

Schoolcraft Board Urges Voters to Support Millage



COLLEGE ADMINISTRATORS go over plans for presenting the need for passage of the millage request to voters in the five communities in the college district. They are (from left, seated) Vice-President John Brinn, President Dr. Eric Brander, Board Chairman Harold Fischer, (standing) Dean of Students Edward McNally and Business Manager Kenneth Lindner.

Citing the fact that operation costs have soared higher than anticipated and building costs have climbed in a similar manner, members of the Schoolcraft College Board of Trustees Monday urged voters to support the district to support the request for 77/100 mills at the school election next Monday.

The trustees point out that the millage is a must if the college is to operate at the present level.

Asked if any of the present services of the college will be cut down if the millage fails, the Trustees

answered frankly that there would have to be some adjustments made.

"We are asking for this millage because it is an absolute necessity," they stated. "That's why we asked for such a big figure. That's the amount we need, no more and no less. It will answer the needs and keep the college at the high level it has attained in its two years of operation."

The question has been raised about the necessity of budget adjustments and the added possibility of covering overruns in the 1964 building and site fund in event the millage is not approved.

The trustees indicated that the new building will be opened; the foods program will not start and food service will be contracted through Saga Food Service; all programs will start if limited equipment purchases are allowed; the computer would be eliminated; new positions would be eliminated and certain vacancies in the faculty and administration would not be filled; the tuition would be raised to \$3 per hour for resident students and \$6 per hour for non-residents.

"There isn't any question but that we would have to raise the tuition fees and it would make Schoolcraft College the community college with the highest tuition rate in Michigan," they said.

The additional millage will be used to pay for 14 additional faculty members, three new counselors, seven custodians, and administrators. It will purchase much needed library books, testing materials, educational supplies and make possible the building and equipping of two new buildings.

The Trustees stressed that no limitation has been placed on the millage if passed. The college district, made up of the public schools in that it is a charter body, and millage, once granted, is perpetual until revoked by the vote of the people.

"We urge all registered and qualified voters in the college district which includes Livonia, Plymouth, Garden City, Grosse Pointe Park and Northville to get behind this millage. We wouldn't ask for it if we didn't need it and we most certainly need it in the worst kind of a way," said the Trustees.

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Legislature Acts to Prevent PCHA Sale

Final legislative action is expected this week on a House bill which would prevent a sale of the Peoples Community Hospital to a private corporation.

The House Monday set over until the next day its version of a bill which was amended by the Senate to allow for such a sale to private interests.

A House vote was scheduled for Tuesday on the bill which would be sent back to the Senate for its action. Any differences between the two bills will be resolved in a Senate-House Committee before Friday, when the legislature is expected to adjourn for the year.

Rep. James Tierney, whose district includes Garden City and part of Westland, pointed out that the difference between the House and Senate bills "is a difference of two separate philosophies."

The House action in killing the Senate amendments last Friday represents a feeling that it should follow the opinion of Attorney General Frank Kelley who said last year that the PCHA can not legally sell the facilities to a private corporation.

Kelley at that time said that under present laws, sale of the hospitals to a non-profit private corporation would violate the principles of the law.

The Senate version supports efforts to sell the hospital facilities.

Tierney also pointed out that a recent Circuit Court suit was dropped on the condition that the defendants would not try to sell the facilities to a private corporation. Defendants in the suit were members of the authority trying to sell the hospitals.

"Someone stands to gain about \$1,000,000 on the financial transaction," Tierney said. That "someone" is a Chicago-based financing concern, he added.

The House Friday killed the Senate amendments allowing the sale by an overwhelming 21 vote, Tierney said.

The House action restored to its original form a bill drafted by Rep. Vincent Pettipiece whose district covers part of Westland. Pettipiece's bill would prevent any such sale.

But the Senate's action last Wednesday would allow the sale with a list of conditions. These include repayment of tax monies paid in the past by member communities and the approval of a state Municipal Finance Commission on the condition that a public hospital be maintained.

