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Military salutes firm

Brigadier General James Monroe shakes hands with Gilmor employees during a ceremony to honor the Canton firm last week. See pg. 19 for the story. (Crier photo by Ken Voyles)

Canton DDA compromise fails

BY KEN VOYLES

A compromise plan for Canton's Downtown Development District has apparently been rejected by a local

developer who has a lawsuit pending against the township and the Downtown Development Authority (DDA). The plan, drawn up by Harley

Ellington Pierce Yee Associates representing Canton and Bruce Borr representing property owner Norm Newman, was objected to for a variety of reasons, said Canton Supervisor Tom Yack.

"We attempted to put together a plan that made economical and design sense," Yack told the DDA Monday, "and which would be satisfactory to Newman and the DDA. We came up with one that had the support of the planners but it was rejected by Norm Newman."

The plan focused on a "main street intersection" in the center of the 80-acre DDA area, which is located north of Ford Road and east of Sheldon Road. It would

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Student count stable in Plymouth-Canton

BY STEVE O'LEARY

The number of students attending the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools has remained relatively stable this year, according to the fourth Friday count.

"Things went pretty much as we had thought they would," said Richard Hall, administrative assistant for community relations. "Our projections were pretty

close to the mark all the way around."

The fourth Friday count is required by the state and is used as a tool by districts and state educators in determining the number of students enrolled in the district.

"There were no real surprises, things turned out pretty much as we had hoped.

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Schrader teams up with Lynch & Sons

BY JIM TOTTEN

Schrader Funeral Home, one of the oldest established businesses in the City of Plymouth, has teamed up with another funeral firm.

Edwin (Win) Schrader, 47, announced the new "affiliation" between Schrader Funeral Home and Lynch & Sons Funeral Home, 51 of Clarksdale, 66 of The City.

Lynch & Sons also owns funeral homes in Walled Lake and Milford.

"This is a wonderful opportunity for all of us," Schrader said. He is the third generation of his family to own and operate the funeral facility, founded by his grandfather, Fred Schrader, in 1904. Schrader will remain as funeral director of business.

"I will be at my desk tomorrow," he said.

One of his new partners, Michael Howell, 41, will join the Schrader firm on a day-to-day basis as managing director. Howell and Patrick Lynch, 41, are the co-owners of the Lynch operation in Clawson.

Lynch said the partnership was a

Mettetal passes DNR test

BY JIM TOTTEN

A second testing of underground water at Mettetal Airport in Canton has determined that benzene levels are below the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) guidelines.

The information was released in a report dated Sept. 16 from Testing Engineers & Consultants, Inc., an environmental firm located in Troy.

Testing Engineers & Consultants resampled water from five monitoring wells on Aug. 9 as part of an environmental study of the airport. It found that all samples contained benzene levels less than one part per billion, the DNR limit.

Benzene, a carcinogen, is a clear and colorless flammable liquid used to manufacture fuels.

"Everything came up clean on the second tests," said Mary Lewandoski, DNR project manager for that site, on Thursday. However, she added that staff from DNR were not present to monitor the activities.

"There is more work still to be done," she said. "It is not accurate to say it (airport) has a clean bill of health."

The DNR has proposed further testing which includes digging two new wells, 13 feet deep, for water samples.

Water samples taken from monitoring well-4 on June 21 by the environmental firm contained benzene at 4.8 parts per billion. MW-1 and MW-2 contained benzene at 1.3 and 1.4 levels.

Lewandoski said further testing will determine if the contaminants have spread and the possible area.

"As long as there is benzene (above guidelines), there will be no closure by the DNR," she said.

In a letter dated Sept. 23, the DNR recommended to Testing Engineers & Consultants that the two new wells be constructed as permanent wells to allow for an influx of water during a 24 hours period. They also recommended resampling MW-4.

"sound business decision" that will enable Lynch & Sons to "assist Win in a widely expanding clientele area."

The affiliation, the three partners said, will not result in any significant changes in the businesses except for sharing both vehicles and staffing.

"I want to discount a rumor," Schrader

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Consultants seek best interest rates School board authorizes final bond resolution

BY STEVE O'LEARY

The Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Board of Education unanimously passed the final bond authorization resolution at a special meeting Monday night.

The resolution recommends that since the bond will be sold in two series, two different underwriters be used, Kemper Securities Group for series one, which totals \$29,775,000, and A. G. Edwards & Sons as senior managing underwriters for the second series, which totals \$29,925,000 and will be issued in 1992.

Paul Stauder, a spokesperson from the financial consultant group Stauder, Barch & Associates, said the group is currently looking for the best interest rates available and bonds should be ready to be sold in early November.

The law firm of Thrun, Maatsch and Nordberg, P.C., was appointed as bond counsel, while Stauder, Barch and Associates was appointed as financial consultants. They are currently working with other districts in the area, including Dearborn, on similar bond sales.

Board President David Artley told the audience how much everyone's support was appreciated in passing the bond during the Sept. 24 election.

"It's almost unheard of for a district to pass a bond by the margin we did, and that shows that the community wants to keep providing the best education possible for the children of the district,"

Artley said.

The \$59.7 million bond proposal was approved by voters 3,930 to 1,461, nearly a three to one margin.

Members of the school board said

Monday that no decisions had been made about the site of the second elementary school, although the administration is working to narrow down the possible locations.

One elementary school is expected to be built in Canton's Sunflower Subdivision.

Officials said it will be spring before ground is broken on either school site.

Canton board recognizes workers

BY KEN VOYLES

Canton's Board of Trustees last week unanimously approved special incentive awards to Jake Dingeldey, Tom Casari and Karl Gorham for their efforts in reducing the number of flooded basements in Canton caused by surcharged sanitary sewers.

Dingeldey received \$1,000 under the special incentive policy, while Casari and Gorham each were awarded \$500.

The awards were approved by the Canton Merit Commission on Sept. 16 and met the requirements in the township personnel policy manual which says such awards cannot exceed five per cent of the employee's current salary.

According to Aaron Machnik, township municipal services director, the three employees reduced the damaging flooding through the installation of sump pumps in existing residential homes. Machnik said the success of the sump pump program "can be attributed to Dingeldey's technical expertise, Casari's outstanding leadership skills and Gorham's problem solving abilities."

Dingeldey is head of Canton's Department of Public Works and Casari is the township engineer. Gorham is a foreman with the township DPW.

Dingeldey demonstrated exceptional creativity and innovation in devising a method of retrofitting sump pumps, said Machnik, who added that Dingeldey

devised a "unique check valve" for the pumps.

Machnik said the sump pump program has resulted in "significant" cost savings to the township and residents. "There were no flooded basements caused by sewer backup during the last major rain storm," Machnik said.

For City race Candidate forum set

Candidates for the upcoming City of Plymouth Commission election will be in full view on Oct. 23 during a candidate's forum sponsored by the League of Women Voters of Plymouth-Canton-Northville.

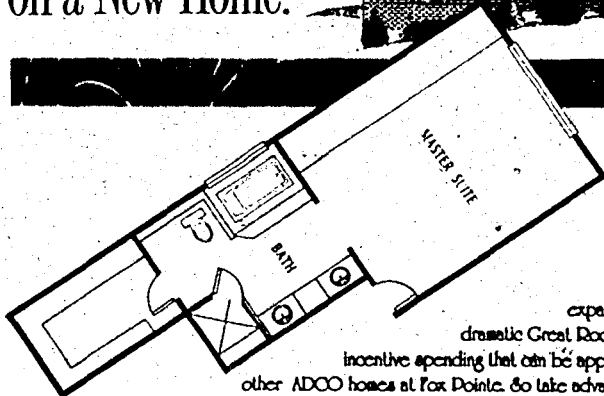
The seven candidates will have an opportunity to make a two minute opening statement before answering written questions from the audience.

Linda DePoorter, of the Oakland Area League, will be the moderator. Onmicom will also be taping the forum for a later presentation.

The forum will start at 7:30 p.m. in the city commission chamber (upstairs) at Plymouth City Hall.

For further information call Kari Miller at 455-0630 after 4 p.m.

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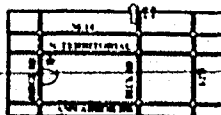
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Passed by state legislature

Bill could 'devastate' schools

BY STEVE O'LEARY

A new school aid bill could cost the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools district approximately \$600,000 this fiscal year, and will be "devastating to the schools," according to one local lawmaker.

The school spending bill will take one-half of all future property tax monies from out-of-formula, or "rich" districts — such as Plymouth-Canton — and re-distribute it to in-formula, or "poor" districts. It only affects commercial and industrial property, not residential.

"The Plymouth-Canton area has a lot of currently unused space that will undoubtedly bring in new businesses in the future, and the effect of this bill will have a serious negative effect on the district," said State Senator Robert Geake

(R), whose district includes the Plymouth-Canton district as well as parts of Northville and other surrounding communities.

The bill was passed by the legislature during Friday evening's Senate session by a margin of 22-14. It passed in the State House by a 61-40 margin. Geake said he voted against the bill "for a variety of reasons."

State Rep. James Kosteva (D) also voted against the bill.

"One of the main problems I had was that a lot of the things included in it had never been discussed before the House. There were too many unanswered questions," he said.

It went into effect Tuesday.

According to Raymond Hoedel, associate superintendent for business and

operations, \$300,000 — or half of the exact amount — of that money must be paid to the county by Nov. 15. It will then be re-distributed to other districts.

"For the first time, we'll be funding in-formula districts such as Detroit," Hoedel said. "This will not be a popular move, not with us nor with the electorate."

"And, the thing is," Hoedel added, "we have to do this with money we don't have. We aren't going to collect \$300,000 in new commercial taxes to give to the state in less than two months. What I feel the state is doing is putting us in a bind. They want us and districts in similar situations to go out and ask the voters for a new millage, but we

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From civil claims

City to release Graper

BY JIM TOTTEN

When they receive a payment of \$2,659, the City of Plymouth Commissioners will agree to call it quits in seeking any further claims against former city manager Henry Graper.

The city commissioners discussed the issue Monday evening in a closed session and then with attorney John Thomas, who is representing Graper.

In open session, the city commissioners approved a resolution for a "mutual release of any civil claims" upon receiving the \$2,659 payment. A deadline of Jan. 31, 1992 was set for the final payment.

The \$2,659 is the amount Graper owes the city for partially documented and undocumented expenditures and unpaid advances.

City Manager Steve Walters said the release will be signed by the commissioners when the the payment is

received.

The release, Walters said, will free Graper of claims for further reimbursements related to his employment. But no other claims, he added, currently exist.

"Both sides have agreed to call it quits," he said, adding that the \$2,659 will be the final total Graper owes the city.

Mayor Jack Kenyon said there was no controversy over the amount Graper owes the city.

"He (Thomas) concurs with those figures," Kenyon said during the meeting. "Thomas asked for a release of any civil claims."

City commissioner Jerry Vorva said, "I hold the commissioners during the Graper period completely and totally 100 per cent responsible," for the financial disputes that resulted after Graper left the city manager position in July, 1989.

Waiting on treasurer resignation

Trustees take no action

BY KEN VOYLES

It may be a matter of weeks before Canton Treasurer Gerald Brown formally resigns from the Canton Board of Trustees, but until that happens there will be little movement to find a replacement.

Canton Supervisor Tom Yack said the board will have to carefully consider the selection process for replacing Brown since the treasurer's position carries not only legislative responsibilities but also day-to-day managerial duties.

"I'm not really sure what process will be used," said Yack. "We may want to find out what other communities do to fill such vacancies."

"The first step is to let Jerry resign formally," he added.

Brown went on temporary disability leave last Tuesday for health reasons. At the time he said his goal was to eventually resign from the board. His term expires until November of 1992 following township elections next year.

Yack said Brown will not be able to delay his formal resignation beyond a few weeks because the township's insurance carrier will only allow a temporary disability leave. Once Brown resigns his full benefits will kick in.

But Brown said he may take up to 180 days to submit his resignation.

"He feels he has to do that to qualify for the benefits," said Canton Trustee Bob Shefferly. "I don't believe he does."

Shefferly added, however, that Brown should be allowed to do what he wants to do.

