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It's shoveling time

NICE TO LOOK AT BUT TOUGH TO SHOVEL--Southeastern Michigan had that White Christmas Bing Crosby used to sing about. The season's first real snowfall of the season started falling Dec. 18 and continued off and on until Dec. 28, blanketing trees and bushes with Mother Nature's own brand of holiday decorations. Plymouth-Canton roads were slippery but aside from a few fender benders, holiday travelers got through the week with no trouble. (Crier photo by Robert Cameron)

Holbrook examination is postponed

The preliminary examination for Darol Holbrook, accused in the Dec. 2 slaying of Plymouth Township resident Janet Reynolds, has been postponed.

Originally slated for Monday, the examination will be held Jan. 4 at 1:30 p.m. in the 35th District Court before Judge James Garber.

The Wayne County Prosecutor's Office requested, and was granted the ad-

journalment. At the pre-trial the prosecutor's office must produce evidence linking Holbrook the crime. He is charged with a pair of first degree counts.

Holbrook's attorney Nicholas Smith agreed to the delay. At his arraignment, Holbrook's right to a pre-trial within 12 days was waved and the original Dec. 28 date set.

State trying to give up Ann Arbor Rd.

BY KEN VOYLES

As far as accidents go, Ann Arbor Road is the Plymouth community's most notorious road.

It is recognized as such by the Michigan Department of Transportation. In the future the much travelled road could fall into the hands of Wayne County.

Currently "old" M-14 is state-owned and operated as such. But a series of meetings between the state and Wayne County could change that.

M-14 stretches from the county line at Napier Road to its junction with Plymouth Road in Livonia. The road intersects the City of Plymouth and Plymouth Township and acts a a southern border between the two communities.

A process called "turnback" is currently being discussed by the state and county. The turnback would include the section from Napier to Plymouth Road and a section in Redford Township between Inkster and Telegraph.

To turn back a road -- that is, to change authority -- a road must be in acceptable condition.

According to Lou Sugo, of the county's public information office, that means five years maintenance free.

The hitch in the current discussions, according to both state and county officials, is the C & O Railroad grade separation east of Lilley, also statistically one of the highest accident rated highway locations. Over three years ago county crews did some repair work on the separation, but problems remain, including the narrowing of Ann Arbor Road under the separation and the overall weakness of the concrete supports.

County estimates of another repair package come to \$1.2 million. The state's Regional Engineer Chief Warren Cox would not put an estimate on a repair project.

According to C&O officials the state is responsible for the concrete supports of
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Canton game issue brings court action

BY DICK BROWN

Canton Township trustees have another law suit on their hands.

This one was brought against the township to force the township board to take action on a decision to grant an amusement arcade license to Jamil Akhtar and Barbara Baldwin, two Wayne County Sheriff's Deputies, who have been trying for three months to secure a license for an arcade planned south of Ford Road on Lilley Road.

The township has delayed approving the license until the present township arcade ordinance is reworked.

The Akhtar and Baldwin application, along with a similar licence application from Milt Wilcox and his partner, has been held in abeyance while Township Attorney Judd Hemming reworks the amusement device ordinance. Over the past three months there have been heated discussions between the applicants and the township board.

The Akhtar and Baldwin suit was filed Dec. 16 and went before Wayne County Circuit Judge James Miles.

"We were told by the judge to work out

some sort of accomodation with the applicants," Supervisor James Poole said Monday afternoon.

He indicated that the accomodation would probably be to stop further delays in reaching a decision.

Akhtar and Baldwin have expressed concern over the delays. They had taken an option on the 2,200 square foot space back in September.

Akhtar has expressed a concern that unless he is granted approval by the township by Dec. 31, the option will expire and the lease will be lost.

Akhtar has maintained all along that all the requirements of the township have been met, including appearing before the planning commission, filling out and filing the license application, being checked out by the police and having the building inspected by the fire department.

On several occasions he has appeared before the board to state, "We've complied with everything they've asked us to do. Just tell us what else you want us to do and we'll do it."
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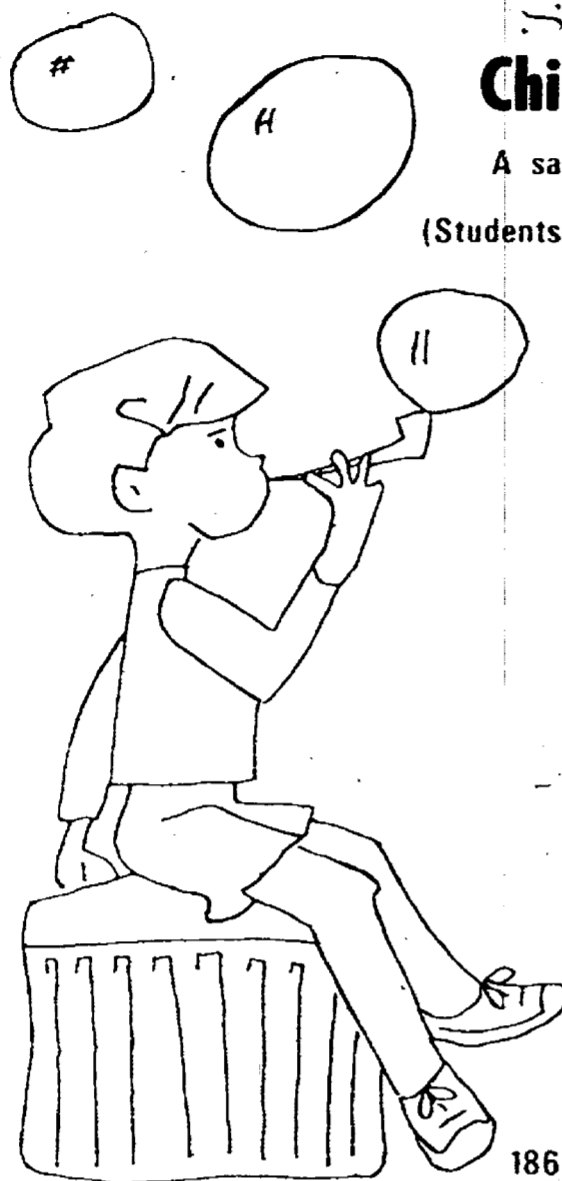


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Support keeps pouring in

TONY COSCIA of Plymouth Township is getting better, thanks to donations from organizations such as Michigan Bell, here represented by Doug Quinn (right) and Lynn Black (center). Tony, afflicted with severe cerebral palsy, must make four trips to Philadelphia, Pa. for treatment, but the financial strain on his family has proved overwhelming. However, many community groups and organizations have provided help -- Michigan Bell Phone Center staffs' donation of \$1,000 will more than pay for Tony's next trip. Tony's mother Alicia (left) says the boy has improved tremendously since last Christmas, and is losing signs of cerebral palsy thanks to a long (12 hour) daily regimen of "patterning" treatment in the home. (Crier photo by Dan Bodene)

Bridge splits state, county

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the separation in question, while the railroad is responsible for the span and track.

Cox adds that the state hasn't found a solution to the problem. Besides, lack of funds are crippling such projects in the state. Cox said, "It has not been fully resolved what the state might do to consider turnback possible."

Meanwhile the state will continue to study the problem. The county, on the other hand, knows what it wants from the state -- a road in reasonably good shape.

Sugo said the county wants the repairs so there will be no liability associated with the turnback.

The state could argue that the road is in reasonably good condition. State crews recently completed improvements to the section of Ann Arbor Road west of Sheldon to the county line. "We upgraded that section of the road in conformance with our agreements with the county," Cox said.

Meetings between the two governments are expected to continue in January, as are discussions to possibly turn back sections of the road at a time.

Michigan State Police and Plymouth Police are also starting a campaign centered on Ann Arbor Road. Their campaign is to crack down on drivers to cut the number of accidents on Ann Arbor Road between Ann Arbor Trail and Eckles Road.

Last year 197 accidents, with 109 injuries, were reported along the road. The largest percentage occurred between Sheldon and Lilley Roads.

The MSP has said it would begin a saturation patrol of the road, spending as

much a 29 manhours per week along the road. Plymouth Police will continue their efforts to curb accidents along the road and Chief Carl Berry welcomes the MSP help.

What, if anything, the county would do with the road after turnback is another question all together.

Arcade battle

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Over the last three months the township trustees have blamed their delay in granting licenses under the present ordinance on its being "unrealistic." There is also concern that the minimum age of 17 written into the present ordinance is probably unconstitutional.

Re-working the ordinance was the excuse for a closed board session a month ago.

Akhtar and Baldwin have plans to set up 25 to 30 machines and operate a restaurant, when and if they are ever

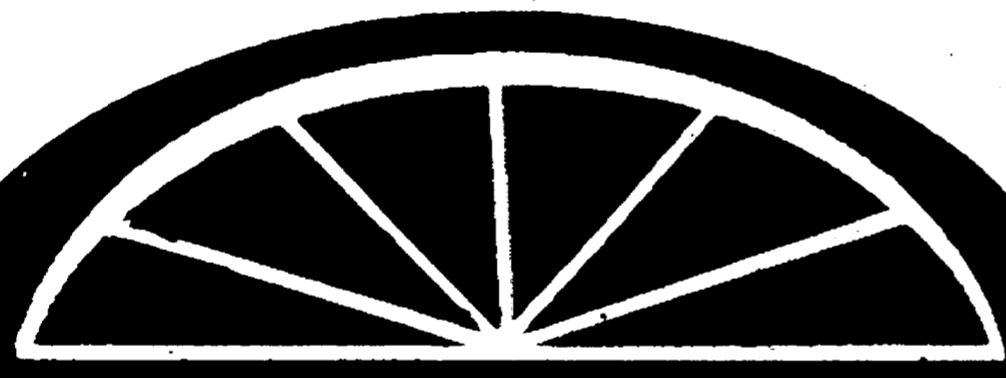
Women's Club

The first meeting of the 1982 season for the Women's Club of Plymouth is scheduled for the Presbyterian Church on Jan. 8, at 12:30 p.m.

The program will feature Lucille McKenny, a handwriting analyst.

Mary Katherine Skinner is chairing the tea committee. Assisting her will be Frances Bowley, Betty Childs, Mary Derr, Julia Kenny, Rita Maly, Dorothy Lent, Marion Sober and Florence VonGlahn.

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IT WAS ONLY PRACTICE. Canton Township firemen got in some firefighting practice Monday morning when they torched this home on Haggerty Road north of Ford Road. The torching operation had the approval of the EPA and was used to teach new Canton firemen safety techniques in firefighting. The practice came in handy. Before the day was over the Canton fire department had answered two garage fires. (Crier photo by Robert Cameron)

Plymouth Twp. seniors offered tax form help

Plymouth Township senior citizens will be able to get assistance on filing Homestead Property Tax-Credit Claims and Home Heating Credit Claims as part of their income tax reports.

Barbara Pray will be at Friendship Station Jan. 7, 14 and 21 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; at the Bradbury Club House at 40185 Newport Drive on Jan. 5 and 12;

and at Plymouth Township Hall meeting room on January 6, 13, 20, and 27 from 9 a.m. to noon and from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Mrs. Pray will have volunteers on hand to assist in filling out the claims. She asks those who are seeking assistance to bring all forms and supportive information.

Any additional information on the assistance program can be had by calling 453-2671 during regular business hours.

Colony Chrysler-Plymouth dealership closes its doors

Another sign of the bad economic times in the auto business was hung up in Plymouth last week.

That sign announced the closing of Colony Chrysler-Plymouth dealership on Ann Arbor Road in Plymouth.

The announcement came as a surprise.

Special tax hours

Last-minute tax bill payers take heed — only two of three treasurer's offices in The Plymouth-Canton Community will be open on Dec. 31.

Open for tax collections only, the Canton treasurer's office will be open from 9 a.m. to noon, while the Plymouth Township office will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The City of Plymouth treasurer's office will be closed Dec. 31.

The little white placard stated that the closing was effective Monday, Dec. 21. Indications are that the 40 employees of the dealership owned by Dominic Marino received their notice of the closing on Dec. 21, too.

The firm's large used car inventory was removed by Tuesday night and the new cars were relocated on a back lot.

An unidentified spokesperson for the firm indicated that customers who had purchased new cars but had not yet received those cars would be receiving their vehicles.

Beyond that statement, there was no further explanation of the closing except to comment that the dealership was closed due to the economic conditions.

Further questioning brought a response that "I don't think that's anybody's business."

Police to increase patrol for Ann Arbor Rd stretch

State and local police will be watching motorists on Ann Arbor Road more than they usually do, beginning Jan. 4.

The Northville Post of Michigan State Police along with Plymouth Police will begin "directed patrols" of Ann Arbor Road between Eckles Road to the east and the Ann Arbor Trail junction to the west. At least 29 hours per week of police patrols will be devoted to the area.

According to statistics compiled by State Police, last year there were 197 accidents on that stretch of Ann Arbor Road, resulting in 109 injuries and three quarters of a million dollars in damages.

Rear-end accidents were the most common type of incident, say State Police, followed by head-on, sideswipe, improper backing, left turn and angle accidents. A total of 13 per cent of all drivers involved in accidents had been drinking, police added.

The portion of Ann Arbor Road between Eckles and Ann Arbor Trail was identified as a high-volume accident road

by a unique computer system — Michigan Accident Location Index (MALI).

The only system of its kind in the country, MALI processes accident reports submitted by every police department in the state. The information is then available on any selected location, including day, time and cause of accident, road condition, types of damage and many other factors.

The computer can also pinpoint traffic areas with a high incidence of accidents so that more patrols can be directed to them. However, Michigan State Police like many other police agencies is faced with manpower shortages, says Lt. Tom Garvale.

So, Plymouth Police are assisting in the effort, to make the patrols more effective using existing police personnel.

But that's not all, says Garvale. Police are also asking for the support of all motorists, reminding them to buckle up, drive defensively, be aware of potential hazards and don't drink and drive.

Rush business at MESC clogs area lots, streets

Those unfortunate people who are forced to visit the Michigan Employment Security office on Rhonda Drive in Canton Township are finding up to three hours of standing in line facing them.

And, according to Canton Supervisor Jim Poole, many of them are finding parking violation tickets hung on their cars when they finally make it through the long lines and emerge with their unemployment checks.

Canton police are ticketing cars illegally blocking the streets and the drives in the area.

"I hate to see this done and the Canton

police officers hate to do it," Sup. Poole said, "But we have no alternative. If there was a fire run to be made in the area of the MESC office we would not be able to get our equipment to the scene because of the illegal parking jamming the streets."

Canton officials are trying to work out some off-street parking arrangements to relieve the conditions.

The streets are not the only areas being utilized to handle the crush of parking. Area business, industries and offices are reporting that their parking facilities are being tied up by those doing business with the MESC office.

Center Stage employe shot in Monday fracas

A Center Stage employe was shot late Monday night after ejecting another man who refused to pay a 99 cent entrance fee.

Canton Police say Mark Grabowski, 22, of Westland, was shot after scuffling with a man who refused to leave or pay an entrance fee. While closing the door on the man Grabowski was shot through the right thigh, with the bullet lodging in his left thigh.

Police say the gun was thought to be a small caliber, nickel plated automatic,

which the suspect pulled out of a back pocket. The man fled and no arrests have been made, although Canton Police picked up a suspect but later cleared him after a lineup identification.

Police are looking for a man approximately six foot to six foot two inches in height, 190 pounds, with shoulder-length curly hair and a slight moustache. At the time of the shooting he was wearing a full-length gray coat over a rust-colored suit.

