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P-C-N mull joint cable talks

BY KEN VOYLES

Efforts are picking up speed to form a consortium to renegotiate the cable franchise agreement between Omnicom Cablevision and the Plymouth-Canton-Northville communities.

The effort is being led by Canton, which is farther along in preparation for the talks than any of the other communities under the Omnicom umbrella.

Tom Yack, Canton's supervisor, said he expected to get responses from the other communities by the end of the month.

"Plymouth Township said okay," said Yack. "And we have a verbal okay from Gary Word in the City of Northville, though I know he said it still has to go before their commission."

Northville Township is also expected to give Canton an answer some time by the end of this month.

"We'll go ahead and plan to have a meeting of all the representatives the second week in March or so," said Yack, "and share where we've been and where we are going."

Under the Omnicom franchise each community can begin renegotiating the agreement this month. The franchise expires in 1995.

But Canton has already hired a consultant, Municon, to develop a cable ordinance for the township, and has been

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The facade of the new Country Charm on Main Street may point to a revitalization in downtown Plymouth. The store will open this spring.

New stores, ideas take center stage

City shaking off recession?

BY ANNA MURRAY

The recent funeral dirge playing throughout the City of Plymouth's downtown may soon mutate to a toe-tapping tune of change and innovation.

As concerns spurred by recent bankruptcies and store closings continues to focus attention on downtown, some government officials and business owners are prompting change.

The forward-looking movement comes in the form of store openings, expansions, government initiatives, business education campaigns and a study of downtown on the horizon.

"I hear from people, including Crac's Detroit Business, that we're starting to see a change," said Fran Toney, executive director of the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce.

Toney likes to reel off the names of businesses that are changing the image of a down-in-the-dumps Plymouth.

Country Charm heads the list; it is leaving its old location on Peasiman Avenue and remodeling the former Del's location. The move will triple the size of the popular downtown shop.

The empty windows of Orlandi's will soon see inhabitants as well.

Jim Petix is moving his formal wear shop to the location and expanding to a full line of men's clothing, similar to the men's clothing store the Petix family operates in Birmingham. It will be called Steve Petix Clothier.

"It's a void," Petix said, "why not try to fill it?"

He added, "You don't have to go to a mall to do business."

Petix said he doesn't see downtown Plymouth on the brink of the grave. If it were, he said, he wouldn't be moving his store. "We're a conservative company," he said. "We don't take many chances."

Smaller tremors of changes are also rumbling through downtown. Chameleon Galleries, said Toney, soon will offer a new cappuccino bar. The Cozy Cafe is celebrating its 10th anniversary by filling their display area with wares from 10 different downtown shops.

"Milano's Menswear and the Engraving Connection have more than doubled their size," Toney said.

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'Concept' for expansion approved

Library vote a year away

BY KEN VOYLES

The Plymouth District Library Board decided Monday to delay for almost a year any election on a potential bond package to pay for an expanded facility.

The board also approved a final "building concept" for the future library expansion, a concept which will be used to complete the design work on the planned expansion.

Library Board President Steve Harper said the board came to a consensus Monday that an election in August this year was just "too soon."

"We're now looking at an election sometime next February, March or April," said Harper.

The new "concept" calls for the present building owned by the City of Plymouth to be "razed;" building a facility of 48,000 square feet with one story below grade and one above grade; constructing the new building all at once; and designing it so that a second above-grade floor could be added in the future.

The concept will be used by the board's architect to begin work on a final design for the library expansion.

"My only concern is that we have 48,000 usable square feet," said Harper.

"That's what we're after," said Larry Fobes, a member of the board's building committee which made the

recommendations Monday.

Fobes said the concept was a new one which attempted to utilize the current site as much as possible. The building design will incorporate a 24,000 square-foot "footprint" on the current site to reduce the need for purchasing more land.

Janet Campbell, a library board member, said the concept gives the board a chance to utilize ground that is "so precious."

"Maximizing use of the site is a new concept," said Fobes.

The architect will now begin work on a final design of the planned expansion.

Fobes said the concept "responds" to the library's needs, prudent financial planning, the physical realities of the site, showing support for the downtown business community and the possibility for further expansion.

The new design for the library is expected to be unveiled in the next three to four months.

Harper said the building committee's report is part of the process to put an issue on an election ballot for voters sometime in the next 12 months.

Board wants letter

Schools site talk?

After an executive session on negotiations for the purchase of real estate, the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Board of Education will place the new elementary school site purchase on Monday's (Feb. 24) agenda for board action.

Board members asked the developer purchasing the land for the new school last week if he would send a document asking the board to buy the land from

him, said Ray Hoedel, associate superintendent for business and operations.

"All we have to do is get the appropriate signatures," Hoedel said.

The 14-acre parcel of land will be the future site of a second elementary school planned under the district's bond package. It is likely to be built on land south of Ford Road between Canton Center and Sheldon roads.

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Nov. vote to set '93 rise '92 assessments frozen

BY ANNA MURRAY

Most people look forward to assessment time with clenched teeth. If millages stay the same or rise, assessed property value increases translate into higher tax bills for residents.

But this year the State of Michigan has frozen property values.

Only a few residential properties will see a change in assessments. Examples are homes that have been remodeled or have undergone major additions, or homes that have endured some loss or damage.

Otherwise, assessed values will remain at the 1991 rates.

According to George McEachran, Wayne County equalization director, properties in Plymouth city and township, Northville city and township, and Canton, would have seen approximately a four per cent increase in values.

Judy Zirblis, assessor for the City of Plymouth, said the board of review will only hear petitions from those property owners whose assessments haven't been frozen.

What happens next year may be up to the voters. An amendment to the Michigan Constitution will be on the November ballot. It will ask voters to

limit increases in assessments to five per cent or the rate of inflation, whichever is least in a given year.

Another amendment may be put on the ballot to limit all assessments to three per cent or the rate of inflation.

If both amendments pass, the one receiving the most votes will go into effect. If both fail, 1993 assessments will be based on standard market considerations.

This eventuality may wipe out any relief taxpayers enjoy in 1992. If both amendments fails, property owners may see a greater jump in 1993 assessments, reflecting an increase in value beginning in 1991, said officials involved in the assessment process.

Hearing dates for residents living in the City of Plymouth who wish to appeal their assessment are March 3 from noon to 6 p.m. and March 4 from 3-9 p.m.

Canton's Assessment Board of Review will hold hearings on March 3 from 10 a.m. to noon and 1-5 p.m., and again on March 9 from 1-4 p.m. and 5-9 p.m.

Plymouth Township hearing dates are March 3, 10 a.m. to noon, and 2-5 p.m.; and again March 9, 2-9 p.m.

April 1 deadline for plan draft Schools of choice near

BY JILLIAN BOGATER

The Plymouth-Canton Community Schools district's Schools of Choice Committee is nearing a final plan of action as the April 1 deadline looms closer.

A preliminary draft was submitted by a sub-committee and reviewed by committee members at Thursday's Schools of Choice meeting, said Mitchell Howard, co-chair of the committee and a Canton resident.

Although the draft is getting close, Howard said it will take approximately three more meetings until a final draft is agreed upon. Certain issues are still unresolved, including interpretation.

Much of Thursday's meeting was spent discussing related issues such as how to handle the high schools, elementary schools at entry level, transportation and capacity, Howard said.

The committee is currently examining legislation proposed by Gov. John Engler because it is mandated by the state, Howard said.

The Schools of Choice concept would in essence eliminate school boundaries within the district and allow students to attend any school of their grade level if space allows.

"We're encouraged," he said. "We are making some headway in terms of progress."

The next Schools of Choice meeting is scheduled for Thursday, (Feb. 20) in the district administrative offices at 454 S. Harvey. The meeting begins at 7:30 p.m.

Project to reduce flooding

Canton sump pump plan tops \$1 million

BY KEN VOYLES

Canton's attempts to reduce residential flooding through a unique sump pump program has hit the million dollar mark.

Last week the Canton Board of Trustees approved a \$500,000 expenditure for the 1992 portion of a program that began in 1991 and is expected to continue through 1993 until 3,000 sump pumps are placed -- at township cost -- in residents' homes.

"We want to 900 to 1,000 homes in 1992," said Aaron Machnik, Canton's municipal services director. "That's a challenge but we can adjust our schedule to help do just that."

"It's been a pretty good program, pretty successful so far," Machnik told the board last week. "We have a backlog of about 300 people right now and we haven't even gone into the Sunflower (subdivisions) with any intensity. We could put 600 in there easily."

According to Tom Casari, Canton's



Sculpture unveiled

Three library patrons (from left), Edith Mirto, Carolyn Mirto and Faie Mirto, admire "The Storyteller," a sculpture by Joe DeLauro, dedicated to the Canton Public Library at a reception held Sunday. (Crier photo by Eric Lukasik)

engineer, there are about 16,000 homes in Canton, of which about 10,000 are likely candidates for the sump pump installation.

Machnik estimated that 3,000 sump pumps are needed in Canton to prevent flooding in a major rain.

The sump pump design was developed by Canton Department of Public Works (DPW) personnel. A pilot program was established in Windsor Park in the fall of 1990.

Even though by the end of the program in December the township was unable to measure a reduction in flows, visual evidence and public support made the program a success, said Casari.

"We are collecting more data right now," said Casari, who added that the township monitors the flows but has not had enough good rainfall data or enough sumps concentrated in one area to measure a reduction.

Casari did point out that last year the

township reduced by 50 per cent pumping needed because of flooding thanks to the program.

"We do know from visual observations that the sump pumps are reducing the flow in the system," said Machnik.

In a memo to the board he illustrated this by pointing to a June 1991 rain storm that would have typically flooded basements, but with about 600 sumps installed at the time there was not one report of a flooded basement or sewer backup, he noted.

The program, paid for by the township, costs about \$450 per home, said Casari, and is designed solely for single family structures.

With the success of the pilot program the township proceeded to authorize a half million dollar expenditure for 1,000 pumps in 1991. Machnik said the township has exceeded its goal of 1,000

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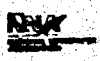
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Schools' vision lacks focus

For a school district that not too long ago seemed so intent on exploring the future, there hasn't been a lot of vision in the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools lately.

Last fall voters in Plymouth-Canton gave the district the okay to raise nearly \$60 million in bonds to refit the district for the future.

But since then about all anyone has heard is that Salem High's cafeteria needs to be fixed. Oh, and there are two new elementary schools going to be built, but we won't tell you where the second site is just now.

What has been happening with the bond program lately? And, more importantly, what has happened to the rest of the vaunted blue ribbon study committee supposedly looking at the district's needs from now until the year 2010?

The two remaining sub-committees -- one looking at new facilities and one focusing on the "vision" aspect of the blue ribbon committee's charge -- have yet to release any kind of report. And it's been more than a year.

The new facilities folks say their hands are tied until the vision group presents a report, and the vision people won't even say what is in their draft document for fear of releasing it before the board has a chance to see it and gush over it.

Is this any way to prepare for the future? The usual cloak of paranoia hangs over the administration building at 454 Harvey St. leaving residents in the dark about the future intentions of the district.

It is important to hear from these two remaining committees so that residents can find out whether or not they will be hit with any more bond proposals in the

near future.

Back when the blue ribbon group first began it was made clear that there may be several major proposals out of all this debate and discussion. Well, since then the community was asked to support one very large bond proposal and that's it.

A cynic would have to ask whether or not another bombshell is likely to be dropped on this community by at least one of the two remaining committees, a bombshell in the form of yet another bond proposal.

Whether or not this is going to happen in an election year is unclear.

But what is clear is that if the district wants to study the future it needs to do it today and not when the future is already here.

If the leadership at the top in the school district cannot take Plymouth-Canton schools into the next century -- even just on paper -- one has to wonder how far that leadership will go when it comes time for tough choices.

Already Plymouth-Canton faces a desperate financial condition, one reminiscent of the troubles in the mid-1980s.

One way out is a heavy dose of planning and more planning, but that has to be done in an open forum and not simply as a glad hand from a school board and administration trying to hide the district's flaws.

Those very flaws that the district gets so defensive about are the key to this community's future. They should be addressed openly by the blue ribbon folks and they should be addressed now not six months or two years from now.

Wake up school board, the future is now.
THE COMMUNITY CRIER

Where would we be without sewers?

Sewers, admittedly, are not very exciting. We'd sooner tell our neighbor we bought new floor mats for the car than that the town got a new sewer.

Sewers are, in short, lowly, unromantic, grotesque, smelly, fetid and dirty. And because they have so few qualities to recommend them, the average citizen would rather not think about them.

So things other than sewers become our sewers-- like rivers. Relegated to the margin of consciousness, sewers become outdated and overwhelmed.

I will never forget the time I saw a rat floating in the Hudson River. It was a breezy July evening, perfect for a walk along the promenade edging the river in downtown Manhattan.

I looked over the railing, expecting to see lights glistening off the water.

What faced me instead was a rat, belly up, coursing down the river to New York Harbor.

I wasn't sure at the time (nor am I now) whether he drowned or just took a

Word processes

By Anna Murray

gulp of water.

