

Today, realize that every day from now on you will show your appreciation to at least one other person who is important, or even a larger part of your life. Gratitude, revealed, is most important food for souls.

Break Ground on 1200 Home Southfield Sub

SOUTHFIELD—Ground-breaking ceremonies for Cranbrook Village, largest new home development ever undertaken by a single company in Michigan, were held last week at the site of the 1200-home development. First models are expected by late August.

The \$30-million project, which extends from 12 Mile to 15 Mile and from Evergreen to Southfield, is under development by Rodney Lockwood and company, who also are builders of Cambridge Village and Birwood Hills.

ROLLING terrain, an abundance of trees, and a winding stream will help create a country atmosphere, according to Lockwood, who added that the beauty of the subdivision will be enhanced by quaint bridges across the stream and by creation of small lake and park within the subdivision.

Completion is expected within the next four years, depending upon the demand. Prices will range up from \$17,500. "We find that the higher priced homes are being bought much quicker and we hope to confine our operations more and more to the higher-priced homes," Lockwood said.

THERE will be a picturesque farm-type fence around the entire development, Lockwood said, and each home will be completely landscaped. A great variety of mature trees and other landscaping features will be added to the overall attractiveness of the subdivision.

In addition to 15,000 shade trees now on the development, an additional 6,000 maple and elm trees are planned to be planted along the streets, which will be paved by the developer.

House design and subdivision layout are the result of a nationwide study by Lockwood and Gilbert Savage. "We have brought to Cranbrook Village all of the best features suitable to our climate which have been found in the best subdivisions throughout the United States," said Lockwood.

THE SCOPE of the development becomes apparent when one considers the fact that Lockwood must install a complete community water system, a sewage treatment plant (which will go out of operation when the Evergreen Inter-

Increase Sewage Capacity In SE Oakland County

A capacity increase of 10 cubic feet per second for the sewage disposal system in southeastern Oakland County, was announced last week by Ralph A. Main, Oakland County drain commissioner.

Report of the study of negotiations with Detroit officials was announced last week by Main at a meeting of city managers and supervisors in the 12-Town drain area, and the advisory committee of southeastern Oakland County.

Additional disposal systems will cost between \$75,000 and \$90,000. Main said, but there will be no assessment of the taxpayers.

THE increase boosts the capacity from 40 to 50 cubic feet per second in the system.

Bids for purchase of two 25-cubic-foot capacity pumps will be taken within 30 days to replace the two 15-cubic-foot capacity pumps now in use.

Need of a present pumping schedule after heavy rains will be eliminated when one of the pumps, equipped to pump automatically to its capacity at a demand rate, is installed.

Expert Views Incorporation of Oakland County Areas

(Editor's Note: We hope the reader, from this article and the two which preceded it, has been able to glean enough information to aid him or her in marking the ballot June 7 with conviction, either for or against incorporation in the communities of Troy and Southfield townships, as well as Bingham Farms subdivision. For our opinion, turn to the editorial pages.)

IN CONCLUSION we would like to quote from the "Bulletin," a monthly publication edited by the Oakland Citizens

A Correction

EDITOR'S NOTE: In the second to last paragraph of our editorial comment on the June 7 election on incorporation of Southfield and Troy Townships, (on Page 8, Section 3) we said: "If you have made up your mind, you'll approve the proposition June 7." If you read the third last paragraph of that same comment you'll observe that we referred to how one may vote if in doubt; the next paragraph should have read: "If you have made up your mind to vote 'YES,' then you'll approve the proposition June 7."

League, Inc. This article was written by George N. Skrubba, director of the Oakland County Planning Commission.

People are seen discussing, debating, and somewhat irreverently expressing their views on ways and means of more effectively solving their problems of curtailed summer water supplies, ending spasmodic garbage and rubbish collections, stopping repeated spring basement flooding, finding an additional fractional mill to secure better library facilities, improving hospital facilities and their administration, seek-

Southfield, Troy Vote Tuesday

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phone campaigns and handbill distribution.

CITIZENS opposing incorporation have indicated that their interests and those of others in the township are dissimilar, and they also argue that not enough information or preparation has gone into the incorporation planning.

No organized resistance to incorporation has been apparent in Troy township.