It's Community Fund meeting time

With the 1981 Plymouth Community Fund's successful drive out of the way, the next item of business is the annual meeting set for the Plymouth Township Hall on Tuesday, Jan. 19, beginning at 8 p.m.

At the meeting two new members will be elected to the board, four new officers will be chosen and proposed revision of the Plymouth Fund by-laws will be considered.

There will also be annual reports from the president, secretary and treasurer and there will be other business of the Plymouth Fund placed before the board of directors.

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Over electronics amusement ordinance

City Commission still uncertain

BY KEN VOYLES

Plymouth City Commissioners agonized over amendments to the city's ordinance for electronic amusement machines at their latest gathering on Dec. 21, but went ahead and passed a first reading of those amendments.

Despite some agreement on the issue by commissioners, many points were left for final revision before the next meeting of the commission on Jan. 4.

The commissioners tentatively agreed to amend the ordinance in several areas.

Arcades are now defined by commissioners as any place in which a "substantial and significant portion of the business carried on involves the operation of coin operated mechanical or electronic amusement devices or in which six or more coin operated devices are located."

Although the wording may be changed, the premises of an arcade "shall have 200 square feet per machine, and the machines shall be set in a continuous row, with no space at the end of the row, and the end machine must abut a wall."

A maximum of 15 machines will be allowed in an arcade location. The commissioners also agreed to a \$500 license fee for arcades and the use of an adult at least 21 years of age to supervise such an arcade.

Arcades are currently allowed in zoning areas of B-3, while other commercial

establishments in the other business zones with five machines or less are not considered arcades.

A tentative license fee of \$100 for the first machine and \$50 for each machine thereafter was also discussed. That fee will be a yearly charge.

City officials justified the fee on the basis of a survey done by City Engineer Kenneth West which worked out the cost to the city to license one machine. That fee came to \$127.

Only one establishment in the city has five electronic amusement machines, not including the city operated Cultural Center. There are three locations in the city with one machine, one location with two machines, four locations with three machines, and one location with four machines.

The commissioners did not set an age

limit for those who can play the machines. There is currently a Texas case before the U.S. Supreme Court dealing with age limits to play amusement devices.

The city is working on a compromise in its lawsuit with the Southeastern Michigan Game Operators Association, filed after the commissioners passed the original ordinance in August of this year. At that time the operators objected to the \$200 fee for licensing.

City Attorney Chuck Lowe said at Monday's meeting that the new fee changes were to better reflect the cost to the city.

The commissioners also considered requiring bike racks at establishments with six or more machines, other than establishments that sell liquor by the glass.

Red Cross blood supply low

American Red Cross officials are urging people in the Plymouth-Canton Community to start the new year off right by donating blood every 8 weeks.

To help get 1982 started right, the Red Cross Bloodmobile will be set up Saturday, Jan. 9, at St. Kenneth Catholic Church, 14951 Haggerty Road from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

According to the Red Cross, blood can

be donated by anyone in good general health between the ages of 17 through 65. Parental consent is necessary for 17-year-olds to donate.

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EAST MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS pitched into the giving spirit again this year, collecting a whopping 2,463 cans of food to be distributed by Goodfellows to needy families in the area. Sponsored by Student Activities under the direction of program director Tim Darmofal (left), the drive also collected cash, donated to the Salvation Army. According to advisor Jim Stevens, homeroom 9-1 won single-class collection honors. Shown here, just before loading up Canton and Plymouth Goodfellows vans are, from right, Tom Bennett, Brian Larabee, Chad Marble, Frank Moore (kneeling), David Wanat and Jim Wilson. (Crier photo by Dan Bodene)

Laura Nitz gives hand to MSU volunteer group

Laura Nitz, a Michigan State University sophomore from Plymouth, is lending a hand as a volunteer for MSU's Handicappers Aid program. She volunteered her services as a member of Tower Guard, a sophomore honorary scholarship and service organization.

Her activities include notetaking for the deaf, reading and recording books for the blind and providing transportation for the physically disabled.

There are 85 Tower Guard members participating in the help program.

As a volunteer, Nitz, a business management major, donates four hours a week reading for a blind student.

"It makes me think about how lucky I am," Nitz said. "When I find myself struggling in classes, I think about how handicappers have to count on other people to help them."

The program provides volunteers with educational and personal enrichment. Volunteers are exposed to material they wouldn't normally see and are able to watch someone succeed as a result of their efforts.

Nitz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dean Nitz, 45015 Partridge Drive, Plymouth, is a 1980 graduate of Salem High School. After graduation she hopes to be involved in international business.

Canton schedules skating

The Canton Parks and Recreation Department, in conjunction with the Skatin Station Roller Rink, in Canton, is offering several skating programs for students in grades six through nine and for "off track" students on the Plymouth-Canton School District E.S.Y. program.

Skating lessons and open skating for grades 6-9 will start Jan. 19 and Jan. 21. Classes will meet once a week at 4:30 p.m. for two hours for an eight-week period.

Plymouth Youth Symphony saluted

The Plymouth Youth Symphony was saluted over WQRS-FM radio all through Christmas week. The 30-second announcements related that The Plymouth Youth Symphony activities provide southeastern Michigan with outstanding cultural assets as determined in a survey, thus earning the organization a "Special Place in Time."

Cost is \$20. Skate rental for the session is \$6.

All participants will receive 45 minutes of instruction from qualified instructors and then have a one hour and 15-minute period of open skating.

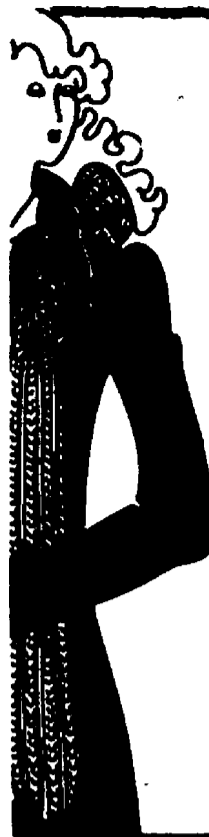
The program for "off track" students will start Jan. 26 and 28 for Track C, Feb. 16 and 18 for Track D, March 9 and 11 for Track A, and March 30 and April 1 for Track B.

Each session will meet two hours a week for three weeks starting at 10 a.m.. Age groups include four year olds to 10 year olds.

Cost is \$15 per person and includes six lessons and open skating. Skate rental is \$5 for the program.

Participants will receive 45 minutes of instruction and one hour and 15 minutes of open skating.

To register for "off track" program or the program for grades six through nine, mail or go in person to Canton Parks and Recreation/Department, 1150 S. Canton Center, Canton, 48188.



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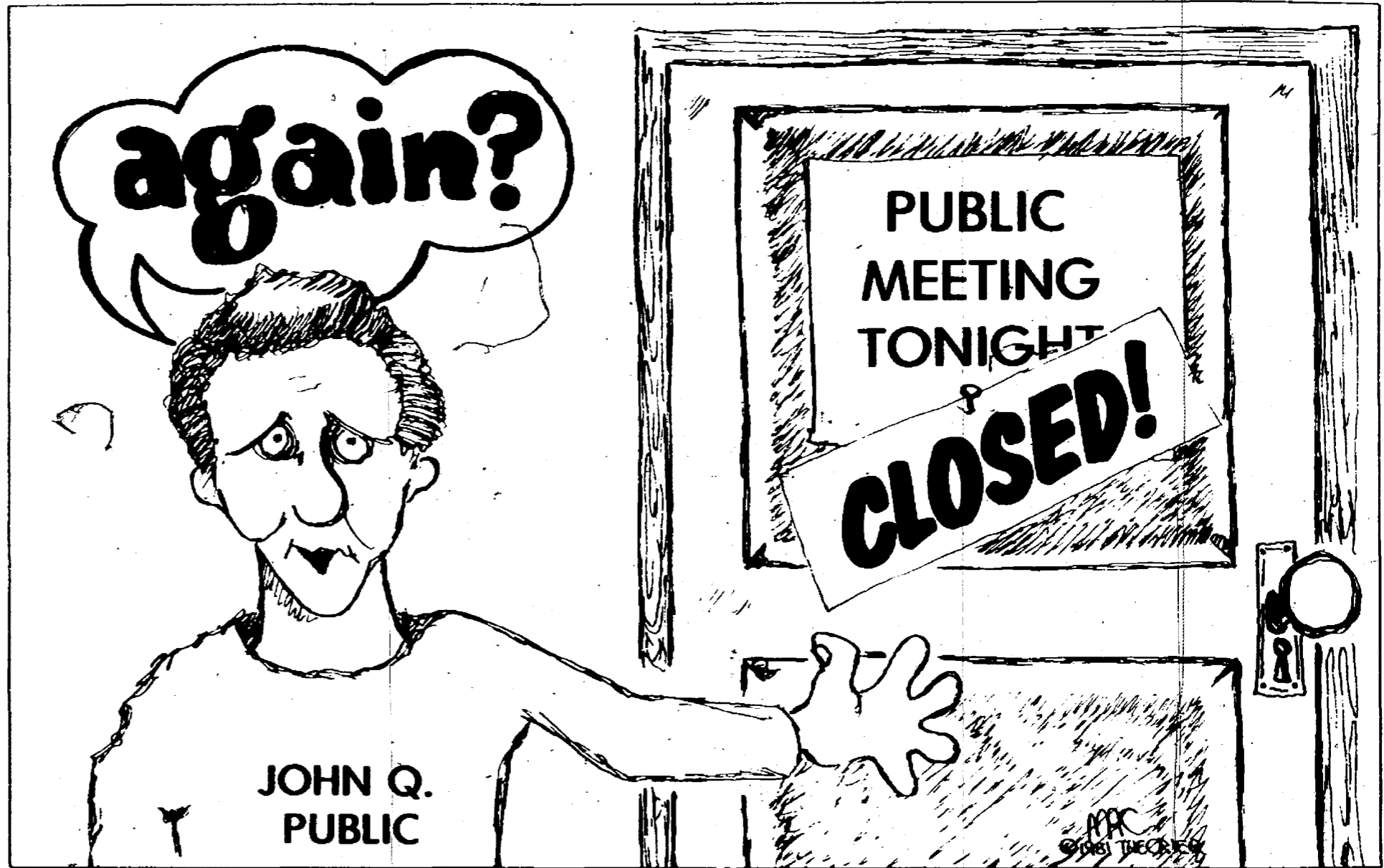


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Michigan open meeting law needs to be adhered to and strictly enforced

With increasing frequency government at every level is either intentionally or unintentionally slipping by the provisions and the intent of Michigan's Freedom of Information Act, 1976, PA 442, and subsequent amendments to that act.

More and more governmental agencies are sneaking behind closed doors, screening out the public and the news gatherers.

The Sunshine Law is explicit in the procedures government bodies must use to go into closed sessions and is explicit in the allowable reasons for closed sessions.

In Plymouth Township there have been 10 closed sessions which have been rightfully challenged by Trustee Lee Fidge. The latest one brought an admission from other members of the Plymouth Township Board that the board may have been guilty of a "technical violation" of the Michigan Open Meetings Act in calling what Supervisor Maurice Breen labeled "informational" meetings on June 29 and Sept. 25.

In Canton Township the board went into a closed session Dec. 1 on the advice of its attorney, Judd Hemming, to discuss a legal opinion on a current ordinance and proposed changes in that ordinance regulating electronic games arcades. Hemming and the board justified the closed session as being exempt from the open meetings act because it was of an attorney-client nature. There are court decisions cited by the attorney which back up his contention.

But, even though the reason may have been valid, the procedures used in calling the closed meeting did not follow the state statutes.

The open meetings act states in Section 7, 15.267 that a public body can go into closed session on "A two-thirds majority, which would have required a 5-2 vote, not the 4-3 vote in the Canton instance.

The state statute also says that the minutes of the body shall contain "The roll call vote and the purpose for calling the closed session . . ." which they did not.

To be precise, the minutes should refer to the section number in the statute which allows the closed door confab.

Public bodies, and that includes Plymouth and Canton Township Boards, should follow the state open meetings statute. Being almost in compliance is a lot like being "a little bit pregnant." Being in "technical violation" is just as damaging to the public's right to know, as defined in act, as being in deliberate and intentional violation of the act.

On the whole, Michigan's open meetings laws have done a good job. That's the assessment of Rep. David Hollister of Lansing who wrote and sponsored the bill.

He has expressed disappointment "in some degree" that the law has not been as vigorously enforced as it could be.

Since the law went into effect in 1976 there have been 33 formal attorney general's opinions requested and there have been 11 appellate court decisions. None of the opinions have dramatically weakened the law and some have strengthened it, according to John Wernet, an assistant attorney general.

The law is on the books. The reasons for closed sessions of public bodies and the procedures and mechanics to be followed to go into closed session are specific in the law. Those specifics and the procedures to be followed, as outlined in the law, in order for a public body to go into closed session legally should be followed. The law should be adhered to and enforced.

Responsibility to the public deserves and demands no less.

THE COMMUNITY CRIER

Plymouth officials make position clear

Vigilante group idea is not welcome

Plymouth City Commissioners, and administration officials, are adamant when they say that the so-called Detroit Alliance of the Guardian Angels and ex-offenders is not recognized, and never will be, as a viable supplement to the city's police department.

Despite rumors to contrary, the Angels have not contacted city officials once in the past three weeks since a story was printed in a local newspaper that the organization is coming to town to wipe out crime--literally--and seek out corruption in the offices of City Hall.

City Manager Henry Graper Jr. said, recently, "We think what they did was

Basically by Ken Voyles



just a publicity stunt. We've not heard from them and have not been able to reach a representative."

Graper is not alone in trying to convince worried residents, and other onlookers, that the Angels are not coming to town. It may be Christmas time all over the world, but Angels, like Keith Har-

vey's, had just better stay in Detroit -- wherever they may be hiding -- or find themselves escorted out of town as the Nazis were last summer when they staged an abbreviated rally in Kellogg Park.

Police Chief Carl Berry, although not overly concerned about the true nature of the band of reformed bandits -- said to use attack dogs and even firearms -- adds that his department will only work with local residents involved in P.A.C.T. (Plymouth Area Citizens Team) and no others. "My commitment as chief is to work closely with the residents of the community."

Newly elected Plymouth Mayor Eldon Martin was also upset by the shoddy rumors -- some newspapers make news, only because they can't find news -- and gave the regional newspaper a piece of his mind at the Dec. 7 meeting of the city commission.

He said, "The article implied that various conditions existed in the city. No. 1, no city official requested the outside assistance. We don't feel we need that kind of group in our community. Besides, we have the newly-founded P.A.C.T. organization to work with."

He added, "No. 2 there is no

corruption in the city at any level, in any form. This was an effort to create news, not report news. They have done a disservice to the community."

The realization that an outside force could somehow force itself upon a community has helped the newly-founded P.A.C.T. organization reach a level of 60 volunteers, but P.A.C.T. commander Chuck Van Vleck would like to generate even more interest and increase the number of volunteers.

Van Vleck's teams work on weekends and start their patrols from a base in the barn at the township's recreation park. Two weeks ago that facility was the scene of an attack of vandalism. Besides a police antenna that generates from the barn, the P.A.C.T. group also has an antenna, used for those weekend patrols. One night vandals climbed the roof of the barn and attempted to destroy the antenna. Despite being badly bent the antenna has since been repaired.

Van Vleck speculated that the attack might have been an attempt to cut down P.A.C.T.'s effectiveness. "So maybe we are starting to become a deterrent. If that's so we need more and more help from volunteers."

The next general meeting of P.A.C.T. will be 7:30 p.m. Jan. 12 on the second floor of City Hall. Part of that meeting will include instruction from a Detroit Edison engineer on electrical lines; what to be afraid of, what not to be afraid of, and how to tell hot power lines from other types of electric lines.