While I haven't spent much time peering into the Rouge River lately, I can imagine what years of sewer overflow have wrought.

This is why we should all give a round of applause to the new sewer system sponsored by the Western Townships Utilities Authority.

In addition to curing the sewer overflow problem in Plymouth, Canton and Northville townships, the plan will flush clean water through the Lower Rouge, making up, hopefully, for years of pollution going into it.

The effort is commendable, not only because it will stop polluting the river, but because it proposes to rehabilitate it

To understate the case, that is good news.

Everyone involved, from the township supervisors on down the line, deserves a badge of honor -- that is if they don't mind wearing an "I solved the Western Wayne sewage problem" medal on their lapels (or dress collar).

It's nevertheless important we don't let our apathy -- or embarrassment -- over sewers quell the significance of what WTUA is accomplishing.

While sewers may still not make it to the top of the list of scintillating conversation topics, the fact that three townships worked together to solve a decades-long river pollution problem certainly does.



Community opinions

Library plan poorly presented; fresh start needed

EDITOR:

This letter is submitted in reference to an article which appeared in *The Crier* on Feb. 12 entitled "New library facility defended by board."

I would like to point out several areas for citizen consideration regarding the library issue.

Item 1 -- The original study was done in September 1990 by David R. Smith, a librarian, and is entitled "Library Space Needs and Alternatives Study." This study is a very biased document which cites a May 1990 survey of 39 individuals -- 21 from the Dunning-Hough library staff; eight from the library board and 10 library friends.

This study not surprisingly recommends the following "that the present facility not be expanded for a public library use and that library planning be directed at securing an adequate new facility which will meet both present and future needs."

Item 2 -- The U.S. Census Bureau has reported the following Plymouth Township population figures: 1980 -- 23,028 and 1990 -- 23,648. This is a net increase of 620 residents. Is a population of 43,000 as projected by SEMCOG a reasonable figure by 2005 in light of the above population change?

Item 3 -- The study states private fund raising generated from companies and individuals should be considered. Some federal monies are available, however, no State of Michigan funds can be drawn from. The normal burden of cost is generated by the supporting community via an increase in property tax.

Item 4 -- In 1986 "piece-meal construction" at a cost of \$1.5 million was completed. From a review of documents and statements made by

library construction proponents this money was apparently "squandered." Would a better utilization of these funds have been to establish a fund for future construction back in 1986?

Item 5 -- The library plan seems to assume the city and township must share a facility in order to save duplicate services. Why? Livonia, Dearborn and Dearborn Heights maintain multiple sites within their library systems. The city population should remain constant with any future growth to occur in the township. Two sites seem feasible with a future consideration that the city maintain its facility and the township build a future library based on demonstrated need rather than future projected needs.

Item 6 -- The township structures located at Ann Arbor and Lilley roads, I feel, will be relocated by 2000 somewhere in the M-14/Beck Road area. The former Friendly's restaurant to date hasn't been extensively re-modeled as office space and the police department building is inadequate. As Canton did in the 1980s, Plymouth Township, I predict, will move its seat of government to new surroundings. At that time, not now, the building of a new library should be examined.

In conclusion, the library board has poorly presented data regarding the issues, without any citizen input, and has relied on special interest and biased information.

A millage increase placed on a ballot to operate a new facility will be soundly beaten!

Current pursuit of a \$7.5 million facility is premature and should be directly tied to the future seat of government's westward move.

ROGER KEHRRIER

EDITOR:

The Plymouth District Library Board would like to invite interested members of the public to participate in the planning of the proposed new library.

For the past 40 years, the Dunning-Hough building has been added to and expanded. Of the three additions to the original house, two were made in the 1950s, over 30 years ago. The library has three separate heating systems, two separate air conditioning systems and an electrical system that is pushed to its limits.

We have clearly got our money's worth from that building. Further expansion would be disproportionately expensive, and the final results would be functionally unwieldy and expensive to staff and run.

Could we squeeze more function out of our current building? We already have. Our 13,000 square foot building currently holds enough equipment to fill a 26,000 square foot facility. We make each square foot work double time, and we cannot do more.

Clearly, the responsible course of action is to start fresh, with a new building designed to accommodate the needs of our community well into the

next century.

We project that a new building will cost \$7.5 million, or .75 mill. The cost to a homeowner with a \$100,000 market value home would be \$3.31 per month, or \$36.56 per year.

The above figures come from a new information packet released this week by the library. Stop by the library and pick up this report if you'd like to know where we've been, and where we hope to go.

The library board hopes that interested citizens will read this report and offer their suggestions so that the new Plymouth Library will be the best it can be. Registered voters of Plymouth and Plymouth Township will have a chance to vote on the millage for this new facility.

In order to help the voters of Plymouth learn all they can about the proposed new library building, the board members will be available to speak to block clubs, service organizations, and other citizens groups. Also, our meetings are held in the library on the third Monday of every month.

SHERYL TRIPP KHOURY,
PLYMOUTH LIBRARY BOARD

Calls could stop library plan

EDITOR:

It is better to have lectured and lost, than to never have lectured at all. In other words, at least you and your people Craig Fleming, have had an opportunity to use the Plymouth Library.

For the past three years I have tried, quite unsuccessfully, to secure the Plymouth Library for an investment seminar. For every inquiry into space availability I was told, "the library is booked," (I assume this is some sort of librarian pun).

On the one occasion I spoke with head librarian Pat Thomas she informed me that not only was there no room or time available, but they already had someone who does what I do. Pat, my dear, there is no one who does what I do.

The word I hear is that she questions the motives of us stockbroker types.

Granted, our industry did invent program trading and junk bonds. But that is no reason for her to shut us out. Craig, you and your firm have been downtown for many years. My family and I have been in Plymouth since 1963. Now I realize we didn't come over on the Mayflower, but we've been around long enough to establish a fairly decent reputation.

If there is any question as to our professional ethics, Ms. Thomas need only ask around. It's a small town, people know us.

There is a certain irony to all of this. Many of Plymouth's foremost and

influential residents are clients of ours (many more of whom I would like to be clients of mine, but that's another matter).

These people helped establish this community. They supported the building of Dunning-Hough Library. And with any sort of coordinated effort and a couple of phone calls to Margaret Dunning they could probably silence this expansion noise while sunning in southern Florida.

But these people are open to new ideas. I know they are because they attend seminars I hold elsewhere. Yet, if Thomas gets her wish, they may be invited to an investment seminar at the library afeeeeell.

As you know, if there's going to be a new library built Thomas more than likely will have to court Wall Street to sell municipal bonds to pay for the project. She may even suggest that our clients buy some. Wouldn't that be nice.

But, in order to sell everyone about these bonds a seminar would be most appropriate (although I don't know how many people will be interested in a seminar on how to increase their taxes).

And, if I may be so bold, she may even want someone who knows what they're talking about to host it.

This library bond deal sounds too product oriented, like somebody's trying to sell something. However, they have the perfect room for a meeting like this on the second floor of the library they want to tear down.

CRAIG A. BRASS

With malice toward none



"Rumors of my death are greatly exaggerated," -- downtown Plymouth, 1992.

That may well prove to be the post script to an obituary hastily drawn by some who espoused photogenic business transitions downtown as the end of the Earth.

New moves afoot retail-wise -- from men's clothing and cappuccino to coney dogs and country-crafts -- are showing a new face. Landlords and clients alike are making changes.

The downtown is also getting city hall attention. While cynics may argue that the new study group may only produce parking study #127-B, it's at least more

attention than downtown got since the seventh-year in the Reign of Our Henry Graper... five years ago.

Yes, there have been "negative" stories that send chamber of commerce types over to the newspaper for an "editor bashing" session, but the positive stories are there too. It's obviously not the newspaper's fault that the Gloom and Doom Society breakfasting around the Mayflower Hotel round table chooses to dwell on the Chapter 11 possibilities of its host.

The glimmers may be modest, but they're there... the DDA is closer to paradise (whatever that may be).



Public notices

NOTICE

1992 CITY OF PLYMOUTH BOARD OF REVIEW SESSIONS

The Board of Review for the City of Plymouth will begin in the City Commission Chambers of the Municipal Building at 201 S. Main Street on:

TUESDAY, MARCH 3, 1992 FROM 12:00 NOON to 6:00 P.M.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4, 1992 FROM 3:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M.

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A WRITTEN PETITION MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE CITY ASSESSMENT OFFICE before an appointment can be made to appear to protest your property assessment. Petition forms can be obtained at the Assessment Office located on the first floor of the Municipal Building in the latter part of February. We will begin scheduling appointments on February 17, 1992.

THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING A PETITION TO THE ASSESSMENT OFFICE IS 5:00 P.M. ON MONDAY, MARCH 16, 1992.

At this time only the dates listed above have been set aside for the 1992 Board of Review appeals in compliance with the City of Plymouth Charter.

Other meeting dates will be scheduled dependent upon the number of appeals received by the Assessment Department.

Copies of the notice stating the dates and times of additional meetings of the Board of Review will be posted on three or more of the official public bulletin boards of the city as soon as the additional meetings are scheduled and a copy of the notice sent to the local newspapers.

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A resident or non-resident taxpayer may file his or her protest to the Board of Review by petition without the requirement of a personal appearance by the taxpayer, or his or her representative.

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All Board of Review meetings are open meetings in compliance with the "Open Meetings Act."

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TUESDAY, MARCH 10, 1992 9 a.m. until noon and 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Additional meetings will be scheduled, if necessary.

All persons protesting their assessment must complete a petition. You do not have to appear in person to protest your assessment, however, petitions must be filed by 5 p.m. on March 19, 1992. The Board of Review will be held in the building located immediately west of the Township Hall (formerly Friendly Restaurant, 42370 Ann Arbor Road). Petitions will be heard on a first come first serve basis. If you have any questions, please call the Assessor's Office ext 266 or 267.

Publish: February 19, 1992

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF HEARING ASSESSMENT BOARD OF REVIEW

Notice is hereby given that the Canton Township March Board of Review will meet on the following dates and times:

Tuesday March 03, 1992

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING ONLY

9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

HEARING WILL BEGIN AT

10:00 a.m. to 12:00 NOON

1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Monday March 09, 1992

1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

All persons protesting their assessment must complete petitions prior to appearing before the Board. A personal appearance is not required. Petitions may be obtained at the Township Assessor's Office as of February 17, 1992. Our office is located behind the Fire Station at Cherry Hill and Canton Center Roads.

The Board of Review will be held in the Township Hall Meeting Room on the first floor of the Canton Township Hall, at 1150 S. Canton Center Road. The Board will be on a first come first served basis during the above listed dates and times. Please come prepared, as a 5 minute time limit before the Board will be strictly adhered to.

If you have any questions regarding the March Board of Review, you may call Wanda Hamernik, Secretary to the Board of Review, at 961-6400.

Publish: February 12, 1992, February 19, 1992 and February 26, 1992

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH BOARD OF TRUSTEES - REGULAR MEETING TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 1992

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 with Mr. Stewart arriving at 8:00 p.m.

The minutes of the regular meeting of January 28, 1992, were corrected on page 6, last line by inserting "Hollis" after "Thomas" so that the last sentence reads: "Mr. Thomas Hollis" addressed the Board. The clerical error at the top of page 8 was corrected by striking out the lines for the listing of "ayes" and "nays" for Resolution No. 91-01-28-05 and inserting "Ayes all on a roll call vote". With these corrections in the original minutes, Mrs. Hulsing moved to approve the January 28, 1992 minutes. Supported by Mr. Horton. Ayes all.

Mrs. Hulsing asked that the agenda be amended as follows:

Remove

E.1 Gerald Law, Supervisor

Board Resolution honoring Richard Gornick

Resolution No. 92-02-11-06

Tabled to the February 25, 1992 meeting

G.J Community Development

Shirley Barney, Community Development Director

G.J.P.C. No. 1061B/991

Tabled to the February 25, 1992 meeting.

Add

H.5 Gerald Law Supervisor

RE: Review of Cable T.V. Contract

K.A.-13 Thomas Hollis, DPW Manager

RE: announcement that Mr. Richard Fish has been selected to fill the DPW position of Forfeiture.

With those corrections, Mrs. Hulsing moved to approve the agenda as amended. Supported by Mr. Horton. Ayes all.

The Board Resolution honoring Richard Gornick was administratively tabled to the February 25, 1992 meeting.

Supervisor Law presented Award Certificates to the following Bird School students chosen for their outstanding essays and/or notable participation in the D.A.R.E. program: Serie Macozani, Erin Dalton, Mary Smith, Katie Van Leeuwen, Tricia Kelley, Kelly Strope, Damon Pietraz, Jared Nish, Matthew Bush and Kristen Foley.

