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One of these seven men will replace John Hoben

S, CENE DENISAR

superintendent, North Kansas City (MO) School District YEARS IN JOB: 10 STUDENTS: 16,404 TEACHERS: 1,138 BUDGET: \$88 million SALARY: \$96,938

EDUCATION: B.S., Indiana University; M.E., Indiana U; Ed.D., Indiana U.

LOUIS GIANNUNZIO

superintendent, Marshall (MI) School District YEARS IN JOB: 11 STUDENTS: 2,500 TEACHERS: 140 BUDGET: \$13 million SALARY: \$79,240

EDUCATION: B.A., Western Michigan University; M.A., Western Michigan U; doctoral work in progress at Eastern Michigan University.

GARY HUGHES

superintendent, Durand (MI) School District YEARS IN JOB: 4 STUDENTS: 2,600 TEACHERS: 130 BUDGET: \$12 million SALARY: \$81,000 EDUCATION: B.A., Marquette University; M.A., Central

Michigan University; Ed.D., International Graduate School.

RONALD JANDURA

superintendent, St. Cloud (MN) School District YEARS IN JOB: 11 STUDENTS: 13,500 TEACHERS: 800 BUDGET: \$70 million SALARY: \$90,050

EDUCATION: B.S., Lewis College; M.E., Illinois State University; Ed.D., University of Alabama.

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superintendent, Frontier Central School District (Hamburg, NY) YEARS IN JOB: 4 STUDENTS: 5,050 TEACHERS: 365 BUDGET: \$40 million SALARY: \$92,500

EDUCATION: B.A., Rutgers University; M.A.T., State University of New York; Ed.D., Indiana University

ROBERT MONSON

superintendent, Westwood (MA) School District YEARS IN JOB: 7 STUDENTS: 2,000 TEACHERS: 165 BUDGET: \$14 million

SALARY: \$95,600 EDUCATION: B.A., University of St. Thomas; M.A., U of St. Thomas; Ph.D., St. Louis University.

REGINALD NOLIN superintendent,

Duluth (MN) School District YEARS IN JOB 3 STUDENTS: 14,000 TEACHERS: 1,000 BUDGET: \$110 million SALARY: \$95,000

EDUCATION: B.A., Bemidji State University: M.E., Bemidji State; Ed.D., Northern Illinois University.

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School board begins new supt. interviews

The Newspaper with Its Heart in The Plymouth-Canton, MI Community

Slate of 7 candidates will fall to 2 or 3 Monday

BY CRAIG FARRAND

The first of seven public interviews was held yesterday of candidates for the Plymouth-Canton School District superintendency, with the other six continuing through Saturday.

The seven names were announced last Wednesday by representatives of the district's private search firm.

Barring any surprises, one of these men will replace Supt. John Hoben, who steps down June 30, after 23 years as the district's top executive.

On Monday, the board will narrow the list to two or three finalists, who will then be called back for second interviews in mid-April.

Because Monday's meeting is expected to be a lengthy one, board President Roland Thomas has moved the start time to 7 p.m., and has placed the superintendent search at the top of the agenda.

The board is expected to appoint the new superintendent on May 16 and have him start July 1.

The seven candidates for the job are:

•S. Gene Denisar: superintendent of the North Kansas City (MO) School District.

•Louis Giannunzio: superintendent of the Marshall (MI) School District.

•Gary Hughes: superintendent of the Durand (MI) School District.

•Ronald Jandura: superintendent of the St. Cloud (MN) School District.

•Charles Little: superintendent of the Frontier Central School District (Hamburg, NY).

•Robert Monson: superintendent of the Please see pg. 25 Walker, Battishill won't seek re-election to board

The man being replaced:

JOHN HOBEN

superintendent.

Plymouth-Canton School District

SALARY: \$116,000

EDUCATION: B.S., University of Michigan;

M.A., Michigan State University; Ed.D.,

STUDENTS: 15,000

BUDGET: \$85 million

YEARS IN JOB: 23

Wayne State University.

TEACHERS: 740

BY CRAIG FARRAND

There will be at least two new faces on the next Plymouth-Canton school board come June 14: Incumbent Trustees Les Walker and Carl Battishill have both announced they will not seek re-election this year.

Three seats are up for election June 13: Those held by Walker, Battishill and Sue Feiten, who was appointed to the board in November to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Dean Swartzwelter.

Both Walker and Battishill's seats are four-year terms: Feiten's is for one-year.

Feiten told The Crier Monday night that she has

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Builder charged with bank fraud

BY JOHN HORN

A Plymouth Township builder and his wife were arraigned in federal court last week on bank fraud charges stemming from their falsification of federal income tax returns in order to obtain business loans and lines of credit.

Russell Morrell, owner of Morrell Builders, and his wife Norah, appeared before magistrate Judge Thomas Carlson. Both were released on personal bonds. A plea of innocent was entered on their behalf.

The couple now faces an April 18 "probable cause" hearing.

If convicted, they could face maximum penalties of 30 years imprisonment and/or a \$1 million fine.

The United States Secret Service became involved in the investigations after being contacted by a party who claimed to have lost thousands of dollars to Morrell.

According to a sworn affidavit filed in federal

court by Special Agent Gregory Suhajda, the Morrells knowingly created false tax documents to submit to two banks in an effort to obtain loans they

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Mettetal board on verge of hiring site operator

BY ALEX LUNDBERG

After months of waiting and delays, Canton-Mettetal Airport is finally a step closer to having an on-site official to overlook the state-owned airport.

According to a Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) press release, Kitze Aviation Incorporated has been recommended by the Mettetal Airport Selection Committee to serve as the state's fixed base operator (FBO).

Kitze Aviation was chosen from a field of eight companies and individuals that responded to MDOT requests

Twin decisions by the charity's board set up a different future

Foundation board may find itself saying 'no' as it moves toward endowment, away from Joyner

BY CRAIG FARRAND

"Be careful what you wish for — it might come true." For officials of the Canton Community Foundation, this old adage holds special meaning as they come to grips with the dual issues of Executive Director Bill Joyner's replacement and a shift to an endowment-emphasized revenue structure.

And although some says it's purely coincidental, the fact is that the two issues are inexorably connected:

On the one hand, the charity's Board of Directors have decided to end its contract with Joyner and seek an individual who will deliver the same goods at half the price.

Proponents say the move will, in part, eliminate any perception that Joyner's outside political activities could jeopardize the organization's tax-exempt status.

Critics, however — including Joyner himself — say the move will do more harm than good, as the charity loses Joyner's added dimension as liaison to dozens of other community groups and organizations.

Likewise, advocates of the Foundation's move to a more endowment-intensive structure say it's a matter of longterm thinking; that an endowment system builds for the future, while an in-and-out cash flow system is far too fleeting in its impact.

But critics say the move not only takes too much money out of circulation in the community, but also see the move as a clever method of making Joyner expendable.

They also say it will put the Board of Directors in a position its never been in before: Saying *no* to community requests for money.

THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

No matter how one looks at the current situation in the Canton Community Foundation, a move away from Bill Joyner and to a new director will entail a profound change in the way the position is viewed — both from within and without the organization.

"We wouldn't be in the position we are today without (Joyner's) involvement," said Howard, praising his director's role, "but the time has come for me to sit down with the board and answer the question: 'who are we?'

for proposals for the position.

Kitze Aviation is currently based at Oakland Pontiac Airport in Waterford. The owner of the company, Douglas Kitze, has been in aviation for more than 30 years.

According to Kitze, all that waits now is for the recommendation to pass through the system.

"There are still contracts to negotiate," Kitze said. "That may take some time, it still has to pass by their lawyers and my lawyers. I may be in before the signing." According to Director of the Michigan Aeronautics Commission William Gehman, Kitze's could sub-contract with the current operators if the deal isn't done soon.

"There may be an interim appointment," Gehman said. "The Klochko's will subcontract him (Kitze) to be the FBO until the contract is signed."

"I'm planning to be in by May 1," Kitze said.

According to the release, Kitze worked for Swift Airways at Mettetal Airport 25 years ago working in maintenance. He also worked at National Airport in Westland before it closed.

Barricade is short-term solution to traffic habits

BY JOHN HORN

The barricade in the parking lot of Plymouth Township's Hall is there for a reason. And it's not to signify upcoming construction, but to discourage the racetrack-like activity that has been going on since December.

Township Clerk Marilyn Massengill said the barrier, closing off entrance or exit from the lot onto Ann Arbor Road, was created to curb motorists cutting through the lot.

They are doing so to avoid waiting for the light at the corner of Ann Arbor and Lilley Roads.

"We have employees coming back and forth, as well as citizens and we became concerned for their safety," Massengill said. "I felt someone was going to get hurt."

Massengill's office window looks onto the lot and from there she has seen countless drivers cutting through the lot, thus avoiding the light.

Many of those vehicles, she said, are moving at a high rate of speed. With employes and citizens roving from the Clerk's office to the Township Hall, the possibility of danger looms.

"These cars are coming through here very fast, sometimes with tires squealing," Massengill said. "We have employees going back and

"We have employees going back and forth and several older citizens, some of them with canes, coming in and out. I am very concerned about someone hitting someone else."

The barrels and tape have provided some sort of reprieve from the problem, but some motorists have found there way around it.

"We had one man a couple weeks ago, pull up to the barricade, get out and move one of the barrels over," she said.

The Township will not leave the obstruction up for long. Massengill stressed the fact that not only is the driveway owned by the state, but the barricade is becoming an eyesore as well.

In order to construct a curb to block the entrance completely, the Township would need to obtain a permit from the state, as well as money from its own pocket, Massengill said.

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"We need to find out what it is that we're going to do for the community; what the needs are of the community.

"And once we've reached that vision of the future," he said, "we can define the role of the new executive director.

"And the first thing we need to do is create a job description."

And what might that job description be?

