



Launch of a New Activity

Launching procedure is practiced by campers from Kingswood Day Camp; Laura Knapp, 38 Manor, Birmingham; Kathy Matel, 1363 Aberdovey, Birmingham; and Mary Oris, 5141 Winlane Drive, Bloomfield Hills. Keeping a watchful eye on the new campers is Betsy Rumely, 207 Abbey, Birmingham, who has attended camp before. Canoeing is a new activity this year at the

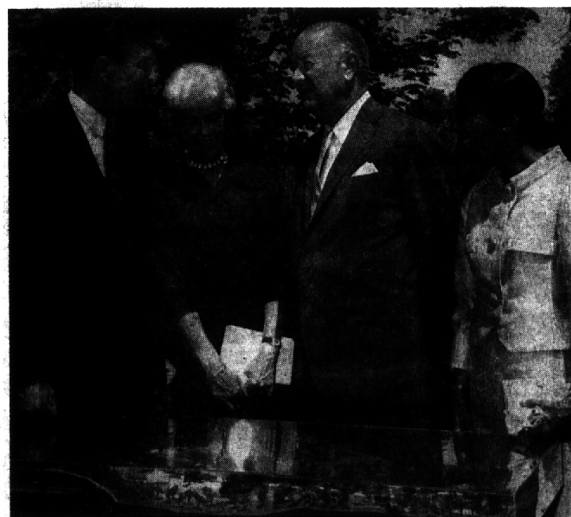
school and is open to campers who pass a qualifying swimming test. Camp sessions, open for girls aged six through 12, are June 29-July 10; July 13-July 24; and July 27-August 7. Camp programs, which include archery, arts and crafts, swimming, tennis, dance, music, drama and nature, will run from 9:15 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.



Leads O-U Library Friends

Carl F. Ingraham (left), 940 Harmon, Birmingham, is congratulated following his election as president of the Friends of the Kresge Library at Oakland University by David T. Wilder, head librarian, and O.U. Chancellor D. B. Varner (right). Ingraham presented a color portrait of Sebastian S. Kresge (shown) to the University. Other officers elected are Leonard T. Lewis,

1450 Pilgrim, vice president; and Mrs. W. Edwin Mosher, 1369 N. Glenhurst, secretary-treasurer. Both Mr. and Mrs. Lewis were elected to the board of directors, and re-elected to the board were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Chapman, Dr. and Mrs. Clayton Gordon, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Yntema, Mr. and Mrs. John Fitzgerald, Mr. and Mrs. C. Allen Harlan and Dr. and Mrs. Bruce Kresge.



First Step for Wiltwyck School

Mrs. Anna Roosevelt Halsted poses with Representative John V. Lindsay (on her left) and C. B. Smith, chairman of the board, American Airlines (on her right) and Mrs. Harry Belafonte at ground-breaking ceremonies for the Wiltwyck School for Boys. Mrs. Halsted, a resident of Birmingham is active in behalf of the interracial non-

segregation treatment center for children which her mother founded. Wiltwyck School dedicated its new campus in Yorktown Heights, N. Y. to Mrs. Halsted's mother, Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, at ceremonies which also featured Representative Lindsay and Smith, who is the chairman of the school's building and development fund.

Parents Tell School Chief Why They Like Teacher

By DAVE PHILPO
Towanship Editor

Words just can't express how we feel."

When a group of parents become aroused about something that adversely affects the welfare of their children, they usually are vociferous in their efforts to rectify the situation. Words of praise often go unnoticed.

But not this letter signed by 55 parents in the Torry School area to Birmingham Supt. of Schools John B. Smith:

"Dear Dr. Smith:

"We, the undersigned, would like to express our gratitude to you for providing our children with such a remarkable teacher as Mrs. Lillian Fishahler at Torry School in Kindergarten B.

"Her skill, training, experience, ceaseless effort and appreciation of the innate capabilities of these little ones has resulted in a group of children eager to continue learning.

"These youngsters are fiercely proud of the reading and numbers skills they have mastered. Perhaps best of all, though, is their enthusiastic attitude toward school!

"Thank you from all of us.

DR. SMITH wrote to the top name on the list, asking that the message be conveyed to the others.

His reply: "I am of course very pleased to learn of the high regard that you have for Mrs. Lillian Fishahler. Certainly this is a great honor for her. When parents believe so fully in the capabilities of a teacher, we have indeed an outstanding person in Mrs. Fishahler.

"The real test of a teacher is reflected in the attitude that her students have toward learning and school attendance. It is clear that in Mrs. Fishahler's class youngsters come to school filled with the desire to learn and participate in the activities designed to develop their mental capacities.

"This is indeed a test of the effectiveness of a teacher.

"I shall convey your thoughts to the members of the board of education who are, of course, the legal representatives of the state and in a very real sense the persons responsible for bringing to Torry School and the Bir-

mingham Schools such a person as Mrs. Fishahler."

MRS. FISHTAHLER is completing her fifth year as a teacher in the Birmingham school system, four of which have been in the kindergarten at Torry.

Before coming here in 1959 she taught for a total of six years in Detroit and East Detroit. She was also at Holy Name School for one year and taught kindergarten classes at Baldwin and Quanton schools.

Mrs. Fishahler earned a bachelor's degree from Marygrove College and a master's at Wayne State. She and her husband, Vernon, who live at 18820 Wiltshire, Lathrup Village, have three children.

ACCORDING to the parents, Mrs. Fishahler keeps them well-acquainted with how well each child is progressing.

The final sentence in a recent newsletter may indicate why she is so effective as a teacher:

"Let's not fool ourselves. In a rich environment, we don't lead children—they PULL us!"

The Birmingham Eccentric

Thursday, June 4, 1964

To be a good citizen in a nation that is governed through the processes of democratic self-government requires more than a superficial attention to the problems of your time. Indeed, if you would retain the freedom and security that you inherited, and want to pass them on to your children, you'll have to do more than just vote. You'll have to know enough to vote intelligently! (GMA)

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Civil Defense Class Ends in Southfield

Two Southfield residents recently completed a course conducted by Michigan State University in cooperation with the Civil Defense division of the Michigan State Police.

John E. Dunham, 25326 W. 9 Mile Road and Howard M. Rubin, 18470 Cornell, both of Southfield, successfully completed the Shelter Manager Instructor's Course which was held at the Oakland University. Dunham is from Southfield and Rubin is formerly assistant Civil Defense director for Oakland County and presently purchasing officer for the City of Southfield.

Their ten week course included a 24-hour stay in a simulated fallout shelter.

Special problems were given to the shelter manager and his deputies during the exercise in order to simulate an actual shelter experience. Information and training sessions were covered during the

Grant to Aid WSU Cancer Study

Gifts, grants and contracts totaling \$474,785 were approved by the Wayne State University Board of Governors at its monthly meeting.

The School of Medicine received \$237,563.42 for research projects in the departments of medicine, neurosurgery, dermatology, anesthesiology, psychiatry and industrial medicine and hygiene.

Dr. Richard Bing, 3861 Carriage Road, Birmingham, professor and chairman of the department of medicine, will direct a cancer treatment study supported by \$27,645 from the American Cancer Society.

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