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Few School Crossings are Safe, Report says

BY W. EDWARD WENDOVER

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"Few, if any, of the school crossings in the Plymouth School District meet safety standards."

That, according to Robert V. DeCorte, traffic engineer for the Automobile Club of Michigan, is the crux of AAA's survey of the district's school crossing system. The report which has been in progress for a year and a half, was released last week.

The report recommends a complete review of the school crossings system in the district.

DeCorte said the study, which emphasized school crossings serving Bird and Starkweather elementary schools, showed the crossings did not meet Michigan State Police or Federal Department of Transportation standards.

The report criticized some practices its authors found among adult and student crossing guards.

It also said the money designated for the pedestrian overpass across Sheldon Road and Ann Arbor Trail could be better spent. "In view of the protection already afforded students at Sheldon and Ann Arbor Trail, the construction of this bridge will add to the problem rather than solve it."

The AAA report did praise the district's residents for passing the safety millage last year.

"It is commendable of the parents in the Plymouth School District to provide school officials with extra funds for the protection of their children," the report said.

The report criticized the practices of Plymouth adult school crossing guards which were implemented to help motorists see them — such as

parking cars with lights on facing traffic near crossings — and the actions of student school guards who sometimes "apply physical punishment" to students not using pedestrian bridges.

DeCorte also criticized the practice of frequently rotating student crossing guards because each time its done "you get a whole new raft of kids who don't know the corners or even how to put a patrol belt on."

Flossie Tonda, chairperson of the school district's safety committee, called the AAA report "unrealistic."

"They're not considering motorists running red lights and the other hazzards confronting kids and crossing guards," Mrs. Tonda said. "They have to face things as they really are, not as they ought to be."

Criticizing the AAA report's section on the Ann Arbor Trail

— Sheldon intersection, she said, "When you have five cars running the lights there every day (during school crossing hours), how can you guarantee the safety of the kids there?"

She agreed with DeCorte, however, that a pedestrian overpass for students "is not a cure — all."

Ray Moedel, assistant school superintendent for business, also criticized the report. "Is this telling the Plymouth Schools not to build an overpass (at Sheldon and Ann Arbor Trail) and if so, will they (AAA) assume responsibility should a mishap occur?"

Moedel said it would be possible to scuttle the planned overpass at Sheldon and Ann Arbor Trail since the safety millage did not list any specific safety projects.

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EASTER means a variety of things in the Plymouth — Canton Community this year. There will be sales for Easter outfits, the Easter Bunny will be in town to shake hands with boys and girls and there will even be an Easter Egg Hunt. See Pages 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 for more details.



THE EASTER BUNNY had lunch with 40 youngsters Saturday at the annual

Jaycette-sponsored Easter lunch. (Staff photo by John Foley)

Canton Consumer Protection Agency Proposal Criticized

BY KATHY KUENZER

Canton's new Consumer Protection Agency, offered in the form of a proposed ordinance at the March 11 board of trustees meeting, has met some criticism by Canton Chamber of Commerce president Bart Berg.

Generally Berg feels that the agency would "be a duplication of service already available to the residents of Canton Township." Berg was ostensibly speaking of the Wayne County Consumer Protection Agency (WCCPA).

Berg also criticized the licensing powers of the agency. While he says there will be "no quarrel with the Township Board about businesses being licensed. ..there is grave concern about the agency that is delegated to administer the licensing fees and to the use of the licensing fees."

Several questions concerning licensing came from Berg. "How much is the fee?" he asked. "What will the money go for exactly? And what do the

businesses get in return? Will it only be the "right to be investigated by an attorney?"

Berg said that in other communities where he has been licensed businesses received inspection services in return for their fee.

On the other hand Berg agreed that licensing, a power recently given to charter townships, could be a good thing — enabling the township to pick up extra taxes on new businesses.

The Chamber of Commerce

was seeking legal opinion on the ordinance and hoped to meet with Bob Myers, who authored the document, before action is taken on its approval.

Myers, who has been active in the area of consumerism for the past six years, doesn't see an actual duplication of services with the Wayne County agency. "The WCCPA's director, Allen Kellman, has said there is a need for the Canton agency. He says the WCCPA is 'overworked and

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Canton Crash Kills 1

One man was killed and a second is in critical condition following a two-car crash in Canton Township late Monday night

According to Wayne County Sheriff Detective Dennis Rautio, the accident occurred at 11 p.m. when a northbound car on Canton Center Road north of Palmer "crossed over the center line" and hit a southbound car head on.

The driver of the southbound car, Raymond Joslyn, 44, of Ypsilanti, was pronounced dead on arrival at Wayne County General Hospital. Still in critical condition at that hospital is the driver of the northbound car, John Summers, 23, of Farmington.

Rautio said the accident is still under investigation although the northbound car driven by Summers "made no apparent attempt to stop."

Schools Put Varsity Hockey Bid 'On Ice'

BY ROBERT CAMERON

The issue of inter-scholastic hockey for Plymouthhhigh schools. moved to the fore front even ahead of the Windsor Park access road issue at the School Board meeting Monday night.

The discussion, often punctuated by verbal barbs between Members Marcia Borowski and Gary Mirto, left the issue of hockey for Plymouth Schools "on ice" as the questions of finances for the sport were left unanswered.

Following a report by the administration, outlining the financial difficulties of sponsoring a hockeu team and the infeasibility of such action at this time, support for the sport came in the form of a motion by Member George Lawton to modify the recently passed school bus order.

The motion was to cancel two buses and one van, slated for use in the stand-by fleet, thus saving the schools \$41,219.72.

The motion carried without difficulty, Lawton quickly followed with another motion that \$10,000 of these funds be used to establish varsity hockey in Plymouth.

Members Benson and Borowski opposed the earmarking of the funds for hockey and stated the money might be better spent on special education, reading programs, additional teachers, but not sports. She said that since the time scheduling of competi-

tive sports seemed to suit the a= dults and not the students that she questioned just who would benefit by the addition of more sports.

Mirto countered, "Wondering, with Borowski on the board, just who was being exploited..."He then went on to express his feelings about "those people who don't like athletics...ar. won't come out and admit it". Ms. Borowski countered with an

amendment to Lawton's motion to read that the \$10,000 allotment be used for thomen's gymnastics and women' go If. That motion was defeated 5-2, the 'yes' votes were voiced by the women members of the board. The vote on Lawton's original motion ended with three for ,three against and Board President E.J'McClendon abstaining, waiting further word from the administration as to the future financial feasability of the additional sport.



