

# How Your Town Can Get Park Money

Cities, townships, villages and counties will get state guidelines by Nov. 1 on how they may dip into their \$30 million share of the state's \$100 million recreation bond issue.

That's the deadline set by the Legislature last week as it gave final approval to the bill splitting up the funds.

The bill will become law when signed by Gov. Milliken, who is expected to approve it.

It will require local units to put up 20 per cent of the total cost of any federal aid, but that money will reduce the state's share; federal aid may not replace the local share.

HERE IS AN outline of what local units will have to do: Once the Department of Natural Resources writes its "terms, conditions and procedures" for distributing the funds, local units may apply, but no grants made until 60

days after the rules have been published.

This, if the DNR takes until Nov. 1 to write the rules, no local applications could be approved in Lansing until the end of January 1970.

The \$30 million is to be split on a per capita basis. This will amount to something over \$3 per person.

It doesn't follow, however, that a city of (say) 10,000 population will automatically be eligible, and their jurisdictions overlap cities' and townships'.

THE CITY council or township board must approve the local unit's application and designate an official representative to meet with state officials.

The application must show evidence of a plan, which "shall include a survey of existing facilities... including any facilities of school districts... and any pertinent facilities of the state or other local units, proposals for future expansion."

Priority will be given to units with local income levels and high population densities.

The DNR in making its priority list will also consider "the deficiency in recreational facilities" in that unit, the ability of the local unit to run the facility, and accessibility to all users "including the handicapped, the elderly, the young, deprived and low-income families."

EACH JANUARY and May, the DNR is to publish a list of local projects eligible for grants... in order of their assigned priority.

The Legislature may either approve or reject the list but may not change the priority of the projects.

If the Legislature takes no action within 45 days, the DNR's list will be considered approved.

The local unit must put up 20 per cent of the total project's cost, but it has great latitude on how it makes its contribution.



VIOLINIST Emily Mutter Austin tunes up (Observer photo)

## Emily Can Carry Concerto Or Joke

By RICHARD

Mozart's "Musical Joke" was probably the toughest on violinist Emily Mutter Austin. The miniature symphony was being performed last Wednesday evening in a Schoolcraft College faculty recital. In it, Mozart's so-called pretentious country musicians with pompous phrasing, disjointed notes, sour humor and open E strings on the violin.

The entire thing is comically funny, but the passage that cracked up the audience was the violin cadenza. The effect is like hearing circus music played on a church organ, or seeing Sonja Henie imitate a newborn colt.

TO PULL OFF the joke, the soloist must play the hilarious melodies with all the artistry and grace of a Tartinian sonata -- and at the same time keep a straight face while the audience is laughing out loud.

Mrs. Austin, whose playing style is both light and romantic, had to strain to keep from laughing, too, but she played the clown perfectly.

Next Wednesday, she will perform in a more serious vein when she is heard as soloist in the second concert of Schoolcraft's summer series. This one will be outdoors, between the wings of the Forum building. It will begin at 8:30 p.m. and admission is \$2 at the door.

"I'LL BE PLAYING the Mozart fifth violin concerto," she said. "It's called 'The Turkish.' The third movement is a dance -- that's where the Turkish tonality and rhythm come in."

Mozart is credited with seven violin concertos, although the experts say the sixth is almost surely not his. The most popular are the third, fourth, fifth and sixth.

Mrs. Austin is a member of the Detroit Symphony, though not the first woman member of that orchestra, as sometimes stated; she's concertmaster of the Plymouth Symphony; she teaches at Schoolcraft's Summer Music School and serves as concertmaster for the Court Orchestra for the Wednesday evening concerts in July.

Plymouthites have heard her as a soloist several times, and she has performed as soloist for several Mozart programs in Detroit and Cleveland. Her performance in the Pro-Mozart concert in Detroit two years ago for a scholarship benefit won her the Max Reinhardt medal from Salzburg, Austria.

