

550 Kensington Geese Are Moved

The State Department of Natural Resources has completed releasing about 550 "giant" Canada geese to establish new nesting flocks in some parts of Michigan and strengthen the big birds' resident populations in other areas.

The honkers were live-trapped last summer from an overcrowded concentration of geese in the Kent Lake area of Kensington Metropolitan Park in Oakland County. Since then, they

have been sheltered and fed at the DNR's game farm near Mason.

They are the largest members of the Canada goose family, which explains why the term "giant" is an official part of their name. As adults, these massive, square-shouldered birds will reach 16-18 pounds, a good seven to eight pounds heavier than the average-sized Canada geese which migrate through this state.

The birds released by the DNR since last week have been wing-clipped to keep them from flying until they go through their moulting period this summer.

About 210 of the giant honkers were set free at several areas in southwestern Michigan with the hope of starting up new nesting flocks there.

Of those birds, most were released in the Barry State Game Area-Yankee Springs Recreation Area complex. The other birds, in smaller numbers, were liberated in

the Leidy Lakes State Game Area and Fort Custer Recreation Area.

On the other side of southern Michigan, the DNR set out 30 giant Canada geese as the nucleus of a new flock in the St. Clair Flats Wildlife Area (Harsens and Dickinson lands).

In the Lapeer State Game Area, 100 of the big honkers were added to an existing population of nesting Canada geese. Nearby, in the Holway Reservoir, 12 other birds found new homes under the DNR's release program.

Other recent releases saw 80 giant Canada geese go into the Nayanquing Point Wildlife Area and Tobacco Marsh State Game Area of Saginaw Bay as "seed" stock for new nesting flocks. Approximately 60 more of the birds have been turned free to bolster local honker populations in the Lake Leelanau, Mesick, Manton, and Elberta areas.

In an effort to raise more home-grown honkers above the Straits, the DNR has introduced 40 of the big birds in the Sturgeon River Sloughs and Baraga Plains areas.

The DNR has also turned over 20 of the giant Canada geese to the White Pine Copper Mining Co. as a cooperative role to help the firm establish a new nesting flock in its large reclamation-waterfowl development project in Ontonagon County.

This spring marks the first time since the early 1960s that the DNR has released Canada geese to boost the bird's numbers and develop new nesting flocks in suitable wetland areas of Michigan.

Latest estimates place the state's population of resident honkers at 9,000-12,000.

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Pre-School Clinics Set At C'ville

The special services department of Clarenceville School District is continuing a monthly pre-school clinic through the remainder of the school year.

The last two clinics are May 7 and June 4 from 1 to 4 p.m. in Room A of Botsford School, 19515 Lathers, Livonia.

The service is available to any pre-school youngster residing in the Clarenceville district. Parents concern can be related to health, speech, language, physical development or behavior.

The district's nurse, speech therapist, social worker and school psychologist will be available for consultation. Additional appointments for parents may be arranged by contacting Mrs. Betty Pillar, director of special services, at the Board of Education office.



KENNETH PERRIN, 25534 Castlereagh Drive, Farmington, has been appointed as manager of literature control and distribution for Burroughs Corp. Joining the company in 1956, Perrin is also president of the Farmington Board of Education.

Trojan Band Goes 'On Road'


Clarenceville High School's Symphony Band will be "on the road" May 10 and 11 traveling in the Jackson area.

During the day on May 10 the band, under the direction of John Netzek, will play at an assembly in Northwestern High School, Jackson. Jackson Band Parents from Northwestern will house students and provide meals that day.

The evening of May 10 the band members will be in the audience as Netzek guest conducts the East Jackson High School band. Director of East Jackson band is Harvey Benstein, a Clarenceville High School graduate. John Whitwell is director of the Northwestern band.

Clarenceville's band will perform at a second assembly on May 11 at Parkside High School. James Mackie, Parkside's director, also is a Clarenceville High School graduate.

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An interesting array of courses in communications, psychology, and the humanities will be offered by Oakland University's Division of Continuing Education in the spring term that begins the week of April 23. For information and to register, call the university.

Monday evening courses are: Creative thinking, conducted by James Weidig; "wonderful world of words," taught by Melvin Merzon; and basic data processing mathematics, instructed by Charles Parker.

Tuesday evening courses and instructors are: Psychological games and life scripting, Linn Coffman; efficient reading, Jerome Breen; effective business writing, Robert Boltwood; basic computer systems and procedures, Arthur Fasse; design in interiors, Bengt Svenson; and mnemonics, Harold Boue.

Wednesday evening courses and instructors include: "Coping with Change," James Kunes; exploration in folk music, David Ellis; and basic developing and printing of black and white film, George Luneberger.

Courses and instructors for Thursday evening are: Effective speaking and leadership, Daniel Boccia; psychological communications, Joseph Lughermo; and basic photography, George Luneberger.

Botsford PTA Plans A Party

Clarenceville's Botsford PTA is sponsoring a bowling and pizza party on Saturday, April 28, beginning at 6 p.m. at Country Lanes, Nine Mile Road, in Farmington.

Following the bowling session the group will adjourn to Little Caesar's at 39305 Northwestern Highway, Farmington, for pizza and beer.

Tickets are still available at \$9 per couple and may be purchased from Mrs. Irvin Ahnert and Mrs. Philip Keith.

Edgewood PTO Fair May 12

May 12 is the date this year for Clarenceville's Edgewood school's annual Parent Teacher Organization fair.

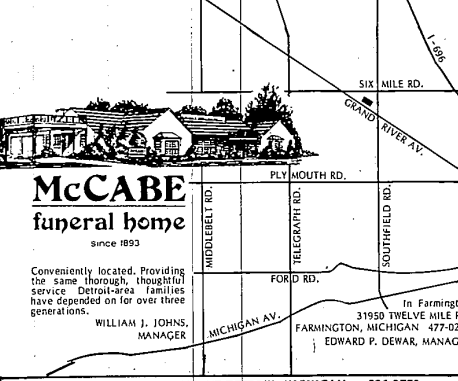
Volunteers are needed to work in booths. The PTO is still collecting trading stamps for use in purchasing prizes. Crafts, art projects and canned goods are needed to make the country store a success. They may be taken to the school at any time.

Ceremony Set For June 4

This year's honors convocation at Clarenceville High School will be held in the school on Monday, June 4, at 8 p.m.

C'ville Board Meets April 26

The next meeting of the Clarenceville Board of Education will be on Thursday, April 26, beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the board office.



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