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No kiddie without a Christmas!

53rd Anniversary Marked by Plymouth Goodfellows



1938 Plymouth Goodfellows

Written by Tony Sayers
President

The Plymouth Goodfellows, also sometimes known as the Old Newsboys, are celebrating the 54th anniversary of their founding in the Plymouth area. The founder, Harry Robinson, after being in the Detroit Goodfellows and other organizations, decided to start a Plymouth organization in 1938. Along with 48 other charter members, Harry got us rolling, and we haven't stopped since! The intent of the Goodfellows, then and now, was to help needy children, especially at Yuletide.

At that time, the Goodfellows served only children; they have since extended their services to needy people in general, with the emphasis still on the kiddies where possible. In reality, anyone who is in need and lives in the City of Plymouth or in Plymouth Township is eligible to call the Goodfellows for assistance.

There are many contrasts between the years 1938 and 1992, as we are all aware. It is interesting to compare the two eras, because they are so different, as is the world in general. In 1938 there was no television; radio was our "ear on the world" and our imaginations were our eyes. If it wasn't in the movie newsreel or shown in the paper we didn't see it.

Today, on the other hand, we are thrown into visual contact almost daily with need and distress on TV; so much so that it is commonplace and no longer hits us with much impact. Need is either old news or no news. In 1938 the U.S. and the world were coming out of a great depression; need and want were commonplace, and touched every family. People could IDENTIFY with need, so

they were more willing to give a little to those that needed even more help. In today's world, however, people who do show need are looked down on by many, as though their need was their fault! Not everybody is able or in the position to "pull themselves up by their bootstraps." Most of us cannot empathize with the needy, having never been there ourselves.

Other contrasts abound: in 1938, Mom was usually home, not at work as in 1992; people could make it on one income, if one of them did have a job. Not only was Mom at home in 1938, there were more kids at home with her; finances were generally tighter because of more mouths to feed. America "did for Herself" more in 1938, in fact the isolationists were in the majority. The general feeling was to work hard here and ignore the rest of the world. At that time America had sufficient natural resources to support her economy with little need to import oil, minerals, capital or anything much, except immigrants. 1992 is another story entirely. We are citizens of the world now, and it is a lot harder to focus on our own community when we see all the TV pictures of kids starving in Ethiopia, Bangladesh, India, and much of the third world in general. To those people America is still the most incredibly rich land on earth, so they also request aid from us.

In short, as middle class American, which are what make up the Goodfellows as well as American society in general, there are many competing demands for our assistance. This has not changed in 52 years. There are still needy children in Plymouth, and the Goodfellows are still here to help

them when they can

One of the nice things about the Goodfellows, though, is that ALL of the money that is disbursed goes exclusively to The Plymouth Community. This has also not changed since 1938, nor is it likely to in the next century.

The Goodfellows have the pleasure (and a pleasure it is) of actually doing something personally for our neighbors, as well as actually delivering the Yuletide packages for the kids. This has given us a personal sense of really doing something for our community as no other activity has been able to do. We hope those of you readers who get this far in this message can give of yourself as well as your pocketbook and come to our meetings. There are only four or so a year, about 1 hour long each, in addition to the daylong Saturday Paper Sale in December each year. You are cordially invited, one and all, to attend a meeting at the Plymouth City Hall and join if you wish.

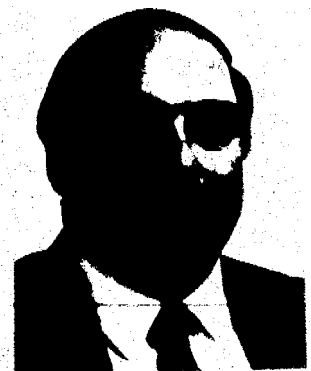
In the last five years or so, there has been a notable decline in active membership in the Goodfellows, perhaps for many of the reasons described above, so that there are only a few active members left, and they are in need of help before they all "burn out" and leave such as many have already done. WE NEED NEW MEMBERS! Please consider it.

Over the years, many of you have bought papers during the paper sales. For that we are very grateful. Thanks to you all the Goodfellows have been able to carry on their program. Please continue to support the sale, because there are still a lot of needy children in "affluent" Plymouth. It seems that there are a lot of

single mother families who are not exactly wealthy. Many of these families are living hand-to-mouth with no immediate relief in sight. These are some of the kids that we help, as well as those with severe learning disabilities and/or handicaps. The Goodfellows will help as long as we are able.

Finally, the outlook for the next century. First is the big issue of membership. Assuming that more people join the Goodfellows, we foresee very little change in our mission. We will still be helping those Plymouth folks that are in need, and that will be our sole focus. The 21st century as in the 20th, the Plymouth Goodfellows will stick to their original motto.

NO KIDDIE WITHOUT A CHRISTMAS!!!!!!



TONY SAYERS PRESIDENT

Goodfellows in action

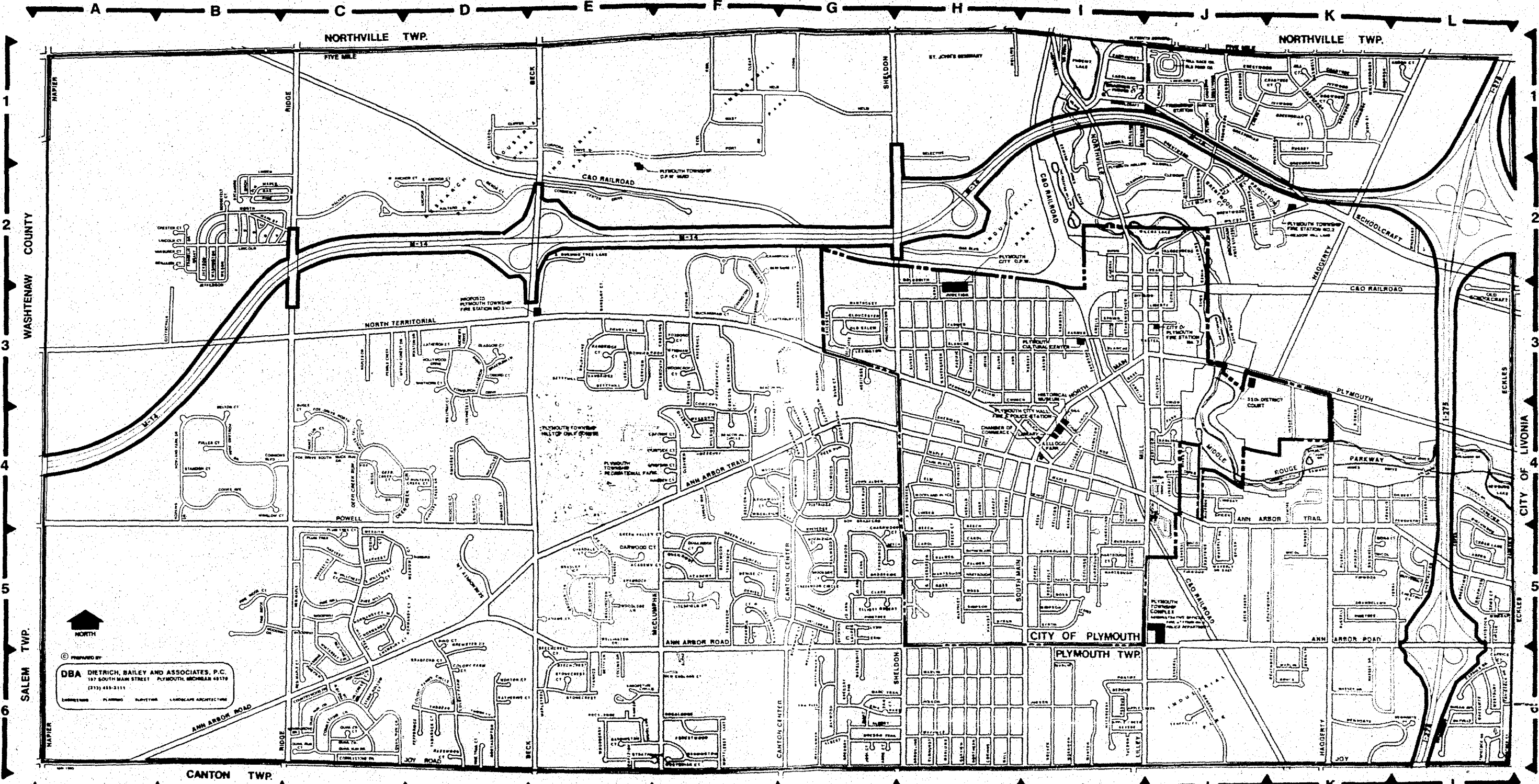


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1981 PLYMOUTH GOODFELLOWS: Wrapping gifts: Gary Pegg, Ray Cunningham, Lottie Cunningham, Shirley Pegg.



Join the Goodfellows and make your own Christmas have a truer meaning . . .

Have you ever wanted to belong to a club that didn't hound you to death with meetings?

Then join the Plymouth Goodfellows. They'll hound you only from Labor Day to Christmas Eve, which is the span dedicated to organizing each year's Christmas efforts.

The only requirements needed to join are, be an old newsboy (which can be waived) and have some compassion for the children of unfortunate surroundings - and that can't be waived.

You have to care!

Join the Goodfellows and make your own Christmas have a truer meaning. We need your help.

SINCE 1938, when the Plymouth Goodfellows were first organized, the Christmas wishes of approximately 10,000 boys and girls have been answered

It's a nice feeling to know that you've done your part to make sure everyone in your community has a Merry Christmas. It's a feeling shared by all Goodfellows.

In the operation of the association there naturally must be officers and committee chairmen.

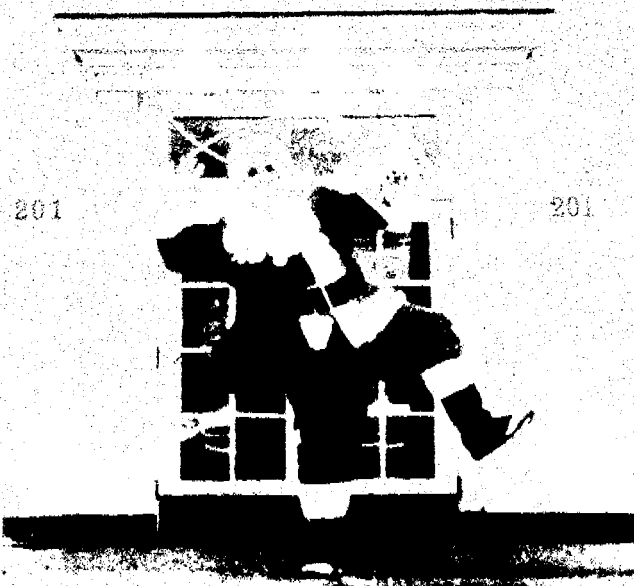
However, Goodfellows' success depends upon the hard work of all the membership to make sure that no child has a bleak Christmas.

In the end, scores of others who are not officially on the committees contribute equally to the undertaking, wholly because of the purpose of the organization.

The Goodfellows are saving a place in the ranks for you, too.

The Plymouth Goodfellows Membership would like to say,

**THANK YOU ONE AND ALL
"MERRY CHRISTMAS"**



Stand out in history of community involvement



JAMES GALLIMORE
1912



HAROLD STEVENS
1944



ROY SALLOW
1945



ROY JEWELL
1946



ARNO THOMPSON
1947



MILAN FRANK
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1952



FRED HADLEY
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ED CAMPBELL
1954



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1955



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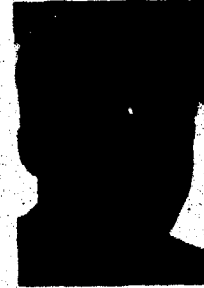
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1957



ELTON ELLIS
1961



PAUL SANDERS
1962



LOREN GOODALE
1963



FRED DREWS
1964



PAUL COOK
1965



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1966



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1973



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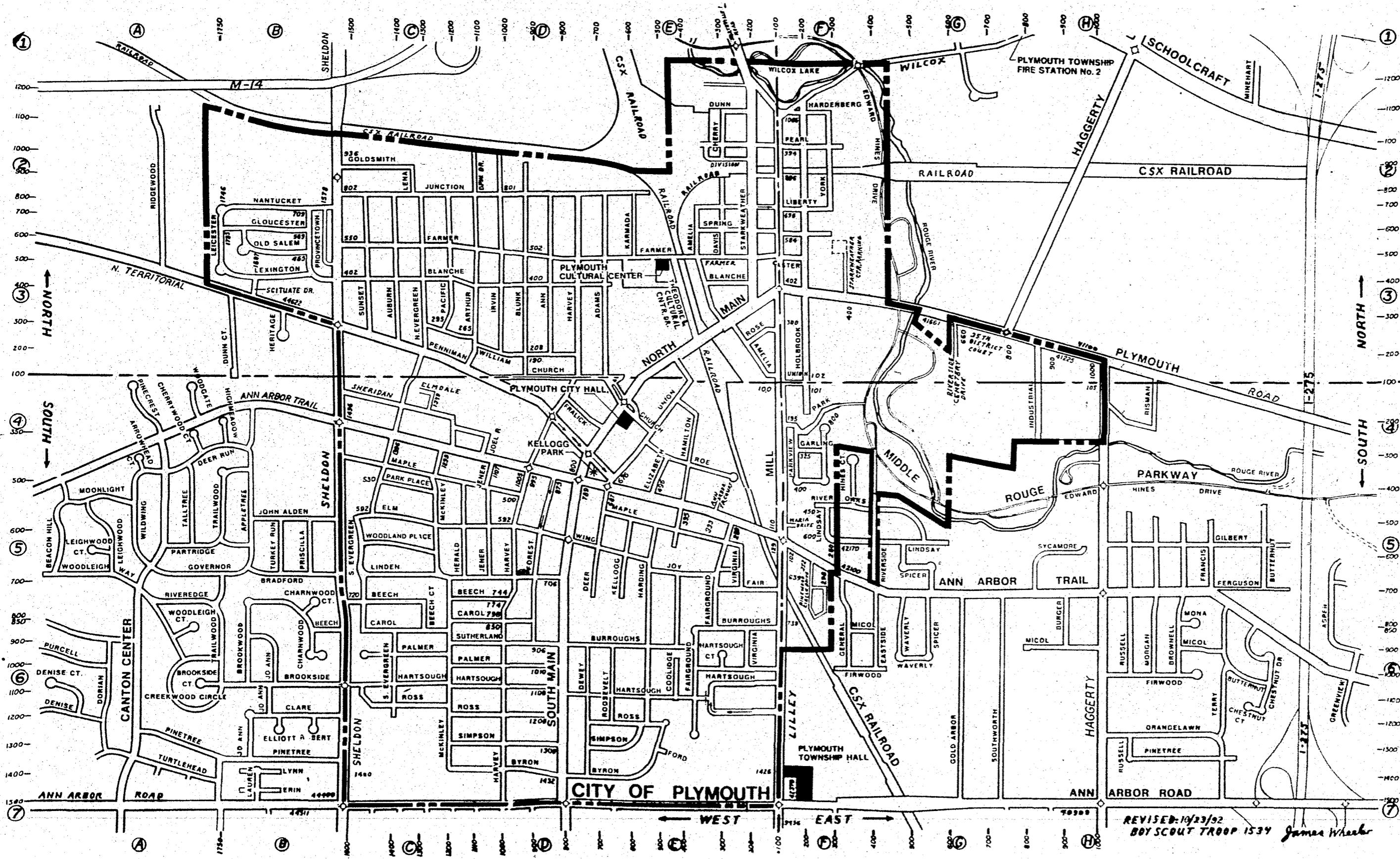


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1989-1990

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The Old Newsboys and Goodfellows Association of Plymouth

We, the members of this association, respectfully pray to our Heavenly Father for the power and strength to carry on the work of charity among the needy through the ages to come and, if granted this power, we shall endeavor to prove ourselves worthy of such a just cause. We shall also pledge ourselves to the bylaws of this association.

