



WESTLAND FIREMEN took over the valuable community service of providing medical aids to persons, formerly handled by the Nor-Wayne Health Guild. Officers of the guild recently dissolved and presented a \$700 check to Robert Stottlemeyer (second from left) loan closet president; and Lieut. Kenneth Ravencraft, secretary-treasurer of the Westland Firefighters Association Loan Closet; Guild members are (seated left to right) Mrs. Marie Ryder, secretary; Mrs. Helen Mason, president; Alma Amott, treasurer; Mrs. Nina Jamieson, past president and historian; (standing, left to right) Mrs. Kathleen Warlow, loan closet guild chairman; Mrs. Thelma Wiley, past chairman; Mrs. Grace Shinavir, loan committee; Mrs. Charlene Keefe, secretary; Mrs. Bessie Atherton, past historian; and Tom Cockrum, vice president of the firefighters' association loan closet. (Westland Fire Dept. Photo.)

## Loan Closet Service Assumed By Firemen

An organization formed by women in Westland, (then Nankin Township) Wayne and Canton Township during World War II came to an end and turned over its community service to the Westland Firefighters Association.

The group, called the Nor-Wayne Health Guild, provided needy persons with crutches, wheelchairs, walkers, and other aids for short periods of time for more than 20 years.

THE ARTICLES were loaned without charge and at times, the

women members of the guild provided funds from their own monies. Westland Fire Chief Ralph Savitt granted permission to have the department assume the "loan closet" and keep the materials in Station No. 3 in the Nor-Wayne community. In addition, any articles needing repairs will be serviced by firemen during their free time.

Joseph Benyo, association secretary-treasurer, said that a check for \$700 was given to the association's loan closet by the health guild recently to buy

new equipment to replace old articles and non-repairable items and for the continued maintenance of present equipment.

## Officials To Attend Conference

Two Garden City officials will attend a regional conference on juvenile crime and related issues next Tuesday night in Lincoln Park.

The meeting, called by the Southwestern Metropolitan Recreation Executive Group, will have Mayor Timothy J. Murphy and Raymond Wlasek attending.

Lincoln Park Mayor Robert DeMars issued the invitation to area city officials, pointing out that law enforcement personnel, civic leaders, and those who work with youth, will "help map out a blue print for effective action."

DeMars also said that the conference was called because of the increasing national problem of crime by youth, vandalism, violence, and the concern expressed by persons in all phases of community life.

The Lincoln Park Recreation Dept. is hosting the conference, to be held in that city's John F. Kennedy Memorial Building.

## Nesting Failure Pheasant Kill Down 25-30 Pct.

Southern Michigan's opening two days of the Oct. 20-Nov. 10 pheasant season saw shooting success drop an estimated 25-30 per cent from last fall, the state Conservation Department reports.

The drop in kill, drawn from the department's field checks of nearly 4,000 hunters during Friday and Saturday, comes as no surprise. Summer brood counts by rural mail carriers pegged the southern region's pheasant population at about 40 per cent below 1966, due mainly to nesting failure among hens.

As a result, department game men had predicted earlier that this year's kill would be substantially down from last fall, when bird hunters bagged approximately 630,000 pheasants during the 22-day season.

STATISTICS gleaned from the Department's October 20-21

survey indicate they were right. Figures show, for example, that hunters who were sampled took only 974 pheasants while spending 13,406 hours afield during those first two days. This averages out to about 8 birds for every 100 hours of hunting, compared with 11 ringnecks shot for the same unit of time last season.

The department's early-season check also indicated the kill averaged one pheasant for every four hunters during the first two days of shooting. In 1966, nearly one of every three ringneck hunters was successful during the same survey period.

Hunter success was down from a year ago in most parts of southern Michigan, including the 3,000-acre Rose Lake Wildlife Research Area near East Lansing where the Department has kept close tabs on pheasant

populations for many years. That area's 829 hunters took 44 pheasants during the first two days, a significant come-down from 1966 when 79 birds were shot by 327 sportsmen, covering the same number of days.

EXCEPTIONS to the general pheasant shooting slump were reported in Ingham and Washtenaw counties where hunters, on the average, had somewhat better luck in bagging birds than they did last fall.

Early kill among hunters in Gladwin County and the Fish Point Wildlife Area of Tuscola County held up close to last year's level.

Despite generally good weather during last Friday and Saturday, bird hunting pressure appeared to be lighter throughout much of Lower Michigan's major pheasant country.

## Daytime Classes Open For Adults

For the first time Westland adults can now attend day classes to complete their elementary or high school education as the Wayne Community School District announced the opening of these day classes to be coordinated through the Continuing Education Center.

Coordinator James S. Lombard explained that these day classes will help the many people who were never able to attend before because of conflicting work schedules. Mothers with children in school may now be able to attend where they could not before.

Members of the Board of Education and the school administration have endorsed the adult day program and expect the number of adults attending day classes to grow in size during the fall and winter terms. Only under way for two weeks,

enrollment and interest has been most encouraging, Lombard said.

"The classes are held in the mornings at Hamilton Elementary School whose principal Fred Hower has been instrumental in arranging facilities and ensuring the success of the program," Lombard said. "The addition of these adult day classes is another service offered to school district residents and another step in implementing the community school concept."

"For further information call Continuing Education at 728-1880 or Hamilton Elementary School at 722-3011."

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