

Suburban Gardener People Growing Gardens Are All For The Birds

Gathering flocks of birds wheel against the autumn sky and fill the trees with dark chattering shapes. Still others flit silently about the garden. It is at this season that we are most aware of the birds, but they can be an active part of the garden scene at all seasons.



TWO BENTLEY HIGH School graduates are spark-plugs in this year's Adrian College football team. Perry Foor (87), a split-end, is a vital cog in the passing offense. He's a 6-foot-2, 180-pound senior. Ken Cox (54) is center on offense, tackle on defense. He's a 6-foot-2, 245-pound junior.

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observing sports

If you know Morris Moorawick, who does better with statistics than most people do trying to spell his last name, you might wonder as he does if high schools aren't missing a better chance for hauling down space in the newspapers.

Moorawick claims schools are "facts-and-figure-minded." But not enough of them.

"Take the average school that calls a newspaper with results," says Morrie, who used to help with the prep coverage at The Times and now is a regular on Friday nights in the Free Press sports department.

"A coach tells a kid to call in the score, who scores, and that's about it. Some of the reports lack first names, especially opponents' names. Very few carry too many details.

"But now take the coach who spends a few moments before making his calls to assemble some special facts. . . like a boy making 120 yards for the evening, or somebody hauling off 12 tackles, or somebody punting 45 yards per boot.

The chances are that the school will wind up with more space in the paper. Anything a little extra always helps to enlighten a story and the papers 'eat up' such material."

Moorawick, the only man who can score three baseball games at one time, keep up a running conversation and know exactly what's happening in a Tiger game from his not-too-portable radio, claims that it would be simple, indeed, for the various high schools to improve on their statistics.

"Most coaches keep some forms of fact and figure," Morrie declares. "It would just require a little more effort to tell you that I have a team that isn't a boy, or two, in every school who wouldn't relish the chore of detailing all the statistics.

"It can be fun, compiling how much a team earns or loses; who's done the best, how a team suffers from penalties, etc."

ALONG WITH BETTER statistics, the schools could help themselves by perhaps finding "better reporters" to get their stories to the press.

In our book these excellent reporters are the coaches themselves. Most of them in the area check in as regular as clockwork with this reporter.

There are some who don't. And that's when it hurts.

A few delegate the chore to the third-string manager. The boy means well. But it's not like talking with the head man himself. A substitute can't give you the lowdown on what went right, or what went wrong.

The biggest sufferers are the coach's players, who don't get the writers they deserve. It has happened, that because of improper information a player or a team has received a slap on the wrist instead of a salute, which it rightfully deserved.

We realize that high schools have enough problems without trying to set up public relations departments. But not to be denied is the fact that the schools, the players, the coaches, the fans and the administrators all relish publicity.

To get some, the schools have to do their part, too. . . and it means more than just putting a team on the field.

BOUNCING AROUND: Is Michigan a little backward in high school sports? Bouncing around, we note that in other states all-star games between the North and South are allowed in football and basketball. . . state baseball tournaments are okay. . . and even more competition against foes from nearby states.

With so much heat on school financing, maybe a little star game, too, would help to gather in a few extra bucks that might help schools which are on the borderline of dropping their inter-scholastic sports programs.

FEW GARDENERS realize the extent to which birds can be of benefit to him. They are truly the gardeners' best friend. An individual bird consumes an astronomical number of insects in a single day, and the seed-eating birds eat enormous quantities of weed seeds. So that in addition to bringing color and liveliness to the garden scene, they actually assist the gardener in his chores.

Many birds such as the robin, oriole and starling are merely summer residents in our area. Others, such as the warblers, pass through and linger a few days as they migrate to and from more northern areas. A considerable number are year-around residents, and the juncos and a few others winter here.

By providing food and water and shelter for the birds, the gardener can encourage them to come to his garden. Suet, or beef fat, can be put into a small wire-mesh container nailed to a tree trunk or hung from the branch of a tree in a mesh string or plastic bag.

THE SUET has great appeal for woodpeckers, titmice, nuthatches, jays, chickadees and other insect-eating birds. If lured to the garden by the suet, they will also tirelessly devour trees and shrubs for insects and eggs that are hidden in the crevices of the bark. They seem to work as a team, with the woodpecker and nuthatches working over the trunk, the titmice and heavy branches and the chickadees preferring the slender far-out twigs.