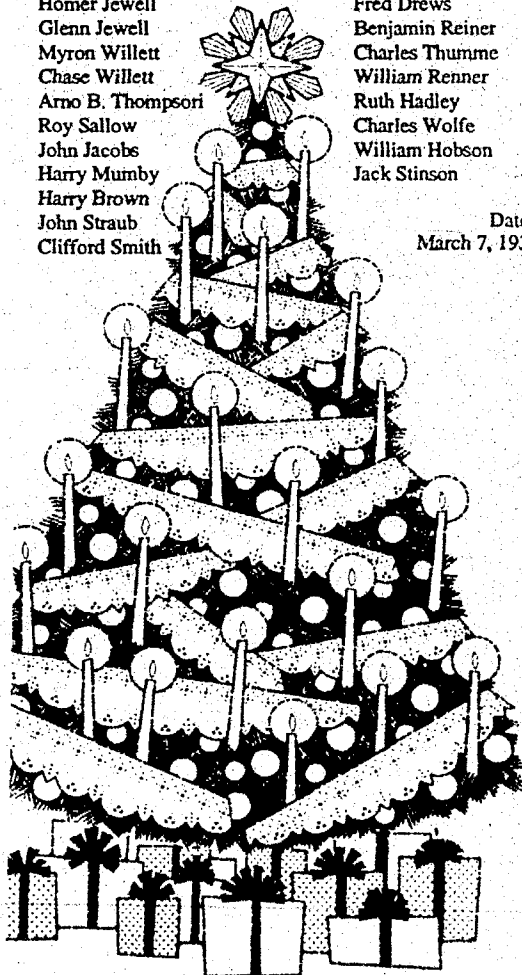
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1940



HARRY BROWN
1941



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1958



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1959



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Season Greetings:

I am pleased to have this opportunity to wish the Plymouth Goodfellows a successful Christmas season.

The Holidays are once again upon us and I offer my support for your Christmas program, "No child without a Christmas." This is a heartwarming program which gives every needy child the opportunity to experience the wonder of Christmas through toys, food and clothing.

It is my wish that the Goodfellows once again have a successful season and be able to help families beyond the holidays with food and clothing as needed.

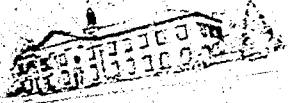
The Plymouth Goodfellows emulate the Township motto, "People - Our Priority," through their good works. I commend and support you for your deeds.

God bless you throughout this Holiday Season and throughout the upcoming year.

Sincerely,

Gerald H. Law
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Plymouth Township Supervisor

City of Plymouth



Dear Plymouth Goodfellows,
On behalf of the Mayor, City Commissioners and the City Administration, I would like to take this time to congratulate all the members and volunteers of the Plymouth Goodfellow Association on the occasion of their 53rd Anniversary.

Through your dedication to the cause of "No Kid Without a Christmas", the less fortunate parents and children in the Plymouth community have experienced joy at Christmas time.

The Plymouth Goodfellows are to be commended for continuing their traditional paper sale to provide new toys and clothing certificates for children and food certificates for needy families.

Happy Holidays to you and your families.

Sincerely,

Steven E. Walters
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Plymouth City Manager

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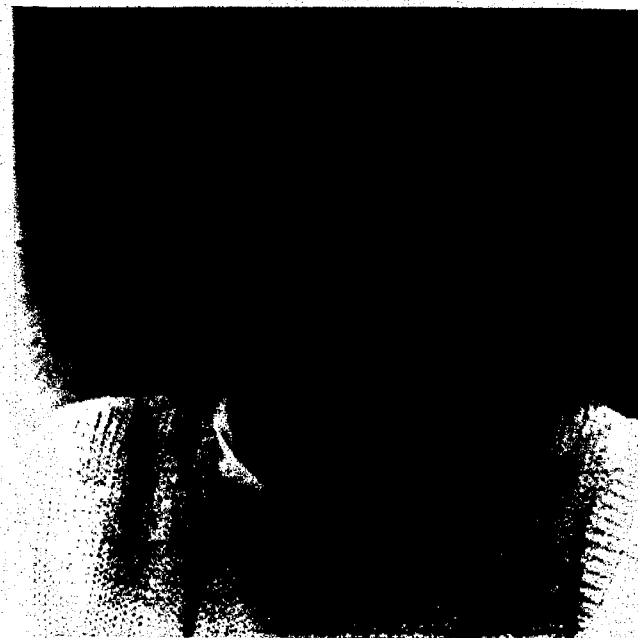
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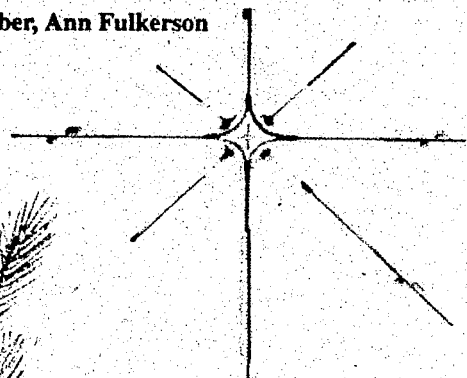
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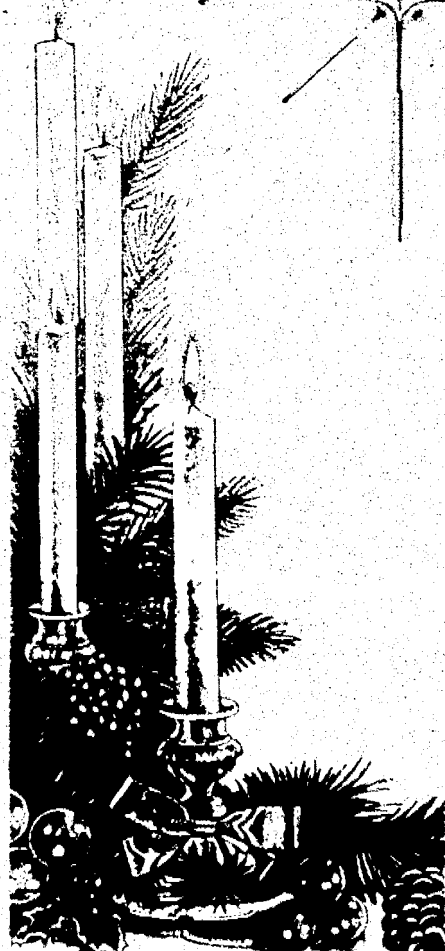


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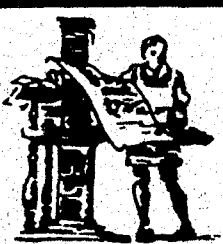


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First shopping weekend looks hopeful for retail season

By GARY GOSSELIN

Although early sales results on Friday traditionally the busiest day of the Christmas shopping season -- looked good, merchants throughout the Plymouth, Northville and Canton area said they had seen positive signs for some time.

In fact, with two extra shopping days this year between Thanksgiving and Christmas, some business observers are predicting one of the best retail seasons in

years.

"These two extra days, along with gains in consumer confidence and a good early turnout should prove to be a great season for all area businesses," said Fran Toney, director of the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce.

Echoing Toney's optimism was Rich Orlandi of Steve Petix Clothiers in Plymouth: "Our business has held up real good all year and we're expecting that trend to continue for a good Christmas

season."

Orlandi said he's also noticed an increase in consumer confidence most of this year, and is already looking ahead.

"Business has been better this year than last, and I'm looking forward to next year as well," he said.

Sharon Pugh, owner of Sideways Gifts, said she and her staff had been working toward the holiday season since August and that not only was she well-prepared for the crowds, but also that

"business is great" -- with her November sales already up 19 per cent over last year.

Being well-prepared, Pugh said, meant leaving nothing to chance: "We've had a variety of promotions, extended hours and have put in a lot of hard work to make this season better than last."

Steve Mansfield, co-owner of Heide's Flowers and Gifts, on Ann Arbor Trail also said that volume in his shop is up, and is expecting a better year than the last

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Maria Kovac (left) and Derek Duerr of the Plymouth Park Players spend a moment to rehearse their lines in community's re-enactment of the first Thanksgiving

dinner. The celebration was part of a two-day holiday observance in Kellogg Park and the surrounding area. (More photos on Page 3)

Insurance agent bilks woman, 88, of \$27,000

BY CRAIG FARRAND

A 64-year-old Troy insurance agent faces arraignment this morning on charges stemming from an insurance scam in which he allegedly took more than \$27,000 from an elderly Plymouth woman for premiums on a policy that did not exist.

According to a Plymouth police sergeant who spearheaded the investigation, the man was arrested late Tuesday by Troy police after an 18-count felony warrant had been issued by the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office.

He was being transferred to Plymouth last night.

Sgt. Wayne Carroll, who had been investigating the case, said the man allegedly had been taking checks from

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Board members take cautious look into fiscal crystal ball

By CRAIG FARRAND

Since crystal ball-gazing is still considered a black art by most people, members of The Plymouth-Canton Community Board of Education must be wizards extraordinaire, given their recent look into the fiscal future of the district.

At a special study session Monday night, the board reviewed a preliminary -- very preliminary -- outline of the school district's fortunes two and three years into the future.

And the bottom line wasn't all hearts and roses.

Instead, the district -- like others throughout the state -- will be looking at lots of very lean, mean programs and very little fat.

So little fat, in fact, that some board members took the opportunity to make subtle references to upcoming union contract talks by underscoring the lack of flexibility in the speculative budgets for

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Armed robberies strike Canton, Plymouth Twp. an hour apart

Two businesses located only miles apart were robbed by two armed men with strikingly similar descriptions within a little more than an hour last Wednesday night.

The first robbery came at about 8 p.m. when a white male entered a gas station on Ann Arbor Road in Plymouth Township, threatened the employee with a handgun and escaped with money taken from the cash register.

The second robbery occurred about 9:15 p.m., when a white male entered a party store on Warren Road in Canton, pulled a handgun on two employees and a customer and left with merchandise and cash.

The descriptions given by the witnesses were surprisingly similar, but neither police department has made a connection in the two robberies.

In the township robbery, witnesses

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Two area Goodfellows will 'man' streets Saturday

Motorists and pedestrians beware: The Goodfellows are coming!

Residents in The Plymouth-Canton community will be asked this weekend to help a special group of volunteers help others, as the area Goodfellows take to the streets in their annual newspaper fund-raising drive.

Members of both the Canton and Plymouth chapters of the Goodfellows will be on area streetcorners Saturday to raise money for their charitable work.

Known by their motto, "No Child Without a Christmas," the local Goodfellows groups will use the money collected to either create food, clothing and toy baskets or offer gift certificates for distribution to area needy families.

The Canton Goodfellows, who will be out from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. are planning to prepare food baskets that also will include gift certificates.

The Plymouth chapter, which will hit the streets between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m., will be delivering only gift certificates for food and clothing -- but will make a special, Christmas-Eve "Santa Claus" drop of toys to area families.

In addition, through an arrangement with the Salvation Army, the Plymouth volunteers will have the streets to themselves during their drive; the Salvation Army will suspend its own fund-raising efforts until the Goodfellows are done for the day.

Officers for this year's Plymouth fund-raising drive are Tony Sayers, president; Bill Friskee, vice-president; Clara Hill, secretary; and Hank Berghoff, treasurer.

Officers for the Canton Goodfellows are: Art Winkel, president; Ruth Wiles, secretary-treasurer; and board members Ray Schultz, Nancy Spencer, Jack and Marilyn Runkle, Kathy Johnson, Betty Booher, John Burdziak, Don Kulick and Larry Stewart.

(Last week's Community Crier reversed the organizations.)

Not surprisingly, officials from both groups said they could use help manning area streets, sidewalks and malls: Plymouth volunteers should report to the main fire station on Main Street and Church between 8:30 and 9 a.m.; Canton volunteers should report to the township's Administration Building.

In addition to their annual fund-raiser, Canton Goodfellows are adding a little extra to this year's event: a doll-dressing contest in which not only will the public be able to pick the best dressed, but also in which all 35 dolls will then be given out to needy children in the area.

A lecture aimed at parents in the Plymouth-Canton school system will be presented Thursday, Dec. 3, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the Canton High School cafeteria by author and lecturer Fred Gosman.

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It's time! Holiday season starts with a bang

Area residents dressed in the attire of early American settlers, get ready to feast on the Thanksgiving meal. The dinner was a centerpiece of a two-day celebration in the city that also included traditional Indian dancing, crafts and performances.

