

Gas shortage stretches lines

By CARL STODDARD
One by one, the lights at the gas stations blinked out. It was the end of the month, Feb. 28, and most stations were closing down until they received their gasoline allotment for March.
"Everywhere in Southfield 'No Gas'"

signs appeared in station windows. Motorists found station driveways blocked with barrels, tire racks and parked cars.
The early days of March didn't look much better.
"All your stations are backed up."

said John Lucas, manager of the Emery Lionel Service station, 29724 Lahser Road. "I don't think anybody will have gas until next Wednesday (March 6). Some probably won't have it until next weekend."
Lucas said his station was pumping gas Thursday. But the lines got so long, stretching along Eight Mile and Lahser roads, that he was forced to close after being open two hours.

EDWARD BORG of Borg Standard Service, 2501 Telegraph Road, said he stopped pumping gas Feb. 26.
"I know how much gas I've got, and when I use up my allotment, I shut her down," Borg said. "I don't want to pump water."

Herman Behannon at Boe's Total Service, 29033 Northwestern Highway, was open and pumping gas during the day. In a phone conversation at noon, he urged a reporter to come out and take pictures of the lines of cars.

When a photographer arrived a few hours later, the station was closed.

Byarley Shell, 30920 Southfield Road, started using the station's March allotment on Feb. 26, an attendant said. By Thursday, lines were stretching to the streets. The station stopped pumping at 11 a.m.

At the Eleven Mile and Lahser Road Mobil station, the pumps were only open from 7-9 a.m. As many as 20 cars were lined up during the morning, an attendant said. He said the station probably won't get its March allotment until March 6.

DAVE CAVERLY, at Kelly's Marathon, 26450 Lahser Road, said the station was selling gas only from 7 a.m. to noon. He said he expected to get the March gasoline allotment that evening.

"Sometimes we had a \$5 limit on the amount of gas sold," Caverly said. "Sometimes we didn't."
When asked what determined the policy, he said, "I don't know."

At Ivy's Total, 29000 Southfield Road, cars were waiting for gas in the station drive and along Twelve Mile Road for a quarter of a mile. The cars blocked the truck trying to deliver additional gas.

Rex Liles, an attendant at the station, said they started pumping around 7 a.m. When they ran out of regular gas, they pumped their remaining premium.
The delivery truck brought the last of their February allotment, Liles said. At 4 p.m., they shut down, apparently to save some of the gas they had left.

IN A RANDOM SURVEY of 20 stations on Feb. 28, five stations were pumping gas. All five reported long lines. Another six stations were open for service only. The other nine stations were either closed or out of business.

As the day progressed, the situation appeared to worsen as more and more stations closed down their pumps. Frantic motorists, their gas gauges nearing the empty mark, drove from corner to corner looking for an open station.

People started doubling up for drives to lunch during the day and reports of waiting half an hour in line for gas were not uncommon.

The Southfield police continued their policy of providing stranded, transient motorists with two gallons of gasoline for free.

Persons waiting in line in the few stations still open that evening heard even gloomier forecasts for March. The price of gas was going up two cents, and it would go up another penny on the tenth day.



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TUESDAY, MARCH 5, 1974 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon
1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

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OBITUARIES

WILHELMINA LINDBLOOM - Services for Mrs. Lindbloom, 80, of 28300 Orchard Lake Rd., Farmington Hills, were in Thayer Funeral Home with Pastor George A. Fleischer of Trinity Lutheran Church of Livonia officiating. Burial was in Acacia Park Cemetery.

Mrs. Lindbloom, a 59 year resident of the area, died Feb. 24 at Westland Nursing Home after a year's illness. She was a housewife and a member of Farmington Chapter 239, OES.

Survivors are a son, George of Farmington Hills; a daughter, Mrs. Robert (Carroll) Wheeler of Livonia; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

WILLIAM G. HUDSON - Services for Mr. Hudson, 47, of 32276 Craftsbury Rd., Farmington Hills, were in St. Fabian Catholic Church of Farmington with arrangements by Heeney-Sundquist Funeral Home. Msgr. Charles J. Malloy of St. Fabian officiated. Burial was in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Mr. Hudson died Feb. 21 after a short illness. He was employed in the finance department of Diamond Mort-

gage Co. and had lived in Farmington Hills for several years. He was an Army veteran of World War II; served in the Asiatic-Pacific theater and the Philippine liberation and earned two bronze stars.

Survivors are his wife, Virginia; two sons, Benjamin P. and Bert J. of Farmington Hills; and a sister, Mrs. Duncan (Patricia) Currie of Redford.

MARY B. COLOMNA - Services for Mrs. Colomna, 52, of 27445 Doernen, Farmington Hills, were in St. Alexander Catholic Church of Farmington following a rosary at Heeney-Sundquist Funeral Home. The Rev. James Wright of St. Alexander officiated. Burial was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

Mrs. Colomna died Feb. 20 after a sudden, two day illness. She was a grill cook at Interstate United and had lived in Farmington Hills for several years.

Survivors are her husband, John S.; sons, Richard of Livonia and Michael of Farmington Hills; a brother, Henry P. Hartges of Detroit, and two grandchildren.

Students win music honors

Student musicians from Farmington and Harrison High Schools won Oakland-Macomb regional honors in the Michigan School Band and Orchestra Association District IV solo-ensemble Festival Feb. 9 in Farmington.

Solo performances were given at Dunkel Junior High while Harrison students took part in the festival.

First division medalists from Harrison High School include: Jackie Haarala, Karen Marrich, Eve Barenholtz, Doug Polkinghorne, Julian Gordon, Bill Toth, Liz Moehliman, Lauren Plummer, Marianne Walck, Martha Kublitsky, Richard Blaszczyk, Mike Wiese, Mark Potocki, Lou Corey, Katy Murphy, Karen Marrich, Mike Benjamin, Steve Markovich, Jackie Ely, Jan Eichinger, Chris Branch, Brian Susak, Ken Nostesing, Mitch Topalian, Bill Kaufman, Bill Blake.

Farmington students awarded first division ensemble honors were: Gabe Szamborski, Laura Leonard, Sue Pruner, Debbie Cross, Dave Boltz, Chris

Victor, Lorna Leroux, Gary Larson, Bob Williams, George Samra, Tedi Goshorn, Brad Rodgers, Jeff Stoupe, Rick Vanderveel, Tim Kiurski, Paul Chabot, Tom Sheibels, Laura Marshall, Tom McKeelvey, Bonnie Prochner, Doris Carter, Mary Colburn, Gretchen Hans, Linda Kobel, Rita Zeutschel, Dan Huff, John Kruse, Joe Allen and Bill Hofstorf.

3 make dean's list

Three Farmington students were named to the dean's list recently for their grade average during the fall term at Adrian College. Patricia Anderson, 24631 Adams Court, is a sophomore majoring in elementary education; Robert Engerer, 23056 Springbrook, is a senior chemistry major; and Richard Kibbey, 21043 Birchwood, is a junior majoring in speech and political science.

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