

# Integration Helps Children Learn

## EDITOR:

After witnessing a period of your readers' views I must as a responsible citizen, add a positive approach to the much discussed possibility of transporting pupils.

There has been a consistency of politicians playing with rights. This seems to be the game in many of our areas in 1972. It has been a disgrace, a dishonor, indignity, if you will, of our top leaders who hopped the major campaign issue of busing. One can readily see others are following down the line, especially those up for election this year.

Here in the Detroit area our unemployment is up over 10 per cent and yet nothing is planned to alleviate the problems. It's a pity very few candidates express the real issues.

If we review what has taken place, it can be summed up as a failure of leadership in school desegregation which in turn has caused political problems. If the Justice Department had enforced the "Law of the Land," there would be none of our present problems.

The issue is whether our children will learn to live and learn together or hate separately. I believe the most important asset America has are our children - all our children. The suburbanite and city dwellers must work together to solve America's problems.

In my experience, integration improves the education of students. Money alone for education will not. The argument is supported by the most important study ever held in this field, the report of the U.S. Office of Education on educational quality in 1968. It was argued that the social and economic

## READERS' FORUM

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level of the family was the factor best predicting the achievement level of the student.

We need strong leaders to put a stop to furthering this feeling of inferiority of the races. We look to the Supreme Court that said that separate schools for black and white - even in cases where spending and facilities were equal are "inherently unequal."

MRS. HELEN MILLINGTON  
Redford Township

## Efficiency Goal Needed

### EDITOR:

Just a note to commend Publisher Philip Power on the fine editorial (Aug. 16) regarding the performance standards of our governmental units.

Several years ago, Harvard Business School came up with the ROAM theory. Its basis was "Return on Assets Managed." If it were applied to the massive assets we have turned over to the educators and administrators, governmental officials at all levels, there would be an increase in productivity, or at least a comparative standard by which to judge.

Hopefully, individuals of Mr. Power's stature will continue to press for comparative analysis in the use of public assets. Many of those in the public employ are deserving of the confidence and support of the electorate, and hopefully this will be the vehicle to develop such confidence and support.

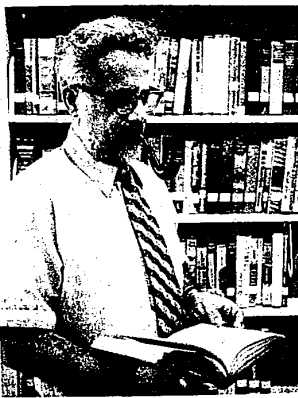
Others should be replaced, and this would help determine which ones. Results, not rhetoric, should be the criteria.

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## HCMA Parks Beaches Open To Labor Day

Swimming at beaches or in pools at parks of the Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority, as well as the complete schedule of other summer facilities, will remain open through Monday, Sept. 4 (Labor Day).

The HCMA parks are expected to attract picnicking and family outings during the three-day Labor Day holiday week-end at the nine HCMA parks.



JOSEPH DAGHER is the author of "Knowing 'Why' Makes Writing Easier."

## He Mastered English Well

A Schoolcraft College instructor who didn't speak the language until he was nine years old, has added a new dimension in his mastery of English with the publication of his first textbook on the subject.

Joseph Dagher, English instructor since 1967, is the author of "Knowing 'Why' Makes Writing Easier," just released by Kendall-Hunt Publishing Company of Dubuque, Iowa.

His 450 pages have been designed as a practical book aimed at teaching practical writing.

The text has been written for college freshmen and includes a manual or work-book exercises as well as text book material.

DAGHER ADMITS that his early years tended to make him an unlikely candidate for being the first textbook author on the Schoolcraft faculty. He was born to Lebanese parents in a Cleveland suburb, and the family spoke Arabic exclusively until Dagher was nine.

Once he became familiar with English, however, it has been his major interest both as a student and as a teacher. Dagher believes that English cannot be taught by using master writers as models to be imitated by the students. Rather, typical

# SC Enrollment Down 10 Per Cent

They haven't reached the panic button yet, but officials at Schoolcraft College are painfully aware that enrollment is down 10 per cent this fall and they have to do something to pull it up.

Community colleges are hit especially hard when enrollments drop because they not only lose tuition money, but also lose state appropriations. State aid to community colleges is based on projected student enrollment and credit hours.

If the college doesn't meet its projections, it doesn't get its full appropriation despite the fact that the money is already budgeted. State universities, on the other hand, keep their total appropriation despite enrollment fluctuations.

COMPARING FALL enrollments with those of last year, Edward M. Kelly, dean of students, told the college board of trustees last week that fall registration is down 553 students and 5,500 credit hours. The college will make up some of that difference (approximately 300 enrollments) by the time late registration is completed Sept. 5.

Last year 6,017 students registered prior to classes starting in the fall and took a total of 55,649 credit hours. This year 5,564 have registered prior to late registration for a total of 50,147 credit hours.

McNally said students averaged 9.65 credit hours last fall compared to 9.01 this fall. The difference is at least in part a diminishing fear of the draft and pressure to take a full load of classes. Students are also less anxious to let go of jobs because of the tight job situation.

Dr. C. Nelson Grote, college president, said the college had advertised for the first time in local papers this fall encouraging students to register for fall classes, but conceded more of an effort to recruit students will have to be made.

