

Vets Festival Aug. 25 At OCC

A "welcome home" festival for local veterans will be held on the Orchard Ridge campus of Oakland Community College Saturday, Aug. 25, from 1 until 7 p.m.

The festival will be in the outdoor amphitheater and is open to all returning veterans and their families and friends. The campus is at Orchard Lake and 1496 in Farmington.

It is being organized by Project PAVE (Personalized Approach to Veterans Education) and is cosponsored by several veterans groups.

Other festival sponsors include the American Legion, Center for Education of Returning Veterans, Michigan Employment Security Commission, Oakland Community College, Oakland County Veterans Affairs office, Target Center, Veterans Administration, Veterans Education Opportunities Program and Veterans of Foreign Wars.


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ROGER F. SHOOKCOR of Farmington, assistant Internal Revenue Service director for Michigan, has completed the federal Executive Institute program at Charlottesville, Va. He was one of three IRS executives chosen for the program in which a limited number of openings are allocated among various departments of government. Shookcor began his IRS career in 1945.

U.S. Grants Help WSU Programs

Wayne State University faculty members from Southfield and Farmington will administer \$199,000 in grants from the U.S. Public Health Service.

Dr. Joseph W. Hess of 26066 Oak Crest Drive, Farmington, will use a \$120,000 grant to set up programs, seminars and activities for School of Medicine faculty members. Hess is associate professor and director of educational services and research in the medical school.

Chemistry Prof. Tche-Tsing of 28923 Highland Farmington is studying the metabolism of certain cells in bacteria through a \$48,000 grant. He is also studying the role of a chemical (c-AMP) in the development of some of these cells.

Associate Prof. Ruth L. Goldberg of 26756 Franklin Pointe Drive, Southfield, will continue to direct use of a \$31,000 grant in a training program for social work graduate students in family and child welfare.

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Bendix Research Lab Helps 'Rescue' Skylab

SOUTHFIELD Computer simulation studies conducted in Southfield by The Bendix Corp.'s Research Laboratories played an important part in saving the Skylab space station when problems arose following the May 15 launch.

The Bendix mission support team stands ready to provide similar services should the second Skylab crew encounter problems, says Stanley Lieberman who is Skylab project supervisor at the Bendix Research Laboratories in Southfield.

The three-man Skylab crew started conducting scientific and technical experiments, which will last 59 days in earth orbit, following the July 23 liftoff.

Between the launch of the unmanned laboratory array and the 10-day late May 25 launch of the three astronauts who spent 28 days aboard the 250-mile-high Skylab, the Bendix team was kept unexpectedly busy.

During those 10 days, the team performed major analytical studies and ran hybrid computer simulations on a variety of problems.

Lab personnel consulted almost constantly about various other anticipated future problems with mission support team members at NASA's Marshall Space Flight Center, Huntsville, Ala.

Despite what appeared to be a perfect launch, a micro-meteoroid shield was partially torn from Skylab's workshop section just 63 seconds into flight, upsetting all previous timetables.

The shield's failure to remain completely attached, explains Lieberman, later kept one solar panel on the workshop section from opening more than slightly.

A second solar panel was completely sheared during launch. Four solar panels on the Apollo Telescope Mount, attached to the main vehicle, did open properly at the right time.

Exposed directly to the sun, these panels provide electrical energy used to operate many of Skylab's control functions and on-board experiments.

But with the two solar panels damaged, only about half the electric power expected was available.

In addition, says Lieberman, failure of the shield to perform part of its job allowed excessive heat to enter Skylab's workshop area.

With these problems to solve, Huntsville asked the Bendix Lab on May 16 to make recommendations concerning adjustments.

"These adjustments involved finding ways to conserve electrical power, reduce momentum buildup of the control moment gyros to accommodate the changed conditions (these gyros maintain spacecraft attitude), reduce fuel use under various contingencies, and provide shading to reduce high tem-

peratures in the workshop area."

After performing simulation studies over an 18-hour period, the Bendix lab team suggested ways to simulate the Skylab space station's power and fuel, and keep the Apollo Telescope Mount's solar panels pointed in the general direction of the sun.

Huntsville followed this advice, along with recommendations made by the five other contractor teams, and decided what course to follow until the next major program phase.

That next phase was the launch of the astronauts who performed repair work after boarding Skylab.

Clothing Wanted For Viet Orphans

SOUTHFIELD The Ladies Auxiliary of the Dennis Greenwald Chapter of the Jewish War Veterans have started a clothing drive for war orphans in Vietnam. They are collecting clothes for children only, from infant through teen-age, which will be shipped through the American Council of Voluntary Agencies For Foreign Service, Inc.

The first shipment is already on its way, a gift from Hadassah, which operates a thrift shop in Ferndale.

Mailing costs are being raised through the sale of American flag pins. Auxiliary members are selling these pins now and can be identified by appropriately marked canisters in shopping centers throughout the Southfield and Lathrup areas.

Contributions of good, used clothing will be accepted at the JWW Memorial Home, 16990 W. 12 Mile Rd., Southfield, between 10 a.m.-5 p.m. on weekdays.

Donations for postage may be mailed to the JWW home, with checks made payable to the Dennis Greenwald Auxiliary.

New Commercial Writing Class Set

Students will study and write billboards, food packages, automobile owner's manuals, and directions on maps in a new English course on the Orchard Ridge campus of Oakland Community College in Farmington.

The course, called Commercial Writing, is thought to be the first of its type among college writing courses in the country. It will start in the fall.

"Our subject matter is the writing that goes with commercial art," Ted Rancourt, assistant professor of communications and the course instructor, said. "We hope to give students a start on a marketable skill and lifelong protection against brainwashing."

The fall semester begins on Sept. 6 with registration Sept. 4 and 5 from 9 a.m. until 8 p.m. and Sept. 6 from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m.

Rancourt, also a public relations consultant and freelance commercial writer, said the course will help establish and eventually raise standards in commercial writing.

"We are surrounded by commercial writing," Rancourt said. "Our language and our tastes are formed by labels, brochures and advertising more than by serious literature."

"Some of the best and worst writing in the country today is going into TV commercials, for example. This is where things are happening in English. It's also where good writers can make money."

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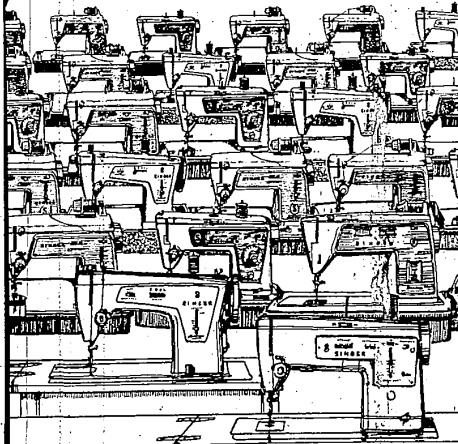
CHARLES D. SIMMONS (left), of Southfield, and **Robert W. Brewbaker**, of Farmington, were among chief engineer appointments at the Chevrolet Engineering Center announced by Donald H. McPherson, director of Chevrolet product engineering. Simmons, who has been with the division since 1956, moves up from chief engineer of chassis and components to become chief engineer for Chevy-van and Sportvan trucks. His former post will be filled by Brewbaker, who started his Chevrolet career in 1969. Both are University of Michigan graduates.

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