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Fire Prevention Parade Includes Bands, Floats

Farmington's Fire Prevention Week Parade this Saturday, Oct. 7, will be one of the largest and best parades that Farmington residents will ever witness. Sargent Jay Harrison, city fire marshal and organizer of the parade, reports that communities as far away from Farmington as Commerce and White Lake will bring something to display.

Harrison said that there will be at least six bands participating. One from Farmington High School; one from Farmington Junior High School; and the 70 piece band of Boy Scout Troop 389.

MORRISON'S KEYSTONE COPS from Detroit, famous all

over the country, will bring its old Model A car that rears into its back wheels while moving and does a complete 360 degree turn before going down again.

There will be fire rigs dating from 1851 and 1819 that are drawn by hand and by team. Fire engines beginning from an old Model T up to modern equipment will be featured.

An old country covered wagon pulled by a team of small mules will make its appearance this weekend.

The Farmington Historical Society has a 40 foot float with the theme of "Make Fires a Thing of the Past."

The first half of the float will be a "before scene"

depicting a glen in the woods. In the glen will be a water fall, a tree, an eight foot 100 pound totem pole and four Indians in full war paint.

The "after scene" will center around a log cabin that will appear to be on fire. Near the cabin will be a well from which people in old fashioned costumes will be drawing water to quench the holocaust.

JOE'S DAUGHTERS in conjunction with Farmington DeMolay are going to enter a

float whose theme is "Fire is Man's Best Friend But Also His Worst Enemy."

Their float will also have two parts to it.

The first half will display a charred forest. The second and last half will display a green and unburnt forest.

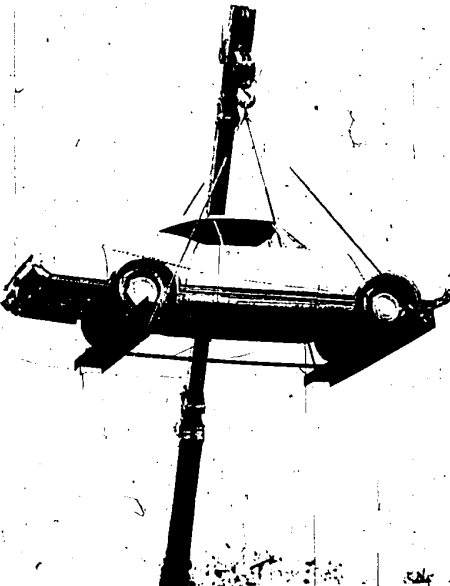
Two more local floats are being entered by Cub Scout Pack 168 from Farmington and Cub Scout Pack 1698 from Southfield.

Eugene Chase, cubmaster for both packs, said that neither pack would give any information

about their respective floats. Chase said that the two groups are in fierce competition with each other and neither one would even tell him what their floats are going to look like.

More than 31 fire engines are expected to be represented in the procession.

There will also be a fire equipment demonstration next to the city fire barn following the parade. An open house is set at the barn from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.



UP IN THE AIR! That's the plight of this auto. Actually, the new model is being used as a promotion gimmick for the new cars. Located in Farmington, the auto can be seen for blocks.

Planners Recommend Rezoning Action To Board

A rezoning request to allow for the construction of apartments on 14 Mile Rd. just south of the North Kimberley Subdivision was carried over to Oct. 26 by the Farmington Township Planning Commission.

In delaying action the planners said that they wanted to hear the reaction of the West Bloomfield Township Planning Commission and the reactions of the residents of North Kimberley to the proposal.

They also asked the developer to provide additional information about the type of apartments and the proposed rezoning.

Commissioner Douglas Mann objected to this request stating that he did not think it a matter of proper investigation for the commission.

Commission Chairman Charles Lorion disagreed and stated that he thought this information would help the commission determine the quality of the development.

Lorion said, however, that the developer was not required to furnish the information to the commission. He noted that

even if the information is provided, the builder is still not bound by it and could reduce the quality of the apartments as long as the buildings conformed to the zoning ordinance.

Commissioner Percy Gardhouse noted that "the developer is still bound by a moral law to live up to his promises and most people are hesitant to break this law."

IN OTHER ACTION the commission set four public hearings for Thursday, Oct. 26. These are:

*A rezoning request to enable the construction of a combined apartment-single family homes development at the corner of Middle Belt and Northwestern.

*A proposal for an office building on the south side of 13 Mile between Orchard Lake and Greening St. The land is currently zoned for business and an office classification is requested.

*A change from B-2 (Business) to B-1 (Business) to permit the expansion of the Mobil gas station at 12 Mile and Farmington Rd.

*A request for rezoning to allow for the construction of an apartment building on a small piece of land on Nine Mile Rd. in Section 36.

THE COMMISSION refused

to set a public hearing on a rezoning request for the corner of 11 Mile and Middle Belt Rds. for the construction of a gas station.

A shopping center is due to be constructed at that corner and John Malpeli, Jr., who requested the rezoning, said that plans were just about complete for the center.

CARRIED over for further consideration at the Oct. 26 session were:

The preliminary plat of a new planned unit development on Nine Mile west of Drus Rd. The developer, John Ustis, was told that he would have to provide a formal application with all the required information that is spelled out in the ordinance.

Ustis told the commission that he had gone to the township hall seeking a listing of the requirements on Monday. He said that the clerk's office was unable to find the list and that Township Supervisor Curtis H. Hall had promised to mail him a copy, but that he had not received the information.

A proposal to construct an office building and apartments on Middle Belt just south of Grand River was also continued for more information.

ommended the establishment of a new zoning district to the Township Board.