THOSE who are charter commission candidates in Southfield township are:

Fannie Adams, Hugh G. Allison Jr., Roy J. Andes, E. Paul Bowman, Thomas J. Brennan, Emmanuel Christensen, Howard Coleman, William H. DeRousse, Henry M. DeMyer, Dorothy A. Dorr, Clarence A. Durbin, Burnett W. Dunsford, Lawrence A. Eberick, Patrick Finney, and Maxwell.

OTHERS are:

Roy G. Good, Wayne Greenfield, John S. Hines, Edward J. Johnson, Clark Laine, Thomas J. Larson, Fred L. Lehn, Ed. G. Lewis, Larry, Robert M. Lupton, Elizabeth Moline, Wayne J. McDonnell, Roy J. McMillan, Charles D. McMillan, Howard A. Palmer, Joseph L. Reiter, Donald L. Swanson, Eugene Swann, N. J. Webb, Allen S. Waeyer, and Roy R. Woods.

SEEKING election in Troy township will be:

Richard A. Kristofson, Norman R. Barnard, Henry O. Blotz, George W. Butler, Charles C. Clark, Robert J. Condit, Francis J. Curtis, Michael E. Coy, Roy E. Dalton, George W. Ford, Fred W. Forslund, Kenneth W. Gifford, William H. Hildebrandt, Edwin J. Hunt, William K. Jackson, James W. Jones, and Marvin W. Koschinsky.

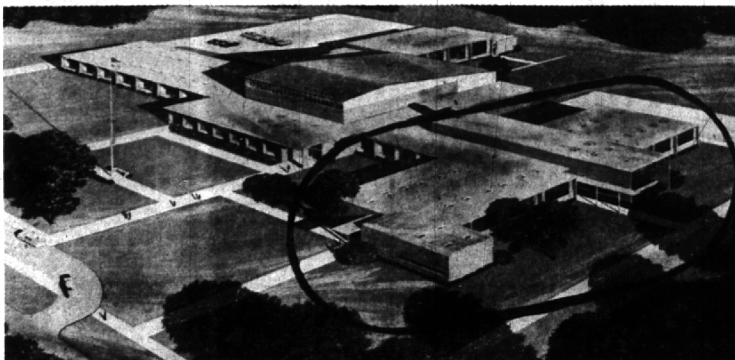
ALSO on the ballot will be:

Donald G. Larson, Bord E. Larson, Clarence F. Lange, Senator C. Lester, Robert Albert Eimer, Walter Lowe, John Main, Cecil H. Mason, Allen K. Parry, Peter J. Rabinow, Wilfred Schmitt, Gerald L. Seefeldt, J. Wesley Smith, Clifford D. Szymanski, Jr., Clifford Treadwell, and Susan Vanich.

Bingham Farms charter candidates are:

Walter G. Quinn, Carson C. Bingham, William King, Frank A. Lamberton, and William A. Hyland.

Southfield Begins Elementary School Unit



ARCHITECTURAL sketch by O'Dell, Hewlett and Luckenbach architects, shows the proposed new elementary and junior high school for the Southfield township school district. Bids have been awarded on the \$425,223 elementary unit shown in the circle with construction getting under way immediately.

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AND after the charter is adopted it might take as long as six months for the communities to set up the bond-issuing machinery—public hearings, drawing up special assessment districts, advertising for bids, contracting for construction and engineering surveys.

Southfield has halted surveying of new projects by engineers to await Tuesday's outcome. (See BONDING, Page 8, Sec. 5)

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Okay 8 Mile Zone Change

SOUTHFIELD—Township trustees declared their intentions of rezoning portions of land north of Eight Mile between Southfield and Northwestern, at a special meeting held last Friday.

J. L. Hudson Co. requested the rezoning of an irregular area approximately 1,000 feet west of Northwestern, then jogging diagonally northward approximately 500 feet, then east to Northwestern.

Hudson's want commercial classification on land near Southfield, the center area to EPO-2 (a new classification to permit office buildings) and the area near Northwestern in commercial.

BETWEEN this area and Westland they wish to construct a service drive, with a greenbelt and single residences similar to those in Magnolia, the adjoining community.

A motion by acting chairman Eugene Swann which amends the zoning ordinance to allow for an Education-Research-Office zone classification, was approved.

In the same resolution the board outlined the limitations and restrictions of the ERO classification and announcement of a public hearing board for its consideration and a public hearing. The motion was approved.

The area in question is now zoned commercial to depth of 200 feet.

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