"I think it should be up to him," Shefferly said. "I don't think anyone should push him out of there."

"It's presumptuous to start any kind of public dialog on this until he leaves," said Yack. "When he does we'll have 45 days."

The supervisor added that he had "no inclination" that Brown was going to step down for health reasons. "I'm glad he did it. It was appropriate and only fair to the taxpayers."

The board, Yack continued, will look

of finances and management skills.

At this point insiders have said there are no front runners for the post, although some consider current board Trustee Elaine Kirchgatter a possible candidate for the post once it opens up.

"You could probably list half of the people in Canton," said Yack, about the possible candidates.

Kirchgatter was out of town and unavailable for comment.



Rocks homecoming court

Members of the 1991 Salem High Homecoming Court are Kuznawski. (Front row, left to right) Ganya Faust, Joe (top row, left to right): Heather Taylor, Noel Ranka, Perron, Karlye Schmitt, Jason Oberhelman, Courtney Jenny Emmett, Ed Gundry, Allison Fyke, John Flynn, Sheldon, Scott Buczek. The court will gather this Friday. Jennifer Furr, Rich Andrusiak, Sarah Krieger, Matt (Crier photo by Erik Laskaik.)



Community Opinions

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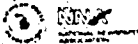
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Grappling with downtown ideas

"Downtown, things will look brighter there..."

...If only it were true.

On both sides of Joy Road all the talk lately centers on what is happening in downtown. Not downtown Detroit, but downtown Plymouth and downtown Canton.

In Plymouth, concerns focus on all of the vacant store fronts, especially along south Main Street, the post office moving out of town, and whether or not the DDA can shape up and/or help save the heart of what was once a vibrant community.

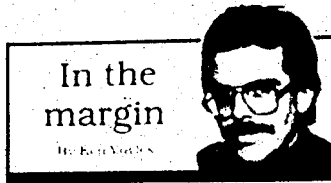
In Canton, the concern is whether or not the community will ever be able to "create" a downtown out of a site along strip mall-dominated Ford Road.

While some in the township may be envious of the small-town feel in Plymouth, others are just now realizing what a trap a downtown can be. There's even been some suggestion that Canton doesn't need a downtown in the traditional, old-fashioned sense of the word.

At Monday's Canton DDA meeting some of the chatter turned to what is happening in Plymouth, and while they may not be in the best position to judge Plymouth, residents of Canton may have a better perspective on the whole downtown thing for the simple reason that they can stand back and look at it from afar.

What has happened to the quaint, attractive downtown Plymouth these concerned Canton folk once knew? Has it gone the way of downtown Detroit, decaying before our very eyes?

Now don't take that kind of talk



In the margin

By Ken Voyles

wrong, they weren't smugly laughing at Plymouth or saying they had the right idea. In fact, most of them were genuinely concerned that what is happening in Plymouth could happen to every small-town downtown -- the eventual decay of the center.

They point to the post office leaving town for parts west of here in that non-entity known as Plymouth Township; they point to the fact that few of their friends ever shop in Plymouth any more; they note that the community has apparently got something against teenagers; those same teenagers that now come to town to cruise but don't drop a

dime in the coffers of local business folk; they notice that all of the shoe stores are gone from Plymouth, for example; they see residents of this town fighting any attempt to expand or revitalize downtown (look at the struggle over the Wilcox project or the Our Lady or school board expansions when residents seemed blind to what was going on beyond their own residential block).

And yet some would say how can these people in Canton say anything. They don't even have a downtown.

That's true. Canton is still seen as a wasteland of subdivisions, strip malls and once productive, now barren,

farmfields, but it can also be a sign of the future if the community ever gets a chance to "create" a downtown.

You have to remember that Plymouth too once created a downtown. It just didn't appear one day and everyone said "oh look dear we have a downtown." Canton has a real chance to create a downtown of the future. Or will it just be a rehash of every other downtown? Can it more?

The optimists in Canton have many reasons to feel that way. The Romans were masters of urban planning -- they had a way of planning their future towns around a strong center. Even when they were working with a community that already had a identity they were able to mold it to fit their needs.

Canton can do the same thing. It may take years to happen but with the right kind of effort the township can learn from Plymouth's mistakes and come up with a downtown where things really are much brighter there.

How?

I'm not an expert on this but living just off Plymouth's downtown gives me some idea of how it can be done.

Downtowns are for people, not building facades, but if those facades attract the people keep em; downtowns mean different things to different people, so try to make them address everyone's needs and not just those of a select few; tailor the community's identity around the downtown but don't get trapped by "status quo" bug that seems to haunt Plymouth where change is often ridiculed and debased; and, most important for Canton, let the downtown be where it is going to be.

Proud to be Roe Street resident

EDITOR:

Aspersions of bias and prejudice cast upon us somehow do not conjure up the feelings of guilt for which they were intended Marcia Andersen.

You apologized to the City of Plymouth for the way you introduced your program to us but you went ahead and dictated to us how, when, and where you would conduct your business.

I am glad you were our neighbor for a year. If we had initially been listened to, before you had an opportunity to break your promises to the city, I undoubtedly would have wondered with guilt whether we had acted inhumanely and with malice.

I have now had the opportunity to save your program and evaluate its worth. I got to know many of the recipients of your program. The recipients who dared and no longer needed you for shelter spoke of being totally disillusioned. Other than shelter, just what did you provide these people?

For an intelligent and wealthy woman your insensitivity to "your community" was intolerable. Of course, under the guise of your honorable business it screws you well not to be understood why.

you were not welcomed. You see, Andersen, you too strongly represented your program. You became the antagonist, for it was you that stood to profit from infiltrating our block.

I am very sorry that the recipients of your program or "your bunnies" as you so endearingly refer to them, have to be uprooted. They, as we did, must feel victimized.

Close the gap

Small town politics is fascinating. I would not have guessed that so many rivalries, most of which began long before I began working here, and lawsuits could exist in the City of Plymouth.

I hear it in bits and pieces during conversations about town, stories about arguments that are still heated, tales of proposed projects that failed because compromise could not be reached.

It seems that bad blood among folks takes a long time to cool, no matter what town or city.

And, to close, to my friends on Roe Street who have persevered through this past year without hate, prejudice, bigotry or bias and refused to succumb to a profiteering doctor and a city commission which chose to turn a deaf ear until it coincidentally heard of Lighthouse's eviction when it decided to act, I am proud to be your neighbor.

JAMES A. HARDY

From the horse's mouth
By Jim Totten



reporter's viewpoint, is understanding how these complicated relationships affect decisions. And they do.

The discussions and sides taken on Mettetal Airport brought out many of these feelings.

The LIGHT House program on Roe Street also placed two groups in strong opposition to each other.

Hopefully, by presenting two sides to an argument or conflict, the parties involved will gradually realize that there is not such a gap between them.



Community Opinions

Write ins prove point

I've got nothing against Maurie Breen per se.

It's just that I ALWAYS write-in a candidate every election.

Each election day, the fine folks at my home precinct in the City of Plymouth know that as soon as they see that stars and stripes tie, they've got to count the write-in ballots.

Often, they josh me about my habit that creates more work for them.

I don't think that will happen any more.

And all because I didn't vote for Maurie.

I wrote in Plymouth City Attorney Ronald W. Lowe for Wayne County Commissioner on the Aug. 27 ballot but my vote wasn't counted. (I would have written in a vote for the unopposed Georgina Goss for state rep, but I thought she might need my vote. So I picked Maurie's race.)

The city, it turns out, had problems with the machine at my precinct and the paper roll didn't advance.

So my write-in vote wasn't recorded. Since Maurie and Georgina were

With malice toward none



unopposed, the election was basically a done deal and the lost vote of mine (or anyone else's) doesn't make much difference except to prove some points.

First, why didn't City Clerk Linda Langmesser announce publicly on election night that there had been a problem? (She did call down to the county elections office to alert them though.)

Secondly, why did the board of canvassers (which was aware of the problem) fail to include the note of irregularity in its certification of the election?

Thirdly, "every vote counts," we all tell prospective voters to encourage turnout -- but such a cavalier attitude about a problem that lost votes in the system doesn't speak well of the election process. (As painful as the Plymouth Township snafu with the wrong punch card ballots was, Esther Hulsing stood up to it publicly.)

Next time, I don't expect to hear any razzing about my write-in vote habit.

Brandy's mom says thanks

EDITOR:

Congratulations to the Pet Walkers and supporters of The Plymouth-Canton-Northville community for your selfless efforts in raising funds for the precious ailing children at Mott Children's Hospital. Mott tells us that you may have contributed to the largest one-day fund raising event in the hospital's history.

The amount is still rising as funds keep coming in. We have a good chance of reaching an incredible \$20,000 for Mott. Your compassionate outpouring of love and generosity will help make the days brighter and the burdens lighter for hundreds of Mott children and their families.

Thank you to the businesses, schools, service groups, churches, and friends and neighbors who also exhibited a Good Samaritan spirit in recognizing the needs of these children and, more importantly, responding with financial support, goods and services of all kinds, counsel and plain hard work.

Without your united effort, this dream could not have come true. At many critical points toward the Pet Walk, a member of the community stepped forward to contribute his unique part. We

plan to recognize your contributions specifically in the near future.

On a personal level your compassionate response to Brandy's life story and the countless expressions of kindness, sensitivity, and sympathy in our loss has deeply touched one very hurting couple.

We can't express our gratitude enough. More specifically, thank you for embracing Brandy's legacy and allowing him in his passing and with your help, to touch his little friends in need at Mott one more time. Brandy had a special joy in life that all he touched could feel. He loved his work as he loved everyone he ever met. He would have loved meeting each of you.

Although it is a bit early to be thinking about a repeat performance, many of you have encouraged us to consider another Brandy Memorial Pet Walk next year. We would be interested in your thoughts on this and any ideas for improvement.

Again thanks on behalf of the children at Mott and ourselves. You make us blessed, grateful, and privileged to be part of such a caring community.

KATHY AND BOB MOUNT

Dear John . . . choice program full of holes

This was originally going to be the obligatory introductory-type column -- you know, who I am, where I came from, etc. But some things have taken place in the last few days that have persuaded me to put that on the back burner, at least for now.

Frankly, I'm pissed.

Gov. John "What can I screw up next" Engler, in yet another of his ever-increasing number of bungling attempts to try and (enter laughter here) make the state a better place to live, has pushed through a bill -- with the help of some equally inept legislatures who obviously felt it was more important to pass a bill quickly than to get a late start on what they thought was the last good-weather weekend of the year -- which will add ten-fold to the already troubled financial woes of many of school districts in the state.

And the people affected, dear reader, includes you.

His tax-sharing plan, or "Robin Hood" approach, as it has been called, takes from the so-called rich districts and gives funds to the so-called poor ones. On paper, it may look good. To some. But Engler's Robin uses a poison arrow.

Rather than striving to advance the quality of education, this plan seems designed to take the quality of education down to the lowest common denominator.

Times are tough -- everyone knows that. And when you or I pay tax dollars or vote to increase a millage, we expect to see that money go to our own district, not to Detroit or anywhere else.

How can this district expect parents, residents and community leaders to fight



Never leave prints

By Steve O'Leary

for more money for the schools knowing full well that half will be shuttled off somewhere else?

In an even more asinine move, Engler finally got his baby passed by tacking it onto the same bill.

Schools of choice have become a reality.

On the surface, schools of choice seems like a good idea with real promise. It will allow students to attend any school (of their grade level, of course) in the district, regardless of boundary lines. The idea is to make the schools more aware of attracting students, of teaching the best classes and offering the best education in the district.

In reality, the program has as many holes as Engler's head.

Parents are, whether they know it or not, easily persuaded by their children. And children don't, for the most part, go to school to learn, to "be all that they can be." Their first priority is to be popular. To be accepted. And that isn't to fault them, because that's a tough age and a n important one socially.

Kids will undoubtedly vie to attend what is determined to be the "cool" school, go where teachers are reputed to teach easy classes and give high grades. Little Johnny may convince his parents he wants to attend Lowell Middle School because of their math classes, but the real

reason Johnny can't read will likely be because he's too busy trying to hit on Trawy, the real reason he wanted to go there.

