

40 Adult Ed. Classes Set by Clarenceville Schools

A choice of more than 40 adult education courses faces Clarenceville School District residents as the eight-week winter program prepares to get underway. Registration for any of classes may be made by telephoning Mr. Leary, 476-4823, any Monday through Friday from 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Feb. 5 is the deadline for registering. All classes will meet in the Clarenceville High School building from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. A fee of \$5, plus the cost of materials in some classes, is charged for each course. Schedule for the classes, and a brief description, as prepared by the school district, follows:

MONDAY

CREATIVE WRITING: Analysis of modern and classical fiction, with emphasis on developing creative skills in writing.

COMMUNITY CHORUS: All men and women who enjoy group singing. There is an opportunity to gain church training while participating in a community chorus.

DRAFTING: Elementary principles, views, dimensioning, lettering. Some freehand sketching.

DRIVER EDUCATION: This course will teach the basic skills necessary to operate a motor vehicle. (This class meets by group arrangement after the first meeting) Fee \$20.

INDUSTRIAL MATHEMATICS: A study of basic math skills relating them to realistic shop problems.

SPANISH I: Introduction to current Spanish; correct pronunciation; practical vocabulary of useful daily and travel expressions.

TYPEWRITING I: The touch system keyboard control, rhythm, and basic techniques in typing are emphasized.

WELDING: Fundamentals of beginning gas and arc in different welding positions covering the various types of weld joints.

TUESDAY

ACCOUNTING: Designed for adults having great difficulty

increase the technical competence of those who seek employment as a bookkeeper.

CAMPING: A practical course covering all the essentials one needs to take full advantage of this terrific field. Taught by a frequent guest on Michigan Outdoors.

CIVIL SERVICE PREPARATION: A review of the various local, state, and federal civil service jobs that are available, together with the necessary requirements for these jobs. Information on classifications, procedures, and exams.

GREAT BOOKS: Read, think, discuss. No special qualifications necessary.

INVESTMENTS: Designed to provide basic information on fundamentals of the stock market, including buying and selling procedures.

MACHINE SHOP: Manipulative training on drill presses, lathes, shapers, hand tool grinders and milling machines.

PHOTOGRAPHY: Basic fundamentals of what to photograph and how to do it.

PSYCHOLOGY OF ADJUSTMENT: The understanding of individual behavior in everyday situations should result in improved adjustments in one's business, social and family life.

SEWING: To help you in cutting and fitting your patterns, learn techniques for seams, collars, cuffs, etc.

SHORTHAND I: Beginning course in shorthand as an aid to commercial interests.

UPHOLSTERING: The up-to-date use of new chairs, ottomans, and davenport repairs.

LAPIDARY WORK: Learn to cut, polish, and set semi-precious stones.

LEATHERCRAFT: Includes tooling, carving, assembling, stitching, and lacering of small projects such as billfolds, key cases, belts, etc.

MODERN MATH FOR PARENTS: Designed to aid parents of students in modern math classes both elementary and secondary.

MUSIC APPRECIATION: An appreciation of symphonic and classical music. This class meets informally to discuss the lives of some of the very greatest composers, and to study their styles of music.

RETAIL MANAGEMENT: Learn to evaluate sales appeals and techniques. Develop personal skills useful for selling.

SEWING (ADVANCED): A knowledge of sewing is essential. Dresses, jackets, suits or coats may be constructed in this class.

SHORTHAND II: Improve general skills. Develop transcription skills while emphasizing spelling and punctuation.

that do influence the value of study in wood construction to develop the safe and skillful use of hand tools and machines. Non-residents are welcome.

25TH BIRTHDAY

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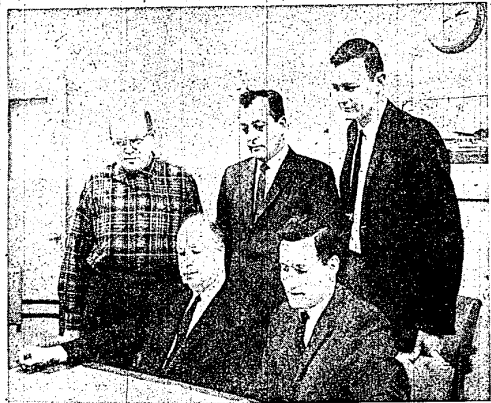
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GOING OVER PLANS for the new swimming pool at Plymouth State Home are officials of the Junior Chamber of Commerce of Livonia and administrators of the home. The J.C.C. raised \$10,000 for the pool through their Candlelight Ball New Year's Eve and other activities. From left, seated, are Ralph Mossman and Pat Dugan, co-chairmen of the Ball. Standing: Robert Jaslow, M.D., medical superintendent of the home; Walter Kenna, business executive for Plymouth State Home; and George Roth of the consulting engineers firm of Hubbell, Roth and Clerk, Inc., designers of the pool.

Religious Holidays-School Board Discusses Classroom Observances

How should religious holidays be treated in the public school classroom? The delicate problem was examined by the Clarenceville Board of Education at its last meeting, following a reported complaint from parents — but no firm resolution of the problem was achieved.

Board chairman Dr. Martin Wechsler told the Board, "Some parents in the district have called and felt that Christmas parties in some classes involved the teaching of religion." He said one complaint cited the showing of a Christmas film at an elementary school during the recent holiday.

Board member Thomas Wilson said that traditions of other religions should be presented in the classroom at the time of religious holidays. "Then you'd have balance," he added.

Other Board members pointed out the difference between "teaching of religion as such" and "teaching about religions."

Urging cautious treatment of religious topics, Board member Priek said, "In elementary schools we are dealing with minds open to suggestion... as a school board our responsibility is to see that teachers do not teach religion. But to teach a comparison of religions is a different thing... I don't believe religion is being taught in our schools. Until a few years back, this was a predominantly Christian community but it is no longer. This is good... we need interchange."

Another Board member reported that a Jewish parent had complained her third-grade son had come home with the question, "Why did the Jews kill Christ?" following a Christmas movie. Board members generally agreed that the query was probably stimulated by discussion among pupils, not by a teacher.

They expressed a desire to view the film shown in the elementary schools, and agreed to a study meeting to discuss the problem more fully at a future study meeting of the Board.

Livonia Woman In Race for State Senate

The only woman in the race for State Senate this week spoke out on issues affecting the upcoming Feb. 15 primary election.

Elsie Gilmore, one of three Democratic candidates for the vacancy, caused by the death of Paul M. Chandler Dec. 12, said she was "a programmatic" candidate in an interview with The Observer.

"I believe in sound legislation with the ultimate goal being 'for the betterment of all the people by the elected official,'" she said. Outlining her views on specific areas of legislation, she called for increased state aid for education, additional mental health facilities, and a strong statewide youth program.

Outpatient mental health clinics should be established to help relieve the state burden in mental hospitals, she said. She cited her experience in setting up the first study committee on problems of youth by any political organization in 1959 for the Democratic state central committee. For 10 years, Mrs. Gilmore, who owns a small business in Livonia with her husband, served as Wayne County Democratic chairman.

Mrs. Gilmore urged extension of the ballot to 18-year-olds saying that "we must attempt to interest young people in government before they are 21."

How does she feel about being the only woman in the race?

"In my Democratic Party work," she said, "I have always encouraged women to take part in politics, and I have probably influenced hundreds of women to take an interest in political work."

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