The incidence of shoplifting has skyrocketed, and in response State Police at the Plymouth Post are arresting more shoplifters than ever before.

Two years ago the State Police recorded only four cases of simple larceny - a broader category than just shoplifting. In 1974 31 arrests were made and a separate category added for shoplifting. If projections from the first two months of this year hold up. 126 shoplifters will be arrested in Canton in 1975, according to Lt. William Tomczyk, commander of the

Shoplifting arrests have also soared in Plymouth Township. Police recorded 36 larcenies there in 1973. Last year there were 65.

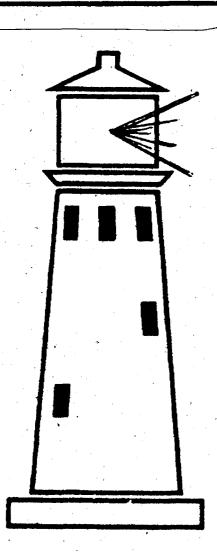
Tomczyk said that State Police and Sheriff's deputies alike are cracking down on shoplifters in the townships. He said a shoplifter's chances of getting caught are better than

"You'd think with the amount of people we've been arresting they's stop," he concluded.



WINNERS OF THE Plymouth Optimist Club's speech contest last week display their trophies. From left are: Sally Pinder (1st place,

girls); Marty Schendel (2nd place, boys); Gina Massaro (2nd place, girls); and Jim Penrice (1st place, boys). (Staff photo by Robert Cameron)



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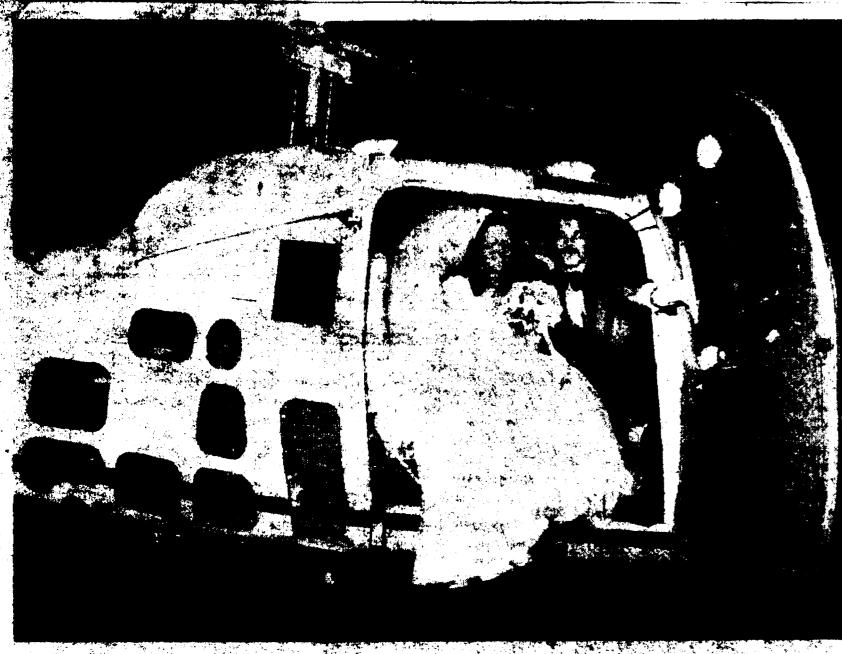
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Is Loop Ad. Slipping Away?

Plymouth is farther away from a commitment to develop its downtown than it was two years ago, according to planner Jay Eldridge of Vilican-Laman Associates, a Southfield planning firm which has worked with the city on the loop road and downtown improvements since 1957.

Eldridge gave his analysis of where downtown development stands now in a speech last week to members of the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce.

While the economy poses a new obstacle to development which is beyond local control. Eldridge said, the most depressing affects come from within

"It's my tesponsibility as a planner to urge the community to work for a downtown that will endure. Anyone who takes the attitude that the rest of Plymouth will endure without a rejuvenated downtown is living in a dreamworld."

He criticized the city commission's repeated failure to

fully support the proposed loop road around the central business district, but said he was heartened by the recent appointment of three commissioners and the city manager as a steering committee to work with downtown merchants for coordinated planning.

He said that until the city and the merchants alike commit themselves to downtown development – starting with the loop road – potential investors

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New School Site Dilemma Looms

BY KATHY KUENZER

A letter from the Wayne County Road Commission and news of what it would cost to relocate a school planned for Windsor Park subdivision may push the Plymouth School Board to build a temporary construction road into the site.

At a meeting last Wednesday attended by representatives of the Plymouth School Board, the school's architects, the Windsor Park Homeowners Assn., the road commission and the county drain commissioner, the school board learned that road commission engineers had reviewed the school site plan and would not approve it as long as Fleet Road would have to bear construction traffic.

According to the Letter, "Fleet Road is a residential street and was not designed to carry heavy construction equipment."

WCRC engineer William La Gosh, told the group that the commission, doesn't build roads in subdivisions and could not construct a temporary access road from Lilley west into the school site.

That news leaves the option of building a temporary road at Canton's expense (which township officials say they cannot afferd to do, building it at the schedis' expense (which some board members feel is not the obligation of the district) or relocating the proposed elementary school to a site at Canton Center and Hanford roads

Canton engineer Glen Roberts estimated the cost of a temporary access road (and drain culverts necessary to cross Tonquish Creek) at \$20,000 to \$25,000.

Architect Larry Morris, asked by a school board member what it would cost to move the school to the second site, projected that with rising costs, additional surveys and architect's fees for redesign, a change in sites would cost an extra \$100,000 and two months' time.

"...\$100,000 as opposed to \$25,000. Thank you, you've answered my question," said Board Member Carl Berry.

"It seems to me the schools could be put up for bid and you could worry about the road when the bids come in," Morris said. "That might give us what we need."

Board Member Marcia Borowski questioned whether the WCRC had flatly denied the schools the use of Fleet Road into the site.

"I don't think the WCRC letter holds weight," she said. "A policy must be applied equally to all situations."

Windsor Park homeowners who live on Arlington, which was also to have handled truck traffic, said that construction traffic along that street might endanger the safety of neighborhood children. They do, however, want the walk-in advantage of the school and they support the temporary road plan.

\$1 Million hasn't Changed Betty Parker

One million dollars hasn't changed the life of Betty Parker.

After winning the top prize in the Michigan Lottery Tuesday, Mrs. Parker was back scrubbing pots and pans and dishing up food at Miller Elementary School Thursday.