Students will go where their friends go, resulting in more cliques and alienation of those branded as "nerds."

There will also be recruiting of students for athletics, regardless of what has been said to the contrary.

Competitiveness, whether it's over who is on the better football team or who has the coolest coat or hangs with the coolest crowd, has become as American as

Japanese automobiles.

This is the type of thing I fear will happen in the schools if this plan is implemented.

And that's why the board should vote to put the issue on the ballot, to give you the chance to decide on the way education should be handled in this district.

As an alternative, the district should consider transforming many of the schools into magnet schools -- not just for gifted and talented (i.e.: children of parents with huge egos) -- but for everyone, each specializing in a different area of study, such as science, math, performing or fine arts, as well as offering a well-rounded education. A magnet program of this type would provide the school of choice program, but in a way that would benefit the community.

Convert library

EDITOR:

This letter is submitted in reference to recent newspaper articles concerning the fate of the Plymouth Dunning-Hough Public Library.

Whatever decision is made hopefully the library will remain in the downtown district. A library should be recognized by the decision makers as a "spin off" shopping economic asset and also an institution for the storage of some but not all literary and artistic materials.

The local library is a member of the Wayne-Oakland Library Federation (WOLF), which allows a patron to access

the shelves of 65 libraries. Does Plymouth really require a large library?

If the Farmer Jack site is unacceptable as an alternative location, I'd suggest the library convert the present second floor from meeting rooms into active library floor space.

One hopes the library issue hasn't been artificially created in order to keep up with the "Canton Jones." Prudent common sense seems to dictate that library renovation rather than new library construction should be the order of the day and budget.

ROGER KEHLER

State passes 'schools of choice' legislation

BY STEVE O'LEARY
The Plymouth-Canton Community Schools district -- and all other districts across Michigan -- will be forced to allow students to attend any school that falls within the boundaries of the district

rather than the one they are assigned to.

The "schools of choice" legislation was part of a bill passed by the legislature late Friday.

It says, in effect, that districts that have two or more schools with the same grade levels will be required to allow parents to choose which school their children would attend. If buildings are already at maximum capacity, they would be exempt, according to the bill.

The bill also includes an incentive of adding an additional 20 per cent in transportation funding to help cover additional busing costs for districts which implement the plan next fall.

Many in favor of the choice plan say it will be an incentive for teachers and school administrators to always offer the best possible education to students, cutting down on those teachers who may have become "jaded" through the years and teach "just the basics, teach just to get by," State Senator Robert Geake said.

"What we want is for the teachers to see the students as customers and treat them and give them the best of everything from that point of view," Geake said.

He added that critics of the plan say it may lead to an elitism, where more popular students would want to go to a certain school for reasons of status. The

issue of certain schools recruiting the best athletes, which has been a hot topic throughout the state since the plan was first discussed, has been rectified to a degree, according to Geake, because there will be a one-year waiting period before athletes can participate if they change schools.

The same standard would be used for all competitive programs, according to Superintendent John Hoben.

"Hopefully, that will alleviate that kind of potential problem," he said.

But Hoben said he doesn't expect to see a heavy impact from the bill in the immediate future.

"Our big problem is lack of room, especially in the elementary schools," Hoben said. Since our high schools are on the same campus and students are allowed to take specialty classes at either school, there shouldn't be much change there either. And they -- like the elementary schools -- are at or over capacity as it is."

"The only place this could really affect us in a substantial way would be in our middle schools. It's really the only place we have any room to implement a plan like this," he said.

"Again, Gov. (John) Engler's plan is fine as far as making the school system better for the students, but realistically, if there's no room, there's no room. That's

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Public notices

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH BOARD OF TRUSTEES - REGULAR MEETING TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 1991

Supervisor Law called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and led in the pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. All members were present.

Mrs. Hulsing moved to approve the September 10, 1991 minutes of the Board of Trustees as submitted. Supported by Mr. Munfakh. Ayes all.

Mrs. Hulsing asked that the agenda be amended by the following additions and deletions.

ADD: F. PUBLIC HEARING F.1 Letter from John McLenaghan, Assessor Also add under F.1 as the third Whereas in resolution 91-09-24-26 -- "Whereas, following a request for evaluation by the Township Board of Trustees the Township Assessor and Chief Building Official found and determined that industrial personal property comprising not less than 50% of the state equalized valuation within the proposed Industrial Rehabilitation District was obsolete; and"

ADD: K. COMMUNICATIONS K.A-1b RE: Governmental Immunity related to sidewalks K.A-1c Resolution from Western Townships Utilities Authority relative to SEMCOG's RDI Plan K.A-7 John M. Amberger, Executive Director of SEMCOG RE: Invitation to attend a meeting October 17 on RDI Plan

REMOVE: J. NEW BUSINESS J.7 Purchase of one Motorcycle for Patrol Purposes ADD: J. NEW BUSINESS J.7 Gerald Law, Supervisor RE: Township Board response to SEMCOG's Regional Development Initiative Plan Resolution NO. 91-09-24-30

Please consider F.3 RE: Establishment of the 1991 Tax Levy in conjunction with another. Supportive information of the two are the same.

Mrs. Hulsing then moved to approve the agenda as amended. Supported by Mr. Griffith. Ayes all.

Mr. Munfakh moved to approve Resolution No. 91-09-24-26 approving the application of Plymouth Industrial Center by David Kahan as the site for the establishment of a Plant Rehabilitation District. Supported by Mr. Griffith.

The entire Resolution is incorporated into the official minutes in the Clerk's office. Mrs. Hulsing moved to approve Resolution No. 91-09-24-28 establishing the 1991 tax levy for Township purposes of 3.6096 mills. Supported by Mr. Horton.

The entire Resolution is incorporated into the official minutes in the Clerk's office. Mr. Stewart moved to approve Resolution No. 91-09-24-27 accepting the Amended 1991 General Budget Fund and a proposed 1992 General Fund Budget, together with Notes to the Budget. Supported by Mr. Munfakh.

The entire Resolution is incorporated into the official minutes in the Clerk's office. Supervisor Law asked for comments from the public as to any item that was not on the adopted agenda. There were none.

Mr. Stewart moved to adopt Ordinance C-91-15 which regulates and governs the preservation and protection of properties designated as a "Natural Preserve" within Plymouth Township at second reading. This now becomes Chapter 44 in the Code of Ordinances. Supported by Mrs. Brooks. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

Mr. Stewart moved that the Board of Trustees rescind their action of April 9, 1991 and award all available SMART credits for FY'91 and FY'92 to University Limousine for the purpose of providing senior transportation. The Board further authorizes the Supervisor to sign contracts with SMART and University Limousine for this purpose subject to the approval of the contract by the Township Attorney. Supported by Mr. Munfakh. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

Mr. Stewart moved to adopt Resolution No. 91-09-24-29 accepting the adopted budget proposed by WTUA for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1992 for the Western Township Utilities Authority. Supported by Mr. Horton.

The entire Resolution is incorporated into the official minutes in the Clerk's office. Mrs. Hulsing moved to approve the two municipal utility easements for Deer Creek Subdivision No. 2 as approved by the Township Engineer as to form and Township Attorney as to form and content. Supported by Mr. Munfakh. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

Mrs. Hulsing moved to approve the municipal utility easement for Plymouth Industrial Center, Inc., as approved by the Township Engineer as to form and Township Attorney as to form and content. Supported by Mr. Munfakh. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

Mrs. Hulsing moved to support the Plymouth Symphony in the amount of \$250.00 upon receipt of the usual signed contract. Supported by Mr. Munfakh. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

Mr. Munfakh moved to approve the Change Order No. 3 as submitted by the Township Engineer in the amount of \$12,762.04 for final adjusted contract prices relating to site work, the meter and PRV Chambers and the permanent power supply connection to Detroit Edison and to authorize the Supervisor and the Clerk to sign. This brings the total contract price for George A. Odica, Inc.'s work on the 1988 Utility Construction part III to \$300,990.24. Supported by Mr. Griffith. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

Mr. Munfakh moved to approve Resolution No. 91-09-24-30 responding to SEMCOG's Regional Development Initiative Plan. Supported by Mrs. Hulsing.

The entire Resolution is incorporated into the official minutes in the Clerk's office. Mr. Horton moved to accept and file the Communications and Reports as listed. Supported by Mrs. Hulsing. Ayes all.

It was moved by Mr. Horton and supported by Mrs. Brooks that the meeting adjourn at 10:05 p.m. Ayes all.

The foregoing is a synopsis of the minutes of the Board of Trustees held on September 24, 1991. The full text is available in the Clerk's Office for parents. They will be submitted for Board approval at the next regular meeting on October 8, 1991.

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

Publish: The Crier, October 2, 1991

Starts new business Smith quits SC

BY KEN VOYLES

A trustee on the Schoolcraft College Board of Trustees stepped down from the elected position last week.

Wendell Smith, 57, a resident of Plymouth Township, announced his resignation during last Wednesday's regular board meeting. Smith has been on the board since his appointment in 1986. He later won election to the board in 1987.

Smith said he had to leave the board because a new business venture was making it impractical for him to make the meetings.

"I've started a new business venture in Dayton, Ohio," Smith said. "It has been a real problem for me over the past months so I decided I better resign. I enjoyed my time spent on the board. It was a high quality, aggressive group."

Smith said he will continue to reside in the township for the time being. "I'm a Michigander by tradition. At this point I plan to commute," he said. "Obviously it's been difficult for me to be at the

meetings so I decided it was best for the college and myself to leave."

Three weeks ago Smith opened the first in what could be a chain of national pet specialty stores known as Super Petz. The 35,000-square foot facility in Dayton is like a Toys R Us for pet owners, he said.

"We hope to go across the country with the concept," he said. "It's a whole new venue for me. We've been working on it for more than a year."

Smith, who spent 13 years with Kroger's, is president and chief operating officer of the concern. He founded the concept with a Dayton partner.

"Any time you walk away from something it leaves you with a void," he said.

Smith, who was once president of the U.S. Jaycees, obtained his seat on the Schoolcraft board in October of 1986. He won the seat outright in June of 1987.

A graduate of Michigan State University and Cornell with economics and marketing degrees, Smith spent many years in the food industry. He is also a veteran of the U.S. Air Force and a past president of the Community Opportunity Center in Plymouth.

Recently he was appointed to the alumni board at Michigan State.

Schoolcraft College will be accepting applications for the trustee position until 4 p.m., Oct. 11.

The board will conduct interviews Oct. 21-22 and a selection will likely made at the Oct. 23 meeting. The new trustee officially takes a seat on the board at the Nov. 20 meeting.

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Engagements & Weddings

William and Sally Kay Bullinger, of Jackson, announce the engagement of their daughter, Beverly Ann Bullinger, to Craig Alan Brass, son of Janet Hundley, of Plymouth.

The bride to be is a graduate of Michigan State University and is employed at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital.

The groom to be is a graduate of Bowling Green State University and Michigan State University and is employed at Shearson Lehman Brothers.

The wedding is scheduled for Oct. 19.



THE DEASLEYS

Kisabeth, Deasley wed

Lisa Marie Kisabeth, daughter of Gordon and Michele Kisabeth, of Plymouth, married Bryan Thomas Deasley, son of Harry and Shirley Deasley, of Toronto, CA, on June 22 during a service at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church.

The bride is a graduate of Salem High and earned a B.A. from the University of Michigan. The groom also attended University of Michigan and is currently playing professional hockey with the Calgary Flames Organization.

Following a reception at Bobby's Countryhouse in Livonia, the newlyweds departed for a honeymoon cruise to the Bahamas.



Friends & neighbors

Local grad sees changes up close

Singing across a turbulent USSR

BY JIM TOTTEN

With a snowballing effect, political changes have swept through almost every part of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics during recent months.

In a country spanning 12 time zones and filled with many cultures, the new developments promise a breakdown of the barriers that have existed between the Soviet people and those of Western countries such as the United States.

Amidst the developments, a Plymouth High graduate and former Plymouth resident traveled through the U.S.S.R. in September while on tour with a Christian choir.

Richard Miller, 33, of Livonia, sang with the 130-voice Spirit of America Choir on a 10-day tour which stopped in Tallinn, of Estonia, Leningrad and Moscow. He joined the inter-denominational choir in January. The choir is comprised of groups from Detroit, Flint and Toledo that hold rehearsals at various area churches.

