



Face Pontiac Thursday

Rocks Roll!

BY DENNIS O'CONNOR

Showing signs of a championship basketball team, the Plymouth-Salem Rocks beat the Detroit Denby Tars 57-53 Friday night to win the Livonia Franklin Regional.

While they enjoyed the first regional championship in Plymouth's basketball history, the Rocks were back at hard practice again this week in preparation for their showdown against a scrappy Pontiac Central team in quarterfinal action tomorrow night in the Ferndale High School gym, near Eight Mile and Livernois.

March madness seems to be contagious, as tournament fever

has now spread not only among the players and their classmates but throughout the Plymouth-Canton community.

Talk around town centers on the team's quest to become Class A champs in the 51st Michigan High School Basketball Tournament.

The community's enthusiasm was evident during both games at the Livonia Franklin gym. The Plymouth side was jam packed with local fans. In the regional finals against Denby, almost two-thirds of the 3,000 fans were from Plymouth. The Salem side of the gym was packed 55 minutes before game time.

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ROCK FANS celebrate Denby victory. (staff photo by Robert Cameron)

High Schools List 1,145 Scholars

About 32 per cent or 1,145 Centennial Educational Park students were named to the honor roll for their scholastic performance in the fall semester, according to school figures.

The percentage reflects a 4.5 per cent increase over last year. Sixty-three students received straight A's.

The following students at Plymouth-Canton and Plymouth-Salem high schools were reported by their schools to have been named to the honor roll for their scholastic achievement during the first semester. (Asterisks denote all A's):

12th GRADE

Robert Ayotte, Karen Bessler, Dawn Bianchi, Sheila Bias, *Lori Bistersky, Kim Blomberg, Cheryl Bloxson, Denise Borkowski, Mathew Brzezinski, Greg Burke, Harold Carlson, Mark Chisnell, Alan Clark, Laura Clemens, Carol Coleman, Laura Coleman, Karen Cornely, William Couchois, Robin Cox, Kevin Crudder, Steven DeBusso, Janet Dobry, Anthony Dunagan, Claudia Edmisten.

Charles England, Donald Fabbri, Connie Forbing, *Donna Foster, Pamela Freeman, Debra Furbacher, *Erin Gaffka, Peggy Gerou, Lynn Gignac, Linda Gors, Russell Greenleaf, Paul Griffin.

Michael Haarer, Karen Haggerty, *Holly Heaton, Thomas Heid, Wayne Heinmiller, *Gregory Hemingway, *Daniel Herriman, James Holly, Shirley

Horsell, *Nancy Horstmann, Cheryl Horvath, Michael Howell.

Kimberlee Hutton, Carol Iannello, Susan Jeffries, Paul Johnston, Ledia Karpicke, Ross Kennedy, Brian Kenney, Tom Kinal, *Matthew King (student took one class only), Steve Knope, Gregory Krug, Ronald Lack.

Eric Lee (one class only), Kevin Leitch, Kim Leith, Russell Lindman, Barbara Couchois, Don Lloyd, Paul Major, Chris Martucci, Ann Matthews, Lori McAllister, Dawn McKenzie, James McQuade.

Jodi Merritt, Sherry Michalski, Deborah Miller, Margaret Moen, Timm Mooney, Jim Moore, Steve Moorehead, Michelle Mullen, *Samuel Nichols, Maureen Nulty, Julie Nyhus, Kathleen O'Connell.

Dennis O'Connor, Jodi Overholt, Barbara Palmer, Edward Pariseau, Marty Peck, Laura Penney, Michael Perchard, Mary Perron, Glenn Petersen, Martha Peterson, Nancy Pfeiffer, James Pinder.

Jill Plas, Michael Potter, Kathleen Pulaskey, Karen Quartermus, Karen Reid, John Reynolds, Diane Robinson, Cindy Ross, Steve Sally, William Schulz, Roxanne Simoni, Cindy Slawinski.

Diana Smith, Juli Smith, Mary Smith, *Bonnie Soncrant, Kristi Sorensen, *David Stanley, Paul Stanton, Brian Stemberger, Mark Stevenson, Maribeth Stoddard, Mark Sudhoff, Gregory Sweet.

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I-275 Awaits Sod, Signs

BY HANK MEIJER

A five-mile stretch of the new I-275 expressway between Schoolcraft Road and Ford Road in Plymouth and Canton townships is expected to open in late spring or early summer, according to state highway officials.

The highway department had hoped to have the stretch in use late last fall, but an early winter stalled plans. That section of freeway has been paved for several months, but about

10,000 cubic yards of sod must still be placed and signs erected.

According to Canton Township Trustee Jerry Cheske, some Canton residents who live along Haggerty Road just south of Ford have expressed fear that as traffic exits the highway at Ford Road it will most likely use Haggerty to continue south.

Highway officials contend that although only a traffic study conducted after the stretch opens will determine the change in traffic flow, a new burden for

pothole-plagued Haggerty is unlikely.

They speculate that traffic on the new section will be primarily local, and might actually reduce the load on other hard-pressed north-south thoroughfares in the township.

The remainder of I-275, which will connect I-96 in the north with I-94, is expected to be completed in about a year and a half, Boucher said, and will probably open sometime in 1977.

Canton Proposes Consumer Protection Agency

BY KATHY KUENZER

A proposal for an ordinance to set up a Canton Consumers Protection Agency was to be offered at last night's meeting of the Canton Board of Trustees.

The ordinance, written by Trustee Bob Myers will establish a five - person agency with broad powers to investigate consumer complaints and enforce ordinance regulations.

The agency will also have licensing powers over merchants in the township and the power to subpoena parties in complaint matters.

The purpose of the agency, according to the proposal, will be to "foster better understanding between the

consumer and businessmen and merchants."

Other powers granted it will include representing consumer interests before "administrative and regulatory agencies and legislative groups," development and operation of programs of consumer education through publications and encouragement of businesses to maintain high standards.

The agency will be responsive to citizens' complaints not only in regard to merchandise, but also with services and credit matters.

Myers said the ordinance would "serve the consumer locally," as opposed to the Better Business Bureau which

represents businesses, and the Wayne County Consumer Protection Agency, which does not necessarily serve local consumers.

The agency was first proposed

at the board's Nov. 26 meeting and Myers has been looking into federal and state funding since then. An official organ of the township, the new agency would

be funded through the township budget.

After official publication of the new ordinance, the board will take action at a later meeting.

Kinnick Resigns

Canton Township Supervisor Bob Greenstein this week received the formal resignation of planning commission member and former chairman Joseph Kinnick.

Kinnick was named to the commission March 20, 1973 to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of George Lawton.

On Feb. 19, 1974, he was elected chairman of the commission. At a meeting Feb. 18, which he did not attend, Augustine "Gus" Matzo was elected chairman. Kinnick said the election was not on the

agenda and should not have been held because neither he nor commission member Robert Simmons were present.

In submitting his resignation, however, Kinnick said he had "no point to prove, no axe to grind."

"I didn't have a falling out with Greenstein. I just couldn't continue on the commission with the direction they are taking," he said.

A new appointment was expected to be made last night at the township board meeting.

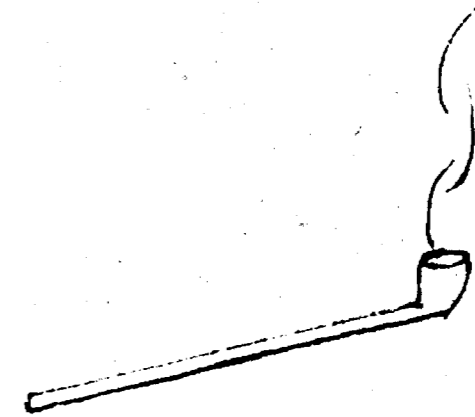


YOUNG READERS in Margo Panko's Central Middle School sixth grade are promoting Book Power this week with a

traveling show. Among the readers in disguise are (from left) "Herbie" (Jeff Costello and Todd Abram), ape Larry Krasemann, "Heidi" Liz Lane and ape Dave Bertiz (staff photo).



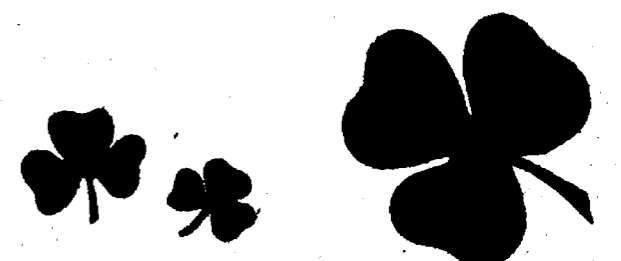
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ELECTED OFFICERS Friday of the Canton Township Senior Citizens Club for 1975 were (from left) Myrtle Good, sunshine girl; Dan Cummings, president; Mona Williams, secretary; Liv Williams, treasurer;

and Bernice Cummings, kitchen chairman. Walter Mosby administered the oath of office. Not shown is vice-president Anita Carter. (Staff photo by Hank Meijer).

You're Only as Old...

BY KATHY KUENZER

If there's anything the Canton Senior Citizens Club is *not*, it's stodgy!

What a good time its members had at one of their most recent meetings — learning folk dances and showing how young-at-heart they are.

Lynne Kurtz, an ethnic dance teacher from Schoolcraft College, was having as much fun as her "students," teaching them dances from Yugoslavia, Denmark and early America. A dance called "Amos Moses" had a certain soul-rhythm to it that had everybody moving.

But the great thing was that nearly half of the 50 or 60 seniors took a turn on the floor at one time or another, stamping and clapping and "do-si-doing" with the best of them.

The only complaints heard were "that's too fast, I get lost," or "it looks easy 'til you do it." No one griped about old age or their feet or their bad hearts —

they just watched or sat down when they felt the need.

Brenda Pollack, recreation director in Canton and consultant-organizer to the group, says the 85-member club's programs are always different. Sometimes they have speakers, sometimes activities like the dance class, sometimes trips.

Next June they plan to take a trip to Sea World and African Safari in Ohio, and next October they're heading for Mackinac Island.

The club's president is Dan Cummings, 84, who has been elected each year since the club's beginning in 1972. Cummings, a township resident since 1928, says, "I've never missed a meeting." He's running again for re-election and with his spirit, he'll probably keep his record perfect.

Mrs. Pollack says that at the first meeting of the month (meetings are held Fridays in

township hall) the group conducts its business. Programs are planned for the following two gatherings. A potluck is held on the last Friday of the month, with bingo, pinochle or bunco played after most meetings.

The group is hoping that the recreation department will buy a van this fall so that Mrs. Pollack can bring to the events people who don't have transportation.

"We don't meet in July or August," she said, "and when everyone comes back to the first meeting in September, it's just like going back to school in the fall. Everyone is so anxious and excited to see their old friends."

This senior citizens group is one of two sponsored by Canton Township. The other is made up of residents of Royal Holiday Mobile Home Park and meets in the clubhouse at the park.

If the dancing session is any indication of what goes on at Royal Holiday's club, well, we've got an energetic older generation in Canton.

Schools Oppose Airport

The Plymouth School Board Monday night directed member Marda Benson, chairman of the district-wide Intergovernmental Relations Committee, to join with committee members from other local governments to fight plans by the Wayne County Road Commission and the Federal Aviation Agency to construct a major airport in the western Plymouth Township or northeastern Salem Township portion of the school district.

While Board members George Lawton and Carl Berry said that the district had no business involving itself in airport plans about which it knew nothing, Board Treasurer Tom Yack insisted that the matter was of importance to the district.

"The implications go beyond placing it next to a school," he said. "They've (county road officials) left enough up in the air that you don't know what to fight."