A clue might be found in last week's meeting of the Foundation board, when it made official its search for a new executive director: According to Howard, among the qualifica-

"We wouldn't be in the position we are today without (Bill Joyner's) involvement...

...but the time has come for me to sit down with the board and answer the question: 'who are we?'"

— Mitch Howard

ording to Howard, among the qualifications being sought from applicants will be a bachelor's degree, computer literacy, experience in a non-profit environment and public relations expertise.

The board set a deadline of May 15 for applications, and hopes to have the person on board by June 15.

Howard also said the Foundation hopes to work out an interim agreement with Joyner, whose contract has not been renewed past the end of May.

In particular, Howard said he envisions the new executive director as someone who would have limited experience in operations, but take a more active role in fund-raising.

"We've become too reliant on several of our board members for fund-raising," he said.

From the beginning of the Foundation, Joyner's role — first as a partner in PARG consulting and later on his own — has been as a day-to-day manager of the Foundation's operations, liaison to other community groups and the charity's foremost public relations rep.

An example of Joyner's crossover role was seen just before his first interview with The Crier: prior to his meeting with the newspaper, Joyner held a one-hour session with Linda Alvarado of the Plymouth Symphony.

"I spend a lot of time with other groups, finding ways in which we can coordinate efforts or help out," Joyner said. "And that's not something you can easily put a price tag on."

A point with which Howard agrees: "By and large and lot of the programs (the Foundation's) doing are funded by the salary

Local couple charged with federal bank fraud

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would have not otherwise received.

Suhajda said the two also ordered their bookkeeper to create accurate documents which were submitted to the Internal Revenue Service.

Russ Morrell, through the advice of his attorney Rick Zipser, declined to comment on the case or any charges pending against him and his wife.

Zipser told The Crier yesterday that he expected "the matters to resolve them-selves."

"I think they're very fine people," he

said. "It is my profound expectation that their reputations will ultimately be restored.

"I think it's important for people not to reach any outstanding conclusions.

"When these things are resolved, they will be seen as hard-working, decent folks," he said.

National Bank of Detroit approved a \$100,000 commercial loan and a \$100,000 mortgage relying on false adjusted gross incomes contained in their 1986 and 1987 federal income tax returns submitted by the Morrells.

The affidavit reported the Morrells'

accurate adjusted gross income for those years as \$29,106 and \$6,759, respectively.

Standard Federal Bank of Troy approved a \$20,000 line of credit based on the Morrells' 1989 federal income tax returns which falsely reported an adjusted income of \$106,104.

Suhajda said the correct return the Morrells filed with the Internal Revenue Service that same year reported an adjusted gross income of \$1,853.

According to officials from both NBD and SFB, federal income tax returns serve as a financial barometer from which their institutions assess the financial stability of a potential borrower.

This practice is in accordance with federal lending regulations enacted to protect federally insured financial institutions from loss.

On Jan.6, the Morrells filed for Chapter 7 bankruptcy protection.

Suhajda said at the time, NBD had a remaining balance of approximately \$156,000.

Standard Federal has subsequently written off a remaining balance of approximately \$19,000.



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Friends & neighbors

Neighbors in the news

3 to receive degrees from Schoolcraft

Businessman Tom Bohlander and school Supt. John Hoben will join Gov. John Engler as recipients of honorary degrees from Schoolcraft College during commencement on May 7.

Engler will also deliver the college's commencement address.

Bohlander, a member of the college's Foundation Board of Governors, is the owner of 10 auto dealerships, including Sunshine Acura. Besides his foundation work, he also serves on the Michigan Chamber of Commerce board, the Plymouth Chamber of Commerce board, the Plymouth Township Zoning Board of Appeals and the Plymouth Township Planning Commission.

Hoben, who is retiring as superintendent of the Plymouth-Canton School District after 23 years as its top executive, also has served as president of the Plymouth Rotary Club and has served on the Plymouth Building Authority and YMCA and is past director of the Michigan Association of School Administrators.



McEldery-Ramen

Carol and Richard Paxer and Claude and Gayla McEldery announce the engagement of their children Elizabeth Ann McEldery to Paul Ramen son of Frank and Joan Ramen.

McEldery is a resident of Plymouth and Ramen of Windsor.

The couple will be married April 23 at the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.

Olds-Kiernan

Doug and Judy Olds and Janet Mitch announce the marriage of their children Kelly Eileen Olds to Jeffrey Bruce Kiernan.

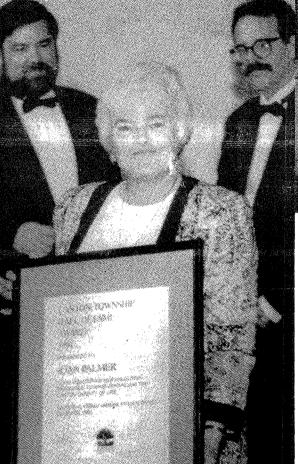
Olds is a 1988 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School and is employed as a certified Occupational Therapy Assistant.

Kiernan is employed at St. Joseph Hospital in Ann Arbor and is currently attending Washtenaw Community College.

The couple was married Mar. 19 at the Main Street Baptist Church.







Brian and Karen Stemberger are proud to announce the birth of their daughter Lindsey L on Jan. 14, 1994.

Grandparents are Marilyn Stemberger and Chuck and Barb Stinebaugh.

Mark and Kristina Landini proudly announce the birth of their son Michael Vincent on Jan. 3, 1994.

Grandparents are Ralph and Betty Landini of Plymouth and Bill and Janet Murphy of Canton.

Paul and Ada Roeser of Canton proudly announce the birth of their daughter Elizabeth Marylyn on Dec. 18, 1993.

Elizabeth is the first Roeser girl to be born into the family in 40 years.

Elizabeth was welcomed by her three brothers; Nathan, Luke and Gabriel; grandparents, Joyce and Lothar Roeser and Leason Hutchins; great grandparents, William and Helen Speirs.

James and Kristyn Frisosky of Detroit proudly announce the birth of their son Cody James on Jan. 1, 1994.

Cody was the first baby to be delivered at St. Mary's Hospital in the new year. Cody was welcomed by 2-year-old sister Paige.

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The best of Canton was honored last week when township officials named Joan Palmer (left) to the community's Hall of Fame, as Canton Community Foundation Executive Director Bill Joyner, and Ken Voyles looked on. Also honored for their commitment to the township were Janet Volante (top left), Barb Svec, Tom Adamusik and Pat Head — who was accepting the award on behalf of her daughter, Dena. On hand to help with the honors was Ray Schultz (right).

Crier photos by George Gentry



Roger and Kathy Dooley are proud to announce the births of their children John Michael and Eric Thomas.

The twins were born at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital on Dec. 28, 1993.

John and Eric were welcomed by sister Brittany and grandparents Edgar Birchmeirer and Tom and Pat Dooley.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth and Melissa Percin of Canton are the proud parents of a baby boy. Nicholas Andrew was born at St. Joseph McAuley Family Birth Place on Nov. 12, 1993.

Greg and Candi Olds of Plymouth are proud to announce the birth of their son **Cameron Jacob**.

Cameron was born at Ann Arbor Hospital on Oct. 7, 1993.

Cameron was welcomed by grandparents, Doug and Judy Olds, Linda Bogart and Don Sowa, and Jerry Musselman. Great grandparents include Doris

Great grandparents include Doris Brady, Reland Olds, and Jean and Warren Bogart.

Jennifer Barnes and Vernon Morse are proud to announce the birth of their daughter Megan Leigh Barnes on Feb. 7, 1994.

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Grandparents include Joel and Theresa and Vernon and Donna.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Temperley of Plymouth are the proud parents of a baby girl.

Jenifer Lynn May was born Dec. 13, 1993 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor.

Siblings include Dawn, Mary and Michael; grandparents, John Young and Thomas and Marilyn Temperley.

Robert and Kristi Partain of Plymouth are proud to announce the birth of their daughter Samantha Rose.

Samantha was born at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital on Oct. 26, 1993.

Mr. and Mrs. Rick Berberet of Westland are the proud parents of a baby girl. Little Brianna was born Jan. 20, 1994, at Botsford Hospital.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Kim Dutcher of Haslett and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Berberet of Canton.



Getting down to business

Neighbors in business

Old Kent Bank - East opened its newest full-service banking office on Monday, March 21. The new office is located at 43443 Joy Rd. Canton, in the Coventry Commons Shopping Center.

The office has been remodeled in architecture and design and it is a full service branch, including three enclosed offices, a mortgage closing room and an ATM machine.

Residents of the community are encouraged to come in to the Canton office to meet the Old Kent staff, enter to win the grand prize drawing, receive a savings coupon worth \$50 in discounts on Old Kent products and services, plus special offers on other products and services.

The Canton Business and Professional Women's Organization (BPW) will host "Financial Management: It pays to know the score".

Sue Skiba will present a fundamental approach to money management that can lead to financial growth despite the ups and downs of the economy.

The program will be held Monday, April 11 at the Roman Forum Restaurant in Canton at 6 p.m.

The cost is \$10 per person and includes dinner. For more information, contact Salemae Burkholder at (313) 453-3699.

The Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce's Downtown Merchants present their annual **Midnight Madness** April 15, 1994 from 7 p.m. to midnight.

More than 75 shops in downtown Plymouth will offer special bargains.

Canton resident Michael C. Andersen has been named as an Ameritech Cellular and Paging Ambassador.

Andersen, a business consultant for the company is representing Ameritech Cellular and Paging at events throughout southeastern Michigan.

The ambassador program, now in its second year, was developed to effectively staff the many events Ameritech Cellular and Paging sponsors, runs and takes part in each year. These events range from the North American International Auto Show and major golf tournaments to trade shows and special promotions.

Because of its success during its pilot year, the Ambassador program has nearly doubled to 15 members.

Dentist offers pain-free procedures

BY ROB KIRKBRIDE

All his life Dr. Christopher Bartnicki wanted to be a dentist.