Supervisor Law presented a representative from WSDP Radio with the following Proclamation:

WSDP RADIO - 20TH ANNIVERSARY

WHEREAS, WSDP Radio, owned and operated by the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools, has served the Township of Plymouth since February 14, 1972, and

WHEREAS, WSDP has provided students in Plymouth-Canton with a first hand opportunity to develop as broadcasters and communicators in an ever expanding world; and

WHEREAS, WSDP has continued to expand its local news and sports coverage to better serve the community; and

Noting that WSDP staff members have received recognition from the Michigan Association of Broadcasters for their commitment to excellence; and

Recognizing the contributions of past station managers Jeff Cardinal, John Seidelman, Andrew Melvin and Dave Snyder as well as past staff members in the development of WSDP; and

WHEREAS, WSDP's contributions have assisted more than 30 past staff members in obtaining jobs in the broadcasting profession; and

FURTHER noting the commitment made by the Plymouth-Canton Schools to the continued success of WSDP. Recognizing the special contributions made by Plymouth-Canton Schools Superintendent Dr. John M. Hobbs to the growth of WSDP throughout the past 20 years.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Charter Township of Plymouth on this 11th day of February, 1992, recognizes WSDP Radio for their 20 years of service to our community. The Township recognizes the ever expanding group of people that have worked to make WSDP successful. The Township looks forward to WSDP's 20th Anniversary serving the community.

The Final Preliminary Plat Approval for Rolling Oaks Subdivision was administratively tabled to the February 25, 1992 meeting.

Mr. Musfath moved to approve the request from Plymouth-Canton Community Schools that the Charter Township of Plymouth collect a smaller property tax levy in 1992 changing the same collection fee as in 1991 (3.15/parcel plus postage). Supported by Mr. Griffith. Ayes all on a roll call vote with Mr. Stewart absent.

Mrs. Hulsing moved to approve the amendment to Ordinance C-92-01, Charter Township of Plymouth Code of Ordinance repealing Chapter 8, Emergency Preparedness and replacing it with the Emergency Management for Second Reading. Supported by Mr. Horton. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

Mr. Musfath moved to approve the amendment to Ordinance C-92-02, Fire Prevention Code Enforcement Ordinance, Chapter 24, Section 2.020 for Second Reading. Supported by Mrs. Brooks. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

Mr. Horton moved to adopt Resolution No. 92-02-11-07 establishing the Charter Township of Plymouth Building Authority. Supported by Mrs. Brooks. Ayes all on a roll call vote with Mr. Stewart abstaining. The entire Resolution is incorporated in the official minutes in the Clerk's Office.

Mr. Griffith moved to approve the recommendation of the fee schedule as presented regarding joint cable negotiations funding proposal made by Canton Township for the Township of Canton, Northville and Plymouth and the Cities of Northville and Plymouth with OMNICO in Supervisor Yack's letter of February 5, 1992 to Supervisor Law. Supported by Mr. Musfath. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

Mr. Stewart moved to approve the proposed schedule of the 1992 Temporary/Seasonal Wage Rates for Township employees as recommended by Cathy Broadhead in her memo to the Board dated February 6, 1992. Supported by Mr. Griffith. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

Mrs. Hulsing moved to approve Ordinance #C-92-03 Massage Licensing and Ordinance as presented for First Reading. Supported by Mrs. Brooks. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

Mr. Horton moved to adopt Resolution No. 92-02-11-08 increasing the present Township Parking Violation Fines. Supported by Mr. Musfath. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

Parking Violation Fines

| Offense | Fine Pointed | \$20.00 Violations | \$25.00 Late Charge Fire Lane |
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| \$35.00 | \$25.00 Late Charge Handicapped | \$75.00 | \$25.00 Late Charge |

Mr. Griffith moved to authorize the Clerk to order the hardware equipment necessary to update the existing Elpac Voting System with the purchase of the Documentation 300 CPU Card Reader, Card Reader Cable and Elpac conversion interface at a total cost of \$7,900.00 from Doubleday Bros. Supported by Mrs. Brooks. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

Supervisor Law asked for comments from the public at 8:30 p.m. A resident asked for an explanation of the Building Authority. Supervisor Law closed the public comment at 8:53 p.m.

Mr. Horton moved to accept and file Communications and Reports as filed. Supported by Mr. Griffith. Ayes all.

It was moved by Mr. Musfath and supported by Mr. Horton that the meeting adjourn at 8:55 p.m. Ayes all. Esther Hulsing, Township Clerk Susan Koch, Recording Secretary Plymouth Charter Township

The foregoing is a synopsis of the minutes of the Board of Trustees held on February 11, 1992. The full text is available in the Clerk's Office for perusal. They will be submitted for Board approval at the next regular meeting on February 25, 1992.

Ordinance change possible

Parking credits at center of debate

BY ANNA MURRAY

The issue of downtown parking has nudged its way to the top of the agenda for both the City of Plymouth and the Downtown Development Authority (DDA).

"Everyone is all hung up on parking credits," said Plymouth City Manager Steve Walters.

If a business does not have enough parking spaces for its customers, as determined by city ordinances, it must pay thousands of dollars to the city.

The original intention of the parking credit concept, Walters said, was to collect fees from businesses and eventually use the money to provide more downtown parking.

Now, Walters said, the validity of the parking credit concept is being called into question.

At last week's DDA meeting, Walters said, the issue of parking was discussed. The DDA approved a plan under which Walters and the city's planning consultant would work together to come up with a recommendation.

The ultimate intention would be to amend the zoning ordinance to require fewer parking spaces per business.

Walters said the justification of such a move is common sense.

"Within the downtown district, the traditional parking standards are too high," he said. Parking overlaps for many

downtown business, he added.

He used the example of a restaurant. Most of the lunch time patrons of a downtown restaurant, Walters said, are people who work in the city and have already parked. They walk to restaurants rather than park there.

By dinner time, he added, as downtown begins to clear, the second wave of restaurant goers arrive, using parking vacated by daytime shoppers and workers.

Restaurants, Walters said, are just one

example of businesses whose parking requirements necessitate closer examination.

When Walters and Don Wortman, the city's planning consultant come up with a plan, it will be presented to the DDA.

The next steps would be for the city planning commission to hold a public hearing to amend the parking section of the zoning ordinance. Then it would come before the city commission for a vote.

While the DDA is attacking the parking problem from its angle, the city commission may be taking another.

Mayor Bob Jones and Mayor Pro-tem Doug Miller wrote the commission a letter introduced at last night's meeting recommending the creation of a parking committee, to include representatives from the planning commission, the DDA, the administration and the commission.

Court addition faces planning comish okay

BY KEN VOYLES

Representatives of the five units of government in Plymouth-Canton-Northville will meet today (Feb. 19) at 1 p.m. in the 35th District Court to consider approval of a floor plan for the proposed addition to the court being planned now that a third judge is expected to be elected to the bench this year.

The floor plan includes modifications discussed at last Wednesday's meeting of the Court Building Authority -- a group made up of representatives from the five governments of Plymouth, Canton, Northville townships and Plymouth, Northville cities.

The court expansion plan will be considered by the City of Plymouth Planning Commission at its next meeting on March 11, said Marion Belding, court administrator.

Belding said the current design calls for adding on to the southside of the Plymouth Road facility. She said the floor plan was adjusted last week after several suggestions by Jim Jabara, a city commissioner in Plymouth.

Also discussed by the building authority was how to address the parking alternatives on the site. One idea called for changing the angle of the baseball field southeast of the court, she said.

Once the current design change is completed architect Erick Carne will draw up the detailed plans from which bid specifications will be developed, said Belding, and presented to the court group at a meeting on March 25. A list of builders is currently being collected and

bids will be let sometime after the meeting, she said.

Belding said she did not foresee any problems getting preliminary approval from the City of Plymouth Planning

Commission.

"We still have to solve the parking problems because that could be an issue," said Belding. "But I don't foresee any problems moving ahead."

Deli deck delayed

The plan by a local deli to erect an outdoor cafe may be losing momentum.

Last week the Plymouth Planning Commission tabled a proposal by the Penniman Deli to construct a deck from the sidewalk into the loading zone in front of the store on Penniman Avenue.

The planning commission was

concerned about the deck possibly being struck by on-coming traffic. It tabled the proposal until some of the safety questions could be answered.

Russell Webster, who owns the Penniman Deli, said it was now questionable whether the outdoor cafe would get off the ground this year.

SMART'S fate debated

The fate of SMART (Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation) service will be discussed Friday (Feb. 21) during a meeting between Matt Wirgau, chair of the SMART board, and the executive committee of SEMCOG.

SMART is currently operating with a \$7.7 million deficit. The SMART board has said unless money can be found to relieve the deficit the transport service will discontinue bus operations March 27.

One local transportation service, Nankin Transit Authority, which serves riders in Canton, will likely be affected by SMART's reduction in service or potential demise.



Public notices

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools invites all certified and interested Companies to participate in a bid for asbestos reinspection services. Those Companies qualified to perform this work may obtain the bid documents at the Plymouth-Canton-Community Schools Purchasing Office, 454 S. Harvey Street, Plymouth, during regular business hours. All bids are due on or before 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, February 25, 1992. The Board of Education reserves the right to accept any or reject all bids, as they judge to be in the best interest of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools.

Lester W. Walker, Secretary
Board of Education

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P-C MEAP test scores above state average

BY JILLIAN BOGATER

With the release of statewide results of MEAP (Michigan Educational Assessment Program) last Tuesday, the test scores show the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools are above average.

"Overall our students performed as well or better than other students in the state," said Michael Homes, assistant superintendent for instruction. "That pattern has remained fairly consistent over the years. Our students seem to do a little better than their peer groups."

"The real message is that improvement is the mandate for Michigan public schools," Homes said. "We're going to do everything here to make sure it happens."

One area the district improved drastically, finding itself 18 points above the state average of a 32 per cent passing rate, was in the seventh grade math section.

The improved seventh grade scores were a result of a new curriculum and textbooks implemented during the 1990-91 school year, said Barbara Church, curriculum coordinator for math and science for the school district.

"We're pleased to be above the state average and especially pleased with the seventh grade results which were considerably above the state average," Church said.

The entirely new math portion of the MEAP test proved most disturbing to some administrators; only 18.7 per cent of 10th grade students statewide passed, 36.3 of fourth graders achieved a satisfactory score and 32 per cent of seventh graders passed.

"One factor is that the MEAP is not always perceived as important by students," Church explained. "Especially compared to ACT and SAT tests, which have an impact on their college placement."

"Also, when students are missing their regular classes, the goal is to get through the test as quick as possible to get back to class because they are missing assignments."

Church said timing, and trying to rush through a test, affect the scores also.

"There's been a feeling with kids that if you can't solve a problem in 30 seconds, then move on, and the questions can't be answered in 30 seconds," she said.

State officials explain the lower test results by higher student expectations on the newly redesigned assessment tests.

The statewide results from the fall MEAP tests "show that we have raised expectations," said Superintendent of Public Instruction Robert Schiller. "The tougher tests our students are now taking reflect a critical need to keep pace with society. It is our students who will benefit in the long run as they become as well prepared as any in the nation."

The percentage of students achieving satisfactory scores on the 1991 science test were 69.4 per cent of fifth graders, 53.5 per cent of eighth graders and 40.3

per cent of 11th graders.

The 1991 reading scores dipped slightly from previous years, as 34.7 of fourth graders achieved satisfactory scores, 29.9 per cent of seventh graders and 38.7 per cent of 10th graders.

Documents released last week by the

Michigan Department of Education cautioned that "the scores must be viewed with the understanding that the MEAP testing system has been totally revamped over the past three years," and that the school curriculums in the state are still catching up.

"The test results show where curricula need to be improved," said State Board of Education President Dorothy Beardmore, "and school districts all across the state are responding by building new curricula to help students become better prepared for the modern work place."



Friends & neighbors

Two pros describe love of sport Local boxers face foes



JEFF STYERS

BY ANNE SULLIVAN

Two local boxers, Jeff "Sweet Ice" Styers and Brett "Irish Hawk" Lally, will be facing off in big matches next month.

Styers will be competing locally, in Livonia, while Lally will travel to Boston for his match.

Styers, of Northville, a 25-year-old ex-Marine, will take it out in his 10th professional fight on March 3, at the Laurel Manor, on Schooncraft Road. His professional record is currently 9-0.

A native North American Indian of the Six Nations Onadoga Iroquois tribe of Brantford Ontario, Styers is currently oscillating between a successful career in sales with Microwave and a professional boxing career.

He currently boxes in the junior middleweight class. He has tried to increase his weight to move into the middleweight class, but has been unable to maintain the additional weight.

"When I was a kid, I saw a Rocky movie, and when I came out, I said I was going to be a world champion boxer," said Styers regarding why he's pursuing a career in boxing. "It's a great goal as a kid, but I followed (through)."

He started boxing when he was 14 years old. His father would drive him to the boxing ring in Detroit, because none was close to his home in Westland.

"My dad took me the first time (to the boxing ring) to teach me a lesson," said Styers. "I got the snot knocked out of me. I think he thought I would quit, but I kept pursuing it."

Styers boxed through junior high and high school. When he graduated he enlisted in the marines because they had a boxing program. One year after enlisting, the Marines dropped the boxing program, and Styers asked for and received an honorable discharge. "My goal was to be a boxer," said Styers.

After leaving the Marines, he boxed for two years as an amateur, then he signed with ABC promotions and turned professional. His manager was Johnny Ace. When Ace died in 1988, Styers had contract problems and gave up boxing.