She isn't sure whether she'll be back on the job next year—"I enjoy it here, but I hate to take a job from somebody who needs it"—but she'll at least finish this school year.

Mrs. Parker and her husband, Harold, won the lottery on a ticket he'd purchased at Cobo Hall. But since she'd taken it to the claim office at the Secretary of State bureau, her name was officially on the ticket. She told The Crier she never buys lottery tickets herself. "My husband's always saying, 'Oh, you tightwad. Why don't you buy some tickets?!"

The Parkers, who live at 1599
Nantucket with their children,
Jeff, 16, and Susan 14, aren't
sure what they'll do with the
million—which they'll get in
installments of \$50,000 for 20
years.

When The Crier first called the Parkers early Wednesday morning Jeff unswered and said his parents weren't flome. They're at the bank right now," he explained.

"The kids have told us what we're going to do with the money," Mrs. Parker laughed. "They want us to increase their allowance."

She said they may take a nice vacation and get another car—
"Just things we were planning to do anyhow."

"From then on, we don't know," she added.

Last week's lottery drawing was an historic one for Plymouth. In addition to the Parker's \$1 million prize, second and third places were also won by area residents.

The \$100,000 runner-up prize went to Carl Aldridge Jr. who had just moved from Plymouth to Florida. He returned for the drawing.

An industrial engineer for Burroughs Corp.'s Plymouth plant, Shirish Sanghvi, a native of India, won the third prize of \$50,000.



BETTY PARKER (foreground) was back at work scrubbing pots and pans in the Miller Elementary School cafeteria even after winning

\$1 million in the state lottery. (Staff photo by Hank Meijer)



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Consumer Protection

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understaffed' and that they have trouble getting to all of Wayne County's communities."

Myers answered Berg's questions about licensing by saying that the fees would be pro-rated depending on the size of the business. The fees, he feels, will "eventually be passed onto consumers."

As for what the businesses will receive in return, Myers says, "This will help develop a better relationship between consumers and business. It will help businesses improve their services and products."

Myers appears willing to listen to citizen and business input into the ordinance. "We don't yet know how the citizens feel about it yet, so we must have a public hearing," he said.

Township Supervisor Bob Greenstein calls the consumer protection agency "something vitally needed to protect the public."

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will turn away from downtown Plymouth and its high property prices and doubtful future.

"I can't see why a person can't realize the importance of developing downtown Plymouth," he said. He noted that small starts have been made which point to a loop road, but a total commitment by the city is still lacking.

"Piecemealing will never do it," he added. "Two years ago we were telling people in all good faith that we were moving ahead. Let's go on with it now."

Crossings

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Plymouth Police Chief Tim Ford said he had not had an opportunity to study the AAA report, but "I've just scanned it and it looks good."

"It gives us the opportunity to analyze the validity of where crossing guards are now," Ford said, adding that while few changes would be made during the duration of the school year, a review would take place over the summer.

The city police department currently oversees the adult crossing guard program for the school district.

What's Happening

Don't forget the exhibition of the SWEDISH HOCKEY TEAMS against the Plymouth bantam and midget divisions tonight (March 26) at the Plymouth Cultural Center. Starting time is 7 p.m. and play lasts until 10 p.m. Admission is \$1 for adults and 50 cents for children.

The CANTON NEWCOMERS will meet at 7:30 p.m. April 2 at Pioneer Middle School, 46081 W. Ann Arbor Rd. The guest speaker will be handwriting analyst Florence Dinser. For information call Linda Kaduk at 455-6247.

The April 3 meeting of the NORTHVILLE SPRING CHAPTER OF CHINA PAINTERS will be at 10 a.m. at the Plymouth Community Credit Union. Barbara Baluha will hold a workshop on cameo pin wipe out. Bring your lunch and stay for a business meeting.

The MAYFLOWER GARDEN CLUB will meet March 27 at 10 a.m. in the home of Bev Johnstone, 9002 Morrison. Her co-hostess will be Dorothy Fulton. Projects will include decorative bird cages and leather covered bottles.

The SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB of Plymouth will take a five-day CANADIAN TRIP May 12-16. Double occupancy rates for the tour of Toronto, Montreal, Ottawa and Hamilton are \$145 per person. The trip is open to all seniors and their friends. For reservations call Janet Luce by April 24 at 453-0799 or 453-2904.

The ROTARY CLUB of Plymouth will hold its first TALENT SHOW for high school students April 23 at 7:30 p.m. in the Plymouth-Salem auditorium. Cash prizes totaling \$500 will be awarded. Tickets are available at most area banks or from Plymouth Rotarians.

The EASTER BUNNY will visit merchants in Old Village, downtown Plymouth and the Sheldon and Ann Arbor Road shopping districts Friday from 3:30 to 9 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. to greet youngsters.

The SACRED HEART GUILD of Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church will hold a RUMMAGE SALE Wednesday, April 2 in the school gym from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

The Plymouth - Northville PARENTS WITHOUT PARTNERS will meet at 8 p.m. Friday, March 28, at the First Presbyterian Church in Northville. A gardening expert will speak.

The SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB OF PLYMOUTH will hold its regular monthly pot luck dinner meeting, Thursday March 27 at noon in the community room of Tonquish Creek Manor, 1160 Sheridan. Members are asked to bring a dish to pass and their own place setting. Coffee and tea provided. WANT TO JOIN? Call Madeline Fox, Membership Chairman — 455-2990 — Plymouth City and Township residents only.

Attorney William H. Marrill will speak to a breakfast meeting of the PRESBYTERIAN MEN'S GROUP at breakfast on Saturday, April 19, 1975 at the Church, the breakfast beginning at 8:00 a.m. He served in Detroit as an Assistant U.S. Attorney and most recently was on the staff of the Special Prosecutor, Washington, D.C., and himself tried the case against John Ehrlichman growing out of the break-in of the office of Dr. Fielding, psychiatrist for Dr. Daniel Ellsberg, associated with the release of the Pentagon papers.

The Fiegel School PTO will hold a FAMILY SPAGHETTI DINNER, Friday, April 18, from 5 to 7:30 P.M. The dinner will include spaghetti with meat sauce, salad, bread, dessert, and beverages. Adult, children and family tickets may be purchased in advance or at the door. A bake sale will be featured as well as door prizes given during the evening.

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Community Obituaries

Eckles

Claude Leo Eckles, 76, of 41066 Schoolcraft, Plymouth Township, a member of one of the area's pioneer families, died March 7 in St. Mary Hospital. Services were held in Schrader Fineral Home with Rev. Paul Cargo officiating, Burial was in Cherry Hill Cemetery.

