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AN OPEN LETTER TO THE OPPONENTS OF METTETAL AIRPORT

Dear Mrs. Smith & Co:

I have been told by some that I should ignore statements by you and your group because all it does is provide additional publicity to those who intend to destroy the reputation and image of our fine City. It is with some consternation on my part that I respond to recent letters which have appeared in the press authored by yourself and others in your group. To let the unsubstantiated accusations go by without response in my opinion would tend to give them credence which is not due. Some of the comments I have read are salacious and totally unfounded.

This is the only opportunity that I will have to reply directly to you and your friends because it is my understanding that Smith, Eckler, Kosky, et al intend to file suit against all of the City Commissioners who voted in favor of preservation of Mettetal Airport at our last City Commission meeting. Since you all will be represented by counsel at that time, I could no longer communicate directly with you and any of the other plaintiffs -- other than in court, once I am officially notified of such action by service of process.

Both of your recent articles carried the caption, alternatively, that your elected officials either did not listen to you or ignored the feelings and "requests" of your group in arriving at a decision regarding the preservation or destruction of Mettetal Airport.

I can assure you that, speaking on behalf of myself as well as my fellow Commissioners, you have not been ignored and we do indeed listen to the arguments of your group in favor of putting the wrecking ball to Mettetal Airport. However, you must also realize that we listen to those on the other side of the issue who want to save and preserve this unique, special community airport as it is. Rather than ignore you, both of your articles failed to reveal -- which I reminded you later -- that you and I had a lengthy telephone conversation (for at least one-half hour) prior to even the first Commission meeting when the Mettetal Airport issue was discussed. You and I have also spoken since then. Other than sending letters and speaking at the meetings, Sandra Kosky has never spoken to me. Bill McAninch has never spoken to me. Except for meeting me briefly at a Kiwanis Club meeting last week, Warren Dushbiber, had never spoken to me. Dwight Eckler spoke to me when I called him in an attempt to understand his concerns but told me, quite frankly, that he was in a hurry but he promised to drop off some materials (petitions) at my office to review. He never did so. Another member of your "fine group," one William Baumgartner, did speak to me briefly after the City Commission meeting when he was pushing and shoving me in front of several others and had to be restrained. No, I have not filed Assault charges. On the other hand, Paul Nastoff, who lives in the City and has attended Commission meetings for some twenty-five years, has spoken to me at length. Likewise, Joe Aninos of Canton Township has done the same. I respect the two latter individuals for at least giving me the opportunity to explain my position regarding Mettetal. Some of the other plaintiffs in your lawsuit whom I have never heard of before have never spoken to me.

Mrs. Smith, you and Sandra Kosky, Dwight Eckler, and Bill McAninch make accusations against the Commissioners that we "don't listen" or "ignore" you. You are confusing NOT AGREEING WITH YOU with not listening. If we had voted the other way, perhaps some of those who argued in favor of saving the Airport might have accused us of the same thing. Just because we accept the opposite position which we feel best for our community, doesn't mean that we don't hear you and don't care.

I am sorry that when you voted for me in the last election you expected me to always vote the way you wanted me to. I wasn't elected to do that. I must listen to all of the arguments on both sides, listen to the recommendations of others, and then weigh what I feel is best for the community before voting. I wouldn't want you to vote for me if you thought you "had" my vote on every issue you became involved in. If this were the case, I would be neglecting my oath of office. But thanks for the vote anyway.

You also maligned our fine Mayor somewhat prematurely by accusing him of violating the Open Meetings Act because of the fact that he had to place some time constraints on those that spoke. This was the prerogative of Mayor Bala and at the second meeting he even let those who had spoken before (including you), speak again. The only reason he limited discussion on the Mettetal issue during the "in-between" meeting was because it had been set up for January 21st and we had set aside almost the entire meeting for that one subject matter. You failed to clarify this in your article.

With respect to the audience being scolded for being rude to others and the fact that some of you did not like it, all I can say is "If the shoe fits, wear it." Those that were being disruptive, interrupting, and in other ways being rude to their fellow members of the audience, I am sure were not pleased with my comments when I asked them to please give everyone an opportunity to speak without make snide remarks, loud comments, and in other ways being disruptive. I was speaking against those both in favor of the airport as well as those against the airport who wanted to interrupt. Some didn't like being "lectured" to, but I felt that it had to be said. These are Commission meetings and not open forums and town meetings. You criticized me for not saying the same thing at the Town Meeting which was held at the Cultural Center when you accused the "pro airport" people of "smarting off." Again, you did not speak to me about this before writing your letter. As I have pointed out to you subsequently, the City Commissioners and Township Trustees were under a "gag order" and had been advised prior to the meeting that we could not say anything. We were just there to listen to the debate and that was it. I feel that the Plymouth City Manager, Gordon Jaeger, did an excellent job in controlling the emotions during the meeting. I am sorry if you and Sandra Kosky thought that you were being scolded by me. As a matter of fact, I was not speaking about you, Mrs. Kosky, or even Mr. Licata for that matter. Most of my comments were directed at one individual who sat in the front row and spoke so loud that our City Clerk had difficulty recording the proceedings (as will be confirmed if you listen to the tapes). This same individual was identified in another letter to the Editor column in both local newspapers as a Plymouth Township resident, a teacher in Wayne-Westland, and calls himself a "consumer advocate." He's the same one, by the way, who was quoted as saying that "Mettetal Airport was nothing but a political plum for the politicians." Here is what the other column said about this individual: "The Plymouth Township Board Meeting limed debate to three minutes. This was established and agreed upon at the outset of the meeting. It was not until five and one-half minutes had passed that he was asked to relinquish the podium and allow others to speak. After a heated protest, he returned to his seat and proceeded to

heckle and harass other speakers throughout the meeting. If anyone did not get a chance to be heard, it was the other attendees who were being overshadowed by his civic rudeness." Parenthetically, if he feels that this is a political plum, I receive \$20.00 per month for two official meetings and probably attend at least fifteen meetings each month. Again, we are only paid for the two official meetings. I do not feel that we are being overpaid. Incidentally, those who will serve on the Joint Board for Mettetal Airport are serving voluntarily without pay.

You also quoted me as saying that I would "do anything for a vote." This is totally untrue. Neither the newspaper reporters who were in attendance, or the City Clerk who took notes and recorded the meeting can confirm that I said anything of the kind. You will have the opportunity to retract that statement and you will be receiving a letter from my attorney in that regard. I must give you that opportunity to do so because I imagine, once we have been served with your lawsuit against the Commissioners and which, incidentally, requests an award of other relief and not just an injunction has been requested, I anticipate that there will be counter-suits against most if not all of the plaintiffs which will undoubtedly include defamation, slander, and libel. Please retract that statement because I would never say anything of the kind.

One of your compatriots was quoted in the press over the weekend as saying that your group "is angry" because the Plymouth City Commissioners ignored a Petition signed by 911 residents requesting a referendum vote on whether the City should enter into a Joint Operating Agreement with Plymouth Township to preserve the airport. This is absolutely false. I have checked this out with the City officials and have found out the truth. Dwight Eckler originally filed a Petition for a referendum. This was channeled through the City Clerk to the City Attorney, Ronald Lowe, who is an excellent lawyer, is not an employee of the City of Plymouth. He is retained by the City on an annual basis to give legal advice. The City Commission had no opportunity whatsoever to either vote or even debate the efficacy of Mr. Eckler's request for a referendum. If you would review the City Charter you would see that referendums apply to ordinances. The Joint Operating Agreement was a resolution and not an ordinance. Therefore, it is my understanding that he was advised that the proper way to proceed was by Charter Amendment. He has now done so. When the Petition signed by 911 residents was turned in at the last Commission meeting, the Mayor turned these over to the City Clerk for verification and I am sure they have either gone to our City Attorney or will be reviewed by him shortly, and if all of the requirements are met, a Charter Election will be duly scheduled. We, as City Commissioners, have no input or vote whatsoever on this legal process. It is the right of the voters. How many could accuse the City Commissioners of ignoring the Petition and become "angry" about it (as reported in the Detroit News) is beyond my comprehension. Again, even though the first election on the Charter Amendment issue will cost the taxpayers approximately \$14,000.00 (\$14,000.00 which we really don't have in our budget), the City Commissioners have no way of voting for or vetoing this potential process which has commenced.

What bothers me is some of the feedback I am receiving from my fellow residents about how they are being approached by the people actually circulating the Petition. They are being misled on the doorstep and had the distinct impression that LOCAL TAXES and GENERAL FUND MONEY was going to be used by the City for purchase of the airport with Plymouth Township. This is absolutely FALSE. Ninety percent of the money must come from the F.A.A. and five percent will come from the Michigan Aeronautics Commission, with the remaining five percent from private individuals and industry. If none of the foregoing is met, the deal will not go through. I should also point out, in my humble opinion, that the Charter Amendment, is not only a waste of my tax dollars as well as that of my constituents, but also a waste of time. A Charter Amendment -- even if it is amended to remove reference to airports -- will have no retroactive effect on the Joint Operating Agreement which has already been signed by both municipalities and is awaiting Governor Engler's approval. What a waste of time...

As you will recall, the vote in Plymouth Township was 6-1 in favor of preserving Mettetal Airport. The City Commission vote was 6-1 in favor of preserving Mettetal Airport. A representative of the Federal Aviation Administration appeared at the hearing and testified that there were no plans to expand the airport and that it met all safety requirements. A representative from the Michigan Aeronautics Board also appeared and testified that there were no plans for expansion of the airport to a T-5 rating and that the airport would be fine as is without any further expansion, just some needed updating.

I guess what really bothers me is that I first moved to Plymouth in 1951 and I loved this fine City from the moment I set foot in it. I attended Plymouth High School as did my wife and, after college, I decided to return to Plymouth, marry, raise a family, and open a law office. My wife was a teacher in the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools. We have lived in the same house in the City for going on twenty-two years and both of my sons love it here and want to raise their families here. The City of Plymouth has enjoyed a very good reputation and image which has taken many years to build. Now, a few vocal individuals, either knowingly or unknowingly, are doing everything in their power to damage and ruin that fine image. Quite frankly, Canton Township has had a reputation of being embroiled in political battles over the years, and it sure hasn't helped their image. Now you and your group are doing a disservice to our fellow citizens by filing recall Petitions against the City Commissioners merely because of the way they voted on a single issue as well as starting a lawsuit not only against the City Commissioners, but also against your fine City which seeks an award against us and the City and the Township. Now it will cost the City taxpayers, including yourself, local tax dollars (which are NOT being used in the Joint Operating Agreement) to hire counsel to defend the lawsuit you are bringing against your City. It was He who said "Let them alone; they be blind leaders of the blind. And if the blind lead the blind, both shall fall into the ditch." (Matt. 15:14) so be it.

John P. Vos III
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P.S. Incidentally, the two elections on the City Charter and the recall election will cost you and your fellow taxpayers approximately \$50,000.00 when you include the legal fees associated in defending the lawsuit you have brought against the City. You should also be aware that you and each of your co-plaintiffs can be held responsible for frivolous lawsuits, defamation, slander, and libel. We will see you in court...

Wayne County releases preliminary figures

Assessment increases smaller

BY PHILIP TARDANI AND JIM WHITE

Residential property owners in The Plymouth-Canton Community may get a break with assessments this year, with higher figures apparently migrating to other parts of Wayne County.

Preliminary assessment figures coming out of the Wayne County Assessor's Office show average residential increases for the community at about five per cent. Average increases last year were from nine to 12.5 per cent.

George McEachran, county equalization director, said the lower figures stem from a "leveling off" of real estate prices for the area, with the downriver and lower Wayne County areas seeing higher assessments.

"What you are seeing is that your increases this year are significantly lower than a good portion of the rest of the county," he said.

Preliminary residential assessments for 1991 show the City of Plymouth up 5.2 per cent, Plymouth Township increasing 6.2 per cent and Canton up 4.6 per cent.

In comparison, Gibraltar is up 15.5 per cent, Grosse Pointe Park 11.3 per cent, and Dearborn Heights 10.2 per cent.

The county determines residential assessments by examining home sales over the past two years, McEachran said. That means there is a lag time of at least a year before any shift in prices affects assessments.

"It's about a year and a half after they (real estate prices) have started to increase or level off in value before it starts to show up," he said. "The first

quarter of 1989 is the median off the study period. Your particular area has leveled off."

Not so with much of the rest of the county, which is experiencing double-digit increases that angered residents of Plymouth-Canton over the past couple years.

Gerald Brown, Canton treasurer, said residents will view the lower assessments as "a welcome relief."

He added, "The best advice we have is that it will be a three or four per cent increase, on average. We will be well down from the last three years, when we had increases of something like 10,

12, and 15 per cent."

Brown agreed the lower increases stemmed from a stabilization in housing prices. He said he was interested in how the figures would be averaged out in the township.

"I'm waiting to see what will happen in a couple of subdivisions," Brown said. "If three very nice homes are the only ones that sell in an 80-house sub, then you tend to get some distortion in the assessment. "Over time, it tends to correct itself, but houses in Cavalier Village North have been over assessed a little in the past, I think," he said. "The same house in Sunflower is

assessed lower. It doesn't make any sense."

John McLenaghan, assessor for both Canton and Plymouth Township, said his firm Wayne County Appraisals will be doing a sales study by subdivision to determine how the increases there will be spread out.

An across the board increase is likely in the city, according to Plymouth Treasurer Judy Zirblis.

Property assessments are used to calculate State Equalized Valuation (SEVs) figures.

Canton vets want memorial

BY JIM WHITE

Veterans in Canton feel the time has come to establish a memorial in the township.

Members of the Canton Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) and of the Plymouth-Canton chapter of the Vietnam Veterans of America are planning a meeting Feb. 6 to start discussing just such a project, said John Spencer.

"Our initial thoughts are that it will be something for all veterans, not just from Vietnam," said Spencer, the chief financial officer for Canton an army veteran of Vietnam.

"There have been soldiers from Canton in the Civil War, the Spanish-American War, the world wars, and Korea," he continued, "but also the Boxer Rebellion and the Philippine Insurrection, Grenada, Lebanon, and of course, the Persian Gulf.

"And it will not necessarily be to

those who served in war," Spencer said. "Anyone who wore the uniform, all veterans, have served the country."

Spencer said all of the discussions were preliminary at this time, but if the memorial idea is realized it would be designed to recognize all veterans without naming individuals.

"That way we don't have to add any names from future wars," Spencer said.

Tim LaGrow, another army veteran who served in Vietnam, said the memorial was "long overdue. Not just because of Desert Storm, but for all the vets."

LaGrow said the meeting, to be held at 7:30 p.m. in the employe lounge at the township hall, will be open to concerned citizens, rather veterans or not.

"This is to get the ball rolling," LaGrow said. "I talked to John Santomauto (Canton's public safety

director who served with the Marines in Vietnam) and he said guys had talked about it with him. They all said it would be nice, but no one got the push going."

Now that the interest is there, LaGrow said it is time to get input from the business community.

"Hopefully, it will go a little quicker than it did in Plymouth (where it took two years to erect a monument)," LaGrow said. "We have to get approval from the township, then we have to get site approval, and then we have to get the funding. But this will get everything started."

Both Spencer and LaGrow said they would like to see the memorial put up somewhere in the township administration complex on Canton Center or in the proposed DDA district on Ford Road between Sheldon and Morton Taylor.

Gung ho Northville shows its support

BY JAMES TOTTEN

With the United States already at war, the residents of Northville are going out of their way to show support for the troops in the Persian Gulf.

One group dedicated to supporting



Ginny Hathhorn addresses families of Desert Storm troops at a support group meeting Friday night. (Crier photo by Eric Lukasik)

families here and the soldiers in the gulf is the West Side Chapter of the Michigan Military Family Support Group.