This would get around the problem caused by existing conditions.

tracts with bond holders, Senator leaders felt.

Although the 1945 state law setting up hospital authorities specifically mentions leasing to private corporation, Attorney General Kelley based his opinion on the following points:

• The PCHA is a state agency and its public duties

cannot be delegated to a private corporation nor can the agency escape responsibility for itself discharging such statutory responsibilities.

• Any move which would result in any incurring of debts to finance the PCHA's operation would violate provisions of the Municipal Finance Act, Revenue Bond Act, and the law setting up the hospital authority.

Kelley's recommendation came after the authority completed a lengthy "Report of Construction Fund Committee."

The committee of the PCHA at that time wanted to transfer the PCHA's assets to a private group which would obtain a mortgage loan and lease back the facilities to the authority to cover debt service; secure a secondary bond issue by a non-profit group; and transfer assets of the authority to a non-profit group which would get a mortgage to pay off the existing PCHA bonds and provide funds for a new hospital, an expansion to an existing hospital, and continue to operate the four now in the authority.



OFFICERS AND CHAIRMEN of activities of the Farmington Voters Rejection Committee. (from left) Lottie Jendry, Carl Pini, Joseph with assistance from the gallery; John MacLellan, John MacLellan, and the colored TV, radio, record player combination. (row) Andrew Gleba and Helen Gnielwick.

Ex-Farmington Man Drowns in Car Crash

Services for Kenneth Gibbons, 32, of Howell, who resided most of his life in Farmington, were conducted in Our Lady of Sorrows Church in charge of Mr. Thomas Beasen with burial in the West Kuren Cemetery in Howell.

The Rosary was recited at the Heene-Sundquist funeral home in Farmington.

Gibbons was drowned when his speeding car crashed through a guard rail and roared into Phoenix Lake on Northville Road near Plymouth. Two passengers crawled to safety but Gibbons was found dead in the car which was upside down in the lake.

The passengers, Marie Beck, 17, of Plymouth, and Anthony Nawrot, 25, of 1984 Hubbard, were taken to St. Mary Hospital.

A motorist, who swerved off the road to avoid a collision with the Gibbons' car, told police the victim failed to round a curve, broke through the rail and rolled into the lake about 11 p.m. last Thursday.

Gibbons was a member of Our Lady of Sorrows Church. He attended grammar school and Bentley High School. He served two years in the Army. He was employed as a machine operator for General Motors at the Diesel Plant.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Sue Gibbons; mother, Mrs. Edna Gibbons of Livonia; two children, Kenneth and Kimberly at home; two brothers, Ralph of Redford Township and Donald of Howell; and a sister, Mrs. Joan Kreckel of Clarksville, Ind.

Farmington Voters Reject Incorporation

Farmington Township residents voted overwhelmingly to retain the township form of government for their 24 square mile community Monday.

In unofficial returns a total of 2,204 voters out of the 14,002 registered went to the polls. This better than 50 per cent turnout, voted 5,625 votes against incorporation as compared to 1,547 favoring the proposal.

The proposal, which was supported by the Township officials, failed to carry in any one of the area's 15 precincts.

Navymen in Vietnam Builder J. C. Everett W. Platt, USN, son of Mrs. Ruth E. Platt, 2020 Purlingboro, Livonia, is serving in Vietnam with Naval Mobile Construction Battalion 3, on deployment near Chu Lai, Vietnam.

Yurk Listed In College Who's Who

Gerald J. Yurk, a senior architectural student at Lawrence Institute of Technology, has been listed in Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities, which honors the nation's outstanding students.

Yurk and his wife, Elaine, live at 20322 Tuck Road, Farmington. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Yurk, of 2117 Brownell Blvd., Flint.

Active in the student chapter of the American Institute of Architects, Yurk served successfully as recording secretary, vice president, and this past year as president. He was also Great Lakes regional director of the Association of Student Chapters of the AIA and a member of the national executive committee.

