

# 227 Students Win State Stipends

A total of 227 Livonia and Redford Township students have been awarded either honorary or monetary scholarship awards under the State Scholarship-Tuition Grant Program.

Included are seniors from Adlai Stevenson, Franklin Bentley, Rosary, Redford Union, Clarenceville, Our Lady of Mercy, Lutheran West, Sacred Heart Seminary, Redford St. Mary, Ladywood, Benedictine, Catholic Central, Salesian, Immaculata, Divine Child and University of Detroit High Schools.

All of these young people who won honors in competitive scholarship examinations are to be congratulated. "State Rep. Marion R. Stempion (D-Livonia) said, "Their families, their schools and the entire community of Livonia can be proud of them."

Sixty-one of the students plan to attend the University of Michigan and 49 Michigan State University.

OTHER INSTITUTIONS listed by the honors recipients are: Schoolcraft, 21; Eastern Michigan, 14; Wayne State, 11; Lawrence Tech, 9; Michigan Tech, 7; University of Detroit, 6; Oakland, 4; Albion, 4; Central Michigan, 3; Alma, 3; Hope, 2; Olivet, Madonna, 2; Michigan Christian Junior College, 2; Kalamazoo, 2; General Motors Institute, 2; and one each for Concordia Lutheran Junior College, Oakland Community College of Business.

More than 38,000 high school seniors took part in this year's state scholarship examinations. "Over the past six years, in excess of 40,000 Michigan young people have benefited from the State Scholarship and Tuition Grant Programs. Those students have received approximately \$25.5 million in assistance since the programs were started," Stempion said.

"The Legislature created the State Competitive Scholarship Program in 1964. I was pleased to have a part in 1966 in broadening this financial assistance project by the establishment of the Tuition Grant Program."

Stempion noted that 59 students from Livonia received scholarship grants ranging from \$10 to \$800 and that 12 others received tuition grants ranging between \$250 and \$800. The remaining students, he said, received honorary awards and will receive a certificate of recognition.



WILLIAM A. GREER, 15330 Fairlane, Livonia, has been promoted to national sales manager of Flint Ink Corp. in Redford Township. Greer joined the firm 14 years ago as a salesman and most recently was district sales manager.

## EMU Talk Canceled

The early childhood lecture at Eastern Michigan University scheduled for 8 p.m. Thursday, April 16, has been cancelled. Speaker Arthur Combs is ill.

## Organists Meet

The Hammond Organ Society of the Livonia Mall will meet at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 15, in the community club room at the Livonia Mall. The meeting is open to any musician interested in organ music.

# Transit Problems Face Jail

By W. W. EDGAR

While city and county officials are studying plans for relieving the overcrowded condition of the county jail by transferring inmates to the Detroit House of Correction, they are overlooking what possibly could be the biggest roadblock to the plan.

The latest roadblock concerns transportation and several of the Commissioners who visited the House of Correction within the past week admitted that the 30-mile stretch between the county in the City County Building and Debocho could be a real problem.

While they admit there may be trouble working out a plan to amend the present law to permit the mixing of "prisoners" and "convicts," they also realize that each hour of each week-day people are being held over for trial. And, it is this group — the law violators who can't make bond — would have to be bailed the distance.

ONE OF THE LEADERS who asked to remain anonymous stated that the county would have to initiate a taxi-service both to and from Debocho that could run into a lot of money.

The problem took on a different hue, too, when Frank Henderson, County Jail Administrator, told a Commissioners' Committee last week that all women prisoners should be removed from the County Jail and sent to Debocho.

"The County Jail is no place for a woman," he said, "and we have about 70 women imprisoned now. It would help a great deal if they were transferred."

At Debocho that are practically empty," he stated, "and we could be in keeping with the law if the county could arrange to lease them." He admitted that some changes would have to be made, including the building of a fence.

"This is a small detail," he went on, "when one considers the good it would do in alleviating the problem."

One of the staunchest foes of the plan is William Banahan, Superintendent of Debocho, who virtually ignored the Commissioners during their visit.

"Why are they trying to cut into our program out here," he asked, "to relieve their troubles. The law is against them and even if some plan could be arranged you couldn't mix the inmates. And as far as leasing any of our buildings that is only weakening the corrective structure out here."

"They can lease other buildings," he went on, "or build one of their own. Leasing a building here and building a fence is only a makeshift at best."

When asked about the transportation problem Supt. Banahan just smiled, and said, "That's going to be a big problem. But there are others they'll also find out."

Several Commissioners voted the opinion after visiting Debocho last week that there is sufficient room there to relieve the overcrowding of the county jail and ways should be found to use it.

AMONG THOSE favoring such a plan is Carl Pursell, Commissioner of the 5th district that includes Plymouth. "There are several buildings

at Debocho that are practically empty," he stated, "and we could be in keeping with the law if the county could arrange to lease them." He admitted that some changes would have to be made, including the building of a fence.

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Area winners are: REDFORD TOWNSHIP, Mary C. Carolan, 19917 Centralia, Redford Union High School, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D'Arcy Carolan. Some of her achievements included the school play, yearbook and pep club.

Her father is employed by the Wixom Assembly Plant.

FARMINGTON, Charles M. Davy, 26839 LaMotte, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Davis. A student at North Farmington High School, he was active in band, chess club and German club.

LIVONIA, Janice Lynn Peterson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard V. Peterson, of 1840 Westbrook. Her achievements include participation in the Livonia High School included debate, yearbook and spirit club. Her father is with the Autolite-Ford National Parts Dept. in Livonia.

Michigan led the award list with 28 winners. The scholarships pay tuition and a major portion of living expenses at an approved college or university in the continental U.S.

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