

It's Goodbye to Summer on Sept. 5

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It isn't very long from June to September.

Thousands of Birmingham area children will realize this more clearly in two weeks when they forsake their summertime pursuits (willingly or not) and return to school.

There will be a few noticeable changes—new classrooms, freshly painted interiors, new teachers and more pupils. But, essentially, this school year will be pretty much like 1962-63.

Birmingham Public Schools are expecting about 13,900 students when school opens Sept. 5, as compared with 13,263 last year and 12,737 in 1961-62.

In the Bloomfield Hills School District almost 5,000 students will be present when school starts Sept. 5. This is about 400 students more than the system had last year.

ONE REMARKABLE aspect of the training received in the local high schools is the high percentage of graduates who go on to higher institutions of learning.

Seaholm Principal Ross Wagner reports that, based on previous years, about 70 per cent of the June, 1963, graduates will enter college this fall. That percentage will be pushed to 80, counting those who go to school at a later date.

IT IS estimated that 75 per cent of the 1963 Groves' graduating class will continue their education. According to Principal Charles Lundy, this compares with 80 per cent for 1962.

Almost 80 per cent of the 1963 graduates at Bloomfield Hills have applied for admission to college.

"At one time we had 90 per cent," said Supt. of Schools Eu-

gene Johnson, "but there has been a very slow decline. Bloomfield Hills will always be a good college prep school."

BOTH THE Birmingham and Bloomfield school districts have teachers' workshops scheduled for Sept. 3 and 4. Classes start Thursday, Sept. 5, with one-half day of school and dismissal at noon.

The first full day of classes will be conducted on Friday, Sept. 6.

Marian High School reports an enrollment of 970 this year for grades 9 through 12, as compared to 825 last year. School opens Sept. 3 and a week of orientation will follow.

On Tuesday juniors and seniors will report at 12:30 p.m.; Wednesday, freshmen and sophomores at 12:30 p.m.; Thursday, all students are to report at 8:15 a.m. On Thursday, workshop groups will plan the year's calendar and policies.

Special Ed Program Gets Staff Boost

New professional staff and facilities will be provided in the special education program during 1963-64 school year, according to Bernard Maslanik, coordinator of special service for the Birmingham Public Schools.

Seven new staff members are Charles Frank Alcalá, visiting teacher; Mrs. Ila Mae Roback and Nicholas Hipkind, speech correction; Mrs. Marion Feebery and Miss Jane Hughes, mentally handicapped; Conrad Dowel and William Sturm, adjusted study program.

There are a total of five nurses on the staff.

NEW MENTALLY handicapped facilities will include another room at Baldwin Elementary School and a specially designed room at Berkshire Junior High School. This will make a total of five rooms; three in Baldwin, one in Groves and one in Berkshire.

This year the program will include an additional half-day of psychiatric consultation service (for a total of three half-days per month) which will be available for the adjusted study program and the visiting teacher program. Dr. Warren S. Kennison is the psychiatric consultant.

Replacement of two transportation vehicles with side-entrance and ramps will permit easier transportation of orthopedic children.

Marian students will go through abbreviated schedules starting at 8:15 a.m. Friday, followed by mass and noon dismissal.

SACRED HEART will hold its first day of school Sept. 4. Approximately 340 will be enrolled for all 12 grades. This is a slight increase over last year's attendance.

About 340 students will be present for a half-day session at Detroit Country Day on Sept. 11. This total compares with 315 last year for kindergarten through the 12th grade. New faculty organization will take place Sept. 6-10.

BLOOMFIELD Country Day

will hold classes until noon on Wednesday, Sept. 18. Purchase of books will take place in the afternoon. Regular classes will start Thursday. Registration for Cranbrook and Kingswood schools will start Monday, Sept. 16, and classes will begin for the girls on Tuesday and the boys on Wednesday.



THOSE YOUNGSTERS who relish "sleeping in" during the summer vacation are finding their days numbered with the opening of school just two weeks away. Take Bob Jessup, for instance. His friendly Dalmatian, Prince, will be around earlier to summon his-master to breakfast before he leaves for the classroom. Bob, the 12-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Jessup, Sr., 5420 Wing Lake Road, Bloomfield Township, will be a seventh grader at Bloomfield Hills Junior High School.

B'ham Board Schedule Set

The Board Room of the Hill Building is the meeting place for the Birmingham Board of Education. Meetings are held the fourth Tuesday of every month at 8 p.m.

President of the board is E. Ross Hanson, 966 N. Glenhurst, Birmingham, and vice president is George W. Coombe, 4412 Parklane Court, Bloomfield Township.

Other board members include Mrs. Mary Beier, 2216 Pine Street, Birmingham; Richard P. Barnard, 26580 Wellington, Franklin; Bennett W. Root, 1741 Bradford, Birmingham; Pell Hollingshead, 489 Argyle, Birmingham; and Dr. Carl Leach, 900 Wimbleton Drive, Birmingham.