Mr. Fckles is survived by his wife, Helen and sisters, Mrs. Eva Bordine of Plymouth and Mrs. Hah Holcomb of Traverse City.

He was a lifetime resident of the community and a former truck driver. He belonged to the First United Methodist Church of Plymouth, the Plymouth Grange and the Plymouth Historical Society.

Flechtner

Byron E. Flechtner (Cmdr. U.S. Naval Reserve Ret.), 69, who supervised the enlistment of 110,000 Michigan recruits from 1942 to 1945 during World War II died March 11 in Detroit General Hospital. He was 69. He lived at 30606 W. Warren Rd., Westland. Services were held in the Lodge of Sorrows, with arrangements by Schrader Funeral Home. Rev. George Sweet officiated. Burial was in Riverside Cemetery.

Cmdr. Flechtner is survived by his wife, Geraldine; his son, David of Livonia; sisters, Mrs. Jeanette Phillips of Fostoria, Ohio and Mrs. Gail Stutz of Ravenna, Ohio; brothers, Paul of Ravenna and Edward Jr., Ned and William, all of Tiffin, Ohio; and three grandchildren.

He was a member of the Plymouth Elks BPOE 1780 and the Plymouth Elks Senior Citizens. He was a salesman for Chrysler Corp.

Nichols

Oran M. Nichols, 81, of 605 Kellogg, Plymouth, died March 7, in St. Mary Hospital. Services were held in Schrader Funeral Home with Rev. Dennis Metzger officiating. Burial was in Mt. Hope Memorial Gardens, Livonia.

Mr. Nichols is survived by his wife, Norah; daughters, Mrs. Peggy Gothe and Mrs. Ora Jean Beaster of Ypsilanti; a sister, Mrs. Mary Murdock of Minneapolis, Minn.; brothers,

Henry of Minneapolis, Charlie of Iron River and Alrod Fhone Lander, Wis.; 12 grand children and hine post-grandchildren.

Motor Company, a member of the First Baptist Church of Plymouth and the Livonia DAV Chapter 114.

Harrison

Kenneth Harrison, 77, of Plymouth died March 5 in the Hendry Convalescent Home. Services were held in Schrader Funeral Home with Rev. Philip Rogers Magee officiating. Entombment was in Riverside Mausoleum.

Mr. Harrison is survived by his brother, Albert of Highland Park; two nephews and one niece.

He was a retired real estate broker who had his own firm in Plymouth. He was a member of First United Presbyterian Church of Plymouth and Tonquish Lodge No. 32 IOOF and belonged to the VFW, Plymouth Rock Lodge No. 47 F&AM and the Plymouth Rotary Club.

Rorabacher

Hilda C. Rorabacher, 86, of 854 Church St., Plymouth, died March 12 in St. Mary Hospital. Services were held in Schrader Funeral Home with Rev. Philip Rogers Magee officiating. Burial was in Rural Hill Cemetery, Northville.

Mrs. Rorabacher is survived by her sons; Merritt and Leland, both of Plymouth; her daughter, Mrs. Evelyn Cash of Plymouth; sisters, Mrs. Carrie Dickinson of Plymouth and Mrs. Zenaide Larkins of Northville; eight grandchildren and 11 great - grandchildren.

She was a lifetime resident of the Plymouth area and a charter member of the VFW Ladies Auxiliary here.

Woods

John Woods, 71, of 1361 S. Harvey, Plymouth, died March 12 in Wayne County General Hospital. Services were held in Schrader Funeral Home.

Mr. Woods is survived by his wife, Florence; sisters, Lily

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Hamilton and Mrs. Sadie Nelson, both of Ireland; and brothers. David of Ireland and William of Westland.

He was self-employed in retain dairy sales and was a member of the Masonic 4 Square Lodge of Agetroit.

Gutherie

Newburgh Rd., Westland, died March 10 in University Hospital, Ann Arbor. Services were held in Newburg United Methodist Church with arrangements by Schrader Funeral Home. The Rev. William Ritter officiated. Burial was in Riverside Cemetery.

Mrs. Gutherie is survived by her daughter, Miss Rosemary Gutherie of Plymouth; sons, Melvin Jr. of Plymouth Township and Thomas A. of Greensboro, Ga.: and six grandchildren.

She was a member of Newburg United Methodist Church, the Ruth Circle, the Women's City Club of Detroit, the National Farm and Garden Club. Women's Society of the Detroit Symphony, the Plymouth Symphony Women's Club, Women's Club of Livonia, the Livonia Historical Society, the Senior Citizens Club of Plymouth, the Riverside Book Club and the Women's Club of Plymouth.

She was past president of the American Legion Auxiliary and a Sunday school teacher at Newburg United Methodist Church.

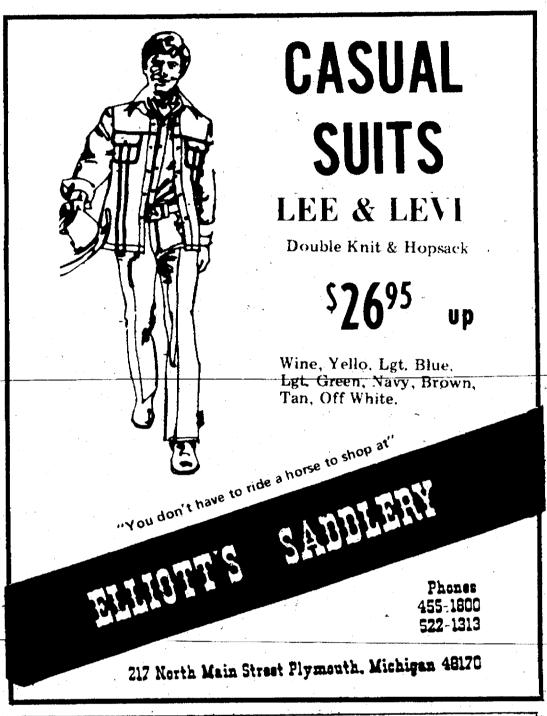
Goodfellows Elect Berghoff

City Police Lt. Henry Berghoff has been elected president of the Plymouth Goodfellows for 1975, succeeding Bob Fitzner.

Bob Caloia was named vice pro ident, Dale Cours, treasurer; and John Johnston secretary.

The 150-member crab helped cut 31 needs families in the past year. I azner said.





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DONNA LOMAS sets the first story for today's paper on The Community Crier's new composition equipment. (Staff photo)

Pardon Our Typos

Starting with this edition, The Community Crier is setting up some of its own type and pasting up its own pages.