His dream became a reality with the opening of his new office at 215 N. Sheldon Road in Plymouth.

"It seems funny to a lot of people that I would want to be a dentist, even when I was a kid," he said. "but I admired my family dentist when I was growing up. That's how I got started."

Bartnicki, who shares his office with his father-in-law, orthodontist Dr. Robert Petersen, graduated from the University of Michigan Dental School in 1989 and said going to the dentist does not have to be a nightmare.

"There are a number of ways to make going to the dentist easier and a lot less stressful," he said. "If a patient chooses, we have nitrous oxide gas, headphones and premedication options.

"We focus on pain free dentistry by keeping a relaxed atmosphere in the office.

"We want to put the patient at ease. "We have a homey atmosphere. It's

like visiting your neighbor, not the dentist." Bartnicki is trained in and offers all the

latest procedures in dentistry.

He said he uses white, tooth-colored fillings and closely follows the latest sterilization techniques.

"There has been a lot of emphasis lately on the cosmetic aspects of dentistry," he said. "Among other cosmetic procedures, we offer bleaching (whitening teeth)."

Bartnicki said he is not the kind of dentist the patient only sees for a few minutes each visit.

"I think it is important to spend some time with my patients," he said. "I am forming a one-on-one relationship with my patients by performing all the cleaning myself."

Bartnicki recently moved to the area and is accepting new patients.

His wife Karen is from Plymouth. The couple has one child, Thomas, who is 1 year old.

Dr. Christopher Bartnicki believes in offering his patients a pain-free visit to the dentist's office. (Crier photo by George Gentry)

Italian Cucina to become a seafood restaurant

BY ROB KIRKBRIDE

The basic economic theory in a free market economy is that supply should equal demand.

John Cleveland, the new owner of the Italian Cucina located at 39500 E. Ann Arbor Rd., is hoping to cash in on this theory.

Cleveland is closing the restaurant for remodeling and will reopen it as the Water Club Bar and Grill, which will specialize in seafood dishes.

"There really isn't a restaurant in the area that specializes in seafood," he said. The transformation began Jan. 15 when Cleveland signed the sales agreement to buy the restaurant.

"I wanted to own my own restaurant," he said. "Plymouth is centrally located and the demographics are wonderful.

"Plymouth is just a strong area." Cleveland said the restaurant will offer an upscale experience that is still affordable.

"We want a better kind of restaurant," he said, "but we want to keep it comfortable where you don't have to dress up if you don't want to - a place where you can just drop in for dinner."

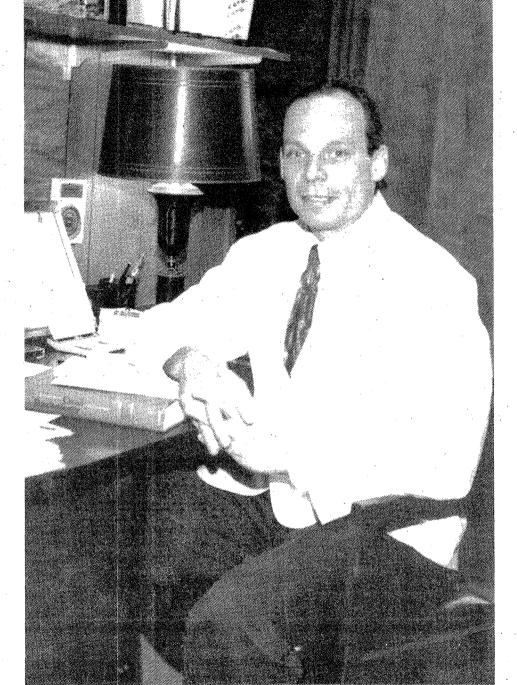
Cleveland said it is important to have

a seafood restaurant in the community because most people do not like preparing fish in their own home, "but there is nothing like fresh fish," he said.

"We are looking to make the Water Club part of the Plymouth community to be part of the tradition of the community and become Plymouth's finest restaurant.

"We also want to communicate a feeling of belonging as if the person was a club member.

"It will be part of our philosophy to make the customer feel special and important."



Geiss is officially in the race for Ford's 13th House seat

ECTION WATCH

BY CRAIG FARRAND It's official: Former Bill Ford aide David Geiss has announced his candidacy to fill his boss' seat in the U.S. House. Geiss, who joined Ford's staff in 1982, entered the race for the 13th congressional district after conducting his

own research on the viability of his can-

Ford announced his retirement in

didacy.

January, catching many people by surprise — and effectively ending 30 years of congressional service.

The 13th House District extends from Western Wayne County to Ann Arbor, and includes the entire Plymouth-Canton

area plus the Wayne County portion of the two Northvilles.

In entering the race, Geiss joins one other announced candidate: Republican John Schall.

Fellow Democrat Bryan Amman withdrew from the race only weeks after throwing his own hat into the ring.

Also considering their own candidacies are Republican Cynthia Wilbanks and Crier Publisher W. Edward

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Geiss, 50, began his political career in Taylor, where he served on the City Council from 1973 until he was elected to the Wayne County Charter Commission in the early 1980s. He joined Ford's staff in December 1982.

A strong union advocate, Geiss began his labor career as a local plant chairman for the UAW and was elected in 1975 as the full-time financial secretary for UAW Local 189.

Geiss has set up a campaign office in Wayne — where he now lives with his wife, Jacqueline.

Hartnett out, Boak in judge race

Word that there is slim chance for a third permanent judgeship to be created for the 35th District Court has sent one candidate packing — but another has arrived to take his place

Wayne County Assistant Prosecutor Thomas Hartnett told The Crier that he is withdrawing from the race because there will be no third judge — and therefore, no second seat open in this year's election.

On Tuesday, however, attorney Stephen Boak announced his candidacy, joining seven others in the race.

The are: Plymouth City Attorney Ron Lowe, attorneys Michael Gerou and Jacqueline George, Wayne County Assistant Prosecutors Kevin Simowski, Karen Woodside and Maria Petito, and Plymouth Commissioner Dennis

City begins review of animal ordinance

Plymouth City Commissioners Monday night got their first glimpse of a revised Animal Ordinance aimed at controlling wild and domesticated animals in the city.

Police Chief Robert Scoggins met with the commission and citizens to define and clarify language contained within the ordinance. Scoggins will take all input into consideration when drafting the new revisions.

The commission and residents stressed the importance of animal control and owner responsibility as it relates to pets running at large.

The city is also considering establishing an independent contract with Critter Control, an agency specializing in the removal of problem and wild domesticated animals.

The ordinance revision is a result of citizen concerns about how to properly deal with wild animals like skunks and raccoons.



Joseph and Daphne Alphonso of Canton recently celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary.

They were married on Dec. 29, 1968 at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, India.

The Alphonso's are the parents of three children: Zarine, Patrick and Kevin.

Alphonso is a senior engineer at Ford Motor Co. and his wife is self-employed.

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Shrewsbury. The filing deadline is May 10. Plymouth-Canton-Northville



Sharon L. Hood, 52, antique dealer

Sharon Hood of Plymouth, died March 29, 1994, at the age of 52. She is survived her husband, Edward "Ed" Hood; daughters, Nancy (Tom) LeGault, Marcy (Matthew) Radwick, Sherry Bush and Ronda (Eric) Leavens; sons, Daniel and Dale; brothers, Rev. John, Neil and James Drouillard; sister, Marjorie Bourdeau; mother, Marjorie Drouillard; and eight grandchildren. Services were held April 2 at the Agape Christian Center.

Emily L. Connor, 83, homemaker

Emily L. Connor, formerly of Plymouth, died April 4, 1994, at the age of 83. She is survived by her daughter, Shirley (Richard) Gothe; grandchildren, Benjamin and Daniel Wharton; and step grandchildren Richard and Robert Gother. Services will be Friday, April 8, at 1 p.m. at Mt. Hope Cemetery in Livonia.

Eleanor M. Schiesser, 67, West. Elec. employe

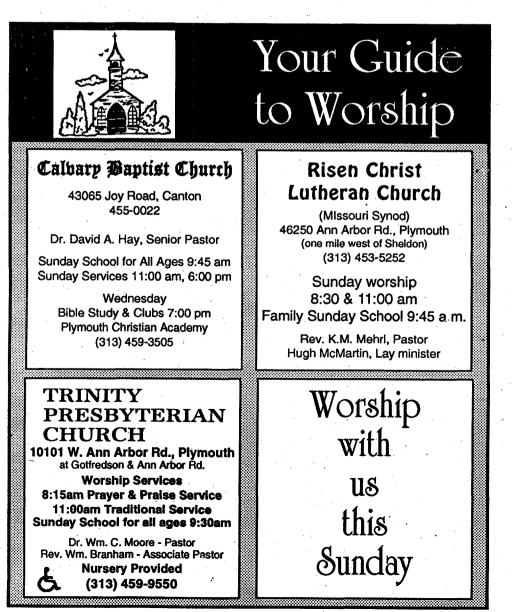
Eleanor N. Schiesser, died March 31, 1994, at the age of 67. She is survived by sister, Mary (Steve) Sikorski of Madison Heights, MI; and brother, Chester. Services were held Saturday, April 2 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

Melba Jean Copeland, 53, dietary manager

Melba Jean Copeland of Canton, died March 28, 1994, at the age of 53. She is survived by her husband, Roy; sons, Brian and Bruce; daughters, Connie (Joseph) Talavera and Cheryl (Richard) Murphy, Sr.; sisters, Judy (Joe) Boyle of Marquette, Mich.. and Joan (Ross) Pope of Lawrenceburg, Tennessee; mother, Mary Pitts of Lawrenceburg; and eight grandchildren. Funeral services were held April 1 at the Dearborn Church of God.

Harold Albert Micol, 79, retired ceramicist

Harold Albert Micol of Livonia, a retiree of Precision Ceramics in Milan, died March 30, 1994, at the age of 79. He is survived by his wife, Kathleen; sons William, Robert



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and Richard; seven grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren. Services were held April 2, 1994, at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home. Burial was in Riverside Cemetery.