Already officially endorsed by both city and township governments, the group has also received national recognition for its "gung ho" spirit.

Last summer, said Ginny Hathhorn of Northville, she and Sue Pittonet met for dinner and discovered they had sons on the USS Eisenhower, then in the Persian Gulf. The two decided to start up a support group.

Since then "the media jumped on it like bang," once the conflict in the gulf started, said Hathhorn.

Thirty-five people turned out for the

first meeting in Hathhorn's backyard. It was more than 100 at a meeting on Friday night at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in the City of Northville.

The purpose of the group, said Hathhorn, is to "have someone else to talk to in the same situation that understands."

"You can't even imagine how many people are looking for support groups," she added.

Besides the emotional support, the group is also raising money for families of military personnel in need, especially those in the reserves. The group sells t-shirts, sweatshirts, pins and bumper stickers at Perrin Souvenirs in downtown Northville for

the families, and for gifts to the troops in the field.

Hathhorn said everyone in the community is joining in to help whatever way possible. City and township governments, the Northville Chamber of Commerce, merchants, the Rotary Club and local VFW are all helping show support for the soldiers.

"I wish there was some way I could express my feelings for the city, for this," said Hathhorn, who added that 16 other support groups have sprung up with Northville's help and encouragement.

She also said it was important to

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Salem student dies in swim class

A ninth grade student at Salem High School died Monday after apparently experiencing breathing difficulties while in a Salem swimming class.

Paul Robert Back, 15, was rescued from the pool early Monday morning shortly after his instructor noticed Back was experiencing breathing difficulties, said officials with the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools district.

Back, a resident of Canton, was rushed from Salem to Oakwood after CPR attempts by an EMS crew failed. He was declared dead on arrival.

John M. Hoben, superintendent of the district, said Monday that the student was pulled from the pool by Salem swimming coach Chuck Olson after it became apparent he was having difficulty breathing.

Olson declined to comment Monday.

"I have no other information," Hoben said. "At this point the matter is currently under investigation."

Hoben added that there was "some feeling that the cause was not drowning but cardiac arrest.

"However," he continued, "that has not been confirmed."



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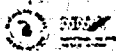
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Mettetal issues boil over

The Mettetal Airport preservation issue has been blown far out of proportion.

It now involves two sordid parts:

- Leading opponents of the proposed Joint Operating Agreement (JOA) between Plymouth and Plymouth Township have added namecalling, unsubstantiated assertions and rumor mongering to their arsenal. To impugn the integrity of those who disagree is not only inappropriate, it is unnecessary.

- A threatened recall (now awaiting language approval by the Wayne County Elections Commission) abuses the check-and-balance process for which it was intended. This "ultimate sword" process hanging over public officials' heads is designed to remove incompetent or malfasant officers from their posts -- not to change the political winds on every issue.

When Canton Supervisor Tom Yack issues a press release saying the driving motivation behind the Mettetal JOA is "what is in the best interests of Plymouth Township's resident developer Bob DeMattia," he has stepped outside the appropriate level playing field of logical debate. He owes DeMattia an apology.

(If, however, he could prove that DeMattia, Plymouth Township Supervisor Maurice Breen and Plymouth Mayor Dennis Bila met in a Jupiter, FL nightclub over drinks and Better Made Potato Chips to plot Mettetal development, he should offer that evidence rather than just innuendo.)

Opponents want to recall some of the city commissioners seeking the Mettetal JOA, but not all? It sounds more like a neighborhood

bridge club decision than sound city government.

The impact of the Mettetal vote by the six commissioners is far less, long-term, than the hiding and too-late handling of the Graper affair. But no one threatened recall then.

Neither namecalling nor recall are appropriate tools in this public policy debate.

A third facet to the anti-Mettetal fight is appropriate, however. The city resident opponents to the Mettetal JOA seeking an amendment to the City Charter are using a reasoned "power-to-the-people" legal approach to affect city government. Citizens must have the power to forcefully shape the scope of their government, as the "Home Rule City Act" in Michigan allows.

(While the Mettetal proponents more persuasively argue that a charter amendment on airports would be too costly, too restrictive and probably too late, this tactic is clearly within the intent of the charter. By comparison, the threatened recall is far from what the law intended.)

One woman speaking at the City Commission meeting may have hit the nail on the head -- by mistake. She said the newspapers had provided many varied opinions (including letters to the editor) on the Mettetal issue, but few facts. Much of what has been passed on as fact on the Mettetal issue has been disguised opinion, and the newspapers reflect those public comments.

While it is all right to disagree, civility must triumph. It certainly hasn't been winning the air war.

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Support Canton Foundation

The Canton Community Foundation is undertaking its first residential fund drive, a fund drive which you can help make a success.

The foundation has been instrumental in the past in supporting projects such as the Canton Economic Club, the Canton Arts Council, the Joe DeLauro "storyteller," Canton Sell-a-bration, the Literacy Council, and the Historic Society.

The foundation sent 300 students to see an opera at the University of Michigan. It has also sup-

ported organizations such as Plymouth Family Services, the Salvation Army, Canton Place, and Growth Works.

Now the foundation is encouraging Canton residents to ensure the continuation of these worthy programs -- it is an idea whose time has come.

Residents wanting to help should use the accompanying coupon to send in a donation, and play a role in a worthwhile community effort.

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Consolidation timing is right

Combining police, fire, emergency and other services has been talked about here since the Village of Plymouth (now the city) first broke out of Plymouth Township.

Now is the time to turn the talk into reality.

The two units stand to provide better service to their residents and save money in the process by combining some public safety operations. And other local governmental units -- such as Canton, Northville and Northville Township -- could stand to benefit by sharing too.

Though an early 1980s agreement for the city to provide police service to the township fell through after five years, a couple things make this a ripe time to study joint services.

First, both sides come to the bargaining table as equals. Both entities now have well established and respected police and fire departments; tax bases and levies approach equality; nobody comes negotiating from a disadvantage.

The second reason involves the personalities involved: Mayor Dennis Bila, City Manager Gordon Jaeger and Township Supervisor Maurice Breen are now addressing the issue without letting their egos get in the way. A clean slate between the two governments allowed that.

Though talks involving potential lay-offs of municipal employes are sensitive and must fairly involve all affected parties, the time is overdue for consolidated services.

Petty bickering between the two Plymouths and Canton currently threatens to rebuild the wall along Joy Road that reasoned voices in The Plymouth-Canton Community have been tearing down since the old Inter-Urban Trolley linked farms here to the downtown. Just as past animosities between the once-annexation-greedy City of Plymouth (under Mayor Beverly McAninch and others) and Plymouth Township have been forgotten, the current feud over Mettetal Airport will disappear as combining governmental services shows itself as the major issue facing all Western Wayne County communities.

It may seem ironic that while an inter-community feud is fired up, it is also the time to look at increased governmental cooperation. But the citizens'-taxpayers' welfare makes this the ideal time.

THE COMMUNITY CRIER

CEP band says thanks to all for a great year

EDITOR:

The Centennial Educational Park (CEP) Bands wish to express appreciation to The Crier for their excellent pre-show coverage and for their help in announcing the first senior citizens night at Variety Is... this year.

To all the following sponsors who made the Thursday evening performance possible, we extend our gratitude:

Ford Motor Company, Sheldon Road, and Prescribed Oxygen Specialists, Plymouth Township; and Univeristy Transportation and Limousine Service, Canton.

We are also indebted to the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools

for allowing us to hold an extra performance, to the Plymouth Canton Music Boosters for their able support, and especially to the performers who were willing to go on "one more time."

Because of the cooperative spirit that exists in this community we were all able, young and old alike, to work together for an evening of good will.

Because of this community and its generous attitude and support we now have the number one marching band in the nation.

And for this we thank you and we are grateful.

CEP MARCHING BAND MEMBERS

Recognize all teachers

EDITOR:

This is an open letter to Superintendent John M. Hoben and the Plymouth-Canton Schools Board of Education:

One item on the agenda for the Dec. 10, 1990 meeting was a recognition of a teacher -- in the Plymouth-Canton schools who had received the "Health Teacher of the Year" award from the Michigan Health Association.

The board was bogged down with every day business of the school system that night. As a result, the idea of recognizing this teacher didn't seem to merit the attention it should have.

Had I been the recipient of the award I surely would not have been impressed at all by the actions of the board -- it seemed to be just a matter of business, move onto the next item and

be done with it.

The "Extra Miler" award was given the same night and, much to my surprise, received a luncheon certificate. The "Health Teacher of the Year," received a handshake.

In the future wouldn't having a reception at the honoree's school be a more appropriate recognition of the award given to the individual?

All teachers need to know that the administration appreciates their accomplishments in their constant endeavor to better educate our young people.

Teachers shouldn't be subjected to token recognition when they prove they've put their interest in making sure the students get the very best they've got to offer.

DONNA FRANKS

Stay aboard, Mr. Jaeger

Gordon Jaeger faces a tough decision in the next three months, but so does the City of Plymouth.

Jaeger, who has been Plymouth's city manager for less than one year, is having reservations about the job.

But his decision to publicly raise concerns about his future here, his salary, and the running of the city commission could not have come at a worse time.

Still reeling from the Henry Graper regime, Plymouth's political horizon is now clouded by several other issues which may come back to haunt all those concerned; namely Mettetal Airport, a recall vote, a charter amendment vote, and -- most importantly -- consolidation of services with Plymouth Township.

On top of all those recent developments, Jaeger stands up and says he may not be able to take living in the shadow of Graper, afford living here, or deal with the city commission.

With so many important issues coming to a boil, it would be best for this community if Jaeger toughed it out and brought to bear his experience instead.

All of the current city bickering (especially over Graper and Mettetal) really is not indicative of Plymouth's mentality or hospitality. In part, the city commission is painfully learning how to function as a policy-making body -- a role which it inappropriately relinquished during the Graper Era.

Jaeger should consider staying. His insight can still help resolve the issues on the table.

It is telling that despite the controversies shaking out at city hall, Jaeger has not been attacked for his seasoned and reasoned input.

Plymouth does not need a city manager search at this time. Jaeger should stay through consolidation of services and help finish the job he has aptly started. While his personal feelings are understandable, Jaeger needs to hang tough.

The City of Plymouth needs him.
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Community opinions

Airport is unique

Mettetal vote supported

EDITOR:

I support the Plymouth City Commission in their vote to establish the joint operating agreement for owning Mettetal Airport.

Continued presence of a small airport provides all residents, not just pilots, with unique recreational opportunities not found in most other small towns.

Although I am not a pilot, my family and I have spent many enjoyable summer evenings at Mettetal's picnic benches watching the airplanes take off and land (a favorite activity of my four-year-old son).

We have also enjoyed the annual pancake breakfast and the chance to see the many aircraft on display, plus talk with the pilots and builders of these aircraft.

Additional recreational opportunities available at the airport include flying lessons (my 17 year old son has taken several lessons) and airplane rides.

These enjoyable family activity options would be lost to the entire community if Mettetal Airport is turned into another strip mall.

Mettetal plays a positive role in the fabric of community life in the Plymouth area. The Plymouth City Commission is to be commended in their role in preserving this asset.

ROBERT C. GOODWIN

Airport is unique

JOA may affect community taxes

EDITOR:

Regarding the Mettetal Airport Joint Operating Agreement (JOA) which the City Commission of Plymouth has voted 6-1 to sign, there are a number of tax related issues that residents still wonder about that may affect their taxes. Among these are:

1. The future loss of taxes which currently go to The Plymouth-Canton Community Schools District from the present airport.

2. If the airport were sold and its 60-acres were zoned light industrial, the potential taxes to the school district would be much greater than at present and thus a JOA would mean a much higher loss.

3. If the JOA were in effect and Revenue Bond or General Obligation Bonds were sold by the authority to support expansion or building for the airport, will citizens of the city and township of Plymouth be obligated to pay the debt and interest? Of course, especially since revenues are projected to be well below costs for at least five years into the future.

4. Under the airport authority established under the JOA, how much risk of liability would the city and township taxpayers take on in cases of accident or lawsuit? Governments are always considered by attorneys to have the deepest pockets.

For the above and many other reasons, Plymouth taxpayers are opposed to JOA to buy the Mettetal Airport.

BEVERLY McANINCH

Send letters here...

The following are addresses of some of the local men (and women) stationed in the Middle East as part of Operation Desert Storm.

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HHB 3/17 FA
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APO NY, NY 09177

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363623687
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• PVT. E-3 ANTHONY M. PENSARI
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• LT. SHAWN FAUNCE
Box 30707 D Company
16th EnBn
APO NY, NY 09696

SFC Gregory Proctor was recently injured in an accident in Saudi Arabia (see story on page 1). Letters to Proctor should be addressed to SFC Gregory L. Proctor, 375741139, C Company 1st BN, 5th SFG (ABN), APO NY 09851. Sideways Contemporary Gifts, 505 Forest Ave., in cooperation with Recycled Paper Products in Chicago, is giving away free Valentine's cards to mail to Desert Storm troops.

Twp. cops special

EDITOR:

To Carl Berry: On Dec. 14, 1990 I had the unfortunate experience of surprising an intruder in my home. The more than 11 years I have lived in Plymouth, I have never had any experience with your department or with 911. I would like to express my appreciation for the professionalism that your officers and support staff showed me that evening and on several follow-up occasions.

They treated me with the most sincere kindness when I was very frightened. Their continued efforts to follow-up in order to close this case have been most commendable. I have a teenage son that has seen a very positive side of law and order in our community.

I have talked with many people since that unfortunate evening. Without exception your staff has done an outstanding job compared with other local law enforcement agencies called in similar situations. You should be very proud of your staff.

Please give a special word of thanks to officers Radwick, Hayes and Mayernik.

The 911 dispatcher on the call that evening also did an excellent job calming a very frightened woman. I appreciate the excellent services provided by your department.

PATRICIA COOLEY



Community opinions.

Flag pullout great but what about prez?

EDITOR:

Your flag pullout which was in the Jan. 23 edition was a very nice gesture and I'm sure that it was well received by most who found it.

It was very attractive but I wish more thought had gone into the actual planning.

My first reaction was a feeling of great pride. Only after further thought did I realize that something was missing. Why was there no message of support for our president? He is, after all, the commander-in-chief of our armed forces.

In your efforts to find sponsors was our president ever mentioned? Did any of your staff ever stop to think that by omission of support for our president you were showing less than full support for the troops? I'm sure that you are aware of the various demonstrations taking place all over America. These have been happening with greater frequency and include many different views of the current situation.

Those who march for peace should be commended if they are genuine in their beliefs and not just doing so because it has become the in thing to do. I don't think anybody really wanted war but something had to be done.

Lately much has been done or said in an attempt to separate support for our troops while at the same time saying they don't support our president. I don't see how you can support one and not the other.

I don't believe that this war was entered into without great debate and soul searching by those whom had the ultimate responsibility. I believe that all things were considered before the commitment was made to enter into another war. The fact that it would be us as Americans who would ultimately pay the price had to have been considered. To not believe that the American people were considered would not show much faith in our elected president and representatives.

Our Lady expansion will exacerbate situation

EDITOR:

We are strongly opposed to Our Lady of Good Counsel's plans for expansion.

There are many small children in this neighborhood whose safety is jeopardized by the excessive traffic which Good Counsel brings to these streets. An expansion of their facilities will only exacerbate this barely tolerable situation.

Currently, many Good Counsel parishioners exhibit hazardous driving by routinely ignoring the stop sign at the corners of Irvin and William and Arthur and William. If this proposed expansion means that Good Counsel will host activities where alcohol is served, this disregard for traffic signs can only get worse.

