

Regional roundup

The City of Bloomfield Hills and the Bloomfield Township Library have settled on a library contract after a dispute over costs.

Bloomfield Hills will pay the township library board \$43,130 for library services for the fiscal year 1976-77 which ends June 30.

The agreement comes after Bloomfield Hills refused to ratify a \$52,000 contract in July.

The \$43,130 represents the total amount paid last year (\$20,000) plus 10 per cent, which is the percentage increase in this year's library budget over the previous year.

PARADE AND PROMENADE

For more than a year, members of the Rochester Area Bicentennial Celebration Committee (RABCC) have been hard at work putting together the biggest parade extravaganza since the city's centennial in 1889.

The culmination of their efforts will be a 90 minute parade through Rochester's downtown area, beginning at 2 p.m. Oct. 10.

Pre-parade plans call for a promenade and old-fashioned moves night Friday, Oct. 8. After serenading storeowners, shoppers and passers-by, promenade participants will be treated to a free show of old-time movies in the Avon Township Public Library.

One 40 floats, 16 marching units, a sheriff's posse and 30 antique cars. Float themes and marching dress run the gamut of bicentennial flavoring.

During the parade, Union and Confederate battle units from all over southeast Michigan will recreate the past in colorful blues and grays. Wash and bagpipes will be the costume of Lake Orion's Sons of Scotia.

Schools, business and fraternal groups and civic organizations will compete for prize money, trophies and ribbons in float, band and drill team competition.

The parade's honor guard marshal is Sally Boeber of Rochester, whose late husband John served as general chairman of the RABCC.

SCHOOLS HIRE COP

A Southfield police officer will join the staff of Southfield School District in a new police-school liaison program. School officials say the officer hired by the schools will work as a counselor, a resource person and educational aide. Primary duty of the officer, according to Sgt. Carl Hasel, is to help prevent delinquency problems.

BOTTLE BATTLE

Farmington voters will have the chance to decide with the rest of the state if deposits on beer and pop containers will cause layoffs in canneries or reduce litter in the streets. Farmington ecologists and businesspersons are at odds over the results of such a law.

FARM BOWS FOR CITY

One hundred acres of former farm land in West Bloomfield were approved for rezoning Tuesday. Plans for the Haggerty Maple parcel are a live-work-play city within a city: encompassing homes, offices, shopping and light industry. Construction will start in the spring.

PICKET UCT, TALK IN

West Bloomfield teachers were to picket



Wanted

The Oakland County Sheriff's Department is seeking an armed robbery and attempted rape suspect who looks very much like the composite picture drawn by Deputy Joseph Duran. The Avon Township victim reacted strongly to the picture and officials believe the public can help in the suspect's apprehension. He is described as a white male in his early 20s, about five-foot-eight to five-foot-10, with shoulder-length blond or light brown hair. Persons with any information should contact Sgt. Charles Huggins at 858-4980. Informant's names need not be given. A Silent Observer Award is being offered.

Local lake fails test

Of all the 144 lakes tested by the Oakland County public health division this year, only one local lake failed to meet standards for total body contact.

Cass Lake, in the Cass Lake Community Association area, failed because it is a known sewage failure area.

The testing program consists of a series of five samples collected from 251 beaches during the months of June and July. This is followed by a second series of samples collected during July and August on all new or potential problem beaches. The second series included 57 beaches on 43 lakes.

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Smoke Watchers plan lecture

The Oakland YWCA announces the formation of another Smoke Watchers program of group dynamics to help smokers break the habit.

A free introductory lecture will be at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 4 at the Y, 630 Crooks between Thirteenth and Fourteenth Mile roads. According to Dan Hasenpflug, Smoke Watchers director, the organization uses three techniques to break the smoking habit.

•Understanding the why of smoking is taught members.

•Behavior modification, a process where members are shown how to unlearn their habits over a period of time.

There is no weight gain, according to Hasenpflug.

Those interested can call 645-1768 for further information.

•Group dynamics where each member helps others

Education expensive

The cost of educating a child in Michigan last year ranged from \$400 in Muskegon County's Lake City Area Schools to \$2,183 in Oak Park, the state board of education reports.

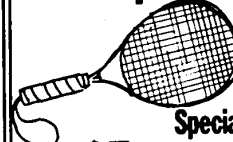
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