

Teens Find 'Their Place' At S'field Youth Center

You're an average teenager, seeking to find yourself and your place in the community. Where will you go? What can you do? Where do you belong? What can you contribute?

A glimpse of answers to these questions is being found by students in Southfield High School's Community Relations Seminar. They're contributing time, effort and know-how to the organization and government of the Youth Center, sponsored by the Department of Parks and Recreation with the cooperation of Southfield schools.

Although Parks and Recreation is sponsoring the center and paying the bills, the tasks of designing a workable self-government, drawing up a code of conduct and planning activities belong to the seminar students.

HOW WELL they've done will be seen this Saturday when the center, located at the north end of the Civic Center at 10 1/2 Mile Road and Evergreen, opens to junior and senior high youth in the Southfield area.

The kids aren't buying any adult interpretations of their achievement. They use their own words:

"We feel great... it's a big accomplishment."

"... the only place in the city where kids can gather."

"It gives us something to go to keep out of trouble."

"We feel like it's ours because we set it up."

TUESDAY NIGHT the students were hosts to city and school officials and members of the press to introduce them to the center, the teens themselves and the prevailing belief that it is to be run by kids, for kids.

High school clubs and parochial schools have special invitations to visit the center this week and next. The center's open hours will be 7 to 11 p.m. Wednesday and Friday nights and 1 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 11 p.m., Saturdays. During these hours it will be supervised by Robert Greene, business teacher at Levey Junior High, who will serve as director.

The governing board is composed of five teens, three elected by seminar students and two appointed. Debbie Gordin, Carol Murray and John Calandri are elected members and Marilla Tiffin and Jeannette Morosoff are appointed. Serving as an advisory board will be representatives from each grade of junior and senior high.

Their first task has been to plan the schedule of events for opening night and successive months. They will schedule themselves out of office when school ends in June. New elections will draw from members of the Youth Center, with no regard to seminar membership. Youth Center membership costs

\$2 a year, with guests admitted for 50 cents.

"We're just setting it up, then we'll hand it over to all teens," said Seminar student Sue Jones of 28105 Pierce.

"I THINK it's good that it's in a central location and that junior highs are included. This'll help to tie the city together; Southfield is so big."

Said Bob Durbin of 10631 W. Nine Mile:

"It should be reassuring to parents to know we're not out bombing around—we'll have our own place. Each religious denomination has its own youth group, but the

center is for everyone. We'll meet new kids."

"It may take a while but the kids'll realize it's really their center; they'll be able to govern it all right," added Barbara Bietau, who lives at 29777 Sunset, Lathrup Village.

All agreed that "kids'll have a higher standing with adults" because of their work for the center. "It shows parents that we do have some brains and are willing to work."

"PARENTS' DON'T realize that kids want to do something useful—and can," they added, though we need people like Mr. Owen, Mr. Nanas and Mr. Cristiano to have faith in us."

The former Upper Teens, Inc., building, given to the city several years ago, has been reconsecrated by the Senior Friendship Club, a recreation department-sponsored group.

Among others contributing furnishings and services are the Eight Mile Drain Association and high school Varsity and Key Clubs. Senior citizens, handicapped children, art classes and Varsity Club use the building also.

Members can play ping pong, pumper pool and dance or chat with a friend over a soft drink. Special events and a summer camp will be planned by the teen board.

Blue-Gold Banquet Stars Den Mothers

Cub Scout Pack 1934 honored their den mothers at their annual Blue and Gold banquet held recently. Mrs. Murray Osburne, scout neighborhood commissioner, presented the pack charter to Donald DuBois, cubmaster.

Den mothers honored include: Mrs. Edward Griffin, den 1; Mrs. B. E. Chapman, den 2; Mrs. Ralph Hickey, den 3; Mrs. Russell Stephens, den 4; Mrs. Richard Cars, den 5; Robert Lyle, committee chairman, arranged the banquet.

Cubs and their dads attended a Red Wing hockey game recently and also visited the local Michigan Bell Telephone Co.

Plans Underway For Boys' State

Initial plans are underway for the 1964 Wolverine Boys' State Session to be held this summer at Michigan State University.

