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**Spend Winter Where It's Warm—and Wet**

Registration for the Barnum, Pontiac, and adult swim class begins Dec. 15. Men and women who are members, 18 years of age and older are eligible to enroll in the adult class.

The winter class begins Monday, Jan. 11 and continues through March 14. Cost of the class is \$10 per person. We must have 15 people registered by January 8. This class is for beginners and intermediate.

**BARNUM SWIM CLASS**—boys and girls eight years of age and older as of Jan. 1, 52 inches tall, and members of the YMCA are eligible to enroll.

The winter term begins Jan. 12 and continues through March 15. Beginners (tadpoles-frog-minnow) meet from 7 to 8 p.m.

Advanced swimmers (fish, flying fish, shark) meet from 8 to 9 p.m. Enrollment is limited to the first 40 people who register. Girls must wear bathing caps. Mr. Bill Pratt is in charge of the swim class. Bob Dutton is a new instructor. Other instructors are Mrs. Jo Barnowski, Mrs. Jerry McLain, Mrs. Barbara Clark, Chuck Hollis, Mrs. Chris Hatch, Bill Phillips and Bill Pratt, Jr.

**PONTIAC SWIM CLASS**—the winter class begins Jan. 9 and continues through March 12. Cost is four dollars per boy. All boys who are members of the YMCA and eight years of age or older as of Jan. 1 are eligible to enroll.

For the past three years at least one dad has volunteered to teach swimming. So far this year one has volunteered. The quality of instruction depends on an adequate number of instructors. Any dad able to swim and willing to teach is needed. An incentive, the four dollar fee is waived for an instructor's son. Call George Ewing.

The boys are transported to the Pontiac YMCA via bus. The boys depart from the building at 2:15 p.m. and return at 4:30 p.m. Swimming instruction takes place from 3 to 3:45 p.m. The Y's Men's club pays the pool rental fee.

Correction of personnel—It was discovered that Tom Grogg currently attends Birmingham Seaborn (not Bloomfield Hills) high school. Tom teaches tadpoles.

The other instructors and their class are: Jim O'Rourke - Frogs; Bill Pratt - Minnows; Charles Hollis - Fish; George Ewing - Flying Fish and Dick Staunton - Shark.

**Asks Early Start on City Works**

Florence Willett does not dread her family's evening menu at 10 minutes to six the same evening.

She plans meals and purchases their ingredients at least several days in advance. Saves wear and tear on her nerves, and her husband's and children's patience at dinnertime.

SO SHE CAN'T figure out why so many of Birmingham's municipal projects have been the 10-minutes-to-six variety.

"We know we are going to do these things months and months before we get to them," she explains. "Yet we so often wait until early summer to award bids on paving sewers and the like. Then we're in a near panic that the projects won't get finished before freezing weather arrives."

Since her election to the commission nearly five years ago, Mrs. Willett has worked quietly on her six male colleagues and other top administrators to get these projects much earlier than in the practice.

A YEAR AGO she came out publicly to advocate this "let's-get-started earlier" program.

It has four points:

- 1) Get preliminary plans and estimates ready by early fall.
- 2) Call early winter necessity hearings.
- 3) Award contracts for projects early in the spring.
- 4) Show the project in use by summer's end.

"I don't think this is so complicated or unreasonable an approach to municipal improvements," Mrs. Willett said.

She recalled that many past street projects came mighty close to not being completed when freezing weather arrived.

"If we hadn't gotten the breaks from the weather, we'd have had some hard-headed motorists all winter long," she declared.

It simply was a matter of holding hearings and awarding contracts later than I feel we need to," she declared. "So we get on the tail end of contractors' construction schedules."

HER COMMENTS came after she had asked City Manager L. R. Gare how preliminary reports were coming along on repaving of Redding road from Woodward to the River Rouge bridge.

This project was postponed early this year to permit the county to grade 16 Mile. Redding area residents feared their street would be used extensively while 16 Mile was crossed by an arm of the Evergreen relief interceptor sewer.

He said the City engineering staff now is working on parking lot plans for the public library and N. Woodward businesses in the Island View area.

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WITHIN A COUPLE of weeks, Gare said he would have reports on the Redding project as well as the Manor road sewer, from Oxford to 16 Mile.

Mrs. Willett said the city commission has an obligation on residents to get projects under way "sooner than later."

"We know what should and can be done," she emphasized. "It's only a matter of deciding to hold early winter necessity hearings and getting used to the idea."

THIS WOULD NOT prevent the city from considering other improvements at other times of the year, she added.

"But we can and should call many hearings earlier," she said.

GEORGE W.M. AVERILL

**B'field Hills Woman Injured in Collision**

A Bloomfield Hills woman escaped with facial cuts, Wednesday afternoon when the car she was driving skidded into the rear of a truck at Woodward and 16 Mile road.

Mrs. Elizabeth Willebrands, 1930 Tiverton, was taken to St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Pontiac after the collision at about 1:30 Wednesday afternoon.

The driver of the truck was uninjured and the truck was not damaged.

**The Car By the Side Of the Road**

(With Managing Editor George Wm. Averill's apologies to Sam Walter Foss and his "House by the Side of the Road")

There are tender cops who sit withdrawn  
In the car that's not self-evident;  
There are cops like ore who dwell upon  
A motorist's firmament;  
There are pioneer cops who lie in wait  
Where highways always ran—  
There he sits by the side of the road  
In his motorized trap for man.

Let him sit in a radar car by the side of the road  
Where the motorists of today race by—  
But let his seat not be in a car  
That's brand new—and here is why:  
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Is more practical than one which is new;  
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