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S'field Voters Pass \$4,000,000 School Bond Issue

Maloney, Oliver, Leonhard, Curtis Elected to B of E

By JEAN DAY

Southfield school district voters overwhelmingly supported a \$4,000,000 bond issue and a three-mile operating tax increase in Monday's election. Two school board members, President Fred D. Leonhard and Treasurer Will J. Oliver, were re-elected and two new members, Charles L. Curtis and Philip A. Maloney, were added to the board.

The bond issue, which will equip the Twelve Mile road elementary and Lederle junior high schools, passed by a vote of 1,400 to 603. The operating increase won 1,349 to 751. The board has stated that passage of these proposals will not increase taxes because of increased valuations and retirement of old bonds.

By precincts the bond vote was: One: 314 yes, 165 no; Two: 171 yes, 84 no; Three: 464 yes, 151 no; Four: 451 yes, 203 no. The millage vote by precincts was: One: 304 yes, 208 no; Two: 163 yes, 119 no; Three: 450 yes, 187 no; Four: 432 yes, 246 no.

OLIVER was returned to a four-year term by a vote of 1237. Curtis with 929 votes also received a three-year term, winning over Robert H. Logie, 758, and Patrick B. Bruder, 652.

The two new board posts were created within a set term of one year to become a third-class district.

The board heard the returns at its regular monthly meeting Monday night. President Leonhard commended the decisiveness of the election should be helpful in getting the bonds sold.

"IT MAKES us feel good on two counts," he said. "The people seem to understand that we're attempting to do things within a set rate and I would like to think they also recognize our needs and are kind enough to go along with and appreciate the fact that this is a growing community. It is a growing community and it is growing appreciation of the people's thinking on education."

At its Monday meeting the board raised its salary scale for bus drivers, custodians and maintenance men. (See BOND ISSUE, Page 3-E)

Honor Eagle, Scoutmaster At Kirk Wed.

A former scoutmaster had a new Eagle scout were honored at ceremonies last night as Troop B-17 held honor court at Kirk in the Hills Cedarholm Chapel.

Brian Morris, who earned his Eagle rating, became the ninth member of the four-year-old troop to reach that high honor.

All of these Eagle scouts have attained their ratings under leadership of Don Walter, former scoutmaster who leads the troop during its first four years.

TROOP B-17 and the troop committee presented Walter with a plaque in appreciation of his work with the troop. New scoutmaster is W. James Egan.

Other high honors went to John Ruth, Dan Jackson and Russ Jelenki who became Life Scouts, and to Doug Hoxie, Bill Springer and Bill Quick who earned Star scout ratings.

Rev. Harold C. DeWitt, D.D., of Kirk in the Hills gave the invocation and Rev. Joseph Blackburn, Th.D., also of Kirk in the Hills, said the closing prayer.

411 Request Permission To Oil Roads

By NITA HARD

FRANKLIN — Easements, roads, the fiscal budget, proposed ordinances and an agenda full of miscellaneous problems kept the Franklin Village council up well after the witching hour Monday night.

A plea for some solution to Forest W. Starrett's long-running three representatives of Detroit Edison company to the meeting as well as a half dozen residents whose properties have a reasonable proximity to Starrett's lot 48 on Irving road where he proposes to build a home.

Starrett needs electric service and the utility company is anxious to comply, but stately, cherished oaks stand in the way and consideration is being given to surrounding residents who do not want the tree-lampered with, nor do they wish to gaze on service wires.

THE PROBLEM was resolved Monday night when councilman Robert Mitchell suggested that a 12-foot easement along the east side of Irving road be granted to the Edison company contingent upon approval of plans submitted by them later this week.

That portion of Irving is dedicated but unimproved roadway and Starrett intends to bear the cost of improvement.

A letter which included signed forms and a petition bearing 411 signatures was presented to president Harold Roseberry by Eugene Kawewski as proof that a large portion of the village's population are interested in being allowed to treat roads in front of their homes in whatever manner they see fit.

COUNCIL insisted that a special assessment district would have to be created and voted upon by the electorate to provide additional funds necessary under such a plan.

Proponents of oil for dust-jacking have been strident by Ordinance Six which declares that council has authority to decide what treatment may be used and that it is illegal to do anything to roads except by direction of the local administrator.

Kawewski and Richard Barnard made direct appeals for help from council, suggesting that a committee of residents and several councilmen could make a separate study of road oiling, the cost of oil versus current calcium chloride treatment and might get an expression from the council to determine how they would view such an effort.

MITCHELL made it clear that as long as he was street administrator he would oppose oiling on the basis of year-round maintenance costs.