Please ask Good Counsel to find a non-residential area for their meeting facilities.

JAMES AND CATHERINE PROPPS

As a disabled Vietnam veteran, I know first hand what it was like to fight a war with one hand tied behind my back. Though we were fighting a war in a faraway land many of us were fully aware of how many Americans were less than supportive. Even those of us who were fortunate to return still were confronted with great animosity. We still had our hands tied behind our backs. It took a long time, but thankfully the American people finally came to realize that we as a group had been treated unfairly.

In recent years we as a group have been looked on differently and many shows of support have finally come our way. It was finally realized that the vast majority of us were just doing our time and waiting for the day when we could return home to our loved ones. I'm sure many if the troops in Saudi Arabia feel the same way.

As I write this letter my thoughts are with the troops who are taking part in this war. I pray for their safe return while fully realizing that some have already made the ultimate sacrifice.

I felt compelled to write this letter for myself and all other Americans who many feel the same. In essence, what I would like to do is pay tribute to all the troops, both American and allied. I salute first my president and military leaders, all Americans and allied troops and last but not least, all the families who may have loved ones there. I pray that all of us may be given the wisdom and strength to get through this difficult time and that in the end all our efforts and sacrifices not be in vain.

I have proudly posted my flag insert on my front window. I've also included the following, "And Our President" just below the support for the troops.

ANGEL M. CRUZ

EDITOR'S NOTE: The stars on the flag were inadvertently turned - they should point up. Several residents have pointed this out to us. We regret the mistake.



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Local artist portrays inner spirit

BY JIM WHITE

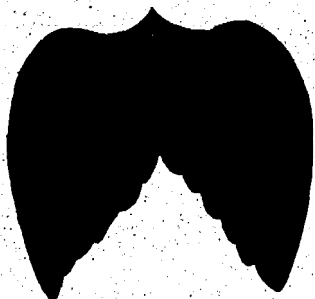
Carl Schuman discovered what he wanted to do in life when he took a trip to Europe after finishing high school in 1970.

"I saw the marvelous Van Gogh collection at the Kroller Mueller Museum in Otterlo, Holland," said the 39-year-old Northville Township resident. "I was overwhelmed, amazed that someone can do something like that."

Schuman joined with Redford artist Peter Hills, through mutual friends, and received a crash course in art.

"I got four years of training in one," Schuman said.

He started painting landscapes, but about 12 years ago, he began developing his own style using colored pencils.



"I evolved my own approach, a richer, deeper, more painterly approach," said Schuman, who adds Russians Nicholas Roerich and Vasili Kandinski to his list of favorite artists, still topped by Vincent Van Gogh.

"It became important to develop a style uniquely my own. I'm concerned with man's inner nature," he said.

It is no coincidence that Schuman became interested in self realization fellowship and the teachings of yoga at the same time his style began to evolve.

Most of his ideas for drawings come

Video honors

A Plymouth woman and a Northville man were among Madonna College video communications students to win awards at the 1990 LARA Awards ceremonies sponsored by the Livonia Cable Commission recently.

Eleanore Adams, a sophomore from Plymouth, took home the "Best Entertainment" award for her production entitled "Observed Pursuit," shot at the Detroit Institute of Arts.

Walter Holinoty, a May, 1990, graduate from Northville, won in the "Best in the Arts and Culture" category for his video of the play, "Mister Roberts."

during meditation, he said.

"I can picture something in my mind's eye like you might recall a beautiful scene from childhood. I can't always capture it 100 per cent," Schuman said, "but it seems to flow very easily."

"If God is light then we have a deeper nature than is revealed in the workaday world," he said. "My work is about becoming more aware of the light. It is intuitive, emotive, not so concerned with what's revealed by the physical eye, but by the inner eye."

Pencil drawings hanging in his apartment look more like oil paintings, so deep are the blues and purples.

"How the colors evolve is very intuitive. I feel it," said Schuman. "As far as the composition of the drawing, that is a little more intellectual process. Some training comes into play."

"It took me eight hours and 15 years," said Schuman. "I like to say that when people ask how long it takes to finish a drawing."

Schuman doesn't seem to suffer from drawer's block.

"It's not uncommon to have more than one idea at a time," he said. "One may become so compelling, if you have a complex idea and you don't want to lose any of it, you might work through the night. It happens."

Schuman has been fairly successful selling his work, and he supplements his income by operating a Dick Blick art store franchise in Dearborn.

"I am an artist who runs an art store," he said, "not the other way around."

Schuman's drawings were on display in the public library in Venice, CA, when he worked in the art community along the canals there. He was also commissioned to do work for the Sri Satya Sai Museum in India.

Currently, his art is being exhibited through March 9 at Kyla's Restaurant in Royal Oak.

In P-C Schools

Young authors win laureate awards

The Plymouth-Canton Schools Laureate District Jury has selected student recipients of the 1990 Laureate Prizes for Literature.

The laureate program, which began 11 years ago, is designed to encourage students in grades K-5 who enjoy writing and to recognize outstanding pieces of literature.

Laureate award winners receive gold medals and their work will be published in an anthology, copies of which will be distributed to each district elementary school. Other honorees will receive certificates.

Gold medal winners in the Fact and Fantasies category are: Jerry Darow, Sarah Holmes, Heidi Anderson, and



Carl Schuman sits in front of some of his work — pencil drawings so rich in color as to resemble oil paintings. Many of the artist's ideas for drawings come through meditation. (Crier photo by Eric Lukasik)

Sarah Shay.

Medal winners in the primary division are: Elizabeth Martin, Jessica Geiser, and Vicki Palis.

Jessica Wells won a medal for poetry in the intermediate division.

Other medal winners in the intermediate division are Jenny Single and Nicole Fleiner.

Certificate winners for poetry in the primary division are: Kelly Koppin, Christine Broda, Sandy Donahue, and Christina Yates.

Allison Bannister won a certificate for poetry in the intermediate division.

Primary division runners up are: Christine Broda, Krysta Tinsley, Katie McKinley, and Robert Cushman.

Runners up in the intermediate division are: Jennifer Zelazny, Sarah Bethel, Phil Sands, and Gabe Burnstein.

Student authors earning honorable mention in the primary division are: Matt Fair, Allyssa Good, Kyle Dexter, Harmony Howard, Elizabeth Filios, and Lisa Jasnowski.

Honorable mention winners in the intermediate division are: Julie Furr, Andy Weiss, Emily Fiegenschuh, Amy Sonnanstine, Nancy Kindraka, Kelly Honecker, Mike Schultz, Sam Boyd, and Andrea Clark.

An awards ceremony is being planned for April 17 at Field Elementary School.

Tell it to Phyllis

By Phyllis Redfern



EDITOR'S NOTE: Phyllis is on vacation this week so her column is brought to you by Kim Anderson. She looks at Plymouth -- "What's not to like?"

Is it just my imagination, or ...does Plymouth have the fastest outgoing mail service anywhere? I've put letters (usually almost-belated birthday cards) in the box in time for the 2 p.m. pickup, and they're generally at their destination within 24 hours.

...does Plymouth have the best sidewalk sale ever. As a veteran of sales on every sidewalk in the western hemisphere, my research indicates that Plymouth's is the hemisphere's best. I get my Christmas shopping done on the last weekend in July.

...don't a lot of street names correspond to names of townspeople you know? The founding families of Plymouth seem intent on staying around to assure that only good things happen on the streets named after them.

...do you meet someone you know just about anywhere in town? Just when you thought it was safe to sneak off to the ice cream place for a sinfully large chocolate sundae, there's someone in line who knows your husband -- or worse, your kids! And don't even think about leaving home without brushing your teeth -- even to dash to the gas station. Plymouth people stay in Plymouth for the things we need -- that's why we keep running into each other.

...do the restaurants seem to be in buildings which have fascinating past lives? Train depot, air rifle factory, post World War I hotel, road house, granary ... and every proprietor knows the history of their building as if it were their family's own genealogy.

...do the people secretly love the lunacy of potentially getting stopped by the same train as many as three times as it snakes its way through each part of town? Plymouthites have an ironclad excuse for being late. Besides, what right-minded thief would rob a bank in a town they might not be able to make a clean getaway from?

...do people in Plymouth have a delightfully skewed sense of humor? Anyone who beheld the Chicken Flying Contest (complete with parade and floats) in which chickens were "encouraged" with toilet-plunger boosters to fly out of bushel basket starting gates holds some fond memories of inspired Plymouth dementia. Equally demented but somewhat lower-key was the Tonquish Creek Yacht Club, named for the sewer which runs under the city. Having established a bona fide, chartered yacht club, TCYC members were accorded guest privileges at other, more legitimate yacht clubs across the country (ones whose members, for instance, actually owned boats). Plymouth's recent claim to tongue-in-cheek fame is the Fred Hill Haberdasher's Brief Case Drill Team, whose publicity has reached as far as Japan. One wonders if the the Persian Gulf situation worsens, will the Drill Team be called up and shipped out?

...have we heard the same voice announcing "This is a recording for the Penn Theater..." for most of our lives? In fact, it is. If you're a baby boomer or younger, Lloyd Oliver is the only voice you've ever heard -- he has announced the Penn's offerings since 1964. Maybe he should give Ernie Harwell some tips on how to hold an announcing job?

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CHURCH CHOIR CONCERT

A combined choir concert featuring six church choirs from Plymouth and Northville is planned for Feb. 10 at 7:30 p.m. in the First United Methodist Church on North Territorial Road in Plymouth Township. The concert is free, but a free-will offering will be accepted to raise money for FISH. For further information call the First United Methodist at 453-5280.

'FIDDLER ON THE ROOF' REUNION

Cast and crew members of the 1971 and 1981 Plymouth Park Players production of "Fiddler on the Roof," are invited to a 20-year reunion on March 16. For further details call Gloria Logan at 459-3518.

WINTER NATURE TOUR

The Holliday Park Nature Preserve Association will conduct a Winter Nature Tour Feb. 17 at 1 p.m. in the William P. Holliday Nature Preserve (part of which is located in Canton). Those interested in the free tour should meet at the Cowan Road entrance in Westland. The group is also planning a meeting on Feb. 13 at 7:30 p.m. in Livonia Churchill High School.

TOASTMASTERS IN PLYMOUTH

Toastmasters now in Plymouth meets every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. at Denny's on Ann Arbor Road. For information call 451-1241 or 455-1910.

ARTS AND CRAFTS SHOW

Handcrafters presents a "Wintefest" arts and crafts show on Feb. 1-3 at the Michigan State Fairgrounds from 4-10 p.m., 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. (Friday through Sunday. Admission is \$5.

TEEN SKI TRIP

The Canton Parks and Recreation is sponsoring another teen ski trip to Alpine Valley on Feb. 1. Cost is \$14 with equipment or \$20 without equipment. Departs at 5 p.m. and returns at 12:15 a.m. Prices includes bus transportation, lift ticket and rental. For further information call 397-5110.

AUSTRALIA SLIDE SHOW

The City of Plymouth Parks and Recreation Department will be sponsoring a slide show on its upcoming Australian trip. It will be held at 1 p.m. on Feb. 18 at the Plymouth Cultural Center. The tour is planned for April this year. For further information call 455-6620.

S'CRAFT CASTING CALL

Schoolcraft College's Theatre Department is holding auditions for the upcoming production of "Arsenic and Old Lace." Auditions will be held at 7 p.m. tonight (Jan. 30). Shows begin in March. For further information call 462-4400, ext. 5270.

CRIME PREVENTION SEMINAR

Madonna College will host a Crime Prevention/Self Defense Seminar on Feb. 23. It will be held from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in Kresge Hall for both men and women 17 years and older. The cost is \$25, or \$35 at the door. Individuals and groups are welcome. For more information call 591-5163.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

A blood drive will be held from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Catherine McAuley Health Center in Plymouth. For details or appointment call 981-7508. Walk in donors welcome.

LUNCH TIME LIBRARY PROGRAM

The Dunning-Hough Library in the City of Plymouth is hosting its Lunchtime Program on Feb. 5, 12 and 19. Bring a brown bag lunch and enjoy The American Short Story Video Series. At noon each Tuesday coffee, tea and juice will be available with lunch. The first story, "The Music School," by John Updike is set for Feb 5. For further information call 453-0750.

SKY WARN CLASS FOR SPOTTERS

On Feb. 23 at 9 a.m. Ed Barney of the National Weather Service office at Metro Airport will conduct a basic Sky Warn Class for Tornado Spotters. It will be held in the Plymouth Township Hall on Ann Arbor Road. A team sign up, partial spotting assignments and local operating procedure training will commence after the sky warn training. To take part call Charles VanVleck at 453-3840, ext. 221 by Feb. 15.

PLYMOUTH FAMILY Y CLASSES

The Plymouth Community Family YMCA is offering classes for both youths and adults. For further information on the course schedule call 453-2904 Monday through Friday, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

WOMAN'S CLUB OF PLYMOUTH

The Woman's Club of Plymouth will meet Feb. 1 at 12:30 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth. The program -- "Live, Laugh, Love" -- will be presented by author Lois Wolfe-Morgan. For more information call 453-5034.

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ANTARCTICA TALK AT LIBRARY

The Plymouth District Library in the City of Plymouth presents, "Antarctica, its Wildlife and Environment," for children eight to 12. Planned for 4 p.m. Feb. 7 on the second floor of the facility. The free program is limited. Register by phone or in person by Jan. 31 at the library. Call 453-0750. John Zawiskie will give the presentation.

NEWCOMERS YEARLY MEETING

The Plymouth Newcomers Club will hold its yearly meeting Feb. 7 at the Plymouth Church of Christ on Sheldon Road. Members asked to bring a salad or dessert to share. Coffee and tea provided. Registration at 7 p.m., dinner at 7:30 p.m. Program at 8:30 p.m. on "Financial Strategies for the 90s." Reservations by noon, Feb. 4. For reservations call 459-8046 or 459-7943. The club is for new residents (two years or less) of the community.

CHILDREN'S VALENTINES PARTY

The Canton Parks and Recreation Department is hosting its annual Children's Valentines Party for Canton youths ages three to 12 on Feb. 9 from 10-11 a.m. Children will enjoy games, a magic show, cartoons and refreshments. Held at the Canton Recreation Center. For further details call 397-5110. Reservations must be made in advance.

BOWLING FOR CHARITY

The Mayflower-Lt. Gamble VFW Post and Ladies Auxiliary 6695 will host a "Bowling for Charity" event at the Plaza Lanes on Feb. 9 starting at 11 a.m. Proceeds to the Make-A-Wish Foundation and the Special Olympics. Bowlers and pledges are needed. Open to non-members also. For further details call 728-7619 or 420-3095.

FALL FESTIVAL THEME CONTEST

The Plymouth Fall Festival Board of Directors is sponsoring a contest to name the theme for the 1991 Fall Festival. All entries must be postmarked by Jan. 31. Prizes will be announced. Send entries to: Fall Festival Board, in care of The Community Crier, 821 Penniman, Plymouth, MI, 48170.

ST. JOHN NEUMANN SENIORS

The 50-Up Club at St. John Neumann Church in Canton will meet Feb. 5 at 7:30 p.m. New members and guests are welcome. For more information call 495-1307 or 459-4091.

CIVITANS ESSAY WRITING CONTEST

The Plymouth-Canton Civitan Citizenship Essay Contest is underway. High school students in Plymouth-Canton can enter with an essay on "Restructuring the American high school for the 21st Century." All students enrolled in any high school (public, private, parochial) within Plymouth-Canton can enter. First place is \$125. The contest will end at midnight, March 15. Contest rules and other information are available in the general offices of both Canton and Salem. For information call Jerry Thompson, Canton English Department, at 451-6600, ext. 344, or Joe Henshaw at 459-0234.