FOR NEXT Wednesday's concert, she will use her Gaudagnini J.B., a make of violin that has gained popularity in recent years behind the Strads and the Guarneris.

"Mine was made in 1773," she said -- which, coincidentally, is close to the year in which Mozart wrote his fifth violin concerto.

"It has a darker sound than a Strad," she said. "For years I've been trying to get an instrument like this, and I finally have what I wanted."

Mrs. Austin was raised in Howell, in Livingston County, and her Lebanese-born father started all four children on the violin.

She studied in music schools in Ann Arbor, Chicago and New York. Her greatest teacher was the famed Erica Morini.

HER HUSBAND, a former Detroit Symphony violinist, teaches at Wayne State University and does what she calls "commercial" playing. The Austins live in the suburb of Huntington Woods.

Mrs. Austin loves teaching and after three seasons is still excited by the work done at Schoolcraft's Summer Music School.

The students are outstanding high school and young college students, and the work is in ensemble and chamber music. Everyone seems to find it a refreshing change of pace.

## McDonald Asks Missile Moratorium

Congressman Jack McDonald (R-Livonia) joined Congressman John B. Anderson (R-ILL.) in co-sponsoring a House Resolution calling on the President to seek an immediate and mutual moratorium with Soviet Russia on flight testing of the MIRV (Multiple Independently Targetable Reentry Vehicles).

McDonald said: "The objective of American strategic policy is to deter nuclear war. The greatest current threat to our ability to deter such a war is the possible deployment by Russia of missiles with multiple warheads that are capable of destroying our land-based ICBM force. We are therefore concerned with halting MIRV deployment by Russia."

McDonald said the President was being urged to propose a mutual moratorium in order to induce Russia to halt its MIRV program.

"We believe this is a safe and sure manner in which to protect our deterrent force," McDonald said. "It certainly is worth a try. This conclusion, incidentally, is reached independent of any judgment on the Safeguard ABM system."

## Outdoors Outlook

Here's the fishing, boating and shooting outlook for southeastern Michigan for this week-end from the Pontiac district office of the State Natural Resources Department.

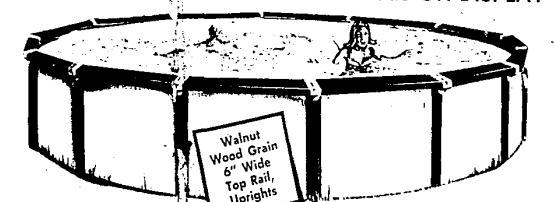
Bluegill fishing has been good, notably in Pontiac Lake. Most successful are those who fish that lake consistently and for bass only.

The DNR has public boat launching sites at these 25 Oakland County lakes:

Big, Cass, Cedar Island, Cooley, Crescent, Crotched, Crystal, Graham, Lakeville, Loomis, Maccady, Moore, Oakland, Orchard, Orion, Pettibone, Pontiac (two), Squaw, Teepie, Tippecanoe, Union, Valley, Wildwood, White and Wolverine.

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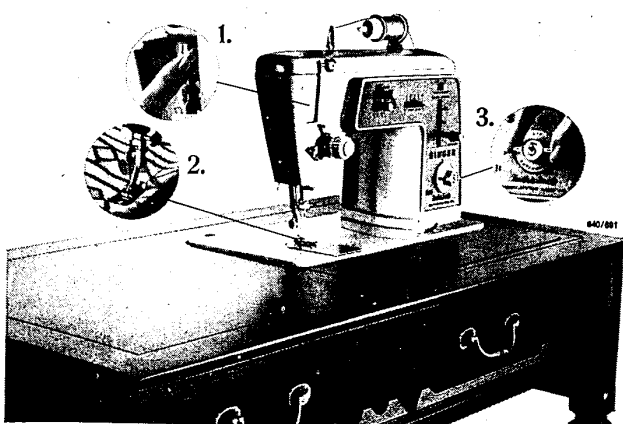
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