Sunflower seeds are the favorite food of many birds. Cardinals, jays, nuthatches, chickadees and titmice will flock to feeders stocked with sunflower seeds. A mixture of small seeds including white millet is enjoyed by juncos, finches and sparrows and other seed-eaters.

PHASANTs will eat cracked corn, but do not put corn with other seeds. If corn is to be used, place it at a distance from other feeding areas because it is likely to attract large numbers of house sparrows and various blackbirds that will keep other birds away from the feeders. Some birds will eat bits of apple, grapes, raisins, peanuts, peanut butter, bread crumbs, and table scraps.

There are as many kinds of feeders as there are things to feed birds. They range from simple shelf or window sill to complex ones with a closed "hopper" that releases food when a bird alights on it.

Hollow cocoanut shells, bleached wood shavings and many other containers can be converted into bird feeders. The main consideration is to keep the food dry, if possible.

Remember that birds become dependent on the food you supply and are especially in need of it during stormy weather when it is difficult for them to forage for natural food, and when they need it even in winter. It is difficult, though, to keep a supply available in freezing weather.

Houses are not used by birds to shelter in. They merely use them for nesting and sleep and seek shelter in thickets. If the gardener keeps this in mind when he is doing his landscaping, he can plan a place to be a haven for the birds. Interlaced branches of trees, shrubs, or vines provide shelter and evergreens are especially welcome.

When choosing trees and shrubs for the yard the gardener should include a good assortment of those that produce fruits and berries that birds like to eat. Many of these are among the more attractive plants for all-around landscaping, and the gardener will enjoy them as much as the birds will.

STUDIES have shown that over one hundred species of birds eat blackberries, raspberries and other berries. Nearly as many eat mulberry, sumac, dogwood, grapes and the berries on junipers and red cedar.

Other plants whose fruits are relished by a wide variety of birds include crab apples, hawthorn, roses, holly, Virginia creeper, mountain ash, honeysuckles, and various viburnums, such as a little bush cranberry and blackhaw.

By planning the landscaping around trees and shrubs whose fruit is eaten by birds and whose branches provide a place for them the garden will have birds all year. They will help control weeds and insect pests and will be a source of interest and delight for the gardener and his family and friends.

Pair Escapes Football Season Nears Injuries In Collision

A vehicle driven by Miss Nell Yuen Wong, of Detroit, was struck by a car driven by Joseph Nestra, 30864 Ridge-way, Farmington, after Miss Wong pulled into the path of Nestra's car, according to township police.

Both Nestra and Miss Wong were taken to Botsford General Hospital. A hospital spokesman said that they were treated and released with no apparent serious injuries.

Miss Wong told Farmington Township police that she pulled up to Orchard Lake Rd. leaving Oakland Community College and stopped. She said she did not see Nestra's car and drove out into its path.

Nursery Moves

Mr. J. Cooper, Farmington nurseryman, began his 13th consecutive year of operation in a new location. Formerly housed in the old Germantown School on Middlefield Road, Mayfair children are now enjoying large, modern facilities leased from the Orchard Methodist Church on Farmington Rd. near 14 Mile. Mayfair is non-sectarian and a member of the Greater Detroit Council of Cooperative Nurseries.

Mrs. Julia Roberts, the membership chairman, will take names on a waiting list basis for the current year and next year. Her telephone number is 474-8302.

Fton YMCA Give Lessons In Decorating

The Farmington Area Y.M.C.A. is offering two classes in holiday decorating beginning Tuesday, October 31. Irene MacKinnon will instruct the classes which will be held at the YMCA House on Grand River, just east of Drake Rd. Interesting and unique Christmas and other holiday decorations for your home will be featured.

The morning class will meet at 9:30-11:30 a.m. and the afternoon class at 1:30-3 p.m. The fee for the class is \$7 plus a YMCA Adult or Family Membership.

For more information concerning these classes, call the Farmington YMCA, 474-3212.

Penthouse Kitchen Is Modernized

Hugh Gedrich, owner and operator of the Livonia Penthouse on Plymouth Road, is proud of the rapid-fire modernization of the kitchen facilities at the popular restaurant and night club.

The work was completed in a matter of three days with a minimum of disturbance to convenience to patrons. Matter of fact, only the employees were aware of the changeover--it went that smoothly.

