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Groves Cafeteria Serves Good Food for Thought



Lottie Crouch and Marge Baldwin keep a watchful eye on the brewing lunch for Groves students.

BEVERLY HILLS — One hundred pounds of meat, 25 loaves of bread, a few cases of vegetables and 1,200 cartons of milk — that's one day's lunch for the Groves family. To feed nearly 700 students at Groves high school is an enormous task, but one done with ease because of the functional, well-equipped cafeteria opened for the first time Jan. 17.

"I HONESTLY think we could alternate hot dogs and hamburgers for a month and these students wouldn't complain," she said. "In the two short weeks that we have been serving," Mrs. Acbi continued, "they have eaten exceptionally well and have been most polite. Just one day's lunch is as much in music to a cook's ear as a tour through the refreshment bright and airy kitchen reveals the latest in utensils, dishes and preparation center designed for the automation's answer to doing dishes. A walk-in refrigerator stores fresh fruits and meats. A floor within the refrigerator holds 80 gallons of the liquid that usually accompanies 50 loaves of bread with jars of peanut butter and jelly destined for many a hungry youngster some lunch hour.

"THE FIRST LUNCH hour begins at 11:19 a. m.," said Assistant Superintendent Norman Bold who is in charge of the cafeteria. For Birmingham schools it takes 20 minutes to complete a full cycle of serving, eating and clean up time before the next lunch group comes in."

Members of the cafeteria staff form a production line to make hundreds of sandwiches for students.

See Contest In June 6 School Vote

BLOOMFIELD HILLS — Four residents of Bloomfield Hills school district have obtained nominating petitions to qualify as candidates for Bloomfield Hills board of education.

With the election scheduled for June 6, the early activity in circulating petitions indicates that a contest for the four board vacancies will develop.

Two four-year terms and two two-year terms are to be filled. The election will increase the board from five to seven members.

Merrill O. Bates, present president of the board, will run for reelection for four years.

DOUGLAS JOCELYN, who has served two terms on the board, will not seek reelection. Circulating a petition for a four-year term is W. Earl Givens, 3857 Lakeland lane. Givens is serving as president of PTO council this year, and is a past president of Lake Lake PTO.

Petitions for a three-year term are being circulated by George A. DeBore, 8 from Judge William H. Bachman Jr., 715 Oakleigh. Jones is an active member of Eastover PTO. DeBore served on the YES committee, formed last year to assist in the passage of a school millage increase.

Nominating petitions signed by 50 to 75 qualified voters must be filed with the secretary of the board of education by May 7.

Car, Truck Collide At Maple, Telegraph

BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP — A semi truck ramed into the rear of a car at Telegraph and Maple Friday destroyed the auto and causing a gasoline blaze.

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Water Rate Hike Seen In Beverly



WESTCHESTER—Two Westchester village youngsters have fun on the "old corral fence" that blocks one of three streets in the area. Residents have protested the barrier, they say.

Road Barricades Halt Cars, Start Protest in Westchester



congestion is causing a dangerous situation.

WESTCHESTER VILLAGE—The new year brought barricades to Westchester village, erected Dec. 31 by a group of 89 families.

The barricades have stopped the traffic that was a nuisance to the residents of Westchester, coming from other Westchester village residents who want to use the roads.

"The first time I saw them I reminded me of Little Russia," said one of the farmers, Mrs. C. K. Ouimette, 2900 Farmington.

The barricades were erected by residents of Westchester, village subdivision after they obtained a Oakland county circuit court judge's order, Dec. 8 from Judge William John Boer. The judge ruled that the southern boundary of the three counties, Bradford, Windham and W. Breckenridge should be maintained as erected by the school, every body has to stop on Lincoln and the traffic

who transport St. Regis school children in car pools each morning, noon hour and afternoon. They plan to take action to get the barricades removed, according to Mrs. Claud S. Semar, 3000 Middlebury lane.

"We object because there is no direct access to the school. What I do now is drive to the barricade on W. Breckenridge and let the children off. They have to walk not quite a block to get to the school from there."

"If the weather is bad and we want to take the children right to the school, everybody has to stop on Lincoln and the traffic

THE THREE ROADS have been used by Westchester village residents going to St. Regis church services and mothers taking children to the new elementary school which opened in September. School and church are at the intersection of a private road built in 1958.

The private road was constructed jointly by Westchester village residents and the Catholic Archdiocese of Detroit. Running from Lathrop eastward to connect up with the three now-barricaded streets the road is labeled "Lincoln road" because of its location halfway between 14 and 15 Mile roads. The additional 150 feet in Birmingham.

PRIME OBJECTORS to the barricades are Westchester mothers

By JULIE CANDLER Township Editor

JOINING WITH Mrs. Semar in the protest seeking action is Mrs. Joseph McNerney, 124 Westbourne, who says the objectors will not act through the school, but rather as a "community group."

"We will try to arouse others in Westchester who used the barricaded roads to get to church services and the school," Mrs. McNeerney said.

PRIMARY REASON for erecting the barricades, according to Attorney John Pokorny, was to halt a steady stream of traffic which used the private road as a shortcut through Westchester village.

