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15% Issue Defeated at Town Meeting

Editor's Note: Much discussion, Pro and Con, has centered on the so-called "15 per cent issue" since a petition was filed earlier this year by eight Strathmore residents claiming in behalf of the Civic Association that land should legally be granted by Levitt and Sons, Inc., in the development for recreational and other non-residential uses. It is in the interest of presenting an accurate and objective - and brief - report of the recent decision by the Matawan Township Committee covering this issue that your newspaper reprints this article from the RED BANK REGISTER.

The Matawan Township Committee ended a five-month argument when it voted 4 to 0 to deny the petition of Strathmore residents in the "15 percent issue."

Committeeman Henry E. Traphagen abstained from voting because, he explained, two-and-half years ago he sold some property to Levitt and Sons, Inc. for the Strathmore project.

The petitioners, including Robert J. Chesterman, president of Strathmore Civic Association; Herbert J. Parker, association zoning chairman, and Township Committeeman-elect Jay Krivitzky, had claimed that Levitt did not set aside 15 per cent of total project land for non-residential purposes, as required in the zone code.

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Levitt Presents Road-Building Schedule

At a special Matawan Township Planning Board meeting, Levitt & Sons, Inc., presented a schedule of its road-building program. The items of greatest interest to Strathmore residents are:

- Lloyd Rd. - from Church St. - to R.R. Bridge
.....begin-May - finish-July
- Church St. - from Line Rd. - to Atlantic Ave.
.....begin-Spring - finish-Sept. 15
- S. Atlantic Ave. - from Rt. 34 - to Church St.
.....begin-July - finish-August
- Lloyd Rd. - from Rt. 34 - to Marlboro
.....begin-July - finish September
- Atlantic Ave. - from Church St. - to High Sch.
.....begin-Spring - finish September

All of this work was originally scheduled for completion this year. Levitt contends that the delays, for the most part, have caused by the fact that the township has not yet obtained all of the rights-of-way for the roads.

The township has little actual control or guarantee of this work be-

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Dec. 19 Meeting News

The Strathmore Civic Association will meet Dec. 19 at the Matawan Regional High School. Meeting time is 8:00 p.m. at the school on Atlantic Ave.

A spokesman for the Bayshore Community Hospital will be the featured guest. He will outline plans of an area group of physicians and businessmen to build a 100-bed, \$2,250,000 facility near the Garden State Parkway off Beers St. in neighboring Holmdel Township.

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STOP SIGNS SOON?

Matawan Township has started the final steps toward the erection of stop signs at some of the reportedly dangerous intersections in Strathmore and the rest of the township.

The Township Committee has passed a resolution declaring certain major roads, such as Church St., to be considered "Through Streets" and has

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Gas Station Permit Sought on Lloyd Road

An application has been filed with the Matawan Township Zoning Board of Adjustment for a variance to build an Atlantic gas station on the property located at the corner of Lloyd Road, and Gerard Ave. The site, opposite the Clark St. access road to the southbound land of the Garden State Parkway, is now zoned for residential use only.

Residents in the area have protested the variance. The board has scheduled a further hearing December 20 in order that the protesting residents in the area might obtain legal counsel.

The Zoning Committee and Planning Committee of the Civic Association, in accordance with the resolution passed last spring by the association instructing the committees to oppose any commercial development in the immediate area of Strathmore, also will oppose this variance.

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Bath and Tennis Club Election

The Strathmore Bath and Tennis Club has been formally transferred from Levitt and Sons, Inc., to the 750 members of the recreational facility. Nine trustees are now in charge, having been elected at an organization meeting Dec. 2.

