Memorial Day services set for weekend

Veterans groups from both Plymouth and Canton will honor their fallen brothers and sisters Monday in seperate Memorial Day observance ceremonies.

In Plymouth, the Memorial Day Parade and celebration in Plymouth will be the primary observance in the City.

The parade, put on by the American Legion Post 391, Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 6695 and the Vietnam Veterans Association, begins at 10 a.m. Its route will take the parade south on Main to Ann Arbor Trial, east on Ann Arbor Trail to Deer and Union and will then disperse north on Union.

Bob Van said the ceremony in Kellogg Park will pay appropriate tribute to fallen soldiers. "We will put a wreath on the rock, play taps

and fire the rifles," Van said.

The group will also conduct a reading of "Flander's Field" and a prayer.

Directly following the Plymouth obser-

vances, Canton Township will be holding a memorial at the Veterans memorial in Heritage Park.

The memorial is being put on by the Canton Veterans Memorial Association in cooperation with the Canton Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Plymouth-Canton Vietnam Veterans of America.

The memorial will be held at 1 p.m. in Heritage Park, directly behind the Canton Administration building.

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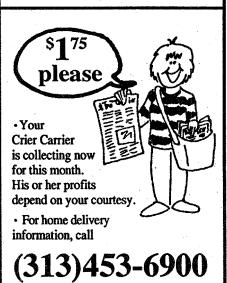
 Canton and Salem girls soccer teams compete in respective Class A Regionals tonight.

THE WEEKEND

• The Totally Excellent Technology Fair begins at 10 a.m. Saturday at Canton High School.

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A week of tragedy Alzheimer's patient is found dead; resident dies in Canton house fire; cyclist injured in car crash

Alzheimer patient BY ALEX LUNDBERG

AND JOHN HORN

The body of a 73-year-old Canton man was discovered in the Rouge River by four Plymouth Township youths Thursday evening.

Richard Huntley — an Alzheimer's patient reported missing from his home for about two weeks — was discovered half-submerged in the Rouge River behind the old Radisson Hotel at Northville Road and Hines Drive.

Huntley's body was identified by family members on Friday and the cause of death has been determined as drowning.

Plymouth Township Police Chief Carl Berry said that while an investigation is ongoing, the nature of Huntley's death is believed to be accidental.

"At this point, we do not believe foul play is involved," Berry said. "It appears to be an accidental death."

Berry said his office received the call at 6:45 p.m. Upon arrival at the scene, officers found Huntley's body entangled in brush at the river's bank.

Huntley's body has been transferred to the Wayne County Medical Examiner for follow up and to further investigate the cause of death.

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Breen's petitions challenged; will get hearing Tues.



Canton firefighters extinguish the remaining flames of a house fire that claimed the life of a 48-year-old Township man Friday. (Crier photo by Peter Broderick)

House fire

BY ALEX LUNDBERG An early morning fire in Canton Township on Friday took the life of one occupant of the home and was visible from far away.

According to Canton Township public safety report, the Canton fire department got a call at approximately 12 a.m. on

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BY CRAIG FARRAND

The complexion of the 35th District Court race could well change Tuesday when the State Board of Canvassers decides whether Maurice Breen is still in the running.

Breen's candidacy was challenged last week by Ron Lowe, and a state

Cycling accident

BY ALEX LUNDBERG

A Canton man is in the hospital in serious condition after his bicycle was hit by a car Saturday evening.

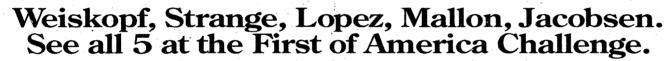
According to Canton police reports, officers responded to a report of a bicycle/automobile collision on Palmer Road west of Lotz Road.

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Bureau of Elections official confirmed Monday that Breen's candidacy was being investigated.

The Board of Canvassers, the official said, would take up the challenge at its 10 a.m. meeting. At that time, the board could either validate Breen's petitions or Please see pg. 8

Five!



First of America is opening the '94 season with a five-star first. It's the All-Tour Skins Game, with PGA champs Curtis Strange and Peter Jacobsen up against Sr. PGA legend Tom Weiskopf and LPGA greats Nancy Lopez and Meg Mallon. They'll be shooting it out on Memorial Day, May 30 at the Golden Fox Course at Fox Hills Country Club in Plymouth, Michigan. And the only place to get discounted advance tickets (\$10 for adults, \$4 for children 12 and under) is at participating First of America branches.

A special "Family Package" including two adult and two child's tickets is available for \$25. A portion of the proceeds benefits Michigan Special Olympics and their heroic athletes.



