

Green light given shopping mall for Orchard Lake construction

By JUDITH BERNE

Success hasn't changed Charles Peruski. He still can be found cutting hair at his West Bloomfield Plaza beauty salon.

Peruski and his brother Robert own the shop. It was the first in a series of purchases which converted them from small businessmen into shopping mall entrepreneurs.

Charles and Robert, along with brother Louis, are about to build the township's largest office complex behind the West Bloomfield Plaza shopping center. Construction is scheduled to begin this fall.

The Peruskis also own the West Bloomfield Plaza shopping center, a strip center on Orchard Lake Road south of Maple they expanded by 21 stores 1 1/2 years ago.

But the beauty salon at the head of the plaza is what gave the Peruskis their start as shopping mall entrepreneurs. "I still do a little bit of everything,"

Peruski says. "It keeps life interesting. The hair salon was our initial business. We kept collecting a little bit (of the mall) at a time. Things have gone quite well."

Peruski reports township approval for their proposed three-story West Bloomfield Office Plaza and restaurant came much easier than for the shopping center. "It took four years for that," he said. "This one went through within a year."

The site plan for the complex, which calls for 88,580 square feet of office space and a 5,000-square-foot restaurant, was OK'd 6-1 by the West Bloomfield Township Board Monday night.

The site plan was approved 6-0 by the West Bloomfield Planning Commission in February.

But Township Treasurer Marilyn Fessler and Trustee Thomas Law expressed concern over adding more buildings to Orchard Lake Road until it

is widened to five lanes, expected to begin this spring.

"I don't feel at this point in time I can put any more in that area," said Fessler, in casting the dissenting vote.

"I understand planning. I understand zoning. But I can't consciously vote any more," she said.

Law's objections were overcome after Township Supervisor John Doherty reported that the widening of Orchard Lake Road should be completed by the

time the office building is finished.

Board members told Fessler it was against the law to reject a project which meets the township's zoning and planning standards.

"I think if this whole board did that it would put this township in a precarious position," Doherty said.

PERUSKI SAID he expects "the building and roadway to be finished about the same time."

Living with Cancer slates March meeting

A Focus on Living (with Cancer) meeting will be conducted at 7:30 p.m. March 13 at Orchard United Methodist Church, 30450 Farmington Road, Farmington.

The purpose of the self-help group is to bring together patients and family

members who have questions or are experiencing problems as a result of living with cancer. Participants are encouraged to discuss their mutual problems in a positive manner.

For further information call the American Cancer Society, 557-5353.

Restaurant association awards 30 scholarships

Thirty Michigan college students received a total of \$8,500 in scholarships in the Michigan Restaurant Association's spring 1980 education awards.

Louise Stewart and Anne McDevitt, both of Farmington Hills were among the recipients. Ms. Stewart, daughter of Earl and Pauline Gilbert attends Mercy College and was awarded \$200.

Ms. McDevitt, daughter of Richard McDevitt attends Michigan State University and received \$300.

The bi-annual awards bring to \$49,500 the total amount given by the restaurant association since the beginning of the program in 1976.

The 1800 member association gives scholarships to Michigan residents or students in Michigan colleges who are sponsored by an association member and who are enrolled or plan to enroll in college level food service programs. Applications for scholarships to be

awarded next fall are due June 1. They should be sent to the Michigan Restaurant Association, 30161 Southfield Road, Southfield 48076.

on the agenda

Farmington Hills City Council
7:30 p.m. Monday, March 10

Consideration of opening of Tulipwood.

- Consideration of resolution to report cooperative recreation programs for the handicapped in Oakland County.
- Reports from the City Manager

- Recommendation of participation in cost agreement with the Michigan Department of Highways and Transportation for installation of traffic signal at Inkster and Northwestern.
- Recommendation of revised cost participation with the Michigan Department of Highways and Transportation for shoulder widening and culvert installation on Northwestern Highway.


Grover-Walker meets

American Legion Grover-Walker Post 346 and its auxiliary will meet at 8 p.m. tonight at 31775 Grand River.

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