By GARY GOSSELIN

If the large crowds converging on area businesses over the weekend didn't convince holiday watchers that the Christmas season is in full swing, holiday decorations and events surely did.

In fact, thanks in large measure to the efforts of planners and doers in Plymouth, Northville and Canton, shoppers couldn't help but "get into the spirit."

For example, "A Plymouth Thanksgiving," sponsored by Plymouth businesses and individuals, included a number of activities throughout the downtown area geared toward building on the holiday spirit.

Plymouth's Kellogg Park was the site of Thanksgiving re-enactments, storytelling and Indian dance and music demonstrations Friday and Saturday.

Other activities such as rug hooking, lamp making, wood carving and quilting were hosted by a variety of merchants throughout the city.

The events, according to Sideways Gifts owner Sharon Pugh, were designed to "help define the community and are meant to create something for both visitors and the community to share alike."

Not satisfied with a two-day spectacle, city planners have scheduled a community sing for 12:45 p.m. Saturday, followed by Santa, arriving by horse-drawn carriage at 1 p.m.

Old Village also kicks-off the season Saturday with a Christmas walk and related activities from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Northville has also swung into the season, and has Santa (with a professional photographer) located at a storefront on Main Street.

Northville merchants have spent much of the past week decorating the downtown area and, according to Chuck Lapham, owner of Lapham's, 2 1/2 miles of garland was used to help decorate the area.

Laurie Marrs, director of the Northville Chamber of Commerce said that this activity is not only done to attract non-residents, but area folks as well.

"We're hoping that residents will want to keep their dollars in town," she said, "and we like to get them involved in the spirit as well."

Santa made a grand entrance in Canton Friday morning, arriving at Canton Cinema 6 atop a fire engine. Once there, Santa was presented with a key to the city, and delighted more than 600 children, according to Canton Chamber of

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This boy was apparently a very b-a-a-d boy during the two-day event, getting himself locked up in the town square stock for a brief experience of what it must have been like in the 1600s.



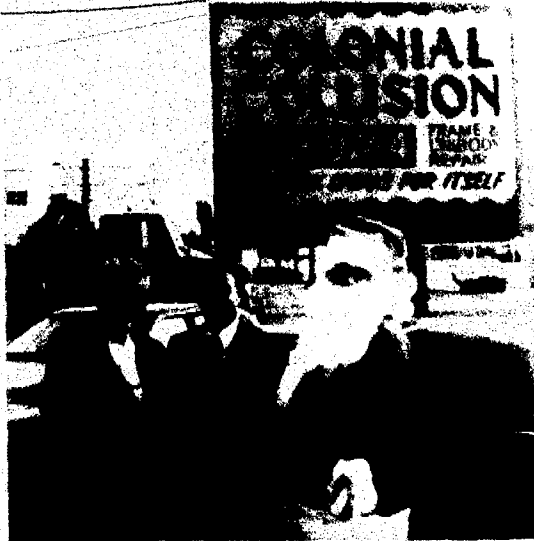
Alicia Steaverson, 9, helps Robert Bates, 3, feed one of the tame turkeys roaming Kellogg Park during the festivities.



Don Schneider of Plymouth (right) displays his skills at "lampmaking" (which is different than glassblowing) during the two-day event. Schneider, who once worked in Greenfield Village's glassblowing house, was making special blown-glass Christmas ornaments for sale during the day. At the same time, Robert Dluzen (left), a local furniture-maker demonstrates the work that goes into manufacturing hand-made chairs.



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Rev. John Sullivan named new priest of Good Counsel

BY AMY KIDWELL

Cloverdales. For many people, the old ice cream shop brings back memories of Plymouth's past. For one new resident, it brings back memories of his childhood.

Father John Sullivan and his family used to travel from Detroit to Plymouth every week just to treat themselves to Cloverdales' ice cream. He remembers the family thinking that Plymouth was a nice community and that it would be nice to live here one day.

Well, that day has come.

Sullivan was officially announced Sunday as the eighth pastor for Our Lady of Good Counsel Church in Plymouth. He will be serving and growing with the community for a minimum of six years.

Sullivan, 52, is a graduate of St. Johns Seminary.

At Sunday's "Mass of Installation," he was welcomed by parishioners, fellow clergymen, pastors from the church's past

and Bishop Walter J. Schoenherr.

The church began as a mission more than 70 years ago with Father Francis C. Lefevre as the first resident pastor.

Five years later, 30 families started the church by petitioning Bishop Gallagher for a full-time priest.

At Christmas mass, 1920, the church was given the name Our Lady of Good Counsel.

In 1927, a new church was built in time for Christmas mass. That building was destroyed by fire on Dec. 23, 1932.

Sullivan follows the leadership of Father Lefevre, Father Victor Renaud, Father William Mooney, Father Francis Byrne, Father Kenneth MacKinnon, Father Richard Perfetto and Father James Wysocki.

(Next week: A profile of Good Counsel's new pastor and his plans for the church and school.)

All-band concert is Tuesday

The orchestras of all Plymouth-Canton middle and high schools will be joining forces Tuesday for a special Christmas concert.

The concert will be presented at 7:30 p.m. in the Salem High School auditorium.

Admission is free.

*A special school board workshop has been scheduled for 8:30 p.m. Monday in the district's boardroom.

The Board of Education's next regular meeting is set for 7:30 p.m. Dec. 14.

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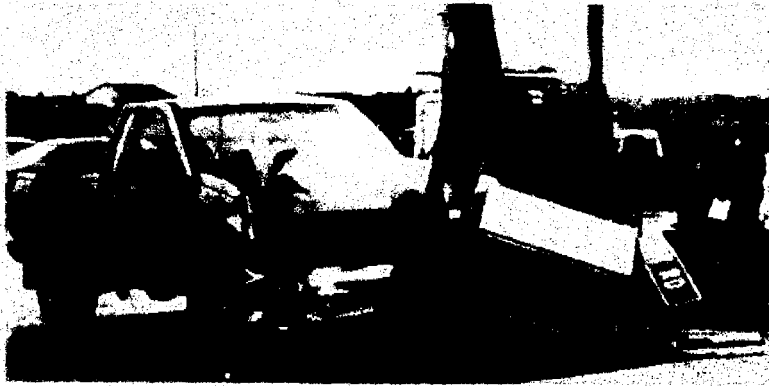
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Although details are sketchy, according to witnesses on the scene, the driver of this truck gave some Plymouth Township residents more than just a little scare from his crash into this utility pole Thanksgiving morning. Concerned about a hunting rifle he had stored in the back, the driver apparently carried away from the scene, prompting a nearby store owner to call police an "armed man" loose in the neighborhood. Fortunately, it was a false alarm and no one was hurt. (Crier photo by W. Edward Wendover)

United Way extends fund drive

BY W. EDWARD WENDOVER

The Plymouth United Way campaign is extending its drive by 18 days.

As of yesterday, the community fund is at 96 per cent of its goal of \$510,000 with some \$491,649 in donations and pledges raised. Traditionally, the Plymouth drive ends at the end of November.

The fund's campaign team extended the deadline and will meet again on Tuesday.

Annually, the drive funds such as agencies as the Girl and Boy Scouts, Growthworks, Plymouth Family Services and others.

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Lions donate machine for the deaf to library

BY AMY KIDWELL

By dialing 453-6712, people in the deaf community now have better access to the Dunning-Hough Library.

That is the number of its new Telephone Device for the Deaf (TDD), made possible because of a generous donation from the Plymouth Lion's Club.

About four months ago the Lion's Club purchased and donated the TDD machine.

The machine uses telephone lines to connect private individuals to the library. Individuals can type in a request on their personal TDD machine. The message is converted into sound and sent through the telephone lines to the library. The library's machine then converts the sound into type and the message is understood.

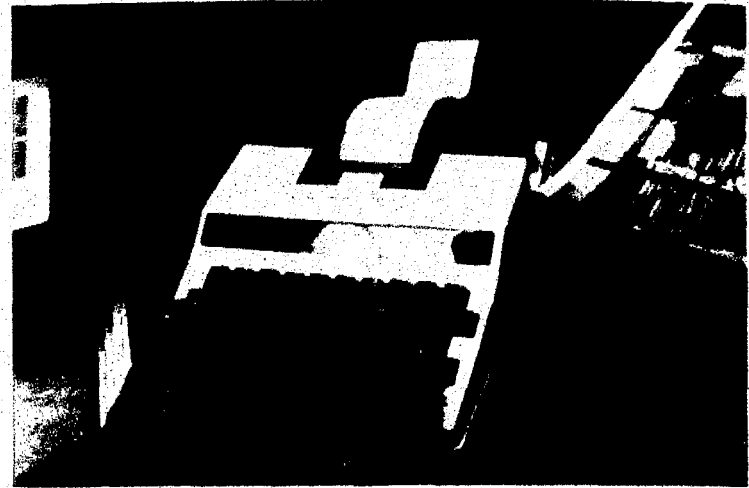
"This machine allows the deaf community to easily find out about a book's availability," said Chester Solowiej, vice president of the Lion's Club.

The machine costs more than \$500 and was purchased with money earned in fundraisers.

"We (the Lion's Club) get our money from the public," said Solowiej.

He sighted examples like participating in the Fall Festival and selling candy as fundraisers the club does every year.

The Lion's Club is also responsible for starting and helping to maintain large print books and books on tape.



This TDD machine, which allows the deaf to communicate with police agencies and other organizations, was recently donated to the Plymouth library by the local Lions Club.

"We (the Lion's club) are concerned with all aspects of hearing and sight problems," said Solowiej.

According to Gerry Barlage, a reference librarian, the machine doesn't get used much because of lack of awareness.

"Historically, the deaf society have not come to the library.--They (the deaf society) are so used to not getting this

type of service; I don't think they're aware that we now have it," said Barlage.

She added that the library is not only trying to increase awareness, but it is also encouraging other libraries to get a TDD machine.

To date, the Dunning-Hough Library is the only library in the area that can service the deaf community.

Public notices

**PROPOSAL SOUGHT
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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR MUNICIPAL LEGAL SERVICES**

The Charter Township of Plymouth is requesting proposals from legal professionals able to provide a variety of legal services required by the Township as Township Attorney and to assist the Township Board of Trustees, Supervisor and Municipal operating departments as required. The legal services desired include but are not limited to:

- Legal counsel in the form of attendance at meetings of the Township Board of Trustees, Planning Commission, Zoning Board of Appeals, Act 78 Civil Service and any other Boards or Commissions as may be desired.
- The drafting of legal letters of opinion interpretation of administrative codes, state statutes, ordinances, federal and state regulations and policies.
- The drafting of municipal ordinances involving all matters related to municipal corporation operations.
- Legal review of codes, contracts, statutes, and proposed resolutions of the Township Board of Trustees.
- District Court litigation involving the prosecution of municipal ordinance and code violations.
- Such other duties as may be prescribed by Ordinance or by direction of the Township Board of Trustees and/or Supervisor.

The Township is seeking the proposals for professional legal services to compare the quality of level of service for the purpose of selection of a Township Attorney and Associates as may be proposed, to provide legal services to the Township of the next year with options to extend for additional years. The initial contract period shall commence February 1, 1993, until February 1, 1994.

For further description of the above services, requirements, qualifications and method of evaluation and selection from the proposals, please contact the Office of the Township Clerk (Attention: Legal Services Proposals) 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, Michigan 48170, either by phone or written request. The proposals may be filed in person or by Certified Mail to the Office of the Clerk within thirty days from the initial posting and publication of this legal notice.

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It's that time!

Tiffany Clemons, who plays Clara in the upcoming holiday production of the classic "Nutcracker," runs through a dress-rehearsal of the Dec. 11 through 13 performance



Nutcracker celebrates 100th birthday with P-C performance

If it's Christmas, then it's time for the "Nutcracker."

And vice versa. The Plymouth Symphony Orchestra and the Plymouth-Canton Ballet Company, with more than 150 dancers and musicians, will stage the holiday classic at Salem High School on Dec. 11, 12 and 13.

This year's performance will mark the 100th anniversary of the fantasy tale involving Clara, her prince and the Sugar Plum Fairy.

The title roles will be performed by Dawnell Dryja, the 1991 Junior Miss Dance America; and Michael Finegan, a theater and television dancer and performer.

The symphony will be conducted by Russell Reed; Dawn Green is the artistic director of the ballet.

Tchaikovsky's best-loved work will be presented at 8 p.m. on both Friday, Dec.

11, and Saturday, Dec. 12, and at 3 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 13.

This year's performances are being sponsored by Panasonic Industrial Corp. of Plymouth and in part by the Michigan Council for the Arts and Cultural Affairs.

Tickets are \$14 for adults and \$8 for students and can be purchased by phone, at 451-2112, or in person at one of the following locations:

- Beitner Jewelry, 904 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth.
- Evola Music, 215 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth.
- Joanne's Dance, 9282 General Drive, Plymouth.
- Dearborn Music, 42679 Ford Road, Canton.
- Bookstall/Main, 101 N. Center, Northville.
- Giftfiddler, 302 E. Main, Northville.

Police nab insurance scam agent

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the 88-year-old woman in the amount of about \$1,500 a month since April 1991.

Only after her financial consultant discovered discrepancies in her account, did he alert police.

At that point, Carroll said he arrived at the woman's home, hid in the closet and observed a check being passed. He then brought the agent in for questioning pending a warrant.

According to Carroll, he left the area -- reportedly going "up north to get his head together" -- and was arrested when he returned home.

The agent, whose name is being withheld pending arraignment, is reported to be licensed in the state as an independent insurance salesman.

Chief Robert Scoggins told The Crier Monday that he hoped this case would not only result in the apprehension of the suspect, but that two messages would be sent to area seniors.

"First, I just want them to know that we're serious about this kind of crime against our elderly residents.

"Second," he said, "I want all of our seniors -- and their families -- to keep alert to situations like this and to call us if they suspect anything unoward."

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Friends & neighbors

Sheldon Road Ford workers take kids shopping for winter

BY CRAIG FARRAND

Although Quality is Job 1 now, employees at Ford's Sheldon Road Plant still have a way of coming up with "a better idea" -- especially when it comes to reaching out to the community around them.

