

30th anniversary

Israeli independence expo expands festivities

Israel-Expo '78, a celebration for the entire community marking the 30th anniversary of Israel's independence, will be expanded from one to three—and possibly four—days in mid-May.

"This year's Israel-Expo was simply too big and exciting for one day on which it had been scheduled," said Morris Cooper, president of the Detroit Zionist Federation. "Its resounding success prompted the planning committee to hold this year's expo from Thursday evening, May 11, through Sunday, May 14."

Cooper added if enough interest were to be shown on the part of teach-

ers from public, parochial and Hebrew schools in scheduling class trips, Israel-Expo '78 would be extended through Monday, May 15.

Israel-Expo '78 is coordinated by the Detroit Zionist Federation, Jewish Community Center, Jewish Educators Council and the Jewish Educators Council. It will be held at the Jewish Community Center of Metropolitan Detroit, 6600 W. Maple Road, West Bloomfield.

Opening ceremonies, featuring Gen. Mordecai Gur as keynote speaker, will be held at 7:30 p.m., May 11, at Shifman Hall, for Yom-Heitzman.

Stony Creek ramps allow launchings

Stony Creek Metropark has ramps that permit up to 10 simultaneous boat launchings and parking spaces for up to 10 cars and trailers located at the south end of Stony Creek Lake.

The launch site has a building and restrooms, lounge area, vending machines for food service and a snack bar on weekends. Park hours are 8

a.m. to 8 p.m. daily, (then 10 p.m. starting May 27).

For details phone 781-4242 (Washington exchange).

Trailers, cars and boats are not permitted to remain overnight at the launch site at Stony Creek (except for those in the land storage area, which have been rented for the season).

Israeli folk singer Ohela Levy will be featured at 9 p.m. May 13 in an Israeli cabaret coffeehouse setting at the Jewish Center. Born in Tel-Aviv, she is one of Israel's most popular folksingers and the subject of a recent one-hour television special in which she sang in English, French, Yiddish, Russian, Spanish, Greek and Hebrew.

Tickets for the Israeli Cabaret will be sold at the door at a cost of \$3.50 for adults and \$2 for senior citizens and students with I.D.

Sunday, May 14, will be the biggest day scheduled for Israel-Expo, beginning at 11 a.m. when visitors may pick up their "passports" at the door. From one end of the center to the next, the Jewish Center will recreate typical Tel Aviv or Jerusalem street scenes.

In one area, an Israeli Trade Fair will be in full bloom with animated bartering of leather goods, glassware, copperware, ceramics, toys, silver and gold jewelry, rummikub, stamps, games, coins, original oil paintings, lithographs and sculptures from the Old World.

In another area, the aroma of Israeli food will waft through the air in a Tel Aviv-style cafe setting with the sounds of an Israeli dance troupe doing the Hora next door. Further down the "street" a wine making demonstration, an Israeli fashion show, a belly dancer, magic act and Russian gypsy singer will be found as colorful additions to the occasion.

A film festival will be showing movies throughout the day. Another room will feature a tour of Israel through a numismatic display of coins, stamps and medals.

Mothers can leave small children in a nursery which will have its own entertainment—a magic show and song fest where everyone gets a chance to decorate Israel's 30th birthday cake.

Outside, youth may enjoy an archaeological dig or a dip in the swimming pool.

Of interest to teens will be the Tzahal-Deceathlon and Pentathlon events ending with a climb to Masada. The Israeli Student Fair will have a

creative arts festival, and awards will be presented to the youth for the best Israeli projects.

A special birthday party will be held at the Expo for anyone born on the day of Israel's birth, May 11. Teachers who would like to schedule a class trip for May 15, should contact the Detroit Zionist Federation at 968-2040.

"We hope to make this year's Israel-Expo meaningful and exciting not only for the entire Jewish community but also for the people of Detroit as a whole," said Rabbi Robert Abramson and Richard Wagner of the Jewish Educators Council, a group of principles of Hebrew schools who are in charge of making special projects for the affair.

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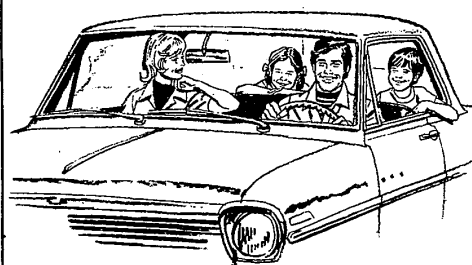
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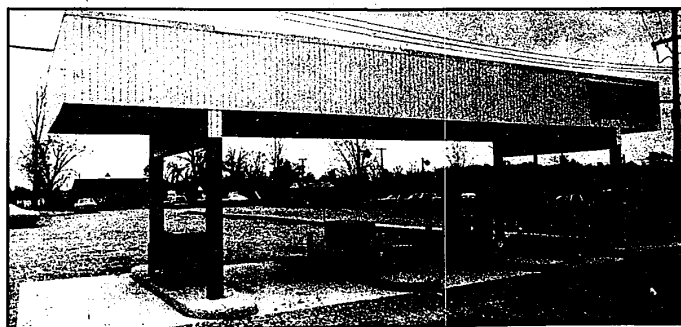
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