Eugene H. Dukatz, 65, engineer

Eugene H. Dukatz of Canton Township, a 30-year engineer at Ford Motor Co., died March 30, 1994, at the age of 65. He is survived by his wife, Shirley; daughters, Debra Dukatz, Karen Dukatz and Terri (Charles) Lindow; stepchildren, David Andry of Florida and Doug Andry of Southgate; sister, Eilen (Bill) Brisbay; grandchild, Tonya Andry; and several nieces and nephews. Services were held April 1, 1994, at Glen Eden Cemetery. Memorials may be given to the Angela Hospice.

Obituaries

For more information on listing a paid obituary notice in The Crier, contact your funeral director or call (313) 453-6900

Kimberly Allison

Kimberly Allison May, age 24, of Canton, MI., died March 28, 1994, in Ypsilanti Township. Ms. May attended Schoolcraft College, Ferris State and Suomi College. She graduated from Lutheran High School Northwest. She was a member of Christ the Good Shepherd Church and moved to the Canton community in 1977 from Dearborn Heights, MI. She is survived by her parents, Lloyd and Clare May of Canton, MI; sisters, Stephanie May and Jacqueline Nash, both of Canton; and brother, Jason May of Canton. Her grandparents are Mary and Steve Yanick of Lorain, Ohio and Gilbert and Irene May of Conroe, TX. Funeral services were held Thursday, March 31, 1994, at 11 a.m. at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with Pastor Roger F. Aumann officiating. Burial was in Glen Eden Cemetery, Livonia. Memorials may be given to the charity of your choice.

Florence Kitchen

Services for Florence D. Kitchen, 88, of Plymouth were Wednesday, March 23, at John N. Santeiu and Son Funeral Home. Rev. David Krehbiel, First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth, officiated the service.

She was born July 13, 1905, in Augusta, N.Y. She died in Livonia. She lived in the Tonquish Creek Manor since 1981. Florence was the 13th child born out of 21 children, single births all the from the same mother and father. She was the last of her family of brothers and sisters.

She is the wife of the the late Lester W. Kitchen, Sr., and mother of the late Shirley Robertson. She is survived by son Lester Kitchen, jr. of Plymouth; four grandchildren; six grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

Rita M. (Legault) Niemi

Rita M. (Legault) Niemi, 69, of Plymouth, died Monday, March 28, 1994 in St. Petersburg Beach, Fla. She was born December 20, 1924, in Melvindale, Mich. and had been a resident of Pass-a-Grille Beach, Fla. since 1987. She was employed by the Ford Motor Company Parts Division in Livonia for 32 years

before retiring June 1, 19980. She is survived by her husband, Hugo; brothers, Leo and Edward Legault of Florida; sisters, Irene Underwood of Lincoln Park and Jean Scripsick of Westland. Memorial services will be held April 21, 1994, at 11 a.m., at the Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Farmington Hills. Memorials can be sent to Bethlehem Church.

George A. Cato

Hilton Head resident, George A. Cato, 72, died April 2, 1994. He was the son of Alfred and Emma Lee Hamilton Cato, both deceased. He was a member of the Country Club of Hilton Head and the Oyster Reef Golf Club. Mr. Cato was born in Highland Park, MI and graduated from Detroit Central High School. He served in World War II in the U.S. Naval Reserve as a Lt. (JG) aboard a minesweeper. He graduated from Wayne State University and earned a Master's Degree in Chemical Engineering from the University of Michigan in 1947. He was a member of the Tau Beta Pi Honorary Engineering Fraternity and a registered professional engineer in the state of Indiana. Mr. Cato joined the DuPont Company in 1947 and held a number of posts included Plant Manager of the Belle, West Virginia, and the Houston, Texas, plants. He retired from DuPont as Director of Management Resources in 1985 in Wilmington, Delaware. Survivors include his wife, the former Barbara Jean Garber of Hilton Head, and three children: daughter, Carol Lee Cato-Hill; son, George William Cato of Chicago, Illinois; and son and daughterin-law, David Charles and Patricia Cato of Greenville, North Carolina. Grandchildren: Brian Lee Hill of Raleigh, N.C.; David Lawrence Hill, Jr. of Raleigh, N.C., and Martha Jean Hill of Raleigh, N.C. He is the son in law of Helen C. Garber of Plymouth, and the brother in law of Judge James N. and Marianne Garber of Plymouth and Lou Ann and John Seely of Birmingham.

Visitation will be Wednesday, April 6, 1994 from 5-9 p.m. at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, 280 S. Main, Plymouth, MI. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m., Thursday, April 7, 1994, at the funeral home.

Donations may be made to the Neil K Fenkell Fund, Hillsdale College, Hillsdale Michigan or a charity of your choice.

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Foundation's future lies with board, not director

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of the executive director.

"The only real dollar expenditures were postage and invitations, for example.'

Still, Joyner's critics often saw a problem with perceptions of the director's Foundation work and his political involvement; perceptions that, they felt, led to concerns about the apolitical status of the Foundation itself.

In fact, two people in particular - Canton Supervisor Tom Yack and former Foundation Vice President Bruce Patterson --- saw that perception as a key factor in moving the position away from a consulting and toward a full-time job.

• "From the beginning of our relationship (with Joyner), it's been with him as an independent contractor,' Patterson said. "(But) at the December board meeting, the compensation committee reported that the position of executive director was evolving."

From there, Patterson said, the board began to "come to grips" with the question of whether to continue with an independent contractor or hire a full-time employee.

This all has to do with the operational aspects of the Foundation," Patterson said, "and the fact that (Joyner's) not a paid employee of a 501-3(c) foundation."

A point shared by Yack:

"Yes, don't overlook the employer aspect," he said, referring to the kinds of controls an employer can have over an employee. "As a contractor, we could never hold Bill or someone to that (kind of control).

"Because he's a contractor, he has a certain latitude that an employee would be entitled to; yet if we exercise too much control we move in the direction of making (Joyner) an employee."

Still, Yack is far from critical of Joyner's efforts: "I know this has got to be difficult for him; you've got to give him credit for what the Foundation is today." But what will be the Foundation of tomorrow?

Under the new concept, board President Mitch Howard said, the new executive director will, no doubt, have limited experience, and will make the board "more active in fund-raising."

But it also could make the board more active in other areas as well.

THE FOUNDATION BOARD Will the Foundation board starting saying "no" more often in the future?

That could well be the key question yet to be answered as the board comes to grips with a plan that would not only limit the amount of money being spent each year, but also limit the activities of its new executive director.

Well, we can't be all things to all people," board President Mitch Howard said. "So are we going to have to say no? "Yes."

Howard's observation may be the first shot across the bow of recipients of the Foundation's past largesse. Almost to a person, those close to the Foundation foresee some fundamental changes in the way the charity will do business in the future.

Some of those changes will be the direct result of the newly embraced endowment plan; others the result of a combination of more endowment-no Joyner.

Referring to his long-range view of the Foundation, Howard said "the board is going to have to recognize its new role."

"In fact, this whole (role) review process has to become on-going."

More to the point was Yack: "Up to now, a lot of discretion has been given to the executive director and president.

"But in the future, the board, in total or in part, will review applications for funds.

"And if the two line up — the goals and mission of the Foundation and the goals and mission of the applicant --then we'll help.

"We'll continue some programs the Foundation operates, I'm sure," Yack said, "but we'll have to determine which; which still fit within the scope --- and whether we can afford to do it."

One program that was brought up by several officials as an example of change was Canton Family Services.

"When we created (the program), it showed the real strength of the Foundation," Howard said. "It began when we started bad-mouthing the United Way for the way in which it was ignoring what we saw as a need in the community.

They came out and said, 'what can we do?' - and what we ended up with was Canton Family Services.

"But now," Howard said, "we need to ask ourselves 'what is it we want to do next?"" And therein lies the change.

Patterson: "I can see us scaling back in several areas; this is just my personal opinion, but we may need to scale back our out-reach programs.

"And the question we should ask ourselves, for example, is whether human services needs are being provided properly (by the Foundation), or should they be turned over to others.

Looking directly at the Canton Family Services program, Patterson raised the key point: "We're not a counseling service, we're a foundation."

That point is well-taken with Yack, who looked at the program as part of the expense equation: "We're going to have to look at our office help, at our office space - and we're going to have to re-evaluate Canton Family Services.

"For example, we have to evaluate its needs and its expense for having a waiting room and private offices."

Overall, then, such evaluations could certainly spell the end to the kind and amount of help other groups and services have received from the Foundation in the past.

But regardless of the outcome, one thing is clear: the operations of the Canton Community Foundation will change.

Patterson: "The evolution of the (Foundation) continues, and the situation we face is (defining) the new mission; the challenge not to just keep the same programs, but to 'seed' those programs, let them take root and then give them to someone else.

"Some programs, I'm sure, we'll keep — like the scholarships - but other programming efforts will be handed off to other groups.

Yack: "We have acquired (board) members who are far more used to and committed to being more involved in day to day operations (at their jobs).

"And now they'll be more involved in the day-to-day operations of the Foundation.

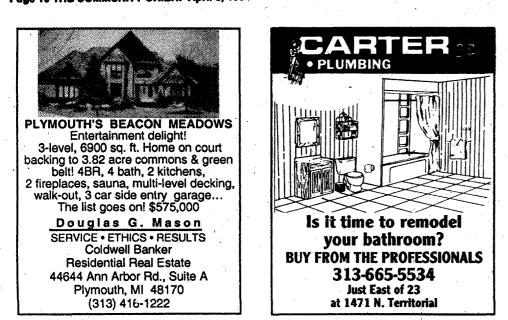
"Overall, that meant a diminution of the role of executive director.'