Fifty hourly and salaried employees at the Sheldon Road Plant spent Sunday morning hosting 50 children from throughout Wayne County on a shopping spree of sorts at the Plymouth Kmart.

The outing was designed to help outfit needy children in winter clothes in time for cold weather. Each child received approximately \$40 spending money for coats, mittens, hats and boots.

According to Karen Smith, the labor relations supervisor for the plant, the idea of helping children one-on-one grew out of a highly successful 25th anniversary celebration the plant held earlier this year.

"We had such a response, such enthusiasm," Smith said, "that a group of hourly and salaried employees began to wonder if there was something else we could do to funnel our enthusiasm and, at the same time, make a personal connection to the community.

"We didn't just want to donate money; we wanted to reach out personally," she said.

The result was that only three weeks ago plans were put into the works to organize a shopping excursion that would reach as many children as possible. And from that thought arose a plan to help 50 children in Wayne and another 50 in Washtenaw counties.

On Sunday, the first 50 children from Wayne County arrived, and on this Sunday another 50 from Washtenaw will be treated to the same hot chocolate and donuts and discounted outerwear.

Once the Sheldon Plant workers decided on the project, Smith said, the next step was raising the money necessary -- which turned out to be \$4,500, or a little more than \$40 per child.

"We collected the entire amount in two weeks," Smith said, "with many of our people actually thinking in terms of 'adopting' a child and donating exactly \$40."

Next, the planners contacted two regional agencies that deal with needy families; the key was to have the agencies screen the applicants for help and make the referrals to her event.

In Wayne County, the Wayne-Metro Community Services organization headed the process and in Washtenaw County, it was the Head Start Program.

While the timing of the shopping spree might suggest a Christmas

connection, both Smith and John Lankford, a training specialist at the plant, emphasized that their project was something different.

"We're taking the kids shopping for clothes," Lankford said, "not for toys. This is our way of making sure that these children are protected against the winter."

In keeping with the Christmas spirit, however, Smith said that plant employees continue to reach out annually through their Christmas basket drive.

To help accommodate the unusual shopping requirements of 50 children, their parents and 50 Ford workers, Kmart opened its doors two hours early, and in addition to providing refreshments to volunteers and shoppers alike, offered 30 per cent discounts on winter coats and 10 per cent discounts on accessories.

According to Kmart store Manager Doug Allen, this kind of community activity isn't the only one in which his store is involved.

"We do a lot of these kinds of things," he said. "For instance, on Saturday, we're hosting 35 kids for breakfast with Santa and giving each of them \$20 to spend."

Allen said he was contacted three weeks ago by the Ford group to have the shopping spree, but said the short notice was no problem: "We do so many of these kinds of things that we're well-prepared."

"Besides, the Ford people had everything already worked out and were very well-prepared themselves.

"It was easy to do," he said.

Adam Pirtley of Livonia was one of 50 Wayne County children on the receiving end of the generosity of employees at Ford Motor Co.'s Sheldon road plant.



Ford workers, children and their parents make their way among the aisles of winter coats, gloves and hats in the Plymouth Kmart.



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Getting down to business

Thanksgiving gives retail season a boost

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two.

"After an economic slowdown," he said, "people want to treat themselves to something nice, and plants and flowers fit that bill."

Another optimistic Plymouth merchant is Kal Jabara, owner of Wild Wing Art Gallery on Ann Arbor Trail.

"We're doing very, very well," he said, "the whole year has been up. We think the Christmas business will be up between 10 and 15 per cent."

Joining her counterpart to the south, Northville Chamber of Commerce Director Laurie Marrs said that the outlook in her town is also bright.

"I think the economy is moving up and people are just becoming more confident," she said.

She also said that Northville can compete with area malls because of the variety of shops, adding that while no figures were yet available, business will definitely be up from last year.

Chuck Lapham, owner of Lapham's Clothing and Men's Shop enthusiastically agreed with Marrs, reporting that his holiday sales are double last year.

"There's a pent-up demand now," he said. "Last year people usually bought only what they needed, now they're buying more of what they want."

Dave Beyer, manager of the Northville Orin Jewelers said that his store won't see too much change from last year, but for a good reason: "We had a great year last year, and we're looking forward to a great year again in '92."

Nevertheless, Beyer said that Thanksgiving weekend traffic at his shop was brisk, and if early indications are correct, the store may show an increase in sales.

And in Canton, the story is about the same, as merchants like Jeff Ham, director of the local Meijer Store, remain optimistic about the season.

"I'm happy with general merchandise sales," Ham said, adding that although he had no firm figures, "we're meeting, and in some cases beating expectations. And sales are picking up."

Lynn Sparks, owner of Game Masters, a video game rental and retail business on Sheldon is also excited about the holiday season.

"Right now business is excellent," she said. "We've doubled sales since last year and feel that trend will continue all month."

She added that not only is she getting more business, but also that purse strings are loosening a bit as well.

"People are spending more than last



year," she said, adding that "I've also seen a lot of plastic coming out in the last few weeks."

over the "official" holiday season, and with the addition of two extra shopping days this year, it's little wonder then that area merchants can't wait for the final 22 shopping days until Christmas

With such a encouraging beginning



It must surely be a sign of the times: Shoppers Beth and Jodi of Garden City (left) find themselves trying to remember where they parked their car after shopping in nearby Plymouth. (Neither woman would give a last name, due to the embarrassing nature of their predicament.) And a blend of old -- very old -- and new was found on Main Street during Plymouth's two-day Thanksgiving celebration.

Decorations set off season

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Commerce Director Linda Shapona.

She also said that the children and accompanying adults were treated to refreshments, goody bags, a raffle and the movie Rock-A-Doodle. The event was free for participants, Shapona said, thanks to donations from area businesses.

Plymouth, Canton and Northville merchants have all reported good weekend turnout, and many attribute this to the individuals and businesses that took time to help area consumers "get into the spirit."

Old Saint Nick finally arrived in Canton, with three happy elves along to help him with the children lined up -- including the happy child climbing on Santa's lap. The elves are Anthony Volante, Lindsey Cary and Julianne Jastrzebski.

Armed robberies strike store, station

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described the assailant as a white male, about 25 years old, 6-feet tall, 160 pounds, with short black hair. He was described as wearing a dark baseball cap, green shirt and a blue jean jacket with a dark diamond design in the back.

In the Canton robbery, witnesses described the man as white, 25-30 years old, 5-foot-9, 160 pounds, with blue eyes. He was described as wearing a green hooded sweatshirt.

Police are still investigating both incidents

In other news, Canton police reported a Wednesday grab-and-run robbery at the Builder's Square store on Ford Road in which the man being sought matches the description of suspect involved in four robberies in Dearborn Heights.

According to police reports, the man approached a checkout counter with 12 cents worth of pipe and when the cashier

opened the register to make change, he reached into the till, grabbed a handful of bills and dashed out the door.

Police said the store manager chased the suspect into the parking lot where he was seen entering a car and driving away.

It was the description of the car -- a red Ford Escort -- that police used to tie-in to similar robberies in Dearborn Heights. Police continue to investigate.

From the "when you need a cop" department: Canton police responded to a call from a local gas station that a motorist had driven away without paying and were taking a statement from the manager when the same thing apparently happened again right in front of them.

The report went on to say, however, that the manager couldn't be sure the second motorist also left without paying - still a bit shaken by the first incident 15 minutes earlier.

(This story was compiled by Craig Farrand and Amy Kidwell.)

The Plymouth Salvation Army is seeking businesses, organization, churches and schools to collect food for the needy. If your group is willing to display a "Baskets Full of Love" poster and food drop box or sponsor a food drive, contact The Salvation Army at 453-5487. In addition, the Salvation Army is seeking needy families and senior citizens to participate in the Adopt-A-Family Christmas Program. The goal of the program is to provide needy families with toys, gifts, clothes, health aids and a Christmas food basket. Prospective families and seniors may call The Salvation Army between Nov. 2 and Dec. 4 to set up an interview. To be eligible the families must reside in Plymouth, Canton or Northville.



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CO-OP NURSERY
Suburban Children's Co-op Nursery, located in the Newburgh United Methodist Church at 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, has immediate openings in their afternoon class for 4-year-olds. The class is held Tuesdays and Fridays from noon to 2 p.m. For more information, call Cherie Kolodziejczak at 462-3687.

SECRETARY OF STATE HOLIDAY HOURS
All Secretary of State branch offices will close Dec. 24, Dec., 25, Dec. 31 and Jan. 1. Anyone whose driver's license or plates expire should renew them early. Several offices provide evening offices on Wednesdays and are open until 7 p.m.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVES
The American Red Cross is holding several blood drives in the area in the near future. The three dates in Plymouth are: Dec. 14, Metropolitan Seventh Day Church, 15585 Haggerty Road, 2 to 8 p.m.; Dec. 19, St. Peter's Lutheran Church, 1343 Penniman, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Dec. 23, St. John's Episcopal Church, 574 S. Sheldon, 1 to 7 p.m. In Livonia, blood drives will be held: Dec. 13, Newburgh Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, 7:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.; Dec. 17, Motech Auto Educational Center, 35155 Industrial Rd., 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Century 21 Chalet, 33607 Seven Mile Rd., 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. To make an appointment for the Canton donor center, 6700 Canton Center Rd., call 494-2800 or 1-800-582-4383.

M.O.M. MEETING
Meet Other Mothers (MOM) will meet 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Dec. 11 at First Presbyterian Church. Childcare is provided for a nominal fee. The group has been meeting for seven years and presents speakers and discussion on subjects of interest for mothers. For more information, call Barbara at 421-6745 or Toni at 453-6134.

CANTON CHAMBER'S DINNER/AUCTION
The Canton Chamber of Commerce will be holding its fifth annual Dinner/Auction fund-raiser at 6 p.m. on Jan. 30 at Fellows Creek Golf Club. This year's theme is "Get Lucky," which will accompany the casino decor of the event. The Chamber is also looking for items to auction. Donations of cash and merchandise are needed and are tax deductible. Items to be auctioned off are trips, a fishing boat, cable advertising, a train set and a trip for two to Las Vegas. To donate, or to attend, call the Canton Chamber of Commerce at 453-4040.

YMCA FUNCTIONS
The Plymouth YMCA will offer a Stop Smoking/Weight Control Clinic from 6 to 8:30 p.m. Jan. 8. To register, call 453-2904. "Y" Super Sitters begins Jan. 12. Instructors will teach boys and girls ages 11 and up how to babysit. Participants receive a Red Cross certificate upon completion. Bridge for Beginners begins Jan. 12 and runs for six weeks. The class meets at the Plymouth YMCA office on Tuesday afternoon from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. The Plymouth office is located at 248 S. Union St. For more information about any of these functions, call 453-2904.

HOLIDAY GREENS AND BAKE SALE
The Women's National Farm and Garden Association, Plymouth Branch, will be hosting its annual Green Mart and Bake Sale on Dec. 4. The sale will take place in the lobby of the Mayflower Hotel from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. The sale will feature fresh wreaths, boxwood, holly and holiday crafts. Proceeds will go for civic improvement such as beautification of Plymouth scholarships for high school students and park improvements. Members of the Plymouth branch would like to give a special thank you to Myrlene Schultz for her dedication and efforts to the association before her death on Nov. 25.

SELL USED SPORTING GOODS
The Canton Parks and Recreation Services is sponsoring its 8th annual Used Sports Equipment Sale from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 5 at the Conventry Commons Shopping Center, Joy and Morton Taylor roads. The public is invited to sell their used sports and recreational equipment at this sale. Sellers can bring their equipment to the Conventry Commons location between 6 and 9 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 3 to be priced and tagged for the sale on Saturday. You set the prices, you get the money (Canton Parks and Recreation gets 15 per cent). Sellers do not need to be present during the sale. Collect money and pick up unsold equipment between 1 and 2 p.m. Dec. 5.



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METRO AIRPORT EXPANSION

Don't miss this opportunity to learn about airport expansion at Metro Airport. On Dec. 8, Deputy County Executive Mike Duggan will address the Canton Board of Trustees. The meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m. The meeting will be taped by Omnicom Cable and re-broadcast at 7 p.m. on Dec. 10 and 14.

HOLIDAY PLANT SALE

The Community Literacy Council will be hosting a holiday plant sale from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Dec. 5 and 12 at Fred Hill's Store Front in downtown Plymouth. They will be selling Poinsettias and Cyclamen. Prices range from \$10 to \$16 and they will have a variety of colors.

HOLIDAY CONCERT

The Plymouth Centennial Education Park Choirs will present a holiday concert at 7:30 p.m. on Dec. 16 at Salem High School Auditorium, 46181 Joy Rd. Admission is \$1 for students, \$2 for adults and \$5 for families. Free refreshments will be available at intermission.

COUNTRY ART SHOW

The Country Folk Art Show and Sale will be held in the Novi Expo Center on Dec. 10, 11 and 12. The show will feature items like furniture, lamp shades, baskets, salt glaze stoneware, rugs, paintings and toys. Friday evening, the show will be open 5 to 9 p.m. and admission is \$6. Saturday and Sunday the show will be open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and admission is \$4. Children 10 and under will be admitted for \$2.

GRIEF SUPPORT PROGRAM

Hopice of Southeastern Michigan offers monthly support programs for individuals recovering from the loss of a loved one. The programs are offered free and no registration is required. The setting is informal and the group meets on the fourth Tuesday of every month from 7 to 9 p.m. at First United Methodist Church, W. Eight Mile and Taft roads in Northville.

SINGER AT SCHOOLCRAFT

Folks and blues singer Josh White, Jr. known for his powerful voice, brilliant guitar playing and grass roots music, will perform at 1 p.m. Dec. 5 in Schoolcraft College's Waterman Campus Center. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children under 12. They can be obtained by calling the Institutional Advancement office at 462-4417. Personal checks, Visa, Mastercard and Discover will be accepted. All proceeds will fund athletic scholarships. The college is located at 18600 Haggerty, between Six and Seven Mile roads in Livonia.

