

# Oakland Group Establishes Committees for Road Safety

Election of Paul Averill as chairman of a committee to develop a citizens organization for traffic improvement launched the Oakland County Traffic Safety Committee into the second phase of a program to cut the mounting traffic accident toll in Oakland County.

Averill is publisher of the Birmingham Eclectic and has been a study group chairman for the committee. He was selected at a meeting of the board of directors of the committee shortly after the board reviewed and approved recommendations of seven study groups that have been evaluating Oakland County's traffic problems.

Ninety-two specific recommendations for traffic improvement were presented to the board. They covered the areas of traffic records, police traffic supervision, traffic courts and prosecution, traffic engineering, safety and driver education, public information and organization, along with the results of a public opinion survey.

The recommendations are the result of months of study conducted by more than 200 Oakland County officials and citizens who combined efforts in seeking answers to the area's mounting traffic problems. The studies were coordinated by the Mott Center for Community Affairs at Oakland University, and the Highway Traffic Safety Center, Continuing Education, Michigan State University.

In addition to approving the studies' recommendations, the board set into motion the initial steps necessary to put the recommendations into action.

Three operating committees were established to take immediate steps to answer basic needs in Oakland County that have been pointed up by the studies. These areas of continuing activity include:

- A program to develop public awareness and understanding of the county's traffic needs and problems including public forums.
- The establishment of a continuing professionally staffed citizen traffic improvement organization.
- The conducting of seminars for local governmental executives and training for those involved in traffic accident prevention activities.

The study project has been under the Chairmanship of James O. Wright, President, Federal-Mogul Corporation. Vice Chairmen have been Deles Hamlin, Oakland County Board of Supervisors, and Chancellor D. B. Varner of Oakland University.

"In its study phase, this project has received national attention and acclaim," Wright emphasized. "Our approach is considered unique at this stage as the initial basis for traffic improvement activities."

"Most important, though, is the fact that every one of these recommendations represents the recognition of a traffic improvement need in Oakland County."

"We are vitally interested in implementing them for the benefit of Oakland County and its citizens."

Each of the seven study groups dealt with a specific functional area of traffic accident prevention. Yet the combined studies relate traffic, as a system, to the other vital economic, political and social systems functioning within the county.

"Never has an area started upon a program of traffic improvements with such a sound, detailed blueprint for action," Wright commented.

"We are hoping for the support of all officials and citizens in seeing this job through. We have the resources and the ability to solve our pressing traffic problems."

Bruce E. Madsen, Study Director for the project, echoed Wright's comments, concerning the importance of the recommendations and the initial action steps taken by the board.

"The 'what' and 'how' is spelled out in the reports and recommendations of the study groups," Madsen pointed out. "What happens now to achieve traffic improvement in Oakland County depends upon the support of officials, leaders and individual citizens in Oakland County."

Madsen, on loan to the project, is specialist for traffic administration, Highway Traffic Safety Center, Michigan State University. Staff members of the Highway Traffic Safety Center at M.S.U. also served as technical consultants to each of the Oakland County Traffic Safety Committee study groups.

Financial assistance for the studies has been provided by the Mott Center for Community Affairs, The Chrysler Corporation, General Motors Corporation, Ford Motor Company, and the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety in Washington, D. C.

## Appeals Board Eyes Lumberyard, Church

The request by Pine Lumber Co. to extend the use of its property for outside storage of equipment and supplies will be heard tonight (Wednesday) by the Redford Township Board of Appeals.

The South Redford Civic Ass'n., which has opposed the request, will ask the Board to deny it again, reports Mrs. Carmen Herrero, executive mem-

bers of the Association are expected to show up in strong force at the meeting, which starts in the Township Hall at 8 p.m.

A request by Temple Baptist Church to construct new buildings on the corner of Telegraph and W. Chicago will also come before the Board.

Alger Cavallero, Birmingham, is requesting permission to erect a 28' by 59' addition to the north side and rear section of the existing building at 18066 Telegraph Rd. corner of Graham.

## Western Heights Slates Election, Talk by Police

The Western Heights Civic Ass'n. will hold its annual meeting at 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 8, at Will Rogers School, 12959 Fenlon.

President Al Anderson will report on the past year's activities and the nominating committee will present a slate of candidates for 1966 officers.

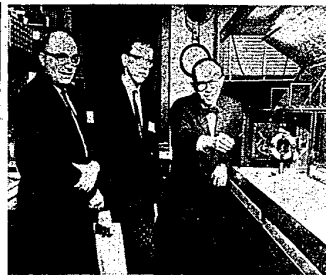
Kenneth Prather has been nominated by the committee for president. Others are Robert Moore, vice-president; Ray Elliott, treasurer; and Mrs. Lorraine Wallace, secretary. Nominations will also be accepted from the floor and a general election will follow.