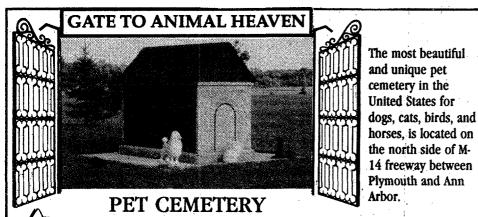
Howard: "The board is trying to take the personalities out of (the Foundation's) operations, and once we're reached our vision of the Foundation's future, the board's role will certainly change.

'We've suffered from an identity problem, and now we have an opportunity to correct it."



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Women's Health & Wellness in Midlife

Attend a special presentation for women at the University of Michigan Health Center in Plymouth on

Monday, April 18 6:30 p.m.

Ellen Mozurkewich, M.D., obstetrician/ gynecologist and Patricia Rutowski, M.S., R.N., C., ob/gyn nurse practitioner, will discuss health maintenance, health risks and midlife issues for women.

Call 313/459-0820 to register. The health center is located at 9398 Lilley Road (just south of Ann Arbor Road). A \$5 fee is pavable at the door.

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Stamp club to hold show at Central Middle school

If you've had a "philatelist" attitude lately, then the West Suburban Stamp Club has something for you: Its 25th anniversary "Plymouth Show" has been stamped, sealed and ready for delivery on April 23-24.

The show will be held at Central Middle School from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday, and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday.

And making this year's show unique will be a special on-site cancel featuring the Detroit Tigers' old English "D" and the word "1984 World Champions."

Touted as "Michigan's Largest Stamp Show," the event is expected to draw dealers and amateur collectors from across the country and Canada - and will include 176 frames of open competition.

In addition, for the first time in the show's history, a category has been

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established for one-frame exhibits with more than 2,800 pages expected to be on display.

The Plymouth show is a qualifying national show for the American Philatelic Society's "World Series of Philately."

The grand award winner of the Plymouth competition will join 31 other qualifiers for the APS "Champion of Champions" competition to be held in August in Pittsburgh.

Besides the more than 40 dealers expected to be at the show, both the U.S. Postal Service and the United National Postal Administration will have on-site postal sub-stations open to sell their current issues at face value.

Central Middle School is located on Main and Church streets in downtown Plymouth.

What's Happening

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

PLYMOUTH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

The Plymouth Symphony Orchestra will perform the works of Mozart and Mahler on April 15 at 8 p.m. at the Plymouth First United Methodist Church. Tickets are \$12 for adults, \$10 for seniors and \$5 for children K-12. For more information, call Andy Vermiglio at (810) 477-7341 or (313) 451-2112. CANTON REPUBLICAN CLUB

The Canton Republican Club, which meets on the third Thursday of each month, will be meeting at Cherry Hill School at 7 p.m. For more information, call Mellissa McLaughlin at 495-0304. PLYMOUTH FAMILY YMCA

The Plymouth Community Family YMCA will be offering school's out activities tomorrow, Thursday and Friday. For more information about the activities and fees involved, call the Plymouth YMCA at 453-2904. PREMARITAL HEALTH EDUCATION CERTIFICATE CLASSES

The Wedding Chapel on Main Street will be offering counseling on transmission and prevention of AIDS and other sexually transmitted diseases. The classes are open to the public and will run every month this year. For information about the classes and dates and times, call the Wedding Chapel at 455-4800. CANTON CAN!

The Canton Historical District Commission will be holding a fundraiser for their ongoing projects. Canton Can! will be collecting returnable plastic bottles and cans between May 15 through May 21. For more information, call Canton's Resource Development department at 397-1000. MOM'S THERAPY GROUP

The Canton Community Foundation will be hosting a Mom's Therapy Group through Saturday. Fee for the group will be based on an ability to pay. For more information, call the Canton Community Foundation at 981-3002.

NORTHVILLE PARKS AND RECREATION CLASSES

Northville Parks and Rec will be offering classes in gymnastics, tennis, adult golf, dog obedience, country western dance, junior golf, swimming, water fitness, scuba, photo album arrangement and pee-wee soccer. For more information about the classes, prerequisites and fees, call Northville Parks and Rec at 349-0203. PLYMOUTH-CANTON VVA

he next general membership meeting of the Plymouth-Canton Vietnam Veterans of America will be held at the Mayflower-Lt.Gamble V.F.W. Post #6695 on April 11 at 7:30 p.m. For more information about the meeting and the group, call 525-0157.

INTERNATIONAL YOUTH EXCHANGE

The Plymouth Rotary is currently seeking host families for international youth exchange students. Students are available immediately. For more information, call Marie Morrow at 453-6879.

WSDP RADIO AUCTION

WSDP radio, 88.1 FM, will be holding their 6th Annual Radio Auction at the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park on May 14 from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. WSPD is also looking for guest auctioneers to help with the event for 45 nute blocks. For more information about the auction and being a guest auctioneer, call 416-7732. NEW MORNING SCHOOL

New Morning school will be holding preschool and early primary classes, parent toddler classes and Lego Logo classes. For more information, call New Morning school at 420-3331.

CANTON CRICKETS REGISTRATION

Registration for the Canton Crickets, children's crafts, games and special events, will be on April 18 at the Canton Administration building at 8 a.m. There will be classes for 3 and 4 year olds. For more information about the classes and registration, call Canton Parks and Rec at 397-5110.

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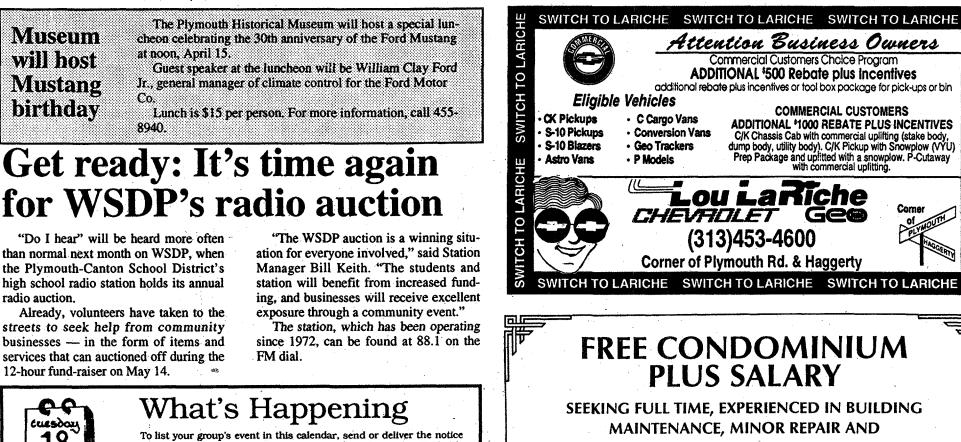
The AARP will be holding tax help sessions for seniors in Canton, Plymouth and Northville. There are also provisions for home visits for shut-ins and the handicapped. For more information, call 349-4140 in Northville, 397-5444 in Canton and 455-6620 in Plymouth.

PLYMOUTH HISTORICAL MUSEUM

The Plymouth Historical Museum will host William Clay Ford who will speak on "Ford and the Plymouth Community" on April 15 at noon. The cost for the lunch is \$15 per person (\$9 tax deductible). For more information, call the museum at 455-8940.

WOMEN'S HEALTH AND WELLNESS

Ellen Mozurkewich, M.D., OB/GYN and Patricia Rutowski, M.S., R.N., C., OB/GYN nurse practicioner, will present a program on women's health and wellness concerning health risks, health maintenance and midlife issues at the U of M Health Center in Plymouth on April 18 at 6:30 p.m., there is a \$5 fee payable at the door. For more information, call 459-0820.





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BIBLE STUDY

Christ the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church will be holding a Bible study series on the book of Hebrew running nine weeks starting April 12. For more information, call 981-0286.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE DISCUSSED WSDS 1480 AM will host weekly discussions of Christian Science every Sunday morning at 7:30 a.m. through May 29. This Sunday the topic will be "Does Christian Science do anything about the world's problems? The series is produced by the Christian Science Committee on Publication for Michigan and sponsored by local Christian Science Churches.

JURIED ARTS AND CRAFTS SHOW

Michigan Crafters Inc. will be holding a juried arts and crafts show at East Middle School on April 16 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, call the school at 416-4950. MEET OTHER MOTHERS

M.O.M. will be holding their regular meeting on Friday from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the First Presbyterian church. The topic will be getting organized. For more information, call Toni at 453-6134 or Lynzie at 455-5407. **RED CROSS BLOODMOBILE**

The Red Cross' bloodmobile will be at the St. Kenneth Catholic Church on Saturday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. For more information call 422-1425. The bloodmobile will also be at the Plymouth Elk's Lodge on April 20 from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. For more information call 663-0014. COUNCIL ON AGING

The Plymouth Community Council on Aging will hold their monthly meeting at the Plymouth Cultural Center on April 11 at 2 p.m., the program will be "Protect Yourself While Travelling," by Gloria Hopfner and "Fun With Flowers," with Pat Ribar. For more information, call the council at 453-1234 ext. 236. CANTON WOMEN'S FORUM

The Canton Women's Forum will sponsor a program in conjunction with St. Joseph Mercy Hospital and the Michigan Heart and Vascular Institute on the warning signs of heart attack "When it comes to your heart, use your head" on April 20 at Township Hall at 7 p.m.

CANTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

For its April member's meeting, the Canton Chamber of Commerce will host a Roman Forum conference on keeping the business community gang-free today at noon with representatives of Canton Police and Family Service. For more information and reservations, call the Canton Chamber at 453-4040. PENN THEATRE FAMILY AFTERNOON

The Penn Theatre will be showing "Rookie of the Year" on April 16 at 1 p.m. Admission will be \$2 and all proceeds will go to the Plymouth Playscape Project. The project planners are also looking for volunteers for all committees. For more information, call Marybeth at 454-9614 or Kim at 454-4829.