He is also a member of the Plymouth Community Band and attends St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church.

The tour, which Miller said was in a "touch and go situation" when the military coup occurred, was organized by Youth for Christ International.

"Some of the (Soviet) people were very happy that the coup attempt had failed," Miller said, based on his brief conversations with the people. "They were very glad that they could defend the Russian White House."

Yet Miller said the undercurrent of optimism from helping thwart the coup was only for short term goals, and not for any substantial long term changes.

"I talked to a lot of people who were dissatisfied with the system," he said. "Things just don't move fast enough for them as far as change."

Although fruits and vegetables were plentiful since it was still the summer season, he said there were long lines for

gasoline and food stores. He added that the Soviet people do not look forward to winter, when food items become scarce and lines grow even longer.

But social and political unrest in the vast U.S.S.R. did not prevent large crowds from attending the choir's concerts, which was billed as the "Gospel Music Festival."

"There was standing room only, shoulder to shoulder," Miller said about

their first concert at an 800-year-old cathedral in Tallinn, which 1,200 people attended. Many barricades, he noticed, were still up throughout the city.

While in Tallinn, street peddlers, selling merchandise on the "black market," asked him if he wanted to buy military uniforms or a Russian revolver.

The choir then traveled to Leningrad and broke up into assemblies to perform at convents, schools, prisons and

orphanages. Miller said the unexpected guest who attended the concerts were Russian soldiers.

"It was out of the ordinary to see soldiers coming out to the concert," he said.

The highlight of the tour was going to Moscow, Miller said, to perform at the Kremlin in the Palace of Congress, where the Supreme Soviet meets.

"It was the first time they ever let tour buses through the gates at the Kremlin," he said. "It was the first time they ever had a Christian concert. That was wild."

"Brezhnev stood on these stairs, Gorbachev stood on these stairs. It seemed like a dream until we got done with rehearsal."

The choir performed for an hour and a half, and then went to a reception/press conference which included dining on fine delicacies as chicken Kiev, caviar and smoked salmon.

"The music," he said, "had quite an effect on the people. The choir sang Christian hymns with a 'gospel flavor' and also performed a few songs in Russian."

Yet it was an impromptu concert outside a train station in Moscow, Miller said, that made him realize just how much the Soviet people enjoyed the music. Singing some songs in Russian before a crowd that quickly gathered, he noticed many old women with tears in their eyes.

The choir handed out 1,500 Bibles, written in Russian, in less than an hour at the train station.

After the trip which included long rides on planes, trains and buses, Miller said only two qualities separated the Soviet and American people.

"From the people I had met," he said, "the only difference among Americans and Russians was the language they spoke and the government they lived under."



Rich Miller, a Plymouth High grad, with matryoshka wooden nesting dolls from the Soviet Union. (Crier photo by Jim Totten)

Tell it to Phyllis

By Phyllis Redfern



There's nothing like a beautiful fall weekend to make you realize how lucky we are to live in this part of the country. Where else could you feel the warmth of the sun while being surrounded by mother nature dressed in her full color splendor?

Other than the football scores, last weekend was perfect. If you were one of those people at a football stadium Saturday, you have to admit at least the weather was nice. Hopefully a certain score means I won't have to endure many comments from my U of M friends (at least not for a couple more weeks).

It's amazing how everyone smiles when the sun is shining, and you feel like getting out and enjoying every minute of it, even if it means washing windows. Sunday I managed to wash all the windows and actually enjoyed doing it.

I wonder if fall fever is anything like spring fever when I honestly enjoy doing some housework. It doesn't happen often enough, but there are times when I get into a cleaning mood and can accomplish something. Unfortunately the weekend wasn't long enough to complete all the goals I had intended, but at least I can see through the windows.

The only problem with clean windows is that the light shines through on all the dust and you can tell the vacuum cleaner didn't get far in making its rounds through the house. Oh well, there's always next week.

One of the things I dislike about this season is the friendly bugs that make their way inside the house. Suddenly the corners in the living room ceiling have taken on a new design, a kind of web effect.

Our laundry room in the basement has become home to a few bumble bees lately. I don't know how they get in, but they're huge and noisy. Sunday when I went down to move a load of laundry from the washer to the dryer the buzz was so loud I was sure a whole swarm of bees were about to attack. I looked all around but couldn't find any. With the help of a friend and my daughter, we moved the washer out and discovered one bug, ugly, angry bee. Thank heavens for bee killing friends.

It won't be long before it will be too cold for bumble bees so we'd better enjoy the beautiful weather while we can



Win Schrader, left, talks with Mike Howell, middle, and Pat Lynch about the new partnership between Schrader Funeral Home and Lynch & Sons Funeral Directors, of Clawson, which began Oct. 1. (Crier photo by Steve O'Leary)

Funeral home changes

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said, "that I have heard talked about that Schrader has sold out and dismissed all of its employees.

"Our staff is staying intact," he said, but added there was one staffing change.

Schrader said "friendship" and "expanding business" were the reasons for forming the affiliation. Schrader has known his new partners Howell and Lynch for 20 years. Lynch and Schrader

attended mortuary school together at Wayne State University.

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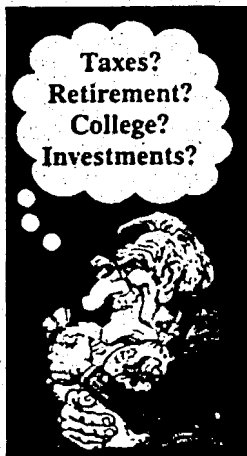
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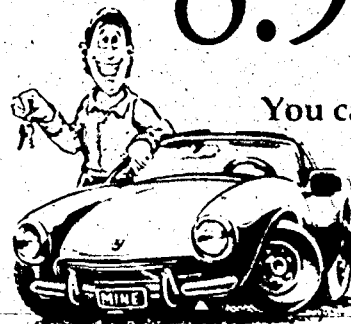
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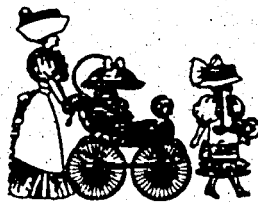
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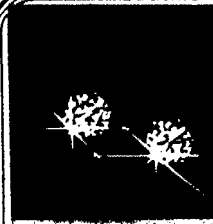
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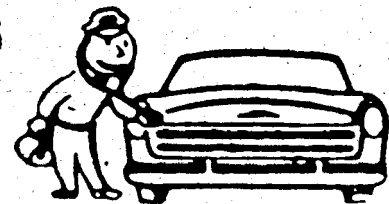
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What's Happening

To list your group's event in this calendar, send or deliver the notice IN WRITING to: The Crier, 821 Pennington Ave., Plymouth, MI 48170. Information received BY NOON FRIDAY will be used for Wednesday's calendar (space permitting).

OLD VILLAGE APPLE FESTIVAL
The annual Apple Festival held in the City of Plymouth's historic Old Village is planned for Oct. 5-6 this year. Features apples, antiques, auctions, entertainment, raffles, balloons, used book sale, bands, bake sale, Apple King and Queen contest and Baby Contest. For full details call 455-7011 or write the Old Village Association at 873 N. Mill, Plymouth, MI 48170.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN BAZAAR
The First Presbyterian Church Women's Association is hosting a bazaar on Nov. 16 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Proceeds to help local and worldwide mission projects. Used toys, craft items, bake sale, attic treasures. For further information call 453-6464.

HOLY SMOKE MASTERS TOASTMASTERS
Join the Holy Smoke Masters Toastmasters Club meeting Thursday at 6 p.m. at Denny's in Westland. For information call 455-1635.

PLYMOUTH NEWCOMERS LUNCHEON
The Plymouth Newcomers will host a luncheon Oct. 3 at Country Epicure in Novi. Hospitality at 11:30 a.m. with lunch at noon. Guest speaker is Jeff Jones of Plymouth Nursery. He will discuss fall gardening tips. The club is open to residents of Plymouth and Plymouth Township who have lived in the community for two years or less. For reservations or information call 455-3315 or 420-9006. Deadline is Sept. 30.

LIFE IN THE CITY OF PLYMOUTH CONTEST
The Plymouth Community Arts Council (PCAC) is hosting a contest, Life in the City of Plymouth, to pick the photos or art for the 12 months of the 1992 City of Plymouth calendar. Entries due by Oct. 15 and can be color photos or original art work. Open to all ages. Photo entries must be reduced to six by 10 inches. Send to: Plymouth City Hall, 201 Main, in care of Carol Stone.

CANTON LIBRARY MUSIC SERIES
The Friends of the Canton Public Library will offer a 1991-92 Musical Series beginning with a concert Oct. 25. Other shows will be Feb. 14, 1992 and May 1, 1992. All performances start at 7:30 p.m. on Fridays in the library meeting room. Tickets available at the reception desk. The cost is \$5 per concert or \$12 for the series of three shows. For details call 397-0999.

ROTARY YOUTH EXCHANGE PROGRAM
High school students living in Plymouth-Canton can apply for the Plymouth Rotary Club Youth Exchange Program with the chance to study in one of 22 countries sometime next summer. Applications are due Oct. 4. For information and forms call Marie Morrow, the program chairperson, at 453-6879 or 455-2771.

TRAVEL BASEBALL TEAM TRYOUTS
Baseball players interested in playing with the Plymouth-Canton Pee Wee Reese and Koufax travel teams (formerly Craiger) in 1992 should stop by Canton Sports and ask for Dave or call 453-0033 for fall tryout information. Pee Wee is players age 11-12, while Koufax is ages 13-14.

SCHOOL MATH CURRICULUM DISCUSSED
Barb Church, the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools math coordinator, will present information on the curriculum changes in the middle school math programs for grades 6-8 on Oct. 3 at 7 p.m. in Pioneer Middle School's cafeteria. All middle school parents and interested adults welcome. Call 451-6575 for details.

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Craft space is available for an upcoming holiday bazaar at St. John's Episcopal Church in Plymouth on Dec. 7. Handcrafted items only. Cost is \$30 per booth. Call 453-0190 for application.

FINE ART CLASSES IN CANTON
The Canton Parks and Recreation is sponsoring two fine arts classes for ages six to 15 starting Oct. 5. Held at Canton Recreation Center. The cost is \$40 for the five week class. The classes: cartooning and painting Open to all area students. For information call 397-5110. Registration has already begun.

SCHOOLCRAFT THEATRE GROUP
Schoolcraft College's 1991-92 Theatre Season will open Oct. 25 at 8 p.m. with the mystery "Night Watch." Dinner theatres are Oct. 25-26 and Nov. 1-2 and 9. Dinner at Waterman. Theatre shows only Nov. 8, 15-16. Tickets are \$15 dinner theatre and \$6 for just the shows. They are available at the SC bookstore or call 462-4409.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE IN CANTON
St. Michael Lutheran Church, 7000 N. Sheldon Rd. in Canton, is hosting a Red Cross Blood Drive Oct. 28 from 1:30-7:30 p.m. Walk ins welcome, but appointments can be made by calling 453-9005 or the church at 459-3333.

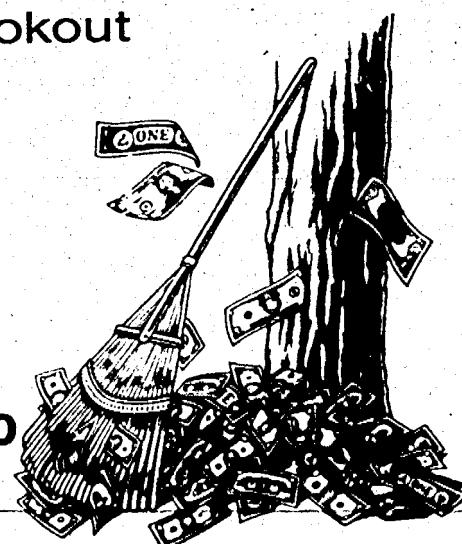
CHERRY HILL CHURCH BAZAAR
The Cherry Hill United Methodist Church in Canton will host a bazaar from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Oct. 12. Crafts, bakery. The bazaar slogan is: "Columbus discovered America on Oct. 12. Come and discover Cherry Hill on Oct. 12."

