



MORE THAN 100 DEGREES OF HEAT and something had to give. Carol and John Anderson of 11314 Mayfield, Livonia, seem unperturbed over the buckled sidewalk in front of their home. But their mother, Mrs. Arnold Anderson, was wondering if it would go back down when the weather cools off. (Observer photo by Harry Mauth)

Oakland Hospital Goal: \$200 Million

By JACKIE KLEIN

Rapidly growing Oakland County is facing critical health problems, according to a recently released comprehensive hospital report.

The \$65,000 study was prepared by E.D. Rosenfeld Associates, hospital and health service consultants of New York, for the Oakland County Board of Commissioners.

It says an estimated \$200 million construction program is needed over the next 20 years to keep pace with a projected 74 per cent population growth.

THE COUNTY'S population is expected to increase from 500,000 to 1.5 million by 1990, the report states. It will increase the need for trauma-related services, special youth and young adult programs such as family planning, alcoholism, drug abuse, suicide and other crises, and facilities for senior citizens.

Increased population density creates increased noise, air pollution, solid waste and accident-related problems, which if not prevented stimulate a second round of health-care requirements, the report states.

Close person-to-person contacts are a potential for infectious diseases, parasites, and rodent-borne infections, the report warns. If the lightest state inspection and quality of the environment continues to decline, it could result in unprecedented health hazards such as radiation in scattered locations, water transmitted infectious diseases and emotional problems.

The report recommends construction of multiple small hospital facilities in scattered locations be discouraged and small, non-comprehensive hospitals be phased out.

IT RECOMMENDS large centralized bed clusters augmented by satellite units and mobile facilities.

The report projects a need for 1,650 more nursing home beds than now planned by 1990 and suggests phasing out and small, substandard homes and quality of the environment

Day and night mental health programs are needed in all sectors of the county, according to the report, coordinated with the county's community mental health services.

The report urges a tri-county drug abuse authority in Oakland, Wayne and Macomb. The few treatment programs in the area are primarily aimed at adult heroin addiction, the report says.

Fewer than 1,000 addicts will be treated with methadone maintenance when the program is fully developed and treatment centers cannot be considered major patient care resources, the report states.

Some large general hospitals in and around Oakland County treat direct and indirect effects of drug overdose on an emergency basis but do not follow up with counseling and therapy, the report says. Providence, Pontiac General, St. Joseph Mercy and Beaumont have shown an interest in such a program.

The report recommends a county-wide ambulance fleet linking people with health services, dispatched from a central communications center and garaged near user needs.



Dateline: Outdoors

By LEM MESEE
Outdoors Writer

They may be good looking babies, but they grow up to be among the ugliest creatures around.

It used to be that summer vacation wasn't official until we'd spotted the first batch of baby catfish in the pond behind the cottage. But one day, in the shallows near the shore, there would be a dark cloud moving through the water. A closer look would reveal dozens of little, ink-black catfish fry with their big heads and kittenlike whiskers.

The catfish takes parent-hood very seriously. In May or June, he selects his mate. In some species, either the mother or father holds the mass of fertilized eggs in their mouths for the whole incubation period. This means they go without eating for two to three weeks, but they protect their eggs.

For weeks after they are hatched, the parents watch over them. At night they take them into their mouths when they sense the approach of a turtle or other enemy.

He has a keen sense of smell. The water flows through his nostrils and circulates through two sacs with highly developed organs of smell.

The lateral line on a catfish is a tube running along the side of his body. It is equipped with nerves, pores and even some kind of a thermostat. This gives him a combination for "feeling-hearing" sounds both in and out of the water as well as an awareness of temperatures.

OAKLAND COUNTY has 13 hospitals, including 10 general care units, two psychiatric facilities and a county unit. The report projects the need for 1,550 more long-term beds by 1990 and up to 680 more general care beds than now planned.

The report recommends expanding the Oakland County Health Dept., to meet the rising need for preventive health services, specialized alcoholic services and narcotics and addiction control and treatment services.

SUDDEN movement or a barking dog would send them scurrying in every direction. Then the patient parents went to work. They scooped up each lost baby in their mouths and returned it to the group where they huddled together in a tight ball until all were found.

AS THE CATFISH matures he becomes one of the most sensitive creatures on earth. He tastes with the scaleless skin on his body, with the barbels that hang from his lower jaw, and even with his tail.

Because he'll eat just about anything, no sophisticated lure or bait is needed to catch him. He'll go after a piece of old leather shoelace or a hunk of melon rind.

Skinned, rolled in cornmeal and deep fried, he's delicious eating and the most popular fresh water fish in the county.

The study endorses a proposed 300-bed hospital in Troy and recommends closing the Oakland County Hospital and locating a facility for chronically ill patients near a general hospital if the county wants to maintain the service.

It says a proposed 300 bed addition to Beaumont Hospital would meet no urgent community purpose and suggests Providence develop a long-range master plan, providing a phase approach to meeting present care service needs and developing as a community mental health center for the southern part of the county.

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New Bus Run: N'land To Mall

A new bus run from Great Lakes Transit between Northland and the Livonia Mall began operating on June 14.

Three runs are operated throughout the week and on Saturday, leaving Northland and traveling west on Nine Mile to Middle Belt Road and then south to the Mall, at Middle Belt and Seven Mile.

Buses leave Northland Monday through Friday at 9:30 a.m., 12 noon, and 3:15 p.m. On Saturday the times are: 10:30 a.m., 12 noon, and 3:15 p.m.

Leaving the Livonia Mall, the buses run at 10:05 a.m., 12:25 p.m., and 3:55 p.m. Mondays through Friday.

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