Elected from a field of 46 candidates were these residents: Robert J. Chesterman, William J. Allingham, Hugh Dalzell, Robert Feldman, James H. Lynham, Marvin Randolph, Thomas Powers, Robert Taylor and William McCrea. Approximately 500 persons voted, with a second ballot required before the top nine candidates received a majority of votes necessary for election.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR

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Know Your Solicitors and Their Services

It has been called to the attention of your newspaper's editorial staff that a number of Strathmore residents have been recently disturbed, financially and other ways, by one or more smooth-talking solicitors seeking business in this new development. The salesmen, quick with the right word and promising approach, are equally fast with their getaway and another's money following the performance of a job or the delivery of a good which falls far short of the service "personally guaranteed." One so-called front door Machiavellian has reportedly conned several unknowing housewives out of between \$45 to \$90 to spread a "miracle" fertilizer on their properties for the grass which will "rise overnight." Outraged husbands who have attempted to hunt down the mystical manager of green growth have found that no one is quite sure who he is, where he lives or what product or company he represents. They have learned, however, that even strangers can cash a check in one day before payment can be stopped. They have learned, too, as is our plea to all readers, that there is much truth to the time-tested warning: **BUYER BEWARE!**

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School Board and Budget Elections

Ed. Note: Because of the extreme importance we are reprinting the following editorial from a recent issue of the Parent Association Newsletter:

**EDITORIAL: URGENT: IMPERATIVE:
 THE FACTS:**

1. Some classes in the Matawan School System will have to go on double session in September, 1964.

2. The pay scale of the teachers in the Matawan School System is below that of the surrounding communities. What can YOU, as vitally interested and personally affected members of this community, do?

If want fully qualified teachers; if you want double-sessions eliminated quickly, YOU can:

BE INFORMED!

The Board of Education is now in the process of drawing up next year's school budget. A bulletin on the budget will be printed and distributed. The Civic Association's Education Committee and your Parent's Association will give you all the information available. Only YOU can read the facts so that YOU understand the situation. **MAKE YOUR VIEWS KNOWN:**

An open hearing on the budget will be held in January. The candidates for the two vacancies on the Board of Education will speak at the January meeting of the Strathmore School Parent's Association.

Attend These Meetings!

Ask Questions!

Register! Register! Vote! Vote!

Interest and information mean nothing unless they are translated into action!

The election will be held *February 4, 1964*. You must be registered 40 days prior to that or by *December 20, 1963*, in order to be eligible to vote. If you voted in the general election in November you are already registered.

Although new residency requirements for voting of 6 months State and 40 days County were approved by referendum this past November, they have not yet been ratified by the Legislature.

For your information the present residency requirements are:

State - 1 Year
 County - 5 Months

You may register at the Municipal Clerk's Office, Township Hall, Main Street, Matawan.

EDUCATION COSTS MONEY!

BE INFORMED!

MAKE YOUR VIEWS KNOWN!

President Prescribes . . .

It is indeed a pleasure to be given the opportunity to enter your homes through the medium of our newly expanded OBSERVER. The wide coverage of this newspaper gives me the chance to mention some of the accomplishments of your Civic Association. This we shall do from time to time. More important now though, is to welcome the new residents to this rapidly expanding development known as "Strathmore."

The word "Strathmore" brings to mind a very essential matter. During my visits to Township Meetings and while in discussions with many of the natives of Matawan Township, I have been led to believe that the name "Strathmore" has become an enigma.

It is necessary to an extent to refer to this area as "Strathmore" because Levitt and Sons, Inc., has advertised the name of this development far and wide in order to sell its houses. We often refer to where we live as "Strathmore" since persons in New York City and in other neighboring large cities have over the last year and a half heard of it more frequently and recognize it by this name than if we referred to our new home territory as "Matawan Township."

It is understandably difficult to be readily accepted as part of the local community by persons who have known Matawan Township as home for many, many years. Their farmlands and rural atmosphere are being eaten up by suburbia. They resent to some degree the intrusion of large blocks of new persons who generally are the carriers of change to the old and tried.

