

**SWEETEST DAY**  
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16  
Make Her Day Happy  
FRESH FLOWERS FROM  
McCLURE'S MEAN MORE!  
EXTRA SPECIAL  
1 DOZEN SWEETHEART  
ROSES (Miniature) ARRANGED  
\$5.95  
CASH AND CARRY  
(7.50 DELIVERED)

Blooming Plants  
Green Garden Planters  
Dried Flower Arrangements  
COMPLETE SELECTION FRESH  
CUT FLOWERS

*McClure's*  
FLOWERS AND GIFTS  
THE BEST SINCE 1926  
21552 GRAND RIVER  
KE1-0143 KE1-0267

**PANASONIC**  
Portable Cassette  
TAPE RECORDER  
The Torrance Tape-designed AM-FM  
table radio in Champagne Gold and  
Ivory cabinet. Features full range 5-  
PM dynamic speaker. Side tone turn-  
ing. AFC on FM. Solid State Engi-  
neered. Reg. \$39.95  
**\$14.88**  
AC AND BATTERY **\$24.80**

**8 TRACK AUTO STEREO PLAYER**  
This 8-Track Auto Stereo  
Player is a solid state, 8-  
Track player equipped with  
program selector, balance  
control, tone control, and  
volume control in compact  
size and is supplied with 4  
conductor, color-coded ca-  
bles for easy installation and  
connection. Also provided for  
cartridge tuner users.

**L.A. SOUND STUDIOS INC.** Garrard Warfieldale  
Sony Marantz Panasonic Dual Electrovoice Fisher Roberts Koss  
LIVONIA-30795 W. 8 MILE 477-4245

# How High School Students Get Ready For Jobs

By JOHN KHAM  
Special Writer

**WALLED LAKE**  
There is a plaque on the wall of a school building that 750 students see each day. The plaque is like most in that it has the names of the architects and the date that the school was built. But in the lower left hand corner is this sentence:

"I will prepare myself and someday my chance will come." — Abraham Lincoln  
The school's principal, John Xenos said, "There are so many people who think that a college degree is necessary for success and that just isn't so. What we're doing here is teaching a high school student a skill."

AT LEAST 230 high school students from Farmington and 45 from Clarenceville are enrolled in a vocational education program where

they learn different skills as part of their high school education.

The students are bussed from their home high schools to the Southwest Vocational Education Center here. It has been opened for one month, and the school has reached its quota for admittance.

Ten program areas are offered where students are taught skills. Today's educators believe that their responsibility extends beyond graduation. A student should not and cannot leave high school without a saleable skill, say the educators.

"What we're trying to do here is train a student to go into a particular field and find a job after high school. This is a different approach from just educating the student and then letting him go. No student should leave high school today

without a marketable skill," said Xenos.

Some of the areas where skilled training is taught are: auto mechanics, architectural drafting, dental and medical office assistants, floral arts including the training of florists, diesel mechanics, greenhouse and nursery occupations and the setting up of eye-catching displays for department stores. There is also a "needs" program whose function it is to serve students with learning disabilities but who are trainable.

The school has a bake shop and restaurant. Students are taught to cook and bake and their products are sold to the public and to the students.

**THE ENTIRE** faculty consists of 18 persons, and half of them are certified teachers. "They must have an ability to get along with young people, and they must have had work experience in their particular field." Our people have been where these kids are going," said Xenos.

The school was designed for year-around use, and it is climate controlled with wash areas. The programs are designed for those young people who plan on entering the work force directly from high school or who will receive further technical training.

Adults who wish to restrain themselves will be able to enroll in night sessions. There it will be possible for them to increase their skills and knowledge in a particular field that was just beginning to mushroom when they were in school. Xenos said that there are many adults who are seeking retraining as a result of technology.

Students enroll in one of two three-hour sessions in the morning or afternoon. They are bussed to and from their high school where they complete the remainder of their classes. Full credit is given and a skill is learned.

**VOCATION EDUCATION** is a two-year program offered to 11th and 12th grade students. Upon graduation, job placement is available to any student. A vocational education center in Flint reported 100 percent in placing its graduates in jobs for which they were trained. Any advanced student is placed on a job by his home high school co-op coordinator.