The improvements are only a portion of a \$50,000 program planned by Gedrich.

Plastic Tent Helps

Erecting a tent of clear plastic over your choicest autumn plants will help to protect them from killing them by the sun. The plastic doesn't touch the flowers for that is fatal.



JUST A REMINDER -- When Jerry T. McAfee, 18919 Milburn, Livonia, became 31 years old last week, his friends and neighbors joined to drape his house with a happy birthday sign that stretched almost across the entire front of his

home. It was their good natured way of getting back at McAfee, too, for his telephone calls in the past to friends on their birthdays, reminding them that they weren't growing any younger. So, there, Jerry, and a happy 31st birthday to you!

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The season, which just started, is about over for the area's high school football teams.

Two more weeks--and the curtain will drop in all but a few cases.

Rockets Vie Sunday At Lions Game

North Farmington's Rocket-Varsity Jack Lowther League football team is going "big time" Sunday.

The youngsters will play at Tiger Stadium Sunday during halftime of the Detroit Lions-Atlanta Falcons game.

The opposition will be served up by the Redford Rovers variety.

All of the Rocket teams will play the Southfield Jay Hawks in the Peanut Bowl at Southfield High on Saturday, Nov. 4 at 6 p.m.

The final event of the season for the junior footballers will be the awards night to be held in Roma Hall on Nov. 14, at 6 p.m. when the mothers of the boys will serve a buffet dinner.

The little pickings are likely to be on the slim side this fall. North Farmington stood at best chance of collecting honors as the Raiders squared off Saturday in a pivotal North Suburban League clash with John Glenn at North Farmington.

Both teams had 3-0 loop records and the winner would be assured a share of the championship.

After Saturday's clash, Glenn still has to take on Franklin at Franklin High Saturday morning while North Farmington ends its conference scheduled at Groves Friday night.

Dr. Green To Represent State Group

Dr. Edward W. Green, of 23317 Forestbrook, Farmington, a member of the department of pediatric cardiology, Henry Ford Hospital, has been appointed a member of the 15-man delegation that will represent Michigan at the annual meeting and scientific sessions of the American Heart Association, in San Francisco, Oct. 20-24.

Chairman of the Michigan Heart Association's important research committee, Dr. Green has been assigned to two AHA study groups: "Affiliate Community Programs," and "Ethics of Clinical Investigation: Role of the Heart Association." He is also a member of committees on budget and finance, the executive and physician education.

The Michigan Heart Association is a Torch Drive Agency.

In 67 seasons of football, Farmington High University teams have posted five perfect seasons, the last coming under coach Bill Kelly in 1956, when his squad finished with a 9-0 record.

Women Plan Bazaar

Five Farmington women are among those working on plans for the sixth annual Mormon Pioneer Bazaar, to be held at the Mormon Church, 425 Woodward, Bloomfield Hills.

Hours and dates of the event are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Nov. 10 and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Nov. 11. The local women involved include Mrs. Warren Lauck, 21215 Floral; Mrs. Orval Barclay, 21273 Purdue; Mrs. Dan Harrison, 5098 Riverside Dr.; Mrs. Shaw Smith, 26440 Powers Rd.; and Mrs. Morris Whithead, 24700 Floral.

Items available at the bazaar will include toys, clothing, infant wearables, linen, home decorations, Christmas items, novelties, flowers, aprons and accessories.

There will also be homemade candy, bakery goods, homemade ice cream and accous and homemade bread, hot from the ovens.

A snack bar will be open for light refreshments and soda shoppers will be able to obtain supper.

All clerks will be dressed in old-fashioned pioneer clothes.

Football Season Nears End--2 Weeks To Go

Sorrows wraps up home action Sunday afternoon against St. James at Farmington High at 2:30 p.m. The finale for Sorrows is slated a week from Sunday against St. Francis de Sales at Redford High in Detroit.

Youths Win Laurels In Pony Meet

Youngsters from Livonia and Farmington were among the winners in the Oakland County Pony Club's Fall rally.

The Club is located in West Bloomfield township and is the only one of its kind in Michigan. It is affiliated with the U.S. Pony Clubs, Inc., and International Pony Clubs and is part of the largest organization of riders in the world.