Laying off teachers isn't only way to cut school budget

EDITOR:

As a resident of Plymouth for the past three years with no children in school and nothing invested in the Plymouth-Canton School District but three years of ever-increasing taxes, I am concerned about the direction our board of education and administration takes every time there is a district financial crisis.

The answer is always to terminate teachers.

There are other staff areas to be cut. In glancing at the Plymouth-Canton school directory I find a "cabinet" composed of nine administrators who probably spend most of their time shuffling memoran-

dums from one desk to another. In the central office the directory lists 33 other clerks, typists, bookkeepers, receptionists, buyers, and Lord knows what else.

These people may perform functions that affect the quality of education in the Plymouth-Canton School District, but they certainly are no more important than the classroom teacher who does the actual job of educating children.

If paring of staff has to be done, I would suggest that one good place to start would be at the administrative level where there would appear to be plenty of opportunity for some economizing.

TRACY CLEGG

True Yule meaning praised

EDITOR:

This year the spirit of giving seems to prevail. For so many years the needy were left to the agencies.

Living here in Plymouth, a sense of belonging seems more meaningful when someone takes giving as a responsibility for one's self.

A beautiful lady in our town read about the Coscia family and took it upon herself

to go door to door to collect for a family which she felt was truly deserving.

Donations were taken and when the family thanked her and the appreciation was expressed, she knew the merchants, neighbors and church had shared with her, Mrs. Dorothy McNamara, the true meaning of the season.

MARY LOU ALWOOD

Coloring It Brown

By Dick Brown



The timing was less than perfect for the season's first heavy snowfall.

As a new Canton homeowner, the first chore was to purchase a snow shovel. Then came the breaking in process of the new super scooper shovel and the geriatric back that makes it work.

Unfortunately, that's when the U.S. Postal Service made a stop at the mailbox with Christmas cards and accompanying notes from friends and relatives already in the sunny south, making plans to head in that direction or telling big lies about having just partaken of fun in the sun trips. In addition the mail included the monthly horror story as outlined by the Michigan Consolidated Gas Company billing computer.

All of a sudden my enthusiasm for shoveling snow disappeared. After finishing the shoveling job, collapsing on the davenport and wiping away my tears which accompanied the thoughts of another winter in the snows of Michigan trying to make a buck in order to pay Michigan Consolidated, I put together a list of recommendations for us stay-at-homes to use to help ease the winter pain.

They go like this.

1. Don't read the travel pages of the Sunday papers.
2. Walk quickly past the store windows displaying warm weather resort wear.
3. When you walk by travel agencies such as AAA, Harvard Square Travel Service, Plymouth Travel Consultants, Port to Port Travel Co., Skyline Travel and Travel Centre, breathe heavily with your mouth open so your glasses will fog up and you won't be able to see those travel posters with the palm trees and bikini clad girls.
4. Start a national protest campaign to eliminate November, December, January, February and half of March.
5. Stay away from people with tans.
6. Throw a party with a prize going to the guest who can list the most reasons for staying up here in the cold weather.
7. Spend the winter figuring out your income tax and get hot under the collar.
8. Look at the family budget and recompute your age. Maybe you're old enough to retire and go to Florida on your social security check.
9. While away the winter hours putting on the living room carpet while trying to convince yourself this activity is as much fun as playing No. 13 at the Lakeside course at Calloway Gardens Golf Resort in Pine Mountain, Ga.
10. Selectively pick your friends and acquaintances to weed out those who are not forced to stay in the North and shovel snow. After all, misery loves company.
11. Gather together those friends and acquaintances who are left after the purge and have a beach party around the edge of the bath tub.

community opinions

New Year's gets new meaning

This week we have another holiday, and for all of you out there who got this whole week off from work, well, think of all the things piling up at the office.

OK, OK, I'll be more positive.

For me, New Year's Eve used to be the logical beginning of each new 365-day era. The calendar year was always the bedrock measure of time passing in its simplest common denominator.

It seemed right -- coming at the end of a holiday season, and beginning a new number in front of the anno domini. There were always New Year's

Mayor liked what he saw

EDITOR:

Congratulations, Plymouth! You really did it up "bright." Christmas Eve was a sight to behold with your displays of luminaries.

If Christ was to pick a city to visit on his birth date, I'm sure he would have picked Plymouth for the warm and welcome glow the luminaries provided.

For those who participated, it was an

In addition

by Dan Bodene



resolutions, new tax periods and new semesters.

But let's think.

I should have suspected way back when grade school dominated my life. School years span parts of two calendar years. This caused trouble. In fact, some

teachers counted one wrong if I left the previous year on a test taken after January 1.

Fiscal years also straddle two calendar years, something I found out after I tried to puzzle through my first municipal budget for a newspaper story. Fiscal years are even more fickle: some government units start and end them in June, some in July, some even in October.

When I took over the school beat, I had to deal with a combination of the two. The school year might end in the beginning of June, but the fiscal year

inspiring and gratifying experience.

For those who missed it, you lost the opportunity to, again, see why Plymouth is unique in a very warm and friendly way.

My thanks for making Plymouth and Christmas Eve beautiful and extra special.

BUD MARTIN
Mayor

With Malice Toward None



It may have been a "slow news week," as we say in the biz, but my fall on the ice wasn't a contrived way to gain an inside story on City of Plymouth rescue services or on Canton's new Oakwood Hospital Center's emergency care.

It was just sheer (ice) stupidity.

Ironically, it happened just after telling Managing Editor Dan Bodene that today (Tuesday) couldn't be worse than yesterday (which started with my daughter upchucking down both our fronts as I readied her for pre-school).

I followed that bald statement by running out the front door and...

center start as a pile of governmental forms, go through groundbreaking and then finally get to occupancy, there was one aspect to the facility I'd completely overlooked.

Oakwood Center has beautiful ceilings.

For two-and-a-half hours I was a student of Oakwood's plastered and dropped ceilings, their skylights and the subtle yellow lights in the X-ray room. Meanwhile the Oakwood staff of Dr. Chuck Cash, Nurse Anne Schrengost and Chief Radiologist Richard Sitek poked my injured back and rolled me around the X-ray table to learn that it was only a bad sprain.

The prescription -- five days in bed without even time off for good behavior or for Christmas. "What about all the last-minute shopping for young Jessica?" I wondered.

While I painfully recuperated and practiced the lead for the Hunchback of Notre Dame, it took a large parcel of friends to help me get over the embarrassment and the pain. Why is it that Accountant Bill Morrison always has the answer to non-financial problems of life as well? He showed me how to drape my injured posterior over the back of a chair.

The well-wishers helped. Their laughing at my plight gave me some amusement from my own pain. (Bodene's photographs needn't see the light of newsprint however.)

It's just one of those things you never expect will happen to you -- so believe me: BE CAREFUL. And thanks to everyone who helped throughout.

Whoops!
WHAM!!!
Aarrgh!

For two minutes lying on my back in the slush trying to remember who I was and what planet I was on, colleagues and Joe Rosenbergh (who plows The Crier parking lot) tried to help until the ambulance got here. Only at the gentle urging of Plymouth Fire Captain Don Belsky and Firefighter Bill Warren did I actually come up with my name.

At the end of my ride I was relieved to discover we were at Oakwood rather than Schrader's. Having seen the hospital's

doesn't close until the end of June.

And then there's the seasons themselves. I could never understand why such a momentous beginning as the start of a new year should come midway through a season, and winter at that.

Think about birthdays. These should be the real start for anybody's year. I have one in a good location. It's midway through September, so really it's toward the end of the summer season and moving into fall. It's also after the last of the great celebrations like Memorial Day and (usually) Fall Fest.

This year, in fact, I'm trying to convince myself I should start thinking in terms of my birthday as the beginning of each 365-day cycle, and regard New Year's Eve as the swan song of the winter holiday season.

I never get invited to New Year's parties anyway.

Civitan's job appreciated

EDITOR:

This letter is the most efficient medium I can think of to advise the membership of the Civitan Club how greatly indebted my wife and I are to the club for the unexpected act of friendship and service extended to us.

At about 8:30 p.m. the night of Dec. 21, after the severe snow storm which deposited some 6 to 8 inches of snow on our sidewalk and driveway, I was alerted to a noise outside our front door.

Stepping out on the porch, I encountered two gentlemen busily engaged

in removing the accumulation of snow.

Through conversation, it developed they were members of the local Civitan Club, Roger Olson and his dad. In due time they cleaned the walkway and drive as clean as it was July 6 last summer.

I want to express my whole-hearted appreciation for the results of their efforts.

I am recovering from a heart attack and you have no idea how much this means to me.

Thank you, Mr. Olson, and thanks to your son.

WILLIAM C. HARTMANN

One-hauler contract is only choice to make

Plymouth Township trustees took considerable flack at the Dec. 15 meeting from a few township residents for their plan to contract the township's trash hauling service with one contractor. Currently individuals select their own trash hauler from among the large group available.

Picking one contractor is a smart move--one that has proved to be smart by many communities. If the experience in other townships and cities is any indication, it will be cheaper to the homeowner, easier to regulate and a whole lot easier to fix responsibility when service is poor.

Charges at the meeting that the Township Board is interested in having the township get into the trash hauling business are unfounded. Charges that the cost of trash pickup will rise over the cost of the present multi-hauler system are unsupported by the experience of other governmental units such as Canton Township.

The move by the township board to go ahead with developing the one-hauler contract plan is a smart one, and one which will gain the full support of many of those detractors who were so upset at the Dec. 15 meeting, once those opponents of the plan see the improved service and the money they will be saving.



Henry Ford Tech award winners

RECOGNITION FROM THE BOSS came the way of three Canton men and another from Plymouth. Recipients of the Henry Ford Technology awards given by the Ford Motor Company are (from left) Noel L. Pooler, Frank G. Cespino and Dr. Brian S. Edelman, all of Canton; and Ralph L. Robinson of Plymouth. They were among the 21 technical professionals honored for outstanding achievement in research, product planning or manufacturing. The award was established to recognize technological excellence among Ford employees world-wide.

Banbury Cross owner gets a rough time from thieves

John Hopkins is still determined to make a success of his business, which recently celebrated its first anniversary.

Hopkins, owner of Banbury Cross Horse and Carriage Rentals, Ltd. has been plagued by one setback after another since beginning his business, which he says is thought to be the only full-time one of its kind in the midwest. A profile on Banbury Cross inaugurated the "Getting Down To Business" pages in The Crier last year.

On Dec. 26, he reported to police that his pickup truck - the sole vehicle used for hauling horses, carriages and sleighs - had been extensively damaged by a hit-and-run driver as it sat parked outside his home on North Harvey.

Hopkins believes the other truck was also a Ford, equipped with a yellow snow blade.

The week before, many of Hopkins' Christmas lights and decorations mysteriously disappeared.

A few weeks before that, thieves made off with Banbury Cross' symbol of a Union Jack flag, formerly displayed in front of his home.

And some months ago, Banbury Cross'

largest carriage, a black surrey, was stolen and later recovered with extensive damage. After the carriage was recovered, however, a \$400 brass and leather harness was taken.

To complete the list, Hopkins himself has been hospitalized six times since beginning the venture in 1980.

He nonetheless remains optimistic. "A year ago I was in St. Joseph Hospital in critical condition due to my life-long allergy to horses. This year, I'm healthy enough to drive my horses myself, which has to be classified a miracle."

But despite his optimism, Hopkins is interested in finding who committed the hit-and-run. He is offering a \$100 reward for the apprehension and conviction of the driver of the destructive vehicle.

Hopkins can be reached at 453-4233.

getting down
to
business

Star Pak holds home energy solar seminar

Solar consultant Dan Rubyan has a message for homeowners:

"We all know that an extra bedroom or a new kitchen or an attached garage are 'good investments.' They can enhance convenience and increase resale value. Solar home improvements in general are smart for the same reasons but the returns are even greater."

Rubyan, of Star Pak Solar in Novi, explains that with solar improvements utility bills go down, a substantial cut in personal income taxes is available, and increases in the equity and resale value of the home are gained.

Rubyan will be on hand at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer, to explain his message more fully at a free seminar on solar home improvements. The seminar will be held Tuesday, Jan. 5 beginning at 7 p.m.

Solar improvements which pay for themselves quickly in a Michigan environment will be discussed. "Remember that a double-pane south-facing window will gain far more heat in a Michigan winter than it will gain in a Michigan summer," explains Rubyan. "This is simple proof that solar energy does indeed work in Michigan."

Plymouth Lighting co-hosts lecture

A series of Saturday Garden Lectures presented by English Gardens of West Bloomfield will feature one talk, on Jan. 16, co-hosted by Duane Stepnitz of Plymouth Lighting.

Stepnitz, along with Ron Brenton of the Indoor Light Garden Society, will speak on indoor gardening under lights.

Other lectures in the Saturday lecture series include presentations on Caring For African Violets and Other Gesneriads, on Jan. 9; Repotting Clinic, on Jan. 23; Multiplying Houseplants, on Jan. 30; Houseplant Care, on Feb. 6; Raising Miniature Roses, on Feb. 13; Decorating with Houseplants, on Feb. 20; Solving Houseplant Blues, on Feb. 27; Planning for Spring Fever, on March 6; Pruning Trees and Shrubs, on March 13; and Lawn Care, on March 20.

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Many hours of planning and effort culminates in St. Thomas a'Becket church dedication

BY DICK BROWN

Sunday, Dec. 20, was a high point for members of the St. Thomas a'Becket Catholic Parish. The doors of the new church on Lilley just south of Cherry Hill were officially opened for worship for the 1,200 families of the parish which have been working since 1977 toward having their own church.

The parish has been meeting in the Field Elementary School.

The new church, reflecting modern architecture and contemporary energy-efficient design, has a tie with the past. Central to the church is the organ purchased by the parish. The giant pipe organ, which is nearly assembled and ready for operation, comes from Old Town, Maine, where it was originally constructed in 1840 and later rebuilt in 1895.

At the Dec. 20 dedication ceremonies, Archbishop Edmund Szoka, representing the Archdiocese of Detroit which includes 1.6 million Catholics, presided.