Called Special Purpose (SP) District, the new classification is designed to handle buildings which are acceptable for residential neighborhoods, but cannot be built under the township's residential zoning ordinance.

This includes convalescent, rest homes, clinics, homes for the aged, and private clubs and lodges.

Previously there were included in the multiple classifications, but the planning commission is fearful that if the proposal is not built it has no recourse but to allow that the apartments be constructed on the rezoned site if requested.

Township Attorney Joseph T. Brennan said that the purpose of the district was "to avoid having to rezone to multiple for the construction of these facilities in a single family area. The district will never be used except upon specific request."

The planners also recommended the rezoning of a lot on Albion just south of Grand River from residential to parking. A total of 16 parking spaces will be provided. Residents of the area had no objection to the rezoning at the public hearing.

A change in the ordinance concerning the requirements for acceleration and deceleration lanes was also passed by the planning commission for recommendation to the Township Board.

The Parade Route

Saturday's fire prevention parade will begin at Grand River and Mooney St. at 12 noon. The parade route will be west on Grand River to the City Hall.

Prizes will be awarded at the city hall following the parade.

The city's fire prevention activities will get off to an early start when representatives of the city department will appear on Bob Hines' "Morning Show" on Friday, Oct. 6, to discuss the campaign.

At Public Hearing:

No Questions On Sidewalks

The Farmington City Council held a three minute public hearing on sidewalk assessments Monday night and no-one seemed to mind.

In fact, no-one from the city appeared to question their assessments.

THE ONLY question asked during the hearing was by Councilman Hugo Peterson who wanted to know if residents could have sidewalk work done through the city even though their property was not included in the sidewalk installation plan.

City Manager John Dinan said that if anyone wanted the work done for them to contact his office (474-5500).

"The work on this year's program is completed," Dinan said, "but we could probably include the property in next year's program if I give them the names of some contractors."

Dinan noted that "the residents could probably have the work done as cheaply on the way as through the city as

we have some administrative costs involved."

The City Manager did agree with Peterson, however, that it was often difficult to get a contractor to come out for "a small job."

DINAN TOLD the Council that the assessments had been set at 53 cents a square foot for four inch walks; 65 cents a square foot for six inch walks; and 15 cents a square foot for sidewalk removal.

The assessments are payable in one installment if less than \$100; two installments if under \$200; and three installments if more than \$200.

Condition Stable

Farmington Township Clerk Floyd A. Cairns seems to be resting comfortably in St. Mary Hospital following a heart attack Sept. 23.

At press time Monday the hospital listed him as in "fair condition." This was the listing last Thursday for the 53-year-old clerk.



AN ELECTRONIC double-take—with the aid of closed circuit television equipment—focuses on the 11 candidates for Central Michigan University's 1967 Homecoming Queen. Seated from left, are: Connie Wasson, Lockport, N.Y., sophomore; Jeri Malone, Niles, junior; Jill Young, Royal Oak, sophomore; and Jayne Voskuil, Mt. Clemens, junior. Others from left, are: Pam Johnson, Berkley, junior; Rae Reil, Vassar, junior; Marilyn Borst, Farmington, junior; Pat Joseph, Allen Park, sophomore; Sue Stevenson, Onkema, junior; Jean, Wicheck, Freeland, senior; and Sandy Dooley, Roseville, junior.

Council Clears Agenda With Half-Hour Session

Farmington's City Council met Monday night in clearing a relatively short agenda and conducted its public session which included a public hearing—in the record time of 30 minutes.

IN UNANIMOUS votes the Council:

Approved the first resolution for asphalt paving complete with curbs and gutters for Cass Ct. from Fleming west to the Cul de Sac.

This project will be started in the spring along with similar work along Alta Loma and Moore Drives in the Alta Loma Subdivision.

Gave the go-ahead to the City's Department of Public Works for the purchase of a snow plow from the R.C. Moeller Co. at a cost of \$1,099.

The funds for this purchase, which will be used on the city's road packer for snow removal, had been allocated in this year's budget.

Accepted the sewer and water easements and the dedication of the public right-of-way necessary for maintaining the sewer and water facilities at the Valley View Apartments on Grand River.

Heard a progress report on measures taken to meet citizens' complaints about the parking situation at Orchard Lake and Grand River.

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A REAL HOT PIANO! That's what Photographer Ralph Evert thought when he came across this sight while covering a fire in Farmington Township. The musical instrument was in an old home at 12 Mile and Drake Rds. The buildings were scheduled for burning, but vandals beat the firemen to the punch and set the fire during the early morning hours.



THE POSTER SAYS "attention bookworms," and that's just what it is for the Ten Mile School PTA Book Fair to be held Oct. 19-21. Principal Richard A. Close does the honors with the poster. In the center is Mrs. Peter Kulbaba, co-chairman of the event, and at right is David Duolo, Ten Mile fifth grader and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Duolo, of Farmington.

N. Farmington Grad Has Military Funeral

James E. Klett, a 1965 graduate of North Farmington High School, was buried with full military honors Oct. 3 in Accala Park Cemetery.

The 20-year-old Navy hospital corpsman was killed by enemy fire near Con Thien, South Vietnam on Sept. 21, while aiding his wounded comrades in Operation Kingfisher.

Dr. W. Glenn Harris officiated at the funeral services at the Birmingham First United Presbyterian Church. Representatives of the Navy took part in the graveside services.

Klett was the son of Mr. and Mrs. John L. Klett of 5531 Tachworth Place, West Bloomfield Township. The Kletts have two other sons, William, 16, and Mark, 9.

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