If there are typographical errors or things look a little crooked, please bear with us for a couple weeks until we straighten things out.

The changes are designed to offer more services and later deadlines for advertisers and news sources as well as to reduce costs.

If you've never seen type being set or pages keylined the staff of The Crier invites you to step in Monday or Tuesday to see how it's done.



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Borowski Responds..

EDITOR'S NOTE: This letter was written in response to a letter from Mrs. Howard Pelkey which appeared in the March 12 edition.

Dear Mrs. Pelkey:

Thank you for coming to the Board of Education budget hearing. I was really pleased to see someone there who did not yet even have any children in school.

I share your dismay with the other residents of the Plymouth community who did not take the time to come. We need to hear from everyone on just what kind of job they think we are doing. Actually there were over 15 people in the audience who were not teachers and administrators, but that is still a dismal figure.

We had hoped that one of the newspapers would publish our questionnaire — in fact, I personally requested each of them to do so. And we will have another hearing, in April I believe, on the proposed budget made up by the administration.

I appreciate your interest and hope that you will not give up on us. However, I am troubled by some of the things you expressed in the meeting and again in your letter to the Crier.

I feel that the three new elementary buildings that we are now building are extremely practical buildings. They are air-conditioned.

This has been done for two reasons. 1. To save the taxpayers money. Instead of building four new schools, we have only three. These three, since they are air-conditioned, can be used on a year-round basis, thus they can each hold 25 to 33 per cent more students than if they were opened only nine months of the year. 2. We believe that the 45-15 extended school year program is more educationally sound than our traditional school year.

Thus, in order to save money and to improve the quality of education, we have decided to air condition these new buildings.

Some of the buildings we have built in the past have not been as practical and efficient as they might have been. We are making every effort not to make this mistake again. You are certainly welcome to look over the plans of the new buildings and voice any objections to their design that you may have.

Since December, we have had a committee at work on school attendance boundaries. I am a member of that committee, and we will make our report to the Board at its regular March 24 meeting (held in Plymouth-Canton High School at 8 p.m.). I agree most whole-heartedly that our boundaries are not what they should be and we are making every effort to change them.

One of our biggest problems has been that the voters turned down the bond issue for new schools twice before it was finally passed. Therefore, we now have those children here in our district, but the schools to house them are not yet built. We are doing an unbelievable amount of busing, and will have to continue until those new schools are finished.

We did hold a public meeting on the attendance boundaries in January and will be basing our recommendations in part on the results of that public meeting (again, the turnout was very poor — about 30 people).

The cost of education is affected by inflation just as the rest of us are affected. I would agree that some of the expenditures of the board may be non-essential. But I do promise to work to eliminate those expenditures.

More importantly, there is much more we ought to be doing in our schools and are not doing now because of lack of funds. I believe that education is the wisest investment in the future that we can make — both for ourselves and for our children. I am hoping that I will convince you to be a millage supporter.

MARCIA BOROWSKI
Plymouth School Board
Member

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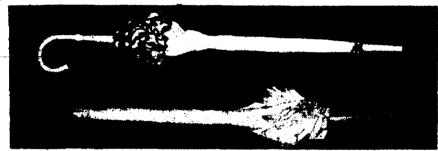


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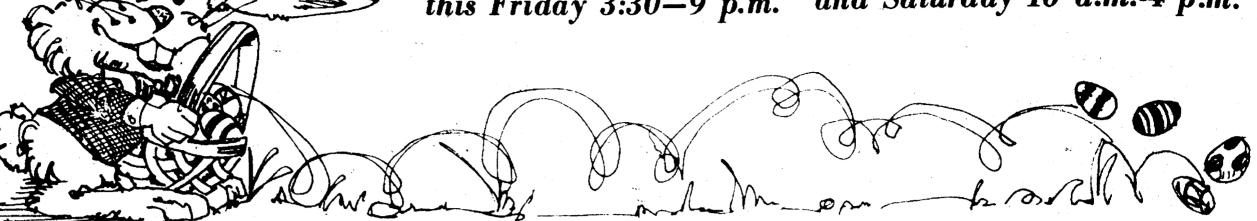
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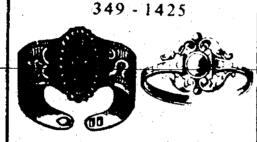
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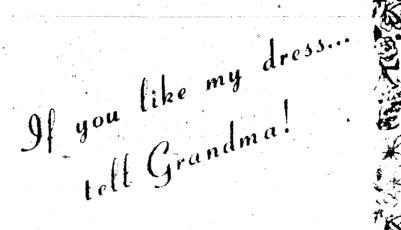


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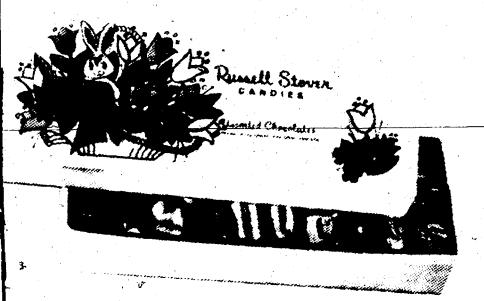
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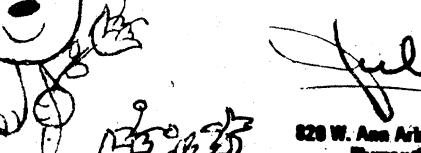
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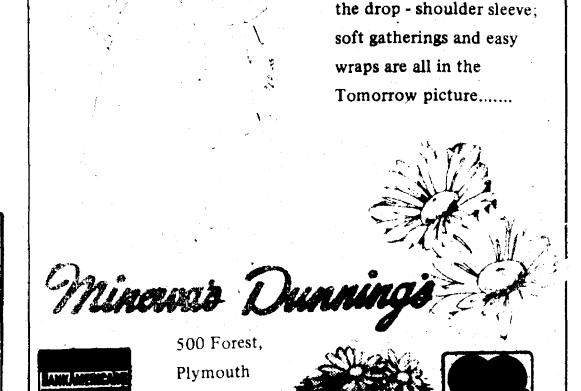
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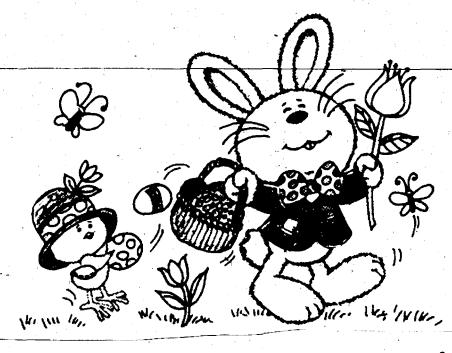
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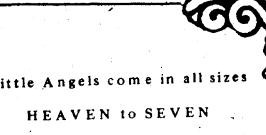
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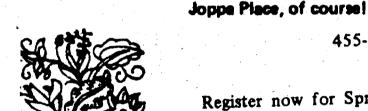
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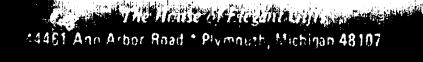
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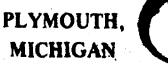