Motors going to and from the 14 Mile-Lathrop area to Birmingham cut across the private road, then up one of the three connecting streets to Middlebury and from there to Cranbrook road near St. Regis high school, Pokorny said.

Pokorny is a former president of Westchester village association of residents of the subdivision in which the three controversial roads are located.

THE CASE WHICH Judge Beech decided on last month was filed originally in November, 1938. At that time the group of citizens sought to halt use of the roads in question as an outlet to and from the two high schools and one elementary school at Lincoln and Lathrop.

Negotiations on an out-of-court settlement delayed the case's circuit court hearing.

Pokorny said the suit was not brought as a subdivision action in favor of it. With 104 lots in the subdivision, 89 property owners

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Beverly Hills Boys Caught in Act of 'Still Trying'

BEVERLY HILLS — Two 16-year-old Beverly Hills boys were full of explanations in chemical plant work in Beverly Hills police caught them with rudiments of a still.

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Democrats to Hear Attorney General Talk at Meeting

BLOOMFIELD — The Gus Scholle Case and Our State Constitution will be discussed by Attorney General Paul L. Adams Friday evening at a meeting of the regular meeting of the Bloomfield Democratic club.

Also on the agenda is the club's annual election of officers and an announcement of interest to the general public.

The 8:30 p. m. meeting will take place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Henderson, 130 W. Hickory Grove road, Bloomfield, 11113. Guests are welcome to attend.

Bingham Farm Obsolete Platting Zone Decision Still Pending Indicated in Lathrup

BINGHAM FARMS—After two days of testimony, the Oakland county circuit case involving commercial zoning on Telegraph road, Bingham Farms, is not yet settled. Last Thursday Judge William John Boer gave the property owners 30 days to make a decision. The group can withdraw their case and pay \$1,500 court costs to Bingham Farms. In such a case, it would be possible for the owners to file suit later.

Second alternative to the plaintiffs is to accept Judge Boer's decision to dismiss the case permanently on the motion of the attorney William H. Hartman. In this case, the owners would not have to pay court costs.

LATHRUP—Is Lathrup's commercial platting obsolete? Geer Associates, planning consultants, in a \$500 report to Lathrup's city development advisory committee says it is. Developers Mr. and Mrs. Charles D. Kelley say it is not.

Because they want clarification of the report, council members, the city development advisory committee and a Geer representative will hold a study meeting soon to decide which points in the Geer report will best serve the city. The report advises on Southfield road zoning as affected by new development in place south of 10 1/2 Mile road. They also asked for advice on zoning policy for Southfield frontage between 10 1/2 and 12 Mile roads and 12 Mile frontage.

Recommendations were needed on multiple residential use on 12 Mile.

THE GEER REPORT states that the amount of "so-called business frontage" presently platted in Lathrup is wildly out of proportion to the amount of land that will ever be needed or used for business purposes.

According to the report, the platting which exists today did have some merit during the era when the common mode of transportation was the streetcar, and it is still a business property. She said that the platting was right in 1924 and it is still right.

BECAUSE IT is not a free-standing city, that is one set apart from all surrounding cities, the Geer report advises against trying to provide all the shopping goods that are normally purchased elsewhere in the Metropolitan area.

The report suggests office buildings with properly marked landscaped parking as a buffer between residential and business.

Talk of the Towns

By JULIE CANDLER

Since I'm a Sydney Harris reader from way back, I feel like I know Michael. He's the young son around whom Sydney writes many of his philosophizings about children. So when I met Syd last week, I asked how Michael was.

You'll be glad to know Michael is fine.

And Syd's bridge game? He's been so busy lecturing lately that he hasn't had time for his favorite game of cut-throat bridge (with men only).

booklet that the South Berkshire women's association is publishing, includes memories wafted into my head.

Because one of the recipes in the booklet is a favorite of my friend Anne Young (Mrs. Charles S.), 30425 Leamer, And I happened to be sitting at Anne's kitchen table one evening as she was preparing the spaghetti recipe she wrote up for the association book.

I can guarantee, it's divine. Instead of selling tickets to some money-raiser, the association members decided to fill their treasury by mimeographing their favorite recipes and selling them.

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Automobile Dealer, B'field Township Reach Settlement

Bloomfield township. The auto dealer sought commercial zoning for a parcel of land south and to the rear of its location at 1350 N. Woodward.

Judge William John Boer ruled that the first 100 feet of the 235-foot parcel back of the Woodward frontage could be used for parking only. The additional 135 feet eastward is to remain residential.

McGaughey to Speak To Citizen's Group

SOUTHFIELD — The chapter coordinator of Citizens for Michigan will speak to the newly organized Southfield Citizens group next Thursday at 3 p. m. at Southfield high school. He is American Motors Vice President William H. McGaughey, Bloomfield Hills.

The Southfield CFA chapter, headed by Eugene Swann, invites newcomers—including residents of Lathrup, Westchester, Franklin and Bingham Farms—to join in their studies of Michigan's fast and other problems.

When I heard about the cook

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