CHOLESTEROL SEMINAR

The University of Michigan Health Center in Northville is sponsoring a seminar from 7 to 9 p.m. on Dec. 2 on ways to control cholesterol. The program, led by Kate Maddox, R.N.C., M.S., will include how proper diet can help prevent heart disease. The role of exercise will also be discussed. Preregistration is required. For more information or to enroll, call 344-1777. A \$3 fee payable at the door.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Christ the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church at 42690 Cherry Hill Road in Canton will have two Christmas Eve Services. The children will lead worship services at 7 p.m. and there will be a 11 p.m. Candlelight Service. On Christmas day, "The Nativity of Our Lord" will be held at 10:30 a.m. For more information, call 981-0286.

GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY MEETING

The Northville Genealogical Society will meet at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 10 at the Mill Race Historical Village, located on Griswold Ave. in Northville. The topic for discussion will be "Scotland to Northville by Way of Canada," with emphasis on early Northville. The speaker will be Bruce Turnbull. All are welcome. For information, call Gladys at 348-1718 or Lenore at 349-6370.

NAMES PROJECT IN ANN ARBOR

Panels of the NAMES Project AIDS Memorial Quilt will be displayed at Washtenaw Community College (WCC), 4800 Huron River Drive, from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Dec. 7 and 8 in the Jobs Skills and Campus Events Building. The display will include information regarding the Quilt, AIDS awareness and how to create a panel. There will also be a WCC signature square for visitors to sign and leave messages of support, and new panels will be accepted from 9 to 11 a.m. on Dec. 7.



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Board takes cautious look at district's financial future

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1993-94 and 1994-95.

All but one district contract -- that of the administrators -- run out next summer.

In a 10-page summary of the districts financial condition, the board's budget subcommittee presented a detailed look at nearly all categories of the system's balance sheet -- with special attention paid to the impact of salaries and benefits on the bottom line.

Board Treasurer Dean Swartzwelder -- who served on the subcommittee with Vice President David Artley and Trustee Barbara Graham -- termed the report a

"macro look" at district finances, with projections based on the assumption that nothing would change at the local or state level during the next three years.

Of course, all board members in attendance (board President Roland Thomas was out of town) issued repeated cautions about the accuracy of the report, given the possibility that the state could always "change the rules"

Nevertheless, the "macro look" offers a unique view of where this district of 15,000 students might find itself by mid-decade.

A case in point could be found on page 3 of the report, where district

administrators purposely presented a running total of the impact of each line item of the budget on the bottom line.

It was on this page that the obvious first salvo was launched in next year's contract talks:

For the 1992-93 school year, salaries and benefits account for a whopping 88.7 per cent of the total budget, and although this percentage doesn't increase over the next two school years, it's only because no allowance is made for any salary increases in either year.

The key point made by Swartzwelder was that because salaries, contractual benefits, mandatory programs and other

fixed costs account for 95.1 per cent of the total budget, there is quite simply "not a lot of flexibility" in the budget.

Flexibility that allows for creative negotiations at the bargaining table.

"We're squeezing dry everything," Swartzwelder said.

In addition to potential contract demands, the other glaring factor impacting the budget is the state's so-called "Robin Hood" program -- so-called because of it works primarily by taking monies from out-of-formula districts (such as Plymouth-Canton) and redistributing the wealth to in-formula districts around the state.

Although the program has been suspended since last year due to a court challenge, the district still identifies what sum to be contributed to the state revenue pool should the program be upheld.

(On Monday, a Macomb County Circuit Court judge had ruled that the enforcement provisions of the state act were unconstitutional, but most observers expect the program to be reinstated.)

In the current fiscal year, the state's "recapture" of these funds from the local district will amount to slightly more than \$2 million, but within two years is anticipated to exceed \$3 million. And that's \$3 million that can't be made up.

Also having an impact on the district is the fact that it continues to lose potential tax revenues thanks to property tax abatements offered to local businesses from the surrounding communities: According to district officials, the district currently collects only about \$1 million -- or about half the taxes that could be collected otherwise -- on property assessed by the state at \$59 million.

Because of the vagaries of predicting the future, no one on the board or in the administration would even dream of suggesting the numbers revealed Monday night were even remotely hard and fast.

Instead, all of those in attendance seemed to agree with the twin assessments made by the superintendent and one of the trustees.

Early on, Dr. John Hoben termed the projections "Jello," and inherently open to change -- but Lester Walker agreed that given the iffy nature of the prediction business, it was still an "excellent way to proceed."

Time will tell as to which observation proves to be the most accurate.

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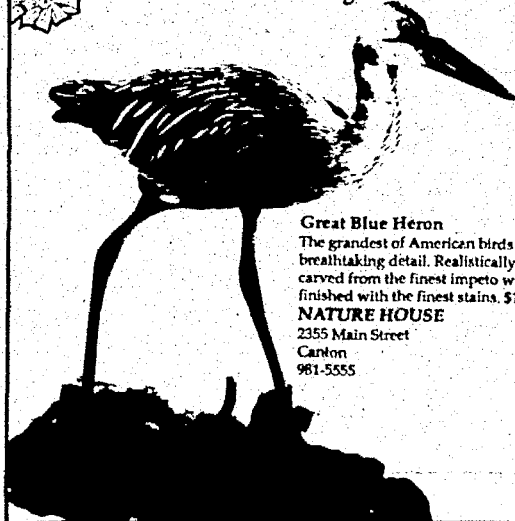


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WHEN do my children start and finish the school year? Answer: See pg. 34 for Plymouth-Canton, pg. 24 for Northville of The '92 Guide!

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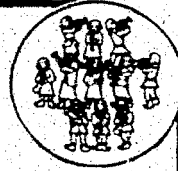
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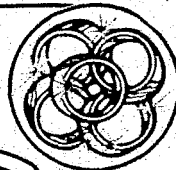
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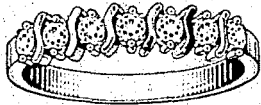
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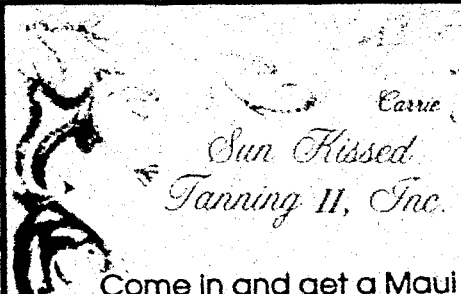
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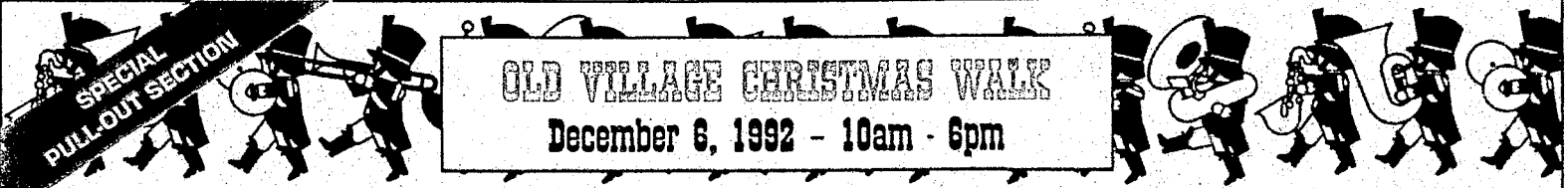
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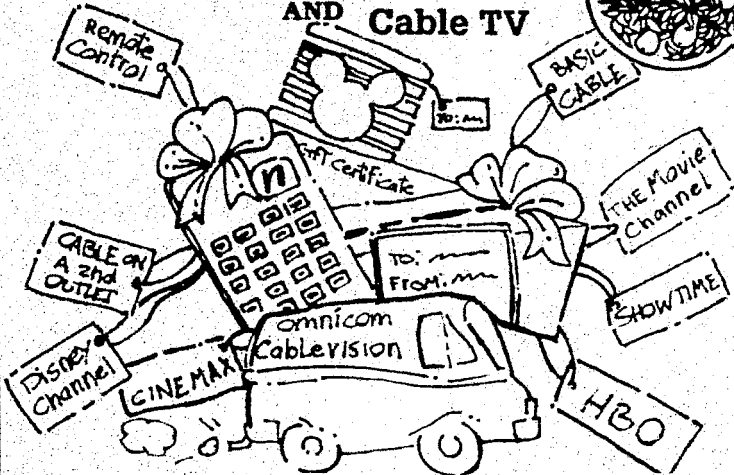
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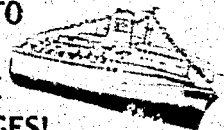


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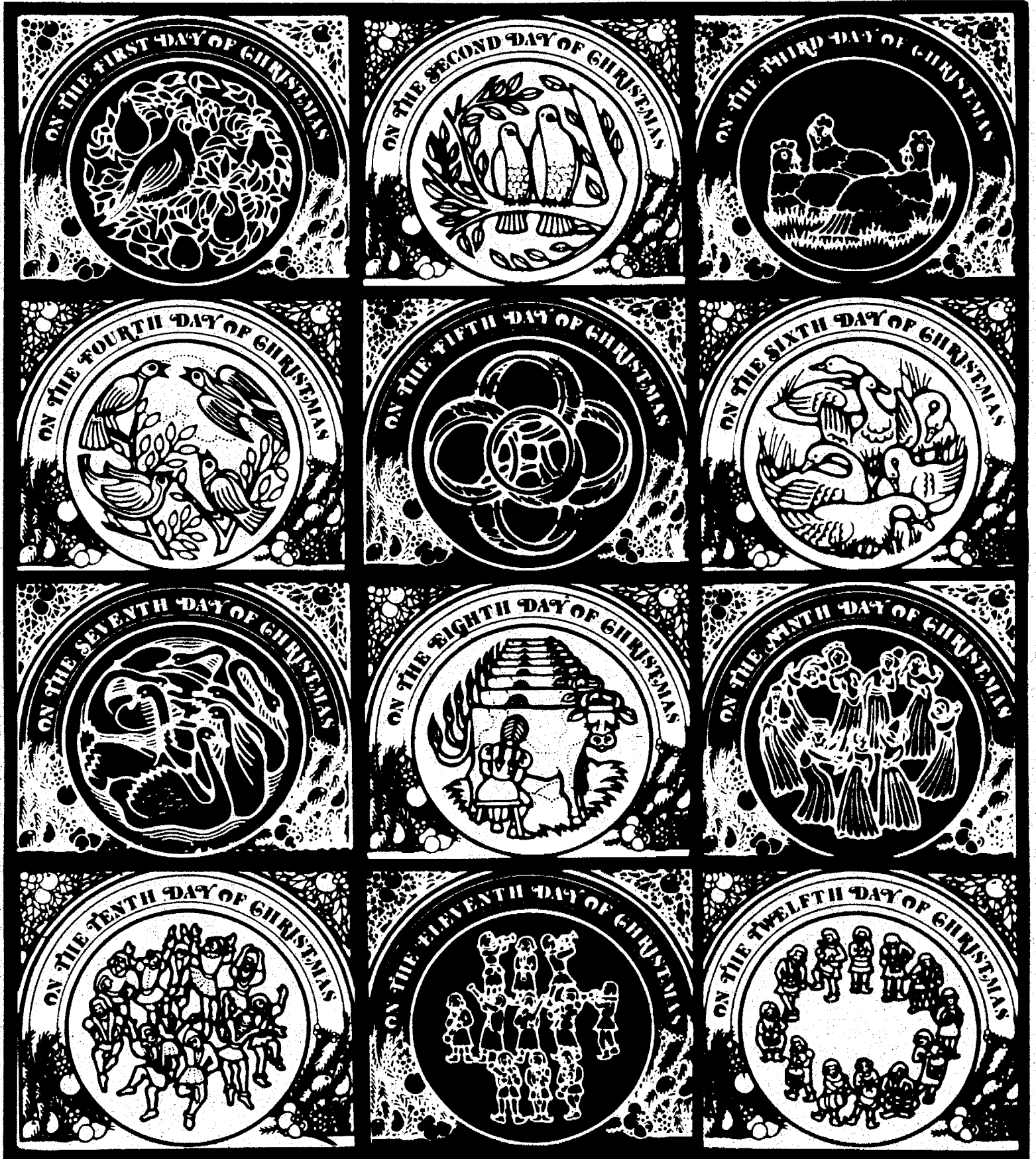
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Community deaths

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George T. Petrowsky of Canton, a longtime area farmer who saw a portion of his land eventually become I-275, and who also worked as an electrician for General Motors, died Nov. 28, 1992, at the age of 88.

Mr. Petrowsky's 40 acres on Lotz Road saw its share of corn, wheat, oats and soybeans in its day, but nothing could quite compare with the time the state came along and decided a I-75 Detroit bypass was needed.

Although he lost some of his land to the right-of-way, Mr. Petrowsky -- who moved with his family to the area when he was 10 -- continued to till his remaining acreage for many years.

Born Aug. 4, 1904, in Detroit, Mr. Petrowsky is survived by his wife, Emma; son Harold; daughters Rita Alexander, Eleanore Becker, Lois Gartner,



GEORGE PETROWSKY

Karen Guyor and Elaine Henning; 27 grandchildren; and 22 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Dec. 1 at St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church, with the Rev. Robert Baer officiating. Interment will be at Glenwood Cemetery.

Zielasko, K of C member

Lawrence A. Zielasko of Westland, who had celebrated his 81st birthday on Oct. 18, died on Nov. 21, 1992.

Mr. Zielasko had worked as a self-employed construction worker for 20 years and was deeply involved in the St. Bernardine of Siena Catholic Church, the Plymouth Knights of Columbus and Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, having served as a member of the usher's club for both churches and bingo chairman for both the K of C and St. Bernardine's.

He also was a past grand knight of the K of C.

Mr. Zielasko is survived by his wife, Irene; sons Robert and Richard, both of Ohio; six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren; and sisters, Bernice Funk of Livonia, Mildred Nickolics and Lucille Stremich, both of Westland.

Funeral services were arranged by Schrader Funeral Home and held at St. Bernardine's, with the Rev. Father Richard A. McGarry officiating.

Burial was at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Southfield.

Sharland, turkey farmer

Alice M. Sharland of Plymouth, who, with her husband, Loyd, owned and operated the Gottschalk turkey farm in Plymouth Township since 1958, died Nov. 27, 1992, at the age of 73.

