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Postpone Action On 3 Ordinances In B'field Twp.

BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP—Action on three proposed township ordinances was postponed by Bloomfield Township's board at its meeting Tuesday night.

ONE OF THE ordinances provides for a time-payment-plan for tap-in charges to the Evergreen Interceptor.

A second ordinance requires licensing of charitable and other organizations making solicitations in the township.

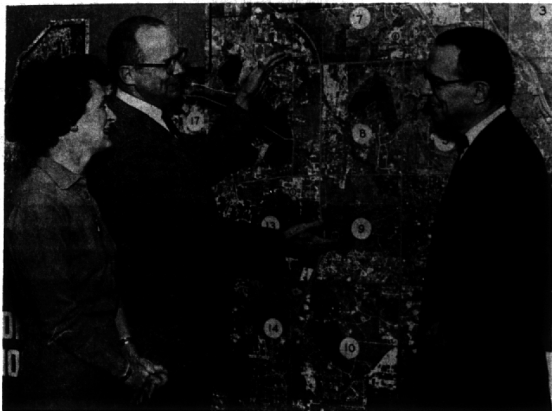
A DECISION will be made later by board members as to whether to institute condemnation proceedings to acquire 10 acres adjoining township property at Telegraph and Anderson Roads.

Board Issues Liquor License In W. B'field

WEST BLOOMFIELD—Issuance of a class C liquor license to Paul J. Rabaut was made this month by West Bloomfield Township.

RABAUT WILL operate a bar in conjunction with a bowling alley located at 7857 Cooley Road.

Application for a Class C license has also been made by Charles Nick. It would allow installation of a bar at a restaurant being built by Nick at 7291 Cooley.



Dr. and Mrs. Jack Hertzler confer with Bloomfield Hills School District and the Earl Ziegler on recreation plans for the Bloomfield Township area.

Group Planning Area-Wide Rec Program for Bloomfield

By SAVILLA SLOAN Special Writer

BLOOMFIELD HILLS—With the season for fog, snow and chilling winds on hand, it is hard to imagine anyone making immediate plans for summertime recreation.

But a group of dedicated patrons of Bloomfield Hills school system are meeting once a week, regardless of sleet and snow, to work out details of an overall summer recreation program for school children in the district.

DR. AND MRS. Jack Hertzler, 4377 West Maple Road, head the committee.

Serving with them are Mr. and Mrs. Arthur L. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Farshaw, Mr. and Mrs. George Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Mearns, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Huggins, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Brogan and Mr. and Mrs. Jack W. Allen.

"WITH THE community in which we live divided into closely-knit subdivisions, the logical means by which to develop an overall community recreation program is through the school system, putting school facilities to use," is

Mrs. Hertzler's view which fellow members share.

The project has the blessing of Bloomfield Hills Board of Education whose members recently voted up to \$500 to hire professional help in developing the committee's ideas.

Three of the elementary schools in the district have been providing summer recreational programs for

their pupils. They are Eastover, Wing Lake and Pine Lake schools.

THE COMMITTEE was set up by the school board, working through PTO groups, in order to have a summer recreational program available to all elementary schools.

One of the major steps which will be taken this summer will be inclusion of a recreational program for junior high students as well.

"THIS IS the age group at which such a program is really needed," Mrs. Hertzler said.

The committee's view is shared by junior high school principal William McGuire, who has attended committee meetings along with representatives from each of the elementary schools.

Working out an eventual year-round recreational and social program for junior high school students is one of their goals.

AN IMMEDIATE step to be taken early in the new year is the hiring of a recreational director to coordinate and oversee the summer program at all the schools.

The director will be hired on a part time basis but if the program expands in future years it may require a full time director, according to Mrs. Hertzler.

THERE MAY come a time when high school and adult education programs will be incorporated in the year 'round program.

It is an ambitious dream that is envisioned, but since the civic-minded committee members are not dreamers but doers, these dreams may soon be actualities.

ELSEWHERE IN THE ECCENTRIC

Birmingham Area Passes in Review; 1961 Chronology

Divorce Rate Locally Defies National Trend

St. Stephen's Dedicates Unique New Window

Flavorsome Gifts Result From Cookie Bee

Chatterbox Comments On Prep Sports Picture for 1962

MSUO Dorm Named After Local Couple

Two student residences which provide campus homes for 192 men and women were dedicated recently at Michigan State University Oakland.

The men's residence is named Fitzgerald House in honor of Pontiac Press publisher and MSUO Foundation President Harold A. Fitzgerald and Mrs. Fitzgerald who provided \$45,000 for furnishing.

THE WOMEN'S residence is named for Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin H. Anibal, who presented 1,000 shares of General Motors stock to MSUO to be used for student residence furnishings.

The houses cost \$200,000 and were financed on a self-liquidating federal Housing and Home Finance Agency loan.

Set in a sloping area opposite the Oakland (student) Center, the houses each have two wings joined by resident advisors' apartments.

These are 24 double rooms on each floor of each wing. There are complete laundry facilities in each wing.

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On Symphony Board

SOUTHFIELD—Mrs. Edward Lloyd, president of the Southfield Board of Education, has been named to the board of directors of the Southfield Symphony orchestra.

Carolers Convene

BEVERLY HILLS—Members and families in the Beverly-Creefield Improvement Association gathered last week to sing Christmas carols throughout the neighborhood.

The second year for the event, the carolers warmed up at a bonfire before enjoying hot chocolate and cookies at the Clair Duvals on Lucherdale at Glencoe.

Damages More Than \$25,000 To Orchard Lake Country Club

WEST BLOOMFIELD—A fire that raged through the Orchard Lake Country Club's west wing last Wednesday caused more than \$25,000 damage, according to Fire Chief Herbert Morgan.