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LUNGING for the tape, Salem junior Russ Bruner (left), Canton sophomore Scott Gray and Salem junior Joe Scott wind up their wind sprints in the corridors of Canton High School, where trackmen from both schools have been getting into shape for the 1975 outdoor season. For a preview of both teams see page 12. (Staff photo by Robert Cameron.)



It's Been a Long, but not Cold, Winter for Sports

BY DENNIS O'CONNOR

It's been a long but very prosperous winter sports season for the athletic teams at Plymouth-Canton and Plymouty-Salem high schools these past five months.

The biggest accomplishment of all was the performance of the Plymouth-Salem varsity basketball team.

Not only did the Rocks finish with a 22-3 record (best ever in Plymouth's history), but they also won the Suburban Eight League title (for the second year in a row) and went farther than any other Plymouth basketball team has in the Michigan High School Tournament. Plymouth con district and regional crowns and advanced as far as the continues in East Lansing before symptout. Congratulations to each Fred Thomann and his and group of players for a job di done.

Canton Spikers Garner Honors

The All-Western Six League selections for Girls Volleyball were announced last week, with two of the six girls coming from the league champion Plymouth-Canton Chiefs.

Karen Reid and Chris Boyd were named to the first team, while Lisa Williams placed on the second team and Cindy Ross made the honorable mention list.

The Canton varsity basketball squad had an improving year, winning seven more ballgames than in the previous season and finishing with a 10-10 season mark. The Chiefs also finished second in Western Six League standings, an impressive accomplishment for a second-year school.

The girls volleyball team at Plymouth-Canton made history this fall by gaining a first-place tie for the Western Six League title, the first for a Canton team.

The Rocks from Plymouth-Salem also finished with a strong volleyball season as they wound up second in the Suburban Eight League.

Both Swim treams and the

Plymouth-Salem wrestling squad finished records above the .500 mark. The Canton wrestling team was a young group of athletes that improved as the year went on, taking a trophy at the Cherry Hill Quad Meet.

When it comes to middle school competition, enough can't be said about the basketball players of the West eighth grade team. This group of boys went undefeated the whole season (10-0) for their second year in a row.

And now, as the winter season closes, I hope the upcoming spring sports scene at the two high schools will be just as successful and enjoyable to all the funs in the Plymouth-Canton Community.

Sports

Lions Nip Faculty

The junior class of Plymouth-Canton High School sponsored a basketball game between the Detroit Lions Football team and faculty players from Plymouth-Salem and Plymouth-Canton last Thursday – the Lions won the amiable contest 64-53.

Wearly 275 Plymouth partisans were on hand to cheer both sides.

The Lions play about two games a week, traveling to high schools throughout the Detroit area. They are coached by Joe Gualtieri.

The cage roster for Thursday's game included kicker Herman Weaver, guard Chuck Walton, linebacker Paul Naumoff, defensive end Larry Hand,

halfback Altie Taylor, defensive end Jim Mitchell, safety Mike Weager and defensive back Levi Johnson.

Johnson was the biggest crowd pleaser, as he led the Lions in scoring with 20 points on a combination of devastating dunk shots and magnificent outside shooting.

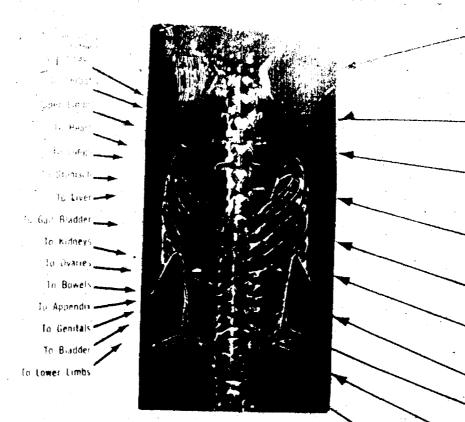
The faculty squad, coached by Canton principal Kent Buikema, included Pat O'Donnell, Fred Thomann, Craig Bell, Gary Balconi, Dan Chreko, Mike McCauley, John Seidelman, Sam Daas, John Cunningham, Nick Cooper, Marlin Coker, Jim Muneio, Gary Grady, Jim Martin, Steve Williams, Larry Francis and Scott Kurtz. Thomann led tree seeding with 15.

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Twp. Seeks M-14 Exit Review

BY HANK MELJER

The Plymouth Township Planning Commission last Thursday took a first step toward re-examining the need for an M-14 expressway interchange at Beck Road between Joy and North Territorial.

The commission voted to ask the state highway department through the township board of trustees to stay acquisition of the remaining land needed for the overpass and hold a hearing of necessity to determine whether the need for an exit at Beck has changed since it was first planned years ago.

Planning Commissioner John Goulet said newly-released

federal highway funds may enable the state to start work on the new expressway this year.

The route of the proposed highway, which would connect Ann Arbor with the new I-275 expressway, has been chartered for about a decade. Exits are also planned for Gotfredson Road in Washtenaw County and Sheldon Road north of Plymouth.

The state has acquired all but one of the parcels it needs for the Beck interchange site — state boundary commissioner and former township planning commissioner Irving Rozien lives on Beck Road and his house would have to be taken for the interchange.

"We like the Plymouth community," he said. "We want

to make our permanent home here." He said the Wayne County Road Commission, which has jurisdiction over Beck, has no plans at present to pave or widen what is now a two-lane gravel road.

Other area residents said that the exits proposed for Gotfredson and Sheldon aren't far enough apart to justify an exit at Beck.

State highway officials have said they hope now to acquire all the property needed for the interchange, even though it might be some years before Beck Road is ready to handle exit traffic.

"There is a question of public necessity versus the private individual's rights," Rozien said. Some members of the planning commission noted that heavily-traveled Sheldon Road, which is often congested by a railroad crossing near North Territorial, might not be able to handle the additional traffic that would come into Plymouth from the highway.