The program in the Birmingham-Troy area is sponsored by the Charles Edwards Post No. 14, American Legion, under the directorship of Dick Dewey of Woodward Ave. in Birmingham.

A round-up of the activities slated last year was recently held. Aims of the program for youths

is to develop the responsibility of leadership, prove the advantages of citizenship, and promote the art of clean sportsmanship through the practical experience of self-government.

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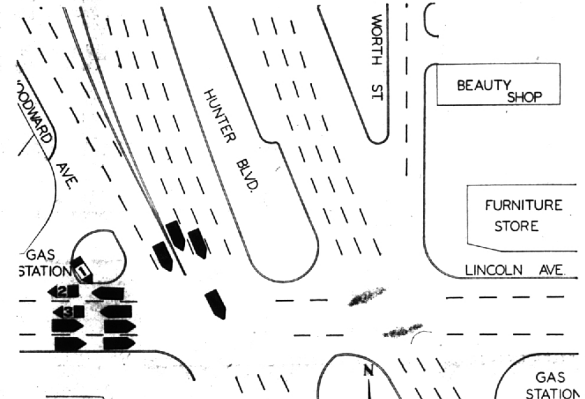
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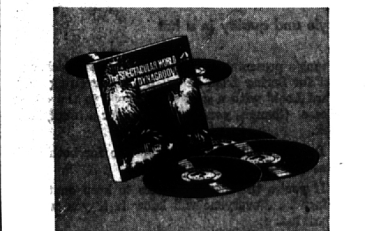
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BINGHAM FARMS—Voters will have a slate of three trustees, a village clerk, treasurer and assessor to elect on March 9. Elections will be up and running for the annual village election at Outland's Riding Stables on 14 Mile Road.

Clayton Lemon and Harold Speicher, incumbents, are running again for two-year trustee posts. Maurice Robbins is a candidate for the third opening, to replace Vernon Vesper who is not seeking reelection.

Mrs. George Whybrow is the only candidate for village clerk after holding the office for a year. James Washburn seeks reelection as village treasurer. Milo Harvey will be succeeded as assessor by Edward Burns.

THE VILLAGE council met Monday and called another meeting for next week to settle questions on the special assessment for sewers.

Four requests to have recent sewer assessments changed were discussed but left unresolved until further legal advice is sought.

The council deferred consideration of another annual annexation proposal by Beverly Hills until a meeting with F. Murphy of Beverly reveals more detailed information.

and citizenship, and teaching them the vocational skills basic to the fulfillment of that desire."

TURNING TO automation, the Burroughs executive asserted that while America is creating jobs it is having a hard time keeping up with our growing population and changing social patterns.

Automated devices "provide the productivity required to maintain our wage and living standards in world competition," he said. "Our problem is not to fight automation but to work with it to continue the development of our people and our nation."

"We must," Benmut emphasized, "provide facilities and courses for vocational training at the high school level that are genuine enough, interesting enough and promising enough" to keep the potential drop-out in school.

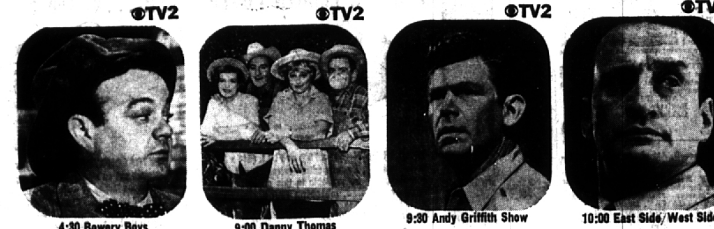
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MONDAY NIGHTS ARE EXCITING ON WJBK-TV 2



The Beverly Boys find themselves involved in a bank robbery when a photographer snaps a picture of the gangsters, and years old!

TUESDAY NIGHTS ARE FUN ON WJBK-TV 2



Red, Vivian Vance, Jackie Coogan and the Womenfolk get together for an evening of riotous fun. Viv plays the part of Clara, George Appleby's angry wife.

CBS News correspondent Walter Cronkite will be anchor man when CBS brings you a report on the New Hampshire Primary.

Right here and rarin' to go for laughs are Garry and Duward Kirby. Be sure to share the fun tonight at 10:30.

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