"The Wayne County Road Commission is in sore need of direction," said Board member

Marcia Borowski. "If it's got money to burn for paving 5,000-foot runways maybe we could direct them to street repairs and safety needs."

Ms. Benson was directed to support letters of opposition to the road commission, the Environmental Protection Agency and other interested parties.

The board action follows a meeting last Wednesday of the Intergovernmental Relations Committee at which Plymouth Township Trustee Richard Gornick said that his township board had already gone on record against the proposed airport. He said that the FAA had set an April 1 deadline for receiving local opinions on the issue.

The committee authorized Ms. Benson and Gornick to draft a letter of opposition to be presented at the next meeting, March 26, at 7:30 p.m. in the Plymouth Cultural Center.

Schools Eye Site Change

The Plymouth Community School District Board of Education agreed Monday night to take another look at the feasibility of a temporary access road for truck traffic during construction of an elementary school in Canton Township's Windsor Park subdivision — and to look at another school site altogether, should the Windsor Park site be deemed unworkable.

Residents of Windsor Park and Canton officials turned out again Monday to oppose the board's plan to use Arlington Street as an access route through the subdivision to the school.

Judith Wilkins, an Arlington resident, cited the safety hazard to children of heavy truck traffic on the residential street.

She argued that the district's \$60,000-plus estimated cost of the access road was exorbitant and that repair costs for damage that Arlington would suffer might "far outweigh" the cost of the temporary road.

She asked that the district consider Kingsbridge Street, which has fewer homes than Arlington, as the school's access road if a temporary route is rejected.

"The first portion of our subdivision has needed road repairs already," said Arlington resident Greg Barfield. "I wonder what will happen when heavy construction equipment comes through."

Canton Supervisor Bob Greenstein told the board that late Monday afternoon conversations with the Wayne County Road Commission and the county drain commissioner's office indicated that the access road and its culvert over

Tonquish Creek could be completed more cheaply than the board thought.

"If you'll take the time, you'll find an answer which will obviate the necessity of going through Arlington and Fleet streets," he said.

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What Will '45-15' Cost Now?

The Plymouth School District's proposed "45-15" year-round school program may cost \$35,000 more to start this year than was anticipated when the project was originally considered last summer.

New estimates raise the cost from \$59,000 last year to \$95,000 now, \$80,000 of which would go for teacher salaries.

Much of the increase is reflected in budgeting for art and music teachers for the summer — an added expense of \$28,000.

The school board directed Feb. 24 that plans be made to start the 45-15 program this summer at Miller School.

School administrators are expected to name a steering committee soon to review the controversial schedule changes that the program entails.

The project, under which vacation schedules are staggered and 75 per cent of the student body is in school at any one time, is scheduled to start in mid-July.



MUSIC AND FASHIONS will come together Saturday at 10 a.m. when the Plymouth Symphony League presents "Fashions in Bloom." The show, which will include a youth symphony, will be held at the Plymouth Cultural Center.

(left) Suzy O'Day, Lauren Chatterly, Amy Gerish, Bev Rao and Gail Weed and (from left in back) Krys Drangelis and Janet Brass. (staff photo by Hank Meijer).

Tie Vote Stalls Pursell's Varsity Hockey Bid

BY HANK MEIJER

With a tie vote Monday, the Plymouth School Board rejected a request by State Sen. Carl Pursell (R-Plymouth) that the district provide varsity hockey teams at both high schools starting this fall.

Board President Dr. E. J. McClendon and members Carl

Berry and Gary Mirto supported the senator's bid, while Treasurer Tom Yack and members Marcia Borowski and Marda Benson turned down the request. Member George Lawton abstained.

"The issue before us is a long-standing one," Pursell said. He noted that with the facilities at

the cultural center and the revenue that hockey would generate, the district's expense would be relatively small — an estimated \$6,000 to \$7,000 if an average of 400 fans turned out for each of the proposed 20 home games.

He estimated that the program, which would include the 20-member varsity teams,

would cost upwards of \$16,000 to \$17,000 in its first year, but the district would receive 85 per cent of the gate receipts, or \$10,500 if 400 fans showed up for each contest.

Pursell said that the board would have to approve the expenditure within the next few weeks if play were to start this fall, because the city, which operates the cultural center, is already booking its ice time for the coming season.

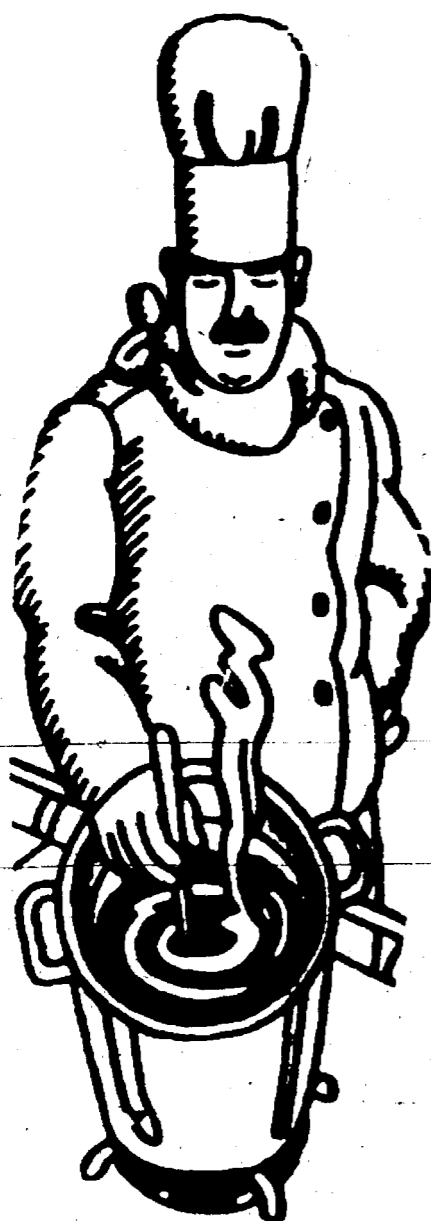
"Even though one might agree with the concept of a hockey program," said Yack, "when I sit through a budget session and see we can't implement a four-year-old social studies

program and other needs, I can't support it (hockey) now."

Superintendent John Hoben expressed interest in the hockey program, but said that there was "no room in the current budget" for two new varsity teams and the state of the budget was still uncertain, as the amount of state aid the district will receive has yet to be determined.

Although the motion to start a hockey program failed, the board approved a resolution by Lawton asking that the administration report back at the next meeting with a specific recommendation on whether or not the district should still consider a hockey program.

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What's Happening

Sir Alec Clegg, knighted by Queen Elizabeth in 1965 for his service to British education, will speak on "CURRENT TRENDS AND FUTURE PROBLEMS IN THE BRITISH PRIMARY SCHOOLS" at West Middle School March 17 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are available at local schools and at the door for \$2.

The Plymouth-Canton High School Vocal Music Dept. will present a SPRING CONCERT at 8 p.m. Monday, March 17, in the school's auditorium. Admission is free. A variety of music, including several Irish songs, will be performed by all of the school's vocal groups.

The Plymouth-Northville chapter of the MICHIGAN ASSN. FOR CHILDREN WITH LEARNING DISABILITIES will meet Wednesday, March 19 from 7:30 to 10 p.m. in the cafeteria at Pioneer Middle School, 46081 Ann Arbor Road. The program will feature the film WALK IN ANOTHER PAIR OF SHOES, followed by a discussion with Dr. Sandra McClennen, professor of special education at Eastern Michigan University.

The PLYMOUTH JAYCEES AND AUXILIARY cordially invite any interested persons between the ages of 18 and 36 to attend their JOINT MEMBERSHIP NIGHT DINNER to be held Friday, March 14 at 7:30 p.m. in the Miles Standish Room of the Mayflower Hotel. Contact Paul Campbell of 6684 Ardsley Ct. or Duane Goudey of 39765 Koppernick for further information.

GIRL SCOUTS AND BROWNIES from the Isbister and Pioneer schools are having a POTLUCK SUPPER to celebrate Girl Scout Week on "Girl Scout Birthday," Wednesday, March 12 at 6 p.m. at Pioneer Middle School. The supper will be in honor of those who have aided the girls in money raising projects and other activities in 1975. Entertainment will be an exhibition by the Plymouth gymnastic team. Girl Scouts will also be participating in the gymnastics demonstration. For more details contact Sue Beale at 453-7181.

The Plymouth Parks and Recreation Department sponsors DUPLICATE BRIDGE twice weekly — on Monday afternoon at 11 a.m. and Tuesday evening at 7:30 p.m. All interested bridge players are invited to take part.

THE WOMAN'S CLUB OF PLYMOUTH will present its annual CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST AND THEATRE PARTY Thursday, April 17. The movie to be shown this year is "Mame" with Lucille Ball. The breakfast will be served from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. in the Masonic Temple. The film will start at 10 a.m. at the Penn Theatre. Door prizes will be drawn for before the movie. Tickets may be obtained for a donation of \$2.50 by calling Mrs. Robert Kenyon at 453-2411 after 5 p.m. or Mrs. Rudolph Norquist at 453-0424.

The CANTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE will hold its third annual DINNER MEETING on Thursday, March 20 at Leright's Banquet Room, 626 S. Wayne Road in Westland. Robert Hotaling, professor of economic development at Michigan State University, a widely-known planner and consultant who conducted the economic feasibility study for Meijer, Inc. in Canton, will speak on the economic future of the Canton area. All interested persons are invited to attend. Cocktails begin at 6:30 p.m. with dinner served at 7:30. Tickets are \$7.50 per person and reservations must be made by March 17. Tickets are available at the Canton Chamber of Commerce, 41652 Ford Road, or by contacting the Chamber office at 453-4040.

The CAKE DESIGNERS CLUB will have an EASTER CONFECTIONARY BOUTIQUE from 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, March 15 and Saturday, March 22. The boutique will take place in the Forest Place Mall, 470 Forest in Plymouth. Featured will be novelty chocolate and candy items, panoramic sugar eggs, decorated baked goods and Easter crafts.

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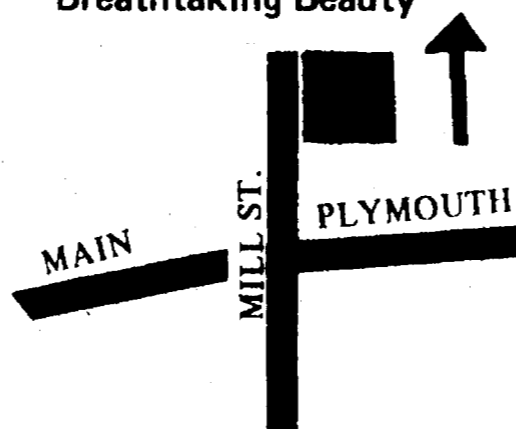
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The CANTON TOWNSHIP GOODFELLOWS will meet Friday, March 14 at 7:30 p.m. in the Canton Firehall, 128 Canton Center Road, to elect officers for the coming year.

The PLYMOUTH-CANTON HIGH SCHOOL JUNIOR CLASS will present a basketball game pitting members of the DETROIT LIONS against the Canton faculty March 20 at 8 p.m. in the Salem gym. Admission, which will go toward junior class activities, is \$1.50 for students and \$2 for adults. Tickets are available at the door, the Trading Post or by calling the high school at 453-3100.

VOCAL MUSIC STUDENTS in the fourth and fifth grades at Central and Isbister, the choirs from Central and West middle schools and the high school swing ensemble will celebrate national MUSIC IN OUR SCHOOLS WEEK Thursday, March 13 at 7:30 p.m. in the Salem Auditorium with a concert and choral presentation.

