



THESE BUILDINGS ON 12 Mile Rd. will be burned down by the Township. Standing on the site of the fourth senior high school at 12 Mile and Drake, the structures were recommended for razing by the Township. The Board of Education signed the release papers at its session this week. Township officials said that the uninhabited buildings were sub-standard and were being used as a gathering place for teenagers.

Northville Hospital Honors Volunteers

Four groups of volunteers from Farmington and two Farmington women have received certificates of recognition from the Community Relations Department of Northville State Hospital for the hours of work they put in at the institution during 1966-1967.

The groups are: Farmington Ladies, Mrs. C. Dickinson, of Livonia, chairman; First Presbyterian Church of Farmington, Mrs. Barbara Corey, 28520 Green Willow, chairman; The Flying Needles, Mrs. Nicholas Day, 22330 Gill Rd.; and St. Fabian's Church, St. Gerard Circle, Mrs. Irene Burckle, 28401 Hawberry, chairman.

Individual volunteers honored for service of 100 hours or more are Mrs. Donald Dunsay, 24546 Kirkland Lane, and Mrs. Velma Kaufman, 36330 Piddleford. Both are members of the Northville auxiliary.

Also cited is Southfield Community Church, Mrs. Phyllis Appleby, 24435 Edgemoor, Farmington, chairman.

In presenting the certificates, E.G. Yudashkin, medical superintendent, said, "This indeed represents a significant contribution of service to our patients. Volunteers participate in many ways in the daily life of our hospital."

"Many groups provide monthly ward parties. Others monitor our apparel shop, our lobby gift shop, or the cart service. Yet others are in the hospital areas such as our laboratory, our activity therapy department or our beauty shops, working shoulder to shoulder with employees in providing important patient care."

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HOSPITAL personnel feel the patient who can be brought to socialize has made an important step toward recovery.

Of equal importance, is the work volunteers perform in the beauty shops. A patient might have to be teased into getting a haircut or a permanent, but once he or she begins to care about personal appearance, a long step has been taken into the outside world.

The cart service volunteers operate is probably most popular with patients—and gets greatest daily use. The cart is an extension of the auxiliary's gift shop and is stocked with everything from small personal items to crackers and sausage.

PATIENTS too like to come out of the wards find the cart service a boon. Indigent patients are given small allowances from a hospital fund and

the cart service is synchronized with payment of their allowances.

Also a great boon for the patient going out on a job or to family care is the apparel shop, where he is provided with proper clothing for the event.

The clothing is donated and Schulte says there is need for more donations. Here again, if a patient can be brought to care about his appearance, he is well on the road to a normal life.

The Farmington women who received certificates went through a hospital orientation program and met with hospital staff members to learn the do's and don'ts of patient contact. Many have had Red Cross training, but this is not necessary to be a volunteer.

Volunteers work under the supervision of John Talarro, volunteer services coordinator. Schulte goes to talk to groups considering serving as volunteers. He outlines correct procedures and shows slides of hospital life and activities.

More important than any training in this volunteer work is a sincere desire to help those less fortunate.

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CLOSED MONDAYS

County Opens Volunteer Bureau

MRS. CLEMMONS has been co-director and founder of the Metropolitan Detroit Youth Anonymous chapters, a volunteer agency for counseling juveniles in trouble. She spent 12 years both as a volunteer and as a professional political activist.

Mrs. Clemmons comes to her new post directly from her position in the sales advertising and public relations department of the Birmingham Eccentric. She also handled sales promotion for Averill Press.

Said Mrs. Clemmons, "I can't emphasize enough the value and importance of volunteer work in a community; not only does it serve as a constructive contribution toward the improvement and social welfare of our cities, townships and people, but just to be a part of this activity enriches one's life. If it weren't for volunteers, there would be no progress, and our kind of world as we know it in America would become stagnant."

United Community Services of Metropolitan Detroit (UCS) has appointed Mrs. Geraldine Clemmons of Birmingham as director of its newly opened Oakland branch of Central Volunteer Bureau.

Mrs. Clemmons will operate a central clearinghouse for health and welfare agencies as well as for citizens who want to volunteer their time and talent in service programs in the community.

Jointly sponsored by the UCS and the Junior League of Birmingham, this new service will be located in Room 220, Birmingham Theater Building, 231 S. Woodward, Birmingham.

Office hours are Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Bell Unit Tells Expenditures

Western Electric Co., supply and manufacturing unit of the Bell System, reported that it spent \$39.8 million in Michigan in 1966 for supplies, services and wages.

Of this amount, the firm placed nearly \$1,648,000 worth of orders with 123 Oakland County suppliers.

These expenditures, the company pointed out, were in addition to those made by the

Vikings Add Grid Stars

The Ypsilanti Vikings, who finished second in the Midwest Football League a year ago, have bolstered their squad with some of the Michigan college football's brightest stars of the past few years.

Steve Juday, 1965 All-American quarterback who set several past records while at Michigan State, and Tom Cechini, U of M captain and All Big Ten linebacker, have both looked good in early drills.

In addition, end Craig Kirby from the U of M is also a member of the Vikings squad. The Ypsilanti entry is coached by former Lion Earl (Jug) Girard who saw a turn out of some 40 players at opening drills this week.

The Ypsilanti Vikings will again play their home games at Willow Run High School field.

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