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P-C school board race moves to center stage

BY CRAIG FARRAND

With Proposal A already decided and a new superintendent already selected, the focus in the Plymouth-Canton School District is quickly shifting to the June 13 board elections.

And not a moment too soon for some candidates.

"This is a critical time," said Sue Feiten, the only incumbent on the June ballot. "We're on the verge of some new things in education: new state financing, a new superintendent, a new look at housing.'

But the fact is that the race of eight candidates for three seats on the school board has taken a back seat to

8 candidates vying for 3 seats

other developments in the past two months.

Now, however, with the election only two and a half weeks away, the race is moving to center stage - but with one critical handicap: With no millage question on the ballot, many observers - and candidates themselves worry about a minimal turnout at the polls.

Although the list of issues facing the next school board appears daunting, many agree that the central issue at stake is change on the board itself:

Five candidates are running for the two four-year seats

being left vacant by incumbents Carl Battishill and Les Walker — who are not seeking re-election: Carol Bollman, Susan Davis, Mark Horvath, Peggy Kalis and Stephen Kilijanczyk.

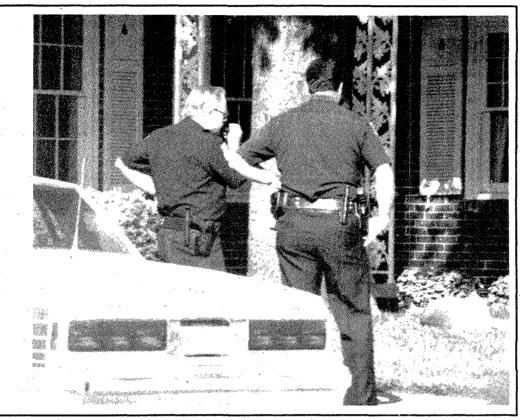
In addition, three candidates are seeking to complete the final year of a vacancy that was filled by Feiten in December: Carolyn Bradley, Feiten and Valerie Greene.

As a result, even if Feiten is re-elected, the next board will have three faces not around last election year; faces that could challenge the way the board and district does business.

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4-legged fatality

A deer (lower right corner of picture) that wandered into Plymouth was hit by a car and killed in front of Schrader-**Howell Funeral Home Monday** morning. The young buck was hit on Main Street and made its way to the front lawn of the funeral home where it collapsed. (Crier photo by Rob Kirkbride)



City seeks 6-month contract extension with Omnicom

BY JOHN HORN

Plymouth City commissioners last week officially started the process of extending Omnicom of Michigan's cable television operating agreement.

Commission approval to the agreement addendum, which extends Omnicom's franchise through December, begins a 28-day period in which the measure will be on file for the public's inspection. Citizens can review the measure through June 14.

Omnicom provides cable service to the four-community Consortium. That group is comprised of Plymouth, Canton Township, Plymouth Township and Northville

It's 15-year contract, established July 16, 1979 was set to expire. The agreement addendum extends the contract through December.

City manager Steve Walters has asked Omnicom to submit acceptance of the extension, hoping to preserve a certain

level of cooperation between the two par-

"The purpose is to facilitate the completion of those negotiations and to protect Omnicom's interests with the City of Plymouth in the meantime," he said. "The proposed extension is now on file and we are hoping to get them to agree to the extension.'

Representatives of Omnicom agree, but appear to have other negotiation pri-Please see pg. 8

WTUA gets ready to pour 'clean' water into Rouge

BY ALEX LUNDBERG

After years of construction and intergovernmental cooperation, the Western Townships Utilities Authority (WTUA) and the Ypsilanti Community Utilities Authority (YCUA) will begin to pump clean water into the Lower Rouge River.

The water will be treated waste water from The Plymouth, Canton and Northville Community. The effect of the water will be to breathe new life into the Lower Rouge River.

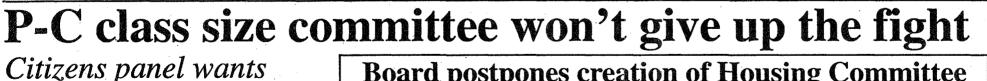
"Besides the environmental impact." said Deloris Newell, executive director of WTUA, "There is also be benefit of the cooperation of The Plymouth, Canton, Northville and Ypsilanti Communities. Because of that this is where we are today."

According to Newell, the outfall at Beck and Geddes Roads will begin early next month.

"We're having the ribbon cutting ceremony at 11 a.m. on June 3," Newell said. "Then there will be a reception at Canton township hall.'

Newell said that the flow of water will be low at first, approximately 15 mgd (Million Gallons per Day), but will increase over time.

