



FUTURE ASTRONAUTS and rocket experts met in Normandy Hills last Saturday to launch a few of their models with impressive results to the enjoyment of the onlookers. Some of the boys who were involved in the

## Rocket Club Blast-Off A-OK In Contest Sept. 4

An unusual and exciting display of model rocketry was held in Normandy Hills in Farmington last Saturday afternoon as boys in the Normandy Hills Rocket Club sent their hand made rockets skyward in various competitive events. Parents and friends of the rocket enthusiasts were interested observers from the back yard of the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Skinner.

The young rocketeers, whose ages range from 11 to 14, entered rockets of their own design and kit built units in contests of total flight duration, highest altitude, and altitude accuracy.

Some of the rockets floated back to earth on small parachutes or streamers, while others tumbled down as a means of effecting a safe recovery. One event, interrupted by rain but held the following day, featured two-stage rockets using both booster and upper stage engines.

ROCKETS ENTERED in the contest were 12 inches in diameter and from 9.24 inches long and ignited electrically by small launching platforms, they can reach heights as great as 1,000 feet or more. Recommended safety precau-

tions must be observed during each launching.

Winner of the contest with the most overall points was Mike Skinner followed by Bruce Belcove who ranked second. Greg Strasser and Bill Belcove tied for third place, while fourth place honors went to Dean Tucker.

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## Exchange Club Installs New Slate Sept. 8

Thomas A. Duke, Farmington builder and Trustee on the Farmington Township Board, was officially installed as the new President of the Farmington Exchange Club at the first regularly scheduled luncheon meeting of the business and professional men's organization on Wednesday, September 8.

The officers installed along with Duke were:

CONRAD SULLIVAN, First Vice President; Tom Cox, Second Vice President; Art Lamb, Treasurer; and Fred Menke, Secretary. The installing officer was Elbert Wilcox, Past State President of the Exchange Club.

The September 8 luncheon marked the resumption of the Farmington Exchange Club meetings for the year. The Exchange Club, which meets in the Salem United Church of Christ fellowship hall, 33424 Oakland Avenue, is recessed during the summer.

## No Objections To Re-zoning

Re-zoning of the property adjacent to the Heenev-Sundquist Funeral Home from single family residential to professional office and also re-zoning of the property on which the funeral home itself is situated was officially approved by the City Planning Commission Tuesday night.

No citizens in the immediately surrounding area appeared at the public hearing to voice objection or raise any questions. An earlier public hearing had been held before the City Planning Commission on both re-zoning matters.

The re-zoning of the funeral home property itself was only this property which was R-1 had never been changed to R-10 when updating of the city's zoning ordinance was undertaken some years back.

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Find Two Break-ins On Patrol in City

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Set German Shepherd Obedience Trials

The Detroit German Shepherd and Dog Obedience Training Club, Inc., are holding their Seventh Annual Licensed Obedience Trial for German Shepherd Dogs, on Sunday, September 26 at 3175 Grand River Ave., Farmington, Mich. Entries close Tuesday, Sept. 14, Mrs. Thelma L. Gethan, 12235 Ward Ave., Detroit 27, Mich. (Phone WE 5-4225) Trial Secretary.

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A COMMEMORATIVE STAMP that it is hoped will focus public attention on reducing traffic accidents went on sale this week at post offices throughout the country. Farmington's assistant postmaster Clifford Desormeaux (left) is pictured above with Howard A. Balaire, assistant manager of the Farmington branch of the Automobile Club, with a giant-sized replica of the stamp. Desormeaux is retiring this month, climaxing 40 years with the Post Office, and one of his last official acts was selling a sheet of the new stamp issue to the AAA's Balaire.

## Commemorative Stamp Issued

The postage stamp has been enlisted in Farmington's campaign to reduce traffic accidents. A five-cent commemorative stamp with this theme was placed on sale by the Post Office department September 4.

Noting Automobile Club of Michigan's current summer-long "Bring 'Em Back Alive!" traffic safety campaign, Assistant Postmaster Clifford Desormeaux sold the first sheet of the stamps to Howard A. Balaire, assistant manager of the Farmington division of Auto Club.

First-day national sale was at Baltimore, Md. September 3.

THE STAMP is on sale at post offices throughout the country today.

Richard R. Hurd, a New York City artist, designed the three-color horizontal stamp, dividing it into three panels, white at the top and bottom and green in the center.

The post office printed 115 million of the \$1.50 stamps, the usual number for a commemorative. Auto Club has distributed more than 1,500,000 pieces of literature this summer.

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# Franklin Community Church Celebrates Anniversary

Sunday, September 19, will be a big "Homecoming Day" for the Franklin Community Methodist Church, one of the oldest Methodist Churches in Michigan, in Franklin, Michigan. All old-time member-families or their descendants are urged to attend. At 10 a.m. the church will have a social gathering and to spread the word to anyone who might be interested who might not be contacted by local publicity.

The day will begin with the 2nd Morning Worship Services at 9:30 and 11 a.m. Dr. Herbert Hauser, Executive Director of the Methodist Union, will be the guest speaker at both services. Old-time hymns will be sung and Dr. Frank W. Stephenson, of Adrian, and Curator of the Detroit Conference Historical Society will be participating in both services.

Dr. Stephenson was born in Franklin while his father, the Rev. C. W. Stephenson, was minister here (1881-1885). He has many fond memories of Franklin, and has made many trips back here to visit.

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