However, we must respect the feelings of those we tend to disturb when searching for a more favorable environment in which to live and raise our families. Let us begin by dropping the word "Strathmore" in our speech and using the more embracing and meaningful phrase "Matawan Township". It will help to prevent the erection of any wall of discontent or disrespect which some persons have rumored and others are convinced is being built.

Robert J. Chesterman

**REGISTER: Before December 20, 1963
 . . . VOTE: On February 4, 1964, for an
 intelligently planned, adequate, budget
 and the best qualified candidates.**

Reprinted Parents Association
 Newsletter

SPORTS OF THE MONTH

Bowling — The Strathmore Bowling League, already composed of 10 teams, has plans to add another 10 teams the first of next year. The reason is simple: response to the new league has been terrific.

Under the direction of Sol Rosenstock, president, the league meets every Thursday at 8:30 p.m. at Airport Plaza Lanes on Rt. 36. Other league officers are Ellis Davis, Vice President; Marvin Krieger, Secretary; and Bob Polle, Treasurer.

Al Grubow has rolled the highest to date, 181. Ed Winiarski boasts the highest game, 265. The top series belongs to Fred Rosen with a sizzling 727. The 10 teams are named: The Miners, The Emanons, The Crowns, The CPA's, The Strath Vanderbilts, The Rat Finks, The Kock-A-Mamies, The Strats, Lucas Atlantic and Abe's Apes.

A trophy is given each week to the player who bowls the highest single game. Fred Rosen, Norman Barnash, Joe La Russe, Ed Winiarski, Hal Conrad, Al Brubow, Mort Rezak, Hal Rothman and Marvin Krieger al-

ready have been winners.

Basketball — The Matawan Township Recreation Commission has formed a 13 to 17-year old Boys Basketball League. The league is open only to boys who are residents of the township, meet the age requirements and are not members of the Freshman, Junior Varsity or Varsity teams at school. Anyone interested in coaching these youngsters is asked to contact Bob Feldman at 566-7526. Games have been scheduled for Thursday and Friday evenings.

The recreation commission also is planning an Adult Basketball League. Registration will be held on Wed. evening Dec. 18th at Strathmore Elem. between 7:30 and 8:30.

Football — Two-hand touch-football games are scheduled for practise at 10:00 a.m. every Sunday behind the Strathmore Elementary School. A regular game is played at 1:00 p.m. the same day at the Matawan Regional High School field. All are welcome to come out and work off the excess.

A Strathmore team defeated the Bergen County All-Stars, 12 to 8, in a

touch-football game November 24. Strathmore did all its scoring in the first half. The first touchdown came on a 60-yard punt return by Al Esperrin. Dick Schwartz made it 12 to 0 as he hauled in a touchdown pass in the end zone. Bergen got on the scoreboard in the second half on a safety and then a touchdown pass in the closing seconds of play.

Strathmore's offense was sparked by Esperrin's passing and the rugged line play of Larry Sacerdote, Bob Reilly and Ronnie Josephs. Fred Hilflicker, Jim Rainsford and Bob Feldman led the defense. Coaching changed hands with every substitution.

Softball — A belated congratulations to the winners of the local softball league. Players who will receive individual trophies in the near future are: Bob Conover, Larry Sacerdote, Bill Phelan, Fred Rosen, Don Hirsch, Bob Kodack, Jay Krivitzky, Don Lawlor, Ed Shetlick, Marvin Paris and Ted Schneider.

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*Report above page
\$1,054,600 profit
cash for Strathmore
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Levitt Profits Up

Levitt and Sons, Inc., reported for the six months ended August 31, 1963, a profit of \$1,054,600 before federal income taxes, and a net profit of \$604,600 after taxes. This compares with a net profit of \$39,300 for corresponding period last year.

William J. Levitt, president, said the first-half earnings equal 20 cents a share as compared with earnings of one cent a share during the first half of the last fiscal year. Of the 20 cents, 8½ cents are profits from foreign investments.

Total sales for the period were \$16,613,200 as compared with \$14,684,400 for the same period last year.

