Group to visit Mexico

BY RESECCA WALDMAN STATY WEITER

Oskland County govern-ment officials, business peo-ple and educators are going south to take full advantage of the North American Free Trade Agreement

Trade Agreement.

About a dozen local companies will join county officials and a consortium of administrators from Oakland Community College, Oakland University, Walah College and Lawrence Technological University to visit, their Mexican counterparts Cot. 2-4, as part of a second-trade mission.

Oakland County Execu-

trade mission.

Oakland County Executive L. Brooks Patterson led the first trade mission to Mexico in April, which opened discussions about hooking up local, mid-sized businesses with Mexican companies as trading and development partners. He is also leading the October trip, during which the Oakland and Mexican sides will ty to evaluate and pool their respective assets and create mutually beneficial trade arrangements.

Oakland County leads Michigan in exporting now.

"Oakland County leads Michigan in exporting now," asid Ken Rogers, Oakland County's Director of Community and Economic Development, who has been involved in both missions "With Michigan the second largest trading pattner with Mexico, combined with NAFTA, you have to pay attention to exporting."
Rozers said there are

Rogers and there are more than 460 foreign owned partnerships in the county, and 60 percent of all Japanese firms in Michigan make their headquarters bers. Additionally, NAFTA has helped Mexico become a stronger trading partner.

"As a new and emerging marketplace, Mexico and South America are a dynamic place for us to be in," he said.

The mission participants' The mission participants long term goals are to capitalize business and educational resources, and using government officials to help amouth any logistical problems



Record number of kids to hear school bell ring

BY PAT MURPHY

A sense of optimism prevails in the Walled Lake Consolidated School District as a record number of students prepare to report for the opening of school Tuesday.

"We're expecting another great year," said David Flammer, a for-mer Walled Lake administrator who is now president of the board of education.

As many as 11,666 students are expected to report for a half-day session Tuesday and all-day sessions the rest of the week. That's a projection of about 620 students more than the 1933-94 year.

"This is a high-growth area," said Flammer, who now works in sales and marketing for Jostens

Learning Inc., an educational technology company based in San Diego, Calif. 'And the growth is

Diego, Calif. "And the growth is expected to continue."

Walled Lake has been part of a growth surge since 1988. In each year since then, the average in-crease in atudents has ranged be-tween 400 and 600.

Growth has been so spectacular, Flammer said, the district is again in the unenviable position of seeking a millage increase. On Sept. 27 the district will sak voters to approve a 3.5 mill bond is sue to finance a \$116 million building and renovation program.

That program would include a new elementary school, two mid-dle schools and extensive renova-tion at many facilities.

WALLED LAKE SCHOOLS

Flammer said neither he nor other school officials are discouraged by the fact that a similar proposal was rejected by voters last year. On the contrary, he said, officials are optimistic.

The district commissioned studies showing voter uncertainty was part of that rejection, Flammer said, and "things will be different this time. Many property owners recently got their latest tax bills, he explained." And we expect voters to be more receptive.

While that vote is about a month away, Flammer said the spirit of optimism is a current ongoing and growing. "It's always

exciting . . new students, new teachers and new optimism." Several personnel changes have been made. They include:

Steven Gaynor, a former special education and elementary princi-pal in Holly, is the new assistant superintendent of schools.

Thomas Szocinski, former assistant principal at Western High School, is the new principal at the Oakland Technical Center Southrost Campus.

Il Linda Ayres, the former language arts coordinator, is the new principal at Commerce Elementa-

ry.

Ronald Thorin, former princi-

pai of Village Blementary in Hartland, is the new principal at Hickory Woods Elementary.

B Patricia Yarbrouch, a former high school administrator in sub-urban Chicago, is the new assist-ant principal at Western High School.

M Kevin Clarke, former teacher at Annapolia High in Dearborn Heights, is the new assistant principal at Western High School. ■ David Schreiber, former chair of the math department at Ro-chester Adams High School, is the new assistant principal at Central High School.

Roderick Reese, former teacher in the Southfield schools, is a new assistant principal at Walled Lake Middle School.





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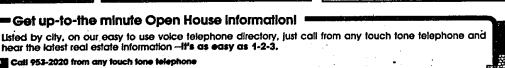
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