

# Lake Michigan Beach Gives Holland Park Added Tourist Appeal

Campers who like to combine a fine beach, sand dunes and unusual area attractions should try Holland State Park, according to Automobile Club of Michigan.

Located seven miles west of Holland, along Lake Michigan, the park is one of the state's most popular, attracting 1,102,018 campers last year, largest number in the southern half of the Lower Peninsula.

Despite its 342 sites, Holland fills rapidly in the summer and one usually has to arrive in the morning to camp there. Its 143 acres places it among the smaller parks in size.

Behind its appeal, perhaps, are its fine beach, especially good for children, and towering sand dunes. The beach, three-quarters of a mile long, and the dunes offer good sand hiking. Couple these features with the attractions at Holland and the combination is almost unbeatable as a camper magnet.

The campground is divided into two sections. Along Lake Michigan are 144 sites, while 179 are at nearby Lake Macatawa. At the latter, red and white pine growth offer shade and privacy. To swim,

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**PATRICK J. MURPHY** of 27354 Skye Drive, Farmington, has been promoted to senior vice president for finance of Allied Supermarkets.

Murphy, 45, was previously vice president and corporate controller. He earned an accounting degree at McGill University and belongs to several professional groups.

## What Are Problems In Oakland?

A community forum has been scheduled to promote an awareness among Oakland County residents of existing problems which exist within every community.

"Problems in Oakland County? Let's Talk" is being sponsored by the Committee for Community Action, a non-profit organization of Oakland County residents.

The forum will be on July 24 in the YMCA of Metropolitan Detroit, 1016 W. 11 Mile, Royal Oak, from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m.

Douglas West of the committee says the objectives are to promote dialogue among county residents, an awareness that severe problems exist, and the realization that collective concern may lead to collective action and fundamental change.

Father Cunningham, director of Focus HOPE, will speak on "Priority Problems in Oakland County." A second discussion will be held from 8:30 to 10 p.m. on "Welfare Abuse in Oakland County?"

Focus of the forum shall be on the views and concerns of Oakland County residents, especially West, not on views and concerns of committee members.

"The necessity for the individual's participation in the solving of community problems is long overdue," he states.

**Larsen Wins Promotion**

Richard A. Larsen of Chapelweigh Drive in Farmington has been promoted to senior professional hospital representative for Detroit by the Pennsylvania pharmaceutical firm of Merck, Sharp and Dohme.

A Wayne State University pharmacy grad with a degree from Detroit College of Law, Larsen has been with the company for 18 years.

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## OC Road Meddlers Forbidden

The Board of Oakland County Road Commissioners is circulating a policy statement, adopted this week, forbidding road commission employees from acting on authorized orders from outsiders.

The policy statement, addressed to road commission staff and employees, promises "appropriate disciplinary action" for violators.

It is also being circulated to county department heads and members of the Board of County Commissioners.

"The board has learned that on infrequent occasions, public office holders without jurisdiction over the Road Commission have attempted to go over the head of Road Commission management and order certain work done," says William Richards, chairman of the Board of Road Commissioners.

"To permit this practice to continue would inevitably produce chaos and be destructive of responsible management."

"This board has enough problems in trying to keep on top of the county's road situation without having the job further complicated by outside meddling," Richards concludes.

"The only way we can meet our responsibilities is to run a tight ship. And that's just what this board is committed to do."

## Libraries Have Films For Aged

Nine local libraries have a special film service available to area nursing homes, homes for the aged and senior citizen housing units.

A collection of 100 16mm films is available for loan to the Farmington District, licensed homes in Farmington, Garden City, Livonia, Westland, Plymouth, Southfield and Redford Township.

The films emphasize topics of interest to older citizens and include dramas, comedy, travel, history and films on the arts.

Recreation directors or representatives from the homes may pick up the films at the Farmington District, Farmington Public, Livonia's Alfred Noble and Carl Sandburg, Plymouth's Duping-Hough, Redford Township, Southfield and Wayne-Westland libraries.

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