Mr. Levitt said both sales and earnings for the second half of the current fiscal year are expected to be "substantially higher" than during the first six months.

The company reported earnings of 46 cents a share for the year ended February 28, 1963.

The Parliamentarian's Corner

Parliamentary Law is built upon the principle that rights must be respected—rights of the majority, of the minority, of individuals, and of absentees.

Each of the forty-four parliamentary motions listed in "Robert's Rules of Order" has evolved to serve one or more of these purposes.

The principle that the decision of the majority is accepted as the decision of the assembly, has long been recognized. Yet it has been found that an assembly sometimes needs protection from itself against hasty or repeated change of previous action. Thus, Parliamentary Law requires a two-thirds vote to change action previously agreed upon, whereas only a majority was required for adoption.

To illustrate, to protect against hurried alteration of an organizations fundamental rules, amendment of constitution or by-laws always requires both previous notice and a two-thirds vote (Robert's Rules page 269). Strangely enough, this is not the case with the by-laws of the Strathmore Bath and Tennis Club which were drawn up by the Levitt organization. Their by-laws allow a majority of trustees (5) to change the by-laws at will. Previous notice is not required, nor is it required that the Members be notified of any changes. There are other things wrong with the Club's by-laws. Little protection is therefore provided for the rights of the membership. One wonders why a weak constitution was written. With the tremendous task that the trustees have, namely accepting the pool in good condition from the Levitt organization, they are also saddled with the extra and unnecessary burden of composing a sensible and complete set of by-laws.

Next month the "Parliamentarian's Corner" will consider the academic question of whether the election of the Board of Trustees for the Strathmore Bath and Tennis Club would have been legal had the motion "To have the Secretary cast a unanimous ballot for the nine candidates with the highest number of votes" been passed. None of the candidates received a majority vote on the first ballot — a requirement necessary for election as set forth in the Club's by-laws.

JOIN A COMMITTEE

Editor's Note: We are publishing the following list of names so that all residents of Strathmore can become better acquainted with those persons who are the leaders of your Civic Association. We hope, too, that any one interested in participating more actively in the association will express his or her willingness to one of the officers.