VOLUNTEERS FOR MEAL DELIVERY
Volunteers are needed to package or deliver meals to homes of homebound seniors in The Plymouth-Canton Community for the Wayne County Office of Nutrition Services. To help call 453-2525. Volunteers get 21 cents a mile for meal delivery.

MUSEUM-FALL-YARD-SALE
The Plymouth Historical Museum's Fall Yard Sale will be Oct. 5 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on the lower level of the museum, located at 155 S. Main, City of Plymouth. A variety of unique and handy items for sale. Public invited as well as museum members. For further information call 455-8940.

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GROWTH WORKS MENTORS PROGRAM

Growth Works Inc. is recruiting and training volunteers as mentors for the Plymouth-Canton Youth Assistance Program during September and October. Training open to 21 year olds and older. Weekly commitment of two hours per week. For further information call Joan Bongard at 455-4090.

SUBURBAN BAR ASSO. MEETING

Michigan Supreme Court Justice James Brickley will address a joint meeting of the Suburban Bar Association and the Plymouth Historical Society Oct. 9 at the Plymouth Historical Museum on Main Street. Begins at 6:30 p.m. Open to the public. There will be hors d'oeuvres and refreshments. A donation of \$10 is requested. RSVP to Dennis Shrewsbury by calling 451-0475. Brickley will discuss the Bill of Rights.

3RD ANNUAL PRO-LIFE BLESSING

Our Lady of Good Counsel Church in the City of Plymouth will hold a special service Oct. 9, the 3rd Annual Pro-Life Blessing. Begins at 7 p.m. with Rosary, followed by devotion, benediction and confession at 8:30 p.m.

PLYMOUTH'S ORIGINAL TRAIN SHOW

Plymouth's original train show is set for Oct. 13 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Plymouth Cultural Center. More than 100 tables of new, used and antique trains. Refreshments available. Cost is \$2 per person or \$1 for under 12. For table information call 455-4455. Also, CSX Chessie System locomotive and caboose will be along the trains in Plymouth's Old Village for exploring.

ORGAN CONCERT AT FIRST U. METHODIST

Mark B. Smith will play a dedicatory recital on the Zimmer pipe organ at the First United Methodist Church in Plymouth at 7:30 p.m., Oct. 19. Free-will offering will be taken during the concert. To ensure seating call the church at 453-5280, or for information. First in a series of four concerts to be performed on the new organ. Other shows planned for January, March and October of 1992.

TRIBUTE TO THE AMERICAN WORKER

The Plymouth Park Players 1991-92 musical theatre season begins with a tribute to the American worker, "Working," a serious musical venture into the dreams and breads of blue collar workers, the weekend of Nov. 21-23. "The Pajama Game," will be performed next year in April.

COED VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE

The Canton Parks and Recreation and Plymouth Parks and Recreation will offer a coed volleyball league on Friday evenings at West Middle School beginning in November. The 14-week competition is open to 16 teams at a cost of \$175 per team plus \$15 for each non-resident player. Returning teams sign up Oct. 1-11, while new teams sign up Oct. 14-25. To register call Canton at 397-510 or the Plymouth Parks and Recreation at 455-6620.

SECOND ANNUAL CANTON SELL-A-BRATION

The Second Annual Canton Sell-A-Bration is set for Oct. 4 at the Canton Public Library. Program is aimed at highlighting what is happening throughout Canton. Day begins at 9 a.m. with a breakfast buffet. Government officials will be available to meet residents. Program starts at 9:30 a.m. and concludes at 10:30 a.m. A 45-minute bus tour will leave at 10:45 a.m. Reservations limited to first 100. For tickets or information call the Canton Community Foundation at 454-5427.

FALL FESTIVAL BOARD MEETING

The Plymouth Fall Festival Board will be holding its annual critique meeting Oct. 2 at 7:30 p.m. in the Plymouth Township Assessing and Records Building. All 1991 participating groups and interested residents are welcome.

ST JOHN NEUMANN WOMEN'S GUILD

The St. John Neumann Women's Guild meets Oct. 9 at 7:30 p.m. in the Canton church located on Warren Road. Guest speaker Elizabeth Borg will discuss self-hypnosis as a way to improve one's life. For more information call Candy Jackson at 455-0725.

NORTHWEST CANTON HOMEOWNERS MTG

There will be a general meeting of the Northwest Canton Homeowners Association Thursday (Oct. 3) at 7:30 p.m. in Pioneer Middle School's library. Tom Yack, Canton supervisor, will be the guest speaker, along with John Santomafuro, director of public safety.

EMU HOCKEY CLUB ALUMNI GAME

The Eastern Michigan University Hockey Club is hosting its 4th Annual Alumni Game Saturday (Oct. 6) from 1:30-3 p.m. in the Plymouth Cultural Center. All interested alumni hockey players should contact Doug Waack at 981-6144 or Phil Vettes at 484-2990. All EMU alumni and the general public are invited. Admission is \$2 at the door. A gathering for alumni and players is planned after the contest.

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS FORUM

The League of Women Voters of Northville-Plymouth-Canton is sponsoring a Candidate's Forum for all certified candidates for the City of Plymouth Commission race this fall. The forum will be held Oct. 23 starting at 7:30 p.m. in the Plymouth City Hall Commission Chambers. Candidates will have a chance to make opening remarks and then answer questions from the public. Linda DePoorter will moderate.

TEA AT THE MAYFLOWER

The Plymouth Symphony League and Mayflower Hotel are presenting an afternoon tea at the Mayflower Oct. 15 from 1-3 p.m. Special fundraiser of the Crescendo group of the Symphony League. The cost is \$10. There will be a fall fashion show, music, craft demonstrations and a raffle. For reservations call Judy Lore at 453-5181. Limited to 90 people.

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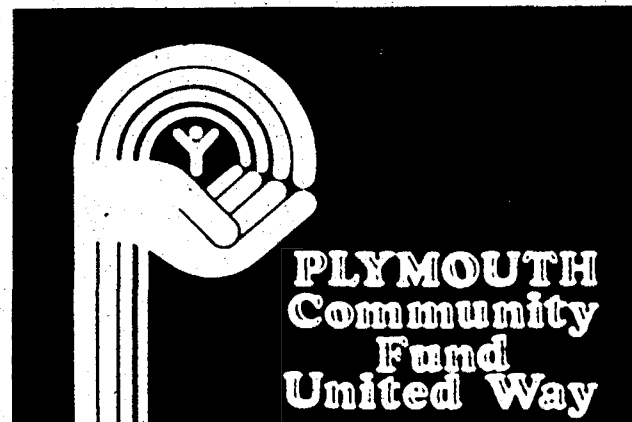
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Fire prevention week Safety demos set

The City of Plymouth Fire Department will be holding special lectures and demonstrations in the new Plymouth-Northville Fire Safety House during Fire Prevention Week, October 6-12.

Safety demonstrations will be held at the Fire Safety House on Oct. 10 between 10 a.m. and 8 p.m. The house will be located at Plymouth City Hall.

The safety house will also be on display at the McDonald's Restaurant, at 220 W. Ann Arbor Rd., on Oct. 12 from noon to 3 p.m. Fire fighters will be providing lectures during those hours.

Large groups wishing to participate in a Fire Safety House demonstration should contact Fire Chief Al Matthews at 453-1234, ext. 212, to schedule a specific time for the demonstration.

Goblins to roam park

Goblins will scream and ghosts will moan at Maybury State Park during a haunted forest walk on Oct. 25-26.

The guided walk, called "Maybury Madness," will take only the brave-hearted along a wooded, paved trail lined with spooky Halloween scenes and events.

The University of Michigan Health Center of Northville, Northville Community Recreation, Northville Youth Assistance and Northville Students Against Driving Drunk (SADD) are the main sponsors for the walk.

The walk lasts about 20 minutes and concludes with a 20 minute hay ride which returns the brave-hearted to the concession stand for free cider and doughnuts.

EMU alumni game Sunday

Former hockey players at Eastern Michigan University (EMU) will be taking to the ice at the Plymouth Cultural Center this Sunday (Oct. 6) for the 4th Annual Alumni Game.

The EMU Hockey Club is hosting the game, and all EMU alumni and the general public are invited to attend.

Admission is \$2 at the door.

A waiting area will be available for parents who do not wish to enter the haunted forest.

All age groups are welcome to attend. Children under sixth grade must be accompanied by an adult.

Tickets, including admission to the park, are \$5 and are available at Northville Community Recreation, 303 W. Main St.

Group ticket sales (five or more) began yesterday. Individual sales begin Oct. 7.

No tickets will be sold at the park and must be purchased ahead of time; only those with tickets will be admitted.

Profits will be donated to the Northville SADD chapters and Northville Community Park development.

For more information call 349-0203.

A gathering for all alumni and players is planned for after the game.

All interested alumni hockey players who have not yet been contacted should call Doug Waack, EMU Club Team General Manager at 981-6144 or Phil Vettes at 484-2990.

The game will be held from 1:30-3 p.m. at the Cultural Center, located at 525 Farmer St. in Plymouth.

Places to be

N'west Canton group to meet with Yack

Members of the Northwest Canton Homeowners Association will be having a general assembly meeting on Thursday, Oct. 3 in the Pioneer Middle School library.

Canton Supervisor Tom Yack and Director of Public Safety John Santomauro will be the guest speakers at the association's meeting.

Yack will speak on development and other issues concerning the northwest

section of Canton. Santomauro will talk about forming neighborhood watch groups and general safety issues.

Both Canton officials will answer questions from the audience following their presentation.

All interested residents are encouraged to attend.

The meeting will start at 7:30 p.m. For more information call Terry Hohl at 453-2328.

Tea at the Mayflower

Do not miss an opportunity to sip tea and nibble on tarts during the "Tea at the Mayflower" fundraiser for the Plymouth Symphony League.

The Crescendo group of the Symphony League has planned the special afternoon tea for Oct. 15. The Mayflower Hotel is donating the use of the main dining room where Crescendo members will serve tea, scones, short bread, tarts, mini muffins and tea sandwiches.

The afternoon tea will also feature a fall fashion show, harp music, and demonstrations by Muriel Koske, a china painter, and Linda Clark, a local crafter. Also, a raffle will be held for some of the artists' works.

The tea will be held from 1-3 p.m. Cost for the tea is \$10 per person. All proceeds will go towards the Symphony Orchestra.

Seating is limited to 90 people. For reservations call Judy Lore at 453-5181.

Fest features apple

It's Apple Fest time in the City of Plymouth's quaint and historic Old Village.

The annual festival is set for Oct. 5-6 throughout the Old Village part of Plymouth.

The festival features apples, apples, and apples. But there will also be antiques, auctions, entertainment, raffles, balloons, a used book sale, bands, a bake sale and contests.

An Apple Fest King and Queen will be selected by local judges and there will be a baby contest. Register Saturday

from noon to 2 p.m. The cost is \$1 and a birth certificate is needed. Ages are one year and younger and 13 months to two years. Judging will be held at 3 p.m. and the winners will receive U.S. Savings Bonds.

There will also be a "Decorate Your Wagon" contest for ages five to 10 only. Register from 1-2 p.m. on Sunday. A wagon parade and judging will begin at 3 p.m. Prizes include gift certificates to local shops.

For further information call the Old Village 24-hour hotline at 455-7011.

Canton celebration slated

Anyone with a strong interest in the Canton Community will not want to miss the 2nd Annual Canton Sell-A-Bration on Oct. 4.

The program, sponsored by the Canton Community Foundation, will be featuring information about new residential developments and the industrial tax base. It will also provide demographic data and highlight programs such as the Canton Parks and Recreation program.

Canton government officials, both elected and appointed, will be introduced.

Breakfast will begin at 9 a.m. and the program will start at 9:30 a.m. It will conclude at 10:30 a.m. A 45-minute bus tour is available after the program.

Reservations are limited to the first 100 people.

The Sell-A-Bration will be held at the Canton Public Library at 1200 Canton Center Rd., just south of the administration building.

S'craft College Night

The annual Schoolcraft College hosted College Night is planned for Tuesday, Oct. 8 from 6:45-8:50 p.m.