Bloomfield Faced With Job Of Rebuilding Grid Team

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Bloomfield Hills grid coach Don Hoff and his charges have a lot of hard work ahead of them if they expect to repeat last year's near perfect performance.

The 1962 Baron contingent posted a 7-0-1 record and tied nearby West Bloomfield for the Wayne-Oakland laurels in the final game of the season.

It'll be many a year before Hills football fans will forget the thrilling come-from-behind tie in the dusk last October as All-Oakland County back Roger Stewart crashed over from the one yard line to knot the score against the Lakers.

But this year Stewart is gone as are Bill Calhoun, Kyle Kerbaw, Tom Melrose, Skip Beckman, Jon Marshall, Mike Griffin, Craig Moncher and other Baron stalwarts.

ONLY FOUR regulars are returning from last year's squad. Hoff will build his attack around fullback Pete Vidor, left half Dick Janz, end Gerry Appleby and guard Don Hamilton.

The burly Hills mentor figures he will be strongest in the backfield. Along with Vidor and Janz, five other backfield men with experience are back for another year.

At quarterback junior Jamie Miller is expected to get the nod. As a sophomore the lanky Miller showed promise in spots and a year of seasoning should help.

Bill Barnes is around to share the fullback duties with Vidor and halfbacks Jay Shimmick, Dean Daggert and Dave Todd are also experienced help. Mike Kratz, a junior transfer from Southfield could become a valuable asset to the Bloomfield attack.

ON THE LINE, Hoff has experience returning at every position. Along with Appleby, Mike Miller is returning for another shot at one of the end spots.

The tackle slots find Greg Weisse and Tom Richards as holdovers. At guard Sandy Eynon and Rusty Speirn appear to have the inside track.

The center post duties will probably be shared by Roger Wotila and Dan Mautte. Four promising newcomers according to Hoff are ends Gary Fisher and Jim Sprout, guard Marvin Booth and back Neil Fleming.

Hoff expects the Wayne-Oakland conference to be fairly even this season.

"CLARKSTON WILL be rough (and Hoff should know, his kitchen window overlooks the Wolves prac-

tice field) and so will Northville, West Bloomfield and Brighton," he said.

"It'll be a long row," Hoff smiled "but if the kids try hard we MIGHT win a couple of games."

Bloomfield will open the season with a home game against traditional rival Oak Park on Sept. 13. They'll open up the defense of their share of the W-O crown at Clarkston on Sept. 20.

Again this season the West Bloomfield game will be the final one of the year on the Laker field.

Teachers to Attend Preschool Workshops

All of the new elementary teachers of the Birmingham Public Schools will attend a one-week preschool workshop, Aug. 26 through Aug. 30.

The workshop, which will be held at Torry School, will culminate in the orientation day on Friday, Aug. 30. Returning elementary teachers are also welcome to attend.

The purpose of the workshop is to give the new teaching staff an opportunity to become familiar with their teaching materials. The workshop will emphasize all phases of the academic program with particular emphasis on the updated science, arithmetic and language arts areas. The all-day sessions will include objectives, specific content, utilization of instructional materials and modern methods of instruction.

WORKSHOP DIRECTOR is Miss Jane Heckman, arithmetic consultant. The four major academic areas will be directed by members of the professional staff: language arts, Mrs. Naomi Erdmann, reading consultant; social studies, Mrs. Mary Woodworth and Mrs. Anne Triff; science, Mrs. Lucille Burkhardt and Richard Sumner, science consultant and mathematics, Miss Betty Hayes and LaMar Kleckner.

Nine Birmingham teachers will

act as resource teachers to the new staff, Mrs. Lucille Zube, Miss Lynn Dougherty, Mrs. Betty Welton, Mrs. Olive Wangberg, Doug Haesler, Dick Davidson, Mrs. Ruth LeRew, Mrs. Susan Kendeigh and Miss Marjorie Hall.

Orientation day for new elementary and secondary teachers on Friday will begin with coffee and conversation at 9 a.m., at Seaholm High School. Leaders of the community will speak to the new teachers at the 10 a.m., general session in the Little Theatre at Seaholm. The Birmingham Education Association will host the group at luncheon. All teachers will then report to their respective buildings following luncheon.

ALL OF THE professional staff of the Birmingham schools will attend a series of meetings on Tuesday, Sept. 3 and Wednesday, Sept. 4.

The elementary staff will meet for a general session Tuesday morning at 9:45 a.m. at Groves High School. At the session, the reports will be presented on: summer curriculum-social studies, Mrs. Delores Vanderlaan; arithmetic, Miss Betty Hayes and Miss Delores Kalif; science, Richard Sumner; summer school, James Liddle; preschool workshop, Miss Jane Heckman; parent-teacher (See TEACHERS, Page 12)

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Wet Paint

A dab here and a dab there and all is shiny and new again, ready for the kids. Putting the finishing touches of paint on a door at Conant School in Bloomfield Hills is John Miller (right) as H. L. Cross "supervises."