In addition to the dean's honor roll in 1965, made the dean's scholarship list in 1966, and is one of four seniors elected to Lambda Chi Alpha, LIT's Honor Society.

Already a success in his chosen field, Yurk captured the \$300 first prize in the Adams Design Competition in 1965 and a \$200 prize as the local winner in the Reynolds National Design Competition this year.

He was the recipient of the Louis K. Memorial Gold Watch, the highest award presented an architectural student by LIT.

Meet Your Carrier

Douglas Mienk, 18418 Olympia, Redford Township, has been a carrier boy for the Observer Newspapers for the past two years. He handles a customer's mail in the Berch, Olympia, and Summit between Picken and Seven Mile Road.

Bouge, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Mienk, is a eighth grader at Pearson Junior High where he candidly admits that the subject he likes best is gym. The reason is that Doug is quite a football, baseball and track performer.

He already has won two awards for football and baseball, and several ribbons in track.

His ambition is to be an excellent football player in high school and college and then to join one of the pro football clubs.

Rev. William Moldwin Elected New Human Relations President

Reverend William Moldwin, Pastor of Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church was elected president of the Livonia Citizens for Better Human Relations at the June 5 meeting.

Mrs. Floyd Hughes, a housewife and substitute teacher in the Livonia schools was elected vice-president; secretary, Mrs. Walter Swanson; and treasurer, Mrs. Donald Fried, newly elected trustees are: Robert Hubbard, Howard Young, Ray Warner, and Art Reumler. Retiring President Don Murch, and Committee Chairman to be appointed, will comprise the remaining members of the Board.

Livonia Citizens for Better Human Relations, organized three years ago, has grown to a membership of 350. As most other Human Relations groups, it seeks to insure the rights of anyone who lives or works in the area regardless of race or creed.

It endeavors to accomplish this through educational programs, backing legislation that will further equal opportunities for all, and efforts to remove the barriers of race for those who wish to live or work in Livonia.

Robert Knox, Director Secretary of the Detroit Housing Commission, spoke on open occupancy at the meeting. He emphasized how closely related are the well-being of the city of Detroit and of the communities surrounding it.

The slums of Detroit are also the slums of Livonia or Grosse Pointe, the lowering of the tax base in Detroit affects the tax base of every other Michigan community, and a multi-racial society will exist in Detroit areas that make up the surrounding suburbs.

Knox also discussed the West Central Organization, a vocational group in Detroit that has been active in both local and state affairs of this fraternal organization. He will guide Michigan's 71 lodges and 54,000 members during the coming year in their Scholarship, Youth Activity and Handicapped Children programs.

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Creith New Head Of Elks Group

Ray Creith, a charter member and Past Exalted Ruler of Plymouth B. P. O. Elks Lodge No. 1780 was elected President of the Michigan Elks Association at the 62nd annual convention recently in Flint.



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John MacLellan Announces for Senate Seat

John A. MacLellan of West Bloomfield Township, has announced his candidacy for the Republican nomination for the office of State Senator from the 14th Senatorial District.

The 14th includes the Oakland County townships of Holly, Groveland, Rose, Springfield, Highland, White Lake, Gifford, Commerce, West Bloomfield, Lyon, Novi and Farmington. It also includes the Wayne County municipalities of Livonia, Plymouth and Northville, and lies half in Wayne County and half in Oakland.

MacLellan, 58, an attorney with over 25 years of experience in the legal profession, attended the University of Michigan and the University of Chicago. He is a past president of the Detroit for two years, graduated from the University of Michigan in 1931 and the Detroit College of Law in 1934.

MacLellan is a Captain in the active Naval Air Reserve and served nearly seven years in combat areas in World War II and in Korea. He was decorated by the U.S. Army, U.S. Marines and the Government of China in World War II. He was one of the few Reserve Officers to be awarded the U.S. Legion of Merit in the Korean conflict.

