

FARMINGTON TWP., PLYMOUTH AREA GAIN, TOO!

Livonia Leads Area in New Homes

Farmington, Redford Trail

Livonia led all of Wayne County in new dwellings authorized during the first half of 1964, and substantial gains were chalked up in Plymouth and Farmington Townships as well.

Growth in new housing in Redford Township and the city of Farmington was smaller, but

Schoolcraft Makes Plans For Opening

With the official opening of Schoolcraft College slated for Aug. 31 when students will converge on the campus for the first time to start classes in the brand new building at the intersection of Seven Mile and Haggerty Roads in Livonia, the first major step towards opening takes place next Monday when the 47-member faculty gathers for the first time.

College President Dr. Eric Bradner plans to meet with the entire faculty Monday morning and go over the administration and the College Board's plans for the opening and for the first semester.

Then instructors will meet with the heads of the various departments and begin work on their teaching plans after receiving their schedules. Schoolcraft sent instructions to the 1,200 students entering day classes next week and has a letter in the mail now to the anticipated 1,500 students in the night program.

The initial day school group has been instructed to report for Freshman Orientation on Tuesday, Aug. 25 at the Mail Koi Theater, Plymouth Road at Farmington in Livonia.

Orientation will begin at 8:15 a.m. and continue until 11:45 a.m. at which time student handbooks will be issued and full information made available in regard to registration and the beginning of classes.

Registration is scheduled for Wednesday and Thursday, Aug. 26 and 27, on an alphabetic order. The sessions will begin at 8:30 a.m. and continue through 2:30 on Wednesday and from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. on Thursday.

Speak Your Piece!

(Each week, Observer reporters quiz local residents on questions of current interest. If you have a suggested question, let us hear it at 3209 Five Mile, Livonia.)



Renaud Guenther Shuell Currie

On the eve of the Democratic Party national convention in Atlantic City, local residents were asked this week, "Who would you like to see as the next President of the United States?" Answers to The Observer's man-in-the-street reporter, who quizzed passers-by at Wonderland Shopping Center, followed.

"I'd like to see President Johnson returned," said John Shuell, 32190 Myrna, Livonia. "I think he's doing as good a job as anyone could do, considering the situation that exists. I don't like Goldwater's views on most things. He's too extreme."

Replied Myrna Renaud, 31108 W. Chicago, Livonia: "I'm not very happy with either nominee. I don't have confidence in Johnson and I think Goldwater is too radical. This is a dilemma—how shall I vote?"

Elizabeth Currie, 29057 Barkley, Livonia, said, "I think I'd like to see the same one in the White House as we now have. Johnson is doing a good job. I like him."

"Johnson is my choice," replied Karl Guenther, 15789 Loveland, Livonia. "We don't really have any choice, however. He's the lesser of two evils. Goldwater is too irresponsible, and you can't progress with a man who preaches nothing but regression."



PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP firefighters had a real battle on hand Monday when the Dial Trucking Co. lot—site of the Township dump at the corner of Haggerty and Schoolcraft Roads—smoldered, blazed and sent black smoke pouring into the air. Capt. Barney Mass

had two pumps on the scene and received aid from the trucking company's bulldozer in snuffing out the fire. There was a heavy downpour during the afternoon that also gave the firemen a bit of help.

30 Stores Already Under Construction

Giant Livonia Mall Opening Set for October 21

With the Sears opening over and the huge 49-department store in operation, residents of Western Wayne County, especially that area adjacent to Livonia, have little more than two months to wait for the official opening of the 60-store Livonia Mall at the intersection of Seven Mile and Middlebelt Roads. At that time patrons

will have completely weather-proof shopping at the 60-acre center. It will offer the first horizontal shopping center in the area with all stores and services connected

by an enclosed, heated, air-conditioned mall. The Sears opening was the first of the major stores to start operations. The second major firm, Crowley's, is scheduled

to open Oct. 21, the same day as the formal opening of the entire Livonia Mall.

Known as one of the "Twin Centers" because of the simultaneous ground-breaking and parallel construction with an identical but reverse-planned shopping center in Roseville, the Livonia Mall has already signed half of its ultimate tenants.