- President.....Robert J. Chesterman, 507 Line Rd., 566-7522
 - Vice President.....William M. Lynch,
60 Idlewild La., 566-4474
 - Secretary..... Frank J. Clement, 16 Imbrook La., 566-7867
 - Treasurer..... Edward G. Olson, 51 Avalon La., 566-7838
 - Education Committee James R. Snyder Jr.,
31 Andover La., 566-7284
 - Membership Committee..... Hans H. Froehlich,
39 Ayrmont La., 566-7770
 - Property and Utilities Committee Norton H. Berlin,
43 Idlewild La., 566-7545
 - Public Relations Comm Laurence A. Price,
12 Ayrmont La., 566-7645
 - Recreation Committee Robert Feldman,
84 Ayrmont La., 566-7526
 - Streets and Safety Committee Robert G. Taylor
109 Avondale La., 566-7142
 - Taxation Committee Thomas F. Shortell,
79 Idlewild La., 566-7394
 - Zoning and Planning Committee Herbert J. Parker
43 Ayrmont La., 566-7647
 - Legal Counsel Richard T. Schwartz,
6 Anton Pl., 566-7743
 - Ex-Officio Member George C. Hill
21 Imbrook La., 566-7287
- Mrs. Kenneth P. Collins, 109 Andover La., 566-7157, is recording secretary. Three special committees have been recently appointed for particular projects.
- They are: Charter Commission Review Committee
....Stephen W. Levine, 19 Ambler La., 566-7523
- Metro Feasibility Study Committee
....Edwin Pordy, 98 Andover La., 566-7644
- Bayshore Community Hospital Study Committee
....Arthur T. Goodwin, 94 Andover La.,
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NAME	SPECIALTY	ADDRESS	TEL. NO.
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Berger, S.	Ped.	158 Main Street, Matawan.	566-0406
Cantor, E.L.	Ob. Gyn.	2780 High.35, Hazlet.	671-3220
Captanian, A.A.	Surg.	213 Main Street, Matawan	566-2363
Carbone, R.	Ob. Gyn.	832 Poole Ave., Hazlet	264-4271
Casagrande, A.	G.P.	213 Main St., Matawan	566-2363
Ciampa, R.	Surg.	883 Poole Ave., Hazlet	264-5200
Ciampa, P.	Surg.	883 Poole Ave., Hazlet	264-2600
Cooper, J.P.	MD	96 Main St., Matawan	566-2560
Dell'Aira, I.	MD	290 Middle Rd., Hazlet	264-2141
Donato, J.F.	MD	2 Avondale Lane, Matawan	566-7477
Friedman, M.J.	MD	47 Bethany Rd., Matawan	264-3444
Garruto, A.	MD	85 Fleetwood Dr., Hazlet	264-8484
Korwalsky, B.R.	Ob. Gyn.	2 Avonale Lane, Matawan	566-0100
Kyrillos, J.M.	Ped.	158 Main St., Matawan	566-3002
Lazow, I.M.	MD	199 Main St., Matawan	566-1771
Marcellus, H.L.	Ob. Gyn.	883 Poole Ave., Hazlet	264-7763
Massell, G.M.	Ob. Gyn.	883 Poole Ave., Hazlet	264-7763
Matucci, R.J.	Ob. Gyn.	158 Main St., Matawan	566-6004
Panzer, M.D.	Ped.	48 Bethany Rd., Hazlet	264-1088
Rush, M.R.	MD	883 Poole Ave., Hazlet	264-2424
Shore, S.H.	MD	428 Lloyd Rd., Matawan	566-7711
Weldon, J.A.	MD	604 Homdel Rd., Hazlet	264-5253
Zinke, Myra R.	MD	70 Ravine Dr., Matawan	566-4144
PUBLIC HEALTH ASSOCIATION			145 Broad St., Matawan 566-1095
BABY CLINIC			Broad St., Matawan - 3rd Wed. of every month
PRENATAL CLINIC			Borough Hall, 18 Main St., Keyport - 1st & 3rd Fridays

HOSPITALS

Fitkin Memorial	1945 Corlies, Neptune	775-5500
Monmouth Medical	300 Second Ave., Long Branch	222-5200
Perth Amboy General	530 N. Bruns. Ave., Perth Amboy	442-3700
Riverview Hospital	35 Union, Red Bank	741-2700

DENTISTS

NAME	ADDRESS	TEL. NO.
Ahlert, Patricia	46 Bethany Rd., Hazlet	264-7544
Cohen, J.B.	298 Middle Rd., Hazlet	264-7582
Fass, P.	85 Fleetwood Rd., Hazlet	264-7070
Rossner, P.D.	85 Fleetwood Rd., Hazlet	214-7070
Isaacson, R.J.	158 Main St., Matawan	222-1294
Lazaroff, M.	451 Middle Rd., Hazlet	787-6700
Levin, G.E.	158 Main St., Matawan	566-2526
Lichtman, B.	3 Avondale Lane, Matawan.	566-7848
Marchigiano, T.	854 Poole Ave., Hazlet	264-3056
McCue, J.W.	158 Main St., Matawan	566-2396
Mergenthaler, W.	883 Poole Ave., Hazlet	264-7615
Ogens, W.	169 Main St., Matawan	566-1754
Pengel, W.	196 Main St., Matawan	566-0806
Regan, C.	46 Bethany Rd., Hazlet	264-7544
Rosenson, B.	482 Lloyd Rd., Matawan	566-2212
Seligman, M.	883 Poole Ave., Hazlet	264-6114
Stafflinger, F.	111 Main St., Matawan	566-0862