Club Manager John F. Corcoran said the \$25,000 estimate applied only to the pro shop with additional damage yet to be estimated on member's golf equipment, clothing and other items.

About 500 sets of golf clubs, belonging to members, were destroyed or damaged. Losses were insured.

FIRE AREA fire departments battled the blaze which concentrated itself in the men's locker room and pro shop. The dining room and grill were heavily damaged by smoke Chief Morgan said.

Corcoran said the club expects to start rebuilding of the damaged portions next week. Only one party, scheduled for the night the fire broke out, was cancelled.

THE FIRE, discovered by Orchard Lake Police Chief Elmer Peters and Harold Hopper, a village maintenance employee, broke out shortly after 10 p.m. The two men spotted smoke as they drove by the two-story brick building.

Chief Morgan said about seven trucks were from the scene from Bloomfield, West Bloomfield, Union Lake and Commerce townships, as well as from Franklin Village. The fire was under control in from 45-60 minutes, the West Bloomfield

fire chief said. CAUSE OF THE FIRE has not yet been determined although Chief Morgan said he believed it started in the basement pro shop.

Four employees in the building at the time of the fire escaped without injury.

The fire was the second this year at the club. A kitchen fire hit the club in spring, 1961. The former pro shop was destroyed by fire in 1952.

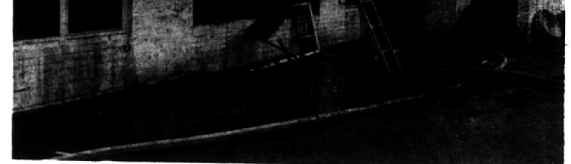
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The pro shop of the Orchard Lake Country Club was damp, damaged and desolate last Wednesday after firemen put out a blaze in the west wing of the building.

Oakland County's March of Dimes Begins Next Week

The campaign opening the 1962 March of Dimes, in Oakland County, will be launched with the one-hour TV Spectacular Show entitled "The Scene Stealers," featuring Buster Keaton and Ed Wynn and including stars Barbara Starwyck, Rosemary Clooney, Eartha Kitt, Fabian, Jimmy Durante, Dorothy Provine and a million dollar cast of stars who donated their time to make the TV hour possible.

THE SHOW will be Sunday at 1 p.m. on WJBK-TV (Channel 2) and also at 3 p.m. on WXYZ-TV (Channel 7).

The March of Dimes Campaign will begin Jan. 2 and will culminate with the Traditional Mothers March on Jan. 30. It was announced today by Hal Newhouse of Franklin Oakland County Campaign director.

"THE NATIONAL Foundation relies on your March of Dimes contributions to enlarge its program of research, professional education and patient aid," said Newhouse. "The most effective ammunition any of us can supply for the fight to prevent the crippling diseases of birth defects, deafness and polio, is the dollars we give to the 1962 March of Dimes." These cripples are stubborn and dangerous enemies," Newhouse pointed out.

F. J. Swindell Named B'field Twp. Trustee

BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP—Frank J. Swindell, 64, was named Tuesday as the replacement for Gordon T. Getzinger, Bloomfield Township trustee who resigned.

Getzinger has accepted an executive position with the Chatham Manufacturing Company in New York City.

SWINDELL, 4135 Orchard Way, is district manager of Standard Oil Company. He will retire in July.

Born in Alexandria, Ind., Swindell attended Butler University. He is a director for Junior Achievement of Southeastern Michigan, a member of the Birmingham and Detroit Chamber of Commerce, the Detroit Oil Men's Club and the Detroit Board of Commerce.

HE IS a member of the Oakland County Republican Club Nominating Committee, the Economic Club of Detroit Advisory Council and the Masons, Blue Lodge and chapter.

SWINDELL AND his wife Carmen are the parents of three children, Richard P. of Chicago, Mrs. Jack Lowry of Birmingham and Mrs. James Turner of Lathrup.

Hearing Jan. 3 On Sewer Lateral In W. Bloomfield

WEST BLOOMFIELD—Progress in development of sewer lateral in West Bloomfield Township was reported to township board members by Supervisor John Rehard at a meeting of the board last week.

A tentative date for the first hearing on the 14 Mile-Maple area of the Farmington Interceptor is set for Jan. 3, Rehard told the board.

Construction of the Morris Lake Arm, which has been temporarily delayed is expected to get under way immediately, according to Rehard.

OTHER REPORTS to the board included police and fire records for November.

The fire department made 12 runs. Fire losses were held to \$1,000 on property-endangered valuation of \$17,000.

Police answered 99 complaints during the month. There were 23 traffic violation tickets issued.

Board of Appeals To Consider Retirement Home

BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP—Bloomfield Township's Board of Appeals does have authority to rule on the case of a proposed retirement home in the township, according to Circuit Court Judge Clark Adams.

Judge Adams' decision was made this week in regard to St. Ann's Meads, a community-type retirement home for senior citizens, proposed for development in Bloomfield Township.

The home is a project of the Episcopal Diocese of Michigan. Its proposed location is on Squirrel Road on land adjoining Sacred Heart School.

THE TOWNSHIP appeals board had refused to make a ruling on the proposed use of the land, without legal clarification as to its authority to do so.

With Judge Adams' decision, the board is expected to consider the matter at a meeting later this month.



Making Connection

LATHRUP—End of the line (sanitary sewer) is signified as City Administrator Gerald Stone (left) and Mayor Richard N. Cogger get ready to turn the valves that direct the flow from the Evans Ditch to the

Evergreen Interceptor. The long-awaited ceremony took place Dec. 21 at the city's metering station at the corner of Evergreen and 11 Mile Road.

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