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Seaholm Groves Graduates Await Annual Commencement Ceremonies

402 to Receive Diplomas from Superintendent

Seaholm will graduate 402 students at commencement exercises in the gymnasium at 10 a.m. next Thursday.

Baccalaureate services will be held 7:30 p.m. Sunday, and the gymnasium, Dr. W. Glen Harris, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, will deliver the sermon. He will be assisted by Kenneth Goss, pastor of St. James Episcopal Church.

Dr. Durward B. Varner, chancellor, Michigan State University, Oakland, will deliver the Thursday commencement address.



Dr. Varner



MacDougall



Miss Gordon

First Senior Class to Hear Ohio Educator

Diplomas will be awarded to 206 members of the first graduating class of Groves High School next Thursday.

Baccalaureate services will be held at 8 p.m. Sunday in the Groves gymnasium. Rev. Hugh White of Franklin Community Church will deliver the sermon and the invocation, and benediction will be given by the Rev. Edward Brown of Peace Lutheran Church.

Commencement exercises, also scheduled for the gymnasium, will start at 8 p.m.

Dr. Darrel F. Linder, assistant to the president of Duff Trucking Lines, Inc., of Ohio, will deliver the commencement address.

A world traveler, Dr. Linder is a lecturer, author and poet. At Duff he is in charge of industrial and public relations and is a consultant to many industries.

John Nylund, 32305 Eastlake, Beverly Hills, is the class valedictorian, and Carol Vise, 5061 W. Maple, Birmingham, is the salutatorian.

The Wylie E. Groves Scholarship Awards, one to a student and another to a faculty member, will be presented by Elder W. E. Groves, president and controller, Detroit Edison Company.

Rev. Robert Boley of Beverly Hills Methodist Church will give the invocation.

Presentation of the class gift to the school will be made by Art Schaefer, Beverly Hills, and the Beverly Hills Senior Class and Groves track star.

The awarding of diplomas will be conducted by Dr. Otis M. Dickey, superintendent of the Birmingham Schools.

Two Are Appointed

BEVERLY HILLS—Robert E. Murray, village manager, and Dr. Douglas J. Wood, councilman, were reappointed Monday as representative and alternate, respectively, to the Southern Oakland County Incinerator Authority.

B'ham-B'field Library Survey Starts Monday

A library survey of the Birmingham-Bloomfield and the cities of Birmingham and Bloomfield Hills.

It also recommended that three new facilities be planned, each to contain ultimately 50,000 volumes and to be affiliated with the Baldwin Library.

Weseman, who is on the faculty of the University of Minnesota's School of Library Science, has previously made public library surveys for Des Moines, Minneapolis-St. Paul and Tulsa.

When here to visit high school libraries of the area last month, he said that the citizens council report was the finest he had ever seen by a lay group.

In making the survey, Weseman is expected to talk with city and township officials, school and library board members and representatives of business and other community groups.

Landscaper Drowns As Boat Tips Over In Upper Long Lake

BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP — Pontiac man, Jeremiah Tolbert, drowned Tuesday morning in Upper Long Lake when a boat in which he was working tipped over.

Tolbert's companion in the boat, Edward Kimble, told police that he and Tolbert were cleaning out seaweed from the shore when the boat tipped. Tolbert jumped out, swam about four feet and started to sink. Kimble was unable to rescue the victim.

Township police said the two men were landscapers working for Leonard Major, 1905 Long Point Road. Tolbert was a former police from Major's home.

All kinds of inner spring mattresses replaced Monday evening. ROYAL MATTRESS COMPANY. "Big" "Old" and ask for LTR-PR-6210.

Residents Choosing Sides In Golf Course Proposal

By LARRY EVOE, City Editor

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look into the possibility of constructing a par three course on the site.

Martin believes that the shorter course using only 12-15 acres might take some of the pressure off crowded Springdale.

The council also feels that there is a great need for an outdoor swimming pool.

According to the council, recent recreational studies of the city

show the construction of a municipal swimming area was very strongly urged.

They feel that a municipal pool would be put to "great use, especially as an attraction for teenagers groups."

The council has joined forces with WNGFA in urging that a nature area be set up.

The WNGFA has offered to convert 20 acres of the site into a nature study area and arboretum. They also would like to include a natural lake site with the hope that it could be used for swimming.

Overnight camping sites also have been proposed for the area.

Nottingham Plat Gains Council OK

By KAY SMITH, Special Writer

BEVERLY HILLS—The plan for Nottingham Forest Subdivision No. 4, on Lahser Road north of 13 Mile, shifted from reverse to a normal motion last week when council voted five to one to approve the plat.

