

They can use your old glasses

Old eyeglasses you no longer use can help some poor person have better vision.

J. Albin Jackman, director of family services for Harry J. Will Funeral Homes, said the firm is again collecting old eyeglasses for New Eyes for the Needy, Inc., a nonprofit, non-sectarian organization in Short Hills, N.J.

Eyeglasses you no longer need may be taken to the funeral homes at any time. They are at 3700 Six Mile, Li-

vonias; 25450 Plymouth Road, Redford Township; and 4412 Livernois, Detroit.

WHEN ENOUGH glasses have been collected, the firm will carefully package and ship them to New Eyes, which will sort and test the glasses, distributing them to persons too poor to buy visual aids.

Boxes for donations of glasses are being placed in many area churches May 1 and 7. (New Eyes solicits no money.)

"Our last New Eyes drive was tremendously successful," said Jackman. "We are beginning another drive because we're certain that many more pairs of useless glasses have been accumulated locally, and people would like the opportunity to give these glasses a useful purpose."

In addition to old eyeglasses, New Eyes asks for donations of cataract lenses, artificial eyes, soft glass cases and broken jewelry which contains any bits of precious metals.

UNBROKEN plastic-framed glasses and sunglasses are classified and used to fill specific orders from medical missions and recognized welfare agencies throughout the world.

The metal is sold for refining, and proceeds are used to have prescription lenses ground and to meet other expenses.

New Eyes for the Needy uses a volunteer staff in donated quarters.

Winterkill surfaces on area lakes

By LEM MESEE
Outdoors writer

Lakefront property owners and the observant nature watchers, especially on small ponds, are reporting fish, sometimes in large numbers, swimming sluggishly near the surface and apparently covered with fungus.

Hass, perch, northern pike and bluegills are affected in several Oakland County lakes as well as Livingston and Washtenaw counties.

The fish biologists at the Pontiac office of the Department of Natural Resources tell us the phenomenon is related to the "winterkill" that affected many of our lakes.

Winterkill doesn't just kill it lowers the oxygen levels of the water enough to put great stress on the fish. The fish that don't die become weak. It's nature's way of thinning fish populations and removing the weaker ones.

Moreover, most warmwater species of fish spawn in the spring, and this puts additional stress on them. Their defense mechanisms are so strained that they often can't fight off parasites and fungus.

SEVERAL OAKLAND lakes have been given stocks of rainbow trout

which the friendly DNR says are in exceptionally good shape, running seven inches or more. Many should reach the legal keep size of 10 inches by mid-summer.

The Clinton River at Cass Lake got 30,000 rainbows, and is scheduled for 10,000 lake trout. Crescent Lake was stocked with 9,000 bows. Deer Lake 7,000 bows. Little Silver, 3,500 bows. Maceday, 10,000 bows with 8,000 spawls to come. Union Lake, 14,000 bows with 8,000 spawls to come. Dickinson Lake will get 2,000 bows soon.

SOME ANGLERS who don't read their rules carefully are getting ticked.

Paint Creek and its tributaries, Trout and Gallagher creeks, are designated trout streams, and fishing doesn't start there until April 30.

Others have been ticked for having trout in their possession on the Huron River from the Moss Lake outlet to 100 yards west of Wixom Road on the Huron Lake Recreation Area. The rules say "catch-and-release" until June 1, and with artificial flies only. After June 1, normal fishing rules apply.

SPECIAL SATURDAY programs will start May 7 at the Haven Hill En-

vironmental Education Center under the direction of Park Naturalist Hartley Tinserton.

There are three programs each Saturday, starting at 10 a.m. and ending about 3:30 p.m.

They're free, although you'll need a state park motor vehicle entrance permit (\$5 a year) to get in Haven Hill is in the Highland State Recreation Area on M-36 in Highland Township.

State test for set for May 23

High school juniors who want to compete for state scholarships who for the 1976-77 school year have until May 23 to register for the second of three qualifying examinations.

The American College Test (ACT) is the designated examination for the State of Michigan scholarship. Registration for the ACT is possible at every high school in the state. The second examination for high school juniors planning to enter college in the fall of 1978 will be given June 18, according to State Superintendent of Public Instruction John W. Porter.

The first examination was given on

April 2. The third will be given Oct. 8. A student needs to take only one of the three examinations, Porter said.

The state superintendent said approximately 45,000 Michigan high school juniors are expected to take one of the three examinations.

"Participation in this examination is the first step in the process of selecting state scholarship recipients," Porter said. "State scholarships, awarded on the basis of need, may be in amounts up to \$1,200 a year and may be used at any of Michigan's some 100 institutions of higher learning."



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