Mrs. Sharland, who was born in Plymouth Feb. 26, 1919, and spent her entire life here, was a member of the Eastern Star, the Ladies Extension Group and the Wayne County Farm Bureau.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by sons Richard of Colon, Mich., and Randy of Plymouth; daughter Marlene of San Francisco; five grandchildren; and a sister, Olivene Lueffling of Plymouth.

Funeral services were held Nov. 30, at the Schrader Funeral Home, with the Rev. William Myers Jr., officiating. Memorial contributions can be made to the McAuley Cancer Care Fund or to the Salvation Army.

Hoover, local bookkeeper

Gail Hoover of Canton, who was coincidentally born in Canton, Ohio, died Nov. 23, 1992, at the age of 52.

Mrs. Hoover was born Sept. 19, 1940 and worked as a bookkeeper. She is survived by her husband, Harold; and brothers Garry Kidd of Novi, and Gilbert Kidd of Berkley.

Services were held at the Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home on Nov. 25, with the Rev. Brian Wingenroth of the Farmington Hills Baptist Church officiating. Interment was at Glen Eden Memorial Park.

Schultz, active in club

Myriene F. Schultz of Plymouth, a homemaker and mother of two, died Nov. 25, 1992, at the age of 63.

Mrs. Schultz was heavily involved with the Plymouth branch of the Women's National Farm and Garden Association. According to local association members, she was very dedicated to the various causes of the group, which include city beautification projects and other city improvements and fund-raisers for high school scholarships.

She is survived by her husband, Robert; daughter Caryn Leah Williams of Plymouth; son Curt of Ann Arbor; and three granddaughters. She was preceded in death by son, Craig, in 1971.

She was born March 3, 1929 in Brighton.

Funeral services were held Nov. 28 at the Schrader Funeral Home, with the Rev. Peter Berg officiating. Interment is at Riverside Cemetery.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Hospice of Washtenaw, the Michigan Humane Society or to the Plymouth Garden Club.

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Auditions are at the water tower theatre located on the campus of the Northville Regional Hospital, 41001 W. Seven Mile, between Haggerty and Northville roads.

The cast includes male and female singers of all ages. Some dancing is required.

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Museum has new exhibit

Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village have a new exhibit titled "Made in America."

The exhibit explores the social and technological roots of the nation's manufacturing heritage. It opens Saturday and offers access to the most compelling landmarks, people and ideas in American industry from the 1700s to the present.

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Christmas in Plymouth

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Everyone is invited to Kellogg Park on Sunday, Dec. 6 to sing and wait for the arrival of Santa.

The sing a long begins at 12:45 p.m. and Santa will arrive in his horse drawn carriage at 1 p.m. Santa's Plymouth Visit is sponsored by the Community Federal Union.

There will also be 60 Christmas trees to judge. They will be lining the walkways and ballots are available at the Chamber of Commerce, Box Bar and the Mayflower Hotel.

Anyone who wishes to get a picture with Santa or visit him in his workhouse may do so on Thursday from 6 to 9 p.m., Friday from 5 to 9 p.m., Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sunday from 12 to 5 p.m.

Shops in Old Village will be open to host their annual Christmas walk and open houses.

Musical show in Northville

"Christmas on Main Street" will open Friday at Northville's Historic Marquis Theatre, 135 E. Main St. in Northville.

The musical show features artists from the Michigan Opera Theatre and the Marquis Theatre Children.

Shows are scheduled for Dec. 4, 5, 11, 12, 18 and 19 at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$10.

Matinees can be seen on Dec. 9, 16 and 20 at 2:30 p.m. Tickets are \$7.50.

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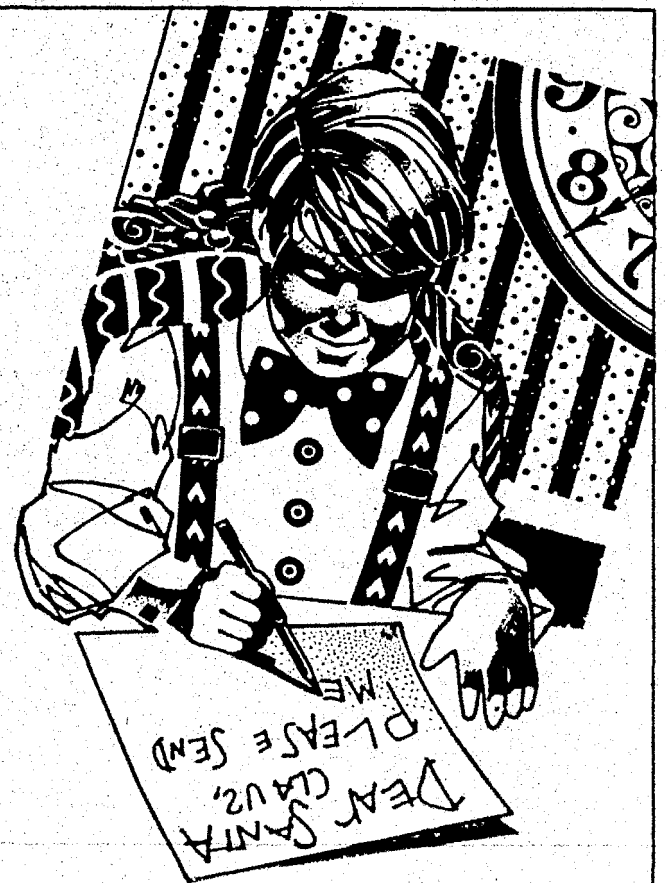
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Family production at EMU

Eastern Michigan University Theatre will present its annual holiday production for family audiences on Dec. 11, 12 and 13. This year, the show is Barbara Robinson's Modern Classic, "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever."


The show contrasts a humorous view of contemporary life with the traditional values in the story of Christmas.

The play will be performed in the Quirk Theatre Dec. 11 and 12 at 7:30 p.m. with 2:30 p.m. matinees in Dec. 12 and 13. Tickets may be reserved by calling the EMU Theatre Box Office at 487-1221 between the hours of 12:30 and 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.



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Sports

Canton hoopsters young but eager

BY ANNE SULLIVAN

Owen Crosby is the only Canton hoopster returning to the squad this year with varsity experience. Last year, Crosby averaged two points and two rebounds a game, as the only junior to play regularly on the varsity squad.

This year, Canton coach Dave Van Wagoner is expecting his only experienced varsity player to step up and lead the team. Captain of the Chiefs, the 6-5 Crosby has been moved from the forward position he played last year to center this year.

His position is the only one secured. As the Chiefs start practice, the rest are up for grabs according to the coach.

PREVIEW

A young and inexperienced squad will be wearing red on the court this year, but Van Wagoner doesn't necessarily see that as bad.

"We're a young team, and we lack varsity experience," said Van Wagoner. "But we've got some guys who want to meet the challenge and play this year. They want to do the best they can for this year."

"We're going to have to lace 'em up and play for this year. It's the only way to do it."

There are a lot of openings and opportunities for each player on the squad.

"We've got enough size to be successful," said Van Wagoner. "Our goal this year is to get better every day and play our best basketball at the end of the year."

To prepare for that goal, Canton starts its schedule with six tough non-conference games to get ready for league play. He sees Salem, Walled Lake Central and Northville as the three teams to beat in the conference.

"We graduated seven seniors last year who were responsible for winning 35 games in the last two years, four of them went on to play college ball," said Van Wagoner. Although he doesn't want to call this a rebuilding year, he admits there is a lot of work ahead for the coaching staff and players alike.

Three more seniors are returning and complete the upperclassmen on the team.

Brad Paskievitch, 6-2, "came into his own and proved his leadership and scoring (abilities)."

Rounding out the seniors this year are Ryan Cox, 6-3, and Al Hollingsworth, 6-1.

"Their role will be determined by how well they play defense and rebound," said Van Wagoner. "That is the key to winning games."

Juniors on the squad this year include four up from junior varsity and one transfer student.

Up from junior varsity is Matt Paupore, 6-3. Paupore was the leading scorer on the junior varsity team last year. "He worked real hard on his game over the summer," said Van Wagoner. "And he comes from a long line of good basketball players, his brother Jon played for the Chiefs last year and his brother Brian is playing college ball."

Tadarius Rachal, 5-9, showed marked improvement this year, according to his coach, and is likely to see playing time.

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Canton's seniors set the pace on the court and off the boards, (left) Ryan Cox, Owen Crosby, captain, Brad Paskievitch and Albert Hollingsworth. (Crier photo by E. Q. P. Lukasik)

In the water Salem's experience leads squad

BY ANNE SULLIVAN

As the girls swim season is ending, the boys are starting up.

For the Salem squad, this year brings many experienced swimmers back to lead the team of 54 swimmers and divers.

PREVIEW

"We've been in the water for a week," said Salem coach Chuck Olson. "If they want to work, we have a spot here. If they don't want to work hard, they cut themselves--no matter what their ability. We found this works the best way."

The philosophy works for Olson and the coaching staff at Salem. This year 11

tankers are returning with state meet experience, and 11 others with varsity experience.

Senior tri-captains are Matt Erickson, Scott Helmstadler and Chris Lynn. All three have state meet experience.

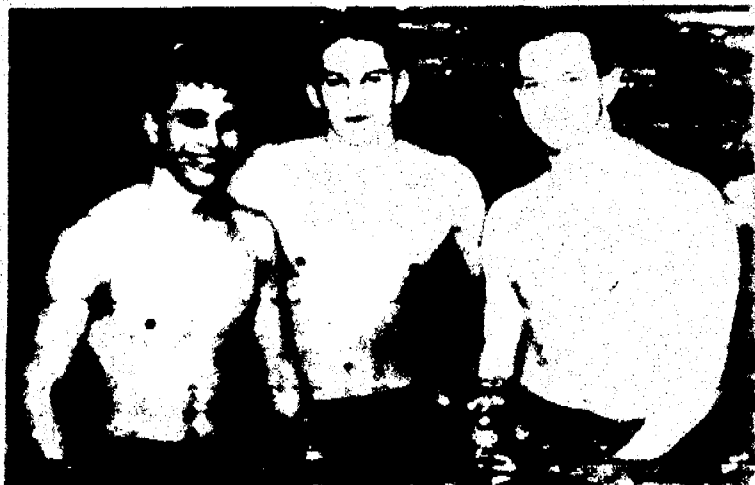
Erickson competed in the freestyle, relays and butterfly in last year's state meet.

Helmstadler swam the backstroke in the medley relay. Lynn was a state qualifier in the freestyle relay.

Phil Hoffmeyer swam the breaststroke in the medley at the state meet last year.

Rounding out this year's varsity experienced seniors are Alex Beard,

Please see page 27



Leading the Salem swim team this year are tri-captains (left) Matt Erickson, Chris Lynn and Scott Helmstadler. (Crier photo by E. Q. P. Lukasik)

Aiming for division repeat

Canton looks to develop depth relays

BY ANNE SULLIVAN

The Canton boys swim team is preparing for a new season, and have several positions wide open on the squad as the season kicks off.

Five seniors, seven juniors, and five sophomores are returning to the team, and coach Hooker Wellman is welcoming a number of newcomers.

PREVIEW

Forty-five kids came out for the team and will be vying for positioning in the events this year.

Three returning swimmers, Craig Steshetz, Mike Orris and Jeff Clark bring state meet experience with them.

"We're looking to develop depth behind our fast swimmers," said Wellman, who is also looking to develop fast relay teams to challenge in the dual meet season.

"We're looking to qualify Jeff Clark, Mike Orris and Craig Steshetz in many events, so they will have a choice of where they want to swim at the end of the season," said Wellman. "We need four swimmers in the relays, somebody has to develop and step up to be that next person on the relays."

Three of his seniors are breaststrokers and will bring a lot of experience to this event.

Steshetz, a senior and co-captain, will compete in the 100-yard breaststroke, 200-yard individual medley, 50-yard and 100-yard freestyle.

Seniors Ryan Henkel, co-captain, and Billy Gidhaus are both breaststrokers.

Rounding out the seniors this year are John Mincher, backstroke, and Brian Terel, distance freestyle.

Orris, a junior, is one of the more experienced swimmers on the squad this year. With state meet experience behind him, Orris can swim every event for the Chiefs.

Clark, a junior, also competed last year in the state meet and is a freestyle sprinter. He will be swimming in the 50-yard and 100-yard freestyle events.

Other juniors stepping up this year are Joe Foster, scheduled to compete in the 100-yard butterfly and 200-yard individual medley. "I'm looking to Foster to step-up and fill the void in the 100-yard butterfly and relays, and Todd Gillihan to fill in the freestyle (events)" said Wellman.

Gillihan is a middle distance freestyler. Jason Lehn will be competing as a middle distance and long distance freestyler.

Bryan Lang will swim the individual medley and backstroke.

Paul Montresor is an all-around swimmer for the Chiefs.

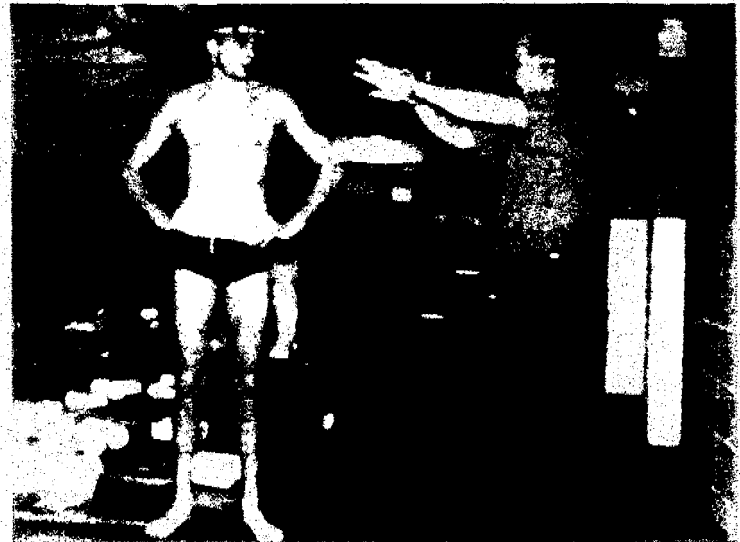
Three sophomores comprise the diving squad this year, Jason Fowler, Daryl Balios and Ryan Kempainen.

Sophomore swimmers are Scott Stevens, a middle distance freestyler, and Jason Sterling' stroke is the butterfly.

