

Socially Speaking

Westland and Garden City

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Through the combined efforts of the Westland and Livonia Departments of Parks and Recreation, "Spectrum 67" was presented at the Ford Auditorium Sunday. This was one of the finest productions of the "Wizard of Oz" ever attempted.

Production, choreography and direction was under Judy Spiewak. Instructors were Jinnie Neotera, Phyllis Haskell, Carol Cygan, Mary Prizzell, Theresa Minner, and Miss Spiewak. Assistant Instructors were Michelle Adams and Debbie Urban.

Costumes were by Ruth Harris and Judy Spiewak. Recreation Superintendent John DaFour of Livonia and Jack Voss of Westland were congratulated on securing the talents of Judy Spiewak for this child development program through the departments of Parks and Recreation.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Weisner of Westland, recently returning from a winter in Daytona Beach and Key West, Fla. took off for

another month touring the west and parts of Mexico, returning home just in time to attend the State Avion convention in Coonoma, Mich. from there they plan to attend the National Avion convention at Gaylord, Mich.

The Fred Severn home in Farmington will be the scene of a reunion of Victor Hughes Sr. and the Arthur Bull family Saturday. The Hughes and the Bull families came over together from Coventry England 53 years ago. This will be the first complete reunion of the two families in 20 years. Attending this reunion from Westland will be Mr. and Mrs. Victor Hughes Jr. and children, Vickie, Patty and Linda.

Welcome home to Mrs. Samuel Van Til of Wildwood St. Mrs. Van Til was called to California to be with her two ill daughters. Commuting from hospitalized daughter, Laura, in Riverside, Calif., to the bedside of another daughter Mrs. Louise Vanderwagen, in Sacramento, Calif., kept Mrs. Van Til a busy woman. Daughter Laura returned home with Mrs. Van Til to recuperate. One bright spot in Mrs. Van Til's visit was seeing her three grandchildren and being able to participate in some of the graduation activities of her grandson.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Vern Killenbeck of Greenbush Rd. was open to friends and relatives, Sunday, honoring daughter Aliee, a graduate of John Glenn High School. A buffet luncheon was served to 100 guests. Grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Bishop, of Reed City, formerly of Westland, were here for the occasion and also called on former neighbors and friends of the area.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bradish, of Baker St. spent the week in Lansing attending the graduation of granddaughter, Pat Domanske, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Domanske.

Dr. O'Leary Is Honored

The Garden City Chamber of Commerce presented retiring school Superintendent Dr. Edwin J. O'Leary with a watch at his recent membership meeting.

Ted Hooten, Chairman President, made the presentation to O'Leary, who has headed the Garden City school system for 15 years. He will teach school administration and school finance at St. Louis University in Missouri. Dr. O'Leary told the members present that "wherever there is good will and good intent, people will get along. There is great reward in service and I'll miss all my friends in Garden City."

Two Teachers Go To Wayne

Two teachers from Livonia have been chosen to participate in an NDEA Summer Institute in Civics being held at Wayne State University.

They are David M. Nolla, of 39325 Donald, and George G. Harrison, of 14531 Yale. The Institute program will include discussion of de facto school segregation, youth, and investigation of Detroit's decision-making process, as well as a study of curriculum materials and teaching methods.

Nolla and Harrison are among 27 teachers from eight school districts in the Detroit Metropolitan area to attend the Institute directed by Dr. Theodore B. Fleming, Jr., associate professor of political science.

Plans Big Party
Westland City Council President Vigil Gagnon will officially open his campaign for the nomination of mayor in the Sept. 12 primary election with a kick-off party Saturday night in the Army-Navy Union Hall, Steve Orris III Garrison, at 2345 Venoy Road.

Tickets and information about the event, to start at 8 p.m. can be obtained by calling 729-1311, PA 2-9861, or 281-0338.

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THE SCARECROW AND THE LION from "Spectrum 67" presented by the parks and recreation departments of Westland and Livonia Sunday were played by Nancy Follebout and Keith Harrison, respectively, in the musical version of "The Wizard of Oz."