CHIROPRACTOR

Peltzman, L.A.	44 Ambler Lane, Matawan	566-7658
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PSYCHOLOGIST

Siss, R.H.	8 Miriam Dr., Matawan	566-0543
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ELECTROLYSIS

Myers, S.	101 Ivy Way, Matawan	566-8697
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PERMANENT MONTHLY MEETING CALENDAR

	1ST WEEK	2ND WEEK	3RD WEEK	4TH WEEK
M O N	Township Committee Vets. of Foreign Wars	Bd. of Health Bayview Womens Assoc. Vets. Memorial Home Dist. 5 and 6 Democratic Club Fire Comm. Dist. 1	Township Committee Vets. of Foreign Wars Bd. of Education	Vets. Memorial Home Recreation Comm. Mat. Twp. Ladies Aux. First Aid Cub Scout Pack 237
T U E S	Mat. Twp. First Aid Sq. Mat. Lodge 192 F & AM Alter Rosary Soc. (K) Boy Scout Troop 66 Brownie Troop 36 Temple Shalom (Bd. Mtg.)	Mat. Twp. Hose & Chem. Co. Boy Scout Troop 66 Brownie Troop 36 Strathmore Jewish Center (Bd. Mtg.)	Mat. Twp. First Aid Sq. Mat. Lodge 192 F & AM Boy Scout Troop 66 Brownie Troop 36	Mat. Twp. Hose & Chem. Co. Boy Scout Troop 66 Brownie Troop 36 Strathmore Jewish Center Sisterhood
W E D	Mat. Grammar Sch. PTA Strathmore Parents Assoc. Girl Scout Troop 69 Knights of Columbus 3234 Temple Shalom Adult Education	Sirius Chap. 123 Cub Scout Pack 66 Girl Scout Troop 69 Dist. 4, 5 and 6 Democratic Club Strathmore Civic Assoc. (Ex. Comm.) Temple Shalom Adult Education	Planning Board Baby Clinic Girl Scout Troop 69 Mat. Ladies Aux. Twp. Hose & Chem. Co. Knights of Col. Council 3234 Strathmore Civic Assoc. Temple Shalom Adult Education	Mat. Twp. Sewerage Auth. Sirius Chap. 123 Girl Scout Troop 69 Dem. Club. Dist. 1, 2 and 3 Zoning Bd. of Adjustment Temple Shalom Adult Education Matawan Regional H.S. P.T.A.
T H U R S	Ladies Aux. Guad. Post 4745 Butler Lodge Mat. Twp. Taxpayers Assoc. Cambridge Park Baby Sitting Pool Boy Scout Tr. 237	Rose of Sharon Chap. Eastern Star Strathmore Jewish Center Sisterhood (Bd. Mtg.) Boy Scout Tr. 237	Ladies Aux. Guad. Post 4745 Butler Lodge Strathmore Jewish Center Boy Scout Tr. 237	Mat. Reg. High Sch. PTA Rose of Sharon Chap. Eastern Star Boy Scout Tr. 237
F R I			Cub Scout Pack 80	Industrial Comm.

Santa Claus Visits Local Drive-In

For all children during the Christmas season, free balloons, candy canes, and lollipops right from Santa himself at Stewarts Drive-In, just south of the corner of main and Broad Streets, Matawan. Coffee and doughnuts for us grownups - shucks!

CORRECTION

Gale's Keyport Hardware ad in last month's issue mistakenly showed the store as being open on Thursday nights instead of Friday nights. We are sorry for any inconvenience this error may have caused.

We will run a monthly calendar of events which you can use to plan or announce your group functions. If you have any definite dates scheduled and wish to insure full attendance, please phone Mrs. Eleanor Schafer, 556-7847. This way we can set up a clearing house for activities and community programs of wide interest and prevent conflict of social functions.

Here are two events which have been called to our attention by the parents Association of the Strathmore Elementary School:

December 27-Movie: "The Three Caballeros".