Representatives from more than 65 colleges and universities will be on hand. All Michigan public and private schools will be represented along with Duke,

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Community deaths

Hollen, accountant

Hal H. Hollen, 82, of Canton, died Sept. 24 in the City of Plymouth.

Mr. Hollen, an accountant, moved to Plymouth in 1982 from Holland, MI. He was born in Chippewa Falls, WI and was active in the Masons.

Survivors include his wife, Alfreda, of Canton; sons Thomas Hollen, of Canton, and Gregory Hollen of Belleville; and grandchildren Jeffrey Hollen of Ann Arbor and Michelle Hollen of Canton.

Local arrangements were handled by Schrader Funeral Home. Memorial contributions can be made to Plymouth United Way.

Hill, a homemaker

Elma Hill, 86, of the City of Plymouth, died Sept. 6. Funeral services were held Monday, Sept. 9 at the First United Methodist Church with the Rev. John N. Grenfell Jr. officiating. Burial was in Riverside Cemetery.

Mrs. Hill, who moved to the Plymouth community from Detroit in 1977, was a homemaker and member of the 60 Plus and Ruth Circle at the First United Methodist Church, and was also a member of the Finnish Center Association.

Survivors include: sons Frederick Hill of Rochester Hills and Robert Hill of Brighton. She is also survived by five grandchildren, three great-grandchildren and a sister.

Memorial contributions may be made to Arbor Hospice, Personalized Nursing Service, 3800 Packard Rd., Suite 150, Ann Arbor, MI 48108.

Mondalek, Ford exec

Michael Mondalek, 66, a 40-year resident of Livonia who had been living in the City of Plymouth recently, died Sept. 14 in Bloomfield Hills. Funeral Services were held Monday, Sept. 16 at Ward Presbyterian Church in Livonia, with the Rev. Harold Harold Edmonds officiating. Burial was in Glen Eden Cemetery in Livonia.

Prior to his retirement, Mr Mondalek was a supervisor at the Ford Motor Co. Wayne Assembly Plant. Hobbies included woodworking and refinishing furniture.

Survivors include: daughters Kathleen A. Harding of Livonia and Sheryl Phillips of Plymouth. He is also survived by his brother, Michael Mondalek of Garden City and three grandchildren, Heidi, Jeffrey and Brett Phillips.

Local arrangements were handled by Schrader Funeral Home. Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer Association.

Shafer, local volunteer

Dorthea Shafer, 73, of Northville, died Sept. 21 at her home following a bout with cancer.

Mrs. Shafer was a longtime community volunteer and belonged to, among others, the Northville Book Club, the Northville Women's Society, Friends of the Library and the Northville Historical Society. She also volunteered as a Girl Scout leader and as a Cub Scout den mother.

Survivors include: daughters Susan Carson and Nancy, son Robert and one grandson.

A memorial service was held Saturday at First Presbyterian Church. Local arrangements were handled by Ross B. Northrop and Son Funeral Home.

Apple jubilee on Merchants save fest

BY JIM TOTTEN

It was going to be cancelled this year, but the Old Village Apple Fest has escaped the chopping block.

The annual Apple Festival will be held on Oct. 5 and 6 in historic Old Village and will feature bands, auctions, antiques, a used book sale and other activities.

Mark Oppat, president of the Old Village Association, said that a lack of support and participation from the shop owners was the reason for cancelling the festival.

But when it was announced, Oppat said the antique dealers decided to work together and organize the festival.

"They finally all decided they would volunteer," Oppat said. "Cancelled hit their ears and they all jumped up. It

inspired them."

Sharon Hood, chairperson for the festival, said that the antique dealers got together when they heard the festival was to be cancelled.

"The antique dealers," Hood said, "decided that if they (Old Village Association) weren't going to do it, we would."

The antique dealers, who have received some financial help from the Old Village Association, are taking on the financial responsibility of the festival.

In an effort to make the festival pay for itself, Hood said that raffle tickets will be given away but participants will be asked for donations.

"If we can't make it pay for itself," Hood said, "there won't be one next year."

Hub cap thefts reported

Hub caps were the targeted item Saturday as six were stolen from automobiles parked in Plymouth Township, said police.

According to township police reports, two hub caps were taken from a 1991 Geo Storm parked in the main lot of Kmart on Ann Arbor Road. The car

owner, a resident of Connecticut, went shopping in Kmart and noticed them missing upon returning at 5:30 p.m.

Several hours later, police reports said four hub caps were taken from an 1989 Buick parked in the Plaza Lanes on Ann Arbor Road. The owner of the car, a Canton resident, said the incident occurred between 8:30-11:39 p.m.



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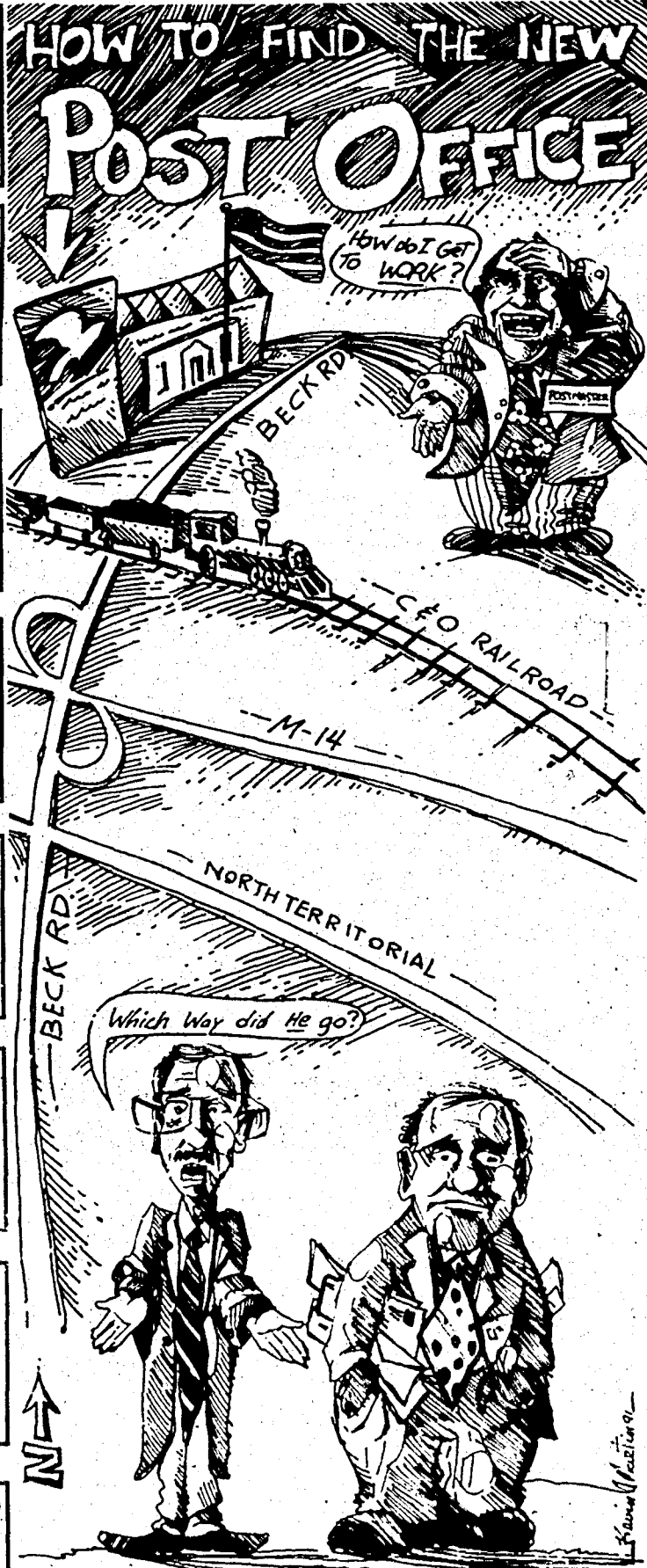
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Getting down to business



Brigadier General James W. Monroe (right) talks with Gil-Mar President Gildo Ruicci during last week's tour in Canton. (Crier photo by Ken Voyles)

Army honors Canton 'tank' manufacturing

BY KEN VOYLES

A Canton manufacturing firm was recognized by the U.S. Army Tank-Automotive Command (TACOM) last week for its role in providing key tank track components for the M-1 tank used throughout Operation Desert Storm earlier this year.

Gil-Mar Manufacturing Company received an award for "outstanding support" of Desert Shield and Desert Storm from Brigadier General James W. Monroe, deputy commanding general TACOM.

Monroe, who visited plant the Ronda Drive facility last Wednesday, was in charge of logistical support during the campaign in the Persian Gulf.

"I'm just here to tell you all thank you, thank you for what you have done," Monroe told the 65 or so employees of Gil-Mar after a tour of the facility. "You have been selected to receive a special award. You should be proud of what you have done."

"We are simply delighted to be out here today," he added.

Only 12 such awards -- given by the U.S. Army Materiel Command in Washington D.C. -- were presented throughout the country, including just five to small firms. It is the first such award received by the firm.

"We're very proud of the work we did," said Gildo Ruicci president and founder of the company.

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Ruicci was involved in the original design of the track back when a tank known as the M-80 was being developed.

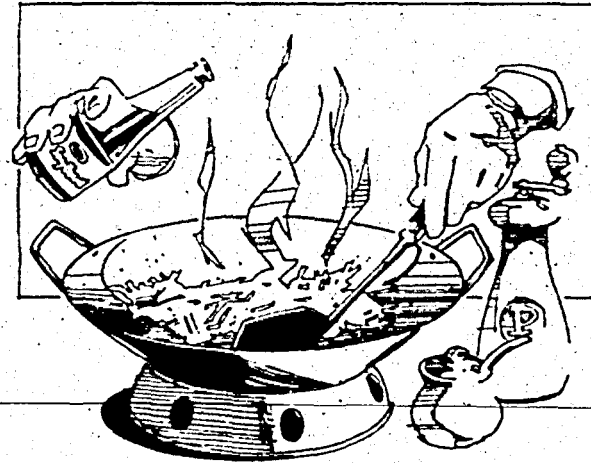
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County hearing today to discuss millage

BY STEVE O'LEARY

If Wayne County Executive Edward McNamara's office has its way, homeowners will see an increase in their winter tax bills.

There will be a public hearing today at 2 p.m. today (Oct. 2) at the Northwest Activities Center, on Meyers Road in Detroit for the purpose of public input. The hearing will be held by the Wayne County Commission.

Local County Commissioner Maurice Breen said he hopes for a large turnout of

residents in order to speak out against the proposed millage increase of .416 of a mill.

The increase was proposed by the County Executive's Office and has been tentatively adopted by the Wayne County Commission.

On a home worth \$100,000, which would be assessed at \$50,000, that increase would come to approximately \$25 per household.

Ben Washburn, general counsel for the commission, said that the increase will

only be seen in households that have had their assessments increased this year.

"Also, people should be aware that the 4/10s of a mill increase will generate a 5.5 per cent increase in revenues for the county," Washburn said.

According to the county, the need for the proposed additional millage arises mainly from inflationary increases in property values, and will be used to cover the inflationary rise in labor and supply costs.

Breen maintains that is only "so much

rhetoric.

"We need people to put pressure on the county," Breen said, "and this meeting is the place to do it. If this isn't adopted, there won't be an increase. And what will happen is that the county will have to cut their proposed budget for 1991-92 by about three per cent.

Breen said the monies collected if the increase takes affect will be approximately \$10 million.

"I'm adamantly opposed to this increase," Breen said. I think that today, with so many people hitting hard times, the government needs to tighten its belt too."

For more information on today's meeting, call 224-2360.

The commission will likely vote on the increase tomorrow, according to Washburn.

Student count stays stable

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There are some things that can never be projected, such as families moving into and out of the community," he said. "We were pretty lucky. Sometimes things can really mess you up and keep people scrambling at the last minute."

Whereas last year there were some drastic changes, mostly at the middle schools, things were fairly constant this time around.

The biggest change in body count was still in the middle schools, but while the district gained 50 students this year over last, it pales in comparison to a drop of 402 students in that level from the 1989-90 to 1990-91 school year.