The Northwest Wayne County Chapter of the NATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR WOMEN will meet March 18. The meeting will start at 7:30 p.m. at the Newman House on the Schoolcraft College campus, 17300 Haggerty Rd.

The Plymouth branch of the AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN will host Dr. Warren A. Ketcham in a discussion on GIFTED CHILDREN at West Middle School Thursday, March 20. Interested members of Plymouth area communities are invited to attend. AAUW members are asked to attend a business meeting at 7:30 p.m. Dr. Ketcham's program will begin at 8:30.

The Canton Township Department of Parks and Recreation will present BEGINNER GUITAR LESSONS for boys and girls second grade through adults. REGISTRATION will be Saturday, April 19 from 10 to 11 a.m. at the Canton Firehall, 128 Canton Center Rd. and Cherry Hill. On Saturday, April 25 the classes will begin at 10 a.m. The registration fee is \$26 for 11 weekly one-hour lessons and all music and the instrument.

The SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB OF PLYMOUTH will hold its weekly meeting, Thursday, March 13 in the Community Room of Tonquish Creek Manor. Bring a sack lunch. Coffee and tea will be served at 12:30 p.m. Laura Upton will entertain with songs and cards and conversation will follow. A few seats may be left for the ICE CAPADES March 18.

The annual meeting of the HURON VALLEY GIRL SCOUT COUNCIL will be held Wednesday, March 19 from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the First Methodist Church, North Territorial Road and Sheldon in Plymouth. Five delegates will be elected to the national convention of Girl Scouts of the U.S.A. to be held in October in Washington, D.C. Lunch will be prepared by Senior Scout troop No. 501 of Plymouth.

Community Obituaries

Wilma Bradfute

Wilma B. Bradfute, 63, of 14109 B. Drive, Plymouth Township, died suddenly Feb. 21 at her home. Services were held in Columbus, Ohio with local arrangements by Schrader Funeral Home. Reader Alexander Howell officiated. Burial was in Sunset Cemetery, Columbus.

Mrs. Bradfute is survived by her husband, Edward of Plymouth; daughters, Mrs. Barbara Danskine of Florida and Mrs. Kay Arnold of Plymouth; a son, Michael of Boston; a sister, Mrs. Louise Heywood of Texas and 10 grandchildren.

She was the manager of a retail card shop in Livonia.

E. Brocklehurst

Evelyn M. Brocklehurst, 76, of 657 Wing St., Plymouth, died Feb. 23 in St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Ann Arbor. Services were held in Schrader Funeral Home with Rev. Paul Cargo of First Methodist Church officiating. Burial was in Riverside Cemetery.

Mrs. Brocklehurst is survived

by her husband, Alonzo of Plymouth; a daughter, Mrs. Virginia Larkin of Plymouth; seven grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

She was a lifetime resident of the community, a member of First Methodist Church, the order of Eastern Star, White Shrine and the Ladies Auxiliary of World War II.

Felix Kosinski

Felix W. Kosinski, Jr., 50, of 46540 Betty Hill, Plymouth Township, died Feb. 25 in the United States Veterans Hospital, Allen Park. Services were held in Schrader Funeral Home with Chaplain C. Ronald Phelps officiating.

Mr. Kosinski is survived by his wife, Jean; his mother, Mrs. Mary Kosinski of Livonia; daughters, Mrs. Diane Trupiano of Dearborn and Denise, Sandra and Nancy at home; brothers, Richard of Burlington, Wis., John of Detroit and Thomas of Concord, Calif. and a sister, Mrs. Margaret Scofield of Livonia.

He owned an engineering firm and was a member of Disabled American Veterans Post 114 of Livonia and VFW Post 1494 of Dearborn.

Striped Barber Pole Swiped

A striped barber pole valued at more than \$100 was stolen Friday night from the Penniman Barber Shop, 838 Penniman, Plymouth.

City police discovered the pole missing from its moorings in front of the shop while on routine patrol shortly after midnight Friday.

Lt. Henry Berghoff described the three-foot long glass pole as one of the few older models still in use in the area.

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City, Township: Let's Start Anew

It is time for the residents of Plymouth and Plymouth Township and their elected officials to reflect upon the distant future.

What will these two communities be like 10 or 20 years from now?

In the middle of May, the State Boundary Commission is expected to rule on the city's request to annex the Burroughs parking lot at Haggerty and Plymouth roads. Whatever the outcome of that annexation petition, two other petitions from the city will follow.

Next in line is a petition seeking annexation of the entire township to the city — something that Plymouth Township had been dreading for years.

How long it will take for that annexation petition to get through the boundary commission's overcrowded agenda and a public hearing is anybody's guess.

(There is yet a third petition in line. It seeks annexation of the Hillside Inn property on Plymouth Road.)

It is likely, considering the past actions of the boundary commission, that the total annexation of the township to the city may be approved. (The commission has generally frowned on piecemeal annexation, however.)

If it is, there no doubt will be a petition drive among township residents — and maybe even city residents — to call a vote on the matter.

Since township residents overwhelmingly turned down consolidation, they most surely would vote against this annexation move.

"Annexation" is the addition of an area to an already existing governmental unit which retains its form. "Consolidation" is the merger of two areas into one new city with a new charter and a new government. Both are forms of what is generally termed "unification."

While annexation is acceptable between some communities — many consider it likely that Northville Township will be annexed to Northville soon in the second try for "One Northville" — Plymouth and Plymouth Township have built a wall over the years which cannot be overcome so easily by one side or the other.

The answer here is consolidation — where the people in both communities say, "We'll start over again together." Under consolidation, voters in each community would have a say in the formation of a totally new charter to govern the new city.

The time is not yet right for this, the people in the township have said — and only the people should be able to decide.

But 10 or 20 years down the road, who knows?

However, if in the meantime the wall between the city and

the township is built any higher, both communities may be locked in so tightly that the "Plymouth Community" will always be a house divided.

Both the city and the township can take positive steps towards avoiding separation forever.

The city commission can begin by withdrawing its outstanding annexation petitions.

While there is no provision in the boundary commission act to officially withdraw a petition once it has been filed, it is likely that the boundary commission would acknowledge a request by the city to throw out the petition.

This would demonstrate to the people in the township a

A Cheap Shot

"The City of Plymouth has once again taken repressive action" — so says Canton Township Treasurer Carl Parsell, writing in his "Executive Director's Notebook" in the Police Officers' Association of Michigan magazine.

Parsell goes on to chide the city for not paying two of its police officers for the day they didn't get into work during the record blizzard of early December.

Although a grievance was filed

willingness to consider their feelings in formulating "One Plymouth."

By filing the annexation petitions just as local polling places were opening during the consolidation election, the city has left a sour taste in the

against the city, it was dismissed because of a technical error and another has not been submitted. Right now it's a dead issue.

Still, Parsell couldn't resist a cheap shot at Plymouth City Manager Fred Yockey.

"While most progressive cities are rewarding those who showed up," Parsell wrote, "Plymouth is now doing things the way they used to do them up in Midland." Yockey was formerly city manager of Midland. So much for intergovernmental courtesy.

—HANK MEIJER

Taxpayers Just Aren't Concerned

Editor:

Today, Feb. 22, I attended the meeting called by the board of education. This meeting was called so taxpayers could make suggestions and give their opinions on how they would like money spent in the upcoming school budget.

This was my first meeting. My daughter will start school in the fall. I felt as a taxpayer I should start to find out just what is going on. Well, I must say I was amazed. Of probably 30 people at the meeting, maybe six of them were parents of students in the school system. The rest were either teachers or administrators.

I hear people complaining all the time about school taxes and where the money is going and yet no one comes to these meetings to complain or express their opinion. We were given a sheet of paper with various classes and programs on and told to check which ones we thought should have more, less, or the same amount of money spent. The way I look at it all the school board got off that sheet of paper where checks for more money in certain areas, from teachers who work in that area. As for the parents present

their little minority will mean nothing and the school board

will spend the money where ever it sees fit.

Until parents start attending such meetings and become a majority voice, our taxes are going to keep going up. And I for one will vote no on every millage until someone starts building schools that don't need to be air-conditioned and are more practical than the ones we have now. I also believe if they got to work on school boundaries there would be less busing and in the long run less use of gas and service on our present buses.

MRS. HOWARD PELKEY

Thank You Merchants

Editor:

The Plymouth Newcomers' Club extends a very special Thank-You to the merchants in the Plymouth community who donated door prizes and gifts for our annual Harold's Club Party held on Feb. 22.

Their generosity helped make the party a great success and we sincerely appreciate their help. Thanks again.

THE PLYMOUTH NEWCOMERS' CLUB

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mouths of many township residents who might at least be willing to consider consolidation 10 years down the pike.

The policy of the city of late is one of carrying a big stick. "If the township won't contribute equally, we won't contribute," the city has said on many occasions. The philosophy has killed the recreation authority and has hurt Youth Inc. and several school programs.

In light of the ill-timed annexation move and the big-stick policy, township residents east of McClumpha Road in the Plymouth Heights area may look seriously towards passing the Heights charter now on Gov. Milliken's desk.

Fortunately, the Heights charter commission set a 20-mill tax limitation in the proposed charter — a factor which, if nothing else, probably insures its defeat again.

By passing Plymouth Heights, the township residents would lock themselves into a situation which may prove undesirable in the future.

If Plymouth Heights passes this time because the voters there feel it's the last line of defense against annexation, the city commission will have sealed its own fate.

On the other hand, were the city to withdraw its annexation petitions NOW, (before the public hearing procedure further polarizes the anti-annexation forces), it would demonstrate a willingness to approach "One Plymouth" on a reasonable basis.

In return, the township officials and residents should turn down the Heights charter. (Plymouth Heights would still be alive technically, though.)

Since it was the city which brought the issue to its current situation, it is the city which should begin to tear down the escalating wall between the city and the township.

Unification is the answer — admittedly, however, it is one not of today, but of tomorrow — and consolidation is the only acceptable form for this community. It is the only possible way to accommodate everyone's wishes in a new government.

When the time is right, let's start over again together.

The time is right now to set the stage.

— THE COMMUNITY CRIER

Consider Mortality

Editor:

I read with great compassion your editorial "But Only God..." and I, too, have felt the same distress in seeing trees destroyed in one sub after the other.

Enclosed is the updated version of 'a plea for the tree,' and I hope you can use it.