Wellman is also excited about a number of freshmen who have come out this year. Among the freshmen is Derek Lang, brother of Brian, and a crew of swimmers with middle school experience.

"We'll be o.k.," said Wellman of the upcoming season. "We have to replace Mark Ealovega, Pat Lancaster, Nick Atwell and Matt Teritel (from last year's squad)." He is looking for some swimmers to step up to the challenge. Those four won a lot of events for the Chiefs last year.

He and the squad have their eyes set on the division championship, and to finish



Canton swim coach Hooker Wellman advises swimmers as he prepares for the 1992-1993 season. (Crier photo by Eriq Lukasik)

in the top five in the Western Lakes Athletic Association conference.

Last year the team finished fourth in the conference with an 8-3 overall dual meet record.

To prepare his squad for the challenge of the league schedule, Wellman has scheduled some tough non-league meets. The Chiefs open their season Tuesday, Dec. 8, against Ann Arbor Huron, in Ann Arbor.

Flexibility Salem's asset

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Fernando Domingo, Justin Richardson, Scott Wiklund and Eric Livingston.

"We're fortunate," said Olson. "We have a lot of flexibility with seniors, which is good."

Beard and Erickson can swim every event, as can Helmstadter, Hoffmeyer and Lynn.

Domingo is a backstroker. Livingston and Wiklund swim freestyle, backstroke and butterfly. Richardson dives.

Seven juniors are returning to the team, having earned a varsity letter last year. All seven swim all the strokes. Three have state meet experience.

Aaron Berlin, Fred Locke and Tim Nixon were all part of relay teams in last year's state meet.

Brian McMullen, Ryan Petroskey and Tim Satwicz all swam varsity last year, and Woody Thomas is a diver.

Five sophomores have come back to the team with a year of varsity experience under their belts.

David Bracht, Andy Dettling, Joe Ervin and Marcus Sarkesian earned varsity letters and each qualified for the state meet as part of a relay team.

Eric Seidelman also earned a varsity letter last year as a freshman.

"Hopefully some guys who didn't contribute much last year will work on improving," said Olson. "Some worked on strength in the off season. It should be

an interesting year, I hope, and a successful one."

Olson has been head coach at Salem since 1978, and was assistant coach since 1975.

Last year the squad finished second in the conference. He has a tough preseason schedule to prepare his swimmers for the conference meet.

"We had a nice group of guys go to the state meet last year," said Olson. "Hopefully we'll do better. It's a pretty nice team. How hard they're willing to work will determine how far they'll get," he continued. "We'd like to win some (dual meets), but the conference meet is what we're shooting for."

The Rocks open their season Thursday, Dec. 17, against Dearborn, have a relay meet on Saturday, Dec. 19, then break for the Christmas Holiday, and pick up again after the first of the year.

The standings as of Nov. 21 for the Plymouth Canton Junior Basketball Association is as follows: Celtics and Pistons are 5-1. Kings and Lakers are 3-3. Rockets are 2-4. Hornets are 0-6.

In last week's competition, it was the Celtics over the Lakers, 47-37. The Kings trounced the Hornets 67-37. It was the Pistons over the Rockets 37-34.

Also, the Celtics defeated the Hornets 41-19. Pistons topped the Kings 56-48. Lakers pulled off a win over the Rockets, 40-37.



Canton tankers are led by co-captains (left) Craig Steshetz and Ryan Henkel. The two are flanked by juniors and seniors on the squad. (Crier photo by Eriq Lukasik)

Hopeful outlook

Salem builds team attitude, support

BY ANNE SULLIVAN

As the season kicks off for the Salem boys basketball team, coach Bob Brodie is hopeful for a good season.

Last year, his squad finished with a 14-8 record, were Lakes Division champions, and placed second in the Western Lakes Activities Association conference.

PREVIEW

This year, Brodie is watching how the team comes together as a unit before making any predictions for the season.

Six players are returning with varsity experience, including five seniors and one junior.

No captain has been selected yet. Brodie prefers to wait until a couple games are under their belt, and let the players see who comes forward as a leader and then pick the team captain.

The Rocks will kick off their season with a non-league game against Monroe, at home, Tuesday, Dec. 8.

Salem's first five games are at home and will provide tough competition to start the season. By mid-December, with a couple non-league games under their belt, Brodie expects to know how his team will fare for the season.

He is carrying five seniors and seven juniors.

All five seniors have varsity experience, and saw court action last year.

Seniors returning to the squad are Todd Forbes and Eddie Webb, both 5-10 guards. The brothers Slone, Mike and Brandon, both 6-4, and Brian Jensen, 6-3.

Five seniors return to the squad with varsity experience (left) Todd Forbes, Brian Jensen, Brandon Slone, Mike Slone and Eddie Webb. (Crier photo by Eriq Lukasik)



Rounding out the varsity experienced players is junior James Head, 6-6.

"James Head can go as far as he wants," said Brodie. But Brodie knows one person can't carry the team, and admits a lot of the year will depend on how the five guys on the court come together and perform.

Mike Slone shoots well and was a strong 3-point shooter for the Rocks last year, according to Brodie. He is looking for more of the same from him this year.

Brandon Slone and Jensen contributed a lot of scoring from inside.

"It's hard to say at the beginning of the season when you haven't seen them in

full game competition," said Brodie regarding his expectations for the season.

Up from the junior varsity squad are guards Sanjeev Seth and Chris Bagozzi, both stand 5-9. Harold Shanks, 6-3, Jeff Lamb, 6-2, and Adam Hammons, 6-0, complete the players moved up to the varsity squad.

New to the varsity squad is Joe Measel, 6-3.

Head, Lamb and Mike and Brandon Slone will all see some action in the forward position, according to Brodie. As it looks now, Jensen and Shanks will be vying for post play, according to Brodie.

"We have players coming back with experience," said Brodie. He also sports

good depth, size and quickness. "We can juggle the line up and go with big or small."

In his ninth year as varsity coach, Brodie has high hopes for the squad this year. He sees the biggest challenge as a team issue and how well they will jell together. That, he believes is the primary key to a successful season.

"Every year you begin the season with high hopes," said Brodie. "You see a lot of potential. It's tough to measure from year to year. If they work hard, they can be successful. They have to jell. If they don't come together, it can be disappointing. We'll have to see how hard they want to work."

Coach hopes to build on eagerness, new additions

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Tim Mortiz, 6-1, and Rob Radney, 6-1, are "good athletes" and their playing time will be determined by their ability to play defense and rebound.

Bryan Whittle, 6-5, is a transfer student from Poughkeepsie, New York. "He comes to us with an impressive background," said Van Wagoner. "He averaged 20 points per game, we're looking for some big contributions from Bryan."

Three sophomores complete the varsity squad this year. Ted Docks, 5-10, is a much improved player as he joins the varsity ranks this year. "He improved more over the summer than any player," said Van Wagoner. "He worked extremely hard to prepare for this year." But don't look for him in any of the early games. Docks is out until January with a broken toe.

Sophomores Brian Samulski, 6-4, and Mark Sanborn, 5-10 both improved over last year and their playing time will be determined by how well they rebound and play defense, according to Van Wagoner.



Canton coach Dave Van Wagoner instructs his charges during a recent practice. (Crier photo by Eriq Lukasik)

Heading into his eighth year as varsity coach, Van Wagoner wants his players to focus on continuous improvement in their game so they are ready for the playoffs at the end of the season.

Last year, he led the team to an 18-5 finish, the best record the boys basketball team has had in the history of the school.

"This team has the ability to play good basketball," said Van Wagoner. Although it's not easy to tell how the team will react in competition with only a week of practice under their belts, Van Wagoner said he's "looking forward to another exciting, successful year."

PCJBA 9-12 registration

Registration for the Plymouth Canton Junior Basketball Association grades 9-12, is Saturday, Dec. 5.

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
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Good luck Salem Cheerleaders in Indiana at Regionals. May the force be with you.

ALEX eats Aunt Sally's waffles

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SALLY is an "art" - Damon

"THERE'S PIGEON poop on the cars (in the Central Deck)" - Vincent Herbruck, Age 4.

Key is official now! Maybe that's why she smiles all the time.

Curiosities

I wonder if Joy, Pat, & Michele won.

"The rest of them can change their names, Sue's been around longer." Quote by guess who?

Sideways has great cards.

A person hasn't failed miserably until he starts to blame others for his failure.

Riddle of the week! Why does Karen wear both earrings in one ear?

LOOK OUT for the bear.

DID GENEVA RIG Matt Gantz's turkey draw?

Thanks Christy it was a great time. I owe you big time.

23 shopping days to Christmas - too bad I don't have any money.

JESSICA eats Grandma Mary's lemon meringue pie and Aunt Diane's grasshopper pie.

PHONE HOME!

I was shocked, Peter shaved.

I wonder if Mary & Walter are over the wedding yet. Just think, one more in 94 and that's the last.

World travel just got bigger & better.

Congrats to Maggie & me on their move down the street & also to their new store - good things get better.

Sameol! Here, Sameol!! Good dog!

Curiosities

BUY A GOODFELLOW PAPER (with a generous donation) on Sat. Dec. 5: NO KIDDE WITHOUT A CHRISTMAS.

J.J. is into bad jokes

How come everyone loves Jackie so much?

Some people have to work the day after a holiday then there's Lisa.

Congrats to Maggie & me on their move down the street & also to their new store - good things get better.

"WITH WRITERS, it's hard to tell what's fact and what's fiction." - Diane Herbruck.

"MY WISH was that you'd get your wish" - A winning turkey wishbone holder.

WHEN DADDY carves a turkey, he carves his finger too.

Ans. to riddle - she is a lovable caring person who likes to bring things together!

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(Nov. 13)

"CHRISTMAS ISN'T just a day, it's a frame of mind" - Kris Kringle on 34th St.

Cheryl's cuisine pleases even gourmet vegetarians (and meatball loved her leftovers)

DOROTHY - Be careful what you pray for! Do you really want a dog?

ANDREA - Tell the Rain, rain to go away so your leaking roof can be fixed today.

SAMTY - CHUCK - KIM - Happy Birthday to three who were nice little boys and have grown into fine men.

Brant - the weekend was incredible! Thanks.

Karen - Our thoughts are with you.

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EMMA - Your nice red stocking cap is at The Crier hanging on the bulletin board.

JUDGE DAVIS - you'd better have Martha help you with those quotations.

JACK MURDOCK - is famous for his fruit salad.

CONGRATULATIONS JACK ARMSTRONG! First ad in for '93 GUIDE!

Curiosities

DOROTHY M. - "Grow old along with me" BUT don't you believe "the best is yet to be"

Janet had Christmas early. She called & said she received the packages & asked if she could open them. A little after the fact. She liked the twinkles because in Japan they come frozen.

Must be nice having Fridays off.

Doesn't Karen look good lately?

Smile it's Wednesday!

JONNIE - It was nice of you to bake a Thanksgiving pumpidin pie for us, but Gee Whiz, to drop it on our nice, clean, kitchen floor, - wasn't very kind.

MRS. GANTZ - Love the clothes you bought. Thank you!

When Michele parties she parties!

"I'm not proud, I'm a female!" Christy Major 11-27-92

JJ, we needed 3 more Sunday night.

Sharon, if you happen to read this call me for lunch. We can continue the Saturday afternoon discussion.

I need a day of rest.

MATT - the hotdog w/onions was wonderful! Thank you. Just what was needed - a hotdog from Lafayette Street!

CHELSEA - Don't let your Mom pull any threads or your whole sweater will come apart.

HELEN - purple is the color for royalty & you're it.

Wendy & all my COMMA, Crier friends - sorry about this week. KG

Mike - stick around.

"It's a good thing I didn't have a tie on" Mike in COMMA.

"Let lions fear, let cowards shrink,

Let traitors turn away;

Whatever we have dared to think

That dared we also say."

-- (James Russell Lowell, poet, 1848)

Mike - please get the right folio this time.

YESTERDAY - Dec. 1 was World AIDS Day - pause a moment to raise awareness.

IN 1992, THERE ARE 28 shopping days between Thanksgiving and Christmas. In 1991 there were only 26. (In '93 there will be 29)

DON SCHNEIDER can even explain glass blowing to full-blown klutzes. - A klutz says "thanks"

ELLYN SHOCK turned one year old! Happy (she's belated) birthday.

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Community opinions



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This Saturday morning, the annual "Old News Boys" will take to the street corners of The Plymouth-Canton Community for their annual paper sale which ensures "There's no kiddie without a Christmas."

Both the Plymouth Goodfellows and the Canton Goodfellows newspapers are expanded this year to include up-to-date street maps for their respective communities. The papers are sold for a donation.

All monies raised go toward Christmas baskets for some 120 needy families with children in Plymouth, Plymouth Township and Canton.

The "old newsboys" on the street corners Saturday are all volunteers showing their Christmas spirit. Your generous donation will help this worthy cause.

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An early lesson in behavior taught by 'aunt'

My earliest lesson in local, colorful behavior was shown to me by my God Mother, Myrilla Schrader. My parents had an election party at our house for the Dewey/Truman presidential election...I must have been a really little kid because the election results were only available on the radio...most of Plymouth's leading citizens had to be there: 'Uncle Bud' (a World War II returnee) had supplied a casket for the party to represent the losing Democratic Party; there was a huge ice sculpture, probably carved by Lauren Goodale; Margaret and Cass Hough and other friends there in the house; the joint was really jumpin'; and, Plymouth's Republicans were decked out in their finest. Except for my God Mother: 'Aunt Myrilla.'

She was wearing a dress made of newspapers. Pinned and glued together pieces of stories about Dewey all over her...except for her backside, where there was a picture of Truman! Her 'outfit' was the hit of the party, even though Dewey lost. Delightful imagination, playful sense of humor, conscientious

Picking up the chips

By Randy Eaton



attitude for her community. I am sure she has not changed a stitch. Hopefully, the community is inheriting some of her character and imagination.

One can't reminisce about Plymouth-Canton's characters without bringing up Ralph Lorenz, Doc Williams, Roy La Rue, Niva Lovewell, Liz Hartwicke, or my Dad, surely. Unfortunately, some names will be lost, perhaps for the best, like: whoever it was that used to move old man Spigarelli's outhouse back a few feet every Halloween; or rip a window shade when an overweight teacher bent over during an auditorium lecture; park at that big, old barn out on North Territorial; or borrow cases of beer out of open garages. You know who you are. And, so do I -- more to be revealed in future columns.