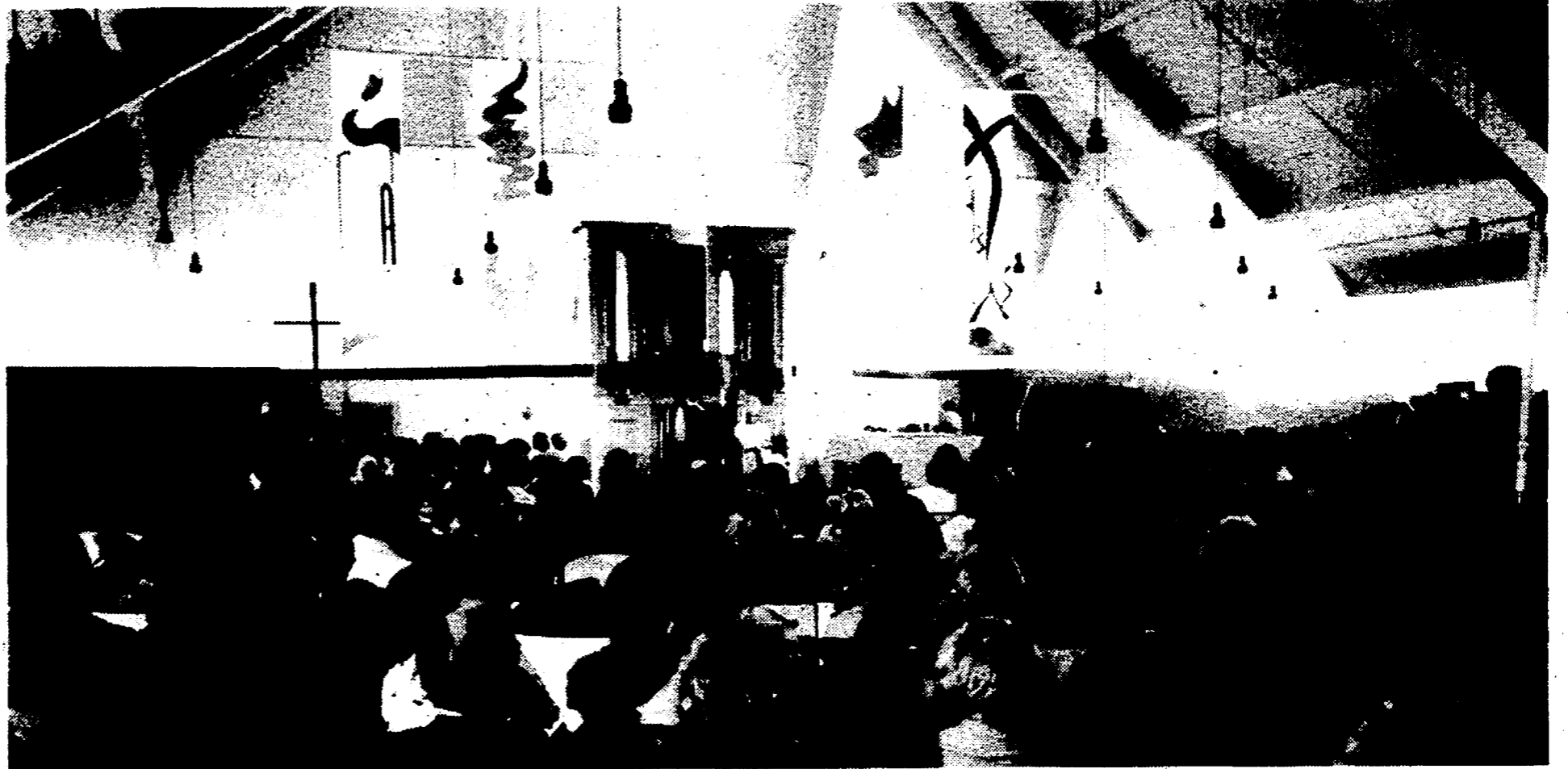
With the new church filled to capacity, The Fr. Szoka performed the ancient rituals necessary to make the new structure a true church.

The Rev. Fr. Ernest M. Porcari is pastor of St. Thomas a'Becket parish.

The dedication ceremony started with Zigmund Taylor, president of the Parish Council, and Charles Craven, president of the Building Committee, presenting the keys of the new church and a set of the building plans to Archbishop Szoka. The archbishop then conducted the dedication Mass.

St. Thomas a'Becket Catholic church was designed with a seating capacity of 900 by the architectural firm of Osler and Miller. The lower level is designed a half level below ground with the whole building surrounded by an earthen berm planted with dense ground cover.

The modified pyramid design was chosen for its simplicity and its liturgical image. Natural light entering the church from a band of glass at the base reflects



THE PAYOFF FOR LOTS OF PLANNING AND WORK came to the St. Thomas a'Becket Catholic Parish in Canton Dec. 20 when Archbishop Edmund Szoka of the Detroit Diocese dedicated the new parish church on Lilley Road south of Cherry Hill Road. The St. Thomas a'Becket parish families have been meeting since the parish was formed in 1977 in Field Elementary School.

Ground was broken for the building Aug. 17, 1980. The parish started with 266 families in 1977 and currently has a membership of 1,035 families. The keys to the new structure were turned over to Archbishop Szoka by Zigmund Taylor, president of the Parish Council, and Charles Craven, president of the Parish Building Committee. (Crier photo by Rick Smith)

upward where it washes the interior of the roof form with changing dramatic effect.

Architects located the apex of the roof to give focus to the altar and to accommodate the 19th century track-action organ. Earth-tone quarry tile was used for the floor of the sanctuary and oak flooring was used to fabricate the enclosed "fence" which surrounds the sanctuary. The wood decking used for the roof is exposed to the interior.

John Cardinal Dearden officially established St. Thomas a'Becket parish Jan. 13, 1978. The territorial parish was the result of a growing concern for the religious education needs of the children of the community and prompted the

appointment of Fr. Ernest Porcari to work toward the formation of a new parish in Canton in April of 1977.

Over 400 people attended the first two Masses at Field Elementary School on June 19, 1977. The boundaries set up for the new parish were Ford Road to the north, the Canton Township border to the east, the Plymouth-Canton School District boundary to the south and Sheldon Road to the west.

By September of 1977 there were 266 families registered in the fledgling parish with 260 children enrolled in the religious education program.

Fr. Porcari was officially installed as

pastor of St. Thomas a'Becket in February of 1978.

By 1979, 705 families had joined the parish and 580 children were enrolled in religious education. The decision to build a place of worship was made early in 1979 on land that had been purchased by the Archdiocese in 1975.

Groundbreaking for the new church building took place Aug. 17, 1980. Membership in the parish continued to climb with a total of 1,035 families as parish members reached in 1981 with 786 children enrolled in religious education.

The laying of the cornerstone of the new church came on August 16, 1981.

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Plymouth-Canton road upgrading in spotlight

BY DAN BODENE

There hasn't been much growth in the number of roads in The Plymouth-Canton Community, but what is already there has been improved in many areas.

The Wayne County Road Commission is primarily responsible for construction of new roads throughout the county, and it hasn't been a banner year for them financially says spokesman Lou Sugo. In fact, the county is having problems just maintaining existing highways and streets - scheduled equipment purchases are already years behind.

However, a big project the county completed locally in 1981 was the widening of Sheldon Road between North Territorial and Joy.

Opened to traffic in late November, the project included expanding the road to a width of five lanes and various reconstruction work to curbs, culverts and landscaping. Sugo says the project cost a total of approximately \$2.6 million.

Some delays were experienced when the subcontractor sent equipment elsewhere while work was in progress, but Sugo says the practice is commonplace, and that county engineers were pleased with the overall results.

Other county road work accomplished during the year included isolated improvements to M-14 and several resurfacing jobs.

Resurfacing work in the area alone cost approximately \$2.5 million, Sugo estimates. Various projects were completed at Joy and Canton Center Roads; Haggerty and Joy Roads, with supplemental work at the railroad tracks south of Joy; and resurfacing with traffic signal installation at Warren and Lilley Roads, Warren and Sheldon Roads and Sheldon Road and Michigan Avenue.

Locally, the only work not done by the county was a resurfacing project accomplished by the City of Plymouth.

City engineering aide Mark Hammar says the resurfacing project, on Maple between Hamilton and Fairground, was funded with \$50,000 from a special assessment on residents of the street. In addition to the asphalt paving, a storm sewer was built and concrete curbs and gutters installed.

Other than that, Hammar says, City Department of Public Works street projects were limited to small sidewalk repairs.

Money was cited as the primary reason road-building authorities were hampered in 1981, and according to Sugo the county's financial prognosis for 1982 doesn't look much better.

Apparently, we'll just have to put up with potholes and stone bruises for awhile longer.

On the cover

Pictured on the Growth Cover, pg. 11, are, (top) Baker House restoration, (center) St. David's Gate senior housing project of St. John's Episcopal Church, (bottom) Oakwood Hospital Canton Center Emergency Medical Facility.

Plus

Business sector -- a mixed bag of growth

Growth in The Plymouth-Canton Community's business sector this year was a mixed bag of relocations, expansion of existing facilities and a few new arrivals.

Industrial growth was virtually non-existent in the City of Plymouth -- not really surprising, because physical boundaries preclude any large-scale operation from locating within the city limits. There simply isn't much room left for a new factory. One subtraction from the city's industrial base, the imminent departure of Dunn Steel, will hopefully be balanced in 1982 with the arrival of a replacement.

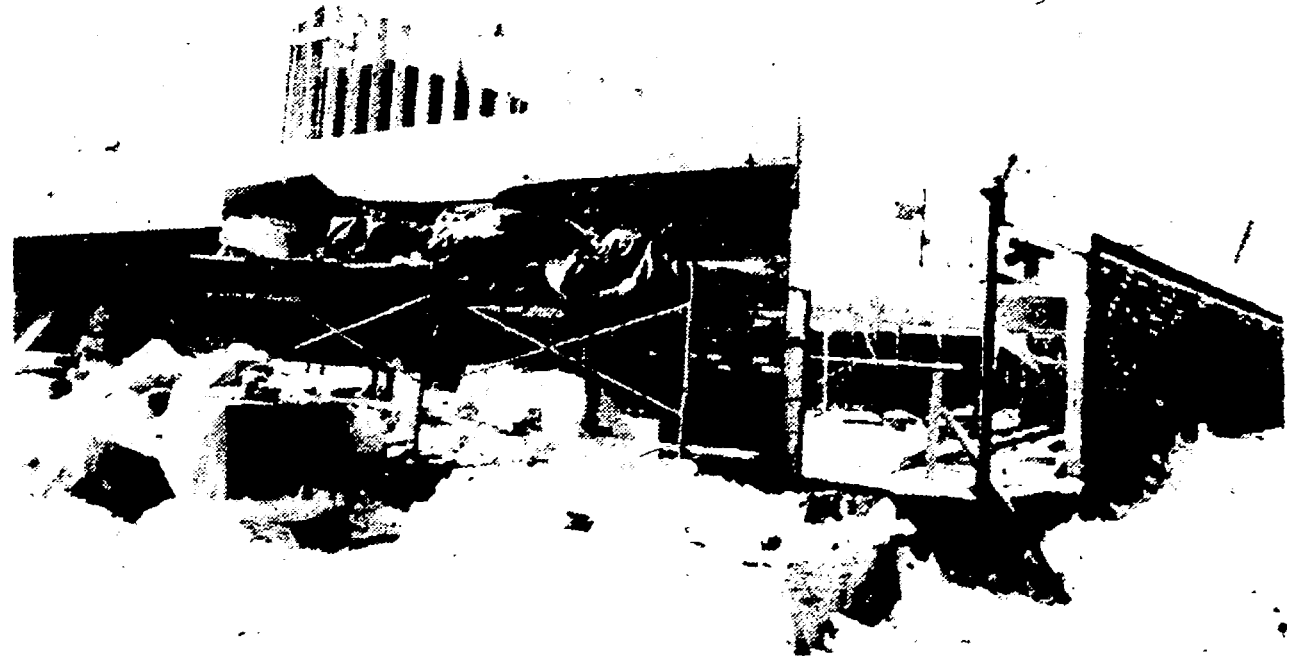
Not all was slow in the retail side of commerce in Plymouth, however. Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Diane Dart says according to her survey, nearly 30 businesses either moved in, expanded or changed owners in 1981. New retail stores ranged from Station 885 in Old Village (awarded the last available Class C liquor license in the city) to J.P. Golf, dedicated to shoppers of the fairway persuasion.

A partial list of changes in the status quo of city retailers includes Rainbow Shop (new business, reconditioned building), Heat and Sweep and Emily's World (new businesses, new building), Heritage Drugs (new owners, new company headquarters), Village Square Outlet (established business, new location) and the Mayflower Hotel (established business, established location, new addition).

Plymouth Township experienced some growth in the industrial sector, although no new buildings went up. Dart says Air Gage Company and Marathon Oil both completed additions to their existing facilities in 1981.

Retail was also an expanding part of commerce in the township. Most notable was the completion of new buildings for Vic Tanny and Steak and Ale, both taking advantage of locations near the fast-developing I-275 corridor. Other new businesses include those ranging from Video Place (catering to the electronic boom) to Pit Stop Quick Oil Change and Precision Tune (logical companions to self-serve gas stations).

Many township businesses also changed quarters, as in Specialty Pet



ANOTHER PLACE TO EAT is on the way for Canton residents. This Mr. Steak Restaurant is under construction at the corner of Ford and Sheldon Roads. Home construction may have dwindled in western Wayne County but new retail businesses and service establishments continue to spring up. (Crier photo by Robert Cameron)

Supply's move from Old Village in the city, to a township location.

It was Canton, however, that continued to hold a slight edge in industrial expansion. Township Planner Jim Kosteva says three of four sizeable new industries located in existing structures and another is planning to move into a building now under construction.

Livonia Magnetic, Plymouth Metaltec Steel Abrasive Company and Meisel Sysco have taken over older buildings, while Brouwer Turf Equipment, Incorporated will be one of the first industries to take advantage of a Haggerty Road industrial park site.

Kosteva says retail expansion activity in Canton has been somewhat limited, principally with the addition of Strip Center, Mr. Steak, Skatin'

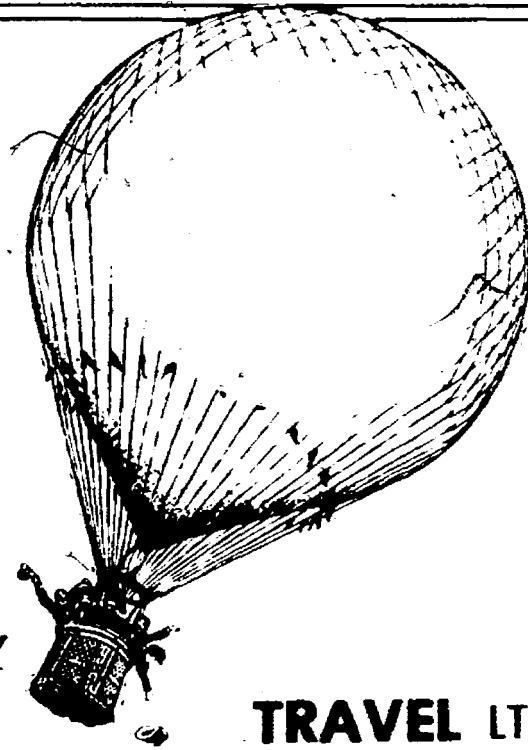
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Business growth leans to entertainment and health

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Station and approval for the Golden Gate Shopping Center on Lilley Road south of Joy, scheduled for completion next year.

More important, Kosteva says, is a notable change this year in the Canton administration's posture toward new business. Since the installation of a new Board of Trustees, elected in November, 1980, many positive steps have been taken to attract industry to the township.

"This has been a year where the township board clearly indicated a changed attitude toward business in Canton," explains Kosteva. "Several things have been accomplished: the reception for business and

industry sponsored by the township; a modified site plan review procedure, the board's commitment on Haggerty Road paving and liberalized use of tax abatements to attract industry."

Kosteva says the current recession has not been entirely detrimental to the Canton's fortunes. In fact, "The economic downturn has given the township 'breathing space' to review its situation in terms of business and economic growth."

It may have been a slow year for large-scale commercial development in The Plymouth-Canton Community, but there are healthy and obvious signs that entrepreneurial spirit in the area is not dead.



EATING ESTABLISHMENTS headed the list of new business ventures in the Plymouth-Canton area. One of them was Station 885 on Starkweather, pictured above. Station 885 received the last new liquor license available in the City of Plymouth. Other restaurant projects completed or started in the Plymouth-Canton Community during 1981 include The Steak and Ale on Ann Arbor Road, Mr. Steak on Ford Road, Four Seasons Square Food Mall in Plymouth and Plymouth Grain Mill on Main Street. (Crier photo by Robert Cameron)

The Crier exemplifies continued expansion

The year 1981 was a growth year for The Community Crier, according to Publisher W. Edward Wendover.