January 2 -Movie: "Ichabod And Mr. Toad".

Tickets are on sale at the Strathmore Elementary School, December 17 and 18 - 10:00 A.M. to 3:30 P.M.

Donation - 50¢

Pythias Lodge Honors John F. Kennedy

A Knights of Pythias Lodge, to be formed in Strathmore, will be named after the late President John F. Kennedy. It will be known as the John F. Kennedy Centennial Lodge No. 100.

The announcement was made by Deputy Grand Chancellor, Ronald Chuyen, 18 Ayrmont La.

The Knights of Pythias was the very first organization to be chartered by the United States Congress. The fraternal group will celebrate its 100th year in 1964.

Mr. Chuyen requests that all persons interested in joining the new local lodge call him at 566-1267.

ASSOCIATION ACCEPTING '64 MEMBERSHIPS; CURRENT MEMBERSHIP REACHES 1,150

The Membership Committee is extending 1964 membership in advance to all residents of Strathmore and Storyland who joined the Civic Association on or after November 15, 1963. That is, any resident's membership from that date remains active through March, 1965.

Members who had joined prior to November 15 should not pay their 1964 dues until March, 1964, when the annual membership dues of \$2 per household is normally payable.

Mrs. Kathleen Bradshaw, 44 Juniper Pl., has been appointed section chief for Juniper Park. According to Hans H. Froehlich, committee chairman, volunteers "are urgently needed for the recently opened Oxford Park section and for Deerfield Park." Mr. Froehlich's telephone is 566-7770.

STRATHMORE SURVEYS

The Township Planning Board has received a letter from Levitt & Sons Inc. stating that they do not believe the subdivision ordinance requires them to survey Strathmore lots. Levitt's letter, written by Wendell Smith, their chief counsel, states that they interpret the law to mean that the developer may, if he so chooses, survey the lots and stake them. The Planning Board requested their counsel, Mr. Lawrence Lemer, a Strathmore resident, to study the ordinance and to determine whether Levitt is compelled to do the survey.

The members of the Civic Association Zoning Committee believe that the law is clear and they can not fathom how the words of the ordinance "...the developer shall place solid iron stakes. . . on all lot corners," could possibly be twisted by Levitt to mean that they may place solid iron stakes etc. if he wants to.

The Civic Association will do everything it can to force this issue and to obtain a free accurate survey for every Strathmore homeowner, as soon as possible.

Toastmasters Club Formation Possible

The opportunity to form a Toastmasters Club in Strathmore is available. According to Frank J. Clement, 16 Imbrook La., the president of the Holmdel Toastmasters Club has pledged his assistance in organizing such a group here.

Mr. Clement, secretary of the Civic Association, said, "There is some misunderstanding of the function of Toastmasters. Contrary to what the name implies, Toastmasters is not concerned with drinking, fixing electric toasters or training a person to be a George Jessel. It is a non-profit, membership organization concerned with self-improvement of speaking abilities. For about a dollar a month, to cover the cost of educational materials, Toastmasters offers essentially the same training as other more expensive courses."

A minimum of 20 members is necessary to charter a new club. Any person interested in further information on Toastmasters can call Mr. Clement at 566-7867.

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The importance of one gas station at the subject site might be questioned, according to the zoning committee. However the committees concern is that, once such a variance is granted, it will become increasingly more difficult to block commercial development within Strathmore itself.

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cause it is being done "voluntarily" by Levitt, with no actual contract. Recently the township requested Levitt to furnish a performance bond, but Levitt refused to do so. It is obvious from the schedule that a good deal of the work will not be done until after the last Strathmore home is finished. The township, thus, will have no way left to force completion of the project.

The township committee recently questioned Alexander Polett, Levitt vice president, about the narrow bridge on Lloyd Road adjacent to Ivyhill Park. The township asked what Levitt was going to do about the dangerous condition presented by the "hour-glass neck" at the bridge. Mr. Polett, despite his knowledge of the details of this development, claimed that he did not know anything about it.