THEATRE GUILD PERFORMANCE

The Plymouth Theatre Guild will present "Crimes of the Heart," on Feb. 1-2, 8-9 and 15-16 at the Water Tower Theatre on the campus of the Northville Regional Hospital. All performances at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$6 for adults, \$5 for seniors (62 and older) and students (18 and younger). Group rates available. For tickets or information call 349-7974.

CABLE PUBLIC ACCESS WORKSHOP

The Programming Department of Omnicom Cable will be offering a Public Access-Camcorder and Editing Workshop for residents of Plymouth-Canton-Northville. Classes meet one night per week for six sessions, beginning Jan. 30 at 7 p.m. Classes conclude March 6. There is a \$10 registration fee. Class size limited. Omnicom will provide equipment and residents will produce a program. To register call 459-7335 or 459-7391.

LIVING TRUSTS VS. WILLS SEMINAR

The Northville Senior Citizens will sponsor a free seminar on living trusts vs. wills Feb. 1 at 9:30 a.m. in the Northville Senior Citizens Center on Cady in Northville. Open to the public. For further information call 349-4140. Presented by financial expert Paul Leduc. A question and answer session is planned.

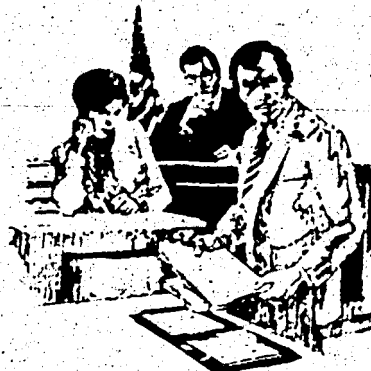
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The Plymouth-Canton Civitans meet the first Thursday of each month (business meeting) and the third Thursday of each month (dinner meeting) at the Italian Cucina Restaurant on Ann Arbor Road at 7 p.m. New Civitan phone numbers are: 464-1129 or 459-0234.

JOB INTERVIEWING WORKSHOP

Growth Works, Inc., in the City of Plymouth, is hosting a series of employment skills workshops. The next session is Feb. 1 at 9 a.m. in the Growth Works building on Main Street. The cost is \$15. To register or for details call 455-4093.

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools is inviting all interested dealers of frontloader/backhoe tractors to participate in a bid for a replacement unit, with trade-in. Contact the Purchasing Department at Phone (313) 451-3180 during regular business hours to secure the required forms and specifications. Bids and/or proposals are due on or before 2:00 P.M., February 4, 1991.

The Board of Education will consider the administrative recommendation(s) of award at a future meeting. It reserves the right to accept any or reject all bids and/or proposals, as it judges to be in the best interest of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools.
Publish: The Community Crier, January 23, 1991
Roland Thomas, Secretary
January 30, 1991
Board of Education

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH BOARD OF TRUSTEES — REGULAR MEETING TUESDAY, JANUARY 22, 1991

Supervisor Breen called the meeting to order at 7:33 p.m. and led in the pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. All members were present with the exception of Mr. Munfakh who was excused.
Mr. Horton moved to approve the January 8, 1991 minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees as submitted. Supported by Mr. Griffith. Ayes all with Mrs. Hulsing abstaining due to her absence.

Mrs. Hulsing asked that the agenda be amended by the removal of Item J.4 Request Board approval to allow resident individuals to reserve the Township park facilities for more than one day for the purpose of separate family reunions. Supervisor Breen asked that the agenda be amended by adding Presentation of a Resolution. Mrs. Hulsing then moved to approve the January 22, 1991 agenda as amended. Supported by Mr. Griffith. Ayes all.

Supervisor Breen directed that the following proclamation be spread on the minutes:
WHEREAS, ROBERT RORABACHER, has been employed by the Charter Township of Plymouth since June 1, 1962; and
WHEREAS, during these last 28 years, "Bob" has held the following positions in the service of Plymouth Township: Crew Leader for the Department of Public Works, Acting Director of the Department of Public Works, Chief Building Inspector; Department of Public Works Superintendent, Inspector Foreman of the Department of Public Works, Assistant Superintendent of the Department of Public Works and a Volunteer Firefighter; and

WHEREAS, "Bob" was also employed by the Township from 1946 to 1950 as a carpenter and all-around handyman working under the township's first building inspector, Ernie Rossow. During this time, "Bob" helped to build the Township Hall and some of the first Township projects in the area; and

WHEREAS, "Bob" has decided to retire from his current position as Assistant Superintendent of the Department of Public Works, a position he has held since 1979; and

WHEREAS, the employees of the Charter Township of Plymouth and the community will miss the presence of "Bob" in our daily work routine;
NOW, THEREFORE, I Maurice M. Breen, Supervisor of the Charter Township of Plymouth, do hereby proclaim the day of February 4, 1991 in honor of ROBERT RORABACHER.

Mrs. Hulsing moved to grant the request from the Plymouth Community Council on Aging Inc., for an additional \$500 Township contribution for the 1991 Budget year to be added to the \$3,000 already budgeted. Supported by Mr. Stewart. Ayes all.

Mr. Griffith moved that the Plymouth Township Supervisor is hereby empowered to enter into negotiations with the City of Plymouth for the joint delivery of police, fire and EMS services or any component of them. Supported by Mr. Horton. Ayes all.

Mr. Griffith moved approval of the 1991 "Open Window Retirement Program" to be effective from January 25, 1991 to February 28, 1991 as submitted by the Human Resource Analyst. Supported by Mrs. Hulsing. Ayes all.

Mr. Horton moved to approve Resolution No. 91-01-22-01 for depositories for the Charter Township of Plymouth funds for the calendar year — January 1, 1991 through December 31, 1991. Supported by Mrs. Hulsing. The entire Resolution is incorporated in the official minutes.

Mr. Stewart moved to table the request from the Plymouth Community YMCA to use the Township Park facilities as no representative was present. Supported by Mr. Horton. Ayes all.

Mr. Horton moved to approve the request from Unisys to use the Township Park Pavilion and Shelters No-1 and No. 2 and also to allow the Plymouth Community Band to perform from 2:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m., Saturday, August 3, 1991. Supported by Mrs. Brooks. Ayes all.

Mrs. Hulsing offered the following Resolution No. 91-01-22-02 and supported by Mr. Horton.
That the request from Haggerty & M-14 Inc. for the transfer ownership of the 1986 Class C licensed business S & O Properties, Inc. & transfer location from 1942 Sheldon, Plymouth, Michigan, Plymouth Township, Wayne County, to 14321 Haggerty, Plymouth, Michigan, Plymouth Township, Wayne County, be considered for approval.

Approval:
Ayes: Breen, Brooks, Griffith, Horton, Hulsing, Stewart
Nays: None
Absent: Munfakh

It is consensus of this legislative body that the application be recommended for issuance.

Mr. Horton moved to authorize the Township Supervisor to sign the annual Permit "C" allowing the Charter Township of Plymouth to perform street sweeping operations, to apply Calcium Magnesium Chloride to the streets listed in Exhibit A and to excavate for the purpose of making repairs, inspections and routine maintenance of watermains and sanitary sewers within the right-of-way of roads, under the jurisdiction of the County of Wayne in Plymouth Township. Supported by Mr. Griffith. Ayes all. The listed streets in Exhibit A can be seen in its entirety in the Clerk's Office.

Mrs. Hulsing moved to accept the recommendation of the Public Works Manager to approve up to three applications of Calcium Chloride at an estimated cost of \$53,000 for the 1991 season on the listed streets as submitted. Supported by Mr. Horton. Ayes all. (The listed streets were those in Exhibit "A" in the preceding motion.)

Mr. Griffith moved to accept ad servitium items J.10 through J.13 inclusive the designated public utilities in the referenced projects for continuous use and maintenance as recommended by the Township Engineer for Sun Plastics, 42105 Postiff, Lot 2, Gould Industrial Park, Hunter's Creek Subdivision, Woodlore North II Subdivision, and Deer Creek Subdivision No. 2. Supported by Mr. Horton. Ayes all.

Supervisor Breen invited the Board members and anyone interested to attend a Planning Commission Staff Presentation to be held in the Township Annex Saturday, February 2, 1991. Guidelines and suggestions as to the items to be covered are sought for the updating and/or revision of the Township Zoning Ordinance. Coffee and rolls will be served at 8:00 a.m. with the presentation scheduled from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Mr. Stewart moved to accept and file the Communications and Reports as listed. Supported by Mr. Griffith. Ayes all.
It was moved by Mrs. Brooks and supported by Mr. Horton that the meeting adjourn at 8:16 p.m. Ayes all.

Esther Hulsing, Township Clerk
Susan Koch, Recording Secretary
Plymouth Charter Township

The foregoing is a synopsis of the minutes of the Board of Trustees held on January 22, 1991. The full text is available in the Clerk's Office for perusal. They will be submitted for Board approval at the next regular meeting on February 12, 1991.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan will accept sealed bids up to 10:00 a.m., February 14, 1991 for the following:

TRACTOR WITH FRONT LOADER AND BOX BLADE

Specifications are available in the Financial Services Dept. The Township reserves the right to reject any or all bids.
Publish: The Community Crier, January 30, 1991
LOREN BENNETT
Clerk

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan will accept sealed bids up to 10:15 a.m., February 14, 1991 for the following:

TWO (2) GOLF CAR TYPE UTILITY VEHICLES ONE (1) MULTI-PURPOSE UTILITY VEHICLE

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CANTON TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

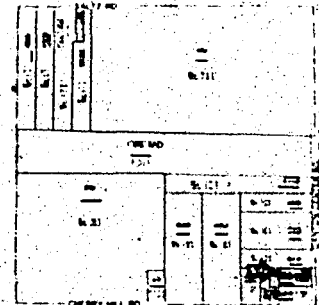
PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, February 4, 1990, at the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendments to the Zoning Ordinance:

CONSIDER THE REQUEST PARCEL NO. 064-99-0021-000 FROM C-1 NEIGHBORHOOD COMMERCIAL TO C-2 COMMUNITY COMMERCIAL, LOCATED ON THE WEST SIDE OF CANTON CENTER ROAD BETWEEN CHERRY HILL AND SALTZ ROADS.

Planning Commission
John Burdzak, Chairman

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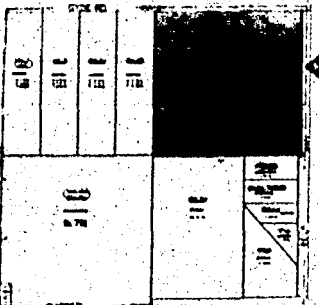
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CONSIDER THE REQUEST TO REZONE PARCEL NO. 020-99-0007-000 FROM RR RURAL RESIDENTIAL TO R-2 SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL, LOCATED ON THE WEST SIDE OF BECK ROAD BETWEEN GYDE AND WARREN ROADS.

Planning Commission
John Burdzak, Chairman

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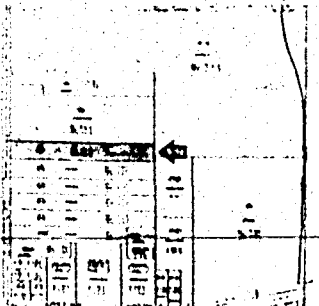
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CONSIDER THE REQUEST TO REZONE PARCEL NO. 136-99-0002-002 FROM L1-2 LIGHT INDUSTRIAL TO G1 GENERAL INDUSTRIAL, LOCATED ON THE EAST SIDE OF SHELDON BETWEEN VAN BORN ROAD AND MICHIGAN AVENUE.

Planning Commission
John Burdzak, Chairman

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Surrounding communities all up from 1980 City population drops farther from 10,000 mark

BY PHILIP TARDANI

Newly revised census figures for the City of Plymouth are up from the preliminary numbers, but still below the magic 10,000.

Figures released by the U.S. Census Bureau Thursday, which included The Plymouth-Canton Community, put the city's population at 9,560, up from April's figure of 9,299.

The new figure is still down 4.3 per cent from the 1980 census count of 9,986.

Other census data for both Canton

and Northville showed increases, while Plymouth Township's population climbed only slightly.

Administration officials in Plymouth believe the revised count may still be low, but City Manager Gordon Jaeger said getting an increase of 440 to put the population at 10,000 for the final figure -- due in July -- is not likely.

"I think it's going to be difficult to get that kind of increase," he said. "I don't know what we can do that we didn't already do."

Jim Penn, the city building inspector, said he believes the census counters listed many more vacancies -- about 200 -- in the city than there actually are.

"Our main concern was the vacancies," he said. "There's no way we had that many vacancies."

Many see the 10,000 population as a cut-off for extra funding and other benefits. Jaeger said it may not be as critical a numbers as the 1 million mark is for the city of Detroit, but a higher population does generally help a city qualify for aid.

"Some formulas include a per capita number, so obviously the higher the number, the better off we'd be," he said.

Canton's preliminary count for 1990 is 57,040, up 17 per cent from the 1980 count of 48,616.

Plymouth Township grew at a much slower rate, from 23,028 in 1980 to 23,648 in 1990.

Plymouth-Canton's neighbors to the north experienced a combined population growth of 41 per cent over

1980.

Northville Township's 1990 figure is 17,313 up 33 per cent from 1980's count of 12,987, while the City of Northville grew 9 per cent, from 5,698 in 1980 to 6,226 in 1990.

Missing for a month, man found in frozen pit

BY JIM WHITE

A Salem High School graduate last seen Dec. 4 was found Friday in a flooded gravel pit behind his Green Oak Township home in what police said is an apparent drowning.

The Michigan State Police said that divers recovered the body of Marty Rand Puckett, 33, still in the cab of his pickup truck at the bottom of the gravel pit.

Puckett had apparently been backing up in his truck when he went over a steep embankment into the pit along Dixboro Road, said Detective Sgt. Harold Barden, of the Michigan State Police.

According to Barden, Puckett had not been seen since Dec. 4. Puckett's ex-wife reported him missing two days

before Christmas on Dec. 23.

Last week Puckett's landlord found a tool box frozen in the ice on the edge of the gravel pit, said Barden. Trees on the embankment were damaged, as if a vehicle had scraped against them, Barden said.

Divers were called in and the truck was found and pulled out of the water. Police said the tool box may have floated to the surface from the bed of the truck before the pit froze.

Barden said the Washtenaw County Medical Examiner's Office concluded that Puckett drowned.

Police are currently treating the death as accidental, Barden said, pending a final official word on the cause of death from the medical examiner.

For Feb. 5 primary Will Salem voters turn out?

BY KEN VOYLES

With a special primary election less than a week away, there is some concern among Salem Township officials over a potentially low voter turnout.

"Yes, I'm concerned," said Salem's Clerk Nancy Geiger. "I have no idea about the turnout. It's the first time we've done such an election."

Salem voters will go to the polls on Tuesday (Feb. 5) to select a new member of the township board of trustees.

There are 2,451 registered voters in Salem, which has an overall population of 3,734, said Geiger. "Usually we have a good turnout, better than 50 per cent," she said. "Our residents are

very active."

Five Salem residents are certified as candidates for the upcoming primary.

The Democrats in the race are Arlene DeForest and Donald Riddering, while James Melosh, Karl Gierman and Thomas Homrich will represent the Republicans. A sixth candidate, Dave Post, has withdrawn from the race.

The candidates are seeking a spot on the board vacated last summer when trustee William Taft resigned.

A general election is planned for Feb. 26. The winner of the trustee seat will remain in office until the end of Taft's term, which expires in November 1992.

DeMattia named regent

A Plymouth Township developer has been appointed to the Eastern Michigan University Board of Regents by Michigan Governor John Engler.