In circulation, The Crier added 801 homes to its delivery system, in spite of the marked falloff in new home construction in the Plymouth-Canton community.

There were other growth areas at The Crier, too.

Early in the year The Crier moved into the cable TV field with the introduction of Eagle-Vision on Omnicom Channel 9. Plans are in the works to expand the cable television operation over the next year.

Another new division of The Community Crier is Waynco Graphics, a printing production and marketing arm providing typesetting, graphic arts, camera work and commercial printing. Waynco Graphics specializes in advertising brochures, newspaper inserts and newspaper production for business, educational and governmental agencies.

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Fewer students, more teachers going to school

BY DAN BODENE

Many of the problems the Plymouth-Canton School District faced this year were related to decline -- in funding, enrollments, resources and aid.

Some things have not diminished, however. In just one example, there has been significant growth in a very important part of the educational process in the district.

Teachers are learning more. They are now taking classes on how to teach more effectively.

Michael Homes, assistant superintendent for instruction, says the "inservice" program for teachers inaugurated this fall is based on documented and substantiated research. "Its content is not especially new, but the focus is sharper. We're looking at things contributing to student progress.

"Teachers have always had objectives, but the problem was that students didn't know them. When students do know the objectives, it makes a difference in how well they achieve. It is also the responsibility of teachers to monitor kids in relation to objectives, be they for one day or five weeks, so instruction can be adjusted. And it takes a good, sound application of principles such as motivation, retention, extended thinking skills and application of those skills."

To that end, every teacher in the district will attend a program of six half-day inservice sessions throughout the winter and spring. All sessions will be taught by Plymouth-Canton personnel assisted by Waterford School District trainers. Divided into two workshops of three sessions each, the program deals with concepts such as essential elements of instruction, task analysis and diagnosis, motivation and reinforcement and extending student thinking.

To prepare for the program, this fall 33 teachers and 32 administrators (at least one from each Plymouth-Canton school) attended a workshop sponsored by Waterford. Homes says the inservice program developed by Waterford is a version of a nationwide program used in various forms at

the University of California at Los Angeles; in Denver, Colorado; Berkley, Michigan; and Johnson City, New York.

It is important, Homes adds, that teachers of kindergarten through high school all attend the sessions because the entire scope of instruction and achievement is affected. "We think this stuff is so powerful and meaningful to both teachers and students that it is worth going into on a large scale," he says. "That's why we've elected to do it that way."

It was no accident that administrators and teachers were paired up in the training workshop. "It is important to have administrators know what the program is as well as teachers," Homes explains. "They can then better understand the teaching situation, support their efforts, communicate on common terms and establish a real partnership."

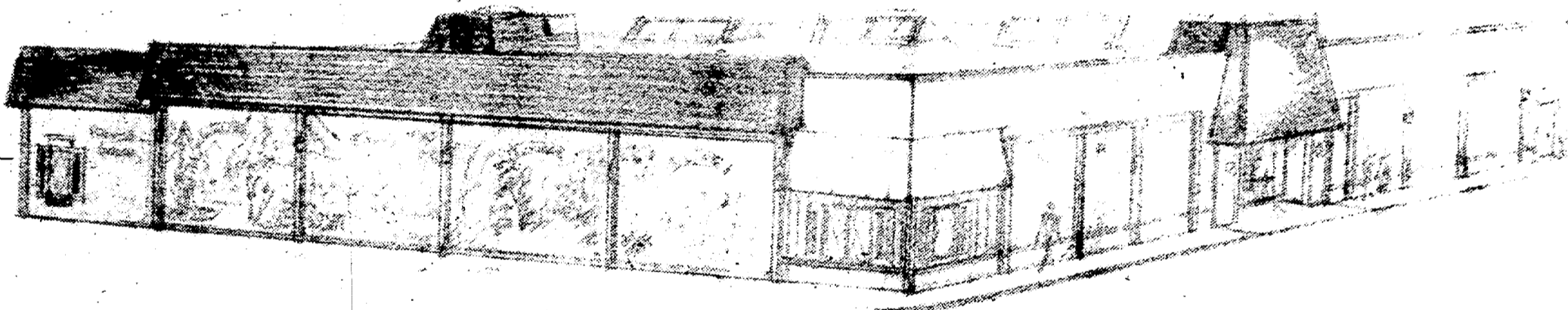
The inservice program which will begin next month was born of a need to strengthen resources already in place. Times are changing, and so must the teaching staff.

Other inservice programs are being discussed, such as to retrain instructors to compensate for grade realignment. "There are always going to be teacher inservice needs," says Homes. "There is always going to be new content, new strategies and deliveries for that content."

Another inservice program may be inaugurated due to a situation the Plymouth-Canton District has had to deal with only recently -- teacher layoffs. Homes says, "We will need kinds of alternatives for teachers making that transition. Livonia and Taylor districts had to do it. And quite frankly, staff is going to have to help address that need."

Homes sees the biggest challenge in finding ways to meet the needs of the profession given the obvious constraints on time and funding. "The bank of resources diminishes as needs emerge," he explains. "But we have a very talented staff. Many seek their own improvements. A lot of that goes unnoticed or unrecognized, but teachers really are doing a lot to stay on top of the profession and keep ideas fresh. That makes a difference. The staff is satisfied and so is the community."

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City, Canton Rec departments continue steady program growth

BY KEN VOYLES

When one thinks of growth in a community very often one of the real areas of such growth is overlooked - parks and recreation programs.

Both the City of Plymouth and Canton Township have expanding parks and recreation departments with expanding programs offered year round. Plymouth Township currently does not have such a department, but township residents are participating in greater numbers in the programs offered by the city.

According to Bob Dates, Canton recreation supervisor, participation is up in all the programs offered. "We are expanding as fast as we can," says Dates.

The fledging Canton department is three years old and according to Dates 1981 was a major year for growth in numbers of offered programs and in numbers of participants.

In 1981 Canton offered 15 on-going programs, added 12 new programs in that year, and expanded 13 existing programs. Programs range from classes to various sports leagues such as volleyball, floor hockey, softball and golf.

The township is also moving ahead with plans for a future indoor community center, similar to the city's Cultural Center.

According to Dates the plans have already been drawn from a multi-million dollar building which would include meeting space, an indoor swim pool and a gymnasium. "We are shooting for the sky on this one," Dates said. "If federal money becomes available we'll be ready to go ahead and start the facility."

Canton has one advantage over the city's programs, and that is a tremendous amount of open land. Plans are already underway for the construction of a second community park - Griffin Park is the first - to be called Flodin Park. The area for Flodin Park has already be graded and seeded. A playground area, a parking lot, and eventually four lighted ball diamonds as well as tennis courts are slated for the site, located on Saltz Road.

The second major area of land expansion is planned for the approximate 48 acres behind the Township Administration Building on Canton Center Road. Canton's Board of Trustees recently allotted \$175,000 to start that project.

A survey has been completed of the property and soccer and baseball fields are slated to for construction next spring. "We desperately need new park space. These two parks will help," says Dates.

Eventually more than nine soccer fields are planned for the area behind the administration office. Griffin Park will also receive a minor overhaul and get additional tennis courts and a restroom facility in the near future.

"Our biggest single program is adult softball," said Dates. "In the three years we've offered the program we've gone from 40 teams to 64 teams. This year we're turning teams away, until we have more fields to play on."

The township's summer playground program for neighborhood parks has also grown, says Dates. The program went from two sites and 12 supervisors, to 12 sites and now up to 19 sites. Dates said over 10,000 kids were involved in the seven week program last summer.

Canton's recreation budget proposed for 1982 is \$265,000, an increase of \$63,000 over 1981. Dates' staff has grown slightly and the entire department has newly expanded offices in the basement level of the administration building.

"No matter what their home situation is people still want recreation programs. There is a major need and we are attempting to fill it," Dates said. "As for the community center we've got the plans ready now so that we can be ready if federal money comes through."

What the city lacks in terms of land it makes up for with the Cultural Center. City recreation programs have also seen a dramatic rise in the past two years. According to Chuck Skene, recreation chief for the city, when the soccer program, for example, was started four years ago there were 80 kids. The program now reaches 1,800 and there is no ceiling in sight.

"Almost all of our sports program are at there heights right now," said Skene. He adds that although the soccer program is not the city's biggest in terms of dollars turned over it does have the largest participation.

The city recreation budget in terms of expense is \$433,135, while \$353,950 is expected to be raised as revenues. The administrative costs come to approximately \$79,185.

The city's senior programs, as coordinated by the recreation department are also expanding, says Skene.

Other areas of growth in the program include the new adopt-a-park program already in full swing and the expansion of the Cultural Center's figure skating programs.

"When we talk growth we surely must mentioned our skating program run by Jim Millns," Skene said. "That along with adopt-a-park, and the senior programs are the newest areas of growth for the department."

Plymouth Township residents are a key aspect of the city programs. Township residents are offered a slightly higher rate to participate in most programs, except soccer where the rate is the same.

Fifty per cent of the soccer players in the Western Suburban Soccer League are from the township, while 44 per cent of the womens softball players are township residents and 51 per cent of the mens softball players.

According to Skene this is the first year the city has studied the percentages on city to township residents, so Skene can't speak to a longer range trend.

"The one area I worry about growth in is hockey," said Skene. The price is becoming exorbitant to play and I can't see anything changes in price but up."

Other key areas of recreation in The Plymouth-Canton Community are the junior sports leagues. All the leagues, from football, baseball, basketball, and even hockey report an increase in numbers of youths participating in the programs.

Coming Up Around The Town

January 1 Friday

Bank Closed.

January 3 Sunday

Parents w/o Partners, Coffee & Conversation 8 pm info 455-4188.

January 4 Monday

Optimist Club, 7 pm Mayflower Hotel.
Canton Kiwanis, Cyprus Gardens 6:30 pm.
Canton Rotary, Roman Forum noon.
Recovery Inc., 8 pm Central School.
Pilgrim Shrine #55 Grange Hall 7:30 pm.

January 5 Tuesday

Crediteers, 12:30-3 pm Elks Club.
Ply. Childbirth Educ. Assoc., series on Cesarean Childbirth, info 459-7477.
Oddfellows, 8 pm Oddfellows Hall.
Ply. Kiwanis, 6:30 pm Mayflower.
Canton Jaycettes, Canton Rec. Center 8 pm.
Ply. Community Chorus, East Middle School 8-10 pm, no auditions info 455-1248.

January 6 Wednesday

Canton Chamber of Commerce, Roman Forum noon, guests welcome.
Canton Newcomers, Pioneer Middle School 7 pm.
Senior Citizens Happy Hour, Ply. Cultural Center 12-4 pm.
Fall Festival Board, 8 pm City Hall.
Canton Senior Men's Club, Rec Center 3-5 pm.
Three Cities Art Club, Plymouth Salem High, Public Welcome, 7:30 pm.
Ply. Childbirth Educ. Assoc., Lamaze Series, info 459-7477.

January 7 Thursday

Colonial Kiwanis, 12:05 Mayflower.
Soroptimist Club Board, 6 pm Nicky's on 5 Mile.
Senior Citizens Party Bridge, Cultural Center 1-5 pm.
Lions Club, 6:30 pm Mayflower Hotel.
Civitan, 7:30 home Gene Kafila.
Senior Citizens Club, Tonquish Creek 1-4 pm.

January 8 Friday

The Woman's Club of Plymouth, First United Presbyterian Church, 12:30 pm, Program by Mrs. Lucille McKenny, Handwriting Analyst Expert.
Rebekah, 8 pm Oddfellows Hall.
Parents w/o Partners, UAW Hall Eckles Rd. 8:30 pm.
Ply. Rotary 12:05 Meeting House.

January 9 Saturday

Centennial C.B. Organization 1-4 pm
Oddfellows Hall.

January 10 Sunday

Parents w/o Partners, 8 pm Coffee and Conversation, info 455-4188.

January 11 Monday

Canton Rotary, Roman Forum noon.
Canton Kiwanis, 6:30 pm Cyprus Gardens.
American Legion Post 391, 8 pm Memorial Home.
Knights of Columbus, 7 pm KFC Hall.
Toastmasters International, 6:30 Mayflower Hotel.
Recovery Inc., 8 pm Central School.
Rock & Mineral Society, Ply. Cultural Center 7:30 pm.
W.N.F.G.A. - Pressed Flower Demo. Hostess Nancy Swartzwelter, 12:30 pm Guest Day.
Canton Business & Professional Womens Club, First Anniversary - program "Remember When Skit" Cyprus Garden, 7 pm.

January 12 Tuesday

Plymouth Jaycettes, Hostess Gale Owens 8 pm.
Ply. Community Council on Aging, 2 pm Cultural Center.
Ply. Kiwanis, 6:30 pm Mayflower.
Crediteers, 12:30-3 pm Elks Club.
Canton Jaycees, 7:30 pm Canton Rec. Center.
Ply. Community Chorus, East Middle School 8-10 pm no auditions, info 455-1248.

January 13 Wednesday

Kiwanis Clubs of Plymouth present "Tahiti and The Cook Islands" featuring Clint Dean 8 pm Salem High.
Senior Citizens Happy Hour, Ply. Cultural Center 12-4 pm.
League of Women Voters, 11:30-2:30, Topic Intergovernmental Relations within Michigan, info 453-8542.

January 14 Thursday

Senior Citizens Club, Tonquish Creek, 1-4 pm.
Ply. Historical Society, 7:30 pm Museum.
Community Fund, 8 am Colony Office Plaza.
Colonial Kiwanis, 12:05 Mayflower.
Senior Citizens Party Bridge, Ply. Cultural Center 1-5 pm.
Ply. Jaycees, 7:30 pm Cultural Center.
Canton Historical Society, 7:30 pm Canton Historical Museum.
Lake Pt. Village Br. W.N.F.G.A. Farrand Library, 7:30 pm "Historic Art of Stenciling."
Ply. Childbirth Educ. Assoc., Lamaze Series, info 459-7477.

January 15 Friday

Ply. Rotary, 12:05 Meeting House.
West Suburban Stamp Club, 7:30 pm Ply. Cultural Center.
Winter Special Olympics.

January 17 Sunday

Parents w/o Partners, Coffee & Conversation, info 455-4188.

January 18 Monday

First National Bank of Plymouth will be open 9:30-4:30 pm, no extended hours.
Optimist Club, 7 pm Mayflower Hotel.
Ply. Business & Professional Womens Club, 6:30 pm Hillside Inn.
Canton Rotary, Roman Forum noon.
Canton Kiwanis, Cyprus Gardens, 6:30 pm.
Recovery Inc. 8 pm Central School.
Ply. Registered Nurses, 7:30 pm Ply. Township Hall.
January 19 Tuesday
Ply. Theater Guild, 8 pm Central Middle School.
Crediteers, 12:30-3 pm Elks Club.
Canton Cable T.V. ad comm. 7:30 pm Library.
St. Kenneth Senior Citizens, 12-2:30 pm, info 455-4435.
Ply. Chamber Caucus Luncheon, noon, Hillside Inn.
Oddfellows, 8 pm Oddfellows Hall.
Ply. Kiwanis, 6:30 pm Mayflower.
Ply. Community Chorus, East Middle School, 8-10 pm, no auditions, info 455-1248.
Caucus Luncheon, 11:30 am, Hillside Inn.