Styers returned to the ring in 1991, where he knocked out mald Tucker from Milwaukee in the 10th round. His next facoff will be in the ring on March 3, at Laurel Manor.

He is currently being promoted by Brad Lally, Brett's brother, through Golden Boy Production and West Coast Productions, and expects to sign a contract with the law firm of Plunkett & Cooney.

Lally is also busy promoting his brother, whose next big fight is scheduled for St. Patrick's Day (March 17), in Boston at the Boston Square Garden. Brett Lally will be fighting Joey Degradia.

Brett Lally, a Canton resident currently, has been fighting professionally for 10 years, and at age 29, says he has only a few years left in his chosen career.



BRETT LALLY

The youngest boy of eight children, he has one younger sister, Brett Lally says he's been fighting all his life, and his interest in boxing spurred as a youngster when he realized he was winning some fights.

His brother Brad not only promotes his fights and those of other boxers, but according to Brett Lally, "he is my manager, trainer, priest."

Brett Lally competes in the junior middleweight competition and is coming off a disappointing decision against Ted Norris, WBC Champ in August.

"I got caught in the first round, and the ref stepped in," said Brett Lally.

He is optimistic about the upcoming fight in Boston on March 17. His attention is focused on the near future, as he knows his days as a professional boxer are numbered.

"I have a couple years left, and I want a world title," said Brett Lally.

Tell it to Phyllis

By Phyllis Redfern



Barbara L. Ainslie RN, has received her BS Degree in Nursing from the University of Tennessee-Chattanooga, graduating Cum Laude. Along with being on the Dean's List, she received the Golden Key National Honor Society Award and membership in Sigma Theta Tau. She received her RN from DeKalb College in Atlanta. The daughter of Archie and Mary Bunch of Plymouth, she is the mother of three children, Kristin, Melissa and Bryan.

Sue Stone, a 1988 graduate of Canton High School, was recently elected treasurer for Greek Week at MSU. She is treasurer of Alpha Omicron Pi sorority and social chair of the Panhellenic honorary, Order of Omega. She will graduate this year with a degree in accounting.

Liz Koehl is pledging Zeta Tau Alpha at Purdue University. The daughter of Robert and Anne Koehl of Canton, she is a Freshman majoring in Biology.

Laura Rowe, daughter of Richard and Kay Rowe of Canton, was a winner at the Lucille Mehaffie Young Artists Auditions at Kalamazoo College. She was selected to be featured at the Bach Musical Festival in March. A Senior at U of M, she was accepted into the graduate program and seeks a masters degree in music performance.

Christopher Harden, son of Richard and Lynn Harden of Concord Court in Plymouth, has been named to the Dean's List at the Southampton Campus of Long Island University. He is a Freshman majoring in Marine Biology and a 1991 graduate of Canton High School.

Catherine Cutler, of Leicester in Plymouth, is a member of the interscholastic Speech Team at Bethany Lutheran College, Mankato, MN, and of Phi Rho Pi, the national honor society for speech competitors in two-year colleges.

Canton students named to the Dean's List at Grand Valley State University are: Anthonius Collins, Laura Fanslow and Michael Farrell. Plymouth students included on the list are: Samantha McBee and Patrick Sturdy.

Carrie Jessica Bake of Plymouth has been named to the Dean's List at Sweet Briar College in Virginia. A graduate of Greenhills School, she is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bake.

Pvt. Joel Drogosch has completed basic training at Fort Jackson, Columbia, SC. She is the daughter of Donald Drogosch of Plymouth and Janet Kobmann of Canton. She is a 1990 graduate of Canton High School.

Pvt. Jason Stombaugh has completed basic training at Fort Jackson, SC. He is the son of Jack Stombaugh of Briarwood in Plymouth and Jan Altenbach of Ranier in Canton. He is a 1990 graduate of Salem High School.

Area students receiving degrees from Purdue University are: James McCarthy of Clare Blvd. in Plymouth, MS in Mechanical Engineering; and Lem Yeung of Capri in Canton, BS in Engineering.

Donald Harwood of Brookwood in Plymouth was named to the Dean's List at Johnson & Wales University. He is majoring in Restaurant/Institutional Mgt.

Area students named to the Academic Achievement List at Siena Heights College are: Richard Bailey and Robert Nelson of Canton and Cynthia Halleck-Belanger of Plymouth.

Free tax advice available

Senior citizens who need assistance for filing income taxes can find free help in Canton, Plymouth and Northville.

Free income tax assistance for seniors will be available through April 15 through the Tax-Aide program from the American association of Retired Persons (AARP).

Volunteer tax-aid counselors trained by the IRS will operate at the following sites during weekdays:

- Canton Recreation Center, 44237 Michigan Ave., Canton. Monday, 9 a.m. to noon, and Tuesday, 9 a.m. to noon and 1-4 p.m. By appointment call 397-5444.

- Royal Holiday Trailer Park, 39500 Warren, Canton. Thursday, 1-4 p.m. By appointment call 397-5444.

- Northville Senior Center, 215 W. Cady, Northville. Tuesday and Thursday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. By appointment call 349-4140.

- Tonquish Creek Manor, 1160 Sheridan, Plymouth. Tuesday, 9 a.m. to noon and 1-4 p.m. By appointment call 455-3670.

- Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer, Plymouth. Wednesday, 9 a.m. to noon and 1-4 p.m. By appointment call 455-6620.

Home visits for handicap and shut-ins available by calling 397-5444 in Canton, 349-4140 in Northville and 455-6620 in Plymouth.

Those seeking assistance should bring last year's tax returns and all necessary records.

Pow Wow ceremony on tap

An Indian Pow Wow featuring Native American dancing is scheduled for Feb. 21.

The event, which includes performances by the Boy Scouts of the Mahican Chapter, Order of the Arrow fancy dancers with drum and vocal accompaniment, will begin at 7 p.m. at the Plymouth Cultural Center.

Arrowmen of the Ma-Gi-Si O-Paw-

Gan Lodge will also be on hand for the performance.

The Pow Wow is being sponsored by the Dunning-Hough Library in Plymouth.

Registration is required to attend, and will begin Friday at 10 a.m. in the library. Call 453-0750 for additional information.

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To list your group's event in this calendar, send or deliver the notice IN WRITING to: The Crier, 621 Penniman Ave., Plymouth, MI 48170. Information received BY NOON FRIDAY will be used for Wednesday's calendar (space permitting).

CIVITANS ESSAY WRITING COMPETITION

The Plymouth-Canton Civitans annual Citizenship Essay Contest is underway at CEP. The topic is "Mass Media: The Effects on the American Public." Students enrolled in any high school, public, private or parochial within the boundaries of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools district are eligible to enter. Prizes of \$125 for first, \$75 for second, \$50 for third. All entries must be submitted by midnight March 13, 1992, to Jerry Thompson, Canton English, room 224. Call 451-6600, ext. 344. Or contact Joe Henshaw at 453-7569.

FAMILY MILLER WOODS WALKS

Family walks in Plymouth Township's unique Miller Woods will be led by Emily Kennitz and Joyce Holmes the second Sunday of every month through May. Starts at 1 p.m. Each walk will stress a different theme and focus on seasonal changes. The free walks begin at 1 p.m. Meet at the entrance on Powell Road between Beck and Ridge roads. For further information call 453-6912. Kennitz and Holmes at members of the Friends of Miller Woods.

PLYMOUTH ORATORIO SOCIETY

The Plymouth Oratorio Society begins its sixth season May 3 with a performance of Beethoven's "Mass in C" and the "Choral Fantasy." Robert Pratt will conduct. For further information on the group call 761-2991 or 455-6512.

CANTON RED CROSS DONOR CENTER

The Canton American Red Cross Donor Center is located at 6700 Canton Center Rd., in the Westgate Plaza, Canton. The donor site is open from 2-8 p.m. on Monday and Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Friday and 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S THRIFT SHOP

The Presbyterian Women's Thrift Shop located in Plymouth's Old Village will offer expanded hours - Thursdays 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturdays noon to 4 p.m. Proceeds go to support mission work for the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth. Donations of clothing and small household articles are accepted at the shop. For details call 459-1250.

CANTON CHIEF FOOTBALL BOOSTER CLUB

The Canton Chief Football Booster Club meets the second Wednesday of the month at Canton High in room 168. Meetings held at 7:30 p.m. Call 455-2308 to help the booster group.

WINTER WALK PLANNED AT HOLLIDAY PARK

The William P. Holliday Nature Preserve Association will host winter tours March 5 and March 28. For further information about the group or the nature walks call 261-3633. Part of Holliday Park is located in Canton.

PCAC HOLIDAY CARD DESIGN CONTEST

The Plymouth Community Arts Council's (PCAC) design competition for the 1992 Christmas card is now open. Artists can submit a five by seven original sketch, photograph, watercolor or a familiar Plymouth scene. Should be identified as Plymouth or Plymouth Township. Deadline for submitting art work is April 3. Deliver to PCAC, 332 S. Main St., Plymouth, MI, 49170. For further details call 455-5260.

FREE TAX ASSISTANCE FOR SENIORS

Free tax assistance for seniors is available in Canton, Northville and Plymouth, now through April 15. Made possible by AARP. Assistance can be found at the Canton Recreation Center (397-5444); Royal Holiday Trailer Park (397-5444); Northville Senior Center (349-4140); Tonquish Creek Manor (455-3670); Plymouth Cultural Center (455-6620). Home visits for handicap and shut-ins also available by calling the above numbers. Bring last year's tax returns, necessary forms and records.

GUERRILLA MARKETING IN ACTION

"How a Guerrilla Can Improve Your Business," is a marketing seminar planned for Feb. 25 at the Mayflower Meeting House and sponsored by the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce and the Plymouth Downtown Development Authority. Register at 8 a.m., with the seminar from 8:30-11:30 a.m. The cost is 60 for chamber members and \$70 for non-members. Limited seating. For further information call 454-3700. The marketing "boot camp" will be led by Jay Levinson, author of "Guerrilla Marketing" and "Guerrilla Marketing Attack."

COMMUNITY CLOTHING BANK THROUGH SCHOOLS

The Plymouth-Canton Community Clothing Bank is available for residents of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools District who are receiving some form of assistance. Open Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:30 a.m. to noon, the Clothing Bank is located in a portable building behind Central Middle School in the City of Plymouth. Donations are accepted on both days also or they can be delivered on weekdays from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. to the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Warehouse at 180 Adams Street behind the Clothing Bank. For more information call 451-6673.

CANTON ROTARY'S MILLIONAIRE'S PARTY

The Canton Rotary Club presents Millionaire's Party Feb. 28 at the new Hawthorne Valley Golf Course on Warren Road. Runs from 7 p.m. until midnight. The cost is a \$7 contribution, which includes \$5 in chips. The maximum cash prize per person is \$500. Proceeds go to the Canton Rotary Club.

LA LECHE LEAGUE OF PLYMOUTH-CANTON

The La Leche League of Plymouth-Canton will hold a monthly group meeting Feb. 25 at 7 p.m. in the Dunning-Hough Library in the City of Plymouth. For further information call 981-8719.

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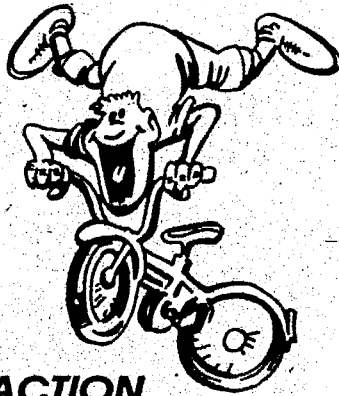
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What's Happening

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INDIAN POW WOW AND DANCING

The Plymouth District Library will host an Indian Pow Wow and program of Native American dancing Feb. 21 at 7 p.m. in the Plymouth Cultural Center. Registration is required and begins Feb. 14 at the library. Call 453-0750. The program is free.

PSO PRESENTS 'MUSIC FOR SWEETHEARTS'

The Plymouth Symphony Orchestra presents "Music For Sweethearts" Feb. 21 at 8 p.m. in the Salem High auditorium. Program includes Prokofiev's "Romeo and Juliet Suite No. 2" and Tchaikovsky's "Romeo and Juliet Overture-Fantasy." Guest artist is John Mohler, clarinetist. Tickets are \$11 adults, \$10 seniors and college students and \$5 for K-12 students. Tickets at Beiter Jewelry, Evola Music Center, Giftfiddler, Dearborn Music, and Bookstall on the Main. Also, at the box office 30 minutes before the show.

IMAGES OF LINCOLN EXHIBIT

The Plymouth Historical Museum has opened a new special exhibit "Images of Lincoln," which includes more than 900 artifacts relating to the life of Abraham Lincoln. The exhibit runs from now through April 12. The museum is open Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday from 1-4 p.m. and Sunday from 2-5 p.m. Admission is \$1.50 for adults and 50 cents for students. Call 455-8940.

SKY WARN CLASS FOR TORNADO SPOTTERS

Ed Barney, of the National Weather Service, will conduct an advance Sky Warn Class for Tornado Spotters Feb. 22 at Plymouth Township Hall. Begins at 9 a.m. Call Charles VanVleck by Feb. 18 at 453-3840, ext. 221.