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Roots upturned and tresses shorn
Your spirit left to die

Victim of a changing world
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Your silent soul laid bare

Your timeless tales unrevealed
Will you remember when
Life no longer arms enfold
Return to dust again

—JULIE STERLING

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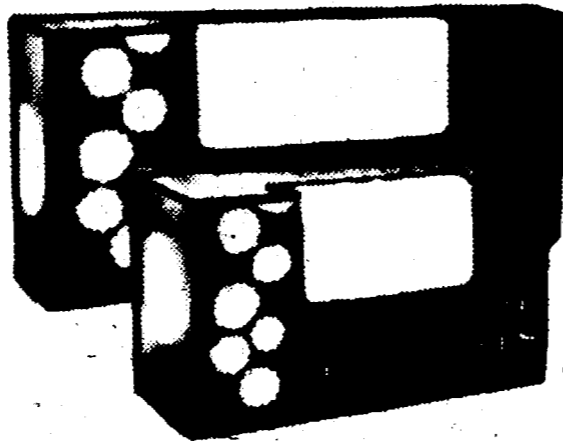


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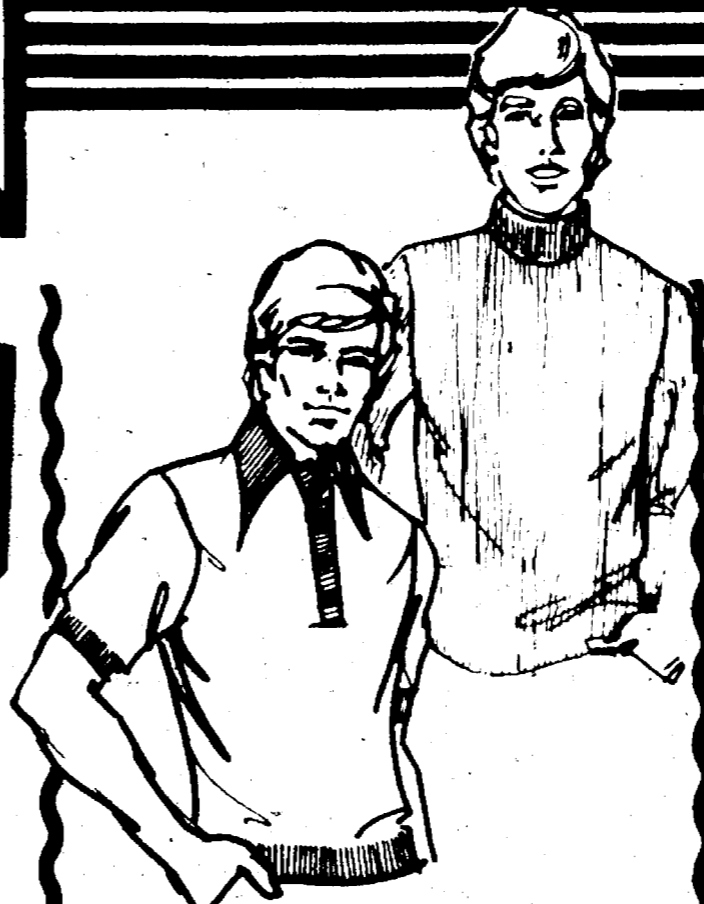


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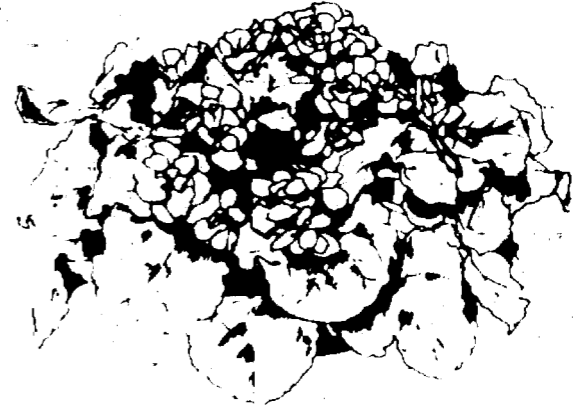


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MONDAY, MARCH 17
 Chicken noodle soup, peanut butter & jelly sandwich, cheese stick, fruit cup, toll house bar, milk.
TUESDAY, MARCH 18
 Ravioli w/meat & cheese, vegetable, french bread, jello w/fruit, milk.
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19
 Chicken in gravy over mashed potatoes, cinnamon roll, fruit cup, milk.

THURSDAY, MARCH 20
 Hot dog on bun, vegetable, fruit cup, dessert, milk.
FRIDAY, MARCH 21
 Fish sticks, tartar sauce, vegetable, bread & butter, fruit cup, Easter cake, milk.

BIRD
MONDAY, MARCH 17
 Chicken w/rice soup, jelly & peanut butter sandwich, toll house bar, fruit cup, milk.
TUESDAY, MARCH 18
 Sloppy Joe on bun, green beans, fruit cup, milk.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19
 Turkey gravy w/mashed potatoes, roll, fruit cup, milk.
THURSDAY, MARCH 20
 Hot dog on bun, vegetable, fruit cup, cake, milk.
FRIDAY, MARCH 21
 Fish sticks, tartar sauce, bread, vegetable, chocolate pudding, milk.
HAVE A NICE VACATION!

TUESDAY, MARCH 18
 Spaghetti w/meat sauce, wax beans, fruit, cinnamon rolls, milk.
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19
 Chicken in gravy o/mashed potatoes, bread, fruit, brownie, milk.
THURSDAY, MARCH 20
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 Beef-noodle casserole, green beans, rolls, jello, cake, milk.
FRIDAY, MARCH 21
 Hot dog on bun, mixed vegetables, fruit, tollhouse bar, milk.

TANGER
MONDAY, MARCH 17
 Chicken gravy o/mashed potatoes, roll, fruit, milk.
TUESDAY, MARCH 18
 Egg salad sandwich, soup, jello, cookie, milk.
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19
 Roast Beef sandwich, potato chips, fruit, brownie, milk.
THURSDAY, MARCH 20
 Hot dog on bun, vegetable, pudding, cake, milk.
FRIDAY, MARCH 21
 Beef stew, bread, fruit, cookie, milk.

CENTRAL ELEMENTARY & MIDDLE SCHOOLS

MONDAY, MARCH 17
HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY
 Sloppy Joe on bun, corn, brownie, lime jello w/topping, milk.
TUESDAY, MARCH 18
 Submarine sandwich, potatoe stix, peas or peaches, milk.
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19
 Ravioli, cabbage salad, green beans, biscuit, milk.
THURSDAY, MARCH 20
 Turkey, mashed potatoes & gravy, apple cranberry squares, bread, ice cream, milk.
FRIDAY, MARCH 21
 Vegetable soup w/crackers, tuna salad sandwich, fruit, cookie, milk.

FARRAND
MONDAY, MARCH 17
 Peanut butter sandwich, vegetable beef soup, cheese stick, St. Patrick's Day Cake, green jello, milk.
TUESDAY, MARCH 18
 Hamburger on bun, mixed vegetables, fruit cocktail cake, milk.
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19
 Ravioli w/meat sauce, beets, cinnamon roll, choc. pudding, milk.
THURSDAY, MARCH 20
 Hot dog on bun, green beans or sauerkraut, peanut butter cookies, fruit cup, milk.
FRIDAY, MARCH 21
 Fish sticks, tartar sauce, corn, bread, brownies, fruit cup, milk.

PIEGEL
MONDAY, MARCH 17
 Vegetable beef soup, cheese sticks, peanutbutter & jelly sandwich, apple crisp, milk.
TUESDAY, MARCH 18
 Hot dog on bun, lima beans or sauerkraut, fruit peanutbutter bar, milk.
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19
 Chicken in gravy over mashed potatoes, cranberry sauce, coffee cake, fruit, milk.
THURSDAY, MARCH 20
 Ravioli w/sauce, peas, bread, fruit, brownies, milk.
FRIDAY, MARCH 21
 Hamburger on bun, french fries, fruit, cookie, milk.

HAPPY EASTER NO SCHOOL NEXT WEEK
JAMES J. GALLIMORE
MONDAY, MARCH 17
 Hamburger on bun, french fries, fruit, cake, milk.

ISBISTER
MONDAY, MARCH 17
 Vegetable soup w/crackers, peanut butter sandwich, fruit cocktail, chocolate chip cookie, ST. PATRICK'S DAY.
TUESDAY, MARCH 18
 Barbecue Pork on bun, green beans, applesauce, potato chips, milk.
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19
 Chicken on mashed potatoes, cornbread, orange juice, vanilla pudding, milk.
THURSDAY, MARCH 20
 Hot dog on bun, french fries, peas, cake, milk.
FRIDAY, MARCH 21
 Cheese sandwich, green beans, fruit cup, peanut butter cookie, milk.

MILLER
MONDAY, MARCH 17
 Soup, peanut butter & jelly sandwich, mixed fruit, frosted cake, milk.
TUESDAY, MARCH 18
 Frank in bun, vegetable, fruit cup, crunchy cookie, milk.
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19
"PIZZA DAY"
THURSDAY, MARCH 20
 Hamburger on bun, corn, jello w/topping, cookie, milk.
FRIDAY, MARCH 21
 Fish sticks, potatoe patties, fruit cup, cookie, milk.

SMITH
MONDAY, MARCH 17
 Hamburger on bun, french fries, fruit cup, cookie, milk.
TUESDAY, MARCH 18
 Pizza w/meat sauce, vegetable, jello, cake, milk.
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19
 Turkey in gravy over mashed potatoes, biscuit w/honey, fruit cup, cookie, milk.
THURSDAY, MARCH 20
 Hot dog on bun, chocolate pudding, fruit cup, cookie, milk.
FRIDAY, MARCH 21
 Spaghetti w/meat sauce, bread, vegetable, fruit cup, cookie, milk.

STARKWEATHER
MONDAY, MARCH 17
 Vegetable soup, peanut butter & jelly sandwich, carrot sticks, fruit cup, iced cake, milk.
TUESDAY, MARCH 18
 Spaghetti w/meat sauce, rolls, jello w/fruit, milk.
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19
 Tuna salad sandwich, corn, applesauce cup, cookies, milk.
THURSDAY, MARCH 20
 Turkey, gravy over mashed potatoes, fruit cup, celery sticks, Easter cake, milk.
FRIDAY, MARCH 21
 Hot dog on bun, green beans, apple pie, milk.

EAST ELEMENTARY & MIDDLE SCHOOLS
MONDAY, MARCH 17
 Hot dog on bun, tater tots, fruit, peanut butter cookie, milk.
TUESDAY, MARCH 18
 Sloppy Joe on bun, corn, fruit jello, molasses cookies, milk.
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19
 Pizza pie w/meat & cheese, tossed salad, orange juice, apple crunch, milk.
THURSDAY, MARCH 20
 Roast Pork, potatoes, gravy, green beans, pudding, toll house bar, milk.
FRIDAY, MARCH 21
 Fish sandwich, potato chips, tartar sauce, fruit, banana cake, milk.

PIONEER
MONDAY, MARCH 17
 Hot dog on roll, chili w/crackers, fruits, cookie, milk.
TUESDAY, MARCH 18
 Pizzaburgers, orange juice, corn, apple crisp, milk.
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19
 Ham sandwich on bun, Spanish rice, choice of fruit, cookie, milk.
THURSDAY, MARCH 20
 Tacos (do-it-yourself), choice of beets or baked beans, roll & butter, choice of fruit, milk.
FRIDAY, MARCH 21
 Choice of fish sandwich or peanut butter & jelly, french fries, cole slaw, choice of fruit or jello, milk.

WEST
MONDAY, MARCH 17
 Spaghetti w/meat, green beans, biscuit, assorted puddings, milk.
TUESDAY, MARCH 18
 Hamburger gravy/mashed potatoes, peas, bread, chocolate pudding, milk.
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19
 Turkey/mashed potatoes, corn, roll, pudding, Easter cake, milk.
THURSDAY, MARCH 20
 Hamburger w/trimmings, french fries, orange juice, chocolate cake, milk.
FRIDAY, MARCH 21
 Cheese sandwich, tossed salad, mixed fruit cup, peanut butter cake, milk.

SALEM-CANTON
MONDAY, MARCH 17
 Chicken on bun, mashed potato & gravy, vegetable, jello, milk.
TUESDAY, MARCH 18
 Hot dog on bun, chili w/crackers, dessert, milk.
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19
 Spaghetti, salad, roll & butter, fruit jello, milk.
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The Crier's Notes

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Plymouth-Salem student Jeff Lukens, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lukens of 287 Irvin, will be considered for admission to the Air Force, Military and Merchant Marine academies, while Brad Markwood of Plymouth-Canton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Markwood of 9327 Caprice Dr. was nominated to the Air Force and Military academies.



When Plymouth Township Clerk Helen Richardson received a letter from the Wayne County Office of Civil Defense asking that the township appoint a CD coordinator and send him to its free training sessions, she didn't know how easy the appointment would be.

Lo and behold, the township already has a CD coordinator, Fire Chief Jim Gignac, who has served in that post since his appointment in December, 1970.

