

Stamps Stark Closing Step Towards Deterioration

READERS' FORUM

EDITOR: I certainly agree that more money toward economy are needed within the Livonia Board of Education, but the proposal to close Stark School is unthinkable.

It would be a giant step toward community deterioration. Already some committee has labeled us a "blight area!" Ridiculous!

True, none of our homes match the \$50,000 type found elsewhere in the city, but they are neatly kept by respected working class people. Most of us chose them because of the semi-rural atmosphere, prices we could afford, and best of all an excellent school close by.

Must our children suffer the double sacrifice of half days and their beloved school closed because parents can't afford or don't choose to live in the affluent new subdivisions? New schools are being built to attract buyers there. Is it because of our lower assessed valuation that our wants and needs are to be ignored?

Why were extensive additions made at Stark a short time ago? How is it that Grant and Cardinal have extra rooms to take us in? Poor planning, perhaps?

The taxpayers' discontent with millage and bond issues has been evident for several years. If cutbacks in field trips, art and music classes had been made some time ago, there would be no need for such dire measures as half days and closing schools already built.

Too, Scout leaders have too many hands over the years to build their troops. Are they to be divided or dispersed?

Has our city progressed so rapidly that our needs as people have no room for consideration in the minds of our leaders?

Let me urge everyone interested to attend the school board meeting on Aug. 1.

ELENE DAROW
CITIZENS FOR KEEPING
STARK SCHOOL OPEN
LIVONIA

Offers Gratitude

For Son's Saviors

EDITOR:

I do not know where to begin or how to express our gratitude to all of you. As I imagine the emergency cases the victims and close family, in the shock and upset, fail to get the names of the men on duty answering the call, therefore they do not get the heart-felt thanks they deserve.

On this past Friday, Aug. 1, at about 10:45 a.m., we almost lost our 2 1/2 year-old son, who stopped breathing because of a convulsion. We had never experienced this before and all of us were in a state of shock and confusion. To add to it all, the telephone had no dial tone.

Knowing a medical center nearby, we rushed there hoping to get aid. There were no doctors present, only a chiropractor, so the receptionist called the Livonia police department. They in turn called the rescue squad who helped him breathe till the American Ambulance arrived to take us to the hospital.

Every minute counted which added to the Jitters. I thank God for pulling our son through and I now realize that many times these people (police, ambulance drivers, rescue squad attendants) are the instruments by which He saves lives.

May God bless all these wonderful men whose names we failed to get. They will never be forgotten in our hearts.

MR. AND MRS. DEWEY BURTON AND SON
DETROIT

Area Deaths, Funerals

MARY ANN MICHALIK, Funeral services for Mrs. Michalik were held Friday morning at 10 a.m. at the St. Damian Church in Garden City. Burial was in Cadillac Memorial Gardens, Wayne.

Mrs. Michalik died July 28 in Wayne County General Hospital, at the age of 65.

She is survived by her husband, John; two daughters, Mrs. Patricia Strub and Mrs. Beverly Bentley; two brothers, Bernard and Stanley Wroblewski; and three grandchildren.

DONALD ALLEN GROW, Services for Mr. Grow, 61, of 6465 Haggerty Road, Plymouth, were held at the Schrader Funeral Home with Rev. David T. Davis officiating. Interment took place at Riverside Cemetery, Plymouth.

Mr. Grow died in his home Aug. 1.

He is survived by: his wife, Sylvia; two sons, David of Elk River, Ind. and Larry of Quincy, Mo.; one daughter, Mrs. Betty (Lola) Rose of Dexter; and five grandchildren.

MRS. VERONA HANNAN, Funeral services for Mrs. Verona Hannan

Story Would Do 'World Of Good'

EDITOR:

Observer, shed me no tears for Michael Torok and perhaps just one little tear for Lorna. Generations of parents have urged 17 and 19-year-olds not to get married. At least until they were able to get some sort of employment. To this I am sincerely sympathetic.

However, Michael Torok has not learned the basic fact that the pain will go away if you stop beating yourself with a hammer.

What employer would want to hire a fugitive "ragin' head" as the Observer appears to describe his head of hair and his facial foliage. He could at least keep his shirt in his trousers if by his design it was so intended.

I can truly sympathize with them for their undesirable diet. Some 27 years ago when we were married at the age of 23, I was in the same boat. A temporary transfer separated me from my wife and brought me into a strange city and a subsequent depletion of funds. I lived on bread and water, no proteins, for more than a week. Too proud to ask for help I waited "payday" when I procured my first regular but small meal and a violent stomach upset.

Poets and artists have claimed starvation is good for the soul. I do not believe this and do not wish it for the Toroks. While their problems are many they are not insurmountable and are, in my opinion, a reflection of Michael Torok's attitude. This marriage can be made to last if Michael can wake up in time.

The Mr. and Mrs. Torok story is an old, old story as related by many parents. Marriage too soon, too young and with too little reason.

Michael Torok wants to play at "Don Quixote." His "ousts with public opinion's "windmill" is a reasonable desire and appearance is producing self-inflicted consequences.

Please, Observer, shed no more tears for Michael Torok. Just publish this article and picture monthly and you will be doing a world of good.

VICTOR D. BEALE,
Livonia

Heed Parents, To Save Children

EDITOR:

James O'Neil is a man of high moral standards and integrity. It has been my privilege to hear and speak to him personally. I know he is sincere in his beliefs on sex education and is not using it as a political issue. He has the best interests of our children at heart.

I am not opposed to sex education, nor is he, but I am opposed to some of the materials, methods and philosophy being used. Also, I do not feel this course should be taught before puberty.

Let us hope the educators take heed of the parents' fears before it is too late for our children.

LOIS DUFFEE
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