January 20 Wednesday

Senior Citizen Happy Hour, Ply. Cultural Center 12-4 pm.
Canton Senior Mens Club, Rec Center 3-5 pm.
MACLD, Pioneer Middle School, 7:30 pm.
January 21 Thursday
Senior Citizens Party Bridge, Plymouth Cultural Center, 1-5 pm.
Am. Assoc. University Women, 7:30 pm West Middle School.
Colonial Kiwanis, 12:05 Mayflower.
Lions Club, 6:30 pm Mayflower Hotel.
German American Club, 8 pm Oddfellows Hall.
Growth Works Board, 7:30 pm Growth Works Building.
Civitan, Hillside Inn 7 pm.
Senior Citizens Club, Tonquish Creek 1-4 pm.
Ply. Chamber Board, 8 am Hillside Inn.
Seek Meeting, 7:30 pm Sunflower Subdivision Club House.

January 22 Friday

Rebekah, 8 pm Oddfellows Hall.
Parents w/o Partners, UAW Hall Eckles Rd. 8:30 pm.
Ply. Rotary, 12:05 Meeting House.

January 23 Saturday

Centennial C.B. Organization, 1-4 pm Oddfellows Hall

January 24 Sunday

Parents w/o Partners, Coffee & Conversation 8 pm info 455-4188

January 25 Monday

Toastmasters International 6:30 pm Mayflower Hotel
Recovery Inc. 8 pm Central School
Canton Kiwanis, Cyprus Gardens 6:30 pm
Canton Rotary, noon Roman Forum

January 26 Tuesday

Ply. Kiwanis, 6:30 pm Mayflower
Crediteers, 12:30-3 pm Elks Club
Ply. Community Chorus, East Middle School 8-10 pm, no auditions, info 455-1248

January 27 Wednesday

Senior Citizens Happy Hour, Ply. Cultural Center 12-4 pm
American Assoc. of Retired People, Cultural Center, Bag Lunch-Sing Along 12-2:30 pm
Family Service Advisory Comm. 8 am Colony Office Plaza

January 28 Thursday

Colonial Kiwanis, 12:05 Mayflower
Mayflower Garden Club, out to lunch after meeting, 10 am, hostess Beverly Kuczynski
Senior Citizens Party Bridge, Plymouth Cultural Center 1-5 pm
Senior Citizens Club, Tonquish Creek, 1-4 pm
Ply. Jaycees, 7:30 pm Cultural Center

January 29 Friday

Soroptimist Club, 6:00 pm Program Nicky's on 5 Mile
Ply. Rotary 12:05 Meeting House
Plymouth Newcomers, "An Evening at Northville Downs"

January 30 Saturday

Canton Business & Professional Womens Club
Anniversary Dinner Dance, Ply. Elks Club 8 pm

January 31 Sunday

Parents w/o Partners, Coffee & Conversation info 455-4188, 8 pm



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Billie Bidwell, former Plymouth resident

Billie D. Bidwell, 52, a former Plymouth resident and active Democratic party officer, died Dec. 21 at Sarasota Memorial Hospital, Sarasota, Fla., after a brief illness.

A resident of Plymouth from 1953 to 1973, Ms. Bidwell had made her home in the Sarasota area for the past eight years



BILLIE D. BIDWELL

Reeves

James Arthur Reeves, 81, South Harvey, Plymouth, died Dec. 19 in Livonia. Funeral services were conducted at Schrader Funeral Home, Plymouth, Dec. 21 with Gary Collins officiating.

Mr. Reeves was born April 28, 1900, in England. An inspector for General Motors Corporation, he moved to Plymouth in 1956.

He is survived by his wife, Anna; and brother, William Reeves of Liverpool, England.

Memorial contributions may be made to Michigan Cancer Foundation.

Westover

Emma Catherine Westover, 78, Newport Drive, Plymouth Township, died at her home Dec. 21. Memorial services were conducted at First United Presbyterian Church of Plymouth on Dec. 27 by Schrader Funeral Home with The Rev. Philip Rodgers Magee officiating.

She was born Oct. 2, 1903, in Wakonda, S.D. She came to the Plymouth-Canton Community in 1940 from Detroit. A registered nurse, she graduated from Grace Hospital Nursing Program in 1924 and was a member of the Michigan Nurses Association, the St. Joseph Medical Auxiliary and Rotary Anns.

Mrs. Westover is survived by her husband, Dr. Charles J. Westover; sons Charles of Ann Arbor, Robert of Cheboygan and David of Livonia; and seven grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Joseph Mercy Hospital for cancer research.

where she was a Realtor Associate with Frank C. Raeburn, Inc., Realty World of Venice.

Born Nov. 18, 1929, Ms. Bidwell attended Cleary College and Manatee Junior College in Bradenton, Fla. She was a past secretary of the Second Congressional District of the Michigan Democratic Party and active in many civic organizations during her years in Plymouth.

She is survived by her children, son, Donald William Bidwell of Plymouth; daughters Melinda Bidwell Schryer of Minneapolis, Minn. and Jennifer Bidwell of Plymouth; parents, William and Hazel Markham of South Lyon; sisters, Sallie Roby of Plymouth and Diana Henderson of Chelsea; and granddaughter, Jessica Bidwell Wendover of Plymouth.

Memorial services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 31, at First United Presbyterian Church of Plymouth with The Rev. Philip Magee officiating.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Michigan Heart Association.

Brocklehurst

Lon K. Brocklehurst, 87, Prescott, Arizona, died Dec. 18 in Prescott, Arizona. Funeral services were conducted Dec. 23 at Schrader Funeral Home with The Rev. John N. Grenfell, Jr., officiating.

Born Jan. 9, 1894, in Memphis, Indiana, Mr. Brocklehurst moved to Plymouth from Indiana in 1917. An insurance salesman, he was a member of Plymouth Rock Lodge No. 47 F and A.M., member of the White Shrine, past patron of O.E.S. No. 115, member of the Plymouth Hi-12, member of the Royal Arch Masons and a veteran of World War I.

He is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Richard (Virginia) Larkin of Prescott, Arizona; seven grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to Michigan Heart Association.

Burial was in Riverside Cemetery.

Stevens

Eva Stevens, 88, Ormond Beach, Florida, died Dec. 19 in Ormond Beach, Fla. Funeral services were conducted Dec. 23, at Schrader Funeral Home, Plymouth, with The Rev. Philip Rodgers Magee officiating.

Miss Stevens was born June 16, 1893, in Livonia. A telephone operator, she retired from Michigan Bell Telephone Co. in the late 50s.

She is survived by her sister, Mrs. Florence Hall of Hale; and nieces, Mrs. Allen (Kathleen) Schroeder of Livonia, Mrs. George (Mary) Slaght of Chicago, and Mrs. Donald (Norma) Melzer of Hale.

Burial was in Riverside Cemetery.

Canton trio escapes death in mobile home mishap

Three residents of a unit in College Park mobile home complex in the southwestern corner of Canton Township escaped death when they were overcome by fumes from a faulty furnace last week. The trio was treated for carbon monoxide poisoning and released.

Canton Fire Marshal Art Winkel blamed the near tragedy on a faulty flue pipe extension and vent system of furnaces manufactured by Lear Siegler—a furnace in general use in mobile home.

He urged mobile home residents to

check out their furnaces and venting systems, adding that there have been 19 deaths around the country since 1969 due to the furnace marketed under the Miller brand and carrying model No. MMG.

He urged mobile home dwellers to check their furnace model number and report any of the defective units. The manufacturer has a program for repair or replacement.

"The furnaces have been recalled by the manufacturer," Winkel said. "The manufacturer has been repairing them at no cost to the owner."

City water, sewer rates increase

The City of Plymouth's water and sewer rates will increase in the next quarter.

The increase will be approximately 19 per cent, or a \$6-\$7 per quarter increase for a family of four using approximately \$36 of water.

In 1976 the Detroit Water Board passed along a 39 per cent increase in the cost of the Detroit water and sewer system, from which Plymouth receives its supply. At that time the city commission and city administration did not pass along the increase, but instructed the city manager to pass it on over a three year period.

This is the second phase of that program.

In a related note the Detroit Water Board will be conducting hearings over

the next eight months to determine another increase, sometime in July or August of next year.

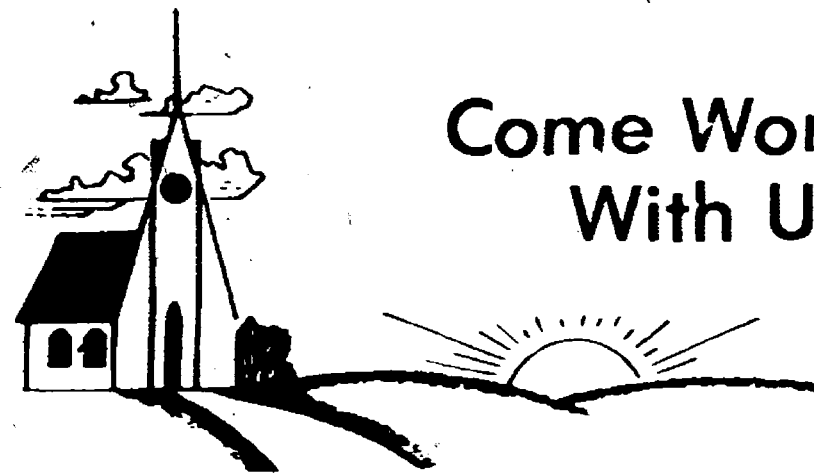
Detroit's Water Board represents 39 communities in Wayne County, all users of Detroit's Water and Sewer Department.

Stove cited in blaze

Canton Township firemen were called to extinguish a blaze in a home at the corner of Candlewood and Morton-Taylor last week.

There were no injuries but the kitchen and living room of the quad-level home were badly damaged.

According to Fire Marshal Art Winkel, the blaze started from an over-heated stove.



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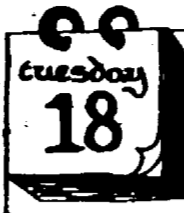
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PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP SENIOR CITIZEN TAX ASSISTANCE

Plymouth Township senior citizens will be able to get assistance from Barbara Pray in filing Homestead Property Tax Credit and Home Heating Credit claims. She will be at Friendship Station Jan. 7, 14 and 21 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; at Bradbury Club House Jan. 5 and 12, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; and at Township Hall Jan. 6, 13, 20 and 27 from 9 a.m. to noon and from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

NEWCOMERS TEA

On Wednesday, Jan. 6, Dorothy Hennis will host two teas for prospective members of the Plymouth Newcomers group. One will be from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. and one from 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. For more information call 459-8017 or 459-9119.

PLYMOUTH NEWCOMERS LUNCHEON

The Plymouth Newcomers Club will have a luncheon for all members and prospective members on Tuesday, Jan. 7, at the Mayflower Meeting House, featuring brisket of beef. Cost is \$7 per person. Reservations are required and may be made by calling Barb Tomaszycski at 455-4706 between Tuesday, Dec. 29 and 2 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 5.

EXERCISES FOR PREGNANT WOMEN

A six-week course of exercises for pregnant women, based on Yoga principles, will begin Jan. 7 at 7 p.m. in the Kingsmill Cooperative clubhouse on Northville Rd. between 6 and 7 Mile Rds. Enrollment is limited. For more information, call 459-2678 or 459-2360.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

The Ladies Auxiliary to Mayflower Post 6695, Veterans of Foreign Wars, will hold a pancake breakfast on Jan. 3 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the VFW Hall, 1426 S. Mill. Cost is \$2 per breakfast. Menu includes pancakes, sausage, eggs and French toast.

ORAL MAJORITY TOASTMASTERS

The Oral Majority Toastmasters Club meets Tuesdays at 5:30 p.m. at Denny's Restaurant on Ann Arbor Rd. at I-275. The group is a communications club for busy people on the go. Guests are welcome. For more information, call 455-1635.

SOLAR ENERGY SEMINAR

A free seminar on solar energy home improvements will held Jan. 5 at 7 p.m. at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer, sponsored by Star Pak Solar of Novi.

WESTERN WAYNE COUNTY GENEALOGICAL

The Western Wayne County Genealogical Society will meet Jan. 20 at 8 p.m. at the Carl Sandburg Library in Livonia. Margaret Ward, archivist for the Burton Historical Society Library, will speak on "Oral tradition in Family Research." Guests are welcome. A social hour will follow the meeting.

WE-WAY-CO SWEET ADELINES

We-Way-Co Chapter of Sweet Adelines, women's barbershop harmony singing group, will have a rehearsal Wednesday, Jan. 6, 7:30 p.m., at Bailey Recreation Center, behind Westland City Hall on Ford Road. All Plymouth-Canton women who enjoy singing are invited. For more information call 425-0017 evenings or 538-4966 days.

AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY

American Cancer Society is seeking members in the Plymouth-Canton Community. The Society offers a variety of interesting and challenging opportunities for volunteers. For further information contact Kathy Harrison at 728-5040 or 557-5353.

WOMEN'S CLUB OF PLYMOUTH

The Women's Club of Plymouth will start off the new year with a meeting at Presbyterian Church at 12:30 p.m. on Jan. 8. Program will feature Lucille McKenny, handwriting analyst.

CANTON PARKS AND REC DYNAMIC AEROBICS

Canton Parks and Recreation Department is offering three separate sessions of "Dynamic Aerobics" starting Jan. 11. Pre-screening physical is necessary and will be held at first class session. Call 397-1000 for further details.

INCOME TAX CHANGE SEMINAR

William M. Perrett Lodge No. 524 will present a program on income tax changes at the Plymouth Masonic Temple Jan. 21 at 8 p.m. Dinner will be served at 7 p.m. at \$4 per person. For dinner reservations call Bill Argo at 538-0276. Those attending the tax seminar do not have to attend the dinner.

WOMAN'S CLUB OF PLYMOUTH

Woman's Club of Plymouth will meet at the Presbyterian Church on Friday, Jan. 8, at 12:30 p.m. Program will be on handwriting analysis.

CANTON BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL WOMEN'S CLUB

Canton Business and Professional Women's club will celebrate its first birthday anniversary Jan. 11, with a dinner at Cypress Gardens. Cocktails will be served at 6:30 p.m. with dinner at 7 p.m. To make reservations call Robin Koelbel at 455-4230.

CARD PARTIES

Beginning January, a card party will be held every Tuesday and Thursday from 2 to 5 p.m. at the McDonalds of Plymouth, 220 Ann Arbor Rd. Free cake and coffee will be served. For reservations, call Barbara Beck at 453-4760.

PLYMOUTH NEWCOMERS

On Friday, Jan. 29, the Plymouth Newcomers Club is planning "An Evening at Northville Downs." There will be cocktails at 6:30 p.m. followed by a buffet dinner at 7 p.m. and the races starting at 8 p.m. Tickets are limited to first 50 couples. For information call 453-0543.

SKATE TO BEAT DIABETES

A Skate to Beat Diabetes benefit is scheduled for Jan. 31 at The Skatin' Station, 8611 Rhonda Dr., Canton. Proceeds raised will be used to support services for children and adults with diabetes. Phone 459-6401 for details.

CANTON PARKS AND REC SKATING PROGRAM

Starting Jan. 26, The Plymouth Parks and Recreation Department will sponsor roller skating sessions for ESY track students at Skatin' Station, 8611 Rhonda Drive, Canton. For details phone 459-6401.

CANTON NEWCOMERS HAYRIDE

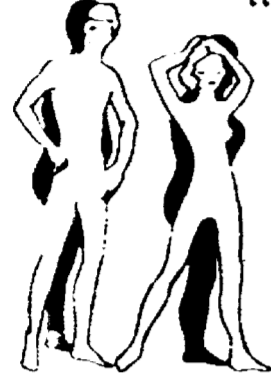
Canton Newcomers will be having a hayride at Sugarbush Farms on Saturday, Jan. 16, from 8 p.m. to midnight. The price will be \$16 per couple. Food will be provided. There will be square dancing after the hayride. For information and reservations call Char Owne at 397-3075.