Just to make sure they had him, the board of trustees re-appointed Gignac for another year.

Turnout at the polls last November by voters who registered at the League of Women Voters' booth at the Plymouth Fall Festival exceeded the expectations of some city officials.

Mayor Beverly McAninch bet City Manager Fred Yockey that more than 25 per cent of those who registered would turn out.

She won. A survey after the election revealed that of the 25 people who registered at the league booth, 17 voted, for a 68 per cent turnout.

The Canton Township Board of Trustees has granted site plan approval to Pizza Hut Inc. of Southfield for a proposed Pizza Hut restaurant to be located on the south side of Ford Road west of Haggerty.

Only Trustee Brian Schwall and Supervisor Bob Greenstein opposed the site plan.

"I personally am somewhat disappointed," Greenstein said of the restaurant's standardized plan. "I had hoped that Pizza Hut would view Canton as an exceptional place. Canton Township deserves something better than average."

A Pizza Hut spokesman said that construction would begin within 30 days after a building permit was issued.

Three Plymouth residents have been named to the dean's list for the fall semester at Adrian College.

Juniors Dave and Daniel Hees of 1027 Penniman and sophomore Judy West of 42168 Lakeland Ct. were among 292 students honored.

Bank Seeks Branch

The First National Bank of Plymouth, which opened the doors of its Main Street main office only last fall, has filed an application with the federal government for permission to establish a branch office at the southeast corner of Ann Arbor Road and Tavistock in Plymouth Township.

According to First National president Charles Heidt, the application is one of two the bank expects to file this year. The other will be for a site that has not yet been acquired in Canton Township.

Heidt said that the Plymouth Township branch would be located on a 60,000 square foot site near the I-275 Plymouth interchange and would eventually have four to six drive-in bays.

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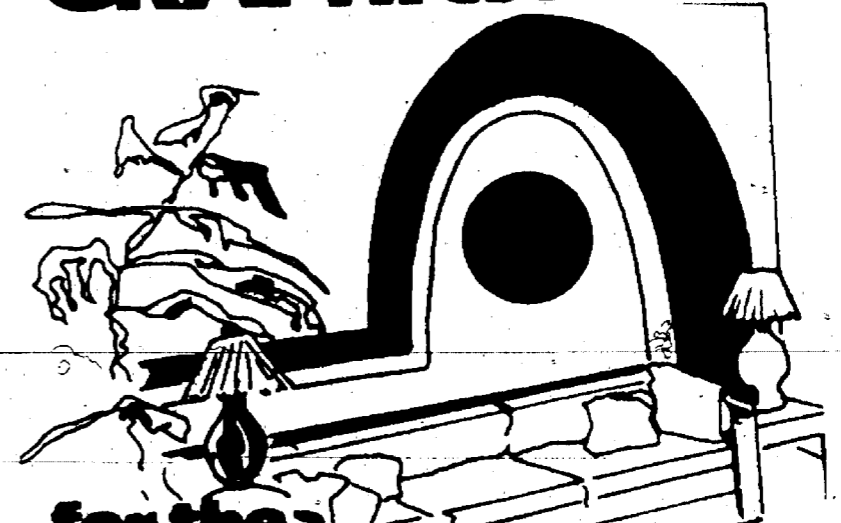
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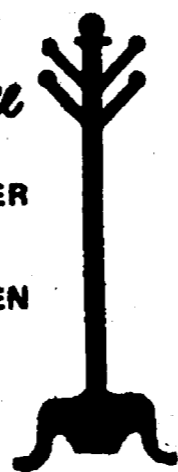
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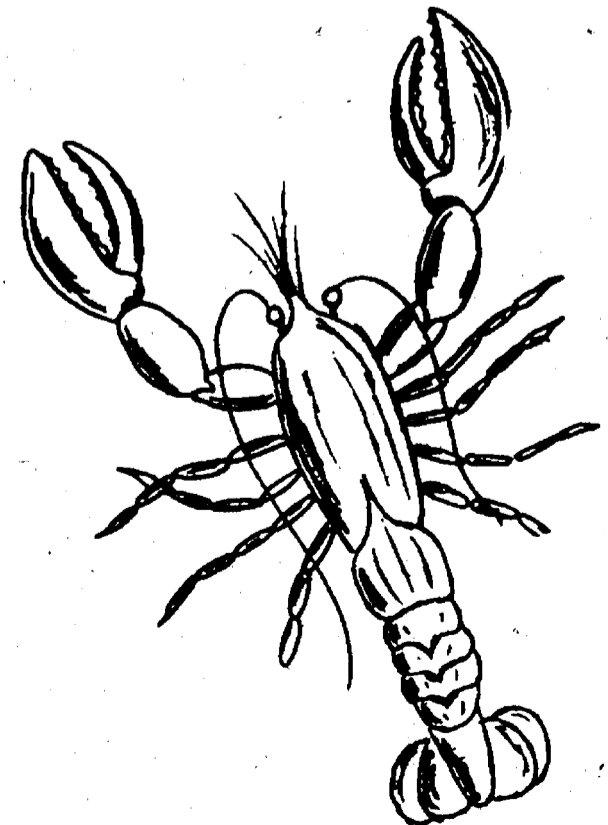
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BY DENNIS O'CONNOR

The Plymouth-Salem Rocks won their first Regional crown in the school's history Friday, beating Detroit Denby 57-53 before a jam packed, standing room only crowd of nearly 3,000 in the Livonia Franklin gym.

The Rocks whipped Thurston of South Redford 69-51 last Wednesday and Detroit Denby upset highly - rated Detroit Murrery - Wright 79-70 for its tenth win in a row before meeting Plymouth.

With the victory over Denby, Plymouth has now extended its own winning streak to nine, including four tourney wins. The Rocks, who now hold an overall record of 21-2, advance to quarterfinal action tomorrow with the other seven Class A regional winners.

The quarterfinal showdown matches the Rocks with Pontiac Central in the Ferndale gym, starting at 7:30 p.m.

The winner of that contest moves on the semifinal play at East Lansing Saturday. The opposition in that contest will be the victor in the Muskegon - Flint Northwestern quarterfinal match-up.

Plymouth started going to its big men early in the contest grabbing quick 3-0 and 5-2 leads on the scoring of six-foot-nine center Eric Agardy and six-seven and a half forward Jim Ellinghausen. The Tars from Denby roared back with six straight points to grab a 8-5 lead before the Rocks' Brian Wolcott sank two baskets

to take the lead back 9-8.

An exchange of hoops in the final minute of the quarter gave Plymouth a narrow 11-10 lead after the first eight minutes of action.

The Rocks took plenty of

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QUARTERFINALS (Thursday, March 13)

Game No. 1: PLYMOUTH-SALEM vs. Pontiac Central at Ferndale 8 p.m.

Game 2: Muskegon vs. Flint Northwestern

Game 3: Berkley vs. Highland Park

Game No. 4: Dearborn Fordson vs. Lansing Everett

SEMIFINALS (Saturday, March 15)

Game No. 5: Winner game No. 1 vs. Winner game No. 2

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open shots in the second period, but couldn't put the ball in the basket and scored only 12 points. Denby grabbed the lead early in that period, popping in 16 points to take a 26-23 edge at the half.

There were no more cold shooting quarters for Plymouth the rest of the night. The Rocks came out firing in the third quarter and the shots started dropping in. They outscored Denby 17-8 to grab a 40-34 margin after three quarters.

Ellinghausen and Wolcott supplied the offensive spark. They hit three baskets apiece. The Rocks hit a sizzling eight of 13 shots from the floor in that quarter.

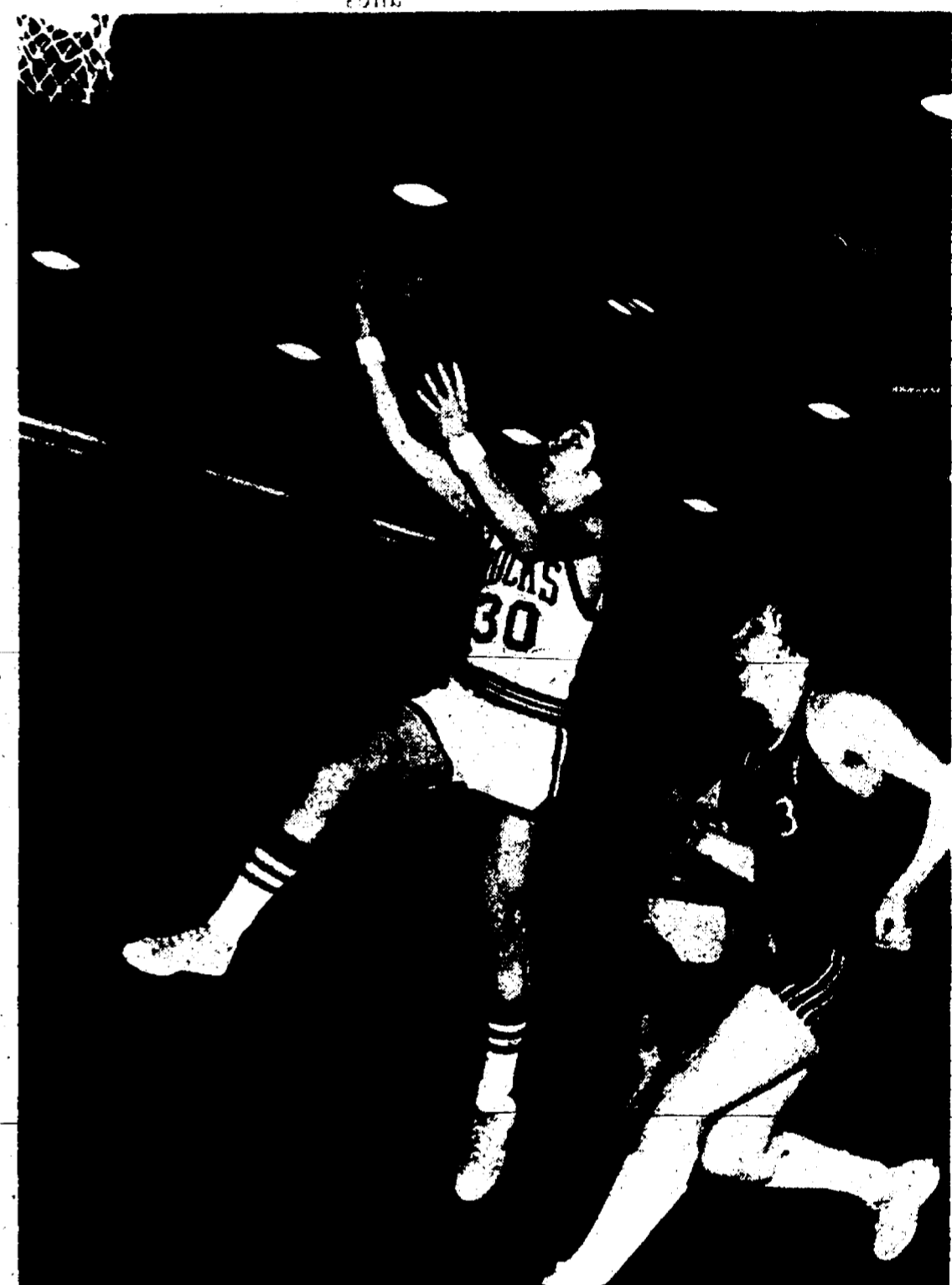
Ellinghausen's 17-foot jumper from the corner put the Rocks ahead for good 30-28 with five minutes left in the third period.

Denby put on full court pressure in the fourth period, trying frantically to dent the six to eight-point margin Plymouth had built up. But sharp free throw shooting by Wolcott (seven of eight) and a 10-point period for Agardy put the game away in the Rocks' win column.

