

# 1,800 Livonia Homes, Businesses Checked by Firemen for Hazards

The door-to-door fire insurance inspection program initiated last month by the Livonia Fire Department has turned up no "serious hazards," Fire Chief Calvin Roberts said this week.



READY TO GO out on fire inspections, these and Sprader and Fireman Ed Howell. The men men get a briefing from Livonia Fire Captain Calvin Roberts. From left: Lt. Richard Kline, 430 p.m. Roberts, Engineer Robert Day, Livonia Rich-

good fire control." Roberts said this week, "and on the whole we've had evidence of generally good fire control."

Each week, firemen have been assigned for several hours each day to make an inspection of homes and businesses throughout the city. Thus far, they've covered 800 homes and about 1,000 commercial and industrial plants.

With an estimated 25,000 residents and businesses yet to be covered, Chief Roberts sees the program as a "perpetual one" and as soon as the entire city is covered, the procedure will start again.

Chief Roberts said the two most common hazards the inspecting firemen have noticed are: 

- Overloading fuses boxes, such as placing a 20-amp fuse where a 15-amp one is called for; and
- Fire extinguishers which have not been recharged. The chief added, in a press statement: "Livonia's firemen have been covering the city for the past month and the program appears to be very successful."

## LIVONIA SCHOOLS Want to Learn Something New? Check With Adult Ed Program

New adult courses scheduled among the nearly 200 being offered in the Livonia schools in January include everything from advanced yoga postures to volleyball instruction for women and basic English grammar.

## Congressman Farnum Reviews 1965, Sees New Year Progress

By CONGRESSMAN BILLY S. FARNUM 11th Congressional District. In 1965 we took steps to make ourselves a healthier, more intelligent, more secure people—through our actions on studies extending back for years. In 1966, one challenging task will be to give the programs of 1965 the hard operational forms that will insure continued progress for us and for our posterity.

The chief problem of 1966 will be whether we can keep America moving ahead at its traditional pace at home and still do justice to ourselves in relationship to our situation in the world. My belief is that unless some new unforeseen difficulty arises, we can do both—keep ourselves safe in a dangerous world while carrying forward domestic programs as noteworthy as in our progressive past.

As it happens, probably no other American state stands to gain more from our domestic policy than the forward-looking one in which we live. Yet none of what has been done takes away any of our rights as individuals to run our affairs in our own communities as we wish. In our area, the value of education is understood, from kindergarten through college graduate school. America of the past with universal education showed its awareness of the need for an enlightened citizenry; America of the 60s and 70s will build upon this base achievements of which an earlier America could hardly dream.

We will insure ourselves of better educated citizens with programs at every school level and we will insure ourselves of healthier citizens with programs attacking health problems of the very young and the very old and all of us in between. In many cases the new programs will reinforce each other. Research grants now are enabling scientists to open promising new areas of study that will be the concern of education soon. I have personally witnessed instances of this at the Institutes of Health Center near Washington. If we keep the faith with our teachers, the results will be for Americans of the future who are as young as we are today. Our posterity will look back fondly, realizing that in the mid-60s Americans had the foresight to keep America moving forward to new plateaus of greatness.

## Country Homes Residents Ask New Traffic Lights

Residents of Livonia's Country Homes subdivision are petitioning city officials for three new traffic lights at the intersection of Plymouth and Wayne Rd. area. Traffic to and from nearby industrial plants "has been obviously increasing and unsatisfactorily increasing with the improvement of Yale Street and the location of the new Ford parking facility."

"The opening of Westland Shopping Center has also noticeably increased traffic on Wayne Road to the point where it is difficult to enter Wayne Road from Country Homes subdivision at certain hours. Circulators of the petition are Mrs. Sue W. Rivers, 3311 Elmira; and Mrs. Mary J. Woodworth, 35135 Elmira. They may be contacted at either GA 73345 or GA 21838.

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## The MAYOR'S CORNER By HARVEY W. MOELKE

IN THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS... we all think of giving and doing for others. It is appropriate at this time of year to thank all of the people who have contributed to our city's well being during the past year. Not only the people who have served on boards and commissions of your local government, but the many hundreds of people who have expressed their interest in their community by giving freely of their time and effort in the many important service clubs, PTA and civic associations.

Your city administration and school board can only carry out their responsibilities when they have the assistance and counsel of these civic-minded people. A very real part of your government's function can only be effectively done by good citizens who are willing to give of their time, talents and money.

Soon we will be engaged in a local election. It is vitally important, if you are going to have the kind of government and the type of officials that you want, for you to take part in some way in the important decisions facing our community. Too often the very necessary financial needs of a candidate for public office are met by major contributions of special interest groups. It is a political fact of life that a candidate must have campaign contributions to effectively project himself and his ideas to the electorate.

## Cook Likes Wood

Wood is the favorite material for kitchen cabinets, say six out of every seven homeowners questioned recently by Better Homes & Gardens in a survey in five major cities. Why? Wood looks less institutional, is changed easily with paint.

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