KIWANIS BREAKFAST CLUB The Kiwanis Breakfast Club of Plymouth will be holding an open house for prospective new members on May 4 at the Mayflower Hotel at 7:15 a.m. For more information, call 453-7091.

PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION

PLUS Preschool will be taking registrations for the 1994-95 school year for children in the attendance areas of Eriksson, Farrand, Field, Gallimore, Hoben and Smith Schools and will be 4 years old on or before Dec.1, 1994. For more information, call 416-6195

AMATEUR RADIO LICENSING CLASS

The Stu Rockafellow Amateur Radio Club in cooperation with the Plymouth Township Department of Emergency Management will be offering an Amateur Radio Licensing Class leading to the novice class license. The class will run for 10 weeks every Thursday night.

NATIONAL FARM AND GARDEN ASSOCIATION

The Northville Woman's National Farm and Garden Association will be offering two \$1,000 scholarships for women in the Northville area and attend or wish to attend Madonna University. Applications must be received by May 5. For more information, call 348-9531.

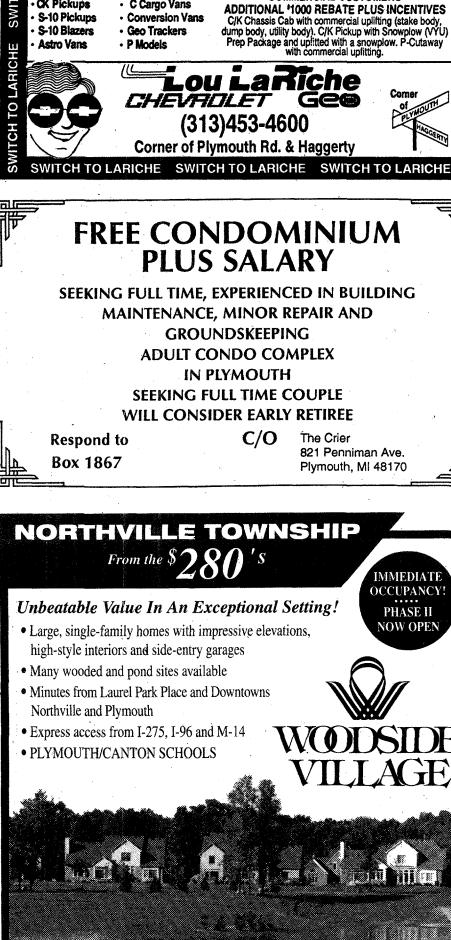
LITTLE LAMBS CO-OP PRESCHOOL

Christ the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church has opened enrollment for children ages 3 to kindergarten. Enrollment will be open between April 14 and 21. For more information, call 981-0286. TASTE OF NORTHVILLE

Northville Parks and Rec will be offering their "Taste of Northville" and a raffle on April 23 at 6 p.m. at the Waterman Center of Schoolcraft College. Tickets are \$25. For more information, call Mary Gans at 462-4413 or 349-7378.

PASSAGE-GAYDE POST #391

Passage-Gayde Post 391 of the American Legion will be holding their 25th Annual Recognition dinner on April 30 at the Mayflower-Lt. Gamble VFW Post. Tickets are \$20 each in advance and \$25 at the door. For more information and ticket reservations, call Jim Maahs at 455-5541 or 453-3888.



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Neighbors in sports

Canton Softball Center begins the 1994 softball season on Friday, April 15 with its early bird tournament. The tournament consists of a four game guarantee round robin tournament, April 15-17 (weather permitting).

All men's, women's and coed teams are welcome.

Entry fee is \$125 (plus \$7 per game umpire fee).

Call 483-5600/ext. 102 for information or to be added to the tournament mailing list.

The Canton Softball Center will host tournaments every weekend through October.

The Canton Softball Center's 10th anniversary season league play begins Sunday, April 17, 1994 (weather permitting).

Registration is going on now. The 14 game season (single and doubleheaders) is \$495 team fee plus umpires and refundable forfeit fee.

There are no residency requirements.

The leagues are offered every night except Saturday, plus Sunday and Monday a.m. leagues.

The center is also forming 35 and over leagues.

Call 483-5600/ext. 102 for details (or 483-2913 for recorded information tape).

Canton Parks and Recreation Services, in conjunction with Mickey's Golf Range, is sponsoring a series of beginner golf lessons starting April 18.

Classes will be taught by PGA Professional Larry Wardo.

Students will learn the grip, aim, set-up, full swing and short game, as well as golf eliquette and course management.

Three different classes will be available. Mondays: April 18 and 25, May 2, 9 and 16; Tuesdays: April 19 and 26, May 3, 10 and 17; Wednesdays: April 20 and 27, May 4, 11 and 18.

The five week sessions will be held from 6 to 7 p.m. There is a minimum of six people per class and a maximum of 10.

The cost is \$54 per person, plus a bucket of balls each week.

Registration can be made in person or by mail to: Canton Parks and Recreation Services, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI, 48188.

BY ROB KIRKBRIDE

While most girls are worrying about what dress they are going to wear to the senior prom, Canton's Stacey Churan, 17, worries about hockey pucks getting into a goal.

Churan, a senior at Salem High School, is the goalie for the defending national championship women's midget hockey team.

Churan plays for Little Caesers. The team will try to defend their national title this weekend at the Ice Box on Telegraph Road in Brownstown.

The love of hockey runs in the family and Churan said she started playing when her brother joined a team.

"I've played on a few boys teams," she said, "but now I play on an all girls team. It's kind of nice."

Churan stressed that girls hockey is just as competitive as the boys.

"There is no checking at all," she said, "but it is still rough.

"There are fights and a lot of hard shots."

Churan stops most of the hard shots that come her way.

Last year, Churan averaged 1.3 goals against her, which is an average any goalie would be proud of.

But the road to the national championship will not be as easy as it was for Little Caesars last year.

"Five or six girls graduated from the team last year and went off to play women's hockey for Ivy League teams," said Terry Churan, Stacey's father. "Many of the girls start out playing on boy's teams-that's why they are so good."

The average age on the team last year was 17 years old.

This year, the team is younger, with two 13-year-olds on the team.

But the pressure does not bother Churan. "I'm used to it," she said. "I played last year when we won the national championship and I played the year before that.

"I try to keep the team in there; keep the score close.

"There is a little more pressure during

"I've had bad games and bad months," she said. "I'm averaging about one or two goals against me this year." The team practices a couple times a

It has been another great season for

goalie uniform.

the big games."

Churan.

week and has to travel to Canada or out of state for most of the tournaments. But even with the pressure and tough

travel schedule Churan loves the game and plans to continue to play hockey in

Gus Macker tournament set for Ypsilanti

Ypsilanti Gus Macker Tournament officials have begun preparations for the 1994 tournament. Tournament action will take place on Saturday and Sunday, May 21 and 22.

As in previous years, the tournament will be held on the grounds surrounding Eastern Michigan University's Rynearson Stadium on Hewitt Road.

Applications for the tournament are now available at the following locations: Huron Services for Youth Offices, Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti; Ypsilanti Area Visitors and Convention Bureau; Play It Again Sports, Canton; Canton Sports Company, Canton; Trading Post, Plymouth; Fleet Feet Sports and Joe's Sports, Northville; Novi Parks and Recreation; Running Fit, Novi.

Play It Again Sports, Novi; and Jack's Sport Center, Wayne. The deadline for entry is April 22.

Team entry fee is \$80. There will be 1,500 teams accepted.

1993 tournament participants came from Chicago, Ill., London, Ontario, Canada. One-third of the Macker participants were from the Tri-County.

She has been accepted to Providence,

Churan said she wants to study animal

which has one of the finest women's

biology and eventually return to

Michigan and attend Michigan State

University, where she wants to get a

entire state that play hockey, with

approximately 20 playing on boys teams.

There are only about 150 girls in the

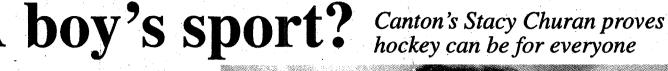
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degree in veterinary medicine.

The 1994 tournament will feature a wheelchair division and expanded kid's court.

The Ypsilanti Gus Macker 3-on-3 Charity Basketball Tournament is cosponsored by Huron Services for Youth and the Ypsilanti Area Visitors and Convention Bureau.

There are many opportunities to become involved as a volunteer with the Gus Macker Tournament.

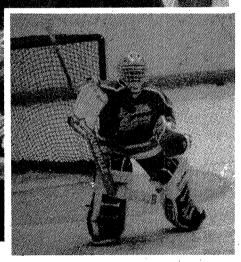


Sports

Stacey Churan looks like the average high school student until she suits up in her

college.

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P-C needs new sports in the summer

Spring is here folks, and it's time to get outside and participate in some of the sports everyone has waited so long to play.

Unfortunately, all the sports I seem to be drawn to are not allowed anymore.

Take for example lawn jarts.

Now there is a sport that's fun for the whole family.

I can just imagine: Plymouth-The Jart Capital of the World.

We could hold tournaments and world championships right here in town.

Oh, I forgot. Lawn jarts were banned. I guess some people's aim was not as accurate as it should be.

Since lawn jarts are out of the question, I've taken the liberty to come up with a few other sports that would be a lot of fun in Plymouth and Canton.

The first is skateboard chasing. Points would be given for catching a skateboarder and running them out of the parking structure.

Unfortunately, only business owners, city officials and police officers are eligible for this competition.

One point would be given for hollering at them, two points for catching them and three points for catching them and calling their parents to complain.

If a skateboard is impounded, the contestant would receive 10 points.

