

## Village

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The list of firms applying for the engineering position at their Dec. 16 meeting, then set a special meeting for interviewing representatives.

A planning consultant will help to work out a village master plan. It would be a guide in handling zoning matters and would recommend the village position in any possible zoning court cases.

BECAUSE of the heavy expense connected with handling rezoning cases, the village council Monday night established a fee of \$100 to be paid by property owners petitioning for a zoning change.

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IN OTHER measures, the councilman asked Public Safety Director Robert Murphy to arrange for his department to get the village's licenses at the village hall.

Currently residents must obtain new licenses in Pontiac or get renewals at other police departments in the area.

A FULL report on road work thus far in the village was given to the councilman, with a round-up by Councilman Robert Reed of emergency road treatment provided.

ed during last weekend's storm. Reed said 14 and 18 Mile, Evergreen and Riverside were salted Friday and Saturday mornings, and Pierce, Beverly, Buckingham and Sheridan were scraped in fast action by the village road contractor.

ROAD Commissioner Wade Ashbury said the main road work project had been clearing up some serious drain problems.

He said that Pierce, where traffic counts number 1000 cars daily, would be impassable by spring if it had not been gravelled.

Councilman asked Ashbury to read to study and report on methods of financing the concrete paving of Beverly and Pierce streets, needed next year.

Reed estimated that such a paving project on Pierce would cost \$100,000. If each of the street's property owners contributed \$4 per front foot, it would only raise \$42,000, he said.

OTHER financing discussed Monday by the council was the Evergreen interceptor cost. After a report on the huge sewer project from Dr. Douglas A. Wood, the councilman asked Treasurer Don McCobb to study and recommend a connecting fee or special assessment to provide revenue to enable the village in 30 years to make payments totaling \$439,000 to the Oakland county DPW, constructors of the sewer.

Dr. Wood said the village auditor had studied tentative charges to the village for the 12 Town Drain system, and found them fair.

The council took no action on a request that Westwood give assurance that they will sign contracts for their share of the Red Run enclosure and Dequindre interceptor sewer projects, since no contracts or figures were submitted with the request.

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## JP Bags 8 Point Buck

The second morning of deer season, Ted Sura, Southfield township justice of the peace, loaded his rifle, walked into the woods and bagged an eight-point, 175-pound buck.

Sura, who lives at 15830 Kirkshire, Westwood village, was hunting in Hiawatha national forest in the upper peninsula. "When deer season opens," he said, "it's like a national holiday for me."

## Residential

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large outlots on Northwest highway zoned commercial.

Despite its definition of commercial property as meaning picturesque arts and crafts shops similar to Cranbrook's Art Academy with "attached" living quarters, the council maintained that it could not legally ward a zoning ordinance to provide adequate control over use of such business properties... thus dispensed with their entirely.

**Smith College Representative**  
Mrs. John S. Judd, 32975 Bingham road, has been named area chairman for the development program of Smith college, of which she is a graduate. She will represent the college in the state of Michigan in its present program to increase enrollment. Mrs. Judd is president of the Birmingham Smith College club and active in other alumnae affairs as well as in civic programs. She was decade chairman for the Personal Interview Program of the college's Alumnae Fund, annual giving program of the graduates, in 1955-56, and has been a member of the Michigan Committee of the Smith Development program. She is chairman of the Higher Education committee on the board of the Birmingham branch of the American Association of University Women; a member of the board of Brookside school Cranbrook, and on the finance committee of the Village Women's club of Birmingham.

## Bond Issue

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later, Picotte made the later phone call to the school, when he was told he must submit a written request for its use.

Picotte contended that hundreds of homes are for sale in the Birmingham-Bloomfield Hills area by residents who cannot keep up with the taxes, and that he was putting his own house up for sale.

"THEY MAY have the support of the PTO, but we have the support of economic facts," he said. Last week PTO presidents endorsed a presentation of school financial problems made by William Donnelly, chairman of the citizens' financial advisory committee.

DURING the discussion period which followed, questions from the audience were connected with a clearer understanding of the equalization factors involved in estimating a millage rate, increase in dollars and cents.

Edward Brown, a newcomer to the area, commented from the floor, "I just moved here six months ago from Los Angeles and I want to say that our schools here are vastly superior at only 80 per cent of the cost to the taxpayer."

## Official

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Federation has not taken a stand on this issue. As a matter of fact, there has been no board meeting called to adjust the matter. In my opinion, this is where we were misled.

"IN DEFENSE of the Federation—had our backing been solicited sooner by the school board, we would have taken a stand as a group."

"Now that the official position of the Federation has been clearly defined, I feel that I, too, have the privilege of expressing my personal view."

"I am in favor of maintaining the standards of our schools in Bloomfield township. I believe that our school board and the citizens' advisory committee have done an excellent job of presenting a true picture of what we will be voting for on Nov. 8."

D. B. Dickerson, Jr.

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## Hills School Growth

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solutions, and to select the answer they feel is proper and sound, yet safeguards good educational standards.

Therefore, The Eccentric endorses the Hills board's proposed school construction bond issue and recommends you vote "yes" on it next Monday.

We recognize there are citizens who do not agree completely with the particular solution that the Hills board has recommended. It is good that such opposition exists. It indicates people are active in trying to get what they feel is a still better answer.

There always are at least two sides to every question. Each side presents its case to the citizen-taxpayers. But to obtain action, finally an election is held, with the majority vote providing the decision. This will happen next Monday.

## Pierce Patrolled 'Even More,' Says Westwood Official

WESTWOOD—Pierce street has been patrolled "even more often" by Westwood public safety officers since many of its residents complained of speeding to the village council two weeks ago, Councilman Ted Shurtliff told councilmen Monday night.

Shurtliff said the police have

stopped "quite a few" people for running the stop sign at Amherst, and suggested moving the sign a block closer to 13 Mile road.

The 25-mile-per-hour speed limit has also been posted on the street, Shurtliff said.

The public safety department reported to the council that it put in a total of 811 hours of traffic patrol in November, almost 6000 miles of travel. November crime loss through larcenies totaled \$880. There were two breaking and enterings reported.

Selling your house? Advertise it in the "For Sale-Houses" column of The Eccentric.



## Kiwanis President

Mitchell J. Deeb, 1539 Groton road, Bloomfield township, is the recently elected president of the Detroit Redford Kiwanis club. Deeb is with the Commerce Electric Supply company of Farmington.

## Party at Cranbrook

Detroit Audubon Society's board of directors meeting and Christmas party will be Dec. 11 at the Penthouse-Cranbrook at 8 p.m. New members are Dr. Watson Gilpin, Mrs. John Benson and Helen Jordan.

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