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district to make smaller classes a top priority

"We're going to keep it out in front of the public until something happens.' - Judy Mardigian

BY CRAIG FARRAND

After nearly a year of doing research, compiling statistics, establishing cost estimates and making recommendations, they hope the end of the beginning is in sight.

They hope that their five-year plan will finally get the attention it deserves - and will be implemented as part of a new long-range housing proposal.

"They," are the volunteer members of the ad hoc

Board postpones creation of Housing Committee

BY CRAIG FARRAND

The Plymouth-Canton school board has delayed until June 6 any decision creating a new Housing Committee to look into the long-range impact of future student enrollment projections on classroom availability.

After a sometimes animated — and even confusing discussion about the makeup of the committee, the board instructed Supt. John Hoben to come back in two

Class-Size Action Partnership (CAP) committee.

Their "plan" calls for a profound change in the way the Plymouth-Canton School District looks at class size and its impact on educating the very young in the public school system.

Armed with statistics and research that shows a direct correlation between smaller class size and improved weeks with recommendations about membership.

The confusion about the committee membership stems in part from the panel's professed timetable of presenting a report by Feb. 1, 1995, coupled with the fact that Supt.-select Charles Little won't be in the district until July 11.

The problem: The original outline for the committee Please see pg. 8

learning - especially at the lowest grade levels - the committee has waged an on-going, yet understated battle with the school board to make the issue a top priority.

And the payoff could come within a year: With a new superintendent taking the reins in July and nearly half the school board up for election in June and a new

Artistic endeavor *City closes in on deal with church for a new Plymouth Community Arts Council building*

BY JOHN HORN

The City of Plymouth will be playing good parent to the Plymouth Community Arts Council after agreeing to a financing arrangement to put PCAC in the Jehovah's Witnesses Church on Sheldon Road.

A municipal purchase contract was approved Monday for the acquisition of a \$244,000 loan on the City's behalf for the purchase of the church.

Under state law, PCAC will be allowed to repay the city's loan in monthly installment payments of \$2,470.

The building will then be sold to PCAC on a land contract from the City.

Both the City Commission and PCAC's Board of Directors have approved the plan.

Karen Tripp-Opple, president of PCAC said she is pleased with the agreement between her group and the City.

"The entire finance package is an example of creative collaboration and has established a win-win situation for all

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parties involved," she said.

Commission members showed concern as to whether or not PCAC would purchase the building.

At that time, the Arts Council had no formal measure approved supporting the purchase

Tripp-Opple said the group is sincere in its efforts to acquire the building in the end.

"It is our full intent to purchase," she said.

PCAC began looking for a new facility to house its operations, art and programs several years ago. Size and scope of PCAC's offerings brought about the need for expansion.

Tripp-Opple pointed to the Volunteer Picture Program which orchestrates 125 volunteers who visit classrooms.

She said the new location will house art class space and storage, office operations, performance space in the 225-seat auditorium and meeting space.

She stressed future planning will

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involve children's theater, additional class experiences, lecture series and children's entertainment series.

The timing of the purchase agreement could not have been better in that PCAC celebrates its 25th anniversary this year.

"It is an incredible sense of achievement to be able to celebrate 25 years of community involvement by securing a home," Tripp-Opple said.

With the building defunct and no takers interested, City Manager Steve Walters said the timing was right.

'The building was not particularly functional and there were no other buyers," Walters said.

"It gives the city a solution to a building they were having problems reusing."

With the municipal contract, PCAC can take advantage of low interest rates offered to the City.

Finance Director William Graham accepted bids on May 12 and selected Comerica as the lender. Graham said the bank's 5.8 per cent interest was lower

than other bids.

"Of the nine requests we put in the marketplace, we had three responses,' Graham said. "We went with Comerica because they will provide the lowest interest rate.

The term of the loan is \$224,000 to be paid off over a 10-year period.

Additional expenses, to be paid by the Arts Council, include attorney fees, title costs and closing fees.

With PCAC picking up the costs, City Attorney Ron Lowe is cautious about any problems the PCAC may incur in covering payments. In that event, the city has two measures protecting them.

"In the event of a default, the city has two protections," Lowe said.

"First, the City may elect to forfeit or foreclose. Secondly, several citizens are willing to co-sign and/or guarantee the payment of the debt.'

Lowe stressed the municipal purchase contract could establish a precedent for other corporations serving public purposes seeking similar funding help.

P-C school board delays action on new '94-95 budget

BY CRAIG FARRAND

It's cutting it close, but the Plymouth-Canton school board doesn't have much choice.

With finance changes continuing to filter down from Lansing, the board won't approve the district's 1994-95 operating budget until June 27 - three days before its fiscal deadline.