CANTON NEWCOMERS MEETING

Canton Newcomers Club will meet Jan. 6 at 7 p.m. in Pioneer Middle School. A representative from Total Health Spa of Canton will demonstrate aerobic dancing and exercises. Anyone living in Canton is welcome. For information or transportation call Carleen Sanderbok at 397-8322.

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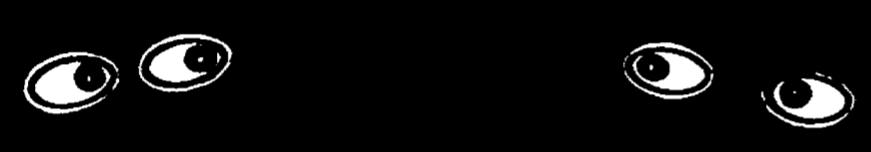
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Sports

But fall to Spartans in final How sweet it is -- Chiefs edge Rocks

BY DAVIDCALLAHAN

After pulling off one of the season's biggest upsets by defeating Salem High last Monday, Canton High's men's basketball team took a 180 degree turn against Livonia Stevenson.

The Chiefs dropped Tuesday's championship game of the annual Christmas Classic, 61-38, after scoring only seven points in the first half.

"They were probably tired after the big win over Salem," said coach Dave VanWagoner, "but that's no excuse. I just don't think we were mentally ready for the first half."

The Chiefs were never really in the Stevenson contest, as the Spartans reeled off the first 11 points before Canton was able to get on the board. Matt Thomas finally put the first points on for the Chiefs, as he hit a lay-up with 1:45 left in the first quarter to make the score 11-2. Stevenson scored one more basket before the end of the quarter to take a 13-2 lead.

Canton continued its slide in the second quarter, as Stevenson scored the first six points on the Spartan fast break offense. Steve Tuttle put two free throws on the board for the Chiefs before Stevenson rolled off the next eight points to take a 27-4 lead. Thomas scored three points for the Chiefs when he hit a three point play, but the Spartans came right back with four points of their own to take a 31-7 halftime lead.

Any hopes that the Chiefs had of getting back into the game in the second half were dashed in the opening minutes of the third quarter. Stevenson chalked up nine consecutive points, while holding Canton scoreless to take a 40-7 lead, Stevenson's widest margin of the evening.

After the Stevenson burst, both Dave and George VanWagoner emptied their benches for the duration of the game. The Canton reserves began to chip away at the Stevenson lead, narrowing the score to 46-20 at the end of the third quarter.

Canton's reserves really got going in the fourth quarter, as the Chiefs full-court pressed for virtually the entire period. Junior Mike Scarpello led the charge, picking up all eight of his points in the final period.

Scarpello was the leading scorer for the Chiefs, while Mark Tuttle and Tim McFarland added six each. Gary Mexicotte led the Spartan offense with 10 points

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SOLID DEFENSE played a key role in the Canton-Salem mens basketball clash, part of last week's Christmas Classic. In this photo, the Chiefs Matt Thomas (left) faces the Rocks Norm Haygood one-on-one on the boards. (Crier photo by Robert Cameron)

Canton wrestling tourney set for today

Area wrestling fans are in for a holiday treat today, as the Canton High Wrestling Invitational, sponsored by the Plymouth-Canton Civitans, will be held today, at Canton's Phase III.

According to Canton wrestling coach Dan Chrenko, spectators will have a chance to view some of the finest wrestling around the area.

"This may be the finest eight-team tournament in the state," said Chrenko. Canton, the tournament host, will be joined by Salem High, Birmingham Brother Rice, Dearborn High, Redford

Thurston, Wayne Memorial, West Bloomfield, and defending champion Warren Lincoln.

Wrestling will begin at 10:30 a.m., with preliminary matches. The consolation finals will begin at 6 p.m., with the championship finals to follow.

"Whoever wins this tournament will have to be tough," said Chrenko. "Wayne has already won two tournaments (Belleville, Wayne) and Salem has already had three seconds at their tournaments. I think that anyone has a chance to win."

Chrenko added that this is a good time of year for a tournament. "With all of the people on vacation, this is a very good chance to see some excellent wrestling. People will be able to come in all day long and see some good matches. There should be a lot of people here that will make it to the state meet."

Tickets will be sold at the door. Adults will be charged \$1 for the preliminaries and \$1 for the finals. For \$1, students can purchase a pass that will let them in the competition all day long.

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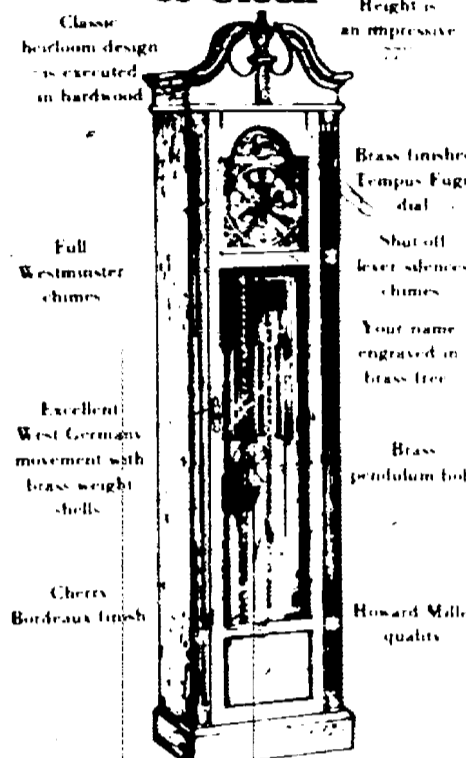
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Canton cagers defeat Salem

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Monday night, the Chiefs played an entirely different game, beating rival Salem by a score of 50-47.

"The last time we beat Salem, it snowed," explained Canton's Dave VanWagoner, "so we knew that we were going to win when we stepped into the gym." If you recall it snowed profusely both Monday and Tuesday of that week.

VanWagoner knew that the Chiefs would have to play well to beat the bigger Rocks. "Offensively, we tried to spread the floor out and use our speed. On defense, we just stepped up, and put pressure on them for 32 minutes. Every time that they got the ball, we just stepped up and got right in their faces."

VanWagoner was not surprised that his team, 0-4 before the Salem contest, was able to get up and play against the Rocks, who had been 3-0. "We kept our positive attitude, and came ready to play. I think we'll have a successful season playing like we did," said VanWagoner.

It was obvious that the Chiefs had come to play in the first quarter, as they jumped out to a 10-2 lead in the first six minutes of play. Salem was unable to move the ball against Canton effectively as the Chiefs had gone to a man-to-man defense, after playing a zone throughout the start of the year.

"I wasn't really surprised that they played a man-to-man" said Salem coach Fred Thomman. "We scouted them and we knew that man-to-man was their best defense."

As for the records of the two teams, Thomman said "The fact that they were 0-4 and we were 3-0 had absolutely nothing to do with the game. Canton played better, and they won."

After Canton took a 14-7 lead at the end of the first period, Salem's Mike McBride helped to pull Salem to within three, 16-13, as he hit two free throws with 4:17 left in the half.

Canton went on a roll after that, as Tuttle, Thomas, and Ron Rienas went on to score the next nine points and spot Canton to a 25-13 lead. The Chiefs kept up the pressure and led, 29-18, at half-time.

Salem closed the margin in the third quarter, as John Cohen hit for seven points. Tuttle provided all of the Chiefs offense, as he had five points to keep Canton in front, 34-29, as the two clubs entered the final quarter.

Midway into the final quarter, the Rocks finally caught fire. Dave Miller pulled the Rocks to within two points



CANTON'S Ron Rienas (right) puts a shot up against Salem's John Kelliher during the Christmas Classic at Salem. (Crier photo by Robert Cameron)

when he scored a three point play with 4:53 left in the game. Miller tied the game late on, hitting a lay-up to knot the score at 42-42.

Salem took its first lead of the game at 3:33, when Miller hit two free throws to give Salem a 44-42 lead. Rienas tied it up at 44-44, and then Tuttle put the Chiefs on top for good with a basket with 1:20 in the contest.

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CANTON BASKETBALL coaches Dave VanWagoner (right) and Rob Neu confer with senior tri-captain Tommy Harris during the Chiefs tournament game with Salem. (Crier) photo by Robert Cameron)

For Neu it was a new experience

BY KEN VOYLES

For Rob Neu, sitting on the bench with the Canton High men's basketball team during last week's Christmas Tournament game between Canton and Salem High must have been akin to being on trial as a traitor.

Neu, a former guard for Fred Thomann's Salem teams of 1978-79 and 1979-80, was at the Canton end of the floor that night as an assistant coach to Dave VanWagoner, Canton's new head coach.

It wasn't an easy transition from Rocks colors to Chiefs colors, but when the Chiefs upset the Rocks at Salem's gym that night it became all that much easier.

A student at Schoolcraft College, Neu was working at the Trading Post when he ran into VanWagoner one day.

VanWagoner asked Neu if he wanted to coach and help out the Canton team this year - in the process of rebuilding under VanWagoner. "At first I thought he was kidding, but then we talked about it more seriously and it became an exciting idea," Neu said.

He quit his job at the Trading Post devoting his limited time to coaching and schooling. Although offered a small coaching salary, Neu turned it down in favor of the opportunity presented him.

Neu, 19, said the idea of coaching had been inside his head ever since eighth grade, so he jumped at the opportunity.

"We expected a weird reaction from the Canton players, but their reaction was nothing at all. I had to prove I knew the game and once I did that I became someone the players could talk to," Neu said.

With two years age difference separating Neu and many of the Canton players the role he plays is difficult to describe.

"When I first started I acted like one of the players, swearing and joking with them, but now I've realized I need to remove myself more and more from that aspect of coaching," said Neu. "I still am someone the players can talk to and someone they can run from."

In practice Neu concentrates on

working with the Canton guards. During game situations he is a defensive coordinator making sure the players get the signals right, watching for players who get tried and watching the play of the guards.

When it came time for Canton to face Salem in the Christmas Classic, Neu had even more to face. "The general reaction of my friends at Salem was total disbelief. They'd call me traitor but smile and shake my hand, happy for the opportunity I'm was getting," Neu said.

A pre-season scrimmage involving Canton and Salem as well as two other teams, helped Neu handle the excitement of the Canton-Salem confrontation. "I was really nervous when we stepped into Salem for that Monday game. If it hadn't been for the four-way scrimmage I would have freaked out.

"As it was I totally freaked at the scrimmage. I walked in to a gym that was all blue and I was wearing all red. For the first time I clashed. It was then that I realized it wasn't my gym anymore," Neu said.

He added that the scrimmage helped him realize what he was doing. "I realized I was doing something I wanted to do. This is a lot of fun and I'm able to step into my own thing now."

Neu's biggest thrill that Monday night - besides having the Chiefs win - was shaking the hand of his former coach at Salem, Fred Thomann. "That was an absolute thrill. And to be on the court coaching against him was just exciting," said Neu.

When the Chiefs edged the Rocks 50-47 it became like a dream to Neu. "For the first time I was on the other end of the gym and we beat Salem. It was different from playing with Salem. We took beating Canton as nothing special, but at Canton beating Salem is everything," he said. "All I could think was 'Wow we did it.' My friends were stunned but happy for me as a friend."

Neu plans to continue coaching and maybe get a junior varsity job in the future. After Schoolcraft he will transfer to Eastern Michigan University and strive for a teaching degree.

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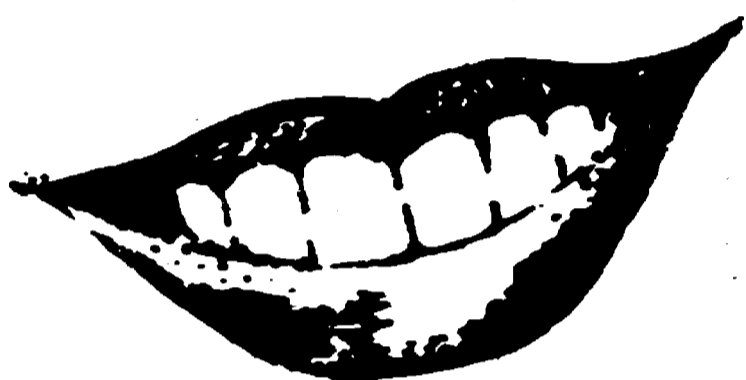
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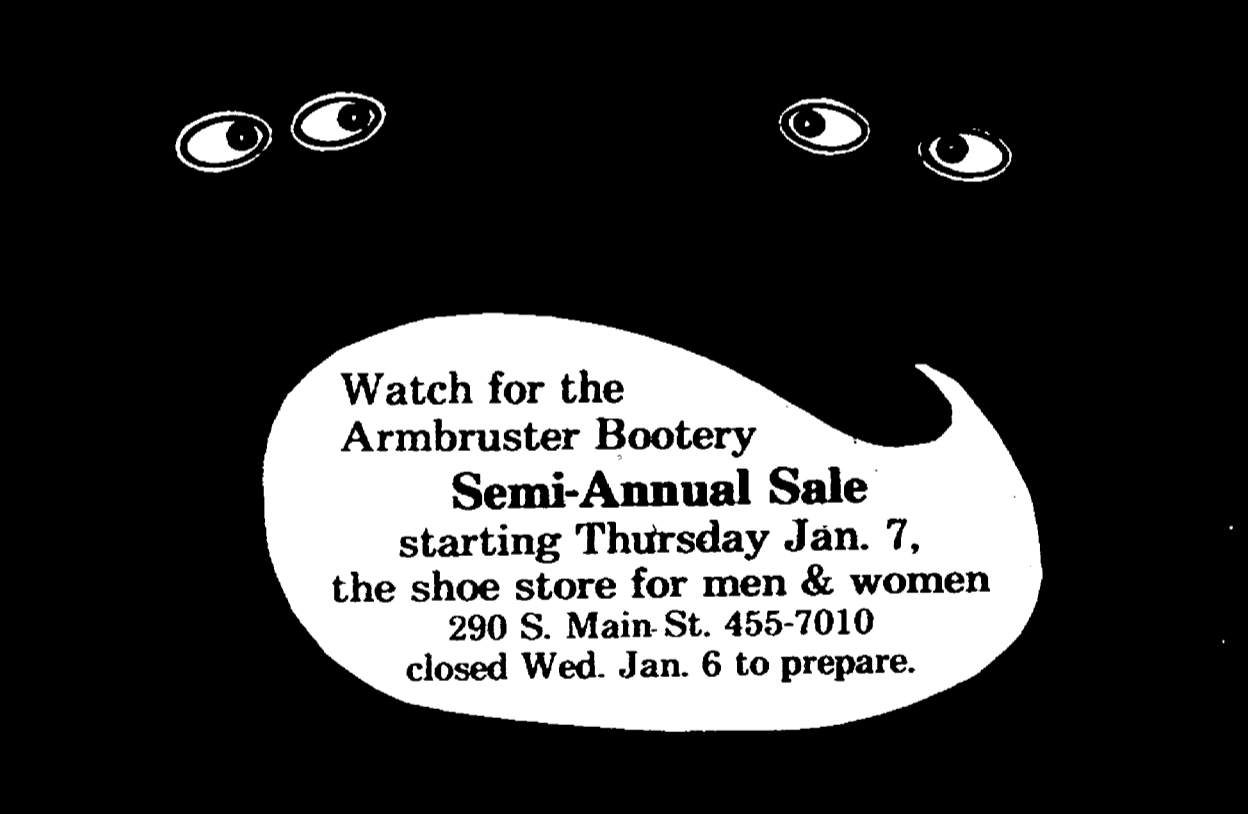


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Rock grapplers score 2nd, this time at Wayne Invite

Salem High wrestlers scored their third consecutive second place finish at an invitational this year.

