

today's hot line

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Festival Deadline

The queen contest and the annual pigeon race are still more events coming during the Farmington Festival. To keep up with the organizers of the annual summer event, see: Page 3A

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Farmington slipped a notch in the 18th District American Legion baseball standings with a 2-0 loss to Walled Lake. For the complete story, flip to today's sport pages. Page 8A

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A folksy TV preacher with a fat bankroll is the subject for today's Religion Update. Read it in our church section. Page 5A

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Two Farmington women who have an important helping project going in the inner city are badly in need of assistance. Find out what you can do for them in today's Church Section. Page 5A

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Growth

Plans Coming On Sewer Project

By DAN MCCOSH

A long-anticipated sewer and water project is closer to completion.

A long-anticipated sewer and water project that could open the whole northwest corner of Farmington Township to development is about to move from the "planning" to the "building" stage.

Two projects, a \$3 million sewer line running out through Quakertown and into the northwest area, and a \$3 million water line serving much of the same area, could conceivably be under way by the end of the year, Clerk Floyd Cairns told the Township Board recently.

An engineering study for a new route on the "10 Mile Arm" sewer through Quakertown will be presented to the board at their next meeting, according to Cairns. He also said he has completed a financial arrangement with a group of developers which will help finance the water project.

THE AREA to be served by the "10 Mile Arm" sewer is bounded roughly by the "valley" of a tributary of the Rouge River that runs from Haggerty Rd. and 13 Mile Rd. to 10 Mile and Drake Rd.

The area to be served is about two miles wide, and the northwest end includes large parcels of vacant land, while closer to the end of the proposed sewer lies the Village of Quakertown. Quakertown residents protested the original proposed route of the sewer, which would have put it beneath the bed of the river, the lowest point of land in the area.

A study conducted by engineering consultants Pate, Howard and Bogue indicates an alternate route, up Farmington Rd. and then west on street right of way, is also feasible.

The new proposed route would involve three pumping stations along the route, according to Cairns. But the shallower depth (the original proposal would have cut 60 feet deep in places) might make the new route about the same cost as the original, Cairns said.

While he also said he would try for some federal funding of the project, such grants are based in part on the wealth of the area needed to be served, and he didn't think Quakertown would easily qualify.

Some indication of the anticipated cost to residents was the "tap-in" charge of \$500 per lot already approved for Kendallwood Subdivision, which is going to hook up to the portion of the pipe already built, along 10 Mile Rd.

THE WATER line would include most of the area served by the "10 Mile Arm" and much more.

The "northwest pressure district" runs from approximately 10 Mile Rd. to 14 Mile Rd., from Haggerty to east of Drake Rd.

A group of developers "all ready to go" have offered to put up \$500,000 to begin construction of a water line serving their 750 acres near Halstead Rd. and 9 Mile Rd.

Half of that money would be refinanced when revenue bonds for the whole project are approved, Cairns said. The other half would be held to pre-pay 832 tap-ins for the development.

Some idea of the size of the anticipated development is indicated by the 3,500 taps expected in the project.

The whole line, when completed with extensions along major roads, will cost about \$3 million, to be financed by revenue bonds.

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PHIL HADLEY recently decorated the garage door of his family home in Farmington Township with paintings of two obscure, turn-of-

-the-century autos. (Observer photo by Mary Paden)

Garage Becomes Easel

By MARY PADEN

Phil Hadley slowed traffic on his street in a northeast Farmington Township subdivision for several weeks after Father's day.

But now, he says, most of the motorists on Arden Park are used to seeing the two almost life size antique cars he painted on the garage door of the family home.

HADLEY, A recent graduate of Harrison High School, said his parents each

picked out a favorite car in an antique car book. While they were on vacation, he painted the cars, with "HIS" and "HERS" license plates, on the garage door.

"They knew I was going to do it," he said, "but they didn't think I would get it done so fast. It was sort of a Father's Day present."

The cars—both rear views—are a 1907 Simplex (50 hp) which was produced in Indiana for four years, for men,

and a 1909 Chalmers 30 hp roadster for dad.