Denby came within two points, 53-51, with one minute left in the game, but Plymouth refused to fold under the pressure, scoring four quick points that built the lead back up to six with 36 seconds to play.

Wolcott, the five foot - 10 and a half inch junior guard, added a welcome offensive punch to Plymouth's attack as he led all

Sports



HOTSHOOTING Brian Wolcott pumped in 21 points Friday to pace the Salem attack which humbled Denby 57-53 for the regional crown. (staff photo by Robert Cameron)

Canton Gal Spikers Aim for Loop Crown

Plymouth-Canton High School may soon win its first Western Six League title in its short two-year history if the girls' volleyball team holds on to first place through its remaining game.

The Chiefs gained first place in the conference standings on the strength of 16-14 and 15-13 victories over Walled Lake Western Monday night in the Plymouth gym.

Canton now holds a league mark of 5-2, with Churchill and Northville tied for second at 4-3.

Despite the close scores, the Chiefs were in control all the way Monday.

Coach Cindy Burnstein took her squad to Waterford Mott today for the final league match of the season, the one that could give Canton the crown.

The Plymouth-Salem girls' volleyball team fared well last week, taking third place in the Suburban Eight volleyball tournament.

The Rocks finished at 5-2 for the season, good enough for second place behind Dearborn.

Last Wednesday Salem swamped Allen Park 15-8, 15-9.

Salem had two girls make the All-Suburban Eight team: Katie Rogers was picked to the first team, while Jackie Croci gained a second team berth.

Brink Grabs 10th in Mat Tourney

BY BRUCE GERISH

Plymouth-Salem wrestling star Jerry Brink was eliminated in the state Class A wrestling tournament this past weekend.

Brink, a school record setter in total victories, finished 10th in the state. He lost his first match, then came back to defeat one opponent before being eliminated in the third round.

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The Plymouth-Salem swim team finished in a tie for 33rd place in the 66-school field at the class a state swim meet last

weekend in East Lansing.

The Rocks tallied six points. Bill Marks took 10th in the diving competition, while Randy Skalski came up 10th in the 100-yard breaststroke and sophomore Ron Finley finished 13th in the 200 freestyle.

Diver Larry Henry came up 17th.

The state swim meet at East Lansing last weekend, marked the end of the season for Plymouth-Canton's tankers.

Brian Kenney and Glen Peterson were the two Chief qualifiers to participate in the state meet. Peterson swam the 50 yard freestyle in 23.2 seconds and the 100-yard breaststroke in 1:07.1. Kenney swam his specialty, the 100-yard backstroke, in 1:00.4.

Sports Happenings

FOOTBALL REGISTRATION for the Vince Lombardi Junior League of Plymouth will be held March 15 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Central Middle School, Church and Main, for boys nine through 12. A parent or guardian must accompany each boy with proof of age.

The Plymouth Parks and Recreation Department announces that registration for **MEN'S AND WOMEN'S SOFTBALL TEAMS** is now open. Teams may register in slow-pitch (men's and women's) or modified (men only) softball. Rules and regulations are available at the recreation department. Registration is open through April 15.

Anyone from novice to expert interested in **CHESS** is invited to play on Tuesday nights at 7:30 p.m. at the Plymouth Community Cultural Center, 525 Farmer St.

The **PLYMOUTH-CANTON GIRLS VOLLEYBALL TEAM** ends its regular season schedule on the road (March 13) to Waterford Mott. Game time for this final Western Six League meeting is 3:30 p.m.

The **PLYMOUTH-SALEM GIRLS VOLLEYBALL TEAM** also finishes its season away from home, facing Trenton tonight (March 12) at 6:30 p.m.

Doc's Corner

BY DENNIS O'CONNOR

In Friday night's regional championship game at the Livonia Franklin gym, the Plymouth-Salem Rocks not only found themselves facing a Detroit Public School League team for the first time this season, but they also were facing a team that could nearly match their overwhelming height.

With one of the greatest team efforts I've ever seen on a basketball court, Plymouth emerged as a true champion. Each player did his own thing well in contributing to this great win.

Eric Agardy proved to be the overpowering big man that he is. In his first test against a player of his own size, six-foot-10 Stuart House, of Denby, Eric showed his superiority in every aspect of the game.

House came into the contest averaging over 30 points a game in tournament play, but Agardy played his best defensive game of the year. He held House to a meaningless six points, while putting in 17 himself. In the battle under the boards, Eric had 20 rebounds to House's eight.

The big reason Eric was so effective was his ability to stay out of foul trouble. He had been plagued with that problem during tournament time, but came up with only one personal, and that came in the third period.

After a cold-shooting first half, Jim Ellinghausen started hitting outside the Rocks' third

quarter comeback. He was torrid on defense too, blocking four shots, intimidating Denby shooters and grabbing 13 rebounds.

To beat Denby Plymouth had to have super play from its guards. Brian Wolcott, Dan Moore, Tim Dillon and Howard Inch did fine jobs, each in his own way.

Wolcott carried the offensive load for the Rocks with 21 points. He was deadly from the outside and his last-quarter penetration caused Denby to foul him. Brian responded by sinking seven of eight charity tosses in the final period, bringing an end to the Denby streak.

With the Rocks down by three at the half, the man to get the offense moving in the third quarter was Dan Moore. The Plymouth captain used his excellent ballhandling skills to penetrate the Denby zone. This penetration loosened the Tars defense and enabled him to pass to the open man for the easy hoop.

Tim Dillon led the Rocks in assists with seven. His ability to run the offense while coming up with timely steals helped the Rock attack. When the pressure was on he broke the sticky Denby zone.

The man who provided the necessary spark to the Plymouth attack was Howard Inch. In coming off the bench for about two quarters of action, Inch led the Rocks charge to victory with his hawking defense and quick dribbling and penetration.

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Saturday morning the puck was dropped for the start of the second annual Plymouth Invitational Hockey Tournament.

What follows will be a full week of hockey activity at the Plymouth Cultural Center involving Plymouth teams and opponents from Ann Arbor.

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This year's tournament has

been expanded to include five divisions, Mites, Squirts, Bantams, Midgets and Junior C. There will be five teams in each division. All competed in a Class A League during the regular season. The tournament has been changed to a round robin format to allow all teams to play each other, with a championship game played by the two teams finishing with the most points in each division. The theme is the same as last year to invite back those teams that the Plymouth squads played during the season.

Hockey play begins at 6 p.m. and ends about 10 p.m. weeknights this week. Saturday play runs from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday, the last day of competition, pre-game festivities at noon with competition from 1 to 6 p.m.

Ellinghausen, Edwards Cited

Agardy Tops All-8

The big man for the Plymouth-Salem Rocks, six-foot-nine and a half-inch Eric Agardy, was the leading vote-getter for all-league basketball honors in the

Stay Tuned

If you can't make the tournament game at Ferndale Thursday or, possibly, the semifinals at East Lansing Saturday be sure to stay tuned to WSDP, 89.3 on the FM dial, for all the live action.

Tom Davis (play-by-play), Bill Collins (color) and Paul Sincock (engineer) will follow the Rocks through the tourney as they continue their quest to become class A champs.

Suburban Eight. The 17-year-old senior center averaged nearly 20 points and 13 rebounds in every conference game.

Six-foot-seven and a half junior forward Jim Ellinghausen was the other Rock named to the ten-man squad. Ellinghausen averaged 14 points and 12 rebounds per game, while blocking 53 shots during league play.

Dave Edwards, an all-Western Six League selection in football, was named to the second team on the loop's basketball squad. He was the lone Chief to make the top 10.

Plymouth-Canton cagers who received honorable mention were Tom Close, Joe Waid and Ron Lack.

Rocks' Wins Spark Support

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Tickets on sale at school - 1,050 of them - were gone in an hour. Everyone wanted to go and support their Rocks. Two hundred (first come first serve) tickets were sold at the door. The line for those few seats began forming two hours and 15 minutes before game time.

The Plymouth Elks made a special contribution, treating the team to dinner before the championship game.

Plymouth fans were loyal to their Rocks all the way. Whether it was an Ellinghausen swish from the corner, a rebound grabbed down by Eric Agardy or another nice pass by Dan Moore, the crowd was sure to roar its approval.

When the Rocks fell behind in the second quarter, a cry of anguish was heard and felt with every missed Plymouth shot. But even though the Rocks were behind by three at the half, the sense of victory was still there. The crowd seemed to sense that its heroes would win.

The players didn't let the fans down. They came out in the

third quarter to outscore their Detroit foes 17-8 and grab the lead for good.

When the final horn sounded, signaling the dramatic four-point win for Plymouth, both fans and team were jubilant.

It was impressive how one basketball game could bring so many people together with so much euphoria.

In the locker room the celebrating continued, topped off by Salem principal Bill Brown coming in to congratulate Coach Fred Thomann and the greatest team in Plymouth's history.

But the quest isn't over. Eight good teams still survive in the tourney, each just as hungry as Plymouth to gain that coveted state championship. The tension is building as the Rocks and their fans move on to Ferndale hoping to make Pontiac Central their next victim.

Pontiac Central has been a familiar name in Michigan High School tournament play over the last decade. Central has won its last 12 districts in a row and its

regional championships in six of the last seven years.

While this season's Pontiac team, which finished 10-10 overall, is not as potent as the teams of the Campy Russell era five years ago, it is still a squad to be reckoned with. Pontiac doesn't have Plymouth's height. Its biggest man stands only six-four while the two forwards are both six-three. But Pontiac's exceptional quickness and good outside shooting promises a potent attack.

Rocks Romp

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scorers with 21. Agardy and Ellinghausen followed with 17 and 13 respectively.

Plymouth dominated the rebounding 43-29 as the giant Agardy pulled 20 off the boards. Ellinghausen had 13 rebounds and four blocked shots.

The 18-point victory over Thurston two nights earlier was no contest at all. The superior height of the Rocks proved to be the difference as Plymouth outrebounded, outshot and outscored its smaller opponents.

Eric Agardy led all scorers with 25. Jim Ellinghausen added 18 and captain Dan Moore played a strong all-around game, scoring 10 points, grabbing nine rebounds and assisting on 10 other scores.

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'76 Plans Studied

The City of Plymouth and Plymouth Township will have no part of plans by some Wayne County commissioners to stage a mammoth metropolitan bi-centennial celebration next year that calls for parades from all the suburbs covering in Detroit for the largest such display ever.

That announcement preceded a decision by the school district's Intergovernmental Relations Committee last Wednesday to consider a joint bicentennial committee and that would coordinate bicentennial activities in the City of Plymouth and Plymouth, Canton, Superior and Salem townships.

Jr. Cagers

Plymouth Community Junior Basketball Assoc.

Boys B League	
American League	National League
76ers 8-1	Lakers 8-1
Celtics 7-2	Mustangs 8-1
Cougars 7-2	Trojans 7-2
Rocks 6-3	Hawks 6-3
Bulldogs 5-4	Chargers 6-3
Darts 5-4	Stags 4-5
Pistons 3-6	Seasie 3-6
Knicks 2-7	Bullets 2-3
Warriors 1-8	Bulls 1-8
Royals 1-8	Nats 0-9

Week's Results:
 Celtics 38, Pistons 24; 76ers 27, Rocks 20; Cougars 28, Warriors 21; Warriors 40, Royals 20; Bulldogs 22, Knicks 17; Bullets 40, Nats 27; Mustangs 33, Chargers 28; Lakers 49, Bulls 18; Hawks 43, Seasie 28; Trojans 28, Stags 20.