The Rocks' latest effort came at the Wayne Memorial Invitational on Dec. 19. Salem tallied 143 points to finish behind host team Wayne Memorial with 175 points. Portage Northern was third with 109 points, while Battle Creek Lakeview, Belleville, Flint, Redford Thurston, and Brighton rounded out the teams.

"We did pretty well, but again we didn't have our overall depth," said Salem coach Ron Krueger. The Rocks failed to produce wrestlers at the 105 and the 126 pound classes and voided those weights.

Salem still managed to score four tournament champions.

Heavyweight wrestler Marty Piper defeated Doug Imhoff of Battle Creek with a pin at 2:45. Piper won the pin trophy for the day as he won all three of his matches by pins.

Bruce Bachman defeated Jack Jepsen of Battle Creek, 14-5, to win the title at 145 pounds. Bachman was also 3-0 on the day.

Randy Beaudoin won the 167-pound weight division when he pinned Jim Spada of Wayne Memorial at the 5:29 mark of their match. Beaudoin also won all three of his matches, two by pins and one by default.

At 185 pounds, Salem's Scott Wickens defeated Jim Nesbitt of Wayne Memorial, 9-0, in the finals to win that weight class. Wickens won all three of his matches at the invitational.

Jay Roberts finished second at 155 pounds for the Rocks after he lost to Jeff Bertrum of Flint. Roberts won two of his three matches that day.

Rick Vershave finished third at 98 pounds for Salem when he defeated Tony Schram of Thurston, 12-1. Vershave drew a bye in the first round and split his next two matches.

Rob McDonald gained a third place finish at 132 pounds after he defeated the number two seed Alan Pesci of Thurston, 2-0. McDonald went 2-1 on the day and lost only to Tony LaTrora of Portage Northern.

John Beaudoin also scored a third for Salem as he defeated Meulamn of Northern with a pin in the 138-pound weight division.

Mike Doumanian was fourth for the Rocks at 112 pounds when he lost to Art Johnson of Wayne Memorial, 12-4. Doumanian was 2-2 on the day.

Salem's John Jeannotte at 119 pounds and Tom Walkley at 198 pounds were both knocked out of the competition after two rounds.

The Rocks will compete in the Canton Invitational Dec. 30 at Canton's Phase III gym. "It's a good tournament, but a lot of teams take it easy this time of year," said Krueger. "I don't know, but we might take it easy also."

Krueger added that his squad is getting back to its full strength and that the holes in the Salem lineup are being filled. "We are getting our depth back," Krueger said.

Plymouth-Canton Cruisers take 2nd at championships

The four-team Western Wayne Aquatic Conference championships were held at Salem High's pool Dec. 7 and 9. The Plymouth-Canton Community's representative, the Cruisers, came away with a second place.

The Belleville Tiger Swim Club won the meet with 2,098 points, while the Cruisers had 2,025. The Wayne Dolphins and the Willow Run Flyers finished third and fourth, respectively.

The Cruisers claimed 21 first places during the two day event for boys and girls ages eight and under to 13-14 years old.

The 9-10 year old 200-yard medley relay girls team of Brady, Olson, Adamczak and Vesnaugh clocked 2:36.1 for first.

The boys 11-12 200-yard medley foursome of Wisniewski, Adamczak, Harwood and Riemenschnieder clocked 2:18.7 for first, while the girls 11-12 team also won its medley relay. The crew included Meszaros, Bennett, Lawson and Murphy and clocked 2:19.5.

The girls 13-14 foursome of Shaffer, Elliott, Wochna, and Kennedy clocked 2:10.5 for first in the medley relay.

D. Harwood won the 11-12 boys 100-yard individual medley, 1:10.5, while M. Harwood captured the boys 13-14 I.M., 2:21.7. K. Elliott won the girls 13-14 I.M., 2:34.9.

M. Neil won the 9-10 boys 50-yard backstroke, 40.99 seconds, while M. Stackpoole won the girls 11-12 50-yard backstroke, 34.67 seconds.

M. Adamczak won the 11-12 50-yard breaststroke for boys, 38.4 seconds, while C. Elliott was first in the girls race, 37.3 seconds.

E. Olson won the 9-10 girls 50-yard breaststroke, 39.7 seconds, and K. Elliott won the girls 13-14 100-yard breaststroke, 1:16.

L. Shaffer won the 11-12 200-yard freestyle for girls, 2:22.7, while G. Wolff won the boys 13-14 200-yard freestyle, 2:07.7.

E. Olson won the girls 9-10 50-yard freestyle, 36.7 seconds, while M. Harwood won the boys 13-14 100-yard butterfly, 1:05.8.

D. Harwood won the 11-12 boys 50-yard butterfly, 31.7 seconds, and M. Lawson won the girls 11-12 fly, 33.2 seconds.

The girls 11-12 200-yard freestyle relay of Shaffer, Lawson, Stackpoole and Elliott clocked 1:59.9 for first, while the boys 13-14 200-yard freestyle relay crew of Cassler, Wolff, Eudy and Harwood clocked 1:45.4 for first place.

Spring soccer sign-up

Registration for spring soccer leagues through the Plymouth Parks and Recreation Department will be conducted at the Plymouth Cultural Center Jan. 11-22 during regular business hours.

Cost is \$17 for those born in 1973 or before, and \$16 for boys and girls born in 1974, 1975 and 1976. The registration is for boys and girls ages six to 18 years. League play begins in April.

Rock cagers take consolation

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With 55 seconds left, Cohen had a chance to tie it up, as he had two free throws. Cohen made the first one, but missed the second. At the other end, Tommy Harris hit two free throws for Canton with 28 seconds remaining to put the game on ice.

Tuttle, one of two Chiefs named to the all-tournament team, led the squad with 20 points and 13 rebounds. Thomas, also named to the team, as chosen by the coaches, had 17 points and nine rebounds.

Salem's Miller was also named to the squad, as well as Tom Gomolak from Livonia Churchill, Gary Mexicotte from Stevenson, and teammate Greg Berkey. Berkey was named most valuable player of the classic.

Miller and McBride led the Rocks in the Canton game with 11 points each.

Moore named to all-state

One of Salem High's most outstanding womens basketball players in the past four years, Eileen Moore, stepped in the ranks of the known this past weekend when she was named to the Detroit Free Press All-State, first team, womens basketball squad.

Moore, a five foot seven and a half inch senior paced the Rocks through a 21-4 season, averaging 14 points a game. She was also led the Rocks in assists and was one of the team's key rebounders.

Moore, a 17-year-old point guard for Salem, played four years of varsity with Bob Blohm's Rocks. During that period the squad won 81 of 99 games, advanced beyond district competition three times, and beyond regional competition two times. Moore saw action in 98 of those games.

She was also voted to the first team All-Suburban Eight League this year.

Flyers win

Fresh from capturing the National Skating Academy Thanksgiving Hockey Tournament, the Plymouth Flyers Bantam B hockey squad, sponsored by Ed's Sport Shop, handed undefeated Southgate Les Candadians their first season defeat, 2-1, to win the Allen Park Christmas Tournament.

The Flyers successfully killed off two peanlties in the final minutes of the final game last week, to take the trophy from Southgate.

Plymouth goals were scored by Gary Quigley and Lee Butcher, both unassisted. Cam Evans and Jamie Riegall shared goal tending duties.

In the first game of the tournament, the Flyers beat St. Paschal's of Taylor, 3-2. The game ended in sudden death overtime when Plymouth's Steve Fuller scored. Other Plymouth goals were scored by Butcher and Ken Roche.

The Flyers then handed Ulrichs of Ann Arbor a 2-0 defeat with goals by Rob KucHarski and Dave Lividini. And in their third game the Flyers whipped Lincoln Park's Panthers, 5-1. Butcher scored a hat-trick, while Jeff Wood and Paul Chick scored single goals.

The Rocks came back in the consolation game to defeat the Churchill Chargers, 58-40.

Salem went in front 7-2 in the first quarter of that game on five points from McBride and two from Haygood before Churchill fought back to a 9-8 deficit.

The first period ended with Salem, in front 15-9. McBride tossed in seven points in the quarter.

In the second quarter, the Rocks pushed their lead to 10 points at the 5:52 mark with Houle hit a bakset to make the score 19-9.

Salem continued to pound the lowly Chargers for the rest of the first half and led going away, 29-14, at the intermission. Houle had six points in the quarter and Cohen and Zurek added four points each.

The Rocks continued the rout in the third quarter as Houle tossed in eight points and McBride had three. The score at the end of the quarter was 42-25.

Scott Bublin paced the Rocks through the final eight minutes as he scored eight points.

McBride paced the Rocks with 12 points, while Houle tossed in 11. Bublin scored eight, while Cohen and Zurek had six points each.

X-country ski clinics slated

Cross country ski buffs and beginners can register for the Canton Township Parks and Recreation sponsored cross country ski clinics to be held in January and February.

All lessons will be conducted by certified ski instructors from Sportventure, in Canton. A short lecture will be followed by actual cross country skiing - weather permitting.

The clinic dates are Jan. 13, Jan. 28 and Feb. 9 and will be held at the Canton Township Administration Building and property immediately adjacent.

Cost is \$5.50 per person and includes skis, poles, boots and instructions. Persons with their own equipment can attend for \$3.50.

The two hour clinics will start at 7:30 p.m. on each of the three dates.

Skiers must reserve a spot in the clinic at least two days prior to each clinic date. Call 397-1000 for further information.

To register go in person or mail to, Canton Parks and Recreation Department, 1150 S. Canton Center Rd., Canton, 48188.

N'ville Downs to open

Northville Downs Raceway will begin its 39th year of harness racing on Jan. 1.

The 80-night meeting will last through April 3. Post time, announced by Harry Peterson, racing director, will be 8 p.m. each night.

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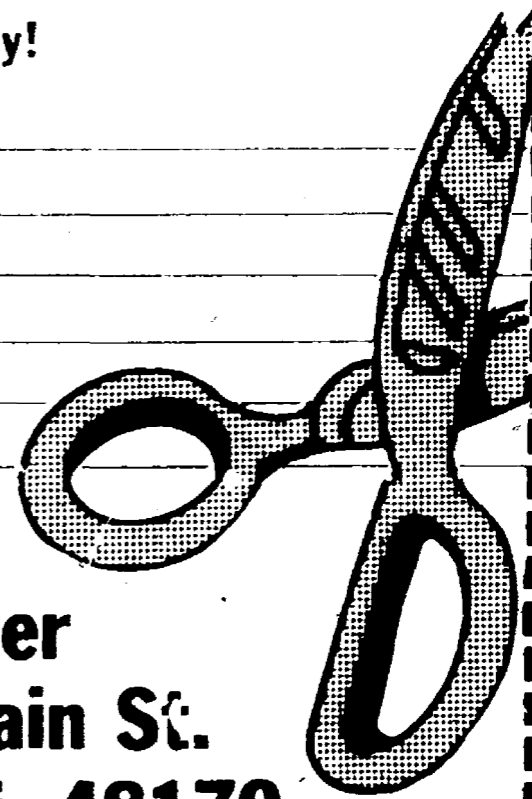
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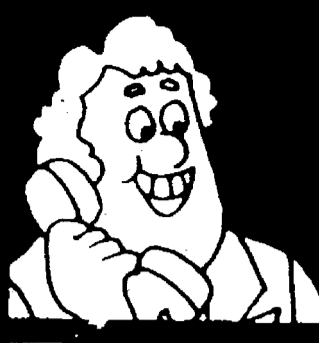
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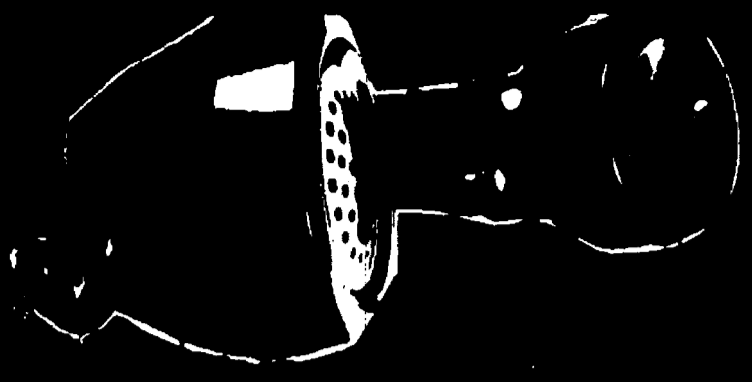
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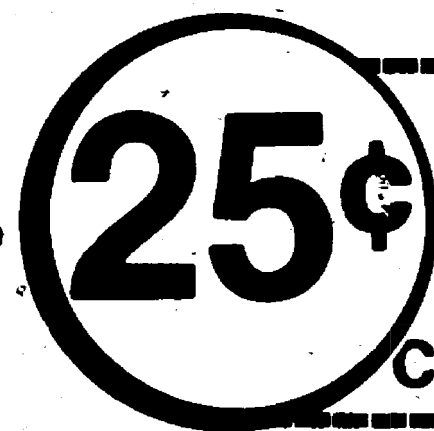
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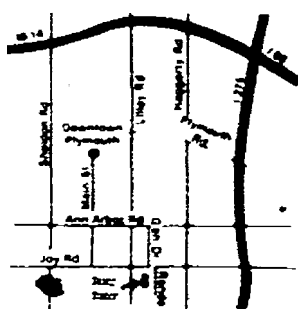
<p>WEDNESDAY DEC. 30</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regular sessions: 10:00-11:30 am; 1:00-3:00 pm; 4:00-6:00 pm and 7:30-10:00 pm 	<p>THURSDAY DEC. 31</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kids New Year Session: 4:00 pm-7:00 pm • New Year's Eve matinee: 1-3 pm. Admission \$3.00. • New Year's Eve Party: 9 pm-1 am (see details above) Advance Tickets available.
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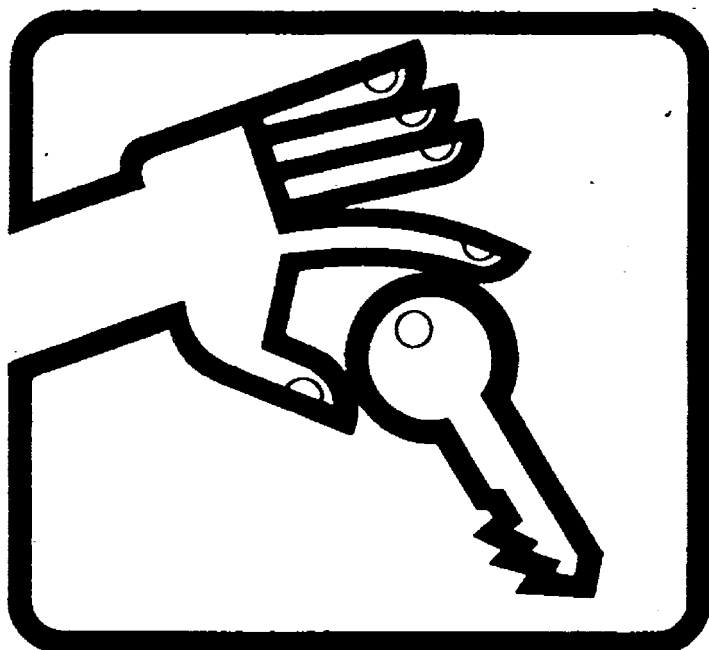
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