

Alternative education will be topic

"Options and Alternatives in Education" will be the subject of a talk at a meeting of the Livonia branch of the American Association of University Women Tuesday, Jan. 21 at 7:30 p.m. Dr. Dolores Tasker, curriculum generalist for the Wayne County Intermediate School District and director of planning for alternatives in education, will speak in St. Paul United Presbyterian Church, 27415 Five Mile, Livonia.

Kidnapping charges dropped

SOUTHFIELD— A 17-year-old youth was freed last week when five kidnapping victims did not identify him as one of two men who abducted them. Daryl L. Bryant was charged with 10 counts of armed robbery and kidnapping involving five persons in two separate incidents at Northland Shopping Center Dec. 29-30. On Dec. 29, according to police, Mrs. Patricia Washburn, 37, of Oak Park and her two daughters were forced at gunpoint into their car parked in the Northland lot, robbed of their purses and driven to the Fenwick-Wyoming area in Detroit.

Two suspects dropped the Washburns off on a side street and fled with their car, police said. The next day, the same thing happened to Nadine Papke, 20, of Livonia and her fiancé, Michael Janette, 23, of Wixom.

BRYANT was arraigned Jan. 2 before Southfield 4th District Court Judge S. James Clarkson. He set bond at \$1 million. Armed robbery and kidnapping, along with murder, rape and arson, carry a maximum life sentence.

Bryant, who was out on \$500 bond for an earlier charge of purse snatching at Northland, was held in the Oakland County Jail on the abduction armed robbery counts. His first case is still pending in Oakland County Circuit Court.

According to Southfield police, the five victims of the December incidents identified Bryant's mug shot, but at the suspect's Jan. 11 examination before District Court Judge Norman Feder, none of the complainants could make a positive identification.

Recognizing the seriousness of the charges, the people's attorney has failed to prove probable cause that the defendant committed the crime, Feder said.

In order the defendant released and the charges against him dismissed.

Feder determined there was positive proof that a crime had been committed, but the evidence was too thin to link Bryant with the crime.

A SOUTHFIELD police spokesman later explained what occurred between the time the victims identified Bryant's photograph and the day of the pretrial examination in court.

The armed robbery and kidnapping, took place and law enforcement officers conducted an investigation, he said.

"Through descriptions provided by the victims, as well as other related information, it was determined Bryant was a possible suspect."

The spokesman said the complainants looked at six mug shots in police files and picked out Bryant's picture. Warrants were issued, the suspect was arrested in his Detroit home, brought to the police department and arraigned.

"It is a policy of the investigation section to hold physical line-ups of all armed robbery suspects," he explained. "In Bryant's case, for some reason, none of the victims could identify him in the line-up."

According to the spokesman, detectives maintain the apprehension of Bryant was "good police work on the part of our officers."

"ARRESTING officers remembered Bryant had been picked up for a robbery on the unarmored robbery charge at Northland," the spokesman said. "There were other clues like an inch and a half scar on the suspect's nose which was part of the description provided to us."

"But it's not uncommon for victims to change their minds. Maybe the suspect looks different in person than he did when the mug shot was taken."

"Often, the defendant will have a hair-cut and a change appear in court like a well-dressed completely different person than the one who was arrested."

"IN MANY CASES, victims are anxious and confused and can't remember what the suspect really looks like. Complainants may make a positive picture identification and at the line-up insist they never saw the guy before in their lives."

The police officer noted that the case wouldn't have deteriorated if physical evidence, such as finger prints on the victims' cars, had been discovered.

After the examination, Bryant's mother sobbed. "Armen, I know he didn't do it. They tried to stick him with it, but I know he couldn't be the one."

Southfield police are still investigating the second suspect in the armed robbery-kidnaping incidents.

Cunningham Drug moves across road

LIVONIA—Cunningham Drug Store in Wonderland Shopping Center will move across the street this week into a new center at Plymouth and Middle Belt.

The relocation was disclosed Wednesday when the Livonia City Council approved the transfer of an SDD-SDM license (sale of liquor, beer and wine by the bottle) to the new address.

An attorney for the drug chain said the company will move from an 8,500 square foot store in Wonderland to a 14,000 square foot site on the northeast corner of the intersection.

Cunningham will be in a building formerly used as a Shoppers Fair discount store.

YWCA classes in Livonia

A chance for women to oil paint, play bridge, stitch and do a little belly dancing is now available in the Rose-Hale Gardens United Presbyterian Church, 9601 Hubbard, Livonia.

Sponsored by the YWCA of Western Wayne County the Homemakers Holiday classes have already begun. However, it is still possible to join them by contacting the YWCA, 26279 Michigan, Inkster.

In addition to the above mentioned classes, yoga will also be taught along with knitting and crocheting hairpin lace on the stitching class and bowling.

Activities take place each week on Wednesday morning with women invited to arrive at 9 a.m. for coffee and conversation. A play room is provided for pre-schoolers, whose mothers are taking classes at the cost of \$1 per session.

Afternoon bowling is offered for beginning and experienced bowlers and instruction will be given. Classes cost from \$12-\$16. YWCA membership for one year is \$3.50. Only "Y" members may enroll in the program.

Bids on bridges accepted Jan. 22

Bids will be taken Jan. 22 by the State Highway Commission for furnishing, fabricating and delivering structural steel for four bridges over I-96 Freeway now under construction in Livonia in Detroit.

Estimated cost is \$750,000 with delivery expected August 1975.

Pi Beta Phi plans dinner

An international dinner will be sponsored by the Detroit-DeARBorn Alumnae Club of Pi Beta Phi Women's Fraternity Monday, Jan. 20 at 7 p.m. in the home of Mrs. Daniel James, 17255 Hillcrest, Livonia.

Following the dinner meeting, chapter members will make favors for the Alton College active chapter to use for each party.

Co-hostesses will be Mrs. Patrick O'Day and Mrs. Dennis Strock.

Advertising sexism is topic

Sexism in advertising is the topic of a slide presentation scheduled for the meeting of the Northwest Wayne County chapter of the National Organization for Women (NOW) on Jan. 21. The meeting will be held in Newman House on the Schoolcraft College campus, 17300 Haggerty, Livonia.

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