Last year, that drop was pretty much negated by an increase of 319 students at the high school level. Combined with other changes, the district only lost six students from the previous year.

According to the figures released by the district Friday, enrollment is up this year by 41 bodies over last year's total, from 14,931 to 14,972.

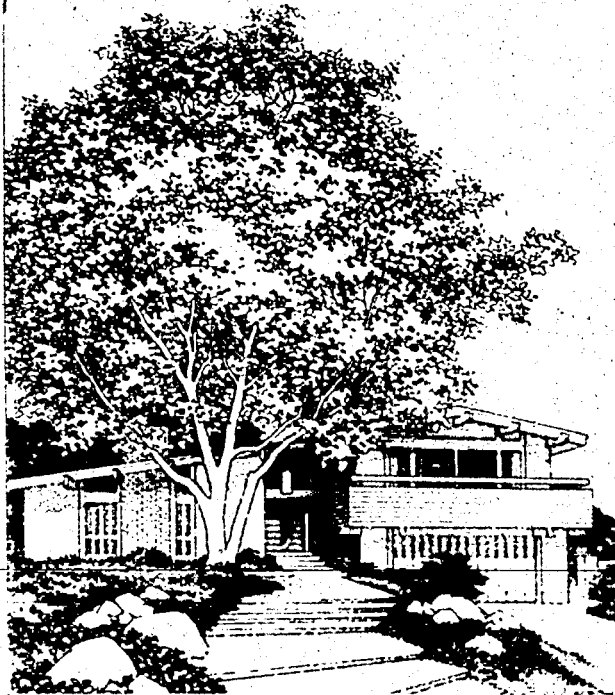
The most substantial drop this year is 32 students in the kindergarten-grade five level, while the high school enrollment increased by 41.

"There was nothing dramatic this time around," Egli said. "It may not make for excitement, but it does make for a smoother-running district right from the start."

When projections are dramatically wrong, it can result in such things as students being shuffled to different buildings or classes, split-level classes or an increase or decrease in the demand for teachers.

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Sports



Canton running back Steve Hohl chases down a loose ball during the Chiefs tough loss to the powerful Harrison Hawks Friday night. Hohl picked up 165

yards on kick off returns for Canton (Crier photo by Eriq Lukasik)

Chiefs succumb to best, 48-0 Canton gridders outclassed

BY JAY KEENAN

In a way it would have seemed fitting if Canton's football squad could have succumbed to a mercy rule after the first quarter Friday night since that's how fast the team's contest with Farmington Harrison was decided.

The Hawks, the best team in the state, rolled to a 27-0 first quarter lead and snowballed to a 48-0 laughter over the Chiefs in a Western Lakes outing at CEP's football stadium.

Canton did not have much of a chance against the powerful Harrison team. Putting it mildly, the speedy Hawks outran and outpassed Canton on offense, while slamming the door shut defensively throughout the night.

"I'll tell you, they have a lot of talent out there," said Canton coach Bob Khoenle. "It's obvious what talent they have. Their defense is probably their strongest. They're just one hell of a team."

The loss sets Canton back to 1-3 overall and 0-2 in the conference.

"We're just not a very good ball club right now," said Khoenle said. "We had problems on defense and our secondary is weak. We have so many young kids back there and they're making mistakes."

"Our offense can't move the ball," he added. "We just hope to keep plugging away and start moving the ball."

Roy Granger rushed for 142 yards and ran for two touchdowns to pace Harrison.

Andy Fitzpatrick threw for two touchdowns and 180 yards passing for the 4-0 Hawks.

After Harrison jumped out to a 7-0

lead, the Chiefs drove down to the Hawk 24-yard line thanks to a 35-yard pass from quarterback Kevin Shankie to Tim Moritz. That drive was stopped when a 37-yard field goal attempt was blocked.

From then on it was all Harrison as the Hawks had to punt only one time in the first half and shut down all scoring threats, taking a 41-0 lead at the intermission.

About the only problem Harrison faced Friday was Canton's Steve Hohl. The senior tri-captain had a total of 165

yards on kick off returns, including a 62-yard run back late in the second quarter to the Hawk 23. But that threat ended when Harrison intercepted a pass on the next play.

Canton's only other real opportunity came with 3:58 left in the half when Matt Horn blocked a punt deep in Harrison territory. Mark Meszaros initially recovered the ball for the Chiefs but fumbled near the five. Harrison pounced on the ball as it squirted through the endzone and out-of-bounds. The play

was ruled a touchback and the Hawks regained possession.

Hohl finished with 35 yards rushing for the Chiefs on 11 carries to lead Canton.

Defensively, Jim Hanna had eight solo tackles to pace the Chiefs. Horn and Vince Turri added seven and five tackles, respectively.

Canton next travels to Livonia Franklin for a Saturday afternoon contest. Kick off is set for 1 p.m.

Hister rushes Salem to victory

BY JAY KEENAN

Watch out football fans, Salem High's grid squad is back on track.

After suffering two straight losses in tough outings, the Rocks won a thrilling game over Western Lakes rival Westland John Glenn Friday, 28-7.

"The real Salem came to play tonight, said Rocks coach Tom Moshimer, whose squad is 2-2 overall and 1-1 in league play. "This was the greatest effort we had around here in a long time. We beat a great team.

"We executed very well," he added. "We played a great emotional game and that's what the game of football is all about."

Leon Hister, Salem's star running back, gave Glen plenty of aggravation for four quarters Friday. The senior rushed for 243 yards in 30 carries, with three

touchdowns to boot. He now has 573 yards rushing this season.

"He's the best in the league without a doubt," said Moshimer, who added that the rushing attack was aided by a strong performance by the Salem offensive line. "The whole team played a great game. It was a total team kind of victory, and that's the way it should be."

Glenn, which was undefeated going into the game, drew first blood on the opening drive, scoring on a 39-yard run. The point after was good and the Rockets led 7-0.

After that, though, it was all Salem as the Rocks' defense settled down.

Salem's offense then took control of the game after tying it up on its first possession. Quarterback Pete Zantop opened the 88-yard drive with a 38-yard pass to Alfonso Hysko. Hister then

dashed in for a 29-yard touchdown several plays later. Newly activated kicker John Treskowski booted the extra point, his first of four during the game.

The Rocks broke the 7-7 deadlock late in the first quarter on another 88-yard drive. Dan Burke helped set up the next score with a 40-yard scamper, which Moshimer called "the key play in the game." Zantop later took it into the endzone on a five-yard keeper.

A series of running plays led the Salem's next score in the third quarter as the Rocks marched 70 yards before Hister's one-yard TD run made it 21-7.

Salem's defense continued to get bullish as it stopped Glenn at the Rocks' own seven early in the final quarter. Salem then capitalized on the opportunity and scored its final

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Canton's Jori Welchans fights to get off a shot during the Chiefs win over Farmington High. (Crier photo by Eriq Lukasik)

Chief hoop squad wins in a blowout

BY ANNE SULLIVAN

It was a blowout for the Canton girls basketball team as the squad defeated Farmington 68-27 Thursday at home.

It was an easy victory, filled with consistent and balanced play. Each Chief who headed onto the court scored.

Canton started out a little slow, but exploded after three minutes of play and dominated the rest of the game.

Canton created some fast break basket opportunities, got off some easy shots and ended the first quarter ahead 22-4, and stayed ahead for the rest of the game.

The spark that was ignited early in the first quarter was enough to keep the Chiefs hot all night. They outscored Farmington in every quarter, scoring 11 points in the second quarter to Farmington's six, ending the half with the score of 33-10.

The Chiefs came back strong in the second half with a solid defense, holding Farmington to four, and pumping in 18 points, ending the third quarter 51-14.

The fourth quarter saw a lot of action as the Chiefs kicked in another 17 points, and Farmington nearly doubled their

score, adding 13 points to end the game with a cross over league victory for the Chiefs.

"We had real good balance in the game," said Canton coach Bob Blohm. "We are a better skilled team than they are. We have a little better size and physical ability, and we were able to take advantage of that."

It truly was a team effort against Farmington. High scorers for the Chiefs were Christie Saffron who pumped in 12 points. Stephanie Gray tipped in 11. Kelly Holmes tossed in 10, Renee Dory added 8, and Amy Westerhold tossed in 7.

No one fouled out of the game, and the defense was tough.

"Our outside players were able to pressure their outside players and create a lot of turnovers early in the game," said Blohm.

The Chiefs just kept the pressure rolling throughout the game. Blohm hopes they can do the same this week as they have a tough non-league game and a league game.

Their overall record now stands at 5-2 and in league competition, their record is 2-0.

Up record to 8-3 Salem golfers win

BY ANNE SULLIVAN

The Salem boys golf team beat North Farmington 226-226 in a tough match Friday where the sixth golfer (highest scorer) determined the winner.

After the first five finishers, Salem and North were tied. Although the score doesn't change, lowest score for the sixth golfer determines the winner. Salem's highest score was 49, eight strokes below North Farmington's highest score.

This gave Salem the game, improving its overall record to 8-3, and the division record to 3-0.

Medalist went to North Farmington. Competing for Salem with the best score was Joe Gumbis who shot a 42. Jeff Hopson shot a 44, Dave Weaver shot a 46, and Brian Botwinski and Kurt Singleton each clubbed a 47. Jeff Kotlarczyk shot a 49, for the tie breaker.

It's the second time this season Salem earned a victory from the sixth golfer's score.

"We were lucky to win," said Salem coach Rick Wilson. "We're accustomed to shooting under 220." With temperatures hovering around 50 degrees and winds gusting between 20 and 25 miles per hour, Wilson believes the weather contributed to their high score Friday.

He has seven seniors on his team, two golfers. Weaver and Botwinski have played for four years, and the team has not won a division title. He believes this is the year the Rocks can do it. His goal is to win two division matches, one today and one tomorrow so his team will become the undisputed division champion.

It will be a tough week for Salem, as both matches are away. "If any sport has a home field advantage, it's golf," said Wilson. "In golf, you often play the course. It will be a tough week, but we can do it."

For the Salem squad this year, home course has not been the advantage it usually is. The team (and the Canton squad) changed their home course to Hilltop. So the squad has been learning its home course as well as its opponents

Salem football

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touchdown at 8:19 on a breakaway by Hister from 43 yards out.

Burke aided the offensive attack with 77 yards rushing, while Zantop rushed for 49 yards in nine carries.

On defense, Matt Kuzawinski paced Salem with four and a half tackles. Boyd Rudy and Hugh Blake-Thomas added four tackles apiece.

Glenn, now 1-1 in the league, will face North Farmington (2-0) this weekend, in a critical conference game which could determine Salem's hopes for a share of first place in the Lakes Division.

The Rocks will host rival Farmington High Friday in the squad's homecoming game. Kick off is at 7:30 p.m.

courses.

The Salem squad is an experienced team of 13, with seven seniors, who played all the varsity matches this season, and three freshmen and sophomores.

Canton golf

BY ANNE SULLIVAN

It was a great week for the Canton boys golf team as the Chiefs defeated Northville 214-232, upping their league record to 6-0.

Andy Uthoss was the medalist finisher for the Chiefs, shooting a 40 against Northville. Teammates Jeff Woodruff and Brian Gabbart each recorded a 42, and John Paupore and Mike Ross shot 45s.

"This is one of the strongest teams we've had," said Canton coach Fred Libbing. "The team is very good, our record is 6-0, I've got to be happy with that."

Canton has 13 golfers, six returning from last year's squad. "They're all good players," said Libbing of his team with six seniors. He has used the same starters in most of the conference matches. The team's performance has been consistent throughout the year. Their home course is Hilltop.

With the regular season ending next week, and the conference meets coming up, Libbing is hopeful the Chiefs will do well, but expects some tough competition from Stevenson and Salem.

Rocks soccer

BY ANNE SULLIVAN

It was a tough week for the Salem boys soccer team as goal keeping by its opponents kept the Rocks from a victory.

The Rocks lost a tough match to Troy Athens 4-3 on Saturday, in Troy, and tied Northville 0-0 last Wednesday.

The Athens match has always been extremely competitive for the Rocks. For the last six years these two teams have met, alternating home courts each year, and the home team never loses. They have each tied one away match, but have never won.