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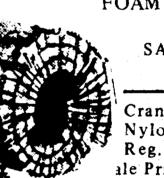
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Chief Batsmen Have High Hopes

BY DENNIS O'CONNOR

Experience is a plus for any Plymouth-Canton athletic team and the baseball squad is no exception. Coach Fred Crissey and his Chiefs have high hopes for the upcoming year.

To start off the season on the right foot, the Chiefs are on a spring training trip to Cincinnati

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this week. Primarily a senior ball club, the Plymouth team wanted to do something out of the ordinary to add a touch of unity and fun to their pre-season conditioning. They are competing in sic ball-games with Ohio squads.

Canton has two solid starters on its pitching staff, both righthanded. Chris Martucci and Bill Parson both notched excellent earned, run averages last season. Martucci won five ballgames with an 0.54 average (best in the area), while Parson won six games with a 1.00 average. When these two aren't hurling they play in the outfield. Steve Morman, a lefthanded sophomore, may also see action on the mound.

Dave Pink and Ed Pariseau at first base, Keith Randazzo at second, Brian Stemberger at shortstop and Scott Dunagan at third are the mainstays of the infield. Mike Howell is a good utility man who plays any infield position.

The Chiefs have speed in the outfield with Bob Ayotte, Paul Major and hard-hitting Mike Verduce.

Coach Crissey thinks he has the best catcher in the area in junior Tom Close. Close has strong defensive skills and an exceptional throwing arm. He hits the ball solidly every time he comes up to bat. Verduce will aslo do some catching.

"Our main concern this season is to win the Western Six League title," Crissey said. If the Chiefs accomplish this goal, they would be the first male team from Canton to win a league championship. That task isn't going to be simple. The Western Six League is again going to be a strong baseball conference.

Solid defense and good pitching won a lot of games for Canton last season. The Chiefs are going to have to have a more consistent hitting attack to finish better than their 11-9 record of last year. They did have strong hitting last summer as they won the Connie Mack

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FRED THOMANN, coach of the Plymouth — Salem basketball team, scores against Mike Weger of the Detroit Lions in the benefit game held between the Plymouth high schools' faculty and the Lions. (Staff photo by Robert Cameron)

National League title. Six players batted over the .300 mark.

Cirssey has been coaching and teaching physical education in Plymouth for a number of years. He started at Good Counsel before joining the public school system at Pioneer Middle School. He has taught at East and is now at Central.

A former professional ballplayer in the Los Angeles Dodgers-baseball system, Crissey has coached at Canton for three years. Before that he coached the junior varsity at the old Plymouth High School. He also has coached football at Canton, as a varsity assistant to Jim Muneio and he now handles the coaching duties in football and basketball at Central.

The Chiefs open a tough schedule (which includes Catholic League powers Brother Rice and Catholic Central) April 9 in a non-league home game against Livonia Stevenson.

Worthy of a footnote is the fact that 14 of the 17 players on the Cincinnati trip made the honor roll last semester for scholastic achievement.

Jr. A's Win Title

A very experienced Junior A Hockey team represents Plymouth this season. Many of the players have been playing on ice with each other for many years. Most are currently students or recent graduates of the Plymouth Centennial Park.

This group of players won about 70 percent of their league games this season. To go along with this fine record, Plymouth has also won their District competition and earned the right to play in the State Tournament held at Oak Park last week. To win the District, Plymouth came up with solid 5-2 and 7-2 victories over Redford.

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TESDAY, APRIL Sloopy labs, pickle slices, french fries, fruit tup, milk.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2
Chicken in gravy over mashed potatoes, homerade hot roll, trust cup, milk.

THURSDAY, APRIL 3 Hot dog on a bun, relishes, buttered vegetable, wiit cup, cookie, milk.
PRIDAY, APRIL 4 Hamburger on a bun, relishes, direct sticks, dekle slices, fruit cun

BIRD ELEMENTARY

MONDAY, MARCH 31 Tomato soup, toasted checks sandwich, toll house bar, fruit cup,

TUESDAY, APRIL 1 Sloppy joe on a bun, pickle slices, buttered green beans, fruit cup, milk, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2 Hamburger gravy over mashed potatoes, hot roll, furit cup, milk. THURSDAY, APRIL 3

Hot dog on a bun, catsup, mustard, buttered hot vegetable, fruit cup, cake, milk.

FRIDAY, APRIL 4 Fish sticks, tartar sauce, catsup, french bread, buttered vegetable, chocolate pudding, milk.

CENTRAL MIDDLE AND CENTRAL ELEMENTARY

MONDAY, MARCH 31 Creamed chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, buttered peas, bread, Cranberry sauce, milk.
TUESDAY, APRIL 1

Hot dog on bun, buttered corn, fruit cup, cowboy cookie, milk.
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2 Spaghetti with meat sauce and

cheese, hot roll, fruit juice, pudding THURSDAY, APRIL 3 Bar-b-que meat on bun, buttered

green beans, fruit, cookie, milk, FRIDAY, APRIL 4 Fish sticks, oven fried french fries, cole slaw, milk, buttered bread.

FARRAND ELEMENTARY

MONDAY, MARCH 31 Grilled cheese sandwich, cream of tomato soup, toll house bars, fruit cup and milk,

TUESDAY, APRIL 1 Hamburger gravy over mashed potatoes, pickle slice, buttered hot roll, fruit cup and milk.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2 Spaghetti w/meat sauce, buttered vegetable, cinnamon roll, fruit cup and milk.

THURSDAY, APRIL 3
Hot dog on bun, catsup, mustard & relish, green beans or sauerkraut, peanut butter cookies, fruit cup and milk.

FRIDAY, APRIL 4
Oven fried fish sticks, tartar sauce, tater tots, buttered french bread, fruit cup and milk.

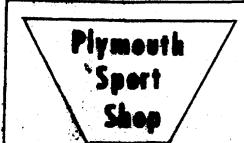
FIEGEL SCHOOL MONDAY, MARCH 31

Tomato soup, peanutbutter and jelly

sandwich, cheese sticks, fruit, brownies, milk.

TUESDAY, APRIL 1

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THURSDAY, APRIL 3

Bar-b-que on a bun, pickle slices, buttered corn, fruit, chocolate cake,

FRIDAY, APRIL 4 Oven baked fish sticks, tartar sauce, buttered mixed vegetable, buttered warm bread, jello/fruit, milk.