At that time, the board will likely approve an \$85 million budget for the new year — a more than 10 per cent increase over the current year.

Of that amount - a total of \$8 million more than the current year — more than half will come as the result of new statemandated retirement costs. The remainder will, in large part, come from deferred wage increases.

To show how fluid the situation is, a bound version of the new budget was outof-date hours after it was distributed, forcing officials to issue a separate summary sheet before Monday night's meeting.

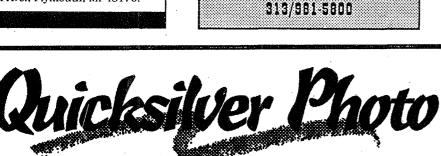
Among the highlights of the new budget, one of the most glaring is the impact of Proposal A on public education financing:

On the revenue side of the ledger, Plymouth-Canton will see an 83 per cent drop in local revenues next year, and a more than 4,000 per cent increase in state revenues — a vivid illustration of the shift in funding from local property taxes to the state sales tax.

By comparison, 94 per cent of the district's 1993-94 revenue came from local taxes, while next year's local tax collections will account for only 15 per cent of total revenue.

Another highlight of the new budget is the growth of the district's fund balance - from a mere \$320,000 at the beginning of the year to nearly \$1.4 million at the end of the year.

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Residents surprised, angry over cemetery changes

BY JOHN HORN

Donna and Robert Kwasny had an unpleasant surprise when they visited Riverside Cemetery yesterday morning.

The pot they had purchased to hold flowers for their loved ones were missing.

An impromptu investigation followed, only to find several other pots from the cemetery corralled and fenced into an isolated storage area in Riverside.

Unfortunately for the Kwasnys, their pot was nowhere to be found. They are now livid with the City of Plymouth for not notifying them of the action.

They gave us no notification that they were going to remove my property," Donna said. "We bought and paid for it. It belongs to no one but me."

Not only are they upset at not being able to locate their pot, the Kwasnys have expressed frustration with the city for lack of notification.

If they had notified us, it would have given me time to plant some flowers over the summer," Donna said.

City Manager Steven Walters said there is more to the situation than Kwasny's complaint.

In December of 1993, the Cemetery Board adopted

revised regulations for dealing with what some residents felt was clutter in the cemetery.

Those complaints stemmed from faded flags and plastic flowers, to helium balloons and pinwheels. The revision was designed to create graveside uniformity.

"We had people in just as emotional as them, with complaints of what they called a desecration," Walters said.

According to Riverside Cemetery rules, the City reserves the right to remove any of the following: any flowers, plants or planters beyond 6 inches in border and 2 feet in height: artificial flowers placed between May 15 and November 15; all plastic, cement, fiberglass, metal and wood objects, except recognized American flags; and landscape stones and other decorative items.

The pots and other items were stored in part as a violation of these rules.

Walters said some sites were becoming heavy with items and thus creating maintenance problems.

"Some people had urns or pots that were in locations other than up by the headstone," Walters said.

They were becoming cluttered with objects which have sentimental and emotional importance to some, but were just as emotionally disturbing to others."

Walters stressed that regulations were sent to people involved in the cemetery within the last three years.

The Kwasnys may have not received theirs due to that time limitation or other provisions.

We don't know who comes in to tend to the graves as opposed to whose name the lot is in," Walters said. "Sometimes it's in the name of the person buried there."

The Kwasny's complaint continues as Memorial Day observances loom and residents will visit various gravesites this weekend. Robert said the removal of the pots is not fair to citizens and mourners.

"There will be some disheartened people this weekend," Robert said. "Some of these widows and widowers are too old to fight City Hall, and the others involved, well, they're dead. They really can't fight."

Robert Kwasny feels the timing is poor, but the fact that it happened in Riverside compounds the problem.

"A lot of those people out there made Plymouth," he said.

The Cemetery Board meets today at 10 a.m. at the Department of Public Works Yard on Goldsmith.



Friends & neighbors

Neighbors in the news

Monica Marie Botwinski, daughter of Thomas and Karen Botwinski of Canton was recently awarded the

1994 Outstanding Senior Award from Michigan State University. The Outstanding Senior Award is conferred upon graduating seniors who achieve excellence in academics, community involvement and extracur-

ricular activities. Botwinski has graduated with double majors in Marketing and Spanish and maintained a 3.63 cumulative grade point average.

Botwinski was Vice President of Michigan State University's Marketing Club and completed overseas studies in Spain.

Last month, Jean Schmidt of Plymouth, was one of dozens of Oakwood volunteers who were honored for their hours of service at a tea hosted by the Oakwood Hospital Volunteer Services Department.