AUTHOR LUNCHEON BY FRIENDS

The Friends of the Northville, Novi, Plymouth and Canton libraries will host a book and author luncheon March 10 at the Novi Civic Center. Author Ruth Ryan Langan will speak following the luncheon. Tickets are available at all four libraries at \$10 apiece. No tickets sold after March 4. Groups of six to eight may reserve a table. No tickets at the door. Seating begins at 11:30 a.m. with lunch at noon. Call any of the libraries for further details.

CHILDREN'S BOOKMARK CONTEST

The Friends of the Dunning-Hough Library in Plymouth and the Friends of the Canton Public Library have joined to sponsor the annual Children's Bookmark Contest. This year's theme is "Read for the Gold." Open to students in Plymouth-Canton Schools, grades one through nine. Entry forms at either library or local schools. Entry deadline is March 7. Only one design per student is allowed. Awards reception planned for April 8. For further information on entering call 453-0750 or 397-0999.

BUSINESS COMMUNITY WELCOMES CITY OFFICIALS

The Plymouth Chamber of Commerce is hosting a monthly new member coffee Feb. 27 at 8 a.m. It will also be a chance for the business community to welcome newly elected City of Plymouth officials -- Bill McAninch, Doug Miller, Dennis Shrewsbury and Mayor Robert Jones. Call 453-1540. No reservations, no cost. Held at the Plymouth Chamber of Commerce office on Main Street.

VICTORIAN TEA AT SENIOR COMMUNITY

Carriage Park Senior Apartment Community in Canton will be hosting a Victorian Tea March 8 at 2:30 p.m. All are welcome. Enjoy chamber music, tea and crumpets. For more information call Cheri at 397-8300.

MOTHER OF TWINS CLUB

The Plymouth-Canton Mother of Twins Club will be meeting Thursday, Feb. 20 at 7:30 p.m. For more information call Vicki at 722-0248.

LUNCHEON FASHION SHOW

The Nativity of the Virgin Mary Greek Orthodox Church in Plymouth Township is sponsoring a Luncheon Fashion Show at the Laurel Manor in Livonia March 1 at 1 p.m. The theme is "Vision of the Future." For ticket information call 932-1222.

PUBLIC SPEAKING CLUB

The Holy Smoke Masters Toastmasters Club meets at 6 p.m. Thursday in Denny's in Westland. Guests welcome. For information call 455-1635.

PLYMOUTH MAYOR ON WLQV TALK RADIO

City of Plymouth Mayor Robert Jones will be the guest on "Globe Talk" with Lou Farrell Feb. 22 at 11:30 a.m. Farrell's program can be tuned in at 1500 on the AM dial. Jones will talk about Plymouth and there will be a question and answer portion afterwards.

SOFTBALL INFORMATIONAL MEETING IN CANTON

A softball informational meeting for mens, womens, coed 1992 slow-pitch leagues is planned for Feb. 29 at the Canton Administration Building. Topics include entry fees, registration dates and times and residency requirements. Men meet at 10 a.m., women at 10:30 a.m., and coed at 11 a.m. For further information call 397-5110.

HAWTHORN CENTER FUNDRAISER

The Hawthorn Center Association, a non-profit children's psychiatric hospital in Northville, is hosting a fundraiser, the annual juried crafts show Feb. 29 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Northville Community Center. Admission is \$1 at the door. More than 80 dealers from Michigan, Ohio and Canada.

YOUTH CONCERT AT CHURCH

Main Street Baptist Church in Canton will host a concert with Crossfire, a local Christian contemporary music group Feb. 28 at 7:30 p.m. Admission is free but a free-will offering will be accepted. For more information call 453-4785.

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PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY ARTS COUNCIL
 332 S. Main (above Wilks' Pharmacy)
 Plymouth, MI 48170
 Office hours: Mon-Fri, 9-12 noon
 Phone: (313) 455-5260

The Plymouth Community Arts Council (PCAC) is a non-profit group whose purpose is to support and promote the arts in Plymouth and surrounding communities. PCAC offers a variety of Fine Arts and Crafts classes for children and adults. Class size is limited to 12 students unless otherwise indicated.

YOUTH FINE ARTS CLASSES

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| EXPRESSIVE DRAWING (Ages 10-14) Fee: \$36 Thursday, 6:30-8:30 pm, Begins 3/19, 8 weeks. Salem #1210. | POTTERY (Ages 7 and up) Fee: \$47 Materials provided. Tuesday, 4:30-6pm, Begins 3/17, 8 weeks. Salem #1204. |
| FANTASTIC FASHION (Ages 8-11) Fee: \$48 Monday, 4:15-6:15 pm, Begins 3/16, 8 weeks. PCAC. | PRESCHOOL FINE ART SERIES (Ages 4-6) Fee: \$75 Materials provided. Monday, 9:00-11:00 am. Begins 3/16, 8 weeks. PCAC. Limit 6 students. |
| MULTIMEDIA COLLAGE (Ages 10-14) Fee: \$36 Friday, 5:30-7:30 pm, Begins 3/20, 8 weeks. Salem #1210. | SCULPTURE & DRAWING (Ages 9-12) Fee: \$61 Saturday, 9:30-11:30 am, Begins 3/21, 8 weeks. PCAC. |
| OIL PAINTING (Ages 12-18) Fee: \$76 Materials provided. Thursday, 4-6pm. Begins 3/19, 8 weeks. Salem #1210. | WALL WEAVING (Ages 12-16) Fee: \$69 Materials provided. Monday, 6:30-8:30 pm. Begins 3/16, 8 weeks. PCAC. |
| ORIGAMI (Ages 6-9) Fee: \$41 Materials provided. Wednesday, 4:15-6:15 pm, Begins 3/18, 8 weeks. PCAC. | WATERCOLOR PAINTING (Ages 8-12) Fee: \$36 Tuesday, 4:15-6:15 pm, Begins 3/17, 8 weeks. PCAC. |
| PHOTO: NEGATIVES & PHOTOGRAMS (Ages 11-16) Fee: \$36 Thursday, 4:15-6:15 pm, Begins 3/19, 4 weeks. Canton #CV-18. | |
| PHOTO: CONTACT SHEETS & PRINTS (see next column) | |

ADULT FINE ARTS CLASSES (Ages 17 and up)

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| COLLAGE & SCULPTURE IN MIXED MEDIA Fee: \$59 Wednesday, 7:00-10:00 pm, Begins 3/18, 8 weeks. PCAC. | TAKE GREAT PHOTOS Fee: \$28 Tuesday, 6:30-8:30 pm, Begins 3/17, 5 weeks. Canton #CV-18. |
| CREATIVE DARKROOM TECHNIQUE Fee: \$62 Thursday, 7:00-9:30 pm, Begins 3/19, 8 weeks. Canton #CV-18. | WATERCOLOR PAINTING Fee: \$53 Tuesday, 7:00-10:00 pm, Begins 3/12, 8 weeks. PCAC. |
| OIL PAINTING Fee: \$53 Monday, 7:00-10:00 pm, Begins 3/16, 8 weeks. Salem #1210. | WORKSHOP: LETTER ILLUMINATION Fee: \$37 Materials provided. Wednesday, 7:00-10pm, Begins 3/18, 3 weeks. PCAC. |
| POTTERY Fee: \$76 Materials provided. Tuesday, 7-10 pm, Begins 3/17, 8 weeks. Salem #1204. | WORKSHOP: BRASS RUBBINGS Fee: \$37 Materials provided. Wednesday, 7:00-10:00 pm, Begins 4/8, 3 weeks. PCAC. |
| STUDIO: DRAWING/SCULPTING/PAINTING Fee: \$53 Saturday, 10:30-1:30 pm, Begins 3/21, 8 weeks. Wilcox Mill. | WORKSHOP: MATT CUTTING Fee: \$37 Materials provided. Wednesday, 7:00-10:00 pm, Begins 5/8, 3 weeks. PCAC. |

Register in person or use the mail-in registration form below.

Send To: Plymouth Community Arts Council, 332 S. Main, Plymouth, MI 48178

STUDENT NAME _____ AGE _____ PARENT(S) _____
 ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____
 PHONE _____ (H) _____ (W) MEMBER _____ NON-MEMBER _____
 CLASS _____ FEE _____
 MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO PCAC. Thank You.
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WSDP turns 20

A WSDP disc jockey spins records as the student-run radio station celebrated its 20th anniversary last week. (Crier photo by Eric Laskaik)

Could delay City ordinance 'Cruising' teens acquitted

BY ANNA MURRAY
 Four teenagers accused of trespassing in a case characterized as "cruising" were recently acquitted by a jury.
 The move has prompted City of Plymouth officials to reconsider a disorderly conduct ordinance currently in front of the city commission.

Carol Levite, lawyer for the four 17 year olds, said the teens were in the parking lot of Sandy's Fashions in the City of Plymouth June 28, 1991 when they were given tickets for trespassing.

Judge James Garber of the 35th District Court, who heard the case, called the incident "a case of cruising." Levite said. The jury was asked to decide if the property was clearly posted.
 Discussions with the jury after the

trial by both Levite and Ron Lowe, who represented the city, revealed the jury acquitted the teens because they felt the signs indicating private property were not adequate or visible. At one point in the trial the entire jury visited the site.

The ruling prompted a letter from Ron Lowe to the Plymouth City Commission.

Lowe recommended amendments to the disorderly conduct ordinance, which were intended to discourage cruising and which have yet to be adopted, and expanded to place a greater burden on stores to post signs clearly.

The commission was expected to approve a second reading of the proposed amendments to the disorderly conduct ordinance last night.

Canton sump pump

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 sump pumps and remains under the budget established.

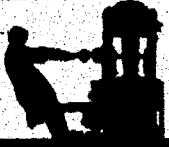
Casari said the figure of 3,000 pumps was reached by applying a formula to reduce the number of gallons flowing through the system when it rains. "We know that if we eliminate a number of gallons from the system it should help if not totally eliminate the flooding," said Casari.

Each sump pump installation reduces the amount of water going into the sewer system to one gallon per minute, said Casari. In a heavy rain the average home puts out six to seven gallons, he said, but the sump "eliminates" five to six gallons and keeps the system from

overflowing.
 Casari said it was important to remember that the program alone will not solve Canton's long term flooding concern.

"This is all being done in conjunction with our sewer improvements," he said, referring to the Western Township Utilities Authority (WTUA) project expected to be complete by 1995.

A downspout extension program, running in conjunction with the sump pump program, is also being implemented. Macchik said that over the past several months the township has installed the flows on Briarfield Street in the Foxbrook Subdivision. But said more rain "events" were needed for the data collection and before extensions are installed.



Public notices

ATTENTION VOTERS!

The State of Michigan has called for a Presidential Preference Primary to be held on March 17, 1992 to allocate Republican and Democratic delegates to the national conventions.

If you have declared a **Democratic Party Preference** prior to February 18, 1992, you may participate in the Democratic Party Primary or the Republican Party Primary. You may request either ballot.

Persons who have declared a **Republican Party Preference** prior to February 18, 1992 may participate in the Republican Party Primary only.

If you have declared **No Party Preference** you may vote in the Democratic Party Primary by declaring Democratic Party Preference. Those wishing to vote in the Republican Party Primary do not need to declare a party preference.

If you have any questions or require further information please contact your local clerk's office.

Esther Hulsing
Plymouth Township Clerk
453-3840
42350 E. Ann Arbor Rd.
Mon. - Fri. 8:00 - 4:30pm

Loren Bennett
Canton Township Clerk
397-5452
1150 S. Canton Center Rd.
Mon. - Fri. 8:30 - 5:00pm

Linda Langmesser
Plymouth City Clerk
453-1234
201 S. Main St.
Mon. - Fri. 8:30 - 5:00 pm

PSO plans show for sweethearts

A romantic evening orchestrated by the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra (PSO) will feature "Music for Sweethearts."

Guest artist John Mohler is the featured artist for the evening. Mohler is presently chair of the Wind and Percussion Instruments Department of the University of Michigan School of Music and has performed with the Philadelphia Orchestra.

Featured works include "Romeo and Juliet Suite No. 2," by Prokofiev; "Concerto for Clarinet and String Orchestra," a Copeland piece; and Tchaikovsky's "Romeo and Juliet Overture-Fantasy."

The concert is scheduled for Friday, Feb. 21 at the Salem High School auditorium beginning at 8 p.m.

Tickets are \$11 for adults, \$10 for senior citizens and college students and \$5 for students K-12.

Reserve seat tickets are available at



JOHN MOHLER

Beitner Jewelry, Plymouth; Evola Music Center, Plymouth; Giftfiddler, Northville; Bookstall on the Main, Northville; Dearborn Music Co., Canton; and the Salem auditorium box office available 30 minutes before the performance.

Junior baseball sign-up

Baseball registration for the Plymouth-Canton Junior Baseball League (PCJBL) will be held March 14 and March 21 at the Canton High School cafeteria.

The junior baseball program is open to

all Plymouth-Canton boys ages seven to 15 and girls seven and 18.