Boys A League	
American League	National League
Seasie 9-0	Celtics 7-2
Bulls 7-2	Cougars 7-2
Knicks 5-4	Warriors 6-3
Bullets 4-5	Mustangs 5-4
Pistons 3-6	Rocks 5-4
Chargers 1-8	Royals 4-5
Lakers 0-9	Nats 0-9

Week's Results:
 Cougars 47, Rocks 38; Celtics 43, Mustangs 41; Royals 28, Warriors 33; Bulldogs 48, Nats 40; Seasie 42, Knicks 37; Bulls 44, Chargers 38; Pistons 38, Lakers 28.

Boys AA League	
American League	National League
Hoodlums 9-3	Bulldogs 6-7
Buckeyes 8-4	Spartans 4-7
Hawkeyes 6-5	Gophers 3-10

Week's Results:
 Buckeyes 48, Gophers 20; Spartans 45, Hawkeyes 22; Hoodlums 72, Gophers 24; Bulldogs 50, Buckeyes 42.

Girls B League	
American League	National League
Seasie 8-1	Pistons 5-4
Chargers 7-2	Lakers 2-7
Royals 7-2	Bullets 1-8
Warriors 6-3	Knicks 0-9

Week's Results:
 Lakers 24, Knicks 10; Royals 40, Bullets 10; Seasie 28, Chargers 11; Warriors 27, Pistons 15; Chargers 26, Bullets 16; Pistons 24, Knicks 14; Royals 28, Seasie 12; Warriors 32, Lakers 22.

Girls A League	
American League	National League
Angels 6-2	Dolphins 4-5
Flats 5-3	Apollons 3-4
Nets 5-3	Humants 2-5
Stars 5-3	Wings 2-7

Week's Results:
 Wings 19, Flats 17; Dolphins 27, Nets 20; Angels 18, Dolphins 16; Stars 20, Wings 21.

Tournament Week
 March 17 (Monday)
 at East Middle School
 6:30 p.m. 2 games A League Boys
 8 p.m. 2 games A League Boys
 at West Middle School
 6:30 p.m. 2 games B League Boys
 8 p.m. 2 games B League Boys
 March 18 (Tuesday)
 at Pioneer Middle School
 6:30 p.m. 1 game B League Girls
 8 p.m. 1 game B League Girls
 6:30 p.m. 1 game A League Girls
 8 p.m. 1 game A League Girls
 March 19 (Wednesday)
 at West Middle School
 6:30 p.m. 1 game AA League Boys
 8 p.m. 1 game AA League Boys
 at East Middle School
 6:30 p.m. 1 game A League Boys
 8 p.m. 1 game A League Boys
 March 20 (Thursday)
 at West Middle School
 6:30 p.m. 1 game B League Boys
 8 p.m. 1 game B League Boys
 March 22 (Saturday)
 at Pioneer Middle School
 Boys B League 8:15 a.m.
 Girls B League 10 a.m.
 Boys A League 11:45 a.m.
 Girls A League 1:30 p.m.
 at Central Middle School
 Boys AA League 1:30 p.m.

School Site

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the district therefore had no legal right to use the subdivision's streets as access roads. He further said that the county might not permit construction traffic on Arlington.

"They might not allow you to do it," he said. "If Canton were a city and owned the roads we wouldn't allow it."

County Commissioner Royce Smith (D-Belleville) also asked the board to reconsider its use of Arlington.

Wayne County Road Commission street engineer William LaGosh, who attended the school board meeting at Greenstein's request, recommended that the schools build a permanent access road to the site, rather than use county-owned Arlington.

He denied that the road commission would require the district to pay for a declaration lane on Lilley Road at its intersection with the access road - a costly move that the school board said helped make the access road prohibitively expensive.

LaGosh estimated in "ball park figures" that the access road, a 20-foot wide gravel surface, would cost from \$40,000 to \$50,000.

Board treasurer Tom Yack said that LaGosh had specifically told him in an earlier conversation that the county would likely require declaration land on Lilley.

"I'm still amazed that I can talk to the same people and get two distinct and separate bits of information," he said. "It's virtually impossible to tell what information is going to change."

The board disputed Greenstein's claim that the drain commission was willing to allow a \$5,000 to \$10,000 culvert over Tonquish Creek rather than an expensive (\$30,000 to \$50,000) bridge.

LaGosh said that Arlington's seven-inch concrete surface would likely be damaged by the construction traffic.

"Has the township or the county given any consideration to installing an access road that would become a permanent county road?" Board member George Lawton asked.



MICHAEL BEYER, 22, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Beyer of 725 N. Mill, Plymouth, has been hired by the South Lyon Schools' as their first full-time recreation coordinator. The Central Michigan University graduate was hired under funds allocated to the school district through the federal Comprehensive Employment Training Act.

The board voted 4-3 with Marcia Borowski, Board President Dr. E.J. McClelland and Lawton dissenting to reconsider the possibility of an access road onto the new school site.

Lawton then moved that the district administrators and a board representative studying the access road also consider relocating the school on a different site altogether - the Bartlett site farther south of Warren on Canton Center Road where Hanford Road would come through.

Only Yack and Board member Gary Mirto opposed that second consideration.

Plymouth Home Hockey League Final Standings (6-8)

Rangers	12-2-0
Braves	10-2-2
North Stars	9-0-2
Red Wings	7-11-2
Black Hawks	2-17-0
Squids (9-10)	
Braves	12-2-0
Rangers	12-6-1
Seasie	12-7-0
Black Hawks	2-15-2
Northville	1-18-1

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Will LD Program Replace Reading?

BY HANK MEIJER

Editor's Note: The following is the fourth and last in a series of articles on the future of the reading program in Plymouth schools. Because state aid is declining for reading teachers while financial support grows for teachers of learning disabled children, Plymouth's reading teachers have been asked to take additional graduate work with the idea they would win state approval as LD teachers should the district curtail its reading program. In the meantime, the reading teachers continue their work, but with a new title "learning specialists."

State guidelines allow reading teachers to serve far more students than learning disabilities (LD) teachers can.

At the same time, school districts in Michigan, including Plymouth, receive a far more substantial reimbursement on the salaries paid their LD teachers than on reading salaries.

Most administrators and reading teachers agree that the LD program is vital, but those facts of life put the district in a position where it may have to make a hard decision to eliminate or sharply curtail its reading program to qualify for greater state aid and provide the level of LD service demanded by the state.

While recognizing the importance of an LD program, some educators feel that the state has singled out one aspect of education to receive substantial aid, while, in effect, punishing the district for emphasizing others.

"At present LD is a field in white suburbia," said Joyce Reefer, a reading teacher - now learning specialist - a Miller School. "It is becoming a cultural - sociological problem. It's a popularity thing."

Three of Plymouth's reading teachers work at the high schools, the other 15 are assigned to the district's middle and elementary schools, most on

full and some on a part-time basis.

Most serve scores of students, from those with reading ability only a grade or two below what it should be to others with reading deficiencies so severe that they have little chance to succeed in their other studies and even acquire behavioral problems.

The reading teachers serve scores of students, both by advising the general classroom teacher on methods and materials to use with the slow-reading youngster and by working individually with the students part-time in a separate classroom.

The state department of education has mandated that LD

State May Drop Reading Support

Gov. William Milliken has proposed in his tentative state budget that reimbursement of local reading programs be dropped altogether in the current fiscal year. Should that happen, the Plymouth school district would lose approximately \$64,000 in-state aid, according to Superintendent John Hoben.

Sen. Carl Pursell and other members of the appropriations committee of the state senate will hold the first of a series of public hearings on state school aid Monday in Livonia.

Pursell is expected to meet with the district's reading support teachers - learning specialists - March 31 at Fiegel School to discuss the fate of the district's reading program.

teachers must restrict their caseloads to 18 full-time or a total of 25 students in a self-contained classroom.

Thus, depending on the fate of Plymouth's 18 learning specialists, the schools will have either a reading program serving thousands of students who need more reading skills or an LD program able to serve a few hundred children who have severe learning disorders.

Plymouth's educators don't want to have to choose between the two, but many fear that state funding which rewards a district for the number of LD teachers on its payroll while giving it little help to pay reading teachers will make the decision for them.

"The state law is extremely rigid," Mrs. Spaniel said. "Ideally we would like to have both reading and LD problems programs. There's a serious question whether we have that many learning disabled children. If we totally switch over we will lose a great number of services we currently have."

According to Ms. Reefer, it is vital that the district continue to provide reading teachers in every building so that these specialists can work with all children who need them, not just with the severe cases. At the same time, the stigma attached to such a special aid is reduced in the eyes of the children.

"Then I'm not that teacher who just sees the dumb kids," she said. Or, as Mrs. Spaniel puts it, "She's just Miss Reefer, that's ideal."

"The need for specialists in the building - for in-service

work with other teachers - is continuous. We all have to learn to work with individual differences (LD problems or otherwise) - how to deal with them and recognize them - that's the value of a resource person."

That conviction is shared by Amy Lentz, one of the district's three LD teachers and its only one at the middle school level.

"What Plymouth would do (if it followed through with shifting reading teachers to LD

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Fate of School Reading Program Still in Doubt

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positions) would be a trade-off, and a rather poor one," they'd be serving fewer children," she said.

"Some reading teachers are dealing with 100 kids. Those in special education (of which LD is a part) are limited to 25. The children who have priority are those with severe handicaps. You're working with extremes — before it was the middleman (the average student) who received the attention, now its exactly the opposite."

Although she is an LD teacher, Ms. Lentz said that switching entirely to an LD program would do a disservice to teachers and children alike, particularly at the middle school level.

There many students carry

peak reading loads greater than in the elementary and possibly greater than in many high school programs where vocational training is emphasized.

"The final decision will be based on the dollars and cents that come from the legislature," Kathryn Otto, East Elementary principal and herself a reading teacher, predicted.

She noted that programs such as learning disabilities receive strong legislative support and are promoted by many concerned citizens

"Reading has never gotten this attention because we just assume that it will be taught," she added. "Our society places such an emphasis on reading. It's practically the backbone of our whole elementary curriculum."

"It's a very sophisticated

program here," said Pioneer Middle School learning specialist (reading teacher) Judy Mayle. "If there is any possibility that any money will be cut out it will hurt the district. Do you wipe out one service to provide another?"

"The reading program is one component of a whole range," said Dr. Edwin Page, the district's director of pupil personnel. "We hope to take the skills reading teachers have and provide them with additional skills to help children beyond the scope of reading problems.

"I hope we maintain both programs.

"If we got to the point where there would be no more state support (for reading) at all," Dr. Page said, "we'd have to look at the total resources of the district — either internally through the

existing budget or by going to the community. I think people would support it."

Both Page and Superintendent John Hoben note that learning specialists who are doubly certified as both reading and learning disabled teachers are an asset to the district.

"We've just asked them to start preparing themselves," he said. "Can we afford to continue (our current level of reading services) if the state drops its support? I'd like to think so, but we have to be realistic."

Some teachers contend that important as LD help is for many youngsters, it is but one of several areas of education that have long been neglected. Perhaps it has captured the fancy of some legislators and state educators and financial support for its teachers will falter in a few years just as it has

for reading.

"Are they (administrators) going to have to come back in four years and tell them learning specialists to re-train to work with the emotionally-disturbed?" asked Amy Lentz.

Whatever the case, teachers and administrators alike are waiting to see how much reimbursement the future holds for reading and LD teachers and whether the legislature will beef up its reading help.

In the meantime, Plymouth's learning specialists — its former reading teachers — and its learning disabled teachers don't know what will happen.

As Kathy Teahan, an LD teacher at Tanger School, put it, "I would hate to see any decision taken that would jeopardize the quality of education we have now in Plymouth."