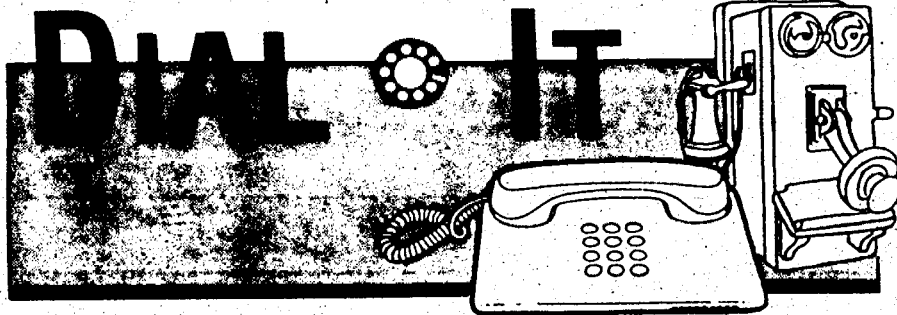
The Rocks had opportunities to score throughout the match with 15 shots on goal to Athens 6. But the goal tending from the Athens team was too strong for the Rocks.

Salem first scored on a penalty kick by John Truskowski eight minutes into the game. At 20 minutes into the first half, Salem's Rick Andrusiak kicked in Salem's second goal, assisted by Truskowski, and the Rocks were leading 2-0.

The two point lead did not slow the drive of the Athens squad, however. At 26 minutes into the first half, they scored their first goal on a flip throw-in. In the final seconds of the first half, Athens had another throw-in and the score was tied at 2-2.

Both teams came out strong in the second half. Twenty minutes into the

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Canton DDA plan stalled for now

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Newman has said he wants to build a strip mall on property he owns within the DDA district, but the township has been working to develop a plan that would go beyond a "glorified shopping mall" and create a public area that could truly become a downtown center for Canton.

Newman has also said that the township does not have a recognized business district and that property values in the DDA area are not deteriorating.

Several compromises in the past have all fallen apart, said Yack, leading to Newman's current lawsuit.

DDA members said the plans recently drawn up are based on a market study done by Coopers & Lybrand. "We've done our market study and we feel we should have the parameters established by Coopers & Lybrand," said DDA member Sue Wrenbeck.

Plans for the DDA were originally drawn up back in 1984 but were revised and expanded when Yack became

supervisor in 1988. Today almost half of the DDA area is already developed and includes a Target store on land purchased by Dayton Hudson from Newman. That deal included a provision that Newman would build a strip mall on the adjacent parcel.

Yack has said his vision for the downtown district centers on creating a focal point for a community that lacks a clear downtown heart. Another strip mall, like the numerous malls already located along Ford Road, would not do that, he said.

Yack said the compromise plan was "radically different" than previous plans for the downtown district.

"I'm disappointed," he said. "Apparently it's not worth the paper it is printed on."

"We've got quite a ways to go," he added, before a plan can be drawn up to satisfy both parties.

have "skewed" the main drives leading into the DDA area and allowed for mixed commercial, public and residential areas.

Yack said Newman rejected the plan at a meeting last week. Newman was unavailable for comment by press time.

The main objections, said Yack, centered on the building "masses" not being large enough, a lack of parking on the back side of the commercial areas, "too many roads," and too many trees in the design concept.

Yack called the plan a "last ditch" effort to work something out with Newman before the battle over the DDA ended in court.

"We're now to the point where we need to see what they can come up with."

Pre-trial scheduled in 35th City man arraigned on A&B

A City of Plymouth resident was arraigned on Friday on a misdemeanor charge of assault and battery stemming from a domestic disturbance that occurred Thursday morning.

David Allen, 38, was arrested on

he said. "I think we need to give him a chance to see what he has in mind."

"We've danced around with him for a couple of years," he added. "There have been objections to our plans one way or another."

Newman's lawsuit is currently on hold during a "cooling off" period, said Yack, in which time the two parties have attempted to reach a design compromise for the DDA area.

Yack said the two parties originally reached an agreement to allow 45 days during which the planners would try and come up with a compromise plan.

Thursday after threatening his roommate with a butcher knife, said Plymouth Police Commander Michael Gardner on Monday.

During an argument between the two occupants of the apartment, Gardner said Allen threatened to use the knife.

Plymouth Police held Allen until he was arraigned by the Wayne County Prosecutor on Friday. Gardner said Allen was released on \$50 bond.

Gardner said the prosecutor determined, based on the information given, that Allen's level of threat was not enough for a felony charge.

A misdemeanor charge of assault and battery, Gardner said, carries a maximum sentence of 90 days in prison or \$500 fine.

A pre-trial conference is set for Oct. 18 in 35th District Court.

CEP band wins

The Centennial Educational Park (CEP) Marching Band competed in the Linden Invitational Marching Band Competition Saturday and came away with a first place and caption awards for best winds, best marching and maneuvering and best color guard.

The band's score of 72.9 was the overall best out of the 16 bands which competed in the various flights.

The band travels to Flint to compete for the Governor's Trophy Sunday in the Michigan Invitational Competition at Atwood Stadium.

Trouble anticipated with choice'

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the bottom line," Hoben said.

Since the bill is so new, the district has not had time to fully analyze it, Hoben said.

Raymond Hoedel, assistant superintendent for business in the district agreed.

"As far as I know, the district will not be responsible for transportation of children to schools they wouldn't ordinarily attend," he said, although a draft of the final proposal states that the

district is required to come up with a plan which would "ensure that transportation to the school of choice within the district is provided to the pupil."

"If that is indeed the case, we may be in more trouble than we anticipated," Hoedel said. "Maybe that's what the 20 percent is for. We have received nothing in writing yet, so we can't really get moving or even know what is fact yet."

The bill also requires districts to provide, among other things, access to

counseling about the schools of choice program; adequate information about the program to allow the parent or legal guardian to make an informed choice about which school his or her child will attend; and a plan to ensure that each pupil has an equal opportunity for enrollment when it is available.

According to Hoben, students from other parts of the district would be allowed into the schools on a first-come, first-serve basis. He added that an attempt would be made to keep enrollment balanced racially and gender-wise.

Hoben added that the district has the option of exempting themselves from the program. That would be done by a vote of the board, followed by a vote of the electorate.

The schools of choice plan may play a bigger part when the two new elementary schools are built with bond monies, but that is at least "the better part of two years down the road," Hoben said.

Engler is expected to sign the bill within a week, according to Geake.

Bill presents problems

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don't plan on doing that."

The money will, at least for now, come out of the district's operating budget.

There are no plans to cut current programs, although Hoedel said the district "will be in big trouble next year. It's just an unofficial policy around here not to cut programs once they have

already started."

Superintendent John Hoben said he "has a lot of problems with the bill," adding that the district hasn't had time yet to fully analyze it.

"But I have had time to know I don't like the bill," he said. "The theory of bettering the educational system is a good one, but doing it at the expense of other districts leaves a lot to be desired."

Canton soccer team flat in Huron defeat

BY ANNE SULLIVAN

It was a disappointing match for the Canton soccer team Saturday as the Chiefs were defeated 3-1 by Ann Arbor Huron at home.

Canton coach Don Smith is chalking it up to a bad experience.

"They came to play and they out played us," said Smith. "They just lost to Stevenson 1-0 and were fired up, and we weren't."

Huron kept the Chiefs scoreless in the first half and took the lead on a penalty kick late in the first half, and kicked in two in the second half.

The Chiefs had opportunities to score, but Huron's goal tending prevented

Canton from scoring until late in the second half, when Chris Hayes knocked in Canton's only goal.

"We were very flat and didn't respond to the challenge," said Smith. "When we did get fired up, it was too late."

It was a different story when the

Salem kickers battle to scoreless tie against N'ville

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half, Athens scored on a long throw-in. Two minutes later Joe Perrin scored the third goal for Salem, assisted by Eric Stemmer. Three minutes before the end of the game, Athens scored their fourth and final goal to win the match.

It was a game they should have won,

Chiefs met the two teams from Walled Lake last week. Canton had two easy wins, defeating Walled Lake Central 3-0, and Walled Lake Western 5-0.

In the match against Central, Brett Kearney, Chris Hayes, and Alan Samouelian each knocked in a goal, and

according to Salem coach Ken Johnson. "We bombarded them, we dominated the field and the ball was in their territory most of the game," said Johnson. "We just didn't get any breaks."

The Rocks went scoreless against Northville last week, but the Northville squad didn't score either. "We outshot

Todd Kearney and Jason Ripp each had an assist.

In the match against Western, Kicking in goals for Canton were Chris Hayes, Ripp, Bill Power, Jeff Fliss and Graham Wilk.

them 18-3, and hit the post twice," said Johnson. "They had a good goal keeper, and they were fired up."

This brings the Rocks overall record to 8-1-2 for the season. They are second in their division, behind Livonia Stevenson.

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Curiosities

"I GOT A DEGREE in traffic" - John Folino (the elder) on figuring out Ann Arbor streets on Saturday.

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It's a good thing they have plastic tips on the darts at the Sidestreet, right Jill!

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If only the Canton football players could throw a football like they do toilet paper rolls...

The sparkle in Karen's eyes and that special ring on her finger is brightening up Sutherland and Yoe's office

Maybe the little sisters of the poor will be favored

Welcome to Canton Michelle from Germany.

Curiosities

"IT'S EASIER TO GET forgiveness than to get permission." - Mike Carne

Hey Trish, what happened to you.

Harold's home. Not quite ready for visitors.

PHIL TARDANI is in Paradise - a place called LOVELAND, CO.

Andreas almost wine at cards.

Janet is home!

When are Mary and Archie Bunch going to get an award as editors of the Sentinel?

MOM - what's the new address? (Send it to Rob)

Ellen has a secret Italian recipe for lasagna! No noodles.

Ron - how did you get talked into learning the two step?

BOY! Rutgers sure has a tough football team this year!

Peggy Clogg, Plymouth misses your dear, sweet face. The Library misses you and I miss you most of all. Lucky Birmingham, Alabama to have you and your mom there!

HEY WONDER TELLER - Please bring us back some of that Florida sunshine.

MELISSA McMurray and ED LONEWSKI - congratulations! Have a great marriage! (And wow, Frank, you made it through it!)

Congratulations Christy and Rob! A wedding in '93.

Emma Smith from Belleville loves vanilla ice cream

Yes, Michigan lost. But they weren't playing a (do they even have a football team) school.

"MEN ARE MULTI-PURPOSE units." - The (ever-romantic) Sally Repeck, 1991.

C.T. and Dan, nice house - it was fun to see some of the old gang. - Phyllis

MICHIGAN STATE is favored over the little sisters of the poor by 1 1/2 points.

Curiosities

GIVE TO PLYMOUTH UNITED WAY!

Congratulations Myke and Anne Priestcorn (How does it sound?) It was just a wonderful wedding!

Gee I wonder why we haven't heard from any U of M friends this week.

CYNTHIA TREVINO - DAN BODENE: It was just like old times.

Mom, hope you're feeling better

"WHEREVER YOU FLY, you'll be best of the best. Wherever you go, you will top all the rest." Theodor Seuss Geisel

Bob, are you back to bike riding yet?

GIVE TO THE CANTON COMMUNITY FOUNDATION DRIVE!

Phil Tardoni - I didn't get lost coming back from Ann Arbor this year. - Phyllis

GEORGE BOWLES was back in town - surveying the changes.

Erik - Happy Birthday on Thursday.

Welcome Home Janet!

Thanks - Cynthia - for all the help Monday!

Kathie Elmore - Are you ready to work yet?

Where did all these M & M shells come from? Love, Snookums

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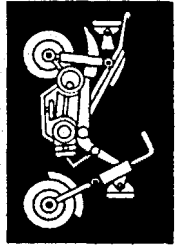
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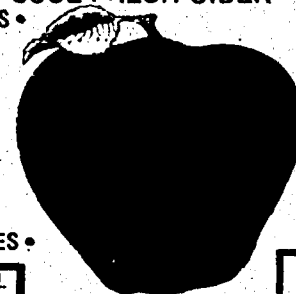
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