Birth certificates are required at time of registration. Players must meet age requirements as of July 31, 1992.



Places to be

DARE skate planned

The Plymouth-Canton DARE (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) program will host the second annual DARE Skate Saturday, March 7, from 6-11 p.m. at the Skatin' Station in Canton.

Interested skaters need to collect pledges for the fundraiser, equal to \$50 or more, from friends, family, and local businesses, and show up at the roller rink on March 7. Anyone with \$50 in pledges will skate for free.

Enjoy a night of skating, free pizza, chips and pop and a variety of prizes.

Prizes will be awarded for pledge amount: \$50 pledge receives a DARE t-shirt, pledges totaling \$75 receives a DARE baseball cap, \$150 in pledges earns a DARE sweatshirt.

A DARE jacket can be won with \$300 in pledges. Skaters can earn one year of free skating at Skatin' Station with \$400 in pledges. A television or gameboy will be awarded for a \$500 pledge.

Weather service program

Local residents interested in working as tornado spotters now have a chance.

Ed Barney of the National Weather Service will conduct an advanced Sky Warn Class for Tornado Spotters Feb. 22 beginning at 9 a.m. in the Plymouth Township Hall.

Residents are needed by Plymouth Township and communities in North West Wayne County to assist in the tornado warning system.

The team sign-up, partial spotting

post assignments and local operating procedure training will commence after the Sky Warn Training.

Local procedures require spotters to respond to their assigned spotting post each time there is a tornado watch.

Those interested must contact the Plymouth Township Office of Emergency Management no later than Feb. 18 between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Call Charles VanVleck at 453-3840, ext. 221.

Meet City elected officials

The business community of the City of Plymouth will host a welcoming for the newly elected mayor and commissioners, Thursday, Feb. 27, from 8-9 a.m. at the Plymouth Chamber of Commerce Office on Main Street.

The public is invited to welcome Robert Jones into his new position as

mayor, and newly elected commissioners Bill McAninch, Doug Miller and Dennis Shrewsbury, at the monthly new member coffee and business card exchange.

No reservations are needed and there is no charge for the event.

For further information call 453-1540.

'Alice' performance planned

The American Association of University Women (AAUW) will present five performances of "Alice in Wonderland" at the Salem High auditorium.

The first show will be Thursday, March 5, at 7:30 p.m., while Friday night's performance will also be at 7:30

p.m. There will be three shows on Saturday, March 7 — 10 a.m., 1 p.m. and 3 p.m.

Tickets are \$2 each and are available at all elementary schools in Plymouth-Canton on today and tomorrow (Feb. 19-20) and at the Rainbow Shop Friday, Feb. 21.

War tactics for business

An upcoming seminar will show area business owners how to take on marketing like a guerrilla.

"How a Guerrilla Can Improve Your Business" is the topic of a seminar scheduled for Feb. 25 at the Mayflower Meeting House starting at 8 a.m.

The event is sponsored by the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce and the Plymouth Downtown Development Authority (DDA).

The presenter for the seminar is Jay Conrad Levinson, a successful author, award winning advertising executive, nationally-syndicated columnist and president of Jay Levinson and Partners. He hosts "guerrilla" workshops on a regular basis.

This is his only scheduled Michigan appearance.

The cost for the seminar is \$60 for chamber members, \$70 for non-members and \$55 for additional employees from a workplace.

The first 100 people also will receive a free copy of "Guerrilla Marketing Attack," by Levinson.

For further information call 453-1540.

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McGuffie, GM welder

Thomas H. McGuffie, 48, of Allen Park, died Jan. 23 at home. Funeral services were held Jan. 27 at Thomson-Weise Funeral Home in Allen Park with the Rev. Troy O. Douthat officiating. Interment was in Riverside Cemetery, Plymouth.

Mr. McGuffie was employed as a welder repairman for General Motors. He was a former resident of Plymouth.

Survivors include: wife Marie; daughter Stephanie; sons Sean Thomas, Stephen and Christopher Feldt; mother Ottilia McGuffie; sister Joyce Woznick; brother Ross McGuffie.

Michel, GM seamstress

Mary Michel, 87, of Livonia, died Feb. 2 at home. Funeral services were held Feb. 5 at St. Michael Catholic Church, Livonia with Monsignor William J. Sherzer officiating. Interment was in Parkview Memorial Cemetery, in Livonia.

Ms. Michel was a retired seamstress for General Motors Corporation and was a member of St. Michael Catholic Church in Livonia.

Survivors include: nieces Betty Cunningham, of Plymouth, Connie Hamann, of Garden City, Catherine Miller, of Plymouth, and several other nieces and nephews.

Arrangements were made by Lambert-Vermeulen, A Trust 100 Funeral Home in Plymouth.

Arthur, a homemaker

Marion M. Arthur, 86, of Plymouth, died Jan. 25 at home. Funeral services were held Jan. 28 at Lambert-Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home with Dr. Frederick C. Vosburg and the Rev. Kevin Miles officiating.

Mrs. Arthur was a homemaker. She also was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Plymouth.

Survivors include: her husband Gordon, of Plymouth.

Memorials may be sent to the American Diabetes Association.

Arrangements were made by Lambert-Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home.

Holliday, administrator

Paul Holliday, 61, of Plymouth, died Jan. 27 at University Hospital in Ann Arbor. Funeral services were held Jan. 31 at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church with the Rev. James Wysocki officiating. Interment was in Riverside Cemetery, Plymouth.

Mr. Holliday worked as a nursing care administrator. He was a member of Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church and of the VFW Mayflower Lt. Gamble Post 6695.

Survivors include: wife Colleen, of Plymouth; son Court, of Plymouth; daughter Julia Walker, of Dunlap, TN; mother-in-law Rena Meyers, of Plymouth; and five grandchildren.

Memorials may be sent to the American Heart Association of Michigan.

Arrangements made by Lambert-Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home.

Harrison, merchants prez

Betty J. Harrison, 66, of Plymouth, died Jan. 27. Funeral services were held at St. John Episcopal Church in Plymouth with the Rev. Robert Shank, Jr. officiating. Burial was in Cadillac Memorial Gardens in Westland.

Mrs. Harrison was manager of the Gala Hallmark shop in Briarwood Mall, Ann Arbor for 18 years. She was president of the Merchants Association of Briarwood, and also held positions as vice president and treasurer since 1976.

Survivors include: husband Burton; brother W. Douglas Quakenbush, of New York; daughters Barbara Saxton, of Ypsilanti, and Catherine Walker, of Redford; sons Thomas, of Florida and James, of Lansing; and three grandchildren.

Memorials may be sent to the McAuley Cancer Fund, Individualized Home Nursing Care, Inc.

Warner, county counselor

H. Robert "Bob" Warner, 68, of Plymouth, died Jan. 30 in Ann Arbor. VFW memorial funeral services under the auspices of the Mayflower Lt. Gamble Post No. 6695 were held Feb. 3 at the Schrader Funeral Home. Burial was in Riverside Cemetery.

Mr. Warner was a retired child guidance counselor in Wayne County. He moved to Plymouth more than 30 years ago. He was a member of the VFW Post 6695, Plymouth and of the American Legion. He was a veteran of World War II.

Memorials may be sent to the VFW National Home, c/o VFW Post 6695, 1426 Mill, Plymouth, MI 48170.



Community deaths

Berry, owned fruit farm

Rose L. Berry, 79, of Whitmore Lake, died Feb. 6 in Ann Arbor. Funeral services were held Feb. 8 at the Schrader Funeral Home with the Rev. Gary Balfour officiating. Burial was in Forest Hills Cemetery, Ann Arbor.

Mrs. Berry owned and operated the Plymouth Fruit Farm at Five Mile and Bradner roads in Plymouth for 30 years. The farm was sold 20 years ago. She was a resident of Ann Arbor for 20 years, a resident of Plymouth from 1944 to 1972 and lived in Detroit prior to this. Mrs. Berry was a member of the Ann Arbor United Methodist Church and was active in the Ann Arbor Salvation Army. She has donated church organs to many state prisons and also donated an organ to Mercywood. She planted trees at St. Joseph Hospital in her and her husband's name.

Survivors include: son Errol Berry, of Stockbridge; daughter Dawn George, of Coventry, RI; sister Sadie Messado, of Chicago; brother Michael Lyubenovich, of Detroit; and five grandchildren.

Memorials may be sent to the Salvation Army, 100 Arbana, Ann Arbor, MI 48103.

Godshalk, sales clerk

Evelyn P. Godshalk, 68, of Elkhart, IN, died Jan. 27 in Elkhart. Funeral services were held Feb. 1 at Oakland Hills Memorial Gardens Chapel with the Rev. Kenneth Lister officiating. Burial was in Oakland Hills.

Mrs. Godshalk was a retired sales clerk for Robertsons and co-owner of Godshalk Nurseries in Elkhart, IN. She attended Beulah Missionary Church. She also was a former resident of Farmington and Plymouth.

Survivors include: sons Joseph C. Smith, of Mesa, AZ, and Earnest G. Smith, of Plymouth; daughter Karen Godshalk, of Elkhart; step sons John Godshalk, of Sturgis, and Stanley Godshalk, of Elkhart; brother Melvin Colburn, of Standish; and four grandchildren.

Local arrangements were made by the Schrader Funeral Home, Plymouth.



Your Guide to Worship

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459-0013

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(one mile west of Sheldon)
453-5252

Sunday worship 8:30 & 11:00 am
Family Sunday School Hour 9:45 am
Rev. K.M. Mehl, Pastor
K.N. Hinrichs, Vicar

Calvary Baptist Church

43065 Joy Road, Canton
455-0022

Dr. David A. Hay, Senior Pastor

Sunday School for All Ages 9:45 am
Sunday Services 11:00 am, 6:00 pm
Wednesday Bible Study & Clubs 7:00 pm

Plymouth Christian Academy 459-3505

Downtown business far from death's door

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"I'm also very proud of my Ann Arbor Road group," said Toney. Many stores on Ann Arbor Road, she said are working together and with the chamber to improve business.

The Penniman Deli has plans to build an outdoor cafe, she added, though the project may be stalled at the moment before the city planning commission.

And the Box Bar, Toney said, has some plans for change in the making. "But Chip [Falcusan] hasn't revealed it yet," she said.

As some businesses try to change the recent depressing predictions about Plymouth, government leaders are letting business owners know they are concerned.

Plymouth City Mayor Bob Jones and Mayor Pro-tem Doug Miller recently wrote a letter about downtown business to the city commission and introduced it at last night's meeting.

In the letter Jones and Miller said they wanted city government to assist failing local businesses, accelerate plans to help business and relieve anxious feelings over downtown business.

They expressed the need for leadership in the movement to revitalize downtown.

"We're trying to communicate to business we're concerned about the viability and health of the business community," Jones said in an interview.

Jones said he wanted to formalize a

process by which city officials would visit downtown businesses more often. He also recommended the creation of a parking committee to study the troublesome issue of parking downtown.

Jones said the city, the chamber and the DDA would need to work together to educate and direct downtown business owners.

One item that will help, Jones said, is a study by Hyatt Palma, the consulting group hired by the DDA to study downtown Plymouth and give recommendations for action.

The study, said Jones, will be released to the DDA next week and will be presented to the general public in less than a month.

While the city commission tries to forge more ties with the business community, the DDA is trying to educate business to increase their chances of survival.

City Manager and DDA Director Steve Walters said, "Marketing is the whole thing."

"Downtown can't rely on foot traffic: to bring in customers any more," he said. "You have to contact and entice your customers."

To show businesses how to do that, the DDA is sponsoring a "Guerrilla Marketing" seminar to teach businesses aggressive marketing techniques.

Though Walters conceded interest in the Feb. 25 seminar has been less than what was hoped for, he said those that do come will learn how they can compete with the malls for the customer's dollar.

Walters added some very successful downtown businesses are already employing modern marketing methods such as direct mailing and intensive customer service plans.

At Sideways, a gift shop on Forest Avenue, Sharon Pugh said she sends out thousands of direct mail pieces and

specialty mail to customers who collect certain items.

Pugh keeps track of what her customers like to buy and bases her direct mailing on her records. If a person consistently buys from her teddy bear collection, she says, she will call or drop a note to let the patron know a new item is in.

"You have to listen to the local market," she said. To do this Pugh said she constantly changes her displays so the customers have "new things to look at every time they walk through the door."

Long hours are another key to attracting business, said Pugh.

"The statistics say 72 per cent of women work outside the home," she said. "And of that number 93 per cent do all the buying for the family."

To Pugh that means being open nights, Saturdays and Sundays.

Pugh said if the DDA could organize nights when all Plymouth stores would

be open, "it would probably be the greatest coup anyone could ever pull."

Many retailers, Pugh said, are too idealistic, and may not realize they need a business plan and some training in marketing.

Pugh said her sales have consistently risen between six and 12 per cent a year, with the greatest increase of 12 per cent this past year.

Michelle Suttle of Georgia's Gift Gallery on Forest Avenue said "Our mailing list is one of the biggest things that helps business," she said. Her shop is also open seven days a week with late shopping hours.