In addition to the business meeting, Western Heights residents will be able to hear police captain Edwin Gieza who will speak on law enforcement.

## Pierce Slates Two Plays

The dramatics classes of Pierce Junior High will open their first season with two one act plays on Tuesday evening, December 14 at 8 p.m. in the cafeteria. The public is cordially invited to attend.

On Dec. 16 and 17 the plays will be presented to the Pierce Junior High students. The comedies, "It's Cold in Them Thar Hills," by Le Roma Greth, and "Sure as You're Born," by Donald Fayton, are being directed by Robert Nave, dramatics teacher.



THURSTON HIGH SCHOOL students were recent guests of Bell Telephone Laboratories at Murray Hill, N.J. Watching Dr. H. J. Schulte (right) demonstrate a gaseous laser beam are Mehran Thomson, Jr., Thurston science teacher, and Thomas Dalton, senior.

### Socially Speaking In Redford



By JACKIE REID  
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ON OUR SICK list this week is seven-year-old Michael Gilden of Denby. Michael is home recuperating from surgery that took place at Mt. Carmel Hospital last Friday.

ANOTHER MICHAEL in the news this week is Michael Glenn Porter who was born on Nov. 26. Eight pounds 13 ounces. Michael is the first born of Glenn and Mary Ann Porter. (Glenn is a 1960 graduate of Thurston High School). Mike's grandparents are Carl and Lois Chase of Crosey.

NOV. 29 was a great day for boy babies—Mark James Pierson son of Mr. and Mrs. David Pierson of MacArthur. Mark weighed in at a whopping 8 pounds 15 ounces, and is 21" long. Mark's grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. James Markkille, also of MacArthur!

A BIG WELCOME is extended to the Ferguson's, new residents of Denby Ave. Betty and John Ferguson have two young sons, Johnny, who will be three in January, and Greg, who will be two-years-old in January.

OUR BEST WISHES for a speedy recovery are extended to Mrs. Joseph McElligott who was hospitalized last week.

REDFORD UNION TEACHERS' League bowled last Saturday—walking away with honors for outstanding performances were: Elaine Lowmy, Marilyn Kaselmin, and Art Adams, who rolled a 222 game.

GOP Wants Funds

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# GRAND SHOPPING CENTER

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## Township Boosts Chess Champ

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Larry Mead, Thurston senior, is quite humble about it but his chess club sponsor last year, Mehran Thomson, says Larry's recent accomplishment in coming out in the top four of the metropolitan area's best 40 in chess competition is attainment of high order. "This is chess playing at a 'big-league' level," Thomson maintains.

Thurston's chess club has turned out some top players but Mead's record is the best yet according to Thomson. The best four in the tournament came out officially at a tie in the initial elimination. A complicated run-off procedure left Mead in second place. But if you hit the "top four" first time around, that is "big-league" enough, Larry's chess playing friends declare.

## Classmates Congratulate B. Britton

By DEBBIE LUSKY

Congratulations to Bonnie Britton, Farmington's new Junior Miss.

The pageant, sponsored by the Jaycees, was held in the Farmington High Gym on Nov. 28. Contestants were judged on the basis of poise, personality, intelligence, attractiveness and talent. For her part in the talent competition, Bonnie, a soprano in both the Northern Choralists and the advanced Choir, sang "Wouldn't It Be Lovely!"

As Farmington's Junior Miss, Bonnie receives a \$150 scholarship and a chance to compete in the state pageant.

Other NF girls who took part in the pageant were Sue Cox, Adrienne Hleeks, and Carolyn Kilka.

Jim Rowe was reinstated as Student Council president on a probationary basis at a Nov. 22 Student Council meeting. Much controversy concerning this action has arisen.

Student Council Exchange Days were held between North Farmington and Thurston on Nov. 23 and 26. The purpose of these exchange days is to promote good will and understanding between Northwest Suburban League schools.

The Latin Club sponsored a showing of the film "The Robo" on Dec. 1. Starring were Victor Mature and Jean Simmons.

Plans for a weekend ski trip were discussed on Dec. 1 when the Ski Club held their first meeting of the year.

Juniors will be taking the D.A.T. next week to help them determine their future plans.

On Dec. 4, many NF seniors will take part in the College Board Testing program at Our Lady of Mercy School.

## What's On?

(A weekly reminder of governmental meetings in Redford Township.)

TONIGHT (WEDNESDAY): South Redford School Board, Jefferson School, 26355 Westfield, 8 p.m.

TONIGHT (WEDNESDAY): Board of Appeals, Township Hall, 15145 Beech-Daly, 8 p.m. On agenda: requests for rezoning from Pine Lumber Co. and Temple Baptist Church.

MONDAY: Redford Union Board of Education, district office, 18209 Beech-Daly, 8 p.m.

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