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Although the proposal has been rejected several times before, supporters hope it will win approval this time because it is not coupled with plans for a recreation center. The community genter is needed to provide meeting rooms and stage and kitchen facilities for the city's organizations, say supporters. The city plans to sell municipal bonds to build the center if it is approved by voters. A tax levy of .22 mills could be needed to pay off the bonds.

SENIORS ADVANCE

COMMUNITY CENTER

Troy residents will vote again on proposal to build a \$1.4 million community center on the city's civic center site. The proposal will go to the public April 4 in the city election.

Seniors at Rochester and Adams high schools in the next school year will be able to receive col-lege credit and grades for work completed in their regular high school curriculum. The Roches-ter Board of Education approved affiliation in the program. called Project Advance, at Monday night's meeting.

The program is sponsored in conjunction with Syracuse University in New York, and provides for special training of six district teachers to par-ticipate in the program. Some 50 students will take the special English course for six credit hours at a cost of 317 per hour.

Syracuse hopes to form a consortium of area school systems for the first year. If the program is successful, Rochester indicated the affiliation could be expanded to include more courses and an additional three years.

Regional roundup

WHICH WAY TO GO? Birmingham officials want to know if residents would prefer subways. bus systems or railways to run through the methopolitian region during the next decades. The city will hold a public hearing at 8 p.m. Feb. 28 in determine what kind of public transportable to the company of the city hold, is in Martin.

Several mass transit proposals are under consideration for the region.

MAYORAL TURNOVER

The City of Orchard Lake lares the narting of its fourth mayor within the year. Willard Stephen, elected to the six-member council in August turned in his resignation Monday.

Also resigning was city attorney Bernard Paige. Interd last Augusts by the council which was tied elected to replace a gubernatorial-appointed council which raw in the city following a May. 1976 council recall.

The remainder of the existing council has replaced Paige but plans to wait several weeks before naming a replacement for Stephen's spot on the council and selecting a new mayor.

West Bloomfield School District residents accus-tomed to receiving copies of board agendas and minutes at their homes, will have to pay \$12 for that service beginning July. In adopting the policy requiring payment for the documents, the board said such a "user's fee" is permitted under the new open meetings act. Residents may still stup by board offices to read agendas and minutes free of charge. They are located in Abbat Middle School, Orchard Lake at Commerce roads.

MEA cites new Crestwood evidence

The Michigan Education Association has asked the state supreme court to set aside an April, 1975 judgment which upheld the firing of 184 Crest-wood teachers.
MEA president David McMahon said the artion was taken following the recent discovery that over half the teachers never received note from the Crestwood Board of Education to return to wasters by the control of the control

work or be fired.
"The court was advised by the board's attorney that all teachers had been duly notified in advance, by certified mail, to report for work on Dec. 27, 1947, said McMahon. "We have now found that these statements were not borne out by the facts.

e facts. We have learned that envelopes to 67 teachers "We have learned that envelopes to 6' teachers were never delivered at all, but were returned unclaimed," continued McMahon. "Four were returned marked 'refused,' and six receipts indicated delivery had been made after Dec. 27. In 24 other cases, the receipt was signed by someone other than the teacher for whom it was in-

McMahon said the new information came to light after Wayne County Circuit Judge Joseph

McMahon added that the present hearings, con-trary to the original, had permitted the cross-ex-amination of Crestwood Supt. Robert Rutila. McMahon said it was Rutila's testimony which supported the Crestwood teachers claim that most of them never received the notice in ques-tion.

"We contend." continued McMahon, "that since the board's attorney, in arguments before the su-pergme court, land repeatedly alleged that all teach-ers had received their notices by certified mail, that a fraud has been perpetrated upon our state's highest court.

Crestwood is a school district in Dearborn Heights.

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Rashid ordered a new round of hearings for the teachers, under provisions of the Public Employment Relations Act. After reviewing the transcripts of the first hearings, Judge Rashid ordered the new hearings with the comment. The record is barren of a hint of evidence tending to show than totice was sent and received by the teachers prior to Dec. 27. 1974.

"We believe this, coupled with other matters re-lating to the entire Crestwood situation, amply jus-tifies the court setting aside its original order."



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