Robert DeMattia, 46, president and chief executive officer of the R.A. DeMattia Company in Plymouth Township, will serve out the term of former regent Don Shelton, who resigned after being appointed a Washtenaw County Circuit Court judge.

DeMattia will serve out the remaining three years of Shelton's term.

DeMattia's real estate, architectural and construction firm, is well known across the country for work with both U.S. and international firms. The firm has developed a wide variety of industrial park complexes in Plymouth Township and other communities.

The company's current major project, Huntington Falls, is being developed in Northville Township as a combined residential-office-commercial development.

DeMattia holds degrees from the University of Detroit.

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- Soak bits in water. If you rinse the mixture several times, you can wash out most of the ink making a white recycled paper.
- Chop the paper by beating with an egg beater or blending about one-quarter paper and three-quarters water in a blender. The mixture is now called "slurry."
- Place the chopped paper in a tub with more water. Scoop up a layer of slurry on a picture frame covered with window screen. You can hold an empty frame on top to keep the slurry in place.
- Pat water out of the slurry, remove the top frame and then cover the slurry with a pad of several sheets of newspaper. Quickly turn the paper and slurry over.
- Remove the wire-covered frame.
- Place another paper pad on top. Press the paper with an old iron. (If you use a good household iron, clean it well before ironing clothes.)
- Turn the paper over and iron on the other side. As the pads start to dry out, replace them with dry pads.
- As the paper dries, you can peel away the pads and iron directly on the paper. The paper's color lightens as it dries.

Use the paper for art projects, for mounting leaves, or for writing paper.

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Tax advice for the intimidated

BY KEN KETTENBEIL

Holiday mall decorations have been replaced with tax preparation service booths and W2 forms have replaced holiday greeting cards in area mailboxes.

The happiness of the holiday season has been replaced with the "doom and gloom" of tax time -- returns are due in 76 days!

"The IRS is intimidating too many people and it doesn't have to be that way," said Elaine Golden of H & R Block in Canton. For many residents, tax preparation is very frustrating and local tax preparers said they have witnessed a type of phobia towards taxes from many of their clients.

"It is a dreaded time of year," said Elizabeth Galea, of Gemini Tax Service in Plymouth. "It is a task gathering together a year's worth of documents for preparation." Area tax preparers warn -- now is the time to get organized and begin preparations.

Golden said she sympathizes with the general public since tax preparation is not part of the general educational system.

Other local tax preparers agree that the lack of tax knowledge is not the fault of the public.

"People are rusty with arithmetic because they never have a chance to use it," said Carl Stepanian of Steps Accounting and Tax Services in Plymouth.

Local tax preparers said they would like to see tax knowledge incorporated into the educational system to help relieve some of the anxiety involved during this time of year.

Here is a list of suggestions that many people overlook, to help in preparing their own taxes:

- Have all records, W2s and receipts in hand before preparing tax forms. All tax related material usually is received in the mail by the end of January. Agencies state this should be a year-round process.

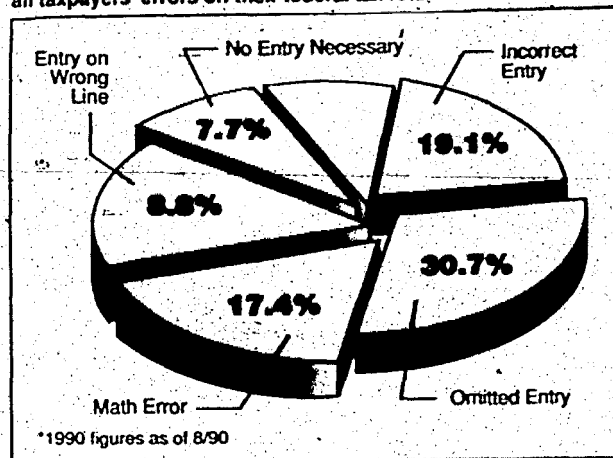
- Thoroughly read and understand all instructions on the forms. If in doubt call a tax agency for answers.

- Make copies of all returns and retain them for five years. People that pay city tax must retain them for seven years.

- Pay close attention to detail. Many

Five Most Common Taxpayer Errors

These five most common errors make up more than half of all taxpayers' errors on their federal tax returns.



errors occur when transferring numbers from one place to another.

- Sign all returns.
- Have a good calculator or adding machine.
- Take your time and have patience.

By following these hints residents who file short forms should have no trouble completing their tax forms without the aid of professional services, according to tax preparers.

However, various groups of people are advised to seek professional assistance.

"Self-employed people especially should get professional help because they don't know all the laws in this area," said Stepanian. All of the agencies contacted stressed the importance for all self-employed people to seek professional help.

Residents who have many investments, rental properties, stock, or families with low income are also advised to seek assistance.

"By seeking professional help (the groups) will drastically reduce the time

they would spend preparing their own taxes," said Golden. Agencies also stated they are better equipped to maximize returns and reduce the chance for error.

According to Vince Pollicella, of Jackson Hewitt Tax Service in Plymouth, having taxes prepared is also very convenient. "It is like a quick oil change place, most people know how to change their oil or prepare their taxes, it is just more convenient to have it done," said Pollicella.

Whether one is preparing one's own taxes or seeking outside help, there are new laws for 1990 the public should be aware of.

The following is a list that area tax preparers feel one should be aware of before starting the tax process:

- There has been an increase of the exemption deduction and the standard deduction. The exemption deduction for most people is now \$2,050.

- There has been an increase of the earned income credit. This is available

for families that earned less than \$20,264 and have at least one child living with them.

- There has been an increase on the deduction for business trip mileage. It is now 26 cents a mile.

- In case people have moved they must now fill out a special form telling the government of the address change.

- Other laws have also been changed that will affect self-employed people and other various groups.

Area agencies encourage tax payers to file early. Early filings result in early refunds if a refund is due. Making an appointment also becomes more difficult as the April 15 deadline grows near.

"Early filing also provides a piece of mind that taxes are done for another year," added Galea. Galea said the sooner taxes are filed the sooner the burden of filing is lifted.

Many tax services now also offer electronic filing. With the use of computers, returns can be processed quicker resulting in faster refund returns.

"In the future all taxes may be filed electronically," said Golden. The use of electronic filing reduces IRS overhead and makes the tax process more convenient. For tax preparers as well as the tax payer, according to Golden.

Even with encouragement from tax preparers to file early and the possibility of a quick return, many people wait until the end to file their taxes.

"People suffer from the 'Scarlet O'Hara Syndrome,'" said Galea. "It the movie 'Gone With The Wind' O'Hara always said 'I'm not going to think about it -- I'll do it tomorrow'."

According to Galea, many people just dread taxes so much that they put it out of their minds until the end.

They can look forward to spending time waiting in lines at tax agencies and post office mailboxes on April 14.

Take the advice of the tax preparers and file early -- before you know it holiday decorations and greeting cards will soon be back!

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Fewer exemptions, luxury excise New laws aimed at higher incomes

BY PHILIP TARDANI

Robin Hood would have liked the few changes in the 1991 federal tax laws.

New rules pertaining to excise taxes, personal exemptions, and tax rates are geared primarily at those with high-level incomes, according to a local accountant, Scott Koll, of Canton.

The wealthy have always been accused of not paying their fair share of taxes, he said.

"The idea is to shift some of the tax liability to higher income people," added Koll, who outlined some of the changes in an informational booklet.

A new levy getting a lot of attention is an excise tax on luxury items. Uncle Sam will get 10 per cent of the cost of such high-priced toys as scarabs, leopards, mink coats or diamond necklaces.

Passenger vehicles priced over

\$30,000, boats marked over \$100,000, aircraft over \$250,000 and furs and jewelry priced over \$10,000 are specifically targeted.

If you're using that new Mercedes for business, however, you get a break -- vehicles used for the conduct of trade or commercial purposes are exempt.

Some dealers will offer to pay the excise tax for you, Koll said, but the cost is ultimately made up in the price.

There's no such thing as a free lunch, even if you're rich.

"Nothing's free," he said. "They're going to pay more for their toys."

A more subtle way of "robbing" from the rich is the phase-out of personal income exemptions high-income earners.

Taxpayers can exempt \$2,150 in

income from federal taxes this year. But if you're single and make \$100,000 a year, the exemption is phased out by 2 per cent for each \$2,500 made. The end result is a more income that is taxed.

Still another way to soak the rich is a higher tax bracket.

The maximum rate this year is 31 per cent. To get into that esteemed category, you've got to make \$49,300. Those married qualify if their joint income is \$82,150 or half that if they file separately. The head of the household gets the big bite if he or she makes \$70,450.

The audit process --just in case

Tax audit. The words strike fear into the strongest of hearts.

Can you avoid an audit? Not really, according to the Internal Revenue Service 1990 Tax Guide.

Returns are chosen by a variety of methods. Most returns are selected by a computer program that uses historical data to give parts of the return a score.

Other returns are chosen completely at random.

Some are also selected by comparing documents such as W-2 and 1099 (earned interest) forms with returns.

Many "examinations," as the IRS

terms them, are handled by mail. But both the IRS or the subject of an audit may request a personal examination.

If the IRS proposes any changes to a return, it will explain these changes fully. If you agree to the changes, you may sign a form and pay any tax owed, plus interest. If you are owed a refund, the IRS will pay interest. Interest is computed from your tax due date.

You may also appeal an examiner's decision.

If the IRS Appeals Office cannot settle with you to your satisfaction, the next step is to go to court, either U.S. Tax Court, Claims Court, or District Court.

Seniors can get free tax help

Free income tax assistance for seniors will be available in Plymouth, Canton, and Northville from Feb. 4 to April 15.

The service is provided by the Tax-Aide program of AARP (American Association of Retired Persons).

Volunteer Tax-Aide counselors trained by the IRS will operate at the following sites:

- Tonquish Creek, 1160 Sheridan in the City of Plymouth, Tuesdays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Call 455-3670 to make an appointment.

- Cultural Center, 525 Farmer in the City of Plymouth, Wednesdays, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Call 455-6620 to make an appointment.

- Canton Recreation Center, 44237 Michigan Avenue in Canton, Mondays 9 a.m. to noon, Tuesdays 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Call 397-5444 for an appointment.


- Royal Holiday Mobile Home Park, 39500 Warren in Canton, Thursdays 1-4 p.m. Call 397-5444 for an appointment.

- Northville Senior Center, 215 W. Cady in the City of Northville, Tuesdays and Thursdays 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Call 349-4140 to make an appointment.

Home visits for handicappers and shut-ins can be arranged.

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Feb. 7 filing deadline

Candidates line up for county race

BY JIM WHITE

The race for the Wayne County Commission 11th District seat "is beginning to take shape as the Feb. 7 candidate filing deadline approaches.

Democrats running for the seat vacated when Milt Mack became a probate judge include interim commissioner Shirley Poling; Bryan Amann, assistant county executive; and Robert Beeny, a Wayne city council member.

Republican Jim Poole, former Canton supervisor, has also said he will run.

The primary is scheduled for March 19. The general election will follow on May 7. The 11th District includes Canton.

Wayne County will cover the cost of the special election, according to Ed Carey, director of elections for the county.

Poling has been busy since receiving the interim appointment Dec. 20. She has been named to committees studying airport operations and noise, roads, public services, and the commission's budget.

She said last week that she was "ready to roll" on a campaign now that election dates have been set.

Amann, having served as airport "noise czar," said that, if elected, he would "focus heavily on the condition of roads and drains in the district and explore every available mean to lower

property tax assessments for its residents."

Beeny said Monday that he could not believe the pay raise commissioners had given themselves, and that he would "fight for the right of the people of the 11th District.

"We were fortunate to have an independent voice in Milt Mack for several years," Beeny said, "and I want to carry on that tradition."

On the Republican side, Poole is the only candidate who has said for sure he will run so far.

"I think my 12 years experience as trustee and supervisor in Canton does something to prepare me," he said Monday. "We paved about 11 miles of roads without raising taxes."

Poole felt the roads, solid waste, and sewage would be the biggest issues to tackle in the district. He also added

that he would be a full time commissioner.

Victor Gustafson, the Canton planning commissioner who lost to Mack in November's general election, would not say if he would run again.

"I guess we'll have to wait and see," he said Monday.

Previously, Gustafson had said he would seek the post on the commission.

N'ville, group show their support

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remember that the group is not a political organization or affiliated with any one religion - help is offered to anyone and meetings are open to everyone.

Darlene Rinke, of Plymouth, has a son in the U.S. Marines stationed in the gulf. She has been with the group since September. About a month ago she stopped working to volunteer full time with the group. She is now the volunteer coordinator.

Rinke said her efforts for the group help alleviate the anxiety and depression from the war.

"The powerlessness of this thing is unbelievable," she said. "The best way to get out of myself is to help others."

During Friday's meeting, after a child psychiatrist spoke on how to deal with emotions and anxiety caused by the war, it was announced that another

support group would be forming in Canton.

Another Northville native, Roxanne Casterline, who has a brother with the U.S. Air Force in the Persian Gulf, feels there is a need to do something during the war.

Casterline suggested the idea of decorating the downtown with ribbons during a meeting with the chamber. Flags also fly proudly along Northville streets.

She has since worked closely with the support group to make Northville stand out among supporters of the troops.

Laurie Marrs, director of the Northville Chamber, said the effort to support the troops is "evidence of a small community's ability to work

together." She said residents come in to volunteer time, stuff envelopes and hang ribbons.

The city/township move last week to jointly issue a proclamation supporting the effort of the West Side Chapter further strengthened the group's efforts.

Georgina Goss, Northville Township supervisor, said that support had been overwhelming. She said the community has really gotten behind the effort.

Steven Walters, Northville city manager, said residents are showing their support because they do not want to make the same mistake that occurred during Vietnam.

"We can't let that happen again," he said; adding that supporting the soldiers is a personal issue not a political one.



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Flags fly, info hotline set up

Gulf troops get community support

BY JIM WHITE

The Canton Foundation is spearheading an effort in the township to insure that servicemen and women taking part in Operation Desert Storm, as well as their families, know they have the full support of the folks at home.

Besides setting up a hotline to inform residents of upcoming events, Bill Joyner, an executive director of the foundation, said the foundation is also trying to collect the addresses of service personnel in the Persian Gulf.

Residents wishing to leave an address should call the hotline. The number is 454-5428.

The centerpiece of the effort, dubbed "Canton is Family," will be a reception for friends and family of service personnel Feb. 10 from 2-4 p.m. at Fellows Creek Golf Club.

"We want all Canton residents to attend," said Joyner. "We want to show our support for the families."

Bumper stickers went on sale Monday at the township hall and at the foundation office, in the Canton Landing mall on Ford Road, for \$2 apiece, saying that Canton is proud of our troops. Money raised will cover the cost of the reception, Joyner said.

A blood drive will be held at the Geneva Presbyterian Church, 5835 Sheldon Rd., on Feb. 4.

"We are trying to show an outpouring of emotional support for the families, especially," said Joyner. "We want to show emotional and

financial support, whatever they need."

Cathy Johnson, a Canton planning commissioner who helped the foundation kick off the "Canton is Family" effort, has cousins in the Persian Gulf and her husband fought in Vietnam.

"I am so proud of Northville," she said last week, referring to the tremendous amount of patriotism that has won Northville national recognition.

"I know Canton wants to do the same. So many people in community want to do something, they just don't know what to do. They can give blood, wear ribbons, there is a lot," she said.

"You know, we all feel so helpless, but at least it's something," Johnson said.

Other activities are going on, as well. John Riling, a Vietnam veteran in the Plymouth Canton VVA chapter, has a stepson, Mike Zoroya, in the Army's 519th Combat Military Police Battalion, now stationed in eastern Saudi Arabia. The Vietnam vets have adopted this unit.

