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On Saturday, February 26, the Observers' "FOCUS: Suburbia" will shed light on the new tax laws in the hope that we can unravel a few problems and calm a few nerves. Home delivered or on the newsstand

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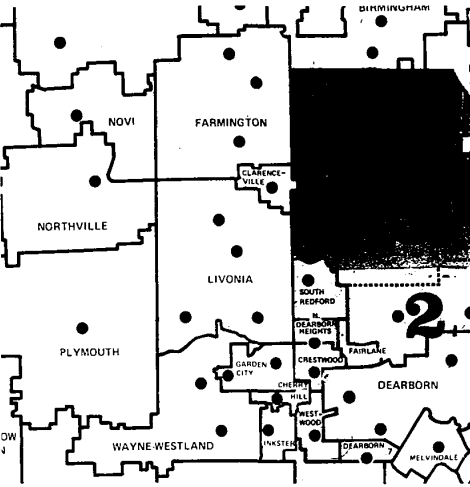
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REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS -- Three Observerland school districts -- Southfield, Redford Union and South Redford -- were included in the Detroit Metropolitan Educational Area proposed by the State Department of Education and submitted to Federal Judge Stephen J. Roth, who is presiding over the Detroit school desegregation suit. Southfield and Redford Union would be included in District 3 of the six-district plan, and South Redford would be in District 2. The plan is only one of several proposals submitted to Roth as remedies to the Detroit school segregation. It is expected that Roth will rule on the proposals next month. Black dots indicate public high schools.

Seminar To Dig At 'Gold Mine'

There's a gold mine in Observerland, but the problem is how to tap it.

The "two miners" who are ready to dig in are Mike Bogolea of the Community Commission on Drug Abuse and Ron Griffith, director of community services at Schoolcraft College.

Both believe there is a gold mine in human resources in the college's five school districts, but getting at that mine is a difficult task.

So the two have conspired to offer a seminar called "Introduction to Community Action" where they hope to reach people with varied interests and talents.

BOGOLEA WILL conduct the seminar beginning at 7 p.m. The first meeting will be in Room 100 of Bradner Library on the campus. The library is next to the south visitors parking area off Haggerty Rd. between Six and Seven Mile.

Lasting for 10 weeks and with a \$12 charge, the seminar will be flexible but will attempt "to bring about community solutions to community problems through a well conceived program of coordinated community involvement."

"All too often the solution to local problems is right in the community, but we bring in

outside resources to solve them," Griffith said. "We want to identify some of the resources in the community and get people to solve our own problems."

One essential by-product of such involvement is that "if you're part of the decision, you are more willing to live with it," Griffith says.

BOGOLEA SAYS the seminar is designed to get community residents interested in becoming volunteer leaders or workers in community programs. It will

give residents direction in determining where and how they can put their talents to work.

Among areas Bogolea hopes to cover are how to mobilize community power bases, develop a nucleus of well-trained volunteers capable of accomplishing the goals of an action program, coordinate volunteer efforts, set goals and action time tables, and organize and conduct public meetings.

Interested persons can register for the seminar on the first night of the class.

Child Care Course 2-College Offering

Wayne County Community College and Schoolcraft College will jointly offer a child care worker curriculum -- the first joint program offered by the two colleges.

Dr. Robert Keene, Schoolcraft's vice president of instruction, said the two colleges will continue to work together on joint courses. "Such cooperation would minimize the cost of some expensive programs, locate the programs so that graduates may commute to the areas of instruction without much difficulty and eliminate duplication of efforts by several institutions," Keene said in a memo to the board.

Students can register at either college for the two-year program. Schoolcraft will offer the general education courses and WCCC will offer the child care training at Wayne County Child Development Center.

The vocational division of the State Dept. of Education gave approval for the curriculum. Graduates will be awarded associate degrees from either institution.

Keene said that the curriculum is designed "to train students to work with children in a variety of institutions, such as cottage parents, house parents, children's supervisors, camp counselors, and nursery school workers."

"The student is trained to work effectively with an institutional team and the program provides training for

working with the normal child as well as the physically handicapped, mentally retarded, emotionally disturbed and socially maladjusted children and youth.

"Skills for working with children are developed through study and practical field experience in institutions located within commuting distance of the college," Keene said.

Eventually the child care center run by Schoolcraft may be utilized as an observation laboratory or used for student training, he said.

The potential enrollment for the program is 50 students.

Local Men Are VPs

Two local men were named vice presidents of the O.L. Anderson Co., a Detroit manufacturer of metal stampings and fuel tanks.

David A. Baldie, 9623 Roseland, Livonia, was promoted from sales manager to vice president of sales. He has been with the company since 1966.

William H. Vedder, 26197 Meadow Drive, Franklin, was named vice president of manufacturing and has been with the company since 1970. He was formerly plant manager. Vedder belongs to the Die Cast Engineers Society and American Electroplaters Assn.

Chamber Will Quiz McDonald

The North Oakland Chamber of Commerce will hold an issues and answers forum and luncheon with U. S. Rep. Jack MacDonald of the 19th Congressional District. The event is Feb. 25 at 12 noon to 1:30 at the Sheraton, Pontiac - Bloomfield Motor Inn.

The forum is designed to allow spontaneous written questions from the floor. Among the subjects are: National health care plan, value-added tax, social security tax, guaranteed minimum income, minimum wage laws, deficit spending and President Nixon's phase III program.

Invitations are being extended to civic groups, schools, community leaders, service clubs and interested citizens. Seating capacity is limited and all interested parties should contact NOCC Headquarters, Executive Vice President, 33 W. Huron, Pontiac, 48053.

Minorities Sought For Road Work

A special bid-taking to attract small and minority contractors will be held in Lansing Feb. 24 at 2 p.m. by the State Highway Commission, including several projects near Observerland.

The projects include intersection widening, roadside mowing, bridge abutment repair and general highway safety and maintenance work.

The commission has scheduled a briefing at 10 a.m. the day of the bid-taking in the highways Building auditorium to familiarize prospective bidders with state and federal regulations governing bid procedures and highway contracts.

One project is chemical weed spraying on I-75, I-96, M-59, I-696, M-24, US-24, M-53, I-94 and M-21. Project involves a total of 5,433 acres on 199 miles of highway, estimated at \$21,000.

A roadside mowing contract on I-96, I-696 and I-75 calls for mowing on I-75 during the 1972 and 1973 growing seasons, and on I-96 and I-696 during the 1973 growing season only.

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