheille Trucking Company for alleged improper use of land on Oakland north of 12 Mile will be pushed by the township, the board decided Monday night.

Dacheille maintains the huge amount of sand and gravel removed is only a leveling process for later development of the site for building.

TOWNSHIP officials point it is the huge hole and demand that it be filled. They doubt if all the surrounding dirt on the tract would fill the hole properly, and are concerned about the deer water and possible drawings.

Twp. Attorney Joseph T. Brennan filed suit last week. Not 21, but illness of the Dacheille attorney has delayed the action. The board voted to notify Dacheille attorneys that unless an answer was filed by Feb. 7 their default would be taken.

PHOTOS of the huge hole were studied. Attorney Brennan said 99,000 cubic yards had been taken from the one hole, and only 15,000 cubic yards had been taken from the tract being worked by Dacheille.

Mrs. Avery reported the Michigan Township Ass'n would produce legislation this session to make mandatory one mill in the tax split for townships. This touched off discussion of township millage. Frank Stephenson said some 750,000 cubic yards had been taken from the tract being worked by Dacheille.

WORK on the township budget will start in the township board meeting April 4. Discussion of the financial report for the first nine months of the year will be held, up at the next meeting.

The story was asked to study the zoning ordinance to see if it could be strengthened so far as (killer parks) are concerned. They are now flatly prohibited in the township, but it is possible they will be changed to allow them.

Predicts Long, Long Line Ups

"Standing in long lines waiting is no fun but that's what a lot of people are facing right now," said the Farmington Secretary of State Branch Office Manager Gerald G. Gorman.

He made the statement in the quiet of his office in answer to an inquiry on how the sale of auto license plates were going. He said the demand was going to be a record.

Only a broad general outline has been developed, but when it is more complete it will be presented to each community for approval.

RIGHT-OF-WAY would be set for existing roads and for some still in the planning stage. For instance, a 300-foot right of way is proposed for an expressway, while super highways might have 100 to 200 feet of right-of-way. For some mile roads a new width of 120 feet is suggested.

It is hoped to set up a master road plan for the area, under which roads could be added or deleted for good and valid reasons.

Mr. McKillop said this plan does not conflict with township road planning and Charles Leeman, township planning consultant, recommended the planning board consider this plan along with reviewing the zoning ordinance.

COMMERCIAL planning for the township was also discussed at this joint meeting. Mr. Leeman is working on maps and marking commercial zones. For it is proposed these maps be published.

The township now has 438 acres of zoned commercial. It is proposed that under the commercial zoning plan this be reduced to about 330 acres, thereby eliminating poorly zoned property not now used.

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Shift Teachers To Special Ed.

The transfer of two regular teachers in the Farmington school system to fill vacancies for special education instructors was authorized by the School Board Monday night, based on the recommendations of the administration.

Lois Gilson will be re-assigned to a special education classroom at the Dundas Junior High and Bob Moreau, a regular teacher at the Gill Road school, will be transferred to a special education class at the Eagle elementary school.

Both teachers will be taking special training to better equip themselves as special education instructors, it was indicated.

The move was deemed necessary by the administration because of a critical shortage of teachers in the special education field at this time, Superintendent G. V. Harrison said.

Rule Out Circus On School Land

Having a circus on school property on a school day is not desirable. At least this is the consensus of opinion on the Farmington School Board.

The question was brought up as the result of a request from the Farmington Lions Club seeking a portion of land at the Farmington Senior High site as an alternate location for a circus it plans to bring to town Wednesday, May 6.

The alternate site was being sought, it was indicated, as a site for the Lions Club, because it is not certain whether the property across Shawness Road north of the Farmington Plaza Shopping Center will still be available by this date.

Space Tight, So Race On for Extra Room in Township Hall

Offices are really crowded in the township hall, so when the library moved out recently everyone began looking at that 1820 foot room with covetous eyes. First talks about its future use were held by the board Monday night, and they may continue while before a decision can be reached.

First request came from Treasurer Elise Avery on behalf of the women who work there. They like the lounge. Only place they can eat is at their desks, and they have no place to go if sick.

SUPERVISOR Frank Stephenson pointed out the crowded offices for everyone, but particularly the building inspectors. They have a tiny room 5' 4" by 10' 6" with no windows or heat, which contains two desks - one for the building inspectors and the assessors or filing cabinets.