Gar, Reid and Barnard suggested Mitchell could be relieved of his task as district administrator and (See FRANKLIN, Page 2-E)



CHARCOAL, black kitten of the Nicholas Rosiello family, 32560 Colony Hill, Franklin, stole the show from Milky, the Rosiello's newly-acquired goat when the little kitten decided it did not want to pose for a kids and animals picture. Starting after Charcoal are Mike Rosiello, 6 and Pam Sivier, 10, of 27201 Gardenway, who was visiting with the Rosiellos. Holding their posts are Don Rosiello, 5 with Laddie, Judy Rosiello and sister, Jean, 8, attending Milky.

Milky Causes Stir at Rosiellos

By VIRGINIA COLE

FRANKLIN—"Kids and more kids," is the motto of Nicholas Rosiello of Colony road. With four fine children already and another due this summer, he arrived at home about six weeks ago complete with kid, bottles and nappies in an orange crate.

The new arrival, named Milky, promptly sorted kith from kin and curried his little month-old self up to sleep with the family colic.

LADDIE & Milky have been fast friends ever since with Laddie rushing to Milky's protection at the least provocation.

"Why couldn't this have been just a goat instead of a goat?" sighed Mrs. Rosiello. But Rosiello, carried away by the spirit of suburbia, soon plans to add two ducks and two chickens to his newly found expression of his desire.

"No kidding," says Mrs. Rosiello in helpless opposition.

WXYZ Asks Lathrup Faced For Hearing With Sewer Bond Issue

SOUTHFIELD—Petitions bearing signatures of 14 per cent of the registered voting strength as of last fall, were presented to township board by WXYZ representatives, requesting a public hearing on WXYZ's proposed television operation at 10 Mile and Northwestern.

Richard C. Van Dusen, former Third District State representative and attorney representing WXYZ, handed the petitions to the board Tuesday night.

Township officials passed them on to zoning board of appeals who will set the public hearing date.

Board officials failed to act on a request by Van Dusen that a special TV-R (OS) zoning district be set up to handle television operations exclusively.

Wins 1st Davenport Scholarship Award

First Jessie E. Davenport Teacher Training Scholarship, to be given to a Southfield high senior, was awarded to Marie Perkins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Erwin D. Rockwell, 2069 Van Buren.

Presentation of the \$200 cash grant was made by Mrs. Robert Jones, president of Southfield High Parent-Teacher-Student Association, which sponsors the award.

Marie, a math sciences major, plans to attend Eastern Michigan college. She is a student in the college of the committee of Miss Hilda Humphreys, Mrs. Fred Knack and Miss Thomas Curtis.

The award is named for Jessie E. Davenport, former Southfield high math teacher, who passed away a year ago. It will be awarded annually to a deserving graduate student who plans on entering the teaching profession.

Churches Bond by Building Rules too, Says Detroit Pastor

Rev. Sain said he thought adequate churching of a community should be based on the following formula:

1) One Protestant church to every 2,500 people or 700 homes.

2) One Catholic church to every 2,000 homes.

3) The Jewish faith could be accommodated in the same manner if they wished.

REV. SAIN said the churches creating difficulties in communities are those which are only interested in expanding their own small groups.

Three or four churches to every square block would be more than adequate, said Rev. Sain, who reported that figures given him last year indicated that by 1950 there will be 90,000 people in Southfield.

With this in mind Rev. Sain stated that a church should not be built until the population in the area is adequate to support the church. Public relations is the key to the problem, he added.

REV. SAIN suggested that a set of principles could be drawn up and circulated to any churches who might request permission to build, thereby setting up a standard.

Robert F. Wuerfel, appeals board chairman, said that in light of the heavy demand for church sites in Southfield, Rev. Sain's remarks were quite timely.

Wuerfel also suggested that all future requests for church sites be referred to Land Planner James Hickey for recommendations and Hickey can consult with the Council of Churches on the requests.

S'field Approves K of C Building

SOUTHFIELD — Approval was given to Birmingham Knights of Columbus 3869 by board of appeals last week to build a fraternal building on lots 7 and 8 of Fruit Ridge Farms subdivision, Southfield road south of 13 Mile Rd.

Authorization to build was made subject to building restrictions set up by Southfield building department, the township land planner, and the Oakland county board of health.

James W. Conn, 30855 Southfield, objected to the building on grounds that drainage in the area was poor and K of C land has been under water for the past several weeks.

CHIEF Building Inspector Frank Gidley confirmed Conn's objections on drainage and septic tank problems, adding that plans have been drawn to put in the ditch which would drain to the Eves ditch.

Mrs. Sophie Bernesoni of Detroit, who owns lot 9 in the subdivision, objected to the K of C building because she felt it would detract from her property along with other residential property in the area.