"We also do promotions," she said. "When my brother turned 30, customers got a percentage off if they brought him in a birthday card."

Walters said he hoped businesses would begin to see that the DDA and the city want to assist businesses to be able to stay in downtown Plymouth.

Country Charm sets the pace

BY ANNA MURRAY

A birthday card falls out of a pile of mail and floats to the floor. "Happy birthday from Country Charm," it says. The question: "How did they know it was my birthday?"

Jane Bird says she is tickled when she can surprise a customer like that. When a customer pays by check, she says, a Country Charm clerk will sneak the birth date off the driver's license. Then the store will send a birthday card—as it does to all its customers—but this one is completely unexpected.

It's all part of a marketing strategy of direct mail, promotion and customer service that Country Charm and several other downtown Plymouth businesses are employing to cultivate clientele and fend off the influences of recession. So while some businesses are shutting shop, others like Country Charm are enjoying yearly sales increases of as much as 20 per cent.

The Downtown Development Authority (DDA) and the City of Plymouth are trying to reach other businesses in an education campaign to stave off what some perceive as the downward slide of town business. Many downtown watchers already see some stores out in front in modern marketing methods.

"What we have to ask," said Lee Harrison, chairperson of the DDA, "is are businesses doing okay, and how are they doing it?"

Larry Bird who runs Country Charm with his wife Jane says the answer is in the mailbox. "We sent out 90,000 pieces of mail last year," he said. Country Charm is attracting attention recently because of its planned move to the prominent former Del's location on Main St. -- a shift that will triple their size and bring a thriving business to a vacant store.

But Bird says whether Country Charm is on Main St. or off the beaten path on Penniman, the key to good business is to "remind the customer you're there."

Whenever a customer buys something in Country Charm, his name and birthday are recorded as well as the type of item bought.

The Birds say they get a 10 to 15 per cent response rate from the birthday cards they send out. "But one mailing piece we sent got a 65 per cent response rate," Larry Bird said.

While mailings bring customers into the store, Jane Bird says she and her staff have to work to serve those customers. Larry Bird shows a folder thick with customer special requests.

By listening closely to customers the Birds discovered their most lucrative product line. "When we first opened in 1987," Jane Bird said, "people would come in and ask, 'do you have little wooden houses?'"

"And I thought, 'What are little wooden houses?'"

Soon the Birds found out and became retailers of a line of collectible houses that has them shipping to customers as far away as Uruguay and Australia. They had a line of Plymouth houses and Greenfield Village houses made and will soon introduce a reproduction of the Geer School.

The Birds also do telemarketing and have a 1-800 number.

The floor plan of the new Country Charm on Main St. provides small rooms carved out of the 3,200 square feet of the old Dell's store. The plan, the Birds say, will preserve the quaint, fragrant ambience of the Penniman location, by dividing up the larger space into smaller units.

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Sports



Left, Canton wrestler Dave Smith tries to get back up against his Livonia Franklin opponent. Right, J.J. Hull of Salem surrounds Churchill's defendant. (Crier photo by Eriq Lukasik)



Rocks take 5th

Canton grapplers finish 4th in leagues

BY JAY KEENAN

Canton's wrestling team capitalized on its available assets at the 12-team Western Lakes Activities Association (WLAA) Conference meet Saturday at Walled Lake Western.

The Chiefs, who had to make due without wrestlers in four of the 13 weight divisions, managed to place eight individuals in the top six en route to a fourth place finish with 125.5 points.

Farmington High captured the league crown with 172 points followed by Western with 155, and Westland John Glenn with 133. Defending league champion Salem High, which has been plagued by injuries in several key spots, took fifth with 115.5 points.

For Canton, coached by Ray Givens, it was the first finish at a league tournament in years. As if that wasn't enough, the Chiefs were able to overcome voids at the 112, 119, 189 and heavyweight classes, while their two league champions managed to hurdle a recent injury and illness.

"I thought the guys that we kind of depended on all season showed their stuff," said Canton assistant coach Jim Eddy.

At 130, Nick Spano captured the league crown when he pinned Northville's

Dave Kovalovich in the championship match at 2:40. Spano, who is conquering a knee injury suffered two weeks ago, was nonetheless impressive as he pinned Livonia Franklin's Kevin Smith (355) and Farmington's Matt Smith (2:40) earlier in the day.

Canton's other titlist was George Young, a standout at 171. Young battled through an illness and held off Farmington's Ryan Adams in the finals, 7-3.

"George was operating at about 70 per cent," said Eddy. "But we've said to the kids all season, 'what happens and it's the state meet and you're sick that day."

Salem also came away with two conference champions -- Scott Martin (119) and Dan Bonnett (126).

Martin defeated Walled Lake Western's Benji Kim in his final match, 6-0 to seal the victory. Martin won his first two matches on fall.

Bonnett wasted no time in his championship quest, as he won all three of his matches on early pins capped by a victory over Northville's Matt Allison at 1:35.

At 152, Canton's Joe Hunter turned in two superb victories before being stopped in the championship match by Mike Reeves of Glenn 10-3.

The Chiefs also got strong performances out of Jerry Flynn (135) and Andy Strahan (103), who both won their consolation matches, good for third place.

Other Canton wrestlers who placed included Kevin Pavlov (140), fourth; Chris Christesen (160), fifth; and Dave Smith (125), sixth.

Salem came away with two runner-ups in the tournament. They were Jeff Shumate (15) and Phil Haynes (heavyweight), who were both 2-1 on the day.

The Rocks also garnered a fifth place performance from Tally Sny (171) and sixth place showings from Brian Harreld (112) and Dan Phillips (130).

Canton also had several members from its "B" unit compete in the junior varsity league finals. In that tournament, Justin Sarrach took first place at 152 pounds.

On Thursday, the Chiefs competed in a WLAA division crossover match against Glenn and lost, 49-15.

Winners for Canton included Strahan, Flynn and Christesen.

Canton and Salem will now compete in the team-district tournament today (Feb. 19) at Belleville.

The Chiefs will face the winner of the Ypsilanti-Ann Arbor Pioneer match in

the semi-finals at 5 p.m. The Rocks, meanwhile, are scheduled to face Belleville in their bracket of the semis at the same starting time.

Both teams will then compete in the individual district finals at Walled Lake Western, which will take place all day Saturday. That tournament features representatives from 18 teams.

Tankers sluggish

BY ANNE SULLIVAN

It was a disappointing score for the Salem swim team, but the Rocks' performance was better than any they had at an away meet.

"The score wasn't real pretty," said Salem coach Chuck Olson, but he felt his team did a good job swimming.

The Rocks were defeated 126-59 by Stevenson.

Steve Salhaney captured the only first place for Salem, earning 264.75 points diving, giving one of his better team scores.

"We didn't swim bad, it just wasn't what we had to swim to compete (against Stevenson)," said Olson.

Brett Petroskey swam his personal best this year in the 200 yard freestyle with a time of 1:58.27.

Beat Salem, Farmington Canton hoopsters roll

BY ANNE SULLIVAN

It was a vigorous week of play on the basketball court last week as the Canton and Salem teams faced off in the Salem gym Tuesday, and each headed into competition again Friday.

The Canton squad chalked up two wins, defeating cross campus rival Salem 67-64, and traveled to Farmington, where the Chiefs beat division rival, Harrison, 53-48 Friday night.

With the win over Harrison, the Chiefs secured at least a tie for division champions. The Chiefs will face Livonia Franklin Friday. A win over Franklin will give Canton sole ownership to this year's division title.

With 10 consecutive wins under their belt, the Chiefs now hold a 12-3 overall record. They are undefeated in conference and division play, holding a 9-0 record in the Western Lakes Activities Association, and a 4-0 record in the Western division.

It was consistent play, and keeping their sites set on their goals that led the Chiefs to victory over Salem. Trailing by 11 at half time, the Chiefs didn't attain the lead until five minutes were left to play.

"Salem deserves a lot of credit, they played well," said Dave Van Wagoner, Canton coach. "In the second half, Derrick (McDonald) took over and scored 18 points. He's an excellent fourth quarter basketball player. He won a lot of games for us in the fourth quarter, and this was one of them."

It was a close match in the first quarter of play as Salem took a one point lead, tossing in 11 to Canton's 10.

The lead spread in the second quarter as the Rocks outscored the Chiefs by 10, tossing in 23 points and holding Canton to 13. Ending the half with an 11 point lead, 34-23.

The tables turned in the second half. The Chiefs pumped up their play and outscored the Rocks 20-14. It wasn't enough to take the lead, as the Canton hoopsters ended the third quarter trailing Salem by five, 48-43.

In the final quarter of play, the Chiefs showed what they were made of, tossing in 24 points in their highest scoring quarter of the game. Salem tossed in 16.

McDonald lead the game in scoring for the Chiefs, tossing in 28 points, his all time high.

Hal Heard tossed in 16. Mike Brennan added eight and Owen Crosby contributed six. Crosby grabbed the most rebounds for the Chiefs, snatching 10.

Four Salem hoopsters scored double digit figures for their team.

Mike Abraham led the Rocks with 18 points. Mike Sloane tossed in 14. Eric Stemmer contributed 11 points to the game, and Bobby Schneider added 10.

James Head led the Rocks in rebounds, grabbing 14.

"In the first half, we played real intensive, solid basketball," said Bob Brodie, Salem coach. "We forced some shots they didn't want to take and our defense did a good job. In the second half, they did a great job offensively. They got

a lot of key buckets from a lot of people. (Owen) Crosby and (Mike) Brennan got some key baskets off of offensive rebounds.

"It wasn't one thing, we were leading until five minutes were left. They're a talented team, they kept themselves in the game (and took it) in the end."

Van Wagoner was pleased his team came out on top. "We knew it would be a tough game, and we hoped to win. Salem is a good team. Our guys had enough to pull it out at the end."

Earning a victory in a tough match against the Rocks wasn't all that was in store for the Canton hoopsters. They headed into another battle of equal or greater consequence.

The Chiefs faced off against a division contender on their opponents home court, and walked away with a 53-48 win, in what coach Van Wagoner calls a "total team victory."

"Low scoring games are not unusual (in a division title battle)," said Van Wagoner. "It was a very physical, emotional, hard fought game. We now have 10 wins in a row, that's quite an accomplishment."

"By beating Harrison, we wrapped up a share of the division championship," said Van Wagoner.

This title holds significant importance to the Canton coach. It is the first time the Chiefs will have won the division championship since coach Van Wagoner returned to the team three years ago. He had coached the Canton hoopsters from 1980-85, and the team won the division championship four times.

Conference playoffs begin Friday of next week (Feb. 28), at the Canton gym for the Western Lakes Activities Association Conference Championship.

Salem is now 9-5 overall, 6-3 in conference play, and 3-1 in the Lakes Division.

Chief swimmers

BY ANNE SULLIVAN

The Canton swim team entered competitors in 10 events at the Michigan Interscholastic Swim Coaches Association (MISCA) meet Saturday. The Chiefs brought home two medals, set one varsity record and qualified for the state meet in two events.

The relay team of Craig Steshetz, Mike Orris, Pat Lancaster, and Jeff Clark set a new varsity record in the 200 yard freestyle relay, completing the race in 1:31.09. This time qualified the team for the state meet.

Orris earned a medal in the 200 yard freestyle, swimming his personal best in the event in 1:48.65.

Jeff Clark swam his personal best in the 100 yard freestyle, completing the race in 50:65, bringing home a medal from this event. Clark also brought home a medal in the 50 yard freestyle, and qualified for the state meet in this event with a time of 22:63.



Salem's Mike Abraham looks for an open man against Canton last week. (Crick photo by Eriq Lukaski)

CEP gymnasts 1, 2 at Freeland

BY ANNE SULLIVAN

The Salem and Canton gymnastics teams headed north, to Freeland, Saturday to compete in the Freeland Invitational, and came home with first and second place finishes, respectively.

The performances Saturday placed the Rocks as the number one ranked team in the Detroit Free Press rankings, and put Canton in the number two spot.

Going into the meet, Muskegon Mona Shores was the favorite. With one of their favored gymnasts competing out of town, Salem, Canton, Freeland and Troy Athens handily upset them.

It was a very competitive meet in Freeland, with less than four points separating the 2-5 places. The first through fourth, and the number six ranked state teams competed in Freeland Saturday.

Salem walked away with a hefty win, beating second place Canton by more than six points.

Salem and Canton were the only teams to score in the 140s. In first place, Salem earned 146.55 points. Canton finished with a total score of 140.25, 1.05 points ahead of the third place finisher.

Salem had an exceptional meet. Alysia Sofios finished first in the all around

with a 37.35 final score, and ended with two second place finishes, one fourth place and one fifth place. Courtney Gonyea captured two first places.

Salem dominated the vault, capturing first, second and fourth place. Gonyea earned a 9.5 for Salem, capturing first place. Sofios finished second with a 9.4.

Canton's Kim Rennolds finished in fifth place with a 9.3. Autumn Bunch took eighth place with a 9.2 for Salem.