Plymouth Board of Education Minutes

Following is a synopsis of minutes of a special meeting of the Board of Education held on February 22, 1975 at the East Middle School, beginning at 9 a.m. Members McClendon and Mirto were absent from the meeting. About 25 persons were in attendance.

This meeting was called to solicit suggestions and recommendations from citizens for the forthcoming 1975-76 school budget. A survey of the audience which would list their priorities which should have more, less or the same amount of monies expended was conducted by the Board.

Several people raised questions they felt should be considered in setting up the budget. The Learning Disabilities group questioned local money which is put into the budget for that part of the curriculum. Others raised questions about the Reading Readiness program, maintenance programs, playgrounds and elementary physical education, and supply policies whereby students are provided with free materials. The new Learning Center for Teachers was also questioned; setting up an audio-visual central warehouse was proposed. The matter of elementary and middle school counseling was discussed, which Principal Elston felt was woefully inadequate. The Board will take all subjects discussed, as well as survey results, into consideration in setting up the budget. This special meeting was adjourned at 11 a.m.

A regular meeting of the Board of Education was held on February 24, 1975, at the Canton High School beginning at 8:10 p.m. All Board members attended, as well as administrators and about 30 guests.

The minutes of a special meeting held February 8 and a regular meeting on February 10 were approved. Principal Elston explained format and background for the Michigan Assn. of Middle School Educators' meetings which were to be held on Plymouth on February 27-28. Mr. Elston was commended for the amount of work and time expended into setting up this conference.

Administrative Action Items: The final plans for three elementary schools were again discussed. Architect representatives were present to ask approval for plans and authorization to issue drawings for bids. A number of questions were raised by the Board, especially as concerns site placement and entire site planning for Elementary School No. 11 in Windsor Park Subdivision. Member Benson felt the site plan for that school had been changed without prior approval of the Board of Education.

A motion to accept plans as prepared for the three schools with the provisos that changes suggested would be incorporated and the site for Windsor Park be changed back to preliminary drawing site was considered, but a substitute motion was offered and passed which would allow for final review of plans and changes on March 3 at a special meeting of the Board, with suggestions to be received for change by February 26.

A survey by the Windsor Park Homeowners' Association was presented by Mrs. Betty Hamann indicating feelings of 80 homeowners within that area in regard to temporary road construction from Lilley Road into the subdivision. Consensus was that this road should not be constructed due to excess cost, but that the Board should be responsible for safety of children during school construction. Several questions were presented by the Association for consideration by the Board. It was moved and passed that a temporary construction road not be constructed, with Member Mirto dissenting. The

Board also passed a motion that they meet with that Association and school administrators to work out information program for construction plans and for the educational process at the schools themselves, and on plans for safety of the children. Member Mirto asked that the Board be put on notice that there might be further problems concerning safety on the construction site. Several matters regarding safety were discussed.

Business Administration Action Items: A contract with CAR-BEE, Inc. for gas burner installation at Smith School for a total amount of \$3,960 plus \$495 for Alternate No. 1 was granted, and a contract to the J.A. MARBLE Co. was allowed which would direct that Company to confirm compliance with all bid specifications by the CAR-BEE Co., at a contract price of \$245.00. Member Yack indicated he would like a copy of all 94 projects which had been adopted through the 1974 bond issue and their status to date. A proposal to purchase 244.5' frontage by 185' deep property on Mill Street adjacent to the present bus parking area at a total cost of \$27,500 was approved, monies to be deducted from Building and Site Fund No. 1. On Tax Appeal by Kenneth and Esther Hulsing, the amount of \$215.16 was refunded on their 1971 tax assessment by the direction of the Wayne County Treasurer. Financial report format was discussed and trial runs of several proposals was adopted at this point with formal policy adopted later.

Personnel Action Items: Mrs. Beatrice Laible was presented a new contract as Homebound Teacher, full-time, under Pupil Personnel Services, with salary reimbursement under State Law. Resignation of Mrs. Marilyn Dobbins at Isbister School was accepted and leaves of absence were extended for Mary Hammond, Robert Beckerleg and Jean Schroeder. A contract for an administrator of Research, Program Planning and Federal Projects was approved and a sabbatical leave was granted to Mr. John Hopkins, French teacher at Salem High School. A steering committee for Employee Safety under the Michigan Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA) was approved.

Old Business: Planning for 45-15 program at Miller School was approved and administration directed to begin setting up program for 1975-76 school year. Mr. Alan Prince, a citizen from that area, felt that no delays should be made to bring about implementation of the 45-15 plan at Miller School. Administration pointed out that there is a contract provision with the PEA which will allow for this program during the rest of the present contract plus one year into any new contract. At this point the President of the Board, Dr. McClendon, wanted it to be a matter of record that he had attended all regular meetings of this Board of Education, contrary to some newspaper reports and that he made every effort to attend any emergency meetings as well.

New Business: A Citizens' Advisory Committee on the forthcoming June election was approved with membership to be presented by Member Yack at the special meeting on March 3.

Policies: Budget Administrative Procedures No. 6210.1 through 6210.9 were approved with changes as noted. Action on approval of purchasing policies and procedures was tabled, with the proviso that Members Lawton and Yack meet with Mr. Hoedel to iron out problems indicated by the Board. The Board also tabled approval of forms for Board Personnel Action on New Hires, Leaves, Terminations, Resignations and Retirements until after they could evaluate a few different forms.

The policy on Instructional Arrangements

Individualization of Instruction was discussed and changes proposed. (Another policy on evaluation of children was also proposed.) The policy was approved with the stipulation that Article No. 5 be deleted and Article No. 4 be reworded; Member Mirto dissented, pointing out that this Board might write all the policies it wanted to, but it is what people are prepared to accept that will finally occur. Policies on field trips and on petty cash policy and procedure were accepted for first posting.

The Safety Committee report was accepted by the Board. The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 p.m.

A special meeting of the Board was held on March 3, 1975 at the Board Administrative offices beginning at 7:40 p.m. Member Mirto was absent from the meeting; about 25 guests and administrators were in attendance. The meeting was called to review specifically the elementary school working drawings and authorize the architects to proceed with bidding processes. The architects reviewed the site plan for Windsor Park Subdivision which has been considered at previous meetings of the Board. The matter of tree removal and ecology on the site was especially discussed, as well as parking space limitations.

Mr. Robert Greenstein and Mr. Carl Pursell from Canton Township both expressed their displeasure with the communication on the part of the School District with Canton Township, and their concerns for safety of children in the area of Windsor Park School Site. They felt the Township should have had more input into the decisions made, but conceded the final decision was that of the Board itself. They also expressed concern that the survey taken in the Windsor Park Subdivision on the temporary road was not accurate and representative.

Other citizens from Fleet and Arlington Road area expressed their displeasure with the school location. Several questions were raised with the architects relative to the site, including matters of flooding, area zoning and responsibility for road repair. A motion to approve the building of Elementary School No. 11 on the site as proposed on drawing dated February 17, 1975, was not approved on a tie vote, Members Benton, Borowski and Yack dissenting and Members Berry, Lawton and McClendon voting "aye." A motion made to approve the original site plans for the Windsor Park No. 11 School was then passed on a unanimous vote. Architects indicated a two-week delay on bidding.

Several concerns were presented to the architects regarding specific aspects of the working drawings from administrators and Board members. These were reviewed and redesigns will be presented by the architects, no objections raised by Board members. All comments would be incorporated and final review of plans be made at the next regular meeting on March 10.

The Citizens' Advisory Election Committee membership was approved, with committee itself to be responsible for its chairperson. The Board was asked to draw up a set of directions for the Committee, with Members Lawton and Benson appointed to serve on the committee for the Board.

The Wakely-Kushner Architects were asked to appear at the 7:00 informational portion of the regular meeting of March 10 to report progress on Phase III of Canton High School. The special meeting which had been set for March 8 was cancelled. The meeting adjourned at 11:10 p.m.

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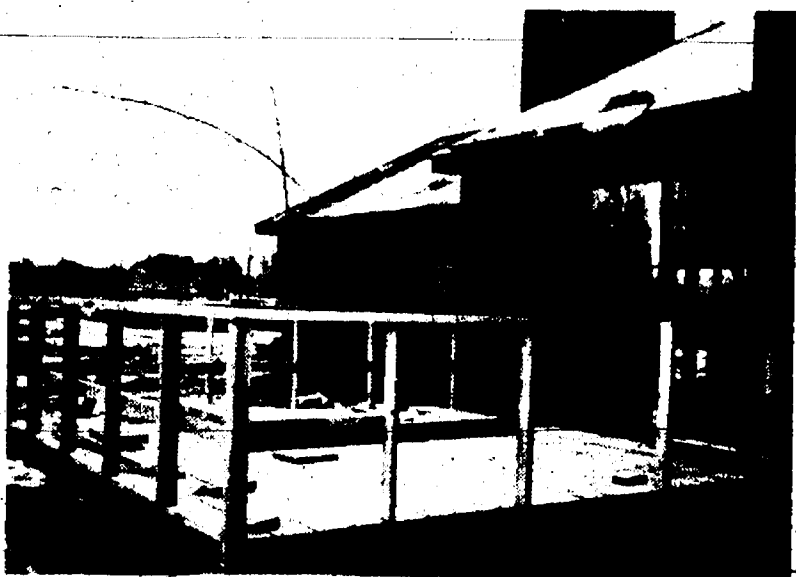
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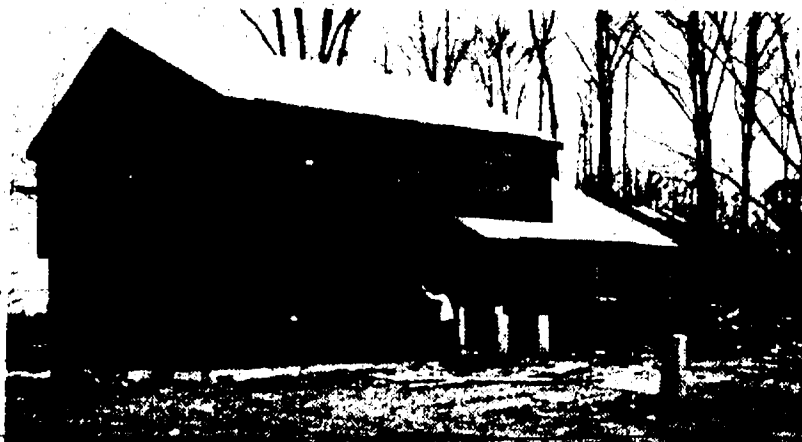
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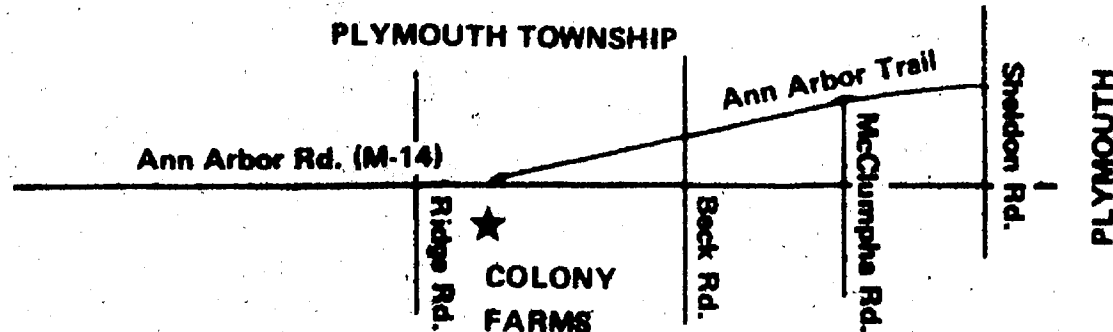
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