Advisory Planning Commission

SOUTHFIELD — Seven members of a nine-member advisory planning commission were named by township board Tuesday. Zoning board and board of appeals will each name one of its members to the commission.

New class members are Theodore Ober, 26040 W. Nine Mile; Robert Shwalter, 21481 Mahon; and Wilbur K. Thompson, 20828 Woodburn, all elected for three years.

One-year terms were awarded to Alan Wayne Klein, Le Baker, Albert Moellman, 27315 Spring Arbor; and Gilbert W. Savage, 27250 Northland.

Trustee Philip A. Maloney was named as the township board's representative on the commission.

Combination Sewers For S'field Heights Given Green Light

SOUTHFIELD — Combination sewers with restricted catchment basins have been approved by township board for Southfield Heights subdivision subject to review and approval by Michigan Department of Health which will issue permit for the sewer construction.

A report by Mason L. Brown and Sons consulting engineers, showed that such a project in Section 25 could be developed with a minimum investment of \$100,000 into Murray Drain and without aggravating existing conditions in the area. Flood damage has existed during heavy rainfalls.

Alumnae Chapter To Meet Monday

SOUTHFIELD—The Detroit Mu Phi Epsilon alumnae chapter will hold its annual meeting Monday evening at the home of Mrs. Robert Jones of Maryland drive, Southfield.

The new slate of officers includes Mrs. James Lamb, president; Mrs. Robert Jones, vice-president; Mrs. Saul Bernat, treasurer; Miss Dorothy Sedick and Mrs. Robert Thibodeau, secretaries; Mrs. Joseph DeWitt, historian; and Mrs. W. H. Craven, chaplain.

Following a musical program, the chapter will be served by the committee of Miss Hilda Humphreys, Mrs. Fred Knack and Miss Thomas Curtis.

Vandals Take Beer

SOUTHFIELD — Vandals broke into Plum Hollow golf course's 14th green restaurant stand recently and took five cases of beer after taking of the stand's door, according to Southfield Detective St. Charles Durbin.

Ask County to Take Over N. Evergreen Sewer Supervision

BLOOMFIELD — Roland C. Kowler, 4880 Change Cross, was appointed township delegate to the North Evergreen Sewer Authority and Arno Hulet, township supervisor was named as alternate.

At the same meeting Monday, township board passed a resolution requesting the newly created Oakland county department of public works to take over the Evergreen sewer project.

Elect Alger Clark First Woodcreek Farms President

WOODCREEK—Alger M. Clark, 4880 Change Cross, was elected president of Woodcreek Farms last week as residents voted 81 to 31 to adopt a charter with a three-mile tax limit to complete that area's village incorporation.

Founded by 143 lots, 12 Mile, 12 Mile and Middlebelt, Woodcreek Farms has about 400 residents.

The board, consisting of Clark, composed of Herman M. Dobson, Harry Lang Jr., Norman A. Kreider and Gar E. Reid.

Arthur Busch was elected clerk, W. Davenport was named treasurer and Robert A. Swift, assessor.

S'field Upper Teens Aim At \$90,000 Building Goal

SOUTHFIELD—A \$100 contribution this week by The Birmingham Eccentric helped to launch the Boys' Upper Teens Club of Southfield's \$90,000 Site and Building Fund drive.

With the three other contributions this brings the total contributed in the first few days of the drive to \$1,150, according to Perry Huellmantel, UTC club advisor.

(Each week The Eccentric will run the accompanying graph to show how well the Upper Teens fund drive is progressing.)

Southfield Exchange Club and Walway Co. each gave \$500 and Bud Hardow, 2119 Indian, UTC board of trustees member, contributed \$50.

ORGANIZED in April, 1956, the club has grown from a handful of members to over 200 strong.

The boys were loaned the use of a car office at 23100 Northwestern by Richard A. Connell Jr., of Birmingham, owner, but have known since they occupied the building that a shopping center would replace the clubhouse this fall.

Now the boys, with backing of every major civic organization in Southfield, as well as the govern-

Boys' Upper Teens Club of Southfield Building Fund Progress

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mental, police and fire officials, this \$90,000 to purchase a site and construct a 100,000 sq. ft. building.

WITHIN the next few weeks it is expected that every resident of Southfield will be contacted by a UTC member carrying pamphlets explaining what the Upper Teens Club is trying to do as well as the club's long-range purpose.

Primarily designed to give the boys from 16 through 19 some place to call their own, the headquarters, the club also helps hold the interest of these boys who might otherwise be engaged in less meaningful, and perhaps even detrimental activities.

UTC directors estimate that \$10 per family in Southfield will, with money collected from private industry, reach the \$90,000 goal.

Checks should be made payable to Upper Teens Site and Building Fund, P. O. Box 511, Detroit 25.

It is an investment that is deductible—an investment in the future.