Painting the rear views, so it looks as if the cars are parked in the garage, was a little tricky. The pictures in the book were front and side views.

"Well," Hadley said, "you just follow the lines around and you can figure out what the back looks like."

"Maybe they aren't com-

pletely accurate," he admitted.

HADLEY PLANS to major in architecture at the University of Michigan in the fall.

Asked if he had any commissions from neighbors with blank garage doors, he said a woman motorist had expressed interest but did not leave her name.

He said he is waiting for the lady in the red Mustang to come back and make a deal.

First In Township

Lady Policeman Named

By MARY PADEN

Farmington Township Police Dept. now has a woman's department—Linda Harris.

"I've never wanted to be anything but a policeman," Miss Harris said after her swearing in Tuesday.

She started working as a clerk in the police department under it's cadet program when she was 18.

Normally she would have been eligible to be sworn in and begin training for the force when she turned 21, but the township didn't have a women's department and didn't need one.

The women's department handles investigation in cases involving women and male juveniles under 10 years of age.

SO THERE WAS a three year wait during which she became an auxiliary policeman, was secretary to the police chief and worked in just about every bureau in the department.

As an auxiliary policeman, she was called on to transport and frisk female prisoners and help with some investigations.

"Most departments require a woman or another policeman to be present when a woman prisoner is being

questioned or transported," she said.

She also became a crack shot on Farmington's six-member pistol team which walked off with 11 trophies from the national police combat championship competition last year.

Miss Harris won the Michigan female police combat championship this year and will compete for the national championship in Jackson, Miss., in October. By that time, she will have completed her two month training at the Metropolitan Police Academy in Detroit.

There is little chance she will have to use her shooting skill on anything but targets. A Detroit policeman said no

policewoman has ever been shot or shot anyone in that city.

WHILE WORKING as a secretary, Miss Harris attended a juvenile seminar at Oakland University, in-service policeman training at Wayne State University and classes in police administration at Oakland Community College.

Recently the number of juvenile cases has increased enough to warrant a policeman. Miss Harris said the department's one juvenile officer had 64 cases on his log last week.

The juvenile bureau is under the detective bureau. A quiet woman with a quick smile, Miss Harris spoke enthusiastically about her new job. Most of her duties won't be new, but now she will be free from the secretarial work and enjoy a hefty pay increase.

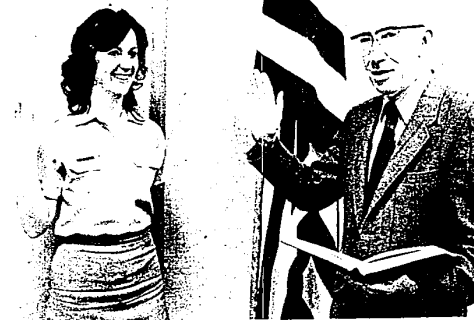
"I'd like to go into the schools and talk to the kids," she said. "I'd tell them that if they are thinking about running away to call me first. I would bend over backwards to help them solve their problems."

SHE SAID the number of runaways has increased sharply during the summer because "they can just stay outside at night."

A lifetime resident of Farmington Township, Miss Harris lives with a roommate in a house trailer.

She said none of the members of her Farmington family was in police work, but she recently discovered a cousin in Nebraska who is a deputy sheriff.

"We sent clippings back and forth," she said. "Things are a little different in Nebraska."



LINDA HARRIS was sworn in as Farmington Township's first policewoman by Township Clerk Floyd Cairns Tuesday.

Entrants Wanted For Pet Show

Entry forms for the annual Farmington Founders Festival pet show are now available from merchants in the Farmington Plaza.

The pet show will be held at 3 p.m., Friday, July 28 at the Plaza, under the direction of a local veterinarian, John H. Richardson.

Trophies will be awarded for first, second and third place in each of ten categories. First place winners will compete for best of show honors.

Trophies can be seen at the Pets 'N' Particulars store near the Plaza center. Entry forms should be turned in to that store by 6 p.m. Thursday, July 27, the day before the show.

FOCUS: Suburbia

looks at pie safes and other antique-type furnishings that are as popular as they are difficult to find... For a look at the world at antiques

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