The 30 whose stores are now under construction are:

Albert's, Baker Shoes, Children's Fashion Shops, Corey's Jewel Box, Cunningham Drug Store, French Cafe, Hardy Men's and Boys' Shoes, Home-maker Shop, Marianne Sportswear, Richman Brothers, S. S. Kresge, Shifman Men's Wear, Singer Sewing Machine, Tie Rak, Winkelman's, Artiste Beauty Salon, Brown Shoe Co., Food Fair, Crowley's, Fred Sanders, Grinnell Brothers, Holiday Shoes, Hughes - Hatcher - Sufin, Meyer Jewelry, Livonia Watch Repair, Sears Livonia Mall, Sibley's, Thom McAn, United Shirt and Wrigley's, Jack Shenkman, of

Klein and Shenkman, developers of the huge center, points out that this mixture of tenants was carefully selected to provide one-stop, under-one-roof shopping for all commodities and services normally required by the householder.

Once the shopper leaves her car in the 5,000 capacity parking lot, she will move with ease from store to store, all open-fronting on wide, landscaped malls.

All stores are single level, with the exception of Sears and Crowley's, which are on two levels.

Vending Truck Is Robbed of 5 Money Bags

Thieves broke into a truck, owned by Carl Hopkins, 770 Davis street, Plymouth, forced a side vent and stole five canvas money bags containing more than \$175 in silver and bills.

That was the report of Davis, who owns the Plymouth Vending Co. to Livonia police.

He told officers he had parked behind an auto wash at Wonderland Shopping Center, locked the truck and when he returned he found the vent forced open and the bags of money missing.



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Sears Names 5 School Seniors To Young Junior Fashion Board

Five seniors from area high schools will serve on the Young Junior Fashion Board at Sears Livonia Mall for four weekends beginning Aug. 21 and 22 during which they will greet teenaged girls and assist them in selecting back-to-school wardrobes.

The group includes: Mary Sara-Son, 32305 Highbury (Franklin High); Sharon Dunn, 15827 Denby, Redford Township (Redford Union); Patricia Zyla, 19905 Parker, Livonia (Claremont); Pamela Pascoe, 30409 Bonnydale, Livonia (Bentley High); and

Judy Hennessey, 33191 Glen Valley, Farmington (Farmington High).

The five girls will offer advice on proper wardrobes and answer all questions.

They will be stationed in a specially decorated and designed Young Junior Department adjacent to the women's department.

The Young Junior Fashion Board will be in the special department on Fridays from 6 to 9 p.m. and on Saturdays from 1 to 5 p.m.

Parking Behind Curb Suggested For Grand River

Farmington City Council has asked the city manager to study and report on the possibilities of parallel auto parking along Grand River on highway property between the curb and sidewalk.

Parking has become an emergency subject because of the State Highway Department's ban on Grand River. Retail merchants are sorely affected.

Manager John Dinn also was asked to request the State to paint traffic lane lines to guide cars entering the east city limits.



SNIPPING RIBBON to officially open the mammoth Sears Livonia Mall store, Middlebelt at Seven Mile Road in Livonia, is Mayor Harvey Moeke while Store Manager Arthur Cone (left) assists. Livonia City Clerk Addison Bacon is an interested onlooker.

Delinquent Taxes Collection Mounts

Wayne County Treasurer Louis H. Funk today reported that his office collected \$885,985.21 in delinquent taxes during the month of July. This is an increase of \$393,142.93 over July, 1963.

Funk also stated that he received payment on 1,002 more tax bills during the month than for the same month a year ago.

Wayne County is conducting an extensive drive to reduce the tax delinquency by an extra \$2,000,000.00 by the end of September. Since Funk started the program on June 15 his office

has mailed out 24,500 delinquent tax bills. "They are computed to the end of August and taxpayers receiving them are urged to send in their remittances by the end of the month to avoid additional interest on September 1," Funk said.

Michigan Legion Wins PR Award

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. — Michigan Department of The American Legion, with headquarters in Detroit, has been selected as the winner of the Legion's first annual National Commanders' Department Public Relations Award.

C. Oscar Hammond, Michigan Legion Department immediate past Commander, 511 N. Center St., Northville, is scheduled to accept the award plaque for the Michigan Legion Department at the Legion's 48th National Convention in Dallas, Texas, Sept. 18-24. Legion National Commander Daniel F. Foley of Wabasha, Minn., will make the presentation.

The annual award, by the world's largest veterans' organization, is made to the Department (state organization) adjudged to have conducted the most outstanding program of public relations in making The American Legion and its broad service program known to all the people of the state. The award is made for the year ending last May 31.

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