JAMES J. GALLIMORE

MONDAY, MARCH 31 Chicken rice soup, peanut butter mindwich, fruit, cake, milk. TUESDAY, APRIL 1

metti wimeat sauce, green beans, memon rolls, fruit, milk WEDNESDAY, ARPIL 2

Roast turkey, mashed potatoes and gravy, french bread, jello, cake.
THURSDAY, APRIL 3 Hot dog on bun, catsup or mustard, buttered corn, fruit, cookie, milk. FRIDAY, APRIL 4 Fishwich, tartar sauce, mixed

RUSSELL L. ISBISTER

vegetables, fruit, cake, milk.

MONDAY, MARCH 31 Tomato soup, toasted cheese sandwich, fruit cup, chocolate chip cookie, milk

TUESDAY, APRIL 1
Sloppy joe, buttered carrots, peaches, çookie, milk.

APRIL FOOL'S DAY
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12
Spaghetti, buttered cornbread, green beans, apple strudel, milk.
THURSDAY, APRIL 3

Hot dog on bun, spinach, fruit cocktail, cookie, milk. FRIDAY, APRIL 4 Submarine sandwich, corn, fruit cup,

telihouse bar, milk.

MILLER ELEMENTARY

MONDAY, MARCH 31 Hot chicken vegetable soup, crackers, vanilla pudding, fruit cocktail bars,

TUESDAY, APRIL 1 Plump frank on bun, baked beans, peaches, frosted cake, milk. WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2

"PIZZA DAY" THURSDAY, APRIL 3 Spaghetti w/meat sauce, garlic toast, green beans, cookie, milk,

FRIDAY, APRIL 4 Tacos, french freis, fruit cup, cookie,

SMITH ELELEMENTARY

MONDAY, MARCH 31 Fish sticks, tartar sauce, combread, buttered vegetable, fruit cup, cookie,

TUESDAY, APRIL 1 Spaghetti with meat sauce, french bread, buttered vegetable, cake, jello,

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2

Sliced turkey, mashed potatoes with gravy, hot roll, fruit cup, cookie,

THURSDAY, APRIL 3 Hot_dog on bun, mustard, catsup or relish, buttered vegetable, chocolate pudding, fruit cup, cookie, milk. FRIDAY, APRIL 4

Sloppy joe on bun, french fries, fruit cup, cookie, milk.

STARKWEATHER

MONDAY, MARCH 31 Tomato soup, peanut butter and jelly sandwich, carrot sticks, fruit cup, peanut butter bars, milk.

TUESDAY, APRIL 1 Ravioli with cheese sauce, buttered green beans, hot buttered rolls, jello

with fruit, milk. WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2 Toasted cheese sandwich, buttered corn, celery sticks, apple sauce cups,

iced cake, milk, THURSDAY, APRIL 3 Pork and gravy over mashed potatoes, pickle slices, buttered bread, fruit

cup, milk. FRIDAY, APRIL 4 Oven fried fish sticks, tartar sauce cup, tater tots, catsup cup, peach

cup, cookies, milk.
MQNDAY, APRIL 7 Chicken and rice soup, peanut butter and jelly sandwich, carrot sticks, fruit cup, toll house bars, milk.

TUESDAY, APRIL 8 Spaghetti with meat sauce, buttered green beans, hot buttered rolls, fruit cup, milk.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9 Tuna salad sandwich, buttered corn, celery sticks, apple sauce cups, cookies, milk.

THURSDAY, APRIL 10 Turkey slices, mashed potatoes with gravy, pickle slices, buttered bread, fruit cup, milk,

FRIDAY, APRIL 11 Hot dog on buttered bun, catsup or relish cup, tartar tater tots, fruit cup, cake, milk.

TANGER ELEMENTARY

MONDAY, MARCH 31 Pizza with meat/cheese, hot vegetable, toll house bar, fruit, milk. TUESDAY, APRIL 1 Barbecue pork sandwich on warm bun, tater tots, jello, brownie, milk. WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2

Hamburger sandwich, choice of relishes, patoto chips, fruit, cookie, THURSDAY, APRIL 3

Hot dog on warm bun, choice of relishes, hot vegetable, pudding, cake, FRIDAY, APRIL 4 Macaroni and cheese, hot vegetable,

fruit, toll house bar, milk.

EAST ELEMENTARY AND MIDDLE SCHOOLS

MONDAY, MARCH 31 Spaghetti w/meat, cole slaw, biscuits, pudding, cookie, milk.

TUESDAY, APRIL 1
Pizza noodle, green beans, fruit cup, tollhouse bar, milk.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2 Hamburger on bun, relishes, corn, orange juice, fruit, cowboy cookie,

THURSDAY, APRIL 3 Sloppy joe on bun, french fries, fruit jelio, brownie bar, milk. FRIDAY, APRIL 4

Fish sandwich, tartar sauce, potato chips, fruit cup, banana cake, mik.

PIONEER MIDDLE

MONDAY, MARCH 31 Bar-B-Q pork on bun, potato chips, buttered vegetable, choice of fruit, cookie, milk.

TUESDAY, APRIL 1 Meat in gravy over mashed potatoes, buttered green beans, homemade roll and butter, choice of fruit or jello, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2

Hot dogs in homemade roll (relishes), beef vegetable noodle soup (crackers), apple crisp, milk. THURSDAY, APRIL 3

Hot sliced turkey with mashed potatoes and gravy, buttered sweet potatoes, homemade roll and butter, choice of fruit, milk.

FRIDAY, APRIL 4 Baked macaroni and cheese, homemade roll and butter, cabbage and carrot salad, choice of fruit,

WEST

MONDAY, MARCH 31 Hot dogs with trimmings, hash brown potatoes, applesauce, peanut butter crinkles, milk.

TUESDAY, APRIL 1 Pizza/noodles, green beans, french bread, peaches, butterscotch bars,

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2 Roasted pork/mashed potatoes, sliced carrots, biscuti and butter, strawberry jello, milk.

THURSDAY, APRIL 3 Hamburger with trimmings, oven fries, orange juice, chocolate cake,

FRIDAY, APRIL 4 Pizza burger, tossed salad, whole kernel corn, pears, milk.



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Sloppy joe on bun, buttered vegetable, potato chips, jello w/fruit,

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2 Goulash, buttered vegetable, hot roll and butter, assorted fruit, milk. THURSDAY, APRIL 3 Bar-b-que pork on bun, potato chips,

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FRIDAY, APRIL 4
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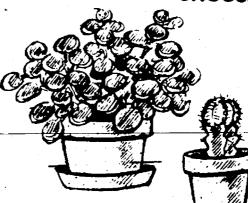


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