Council Slows Summer Pace

Livonia's City Council will summer.

trim back its summer schedule to two meetings in July after cancelling this week's session Monday night.

Council President Peter A. Ventura said the council seldom meets weekly during the

July 17.

"We're pretty well caught up with our work," he said. "There's nothing of an emergency nature pending."

Councilmen will hold formal meetings on July 10 and July 17.



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Use Fort Wayne For Youth, Port Purposes

A Westland man's two-pronged proposal for a port and juvenile facility at the site of the former Fort Wayne army barracks will be given support by two important Wayne County and state officials on a radio program to be broadcast at 11 a.m. Sunday.

The man, Gerald Harris of 33540 W. Warren, recommended that the Fort Wayne facility be used both as a rehabilitation-training-and-living area for Wayne County youths brought before the juvenile court and as a "free trade" zone which would allow free warehousing for foreign shippers who would not have to pay American customs fees until their goods on ship are actually sold.

His comments were given support in the broadcast taped Monday afternoon by Melvin Ravitz, Detroit Common Councilman and Chairman of the County Board of Supervisors, and Robert Scott, deputy director of the Michigan Department of Corrections.

The program will be heard Sunday morning on radio station WJBK.

Harris, who stressed that he was speaking as a private citizen, is public affairs chairman for the Detroit Trade Center and President of the Westland Industrial and Commercial Development Corp.

Harris also pointed out that in an article published earlier this year, he publicly proposed the use of the former Army barracks in the Jefferson-Livonia area to be used as a youth training center and free trade zone.

The trade zone, Harris said during the broadcast, would be important in the economic conditions of the county and western part of Michigan and will help relieve the juvenile home problem in the county.

The Fort Wayne site, which also contains a 750,000 square foot military museum, has property facing the Detroit River and 48 residential buildings, in addition to a hospital recreation building, cafeteria, theater, baseball field, guard house, sentry post, excellent parking, room for expansion and already existing fences around the 55-acre site.

Harris urged that the affected city, county, and state agencies have representatives study the feasibility of using the Fort

Wayne property for a youth facility and trade zone.

All the agencies involved should be doing something to implement the idea and not just talk about it, Harris said.

On the port use of the facility, Harris pointed out that there is now on the site a warehouse 224,000 square feet; and several other buildings totalling 194,000 square feet.

The city of Detroit has expressed the hope of using the buildings at Fort Wayne for public housing purposes to relocate families displaced by new freeways in that city.

Safety Tip

LANSING — Pedestrians are reminded to cross the street only at crosswalks and with only the walk light on busy streets.

The State Highway Commission warns that attempting to save a few minutes by crossing in the middle of a congested street may cost you your life.

This Driver Really Drags; Fined \$25

You've heard of drivers being fined for "dragging." Here's one who did it literally. Charles E. Sanney, of 20925 Randall, Farmington, was fined \$25 for dragging a model on the highway surface.

Livonia Municipal Judge James R. McCann found Sanney guilty after police reported that he towed a wrecked auto west on Schoolcraft from Stark to Newburgh, having no rear tire on one wheel and dragging the rear axle brake shoes along blacktop, gouging surface.

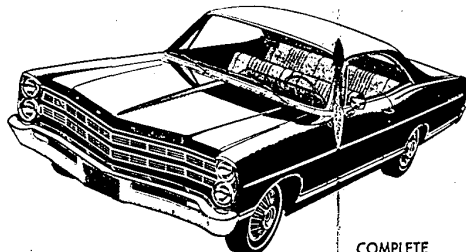
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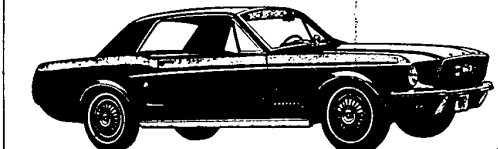
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