"There is a real need to help families with financing," Riling said. "Mike's unit has 70 women in it. The Plymouth VFW donated \$250 to the food locker at Fort Meade (home base of the 519th). We are meeting to decide what we can do."

Desert Storm T-shirts are on sale at Travel Tyme, located in the Canton Landing mall. \$17.95 nets two shirts,

one for the buyer, and one for a service man or woman in the Gulf. The price includes shipping and an enclosed message, said Mary Spindler.

Also, flags have sprouted in the City of Plymouth, and Sideways is making it possible for residents to send Valentine's Day greetings to the troops.

Canton mulls naming Cherry Hill local historic district

The Cherry Hill Village in Canton, which was settled before Michigan became a state, may soon be officially designated as a local historical district.

The Canton Board of Trustees last week scheduled a public hearing Feb. 12 to consider the idea of designating the area as a historic community within the township.

Canton's Historic District Commission has been working for two years towards getting the village named as an historic site.

Located at the intersection of Cherry Hill and Ridge roads, the hamlet was founded in the late 1820s and covers about 75 acres, according to a report by the commission.

The hamlet is a prime example of the

crossroads villages that sprouted in the farming regions of the Midwest, said the report. These villages typically included a local church, a post office, school, general store, mill, blacksmith shop, and in the case of Cherry Hill, an inn.

Henry Ford operated one of his village factories in Cherry Hill in the mid-1940's. Disabled war veterans made car locks from 1944 to 1950.

Cherry Hill has managed to retain its unique character in the face of surrounding development. Designation as a local historic district would add further protection, according to the commission.

Residents will have a chance to speak to the historic designation idea during the public hearing next month.

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Loans and leases, net of unearned income	74,917
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Other assets	1,491
Total assets	107,283
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LIABILITIES	
Deposits:	
In domestic offices	99,432
Noninterest-bearing	18,934
Interest-bearing	80,498
Other liabilities	963
Total liabilities	100,395
EQUITY CAPITAL	
Common stock	1,075
Surplus	1,075
Undivided profits and capital reserves	4,738
Total equity capital	6,888
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Choirs join in song

A combined choir concert featuring choirs from six churches in Plymouth and Northville will be featured at 7:30 p.m. Feb. 10 at the First United Methodist Church on North Territorial Road in Plymouth Township.

Singers from the First United Methodist Church, Our Lady of Good Counsel in Plymouth, First Baptist Church in Plymouth, Church of the Risen Christ in Plymouth, First Presbyterian Church in Plymouth and Our Lady of Victory in Northville, will all take part in the concert.

Selections to be performed will include Handel's "Hallelujah Chorus," Brahms' "How Lovely is Thy Dwelling Place," "Festival Piece on Sine Nomine," and an arrangement of "Old Time Religion."

The concert is free, but a free-will offering will be taken to benefit FISH, a Christian service organization.

For further information call First United Methodist Church at 453-5280.

Omnicom class

Omnicom Cable's Programming Department will be offering a public access camcorder and editing workshop for residents of Plymouth, Canton, and Northville.

The workshop, which begins Jan. 30 at 7 p.m., will cover operation of Omnicom's one chip camcorders, composition of shots, basic production skills, and editing. Participants will be required to produce a three to five minute program. Classes end March 6.

Omnicom's goal is to train individuals in the community to produce non-profit access programs covering community events, organizations, and school events. Omnicom will provide the equipment for such programs free of charge.

To register for the workshop, which costs \$10, call Omnicom at 459-7335 or 459-7391 between noon and 10 p.m., Monday through Saturday.

Places to be

For tornado spotters

Sky Warn class signup

Spring is around the corner, and that means tornado season is approaching.

In preparation, Ed Barney of the National Weather Service office at Metro Airport will conduct a basic Sky Warn class for tornado spotters at Plymouth Township Hall, 42350 Ann Arbor Rd., on Feb. 23 at 9 a.m.

Past spotters as well as new volunteers should attend. A spotter team signup, partial spotting post assignments, and local operating procedure training will be held after the basic class.

Spotters report to assigned posts each time there is a tornado watch in effect. Trained spotters are needed for all time periods.

For more information or to reserve a slot in the class, call Charles VanVleck at 453-3840, ext. 221 no later than Feb. 15.

In Canton

Kids' Valentine's party

Don't forget your sweetheart -- Canton's Parks and Recreation Department is again hosting its annual Children's Valentine's Party on Saturday, Feb. 9 from 10-11 a.m.

Canton youths ages three to 12 will enjoy games, a magic show, cartoons, and refreshments.

There is no charge for the party, which will be held at the Canton Recreation Center on Michigan Avenue at Sheldon Road.

Call 397-5111 for information or to make reservations.

Speaks at Dunning-Hough

Explorer brings Antarctica here

Children can discover the mysterious Antarctica with scientist John Zawiskie.

Zawiskie, who has been on three expeditions to the frozen continent, will present slides, artifacts and anecdotes when the Plymouth District Library presents "Antarctica, its Wildlife and Environment" on Feb. 7.

The 4 p.m. program will be held on the second floor of the Dunning Hough Library on Main Street in the City of Plymouth.

The program is open to children from eight to 12 years of age. It is free, but space is limited. Register by phone or in person at the library, 453-0750.

Canton foundation starts drive

A new fundraising effort is about to get underway in Canton designed to encourage township residents to support the Canton Community Foundation.

The drive, according to Norm Cepela, president of the Community Foundation, will run through February and March.

A mailing will be sent to Canton homeowners Feb. 1 and a telethon is planned for March 3 on Omnicom Cable to spark interest in the foundation.

Cepela said that the new fundraising effort "completes the cycle of establishing support on a consistent basis throughout the community."

Industrial and commercial fund drives are held in July and August.

"We hope to make this residential fund drive an annual activity," Cepela said.

The foundation, which has raised more than \$100,000 in the past 16 months, supports groups and projects such as the Canton Arts Council, Canton Economic Club, the Joe DeLauro "Storyteller," the Literacy Council, Canton Historic Society, Salvation Army, and Growth Works, among others.

Chairing the fund drive this year will be Phil LaJoy, a township trustee, and Carl Battishill, a school board trustee.

YMCA class

The Plymouth Community Family YMCA is offering a wide variety of classes for preschoolers, youths, and adults.

Preschoolers may take fitness, tumbling, preballet, or classes called "Half-pints in the Kitchen" and "Spice Rack Series."

Basketball, floor hockey, tumbling, tennis, soccer, and flag football are available to youths.

Adults may also sign up for tennis lessons, as well as classes in stopping smoking, controlling weight, yoga, dog obedience, and women's self defense/rape prevention.

For further information on location, cost, and when the next session will start for each class, call the Plymouth YMCA at 453-2904.

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Restraining order issued

OLGC addition halted

BY PHILIP TARDANI

Residents of a City of Plymouth subdivision have won a temporary restraining order against an addition planned to Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, 1160 Penniman Ave.

Wayne County Circuit Court Judge Richard C. Kaufman granted the order to residents of the William A. Blunk subdivision - which neighbors Our Lady - on Jan. 22. The city and state of Michigan must go before Kaufman on Feb. 6 to "show cause" why the temporary order should not be made a permanent injunction.

The church itself is not named as a defendant.

"It appears that unless the court restrains the city and state from approving site plans and issuing building permits...the plaintiffs may suffer irreparable harm because they will be foreclosed from enjoying the comfort and safety of their homes," Kaufman wrote in his order.

Carol Levitte, attorney for the Blunk residents, said the addition will constitute a nuisance in the form of increased traffic and parking problems.

Levitte also claims the city did not apply its zoning code to a review of the addition because a 1990 law gives final site plan approval for school buildings to the state superintendent of education.

City Attorney Ronald Lowe disagreed.

"It would be my opinion that if they are building an addition to a school, it would conform," he said. Lowe did say, however, that the city would be for repeal of the law that takes final site plan approval from the city.

"My administration is of the opinion that whenever the planning commission can review, that's in the best interest of the city," he said.

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City residents living near Our Lady of Good Counsel (left) have run a restraining order against a church addition. (Crier photo by Eric Lukasik)

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Gulf soldier to come home

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He expects to be sent home to the United States on convalescent leave. "The doctors said it will take six to 12 weeks to recover," he said.

Proctor said he could not divulge too many details of the accident for security reasons, but did say it happened when the vehicle he was riding in turned over on a straight road. "The roof caved in and my head got jammed," he said.

Proctor joined the army after graduating in 1979 from Canton High School. His special forces group arrived in Saudi Arabia the second week of August, and he celebrated his 31st birthday in the desert.

"I'm not trying to be morbid, but I

was really honestly looking forward to fulfilling our team mission," he said. "I was very close to becoming conversational in Arabic, I just needed a little more time. But I heal fast, and I want to get back to doing operations with my unit."

Proctor said that since the air war has begun, the coalition troops on the ground have been "concentrating on making more preparations for their potential missions rather than normal training."

The Green Beret said he hoped that the war would be won soon, and with a minimum of casualties. But in any case, he was anxious to get back with his outfit.

Until then, "You just take the best attitude you can," he said.

Recall countersuits?

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reasons are clear enough so the electors and person up for recall can understand them," she said.

If that is determined, 25 per cent of the persons who voted in the last gubernatorial campaign in each municipality must sign the recall petitions, Sieminski said.

The signatures are then reviewed by the county and local clerks and if a sufficient number are validated, a recall election is held, she said. The election must come within 60 days of that determination, Sieminski added, and a simple majority is enough to recall an official.

Sieminski said she did not believe any laws were violated in the case of a petition being submitted in Dusbiber's name and apparently without his knowledge.

"We're not required to figure out the circumstances that led up to this," she said. "What occurred before it got to our office is not our concern."

Both Eckler's petition and the one with Dusbiber's name on it were submitted only for language review and were not signed, Sieminski said.

Dusbiber said he thought the incident was "primarily a misunderstanding.

"I don't want to put anyone in a bad light, but I think it got put in with the package of city petitions," he said.

Commissioner Mary Childs also voted for the agreement, but Eckler said the group will not seek her ouster since she cannot seek re-election when her term expires in November.

"She can't run again anyway and she's done so much for the city, we won't put her through that," he said. The terms of Bila, Loiselle and Kenyon also expire in November.

In a political advertisement in this week's Crier, Vos asked for the retraction of comments made by members of the Concerned Citizens and suggested that the commissioners may file a lawsuit of their own.

"I anticipate that there will be counter-suits against most if not all of the plaintiffs, which will undoubtedly include defamation, slander and libel," said Vos.

Eckler said he seeks a city-wide referendum on the joint agreement.

"We want to be able to vote on the airport issue," he said.

With citizens seeking a city charter amendment election, a recall and a possible vote on municipal ownership, as well as the usual primary and general election, the city could potentially face five elections this year.

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Ran Penniman Market Noted market owner dies

BY JIM WHITE

One of the last of the old-fashioned meat market owners in this community has died.

John Rogin, owner of the Penniman Market in the City of Plymouth from 1954 to 1977 and a life long Plymouth resident, died Sunday in Frankfort. He was 74.

"When I bought this place, they said I wouldn't last six months," Mr. Rogin said in a 1977 interview, as he prepared to pass his apron to current owner-Russ Webster.

Mr. Rogin, often called Johnny, said at the time that there were five meat markets and grocery stores on Penniman between Main and Harvey streets when he bought the Penniman Market.

He had worked for the Purity Meat Market at the corner of Ann Arbor Trail and Main, for another market on Penniman, and then for Smith's Market on Penniman. That became the National Food Company and Rogin bought the store in 1954.

"The homemade is important," Mr. Rogin said in that previous interview. "The way the customer wants it is the success of the business, definitely."

Mr. Rogin used to put in 60-80 hours a week at the deli.

Visitation for Mr. Rogin will be held from 3-4 p.m. Friday (Feb. 1). A memorial service will be held at 4 p.m. Friday at Schrader Funeral Home.



JOHN ROGIN

Mr. Rogin moved to Frankfort from Plymouth about eight years ago, according to Webster. He was a lifetime member of the Plymouth Knights of Columbus and a graduate of Plymouth High School.

Survivors include: son Jack, of Canton; daughter Gail Rogin, of Westland; and two grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Grand Traverse Area Hospice, 1105 6th St., Traverse City, MI 49684.



Community Deaths

Puckett, Salem grad

Marty Rand Puckett, 33, of South Lyon, died Dec. 4 in Green Oak Township. Funeral services were held Jan. 23 at Schrader Funeral Home with Leon Pack officiating. Burial was in Washtenong Cemetery in Ann Arbor.

Mr. Puckett lived in Plymouth and Northville most of his life. He graduated from Salem High School.

Survivors include: mother Margie Orvis, of Linden; brother Drury Puckett, of Tennessee; and five nieces and nephews.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association.

Cichon, a homemaker

Cecilia M. Cichon, 71, of Canton, died Jan. 16 in Ann Arbor. Services were held Jan. 19 at St. Thomas A'Becket Catholic Church with the Rev. Ernest Porcari officiating. Burial was in St. Hedwig Cemetery in Dearborn Heights.

A homemaker, Mrs. Cichon was a member of St. Thomas and of Daughters of Isabella St. Maria Goretti Circle 849.

Survivors include: husband Louis J. Cichon, of Canton; son Ronald, of Livonia; daughters Marcia Dinatale and Regina Cichon, both of Canton, and Cynthia Sullivan, of Brighton; sister Lottie Orbacki, of Canton; brother Edward Malecki, of Lincoln Park; and seven grandchildren.

Arrangements were made by Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home.

Davis, farm bureau member

Mary Jane Davis, 94, of Westland, died in Livonia Jan. 19. Services were held Jan. 22 at Lambert-Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home with Dr. Frederick Vosburg of the First United Methodist Church of Plymouth officiating. Burial was in Maple Grove Cemetery in Dundee.

Mrs. Davis was a homemaker. A former resident of Kewadin, she came to Westland about 10 years ago. She was a member of the Kewadin United Methodist Church and the Kewadin Farm Bureau.

Survivors include: sons Lester, of Flint and Warren, of Belleville; daughters Garnet Trower, of Plymouth, and Virginia Ashley, of Traverse City; 11 grandchildren; and 26 great grandchildren.

Bassett-Nash, a homemaker

Ethyl M. Bassett-Nash, 94, of Plymouth, died Jan. 26 in Pigeon, MI. Funeral services were held Jan. 30 at the Schrader Funeral with reader Virginia Bencks officiating. Burial was in Parkview Cemetery in Livonia.

Mrs. Bassett-Nash was a homemaker and member of the First Church of Christ, Scientist in Plymouth.

Survivors include: husband Albert E. Nash, of Plymouth; daughters Thelma Craig, of Pigeon and Shirley Boyer, of Florida; son Albert E. Nash, Salem, SC; sister Dorothy Cumming, of Sarasota, FL and several grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to the charity of your choice.

Russo, of Canton

Dorothy Russo, 86, of Canton, died Jan. 23 in Canton. Funeral services were held Jan. 24 at the Pawlus Funeral Home in Canton, with Father George Charnley presiding. Burial was in Mount Carmel Cemetery in Hillside, IL.

Mrs. Russo was a homemaker.

Survivors include: sons Michael and August, of Chicago; daughter Christine, of Canton; and 12 grandchildren.

Kullman, educator

Gerard A. Kullman, 88, of Canton, died Jan. 23 in Southfield. Funeral services were held Jan. 26 at St. John Neumann Catholic Church. Burial was in St. Hedwig Cemetery in Dearborn Heights.

Mr. Kullman taught for 25 years in St. Cyprian, St. Christopher, and Transfiguration elementary schools. He retired eight years ago. A founder of the catechism program in the Archdiocese of Detroit, Mr. Kullman was active in St. Christopher Parish, serving as lector and eucharistic minister.