Walled Lake is the location of the Southwest Vocational Education Center. There are three others in Oakland



**DIESEL MECHANICS** is one of 10 areas available for training in the Walled Lake Vocational Education Center. These students from Farmington will know a diesel engine inside-out before their program has ended. From left: Steve Kuzmanovich and Terry Lopez from North Farmington, Rod Taskay from Farmington High, and Bob Kopernik from Harrison High School. (Observer photo by John Kham)

County. The Northwest Education Center in Clarkston, the Northeast Education Center in Pontiac, and the Southwest Education Center in Troy. The schools are supported from federal, state and county funds but also receive help from industry. Ex-Cello Corp. has given the school a blue-print machine for drafting classes, Michigan Tractor

**DR. H. B. DUBIN**  
OPTOMETRIST

announces the opening  
of his office  
at

**33211 GRAND RIVER  
FARMINGTON,  
MICHIGAN 48024**

Next to Metropolitan  
National Bank of Farmington

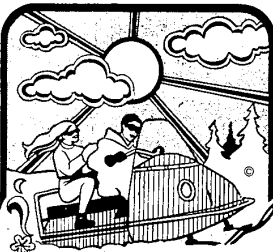
**NEW PHONE  
477-1616**



**SNOWMOBILES  
TRAILERS  
SKIS  
WINTER SPORTS  
EQUIPMENT**



**TEL-TWELVE  
MALL**  
Winter Sports and  
Snowmobile Show  
NOW! thru SUNDAY, OCT. 24



## EXHIBITOR-DEALERS

ACME BOAT CO. .... Ferndale  
ANDERSON SALES & SERVICE INC. .... Pontiac  
BOAT LAND ..... Farmington  
DAN HOMRICH ..... Troy  
GRAND RIVER BOAT SALES ..... Farmington  
SUN & SKI MARINA ..... Pontiac  
WHEELS INC. .... Royal Oak  
**GUEST DEALER-EXHIBITORS**  
MONTGOMERY WARDS ..... Southfield  
SPORTS FAIR ..... Southfield



**FIGHTING  
A  
CAR  
That Won't  
START!**

**GIVE IT A FALL ASTRO TUNE-UP!**

**FREE** Electronic  
Diagnosis With  
Complete  
Tune-Up  
Tune-Up  
Membership  
Reduced Rates  
for 12 Months

If your car whines and growls it may be trying to tell you that it's time for a fall tune-up. And if it could lead you to the best place in the area for that much-needed attention, you'd find yourself at one of the two new ASTRO TUNE-UP CENTERS. Our trained specialists use 34 engine tests plus brand name parts in giving you the finest, fastest engine tune-up around. ASTRO can help your car — DOG-GONE if we can't!

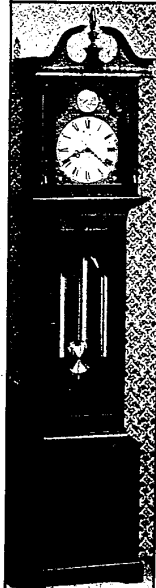
"Astro — For out of this world service!"

**ASTRO  
TUNE-UP  
CENTER**  
ELECTRONIC DIAGNOSTIC EQUIPMENT

**31690 GRAND RIVER**  
2 blocks west of Orchard Lake Rd.  
477-9725  
for appointment  
**18700 PLYMOUTH**  
6 blocks west of Southfield  
838-1188  
for appointment  
Open Daily and Saturday

**NEW ART  
ARRIVALS**  
DON AUSTRIN'S  
ART GALLERY  
INN  
AT NORTHLAND CENTER  
Michigan's Largest selection of  
1,000 fine quality original  
OIL PAINTINGS  
MAY 1970 DEC 1970

**GRANDFATHER  
CLOCK**



Highly Dependable  
"Barwick" Clock  
with Westminster chime,  
weight drives imported  
movement. Available in Maple  
or Cherry. 77" high, 18"  
wide, 11" deep.

**SPECIALLY PRICED  
\$269.00  
ORDER NOW  
FOR QUICK  
DELIVERY  
OR  
CHRISTMAS  
LAY-AWAY**

ADVANCE  
FURNITURE  
STUDIO  
**Colonial  
House**  
Established 1927

19532 W. McNichols Rd.  
(6 Mile) near Evergreen  
Open Thursday  
and Friday Evenings