MacLellan's interest in legislative matters began in the depression 20 years ago, as Executive Secretary of the Michigan Welfare League, he fought for and achieved legislation for non-political administration of public health, mental health, crippled and afflicted children, corn laws, juvenile laws, old age assistance, relief and state civil service.

For a period of 10 years MacLellan served as an Attorney for the Legal Bureau of Detroit, assigned to legislative and governmental affairs. In private practice, specializing in legislation, he currently represents clients whose affairs affect millions of Michigan people.

MacLellan is also an interested member of the Michigan Association of Supervisors, Michigan Society for Mental Health, Michigan Welfare League, Detroit Bar Association, State Bar of Michigan (Legislative Committee), the American Bar Association, and the Detroit Rotary Club.

Student Financial Aid Available For Those Attending Schoolcraft

Schoolcraft College is dedicated to the belief that no student should be deprived of an education because of finances. Those interested in any type of financial aid should feel free to talk with one of the college counselors.

During the first two semesters of the 1965-66 year, approximately 170 Schoolcraft students received some type of financial aid or work through the College. These grants are made possible through many different types of funds.

The College has to date a scholarship fund of approximately \$4,500. From this amount the committee on Grants and Scholarships awarded 22 scholarships varying in amounts from \$50 to \$200 for the year.

Donors include industry, business organizations, individuals, fraternal organizations, and civic groups. The college is hoping to increase its scholarship endowment substantially.

Rehabilitation of the Department of Education made possible assistance for 12 students at Schoolcraft College during this past year.

Included in the variety of conditions which made these students eligible were poor vision, deafness, crippled limbs, asthma, heart disease, glandular malfunction such as diabetes and heart conditions, paralysis due to Poliomyelitis, and hemophilia.

The services available under the Vocational Rehabilitation Program include such aids as tuition, fees, books, and supplies. Medical evaluation and physical restoration are made available, as is vocational counseling. In some cases transportation is provided.

Further information regarding eligibility may be obtained by calling Mr. William Opland, R.N., Schoolcraft College, at 591-6400, Extension 231, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Approximately 100 students were employed on the college campus at some time during the year. Seventeen worked in the Federal Work Study Program which is made possible by Federal funds granted to students needing employment in order to continue their education.

The campus work includes clerical and secretarial work; assistantships in the technical, science, and language laboratories; also assistantships in the library, in the building and grounds area, in athletics, and in audio-visual aids.

During the coming year a considerable number will be employed in the New Campus Center as waiters and busboys. The Federal government granted Schoolcraft College \$10,500 for the 1966-67 year. The college is required to add 10 per cent of its own funds to the Federal grant.

Another source of income for Schoolcraft College students is regular campus employment. Those students act as assistants to the College Security Officer, as workers in the buildings and on the grounds, and in various clerical positions.

Work also is available to those enrolled in the technical fields. Students will assist in electronic, mechanical, technology, and automotive laboratories. This fund is granted by the Federal government to the State Vocational Department. Students who will be enrolled in technical courses and who are interested in part-time work in any of the technical laboratories are advised to call Per-

non Feinstra of Schoolcraft College for an appointment.

Another source of funds for college students is provided by the Educational Opportunity Grants, a part of the Education Act of 1966. These grants-in-aid are for students of high potential with financial need.

Since the funds granted by this source must be matched by the college student aid funds, which are now currently limited, the college must find funds before the fall of 1966 in order to take full advantage of these aids for students.

Financial aid for students also is granted by the Michigan Higher Education Assistance Authority, which provides a guaranteed loan fund. Loans of up to \$1,000 a year may be made, but the college must contribute to the loan fund to participate fully in the program.

Financial aid makes a contribution of \$1,000 the result would be a \$10,000 loan fund available to Schoolcraft College students in guaranteed loans. Currently funds are not available for the federal contribution, but it is hoped that during the summer, the college may be participating in this aid.