The object is to encourage young people to ride and to learn to enjoy all kinds of sports connected with riding horses and riding.

The program also provides instruction in riding horsemanship and proper care of the animals and promotes the highest levels of sportsmanship and loyalty.

Area winners included: DRESSAGE -- D'Arcy Nonan, Farmington; Leslie MacBride, Garden City; Shana Ackroyd, Farmington. CROSS COUNTRY -- Phyllis General, Farmington; Jackie Mitchell, Livonia.

STADIUM JUMPING -- D'Arcy General, Farmington; Jackie Mitchell, Livonia; Betty Laurie, Farmington; Shana Ackroyd, Farmington; Phyllis General, Farmington.

OVERALL -- D'Arcy General, Jackie Mitchell, Shana Ackroyd, Phyllis General.

Livonia Girl Named Intern

The Maclester Senior Service reports that Elizabeth Havik, Livonia, is one of eight students chosen to work as Administrative Interns for the coming school year.

The Administrative Intern program is in its first year and is somewhat experimental. It is designed to give practical experience in the various functions of several branches of the college administration. Beth will be working with the Associate Dean of Students, Sue Lund.

Beth is a senior majoring in social science. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Quentin F. Havik.

Begins Classes

Donald W. Umphrey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Donald Umphrey, 28887 Nine Mile Road, Farmington, has been admitted at David Lipscomb College, Nashville, Tenn.

A graduate of Farmington High School, he attended Eastern Michigan University before transferring to Lipscomb. He is following a major program in English.

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White Sox Best Draw For Tigers

The Chicago White Sox, fourth-place finishers in the American League, were the No. 1 attraction at Tiger Stadium in 1967. While playing only seven dates in Detroit, the Chisox drew a total of 218,007 fans--an average of over 30,000--to outdraw all Tiger opponents.

Chicago's play! two big doubleheaders with the Tigers when the clubs were nose-to-nose for the league lead, helping the Pale Horse draw 112,512 more fans to Tiger Stadium this season than in 1966, and 35,561 more than in 1959, when they won the pennant.

ON MEMORIAL DAY, first meeting of the season between the clubs in Detroit, 40,798 fans saw the Tigers sweep a doubleheader and move into first place. On August 8, the Tigers again met the Chisox in a crucial twin bill witnessed by 44,285 fans.

The pennant-winning Boston Red Sox were second to the White Sox as a drawing card at Tiger Stadium in 1967. For eight dates, the Sox drew 206,883 fans, topping their 1966 figure by more than 120,000.

The Minnesota Twins, the other contender in the furious pennant race, drew 156,537 fans to Tiger Stadium, topping their 1966 total by more than 45,000.

The Twins, however, were outdrawn by both the New York Yankees, who retained their box office magic despite a ninth place finish, and the Washington Senators, who played before the season's largest crowd--52,357 on Free Bat Day, May 28. The Yankees were seen by 195,010 and the Senators by 172,819, their highest total ever in Detroit.

FOLLOWING CHICAGO, Boston, New York, Washington and Minnesota were the Baltimore Orioles, box office as well as world champs last year, with 147,984, the Cleveland Indians with 150,712, the Kansas City A's with 104,308.

Total attendance for the season was 1,445,814, marking the 24th year the Tigers have drawn more than a million fans and the sixth time they have gone over 1,400,000. The total is the highest since 1961 and the second highest since the record of 1950.

After the crowd of 52,357 on Bat Day, Free Bat Day attracted the second largest turnout of the year, 48,266 on July 9, a Sunday doubleheader with Boston.

Largest crowds for games with the other clubs: Chicago 44,295, New York 44,862, Minnesota 44,662, Baltimore 23,890, California 38,966, Cleveland 25,182, and Kansas City 32,254.

Musical To Benefit World Medical Relief

A benefit musicale is scheduled in the First Presbyterian Church of Dearborn at 8 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 22. All proceeds of a free will offering going to World Medical Relief, Inc. The Edison Glee Club will perform under the direction of Kenneth K. K. Other artists will be Mrs. Johanna Dewey and Joanne Kina, piano duo, and there will be vocal selections by Kathleen Sagar, William Buckner, Fred Walters and the Carl Olson Trio.

Honor guests will be State Senator Lorraine Beebe and Mrs. L.C. Oberlin, president and founder of World Medical Relief.

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