Perhaps the most significant global incident in Plymouth-Canton's past had to do with a dangerous local guy named Don Baskins.

This would have been way back in about 1954 (when I was a new teenager). Don was the high school's bad attitude heavy weight, I mean, he wore pink suits with purple stitching, thin black ties, held his plicated pants up with metallic belts, and, swung around on square-toed shoes with clickers on their heels. A really scary guy.

To top off his persona he wore his red hair in a flamboyant duck's tail...nobody messed with 'Baskins.' The rest of us wore nice pants with respectable shirts and shoes, very respectful all 'round. Don was different. Here's what happened:

It was a warm spring day, school had broken for lunch...school principal, Carvel Bentley, watching us leave the front of the building for bag lunches on the grass, or a plate of french fries, gravy and a Coke at Ellis's Restaurant across the street from the Plymouth Mail on Main...Baskin's Ford convertible parked along the grass as usual where he draped himself and hung out with his girlfriends during the lunch period...must have been a hundred of us walking by.

Out of Baskin's car radio blared Bill Haley's "Rock Around The Clock." Like lemmings all of the students flowed over to his car, responding to the new beat. Hanging there with him, our toes tapping to the new rhythms, we became baptized into a new generation. Being dangerous, like Baskins himself, became fashionable. Being different an asset.

And, so Rock and Roll infused itself into town's psyche, -- right off of Baskin's bad attitude. I wonder if he knows the effect he created, what an unconscious hero he represented to so many of us, how he changed our lives. That he sparked our own generational revolution.



Community opinions

Sometimes rules just don't work

A recent conversation with Plymouth's Chief of Police Robert Scoggins created a deeper awareness of the impact voters had on No. 3.

The voters in Plymouth voted to keep a law which states that all department heads must live within the city's limits.

Scoggins has been looking for a home in Plymouth. To get a home of comparable size to the one he has now would be twice as expensive.

Scoggins currently lives in Canton Township about a mile from Plymouth's border. He had the home built for his family about nine years ago. He was promoted to chief about one year ago.

Scoggins doesn't have many choices.

A new notion

By Amy Kidwell



He can move into a home of similar monetary value, but the living space for him and his family will be cut in half. Or, if the family can afford it, they can move into a home of similar size and take a huge loss.

The voters made a terrible mistake on Nov. 3. If a department head is hired from outside the department and has to move to the area, then yes, requiring him or her to

live in Plymouth is understandable. After all, department heads should be aware of the community they help supervise. However, when an individual is promoted from within the department, he or she is already aware of the community and how it operates.

The City of Plymouth is limiting its resources by requiring its leaders to live within the boundaries.

Hi P-C, it's nice to meet you

Hello P-C,

Funny how things change but they remain the same, isn't it?

Here I am, a reject from an American Express Card commercial ("you don't know me, but..."), and yet this region seems oddly familiar.

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How comfortable, how completely American.

Of course, only time will tell if we become a good fit -- foot to shoe, hand to glove, husband to wife, reporter to beat -- but I think the chances are fair that we'll prove compatible.

Why? Well, because the behind facades we'll present to each other most of the time there lies a foundation in common values important to us all: Family, friends, commitment, honor, decency, honesty and integrity.

From your point of view, it'll take a lot longer to see if I fit these bills, but from mine, you've done a nice job already.

Take, for example, the recent expulsion of a local high school student last week: Going completely against the grain of what a school district is all about -- keeping kids in school -- the Board of Education voted reluctantly to throw a kid out.

Now, for some, that might be the end of it; one bad apple and all that. But two things struck me:

Gatekeeping

By Craig Farrand



First, on the night of the expulsion, board Secretary David Artley concluded the formal expulsion resolution with the hope that the adolescent would seek help.

And then Monday night, before a budget hearing, Treasurer Dean Swartzwelter made two telling comments. When asked what was going through his mind when he considered the expulsion, he said that "you imagine it's your child."

And moments later: "(The need for expulsion) shows that everyone's failed; the parents, the school, the church...for whatever reason (they) haven't been effective."

How fascinating. How human.

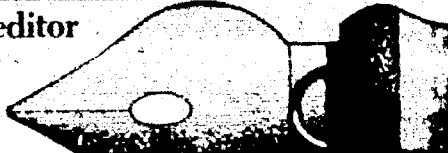
Even when a child has been singled out for the most severe of educational punishments, the board doesn't express anger or retribution or hold the child up for ridicule -- but instead, offers compassion and a search for a deeper explanation.

P-C (The Plymouth-Canton Community), I think we're going to get along famously.

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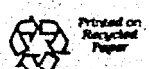
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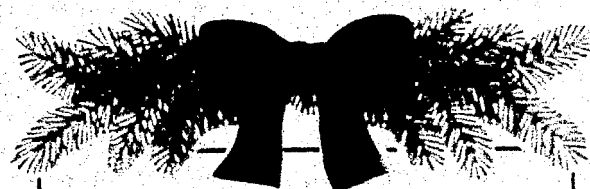


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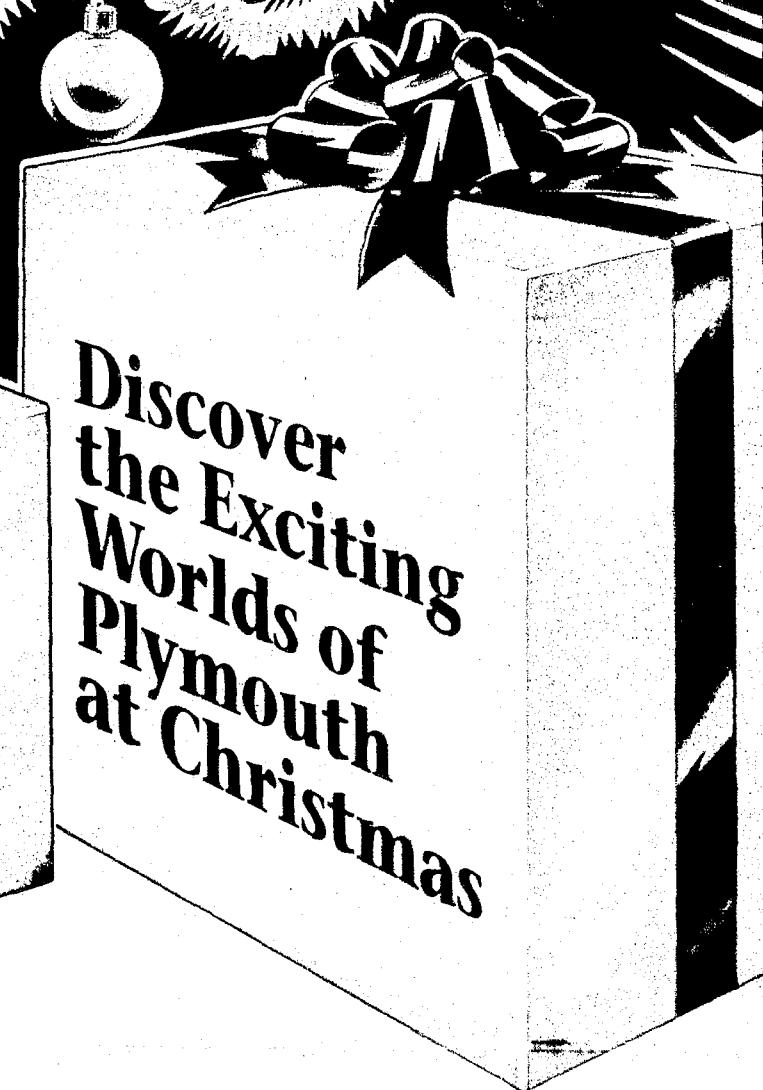
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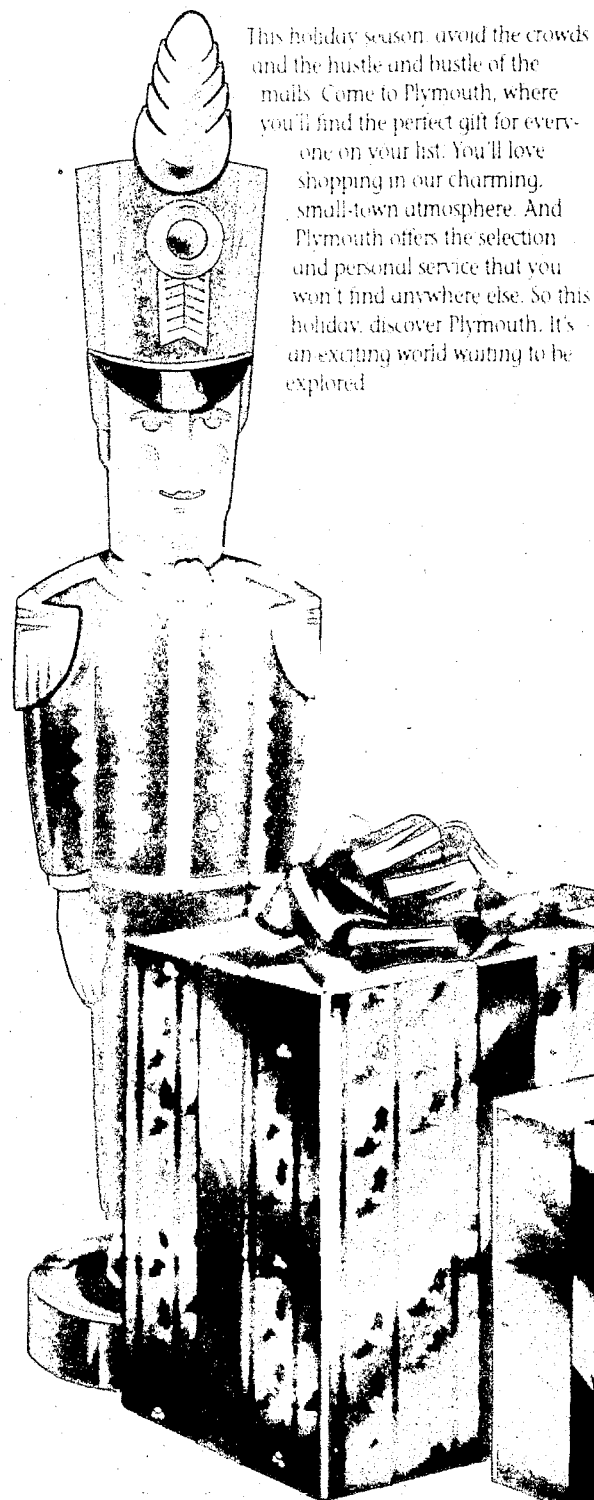
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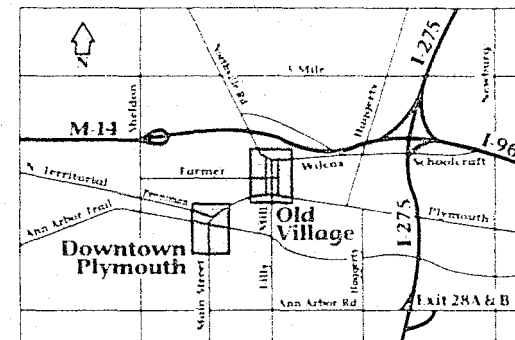
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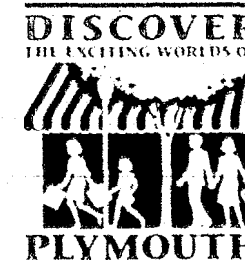
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453-5220

Clothing

Les Bebes de Bea
747 E. 1st St.
453-3828

Landen Art Glass
580 E. 1st Ave.
453-3366

Old Village Yarn Shop
494 N. Main
453-0582

Engraving

Engraving Connection
930 W. Ann Arbor Trail
459-3180

Furniture

Brass & Iron Beds of Plymouth
873 W. Ann Arbor Trail
453-7181

Country Charm
323 S. Main
453-8884

The Country Merchant, Inc.
535 Forest
454-5700

Walker & Buzenberg Furniture
Wicker Warehouse
825 Fenimur
459-2994

Galleries/Galleries

Chameleon Galleries Ltd.
701 S. Main
453-0448

Frameworks
834 Fenimur
453-3373

Native West
863 W. Ann Arbor
453-8838

Pennman Showcase
525 Fenimur
453-8812

Wild Wings Gallery
775 W. Ann Arbor Trail
453-3437

Gifts/Cards

Accent Bin
800 W. Ann Arbor Trail
453-9510

Andy's Hallmark
550 Forest Ave.
459-9530

Bed'n' Stead
470 Forest Ave.
453-7389

Days Gone By
590 Forest Ave.
453-0082

Paper Parade
470 Forest Ave.
453-7520

Pennman Country House
849 Fenimur
459-5780

Sideways, Inc.
505 Forest Ave.
453-8812

Village Decor
825 Fenimur
459-0060

Hotels

Mayflower Bed & Breakfast Hotel
845 W. Ann Arbor Trail
453-3630

Jewelry

Delta Diamond
525 W. Ann Arbor Trail
453-1211

Hands on Leather and Jewelry
525 Forest
453-3366

Plymouth Jewelry & Gifts
520 Westwood
453-3366

Lawn/Garden

Saxton's Garden Center
587 W. Ann Arbor Trail
453-6280

Medical

U of M Health Center
1324 Medical Professional Bldg.

Nonprofits

The Community Center
521 Fenimur
453-8800

Real Estate

Makom, Inc. Real Estate
4810 E. Brewster St.
453-6575

Robert Bake Realtor
1005 W. Ann Arbor Trail
453-8200

Restaurants

Box Bar & Grill
777 W. Ann Arbor Trail
459-7390

Cozy Cafe
15 Forest Place
453-8260

Pennman Estate Antiques
701 S. Main
453-3448

Services

Carnes Wedding Chapel
701 S. Main
453-3448

Mr Speedy Printing Center
453-3448

The Patriot Funeral Home
600 S. Main
453-3448

The Plymouth Manor

The Wedding Chapel
701 S. Main
453-3448

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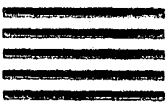


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