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Scouts clean up Clinton River

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"Yippeeee," yelled water-logged
Scout leader H. Carher as his chain
saw broke a log jam on the Clinton
River. Carter was one of 1,500 Cub
Scouts, Boy Scouts and troop leaders from Oakland and Macomb
County cleaning by the Clinton
River May 4. Assisting were 200
men from the Toth Division Army
Ready Reserve and the 113th Medical Company D of the National
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THE IDEA for the cleanup ori-inated with Roger Smith, outdoor

Oakland County.

"We canoed the (Clinton, last summer practicing for a longer trip in Canada. We found lots of log jams, but the canoeing was a fantastic challenge. We thought it would be worthwhile to clear the river." Smith said.

Planning for the cleanup began in January. Along with Smith and Carter, Bill Haley. Jim Melson, Guy Stewart and Jim Thornton were instrumental in putting the massive project together.

THE AIM, was to clear tons of debris, log Jams, industrial and community waste, which had reduced the flow and water quality of the river.

Two scuba divers, Steve Clemens and Jim Treadaway, also volunteered their time.

Food and equipment were donated by General Motors, Ford, Auburn Electric Co. and Rochester Manufacturing Co.

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The Clinton River (Clanup) states for the volunteers.

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Group in cooperation with Army
specialists set up a communica-

committee man for Troop 1616 of tions system between the command posts.

"We canoed the Clinton last

AERIAL photography was provided by the Army Corps of Engineers with a lift from the Coast Locating and charting of work sites was done by the 906th Military Intelligence Upit of the Army Reserve. The intelligence men walked the river to identify problem areas.

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The Army, Reserve helped by hauling large logs out of the river, providing tents and equipment, and cooking the lunch. It consisted of hot dogs, beans, milk and coffee. Chris Gerardy, 13, of Troopo 1618, candidly described his first en-counter with food prepared by the military as tasting like "warmed up mud."

Providing first aid were Na-tional Guardsman Pfc. Bill Bac-hand Spec. 4 Peter Potosky, But they reported nothing more seri-ous than "a couple of little scratches and a nose bleed."

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EVALUATIONS WERE positive. Maj. Lewis, of the Army Reserve, said, 'The project contributed positively to the morale of the troops because they were doing something for the community,' and Greg Scofield, 13, of Troop 1616

said, "It's fun, cleaning the river—
if you don't take a swim!"

1 Dwight Stewart, 13, of Troop
1616 already had plans to make
use of their accomplishment.
"We're going to take a trip down
the river in two weeks," he said.
Brush piling of the logs was
done to give wildlife a place for
shelter along the river. Additional
debris was picked up by the Oakland County Road Commission.

But the cleanup is not over.
"Each troop has been assigned an
area of responsibility for the next
two years, Smith said. Although
at the rate these guys are going, it
might get done before dark."

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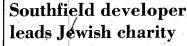
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MAURICE C. COHEN

Maurice C. Cohen of Southfield has been appointed chairman of the Real Estate and Land Committee of the United Jewish Charities (UJC).

Deadlines approach in election

By NANCY STEIN

SOUTHFIELD - The deadline for filling for one of the two open seats for the Southfield School Board is 4 p.m. Monday.

Monday.

So far six persons have filed.
They are Eric D. Thuma. 19308 Coral Gables: incumbent Dr. Harold Bussey, president of the school board, 2833 Carmel: Cheryl Hall, 25198 Muirland; Robert E. Schwarz, 18302 Edwards: incumbent Joseph Kelly, 17611 Ramsgale, Lathrup Village, and Allan Kalt, 21489 Virginia.

Traditionally several persons file almost at the last minute on the last day, according to William Adcock, associate superintendent.

DEADLINE for registering to vote in the election is 5 p.m. Monday.

Residents of Southfield may register at the city clerk's office in the city hall, 26000 Evergreen Residents of Lathrup Village should go that city hall to register.

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According to the Southfield city clerk's office. "You don't have to bring anything with you to register. Just come in and give us the information we'll need and in about a month they'll get the voting card in the mail."

The school election will be Monday, June 10, and will call for a millage re-newal of three mills for five years as well as election of two school board members.

Permits show drop in April

April building starts in Southfield were valued at \$1.1 million. a \$2.8 million drop from the estimated total for March.

According to the Southfield Department of Building and Safety Engineering, 62 permits were issued last month compared to 40 in March and 55 in April, 1973:

Twelve permits were issued last month for commercial starts at an estimated cost of \$715,000, one permit for multiple dwellings at \$236,000 and four new residences at \$19,800.

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UIC President, Alfred L. Deutsch announced the appointment of Cohen as a two year member of the com-mittee. The committee will be charged with the responsibility of acquiring land sites and properties for use by mem-ber agencies of the Jewish Welfare Federation. Former chairman was Arthur How-ard.

ard.

Serving on the committee with Cohen will be: Arnold Agree of Franklin. Lester Burton of Huntington
Woods, Dennis Gershenson of Royal
Oak and Milford Nemer of Southfield.

Cohen has been a member of the Tamarack Hills Authority, a vice-chairman of the Real Estate and Building Trades Division of the Allied Jewish Campaign-Israel Emergency Fund and an honoree of Women's American ORT.

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He is a partner in the Forbes-Cohen Corporation, a shopping center development firm.

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