No curves By Rob Kirkbride

The second could be car dodging on

One point would be given for success-

The more cars that are around means

For example, if the road was crossed

with three cars approaching, the athlete

would receive one point for crossing suc-

cessfully and three bonus points for

For eight cars, eight bonus points

The next event would be the Miller

Athletes would line up and toss trash

Points would be given to contestants

Bonus points would be awarded by a

panel of distinguished judges on trash

that toss the bags the farthest over the fence, with 10 points given to the athlete

that tosses the bag the longest distance.

the more points the contestant would

fully crossing Ford Road without being

Ford Road. Everyone is eligible for this

one.

hit.

receive.

avoiding all three cars

Woods Trash Bag Toss.

bags over the fence.

would be awarded, and so on.

bag breakage and spray of the contents.

Next would be the Tree Chopping competition.

The complex scoring system would include the size of the tree and the tree's location.

Fifty points would be awarded to the lumberjack that chops the tree down closest to New York Carpet World.

Points would then be given for circumference, age and species of tree cut down.

Another event could be the downtown Plymouth Merchants' Road Rally.

Again, the field would be limited. Only business owners in downtown Plymouth would be eligible.

At 5 p.m. the rally would begin. The first part of the rally would be the Door Locking Competition.

Scores would be compiled by judging

the accuracy, style and speed downtown business doors are locked at exactly 5 p.m.

Contestants are disqualified if door are locked later than 5 p.m.

The second part of the event would be the actual rally.

Drivers would get into their cars at precisely 5 p.m. and race out of town. The driver that reaches the city limits first is the winner.

Bonus points would be given to the retailer that leaves the most shoppers behind, wondering why the store is closed so early.

And for all the high school students, we could have the Skin Head Pamphlet Circular File Bucket Bonanza.

The object of this competition would be to toss the most skin head hate literature into the trash can from the longest distance.

Well, that's the sports I would like to see in Plymouth and Canton.

Leagues are forming now.

I've contacted Fleer and Tops. Trading cards of all the finest Plymouth and Canton athletes are on their way.

Plymouth Green Streak team takes under 10 soccer title

Chiefs look to gain experience at JV level

BY ROB KIRKBRIDE The Canton junior varsity softball team is set to begin their season.

Coach Russ Carlson said the team has been practicing approximately five weeks and said the team is just about ready to face Farmington at Farmington on Tuesday.

"It's hard to tell how good all the other teams will be," he said, "because most of the outstanding players are on the varsity squad.

"If the varsity program is strong, usually the JV program is strong."

Carlson said the Chiefs should be strong on offense and defense.

"We should be strong in pitching and we traditionally hit the ball fairly well," he said.

Jenny Sikora and Amber Lagrow will handle the pitching for the Canton JV squad

Kelly Tomlinsin and Jillian Gross will complete the battery, catching for the Chiefs.

Kristen Witt will play first base. Amy Rogissart will handle the duties at second base. Terra Biro will play short stop. Shana Bidwell and Denise Butske are fighting for the third base position.

The outfielders are Shelly Butske, Amy Scharmen and Janet and Julie Paskievitch.

Andrea Bak is the team's student

assistant and Tim Lagrow is the assistant coach

BY ROB KIRKBRIDE The Green Streak soccer team from the Plymouth Soccer Club captured the Under-10 Girls second session championship at the Canton Soccerdome.

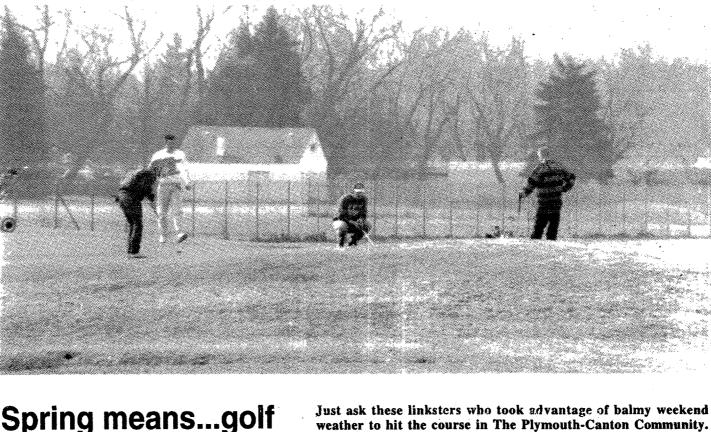
The Green Streak compiled a 7-0-1

record, scoring 42 goals, while only allowing six.

The members of the team are

Stephanie Baron, Sarah Broniak, Arielle Bryant, Asher Bryant, Greta Gatzke, Megan Gourley, Christa Henkel, Shara Huggins, Laura Kasmier, Maria Kuehn, Jenny LaMasse, Danielle March, Nicole Marrone, Kaaron Ryan, Sarah Thiess and Briana Wolcott.

The team is coached by Stephanie Thiess.



weather to hit the course in The Plymouth-Canton Community. (Crier photo by George Gentry)

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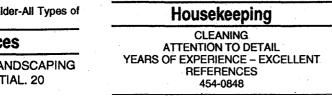
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Crowded House, Greek Town (Fishbone's), Depot Town, Greenfield Village, Tigger, Marine City, late night pizza. What a weekend! I can'l wait to see what's next.

Mom, Doug, Gram and Gramp - I hope you had a great Easter. I wish I could have spent it with all of you. Love Rob.

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Curiosities

Emma colored Easter eggs & posed for pictures.

The golf course was great Sunday – Although there weren't any birdies or bunnies.

Thanks Mike - too bad you couldn't stay for my services.

Still no name for boots!

Stop in & visit Karl's – They now have darts for your enjoyment – but best of all, Happy hour from 3 p.m. – 6 p.m.

It's almost time for the golf leagues to start.

Somebody has to fill in for me next week - everybody write a couple extra.

The Tsar is back.

Check out the golf section.

GOOD LUCK JESS in the Regional Optimist Oratorical Contest -- Love, Sal and Dad

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Beatles Trivia Question of the week: What early Beatles single off the Please Please Me album was written by John and Paul while playing hooky from school one day in 1958? (Hint: John shoplifted the harmonica he played on this song in Arnheim, Holland) Answer to last week's question Come Together.

I like twisted, broken brass. I'm going to fix it so you can break it again.

Amy! The phones are supposed to be touch tone. I told Larry that Maybe you were just trying to put out a fire and your finger tips were still wet.

Do this things only happen to blondes?

Debbie wins by a mile. (actually it was by about 30 inches.)

STEPH & ROB – Thanks for going with us to CROWDED HOUSE!!!! Jen & Mike

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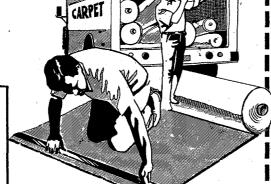
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School board begins superintendent interviews

Continued from pg. 1

Westwood (MA) School District. •Reginald Nolin: superintendent of the Duluth (MN) School District.

Giannunzio was the first to be interviewed by the board and the district's citizen's superintendent search committee last night.

The remaining six will be interviewed as follows:

Today: Denisar, 4 p.m.; Nolin, 7 p.m. Tomorrow: Little, 4 p.m.; Hughes, 7

p.m. Saturday: Jandura, 9:30 a.m.; Monson, 1:30 p.m.

According to Ron Barnes - of the search firm Bickert, Prophet and Associates - 67 educators from across the country made inquiries about the Plymouth-Canton job.

Of those, 52 - 43 men and nine women - completed the application process, and 17 made it through the firm's prescreening to actual in-person inter-

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Thanks Donna for the treats as usual!! Jenny

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Battishill, Walker to step aside

Conintued from pg. 1 already pulled petitions for the one-year term

The deadline for filing nominating petitions for the board is Monday at 4 p.m

Walker, who ends eight years on the board, said he was moving on simply because it was time to make room for 'new faces.

Battishill said only that "personal

views with Bickert, Prophet representatives. Each of the seven candidates are being

asked 11 identical questions by the board;

questions that were developed by the citi-

zen's committee and agreed to by the

These questions cover such issues as

reasons" had forced him to step down after only four years on the panel.

Both men said they looked forward to closing out their careers by selecting the next school superintendent, with Battishill adding:

"I'm so glad that this will be my farewell decision," he said.

"The future of the school district needs to be secure, and I want the very best for that job."

superintendent/school board relationships, leadership traits, financial expertise, curriculum priorities, union relations and public relations.

The board will ultimately rate the seven and then pare the list to two or three finalists Monday night.

The district's 17-member citizens'

search committee --- which will sit in on all interviews — will complement the board's own assessments with written evaluations, but not ratings, of each candidate.

Members of the committee are: Peggy Kalis, Ellie Schupra, Liz Given, Linda Kato, Betty Bloch, Ronald Sniderman, Hugh Harsha, Carl Pursell, Robert Carrigan, Jean Knopf-DeRoche, Charles Portelli, Joan Gustafson, Betty DuBois, Barbara Church, Patrick O'Donnell, Chris Gearns and Alice Horstead.



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Thank you Crier for the GREAT GOOD FRIDAY. Matt & Ronnie

Curiosities

SWEETHEART thanks for the Easter treats. I love you.

Yes Steph! Definitely!

board Monday night.

????????? In case I was short any.

that is.

Curiosities

Sounds spicey to me.

STEPH The PREP! That almost rhymes.

Today & Tomorrow & I'm out of here, Right

Every woman looks & waits for her white knight. I finally found my white knightest or

Debbie did it! Now lets see if Lady Godiva can.

Curiosities

We're in trouble now. Donna's on the computer

Nice sweater, Nice outfit - 2 preppies in

production. Donna's next.

GRAME - it was so good to talk to ya. I miss your friendship

Veggie Burgers, I'm impressed!



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Gramma Ginger - Ashley wants to know who

Emma?