The planning board had passed a denial motion last week by the same margin, five to one.

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FOUR OF THE six new directors of the Community House were on hand for picture taking Monday at the annual dinner meeting of the Community House Association. From left, Mrs. W. R. Forsythe, Mrs. Pell Hollingshead, S. Tenny McGraw and Sheldon Moyer.

Community House Elects New Directors

Results of the election of six new members and the reelection of another were announced at Monday's annual meeting of the Community House Association.

The new directors elected to serve three-year terms are Charles T. Hammond, 1730 Winthron; S. Tenny McGraw, 600 Kimberly; Mrs. Pell Hollingshead, 428 Arroyo; Mrs. W. R. Forsythe, 694 Filigra; and Sheldon Moyer, 3917 Cottontail Lane, all of Birmingham, and Edward H. Lorch, 180 Lowell Ct., Bloomfield Hills.

Mrs. John W. Fawcett, 670 Fairfax, Birmingham, was re-elected to a full three-year term. Mrs. Fawcett filled the board vacancy created by the resignation last October of Mrs. John S. O'Flynn, whose husband had been transferred from the area.

City to Give Vigilance Tax Group \$250

IN OTHER action at the meeting the association amended the constitution and by-laws to change the name of the group to "The Community House Association, Birmingham, Michigan," from the Birmingham Community House Association.

The move was made, according to legal chairman Fred Bahr, to "prevent other communities from using the Community House name." Bahr also pointed out that the Community House serves other communities than the City of Birmingham proper.

The by-laws were changed so that the membership of the board will consist of "no more than 11 women and no less than six men, or conversely, no less than six women and no more than 11 men." The old by-law made the proportion seven and three.

COMMUNITY House President Thoburn H. Wiant presented certificates of appreciation to outgoing directors Fred Bahr, Mrs. C. L. Bouchard, Mrs. Raymond Giffels, Ralph Hunt, Mrs. Robert Mason and Mrs. William L. Scherer.

An added highlight to the evening was the introduction of the past presidents of the Community House.

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Tax Rate Remains Same for B'ham

Birmingham city commissioners Monday night adopted a \$1,801,000 budget for the 1962-63 fiscal year.

Of that amount, \$1,277,833 will be raised by tax levy. This will mean a tax rate of \$18 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation, the same as for this year.

Commissioners shaved off \$28,230 from the original budget presented by City Manager L. R. Gare. The reduction came in the amount (\$70,000) allocated for increased salaries for City employees.

AS ORIGINALLY planned, the budget would have required a tax rate of 18.4 mills.

Residents of the \$1,277,833 to be raised by the tax levy, the budget calls for \$523,173 in non-tax revenues.

The total assessed valuation of the city has been placed at \$70,399,740.

Largest items in the departmental budget are:

Police department, \$281,607; DPW, \$271,940; fire department, \$242,952; forestry and parks, \$87,130; general administration, \$80,255.

The total departmental appropriation is \$1,226,243.

FOR CAPITAL improvement programs, \$163,477 is allocated. However, no specific projects have been approved for this year. Ten projects are proposed.

Gare is expected to submit a summary report on capital improvement plans next week.

The proposed nine-hole golf course on the old sewage plant property on S. Cranbrook is not included in the budget. Commissioners are still "seeking ways to finance it," as one official put it.

Cost of the course has been estimated at \$100,000 to \$150,000.

Actually, commissioners have two other courses under consideration. They are attempting to decide which will provide more money from residential development, to help defray the cost of construction of the golf course.

A referendum may be required since the lot size as now proposed would be over the \$2 per capita limit.

INCLUDED in the new budget is \$350,007.50 for debt service.

In a separate action, commissioners approved transfer of \$30,067.50 from the debt service reserve to the reserve for payment of principal or interest on outstanding bonds, thus reducing the debt levy to be paid by taxes this year.

TOWNSHIP POLICE, on the other hand, solved a series of agencies involving garages at seven homes in Beverly Hills. Beer and champagne was taken from each of the garages which were broken into at various times during the last month.

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ON THE FACULTY of MSU since 1949, Dr. Varner has served in many executive positions at the university.

Class valedictorian at Seaholm is Robert MacDougall, 220 S. Cranbrook Class, and salutatorian is Craig Gordon, 16358 Bates.

Invocation will be given by the Rev. Reuel L. Howe, director of the Institute of Advanced Pastoral Studies and father of one of the graduates.

Murray Stewart, president of the senior class, will extend greetings and present the class gift.

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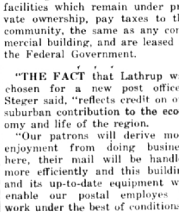
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