## SC Increases Insurance

The Schoolcraft College Board of Trustees voted unanimously to make major hikes in the college's insurance policies for all employees.

Major medical was increased from \$10,000 to \$50,000; long-term disability increased from \$500 to \$1,250 per month; basic life insurance from \$7,000 to \$8,000 and an additional \$4,000 for non-bargaining unit administrators.

When Apol refused his filing fee, McNally went to the Supreme Court and won the right to get on the Nov. 7 ballot.

In the meantime, Gov. Milliken appointed Dorothy Comstock Riley to fill Bell's seat, but she didn't file for a ballot spot.

Winner of the McNally-Kerwan contest would take office Jan. 1 and finish the two remaining years in the term.

## Law Grant

A federal grant of \$30,950 was awarded to Schoolcraft College for law enforcement education student grants. The college's board of trustees voted to put the grant into the restricted budget.

## AF First

On Aug. 24, 1967, Air Force Tropic Survival School established and assigned to the U.S. Air Forces Southern Command.

## Accepting Late REGISTRATIONS thru SEPTEMBER 5

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## Microscope Bid Awarded

Sargent - Welch Scientific Company of Detroit will award a \$4,000 contract for 26 student microscopes at Schoolcraft College.

The board of trustees awarded the contract after the company was the lowest of five bids that met specifications.

## Gift Accepted

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## Area Deaths And Funerals

**WILLIAM J. ABBOTT** - Services for Mr. Abbott, 82, of 23855 Barkley, Livonia, were held in the Henry J. Wolf Funeral Home with the Rev. William J. Wolf officiating. Burial was in Christian Memorial Cemetery, Rochester.

Mr. Abbott died Aug. 19 of a heart attack at Middlebelt Nursing Home. A native of Everton, Ont., Mr. Abbott moved to this area 72 years ago and attended the old Eastbrook School. He retired in 1955 after 42 years as a construction worker for Detroit Edison Co.

Survivors are his wife, Grace (Marion) Abbott and a daughter, Mary, who made her home with her parents.

**ALEXANDER CASSIDY** - Services for Mr. Cassidy, 75, of 11374 Beech Dale, Redford Township, were held in the Henry J. Wolf Funeral Home with the Rev. George J. Jeffrey of Social Parish, Roman Catholic Church officiating. Burial was at Rivergreen Cemetery.

Mr. Cassidy died Aug. 22 at Sinai Hospital.

A native of Alto, Scotland, Mr. Cassidy was a life member of Alto Lodge 69, F&M, Alto. He was retired security guard for General Motors.

Survivors are his wife, Margaret (Lillian) Cassidy; a son, Thomas, of Redford Township; a brother, Thomas, of London, England; two sisters, Mrs. Jean Mire of Alto and Mrs. Margaret Love of Leeds, England; and two grandchildren.

**LESTER J. HANCOCK** - Services for Mr. Hancock, father of Mrs. Joseph (Becky) McDowell of Livonia, were held in the Henry J. Wolf Funeral Home. The Rev. William J. Smith of Alderbrook Methodist Church officiated and burial was in White Chapel Cemetery, Troy.

Mr. Hancock, 81, died Aug. 23 at Detroit, Texas. A former resident of western Wayne County, he had lived in recent years in Livonia, Texas. He was

employed in quality control for Lockheed Aircraft Corp.

Mr. Hancock was a past master of Westgate Lodge 520, F&M, past high priest of Loyalty Chapter 185, R.A.M., past patron of Westgate OES Chapter 448. A Masonic service was held by the Westgate Lodge.

Survivors, in addition to his daughter, are his wife, Thelma (Ward) Hancock; a sister, Mrs. Herman (Irene) Voith of Poplar Bluff, Mo.; four grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

**NORBERT E. LOFF** - Services for Mr. Loff, 66, of 11808 Ambrose, Plymouth Township, were held Aug. 28 in Our Lady of Good Counsel Church with Rev. Francis Byrne officiating. Men from the Wayne County sheriff's department served as pallbearers at the funeral and for the burial service in Mt. Olivet Cemetery, Detroit.

Mr. Loff died suddenly Aug. 28 at his home of heart failure.

He was one of the area's best known restaurateurs and food center of Lally's Aerie in which he sold in 1968.

In addition to Our Lady of Good Counsel, Mr. Loff also was affiliated with St. Kenneth Roman Catholic Church.

Survivors are his wife, Margaret (Josephine) Loff; a sister, Mrs. Agnes Reisinger of Milwaukee; brothers, Gerald of Waukegan, Wis., and one sister, Marie of Milwaukee.

**CLARENCE E. MOENDER** - Services for Mr. Moender, 72, of 15711 Opito, Livonia, were held in the Henry J. Wolf Funeral Home with the Rev. James Eaton of Mt. Hope Congregational Church officiating. Burial was in Oakdale Memorial Gardens, Westland.

Mr. Moender retired Detroit police officer. He died Aug. 23 in Redford General Hospital, Farmington.

Survivors are his wife, Cora (Schultz) Moender; two sons, Gordon of Royal Oak and Tom of Fort Lauderdale, Fla.; two brothers and one sister, all of Pennsylvania; four grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

## Clarence F. Rost . . .

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