Princess whichever

Market

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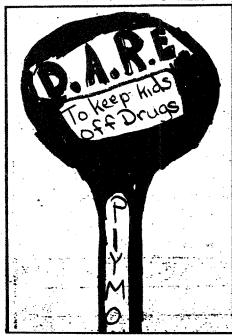
Be creative

Water tower is more than a thing, it's a landmark

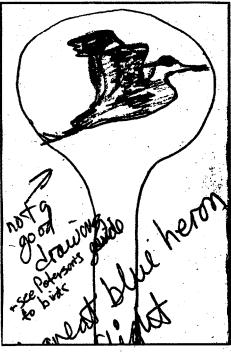
Nearly three dozen entries were submitted to The Crier in the "name the water tower" contest. And while some of the ideas are clearly a little far-fetched, they certainly point out the fact that the final design of Plymouth Township's Lakepointe water tower does not have be some mundane, boring, orthodox image of the Township.

Instead, Township officials should think long and hard about being equally creative in using the water tower as the definitive billboard of the community's true complexion. Regardless of whether that means incorporating a message or creating a visual rendition of the community's character, the final form must transcend its current message, which does nothing more than identify a spot on the map.

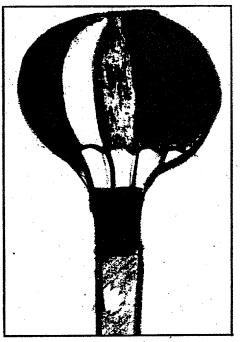
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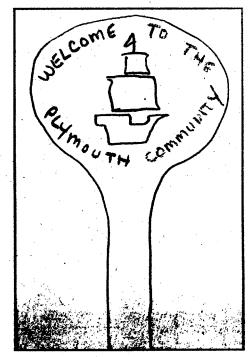
How about an anti-drug message? That's what Christine Szubeczak prefers.



Then again, a beautiful blue heron in flight is what Mary Cowmeadow thinks is the ticket.



Or it could be something fun, like this hot-air baloon, courtesy of Vianney Wilson.



And then there's the symbol of Plymouth — the Mayflower, says Kristen Cebulski.

Using bicycles is more effective than simply 'walking' the beat

EDITOR:

I recently enjoyed John Horn's story entitled "Cleaning up the Town."

I am happy to hear the Plymouth Police will be attempting a more hands on approach to law enforcement. Police Chief Scoggins plans to have police officers walk beats downtown.

In a town of Plymouth's size it is good to see a more friendly form of law enforcement.

A more visual approach will stop lawbreakers before they break laws, instead of arresting them after the damage is done.

I disagree with the approach that the Chief has planned. A better action would be to copy what Ann Arbor has done very successfully. Ann Arbor installed police officers mounted on bicycles.

This increases the range and speed of the officers by seven times.

To prove this point, I walked the width of the city at a very fast pace in 28 minutes.

Later that day, I rode the same route at moderate speed on my mountain bike that is similar to Ann Arbor's police bikes, I covered the same route in 41/2 minutes.

The officer can cover more area, in less time, while being the same strong visual deterrent as a walking officer.

I strongly urge your newspaper to look into Ann Arbor's Bike Police program.

After you study the success of their program, I believe the city's decision will be a simple one.

STEVEN C. DuMONT

When moving toward shared fire services, keep in mind railroads

EDITOR:

I would like to express concern regarding the sharing of fire services between the township and the city.

It is probably a good idea to share firefighting services whenever possible, but I think it is wrong to have the city facility to serve as the only location for ambulance dispatch.

Since railroad tracks separate the north and east parts of the community it is certain that emergency response time will be significantly delayed.

In the Lake Pointe subdivision, which has 800 homes, the residents there will have to hope there will be no 10 to 15 minute trains running through the city when they are waiting for medical help. And we all know how often that can occur.

Currently, people living in the northern township feel quite safe with the location of the ambulance at the Wilcox Fire Station.

The response to Lake Pointe homeowners is less than four minutes.

If the ambulance is dispatched from the City Hall it could very well take up to 20-25 minutes to get to the northern township if a train is passing through.

So, I hope Supervisor Keen-McCarthy will reconsider the merger or else lower the taxes of those who will no longer receive prompt medical attention during emergencies.

EMMET GRANGER

Professor was author of original plan that led to Proposal A vote

EDITOR:

During the past two decades I have crusaded actively for many reforms in school finances in Michigan.

I supported Proposal A in the recent election by publishing a multitude of letters-to-the-editor around the state in a wide variety of newspapers.

Early in June 1993, I submitted the original Vandermolen Plan to the state legislature, and the huge property tax cuts included in the plan were adopted by the state legislature early in July 1993.

The television and radio media have attempted to ignore my lobbying activities but if you have any doubts call four state representatives chosen at random and they will verify my involvement. Many of the proposals included within Proposal A emerged directly from the original Vandermolen Plan and many of the proposals included within the back-up statutory plan emerged directly from The Vandermolen Replacement Revenue Plan submitted to the state legislature early in August 1993.

Thus March 15 was a day for celebration because most of the concepts voted upon emerged directly from my lobbying activities.

Grass-roots pressure and citizen involvement can prove to be the difference in crusades for tax reform changes. LARRY D. VANDERMOLEN

POLITICAL SCIENCE PROFESSOR SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE



Community opinions

For round two:

Here's some questions to ask the finalists in the superintendent search

Hello P-C,

Hah, I told you so. (I don't get to do that often.)

Monday night, after an hour and a half of dickering over questions to be asked of the seven superintendent candidates, the board said something that made the corners of my mouth turn up.

They said, in essence, that since all seven candidates clearly meet the basic requirements of the job, the task now is to find out whether that person will fit in the Plymouth-Canton School District.

FIT!

Hah, I told you that's what this whole thing was going to come down to, didn't I?

OK, enough gloating — let's move on:

The fact is that the battery of questions developed by the board and its citizens committee are pretty good; clearly a lot of hard work was put into them, and it shows.

Of course, some of the questions are real "soft balls" admittedly so, but that's OK: this isn't supposed to be a "break the candidate" night, but a "find the candidate" process.

Some of the questions are of the classic form, used universally in the private and public sectors: "Why do you want to work here; why are you thinking about leaving your current job?"

Others are a bit more job specific: "How do you prioritize educational needs within a district's (sometimes limited) financial resources?"

Altogether, the board and its committee were able to arrive at 11 pretty decent questions that will be asked of each candidate — with room for natural followup questions, depending on the candidate's response.

Which means that by the end of the seventh interview, I think the district will have been well-served by the interview process.

So far.

But once the board pares its list to two or three finalists, it's going to take more than "tell us about yourself" questions to pick the man to fill Mike Hoben's shoes.

And while I have no doubt the board can come up with the second batch of questions, I thought I'd throw my two cents in here now (I was dying to throw them in Monday night).

Oh, and remember: I have a completely different perspective about what a superintendent should be to a community. Board trustees, on the other hand, can't escape the obvious dynamics of their own direct relationship with this individual.

That's not to say the seven trustees should be viewed with suspicion as they pose questions; just that they should be seen as people with a different stake in the outcome.

For instance, a strong superintendent can lead a school board, a weak superintendent can be led — which sets up a whole different set of dynamics and public perceptions.

So my questions would be posed as an outsider who thinks a superintendent *should* be a focal point, a lightning rod, if you will, for the district; someone who is the bonafide leader by word, action and example.

Someone who doesn't sit in the office and wait for things to come to him (or her), but who is out in the district and community finding answers to questions that haven't even been asked.



In order, then, I'd ask these questions (with room for followups):

•In addition to the obvious "get-acquainted" moves you'll make if you're hired, what would be the one thing you'd do to acclimate yourself to the district — and acclimate the district to you?

(We're looking for unique behavior here; something to set candidates apart.)

•Do you see your role as superintendent one in which the you await direction and policy *from* the board, or one in which you give direction and advocate policy *to* the board?

(Could tell volumes about leadership and an ability — or even a desire — to be that lightning rod.)

•What is the role of the public — especially those without children in school — in the operation of a school district?

(It's always convenient to seek out the public when you've got a problem — like a millage election — but what about during the calm times? Have any of these candidates ever used a standing or rotating community advisory board?)

•Based on your own experience, what kinds of curriculum and instructional methods work, which don't and how do you fix (and have you fixed) the problem areas?

(Now we get into this OBE vs. three Rs debate, along with half a dozen other issues.)

•When saddled with a new mandated program, but stuck with an unyielding budget, what innovative steps can be taken to provide adequate staff development and training?

(OK, so how creative are you? And where did you find the money to pull off the training?)

•What unique attribute, quality, trait or characteristic beyond job-related experiences and accomplishments do you possess that you think sets you apart from your peers?

(C'mon, you must think you're special in one particular way — help us see it.)

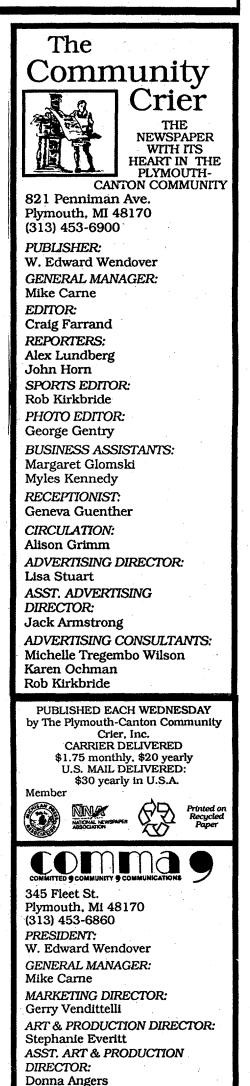
•What do you see as your areas of weakness — and what have you done to address them?

(Contrary to popular belief, this isn't a negative question — it probes issues of self-analysis, problem-identifying, problem-solving and self-improvement.)

•While you may have implemented any number of public relations efforts — from cable TV programs to newsletters to public forums — in order to keep your community informed, how do you *know* you've been a successful communicator?

(This is a classic: Every district seems to have a newsletter — but does anyone read it? How do you know you're making contact? Do you do periodic phone surveys, or hold kaffee klatches every fourth Saturday? Tell us.)

Oh, I'm sure there's more I could ask — and I probably will once I talk to the finalists myself. But this truly is a public process, so why not share my questions with you? So there.



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