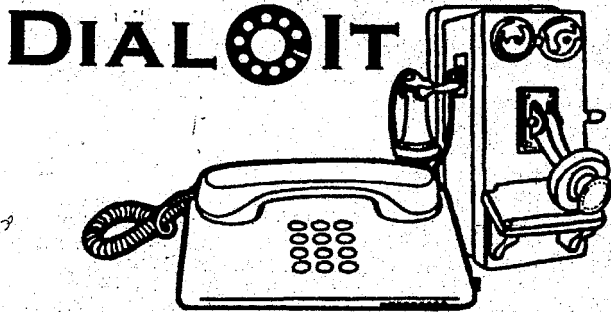
For Canton, in the all around, Rennolds finished in eighth place with a 35.8. Tedesco took 11th with a score of 35.35.

"Salem was not catchable," said John Cunningham, Canton coach. "They were well in front of us, we loss by six points, we were never in contention for first place, but it was a real dog fight for second."

The rivalry between Canton and Salem gymnastics teams is an unusual form of rivalry. It's there, but it's not there.

"At the end of the meet, the girls did a CEP (Centennial Educational Park) cheer," said Cunningham. "That was really neat. Of course they didn't understand it up there (Freeland), but the Canton and Salem parents like it."

Canton and Salem will be facing each other in dual meet competition this Monday (Feb. 24).



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Canton leads drive for joint cable talks

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meeting with Omnicom off and on since last November.

"Just having Plymouth Township come along gives us another big percentage of their subscribers," said Yack, adding that the two communities comprise about 75 per cent of the total Omnicom subscription. There are more than 9,000 in Canton alone.

Yack added, "There is room for whatever people want to achieve from this.

"We'll negotiate as a consortium but each community may also have their own requirements under the franchise."

Under a consortium plan Canton would continue to work with Municon's Larry Monroe and complete the cable ordinance and a basic franchise agreement. Other communities would then have to "personalize" their own agreements but would be able to use Canton's model ordinance.

Yack said Omnicom officials seemed "supportive" of the plan to negotiate with a consortium.

"I was pleasantly surprised and gratified," he said. "They save money, we save money. We are, after all, one big Omnicom community.

"We couldn't have done this if we were still bickering over Mettetal Airport," Yack continued. "I have to give Gerry Law a lot of credit for saying no to Omnicom when they went to him and said they could use the ordinance we spent money developing.

"And Omnicom has certainly turned around in their attitude."

Yack said Canton is prepared to set aside the issue of costs for developing the ordinance to advance the cooperative venture. Some of the smaller communities believe that the funding formula should be based solely on subscribership.

Yack, in a letter to Law dated Feb. 3, said that Canton "must assert its lead role" in negotiating by virtue of its large number of subscribers and the money it has spent on the cable ordinance.

Law said last week that the consortium plan seemed like a good idea, partially because it would save the township money.

Canton has already spent \$54,500 for Municon's work on the ordinance.

According to a proposed financial arrangement, Canton would pay 45.9 per cent of that cost if all five communities join the negotiating process, while Plymouth Township would pay 22.1 per

cent.

Northville Township and the cities of Plymouth and Northville would pay 16.5 per cent, 9 per cent and 6.3 per cent, respectively.

Yack said it probably wasn't necessary for the communities to draw up a formal contract but a meeting to develop lines of communication and a timetable of activities is a priority.

Phil LaJoy, a member of Canton's Board of Trustees and the Canton cable committee, said talks between Municon, Omnicom and Canton would likely be wrapped up this week.

The parties have been talking since November when a new cable regulatory ordinance was unveiled in Canton.

The ordinance, prepared by Municon and designed to regulate a variety of cable issues such as consumer protection, franchise fees, operation procedures and construction practices, drew flak from Omnicom.

Omnicom officials said the new ordinance would impose financial burdens on the firm as well as break the original 1980 franchise agreement.

Passage of the new ordinance was

delayed at the time to give Omnicom a chance to sit down with Canton officials and members of the cable committee.

Yack said Canton is "eager" to renew its meetings with Omnicom to agree on the new model cable ordinance, but he said the township will wait until after all of the communities had decided whether or not they wanted to join the talks.

Twp. cable hearing

A March 12 public hearing is planned in Plymouth Township from 7-9 p.m. to obtain input to use during the upcoming cable television franchise agreement talks with Omnicom.

The hearing will be held at the Plymouth Township Board room and is open to all residents of the community.

A cable survey is also being undertaken by the township in an effort to garner further input from local residents.

The survey - available at township hall - must be returned by March 2.

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"A well-regulated militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep & bear Arms, shall not be infringed." - 2nd Amendment

Joe - It's great having you here. Thanks for the help, Phyllis.

Kevin asked Nicole out! What did Nicole say? Yes or no. She said yes, Mom said no.

THE MAN IN THE GLASS - When you get what you want in your struggle for self, And the world makes you long for a day, Just go to a mirror and look at yourself, And see what that man has to say.

For it isn't your father or mother or wife Whose judgement upon you must pass, The fellow whose verdict counts most in your life is the one staring back from the glass.

You may be like Jack Horner and chisel a plum And think you're a wonderful guy, But the man in the glass says you're only a bum if you can't look him straight in the eye.

He's the fellow to please - never mind all the rest, for he's with you clear up to the end, And you've passed your most dangerous, difficult test if the man in the glass is your friend.

You may feel the whole world down the pathway of years And get pale on the back as you pass, But your final reward will be heartaches and tears if you're the man in the glass.

Author Unknown

Bob, the Valentine was the hearts of many - the card was to end - Your loving sister

Does "true love" exp creativity?

Send your thoughts for Joseph!

Curiosities

Congratulations Erik! Seventh place in Edison Elementary School spelling bee!

MARYANN - Mark said you'll do just about anything to get some Valentine flowers.

Mary Ann Valente, hope you're feeling better real soon!

BIG MARK - little mark!

Lisa should take the flowers off her black dress.

Maria likes Englebert Humperdink!

ATTITUDE - The longer I live, the more I realize the impact of attitude on life. Attitude, to me is more important than facts. It is more important than the past, than education, than money, than circumstances, than failures, than successes, than what other people think or say or do. It is more important than appearance, giftedness or skill. It will make or break a company... a church... a home. The remarkable thing is we have a choice every day regarding the attitude we will embrace for that day. We cannot change the inevitable. The only thing we can do is play on the one string we have, and that is our attitude... I am convinced that life is 10% what happens to me and 90% how I react to it. And so it is with you... we are in charge of our attitudes.

Are those wedding bells I hear ringing?

Ron - What's new on the house this week?

John & Dick - Nice chatting with you last week!

"MY TROOPS need to sleep." - Gen. Sally Repeck on Risk at 1 a.m.

Curiosities

MOM & DAD ON MELTON: Wasn't that a great dinner? See you Friday!

Congratulations to Bob & Mark Carrigan on their grand opening celebration at Alphagraphics Printshops of the future. Stop in and see their location at 43373 Joy Rd. in the Coventry Commons Shopping Center.

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Life is short... Eat dessert first!

Martha Shearer - Nice to see you at the Sunoco Food Market! Tell Billy to what!

Thank you everyone for your support. It is most appreciated - I will pass. K

"It is only with the heart that one can see rightly; what is essential is invisible to the eye." Antoine De Saint - Exupery

Phyllis - I never saw a bear do that!

Ken - Is that broccoli in your shoe or...?

What's your name? Our name is Mark.

Everyone picks on Sparky because he looks so good in RED.

My Emma Rose is smarter than K & J's Erma Rose.

Red only knows how I feel just now. She, more than any, holds my heart in her hands. I am molded, I am blessed. Thankyousoooooo much Blue

Curiosities

Thanks Henry! I tell everyone but you how good you are to me. D.P.

"For about two hours on the beach alone, I was with God again, I was the surf, it's sound and strength, I was the sand, warm, vibrating, alive. I was the breeze, soft and free. I was the sky, endless and pure... I felt only great love. I was more than my body and knew it. This moment was absolutely cleansing and beautiful." - From Quantum Healing by Dr. Deepak Chopra

On one go on one! K

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Yea Linda G: SELL! SELL! SELL!!!
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coming nuptials!

So Judy, why don't you take Claude skat-
ing?

"IVY grows tall & clings." quote from Mark.

When you have a party be sure and invite
me.

Curiosities

The ruling has come down! Jack & Pat are
both too young to be grandparents.

DON'T QUIT - When things go wrong as
they sometimes will, When the road you're
trudging seems all uphill, When the funds
are low and the debts are high, And you
want to smile, but you have to sigh, When
care is pressing you down a bit - Rest if
you must, but don't you quit.

Success if failure turned inside out, The al-
ter tint of the clouds of doubt, And you
never can tell how close you are, It may be
near when it seems afar. So, stick to the
fight when you're hardest hit - It's when
things go wrong that you must not quit.

Curiosities

Ed - Do you know where your logs are?

Larry - Thanks for all your help! I'm going
to miss you. Please send me a cowboy, or
at least a couple ranch hands. - L

"I guess 60 isn't as old as it used to be!" -
KG, 1982

Congratulations Patrick!

Way to go Deb - It's not everyone who can
get Chicken Pox at the age of 24. Hope
you're feeling better - SOON!

Kelly, Marcla, and Lynda - Nice to meet
you at BPW!

Didn't get a chance to talk to you Monday
night Joanne, but will see you at the Guide
party!

Q: Are the CONNAs crazies over their crab-
ble?

A: Is it March?

Ed had a \$1,000 piece of toast for breakfast
on Valentine's Day.

Were Debbie's toe nails shaped like hearts
last week or was that just my imagination.

Sue - I have the will to succeed, so I will.
Thank you darling for your support and
help. Ken

Every Wed. I get the aroma of hot butter
from the 2nd floor of the bank.

If you didn't know you and you met your-
self for the first time, would you be a friend
of yours?

Curiosities

Of all the people you will meet in life, you
are the only person you will never leave or
lose.

A mother is she who can take the place of
all others, but whose place no one else can
take.

Uncle Jack - You can color with me any-
time. You stay in the lines pretty good for
an old man! - Meriah

Guess who earned their green belt?
Congratulation!

"Parasite, parasite, my humble parasite..."

If the Earth were only a few feet in diam-
eter, floating a few feet above a field some-
where, people would come from every-
where to marvel at it. People would walk
around it, marveling at it's big pools of
water, it's little pools and the water flowing
between the pools. People would marvel at
the bumps on it, and the holes in it, and
they would marvel at the very thin layer of
gas surrounding it and the water suspend-
ed in the gas. The people would marvel at
all the creatures walking around the sur-
face of the ball and at the creatures in the
water. The people would declare it as
sacred because it was the only one, and
they would protect it so that it would not be
hurt. The ball would be the greatest wonder
known, and the people would come to pray
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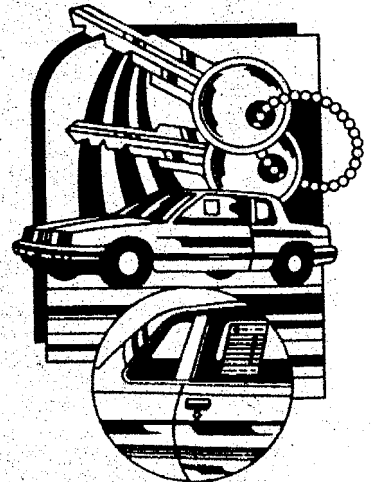
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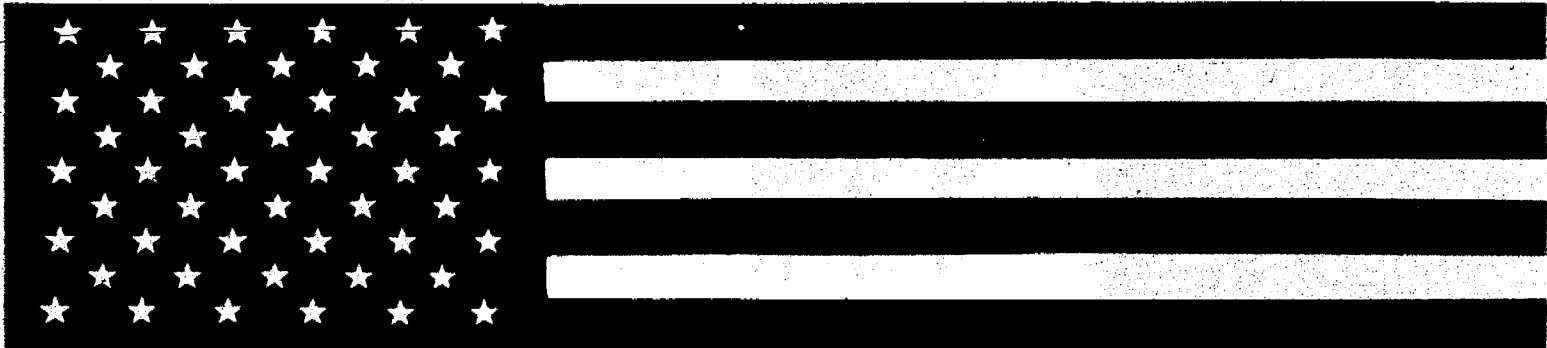
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