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A home-workshop demonstration by a skilled craftsman is another highlight scheduled for the evening's program.

The business phase of the meeting will cover committee reports and a discussion of recent activities of the association. All members are encouraged to attend and participate in an open review of association matters. New residents are especially welcome.

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Designated Improperly?

They contended that 88 acres which Levitt labeled as non-residential were designated improperly, including 49 acres of drainage rights-of-way.

The officials who voted to deny the petition have taken the stand that the township's Planning Board approved Levitt's designations of land, and that the governing body had no reason or right to over-rule the planners.

Richard T. Schwartz, attorney for the petitioners, said that even when the new administration takes over Jan. 1, the case cannot be reopened at the Township Committee level.

"If there is any further action," he said, "it would have to be court action."

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John Provalone appearing before the Cracker Committee had this to say:

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Because of the above adverse publicity, Angelo Minestrone said that Provalone will not appear on Crackers again. However, he advised the mothers of Strathmore to keep their children away from the brooks, and the fathers not to drink while driving.

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Wendell Smith, legal counsel for Levitt, said the cost to his company for the club was \$279,433. The purchase price for residents was \$262,500. This figure was based on 750 residents paying a \$350. initiation fee each.

Mr. Smith went on to say that the cost of operating the club was \$22,300 during its first year. Only \$17,000 was received in revenues. He said the deficit - \$5,300 - was accumulated because there was not full membership in the organization during the year.

As acting chairman, Mr. Smith fielded the following questions (his answers follow each question) from members:

- 1. (Q) Will the pool be any better when turned over to the residents?
(A) I wouldn't accept anything unless it was in order. I believe the Board of Trustees should do the same thing.
- 2. (Q) Do the expenses include the water?
(A) I may mislead you. I assumed it did but I did not read the contract with the company which operated the pool.

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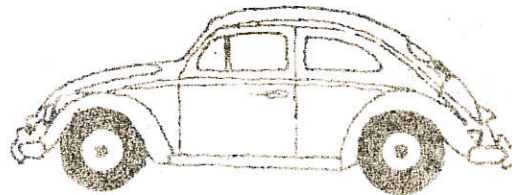
authorized the placing of stop signs at the intersecting streets. The ground work for this step has taken almost a full year. It involved approval by the New Jersey State Highway Department and coordination with surrounding municipalities.

According to the Civic Association's Zoning Committee, this first step will leave "many dangerous conditions unsolved." A spokesman for the committee said, "The length of time between the initial investigation and the final erection of the traffic control signs has been too lengthy. No time should be lost in finding any deficiencies which might still exist and immediately starting work to have them corrected."

- 3. (Q) Free and clear when turned over?
(A) Yes.
- 4. (Q) Can we increase membership?
(A) Membership cannot exceed 750 according to the by-laws.
- 5. (Q) Any taxes involved?
(A) Again I plead ignorance, but it is a non-profit organization.

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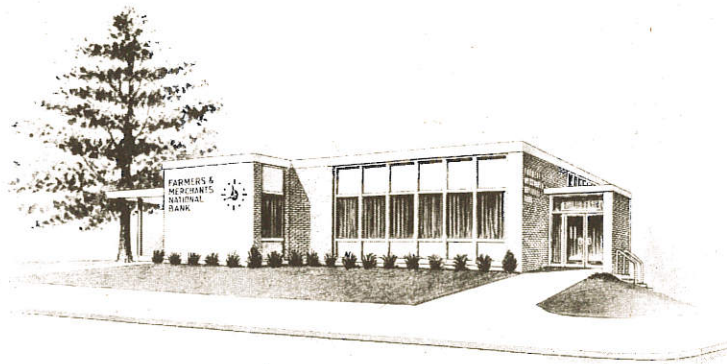
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