While earning a degree in education at the University of Detroit, he was a grounds crew member at Navin Field, now Tiger Stadium.

He was a member of the church Holy Name Society and Ushers Club.

Survivors include: wife Laura, of Canton; daughters Mary Coleman, of Naperville, IL and Barbara Romanowski, of Howell; sons Gerard A. of Sacramento, Thomas S. of Dearborn Heights, Timothy E., of Chesapeake, VA and James F. and John A., of Canton.

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Canton joins request for injunction

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The individual defendants are Dennis Bila, Jack Kenyon, Mary Childs, Ronald Loiselle, James Jabara, John Vos III, in the city; and Maurice Breen, Esther Hulsing, Mary Brooks, Abe Munfakh, Ron Griffith and Smith Horton, in the township.

According to the complaint, the basis for an injunction is that Plymouth city and township are circumventing the Community Airports Act by trying to purchase Mettetal - located in Canton - without Canton's approval.

The plaintiffs include Dwight Eckler, William Baumgartner, Sandra Kosky, Lauri and Dan Bordas, Paul Nastoff, Rosita Smith, Gilbert Rix, Greg Pappas, Bill McAninch, Warren Dusbiber and Joe Aninos.

The Canton trustees who voted to join in the complaint said they were afraid Canton would not be able to limit the airport's expansion once it became publicly operated.

Supervisor Tom Yack referred to the upgrade of Mettetal to a T-5 airport - where transport jets are allowed to land - in the 1990 Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) report on state airports.

"They are just a special interest group, buried in government though they are, that will pursue their own goals. I think this is all for a major expansion of Mettetal," he said.

During the meeting Kirchgatter presented a letter she had received from William Gehman, MDOT director, saying that Mettetal received the T-5 rating only because it will be necessary to have an airport for jets in western Wayne County in the future, and Mettetal is the only airport at all in the region right now.

But Mettetal would not be expanded, wrote Gehman. "There is no plan, nor is it physically possible to expand this airport," he wrote.

Yack and Clerk Loren Bennett disputed that the letter could overrule a report that had taken three years to complete.

John Prenczyk, who voted with Kirchgatter to buy the airport in August but who voted to block its purchase Friday, said "I'm starting to believe that if this is federally subsidized, major expansion will occur."

Gehman said Monday that the MDOT report would be amended regarding Mettetal "within the next couple of weeks."

"We have been very active," Gehman said, "but we can't do anything without a local sponsor. There is not a project being done without a local request. We don't push communities around. The need (for a reliever airport) is such that we take what we can get."

James Romzek, attorney for the Plymouth Concerned Citizens, said that the case for an injunction would be strengthened if Canton joined.

Dwight Eckler, head of the group, said that donations were being accepted to cover legal fees, and that Canton would not have to spend any money.

The citizens group and Canton officials felt the need to act quickly in filing for the injunction.

"It's not an accident that we are meeting in an emergency session," said Yack. "Individuals are closing the door on legal challenges to the airport purchase."

Before Canton agreed to join the complaint, references to Plymouth Township developer Robert DeMattia were removed.

Before Friday's meeting, Tom Yack had said, "It is apparent that the driving motivation behind this effort has not been what is in the best interests of the greater community and its residents, but rather what is in the best interests of Plymouth Township's resident developer, Bob DeMattia."

The original complaint charged that Plymouth Township's decision to enter an airport agreement was motivated in part by Supervisor Maurice Breen's "desire to appease the wishes of Mr. DeMattia."

Theoretically, DeMattia's Metro West industrial park would have to compete with any industrial complex built on the present airport site.

"That's ludicrous!" said DeMattia Monday. "It would be a perfect world if I had all the land, I guess, but there are hundreds of thousands of acres of industrial land and hundreds of thousands of square feet of industrial space that I compete with. I can't buy them all."

"I never have had, do not have now, and will never have a financial interest in the airport," he said. "My business uses it, my client businesses use it. But if it disappears, it ain't going to be no big deal for me."

DeMattia, who resides in Northville township, said he considered Yack's remark slanderous. "There is absolutely no truth to it. I'm just in-

credulous."

City commissioner Vos said Monday that the Community Airports Act does not apply to the public purchase of Mettetal because the city and township are entering an agreement. The Community Airport Acts covers joint authorities.

Vos added that Canton and the city group were looking for a temporary restraining order that would extend to the injunctive hearing.

"Kaufman denied their request," Vos said. "We have 10 days until any injunction may be issued. We hope Governor Engler has signed the agreement by then."

Plymouth Township Supervisor Breen said Tuesday that the joint agreement is being created under the amended Michigan Public Act 1945, No. 327, not the Community Airports Act, because the former is the act that protects local taxpayers.

It was "ironic" that Canton did not know which was the appropriate statute, Breen said, given Yack's position that a public airport would drain tax money.

"I don't know why Canton is in it (the complaint), but I guess they have their reasons," he said.

There was some question as to who would represent Plymouth Township in the case.

Both Plymouth and Canton townships - use the firm of Nora, Hemming, Essad, and Polaczyk, which has declined to represent either side in the Mettetal dispute.

The Plymouth Township trustees are meeting at 4:30 p.m. today to choose new legal representation.

Canton and the city group will be represented by Nedelman, Romzek, Smith, and Frank.

OLGC addition in drawing stage

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Father John Wysocki, pastor of Our Lady, said the church was still in the process of finalizing drawings and had no immediate plans for construction.

An addition to the school, which instructs 600 students in grades one through eight, has been planned for a number of years, he said.

"We're very proud of the school, it competes very well with other schools and is an essential part of the ministry," Wysocki said.

Corridors are crowded, however, he added, and students do not have a cafeteria.

The city commission met yesterday afternoon in a closed session, the legality of which was challenged by The Crier under the Michigan Open Meetings Act of 1976. The act states that a special meeting cannot be held without 18 hours prior notice; the City Charter says a meeting needs six hours notice. A notice for Tuesday's meeting was posted about six hours prior to the meeting.

Six commissioners, however, voted that a "severe or imminent threat to the health, safety and welfare of the public" - as stated in the Open Meetings Act for an "emergency" - warranted a meeting.

City Attorney Ronald Lowe advised the commission that they should meet as soon as possible to formulate a response to the lawsuit filed against the city and commissioners. He did not rule on whether the meeting should be construed as an "emergency."

Commissioner Jerry Vorva cast the lone votes against holding a special meeting and going into closed session.

The commission met behind closed doors for about 40 minutes, then moved back to public session, and voted 6-1 to retain Lowe as "lead council" in association with the Southfield law firm Sullivan, Ward, et al.

Michael J. Yockey, an attorney with the firm, quoted a price of \$125 an hour for services. Under the direction of the commission, the Sullivan firm will research the feasibility of moving the case to federal court, Yockey said.

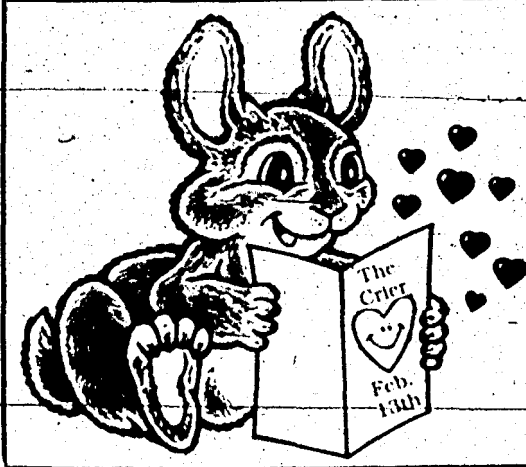
He estimated that work could be done in about 10 hours.

The city commission has scheduled another special meeting Thursday at 5 p.m. in City Hall's commission conference room, 201 S. Main St.

Blunk subdivision resident Janice Derian said in a sworn affidavit that Our Lady "already poses substantial vehicular traffic problems during school and church activities."

The affidavit also states that the streets and driveways around Our Lady are at times so congested "as to hinder sometimes totally obstruct residents, fire, or police access to their homes."

Wysocki said that the addition is for "more and better-quality usefulness of space" and will not attract more people than already use the church and school.



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Canton also wins; both teams undefeated

Rock hoopsters bring down Rockets

BY RITA DERBIN

The Rocks keep rolling through the conference -- and so do the Chiefs.

Both Centennial Educational Park (CEP) teams remained undefeated in conference play up to last night's showdown.

The Rocks defeated divisional rival Westland John Glenn Friday night, 72-58 to run their record to 2-0 in the Lakes division and 6-0 in conference play (10-1 overall).

Senior Jake Baker led the Rocks with 26 points and 10 rebounds. Freshman James Head, starting in place of injured John Hoffmeyer (sprained ankle), also had a big game with 13 points and a team high 14 rebounds. Senior Mike Mulder also added 13 points.

"It was a close game," said Salem coach Bob Brodie. "We just couldn't shake them -- it took us all game to pull away."

"We played with a lot of fill ins that did a nice job," Brodie added, noting that Mike Abraham played a lot of minutes while put in a strong performance and scoring seven points in the victory.

Also on Friday night, the Chiefs didn't play up to their potential but "played just well enough to win," according to Canton coach Dave VanWagoner.

The Chiefs went to 2-0 in the Western division and 6-0 in conference play (8-4 overall) with a 52-45 victory over division rival Northville.

Jon Paupore led the Chiefs with 16

points and Kevin Holmes chipped in with 10. Brett Howell had nine in the game.

Last Tuesday, however, the Canton squad proved how important free throws are in basketball when the Chiefs defeated Livonia Stevenson, 60-55, in a cross-conference matchup.

The Chiefs made 24 of 29 free throws, including several in the fourth quarter to maintain a perfect conference record.

Howell was the top scorer for Canton with 14 points. He was followed by Karl Wukie's 12 points and six assists and Mike Stafford, who chipped in with 10 points and a team high eight rebounds.

"It was close all the way," said VanWagoner. "The free throws were

definitely the key."

Also last Tuesday, the Rocks defeated Walled Lake Western, 72-38, in a cross-conference matchup.

Baker led the attack with 14 points and Chris Tebben added 13. Also, K.C. Kirkpatrick had 11 and John Hoffmeyer chipped in with 10.

Eleven players scored in the game for Salem squad which ran away from the Warriors in the third quarter with a 23-9 run.

"Our defense was good," said Brodie. "They had only three three-point baskets in the quarter -- we forced them outside."

Both CEP teams will be playing key division games Friday night as the conference tournament approaches.

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Sports

Chiefs at Harrison tonight

Rock netters take North Farmington

BY RITA DERBIN

The Rocks finally stayed mentally tough throughout a volleyball match and defeated North Farmington in five games Monday night (4-15, 15-13, 10-15, 15-11, 15-13). The Salem squad is now 2-2 in the Lakes division and 4-2 in conference play (6-6-3 overall).

"We had a good team effort," said coach Allie Suffety. "Our serving was good -- we had 15 kills -- and we had some great performances."

In the match, sophomore Shelby Carey recorded 14 kills on 41 attacks for 3.41 kill percentage. Also in the five-game set, senior Andi Welling had 11 kills and senior Amy Krajewski added nine.

Junior Julie Thomas also had an outstanding night on defense, according to Suffety, having 22 attacks on serve receptions while making no errors.

"We had 94 serves and only nine errors -- we were good 88 per cent of the time," Suffety said. "We're getting the ball into play finally -- we've been working real hard at that."

Saturday Birmingham Marian won the 22-team Plymouth Volleyball Invitational and both Centennial Educational Park teams made it to the medal round before being knocked out.

The Rocks finished second in their pool in the 22-team Plymouth Volleyball Invitational with a 4-4 record.

The Salem squad was defeated by Brighton (12-15, 11-15); bounced back to defeat Crestwood (15-14, 15-9); and Ann Arbor Pioner (20-18, 15-4) before being defeated by Gabriel Richard (9-15, 5-15). Gabriel Richard then defeated the Rocks in the medal round in two games (15-17, 4-15). The Canton Chiefs also advanced to the medal round before being knocked out in the first round.

Last Wednesday, Salem was defeated by Walled Lake Central 4-1 (10-15, 10-15, 15-8, 8-15).

The Rocks had a tough time staying the games mentally, according to Suffety, who said Salem led in three of the four games but could not maintain momentum.

"We had problems with our mental game," he said. "We would get real good digs off a pass then make an errant pass."

"We're lacking in mental toughness," Suffety added. "We had 37 attack errors and we lost our serve too much."

The Rocks will host Westland John Glenn tonight with junior varsity play beginning at 6 p.m. Saturday Salem will host a junior varsity tournament with games beginning at 8 a.m.

Canton will travel to Farmington Harrison tonight and Farmington Monday night. Both matches begin at 6 p.m.

Collectors show

Collectors and fans, get ready! Madonna College's athletic department is holding its Baseball Card and Sports Memorabilia/Hockey Card Show in the college activities center Saturday (Feb. 2) from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday (Feb. 3) from noon to 6 p.m.

Meet Detroit Red Wings Bob Probert, 1:15-3 p.m. Saturday, and Steve Yzerman, 4:15-6 p.m. Sunday. Joey Kocur is also expected to appear at the show.

The show features more than 100 tables and the lowest prices in the area on many of the most desirable sports collectors' items.

A \$4 donation at the door includes free autographs. There will be special events and chances to win prizes.

For more information call 591-5029.



A Salem volleyballer goes up for the spike in action against North Farmington Monday night. It took five games, but the Rocks pulled out the win. (Crier photo by Eriq Lukasik)

Salem phenom Speedy Hister a three-sport star

BY RITA DERBIN

Give him an inch ... and he's off to the races!

The name Leon Hister was synonymous with Salem football this past season. The 5-9, 160 lb. junior didn't look imposing, but the deceptively strong tailback broke the Rocks' 13-year-old single season record for touchdowns and accounted for over 40 per cent of the total offense for the 6-3 Salem squad.

Hister ran for 18 touchdowns, two better than the previous record set in 1977 by Rich Hewlitt. Hister also accounted for a team high 981 yards rushing on 142 carries.

"He exceeded our expectations," said Salem football coach Tom Moshimer. "We thought he'd be good by the time he was a senior but he made tremendous strides in both his mental and physical performances this season.

"Leon is uncanny with his moves -- he can stop, change directions and accelerate," added Moshimer. "He's very elusive -- you can't tackle him very easily."

The only team that could stop him was Canton. The Chiefs not only crushed the Rocks, 34-0, in Salem's season finale, they also prevented Hister from getting 1,000 yards rushing for the season.

With only 13 yards on the ground, the disappointed Hister fell far short of his season average of 110 yards per game.

"I think that was the only real disappointment this season, I really wanted 1,000 yards badly ... the touchdowns and gains per carry don't mean that much but I like the total yards," Hister added, saying that reaching 1,000 yards will definitely be a goal for him next season -- that and making it to the playoffs.

"(The Canton game) was a bad game, a real bad night for us," said Hister, who is optimistic about the Salem squad returning next season. "We weren't good enough this year but next year I want to make the



Salem Junior Leon Hister turns in football cleats for basketball high tops. The speedy tailback set a new school record for touchdowns in a single season. Come spring, he'll be out with the track team. (Crier photo by Eric Lukaski)

playoffs like (Canton)."

If they are going to make the playoffs, the Rocks will probably depend on Hister's legs for most of their offense, much the same way as he was used this season.

"This season was a team effort," Hister said. "We played the option game so I got the football a lot but we played as team -- everyone helped me."

And Hister sure gave his team a boost, rushing for over 100 yards in seven games and averaging seven yards a carry.

