

Musicians to Get New Band Uniforms

Wayne Memorial High School's band members will get new uniforms with Superintendent Harry Howard being authorized last week to obtain competitive bids to look into a possible leasing arrangement.

The school board, whose district includes most of Westland, went along with the administration's recommendation that the uniforms, to cost an estimated \$7,000, be bought only after the funds are available.

In a written report, the board was told that there are several reasons for the purchase of new band uniforms. These include the facts that the present uniforms are badly worn and out of style from many years of use; the uniforms are coming apart at the seams and should be replaced; and the board of education has "enjoyed substantial enthusiastic support from band parents in the past and every consideration should be given to the request for new uniforms," the board was told.

The Administrative Cabinet met this month and because of the budget reductions, it was agreed not to buy the uniforms this year. In addition, the financial picture for the 1967-68 school year is still uncertain because of the "legislative decision on state aid."

The cabinet agreed unanimously that the new uniforms should be bought as soon as possible.

Principal To Be Honored At Dinner

Gilbert C. Gosa, principal of Marquette Elementary School, Garden City, will be honored at a retirement dinner Wednesday, June 7, at Marquette School.

The dinner is being sponsored by PTA members as a tribute to Gosa who has served as a principal of Marquette for 16 years.

Tickets will be available Saturday, April 29 at the schools annual Spring Frolic, by calling Herman Berano 421-8381, Robert Russell 421-6473, or at the May PTA meeting.

Tickets are \$2.50 each. Dinner will be at 7 p.m.

Livonia Expands Use Of Computer in Schools

Expanded use of computerization in the Livonia Public School District will place both in the fields of administration and instruction.

The Board of Education has just approved the rental of an IBM No. 1400 Computer (and complementary equipment) at a monthly cost of \$3,555.

In addition to aid in school programs, it will be used to teach students.

Board members have also approved establishment of courses in each of the three high schools to be called: "Introduction to Data Processing" and "Computer Concepts."

Six key punch machines will be purchased for each school at a total cost of \$85,000. Funds for this expense will come from the building and site fund.

Other matters handled recently by the board have included:

- Hiring the architectural firm of Lane, Riebe, and Weiland of Ann Arbor to prepare plans for an addition to the Administration Building. This firm designed Franklin and Stevenson High Schools.
- Allocating \$15,000 for in-service training of teachers during the forthcoming summer. Dr. Paul Johnson, assistant supt. for instruction, said this would include workshops in science, reading, social studies and training of librarians. Teachers attending are paid \$3 an hour.

• Awarding a contract to install a completely new system of overhead gas pipes at Whitman Junior High School in the southern central portion of Livonia where soil conditions and electrolytic action has eaten into the underground pipes.

The Norman D. Nelson Plumbing and Heating Co. of Taylor will put in the pipes at a cost of \$13,600.

School officials indicated they could not guarantee this would cure all problems of underground installations at the school.

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LOOKING FOR THE BUG—Tom Renner, (left) and William Ryan, of Bentley High, disassemble a one-cylinder engine during the power mechanics competition at Schoolcraft College. Competing against teams from Baraga, Ann Arbor and Breckinridge, Renner and Ryan were among statewide finalists in the contest sponsored by the Michigan Industrial Education Society. The schoolboy mechanics were required to discover a malfunction deliberately put into the engine, make the necessary repairs and restart the equipment. Renner and Ryan are students of Tom Hanley. Two other Bentley High mechanics, Howard Comstock and Paul Smith, also students of Hanley, finished second in the automotive competition.



RADIO WHIZ KIDS—Doug Sutherland, (left) and Scott Jones, of Franklin High, work out a problem in a piece of "bugged" radio equipment under the watchful eyes of a judge during the recent competition for Michigan high school technical students at Schoolcraft College. They placed first in the radio service competition, part of a contest sponsored by the Michigan Industrial Education Society. The boys, students of William Lively, were among the winners honored at an MIES luncheon at Cobo Hall.

First Impression to Buyer Vital

Landscaping Boosts Home Value

What do people think when they see your home, either in passing or in visiting? Often a home is judged by neighbors and friends on the pleasing effect landscaping imparts to the property.

"The price and salability of a home," according to the American Association of Nurserymen, "depends to a considerable extent on the first impression of the property as a whole. Good landscaping enhances the price of a home regardless of the size of the home or property."

One of the primary points of good landscaping is the need for an overall design. A good landscape nurseryman will be able to find plantings that take full advantage of the home's site and create a beautiful picture from wherever the site happens to be—on the street side, in the rear yard, on the terrace or looking at the side borders of the property. Design will capitalize on the excellent views and screen off unsightly vistas. It ties the house to the ground in a way that delights the eye, and even the soul.

"It's like 'looking' at a painted masterpiece in which living plants, sun, earth, sky and house are effectively tied together. It can be gay and at the same time restful and peaceful," says the national nurserymen's association.

Adding design to your planting will provide for such things as adequate shade at exactly the time of day you want it and exactly where you want it. Flowers and foliage, roses and perennials can be placed to bring enjoyment by looking at them, or to cut the blooms to brighten up the indoors. Good design uses the indoor-outdoor relationship so that it flows smoothly from one to the other without harsh and abrupt changes.

A good landscape nurseryman can help the homeowner design private outdoor areas by using hedges or informal naturalistic groupings of plants. Sometimes just one large evergreen or flowering shrub or perhaps a tree will change an eyesore to a scene of beauty and privacy.

Most importantly, however, good landscaping design will give the homeowner whatever he wants. It can provide for wide open spaces for the athletically-inclined family, provide for a large area of flowers and other

blooming materials for the avid gardener, and even include areas for vegetable gardens. Landscape design caters to the family's wants and needs—from beautiful yards of low-maintenance quality to yards filled with plantings of flowers, fruits and vegetables for the avid gardener looking for recreation and exercise.

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Soldier Helps Keep Open Vietnam Lines

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Within 40 hours, he and his comrades from the 701st Main Supply Battalion's Company B have a truck ready to traverse the 150 miles of dust-covered, bumpy road which is in Viet Cong territory.