The assessors are crowded, as are the clerk and treasurer.

SMITH STARTED as debate coach for Farmington in 1944. For the first five years local debate teams led a hard road since they were forced to debate with teams from much larger schools. It was not until the inter-lake league was formed that the local teams found themselves in competition with schools of comparable size, Smith related.

This year's varsity debate team, composed of Terry Davis, Michael A. Hamilton, Marlene Dowding and Johanna Walker, were undefeated in eight games.

Work to Start on New School Office, Service Building Soon

A new service and administration building for the Farmington School District will be going under construction as soon as the weather breaks.

Barring unexpected complications, it is expected to be ready for occupancy by the first part of September.

Construction bids were opened by the School Board Tuesday night. The lowest base bids totaled \$126,603.

Figures of the three lowest bidders in each trade have now been turned over to the architects for their study and recommendations. Contracts will likely be awarded at the next regular Board meeting on February 8, Superintendent G. V. Harrison stated.

A TOTAL of 19 bids were received for the general construction work. The three lowest base bids were submitted by Wallace Construction Co., \$88,800; J. C. Nielsen & Co., \$91,103; and T. J. Keim Co., \$91,879. Because of the fact that quotations were also taken on the other low bidders, in connection with the general construction bids, the positions of these three lowest bidders may change.

Sup. Harrison stated that the Board decides to include in the building, he commented.

LOWEST bidder for the mechanical work in a field of 31 was the H. & W. Plumbing and Heating Co. Their base bid was \$26,990. The next two lowest bidders were Birmingham Heating and Air Conditioning - \$27,450, and W. Williams White Co. - \$27,990. Minor alternates yet to be decided on should not affect these base bids, Harrison said.

Other low bidders were the electrical work with the lowest base bid of \$10,813 submitted by the C. & L. Electric Co. Their base bid was \$26,990. The next two lowest bidders were Birmingham Heating and Air Conditioning - \$27,450, and W. Williams White Co. - \$27,990. Minor alternates yet to be decided on should not affect these base bids, Harrison said.

THE TWO STORY building will be constructed on a hillside site approximately 350 to 400 ft. north of Shawness Road and just west of the back boundary of the Our Lady of Sorrows Church property. Entrance will be from the rear of the building.

Included in the lower level of the building will be a receiving room and space for bulk storage, a furniture repair section, a room for bulk care and storage and a large two-bay bus garage. Administrative offices will be located on the second floor.

THE WEST unit at the Farmington Junior High site, where administrative offices are now in classroom use this summer. It is doubtful whether the entire project will be completed by September but it is hoped that at least the first floor can be finished by the opening of school next fall, Supt. Harrison said.

Keep Porches Lit Tonight

Keep your porch light lit tonight!

This is the request of volunteer women workers who will be taking part in the annual Mothers March and calling door-to-door for March of Dimes contributions tonight (Thursday).

Workers have been assigned to canvass all areas of the community.

As has been emphasized repeatedly in the past few weeks, contributions made this year will provide funds for research and treatment into a far wider range of health defects and disorders of the central nervous system.

Hinkles Lease New Building

A modern dry goods and notions store will come to Farmington this spring as the result of leasing by Hinkles, of Redford, of the new store built on Farmington Road by Virgil Cornwell. It is adjacent to the new Bradley Rexall Drug building.

Hinkles have been on Grand River in Redford 46 years, and operates two stores there. Hardware, and a dry goods store, is 3000 feet in size, and the other side of Lansing. These will be continued.

ROY HINKLE said this week new fixtures have been ordered for this store, which will be known as Hinkles of Farmington. It is 3000 feet in size, with glass front and beautiful interior. It will be air conditioned.

William Stewart, a brother-in-law of Mr. Hinkle, will be manager here. The store will sell some sports goods and gifts, and have a baby department also, besides dry goods.

It's hoped to have the new store open soon after March 1.

STATUS of plans for the proposed new elementary school in the Clarenceville district was discussed with the architects at the Jan. 22 board of education meeting.

It was decided baccalaureate services would be continued, and the school will continue the policy of rotating speakers of different religious faiths, with the sermon to be of a religious nature and not doctrinal.

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