"He's a very coachable athlete -- a student of the game," said Moshimer. "Leon is a good guy and has a great work ethic."

As a sophomore, Hister was on the varsity football team but did not get to

play much behind senior backs Pat Bowie and Ryan Johnson.

When he was given the opportunity to play this season he took advantage of the situation.

"I really didn't do anything different to prepare for the season," he said. "With a young team I just had more of a chance to play."

"I showed up for practice and worked hard and the numbers started coming and everything worked out," Hister added, saying that he runs and lifts weights in the summer to prepare for school athletics.

And he's not one dimensional. The 17-year-old Canton resident is quite an all around athlete, playing three varsity sports at Salem.

The gifted athlete also plays guard for the Salem varsity basketball in the

winter and runs track and long jumps in the spring.

"Leon has tremendous athletic ability," said Salem basketball coach Bob Brodie. "He's fast, can jump well and is very strong."

"He just has to fine tune his game a little more," Brodie added. "He's an excellent worker and always gives 100 per cent when he's out there."

It was in track and field, however, that Hister started his athletic career at Salem.

As a freshman long jumper he placed second at the conference meet with a jump of 20-5. Last year Hister surprised himself by winning the conference with a 21-5 effort in his last jump. This year his goal is to break the school record of 22-8 1/4.

"Leon is an outstanding long jumper because he has a great vertical jump he combines with his horizontal speed," said Salem track coach Gary Balconi. "He's very quick -- more than flat out dead speed he get to top speed very quickly which makes him so good."

"I think he is capable of breaking the school record under the right circumstances -- and he's got two years to do it," Balconi added.

Hister also runs the 100-yard dash and the 400-yard relay team for Salem.

"He's a coach's athlete," said Balconi. "He has all the tools and works very hard on improving -- he's a good example to his fellow athletes. He's a hard working young man and an outstanding achiever in school and in sports."

When he was "a little, bitty kid" Hister started participating in sports at the encouragement of his father, Leon Hister, Sr.

He enjoys all sports, but football is by far Hister's favorite and he hopes to continue playing in college after he finishes high school.

"Running back is my favorite position," said Hister. "But I just love everything about football, I'd play anytime and I'd play any position they told me to."

And Leon Hister would probably do quite well.

Rock, Chief tankers in action

BY RITA DERBIN

The Rocks sunk Farmington Thursday night, 120-66. The Salem swim team is now 1-0 in the Lakes division and 3-3 overall.

The 200-yard medley relay of Curt Witthoff, Jon Stridiron, Matt Erickson and Joe Pawluszka finished first for the Rocks (1:45.87); along with Brett Meik in the 200-yard freestyle (2:01.36); Albert Sneath in the 200-yard individual medley (2:12.34); Brett Petroskey in the 50-yard freestyle (24.74); Pat McManaman in diving (260 points); Scott Helmstader in the 100-yard freestyle (55.52); and Witthoff in the 500-yard freestyle (5:20.86).

Also finish with first places were the 200-yard freestyle relay of McManaman, Matt Erickson, Alan Hunt and Petroskey (1:38.85); Sneath in the

100-yard backstroke (1:01.29); Stridiron in the 100-yard breaststroke (1:05.70); and the 400-yard freestyle relay of Pawluszka, Meik, Petroskey and Witthoff (3:34.95).

Second-place finishes for Salem included Aaron Berlin in the 200-yard freestyle (2:02.21); Meik in the 100-yard freestyle (55.85); Pawluszka in the 500-yard freestyle (5:25.64); and the 200-yard freestyle relay of Berlin, Tom Satwicz, Drew Varsava and Tim Nixon (1:45.03).

The Rocks will host Livonia Stevenson at 7 p.m. tomorrow night in a divisional matchup.

In other Centennial Educational Park action, the Canton swim team will travel to Livonia Churchill tomorrow night to take on the

Chargers. The meet begins at 7 p.m.

The Chiefs home meet against Livonia Franklin which was originally

Chief wrestlers lose

BY RITA DERBIN

Canton wrestling team was defeated by Northville on Thursday night, 44-27. The Chiefs are now 2-4-1.

In the loss, Canton recorded two pins -- George Young at 171 lbs. and Justin Reed at 135 lbs.

Canton, Salem hoops

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Canton will host Farmington Harrison at 7:30 p.m. The Hawks are 9-2 overall and 2-0 in the Western division. Tuesday the Chiefs will travel to North Farmington for a 7:30 p.m. game.

scheduled for Jan. 24 has been rescheduled for Feb. 19 at 7 p.m. at the Canton pool.

In junior varsity competition, the Chiefs tied Northville, 12-12. Matt Berres (112 lbs.) and Mike Borich (119 lbs.) recorded pins in the meet.

Tomorrow night the Chiefs will travel to Farmington Harrison for a division matchup before the league meet on Saturday.

Salem will travel to Livonia Stevenson Friday night for a 7:30 p.m. game. The Spartans defeated Salem last year in the conference championship game. The Rocks will then host Livonia Churchill Tuesday night with tipoff at 7:30 p.m.



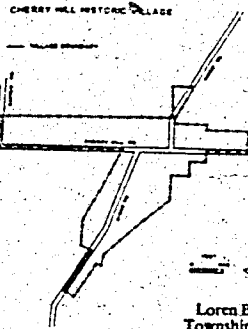
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Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held on Tuesday, February 12, 1991, at 7:00 p.m. at 1150 S. Canton Center Road by the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton to consider a request for the designation of the following as a local historic district pursuant to Section V. of the Historic District Ordinance No. 117, Charter Township of Canton.



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Written comments will be received until 7:00 p.m., February 12, 1991 at 1150 S. Canton Center Road.

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February 6, 1991

Loren Bennett
Township Clerk

BID NOTICE

The Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools cordially invites all interested and qualified companies to submit bids for the following for the addition-renovation construction for the Administration Building located at 454 S. Harvey Street, Plymouth, Michigan.

OFFICE WORKSTATION SYSTEMS TELECOMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS

Bid documents are available at the field office of the Construction Manager for this project:

Barton Malow Company
ATTN: Ken Krill
454 S. Harvey Street
(313) 451-3198

The sealed bids for this project are due on or before 3:00 p.m., February 5, 1991 and will be received at:

Plymouth-Canton Community Schools
ATTN: Raymond K. Hoedel, Associate Superintendent
454 S. Harvey Street
Plymouth, MI 48170

Bids will be read aloud and forwarded to Administration for evaluation and recommendations. Final awards will be made at a future meeting. The Board of Education reserves the right to select any or reject all bids, as they judge to be in the best interest of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools.

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January 30, 1991

ROLAND J. THOMAS, JR., SECRETARY
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C. Members of the Board of Education
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Raymond K. Hoedel, Associate Superintendent for Business and Operations

\$4.50 for the first 10 words, 20 each additional word. Deadline: Monday, 4pm. Call 453-6900

Crier Classifieds

Curiosities

DAVE VAN WAGONER: So sorry about waking you up Monday night but Ed made me do it. I would have called you sooner but I had to catch the big Probert-Crowder bout at Joe Louis. --Rita from The Crier

Peg - I would consider a holding penalty smart if it were Stevie I was holding!

Mary has been fooling all of us. I stopped in and there in the driveway sat a pink and blue car!

Henry & Doris start anew this week.

I'm so glad football is over!

"FREE VALENTINE'S" at Sideways Contemporary Gifts, 505 Forest Ave. Send Valentine's to our troops operating in Desert Storm. Check The Crier or Sideways for addresses of local servicemen & women & also general addresses for on land & on ship servicemen.

Jill, thanks for the lunch.

Shawn, thanks for the ????

Was Phil smiling Sat. morning?

Janet gets home tomorrow.

Stop winking!

Remember Karen, "I DO TRADES."

Pat Russell - Crier Carrier - sorry about the ankle, glad you won the game.

Crier carriers: super job on January collections. Especially: Scott Griffin, Ryan Deschaw, and Jenny Single.

Carl Glass is older now!

To the Thomas' and Hinkle's - we'll have to keep in touch by another way now. No more curbs. --Peg

Debbie, I'll be there soon and we can be confused together!

CrierCOMMA crew - I will miss you!

Ed and Phyllis: thanks a million for everything! --Peg

What will I do next week with no curbs to write - (Oh no, curbs writing withdrawal!)

Lhronia Chrysler/Plymouth flies flags.

You're welcome, Denise.

T.P. The Cinderella Story.

Peg - In a sick, demented way I guess I will miss ALL THE EXTRA WORK you give me Mondays. Good luck in all you do and don't forget Sergie! --Rita

The Maycocks can now return to a private life.

Curiosities

SHAWN: I see that you don't have any static electricity - does that mean your battery is low? And by the way, the answer to your question is still no, I'm too young for that kind of stuff.

Loretta - wasn't 'Amazing Grace and Chuck' good? We can all learn from it.

Rosemary, I just see a blur with those knitting needles. Any new projects in the works?

Tony, I can't believe you actually let your daughter drive your Mercedes!

Dad, it's been great getting those letters. Keep it up!

And speaking of letters, when will I hear from you Mom? Florida can't be that bad. I know there's nothing like a Michigan winter but really...

Josh, we're really looking forward to Punahou's school festival. See you there!

Zoey, are you ready for us? Ready or not, here we come!

Margaret, nothing worse than worn out rubber bands. They just don't make 'em like they used to.

Jill, now I know who to come to when I need something fixed. Thanks.

Eric, how many 8 x 10 glossies do you want?

Gary, sorry about the break-in! Maybe you should get a guard dog 'cause the security lights sure didn't seem to help! L & D

JM, better known as "Super Seamstress." You can't have three!

Phil! How was it?

Joy and Tom put on a heck of a party.

"Oh set me free" the little red squirrel.

"No cage can hold me" the phantom squirrel.

I give up on football, J

Carey, what happened to you? Have your mother bring you into the office & I'll draw & color a special scene on your leg for you.

Tracey, be sure & give me a call. Mr. Wonderful.

Congratulations to Debbie, Phil, Peg & Phyllis. Condolences to Jack, Larry and Henry.

Curiosities

Phil - now you can afford to buy me lunch! Ooh la la - Probie sure looked nice on Monday night. The Wings may have lost, but once again Bob is the heavyweight champion of the world.

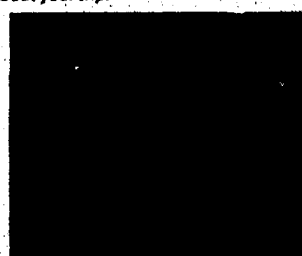
"THE FLAMING IRISH" caused "dropsie" according to Phyllis who has taken the week off to recover.

Show your true colors - red, white and blue. Fly the Stars and Stripes proudly.

Peg: Sergie looks a little tired lately. I think all the abuse he's taken this season is catching up with him.

"I'M A WOMAN but I like golf." - Margaret Slezak

Leza! Call me for lunch so you can tell me about your trip.



LEZA IS ALL DOLLED UP TO GO TO GOTO LUNCH WITH JACK.

I didn't see your leg today!

May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be adored, Glorified, Loved & Preserved throughout the world now & forever. Sacred Heart of Jesus, Pray for us. St. Jude, Worker of Miracles, Pray for us. St. Jude, Helper of the Hopeless, Pray for us. Thank you Almighty God, St. Jude, Blessed Mother and Little Rose for answered prayer.

Hoops needs his Wheaties.

Early to bed, early to rise, means Hoops has time for Wheaties.

I didn't see any "Hands Off" signs on Sergie and Bobbie at the game Monday night! (And I was looking, too.)

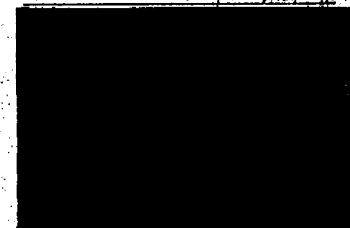
Loretta: Sergie: Happy Birthday to one of my favorite sisters! Isn't it nice having your husband home for a change? (and you have Molly this year, too!) --Rita

Curiosities

KIT: are you ready for Hockey Night in Canada?

LJ: chin up! Happy recuperation.

Jim White - thanks for your country expertise.



TYLER SPENCER GRECH January 13, 1991

Tony, Kim & Anthony III Grech are proud to announce the birth of their son & brother.

Peg - now Sergie can be close to you always! Even when I'm not around to give you the scoops.

Good luck 1st Lieut. Nancy Kleinsmith. We're proud of you!

Bill Baxter has nose difficulties.

Dennis Rose - take care of your finger.

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Attend a free reception and rally to support our family and friends of service men and women: 2 to 4 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 10 at Fellows Creek Golf Course. For more information, call Canton Community Foundation at 454-5427.

Then I might be good.

MARK NOV. 13-17 on your calendars: the original Bill of Rights will be in Detroit at Cobo Hall.

Once again I picked wrong - Can you believe the Giants won?!

Wow! What a week!

Mark, you're getting closer to those state cuts. Keep up the good work!

Dave, how are you going to get better if you skip practice?

Brian, congratulations on the "Masters." Looking forward to a first hand view.

Nina, so what did you finally do on senior skip day? The end is near.

Crier Classifieds

Curiosities

Rita, this is late for old times sake! (You're going to miss harassing me!)

Jim, keep on singing!

Julie, don't pack yet, you still have a few weeks to go. Keep your mind on the books!

Don and Brenda's house smells like a bakery!

Verna, you always tell it like it is. It's been great. Lunch? (No, after work is better!)

Shawn, I'm glad you're a member. The club continues! Now you will have to get the keys from Shauna.

Russ is becoming a billiards pro!

Eric — third time is the charm. The "S" wasn't crooked!

Jack will keep me informed!

Jill works wonders with a needle. Steph's dress is beautiful!

Jill and Denise — may I have "phone-in" curio privileges? —

Just as long as they're in by noon! — Rita

Julie and Rich: the pictures of the baby are cute!

To the Purdue crew — I'll have to think of some other way to get my messages to you. — Your other mom

Jack and Larry — traditions don't have to carry on! Be nice to the new B.M.

Rita — you might notice a slight decrease in the "in-house" curios next week (and all the weeks to follow). Maybe Jack can pick up the slack so you don't get bored.

Shauna — don't worry, everything will balance one way or the other!

Margaret — who's going to tell me tacky jokes now? I'll miss you. Thanks for all the laughs and for making my job a little easier.

The Side Street is a great place for interesting conversation!

When Kevin goes to church, he's dressed for any occasion.

Scott, next time I call, I'll make sure it's when you're home — your other mom

Phyllis — you owe me! — Auntie Peg

Julie — your culinary talents and tastes are amazing. Next thing you know, you'll be eating beans and ham!

Curiosities

Phil — out of sight is not out of mind. Behave yourself — I'll be getting reports! — your generic mom

Goodbye Mr. Walters. (Now there won't be anyone to harass you about coffee mugs!)

Does this mean no more Wed. night curio meetings?

Jan — I'm not a lefty — I just write like one. So does that mean hands on? — Peg

Rita, now I can keep Serge close to my heart. Thanks!

"The Wings are going to win the Stanley Cup" — Kevin, 1991.

In this decade?

More like, will it be in our lifetime? Maybe the same year the Cubs win the World Series.

Welcome to the newest Crier carriers: Julie, No. 186; Jon, No. 19; Paul, No. 168; Sara, No. 10974 and Matthew, No. 1.

Jennifer — thanks for the cookie, from the bottom of my sweet tooth! — Aunt Peg

Steph, have a good trip. Knock 'em dead at the Chicago Model U.N.

Mike plain honey-grahams. *

Peg, I'm gonna miss you.

Peg, you can't go! I won't let you!!

Leon, I'll keep your ears warm for you — since you lowered them. D.

Justin, will your room ever be clean again? — Mom

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