Angela M. Keller of Plymouth was named a Presidental Scholar in the Department of Theatre at Western Michigan University.

Keller earned an assistantship at WMU's Shaw Theatre, where she helped raise 10,000 for the Department of Theatre.

Keller graduated with a bachelor's degree in theatre and plans to pursue employment with a local theatre touring company upon graduation.

Grass roots ministry

Preacher goes door-to-door to drum up a congregation

BY JOHN HORN

If you live in Plymouth Township and an unidentified reverend knocks on your front door, don't be alarmed, it's just Ken Roberts trying to start a new congrega-

Roberts is a Pastor Developer for the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America (ELCA).

"searchers and seeker" to help establish a

have lapsed from the church or are looking to start anew in their life," Roberts said.

New Life.

the mission," he said. "I would also hope to hear from them about their world and issues that concern them."

After the door-to-door visits, Roberts will attempt to secure enough individuals to hold monthly meetings.

ically exist, Roberts said these meetings usually occur in people's homes, fire stations, funeral homes or practically any-



KEN ROBERTS

where else with four walls and a ceiling. Following the introduction and recruitment processes, Roberts will then begin to look for land to purchase in an area encompassing Sheldon, Napier, M-14 and Ann Arbor roads.

That purchase will come through ELCA's Chicago office, church supervisors in Northville and other contributions.

Currently, Roberts is working with a two-year timeline.

He said the first six months will be spent canvassing the above area.

After a piece of land is acquired, Roberts will commence on plans to construct a facility.

"Once we have enough people to sustain a congregation, we should be ready," he said.

"Normally it takes no less than 60, but if we could get 100 for the first worship service, that would be great."

Roberts added that first worship service is not scheduled to be held until 1995, and his two-year appointment calls for New Life to be fully organized by April, 1996.

To be fully organized entails Roberts to establish a bevy of requirements for church activity.

'My job is to get them developed, with their own budget and constitution,' Roberts said, "Then we can start a mortgage on the parsonage.'

The New Life Lutheran Church will be part of the Southwest Michigan Senate of the ECLA.

Roberts said that governing body boasts 156 congregations with approximately 75,000 members.

It is the third-largest Protestant organization behind Baptists and Methodists.

Normally, when congregation is established the Pastor Developer becomes the original pastor of the assembly.

Roberts said he is unsure what will happen after New Life becomes a reality.

"I may or may not, it is still very early," he said.

The former church magazine news editor and director of public services is not exactly a stranger to Michigan.

From 1969-73, he served as Pastor of Calvary Lutheran Church on Detroit's east side.

"In a way, I'm coming home," Roberts said. It's good to be here and I'm very excited."

tion.

He will be canvassing a section of Plymouth Township in an effort to recruit members for the yet-to-be-formed New Life Lutheran Church.

He is looking for what he calls congregation in the community.

"We are interested in people who may

In starting a congregation from scratch, Roberts will engage in front-door exchanges, generally lasting no more than five minutes.

In that time, Roberts will introduce himself and explain his efforts in forming

"I will share with them the purpose of

Since a church structure is yet to phys-



Getting down to business **Community Real Estate**

Home remodeling

Neighbors in business

Quicksilver Photo is changing locations from their current office, across the street and down the block to 1150 Ann Arbor Rd., right behind "A Touch of Class" cleaners.

Chamber of The Canton Commerce will be holding its annual Men's and Women's Golf Outing on August 9. A foursome scramble with an 8:30 shotgun start will be the beginning of the day at Fellows Creek Golf Course.

On Tuesday June 7, the meeting of Women Business Owners of Southeastern Michigan will feature Mateyo Empie conducting a workshop titled "Accounting Principles for Small Businesses. Participants will learn organizational methods and recordkeeping requirements for businesses.

Empie is owner of Willow Service.

BY ROB KIRKBRIDE

Homes are investments and also a reflection of the tastes and style of the owners.

One way to increase the value of a home and create a more comfortable living space is to remodel.

Two area remodeling contractors said kitchen and bathroom renovations give the homeowner the most return on their investment

Tom Adamusik, owner of Regal Construction in Canton and Ray Stella, owner of Ray Stella Building Contractor, Inc. in Plymouth said remodeling kitchens and bathrooms will give the homeowner a return of almost 100 percent.

"Remodeling a kitchen can be a big plus," said Adamusik.

"Bathrooms and sunrooms can also have a big return."

Stella said kitchens and bathrooms are the best remodeling investment. "The secret is to show value," he said. "Kitchens and bathrooms are great investments, but they have to be done in good taste."

For the homeowner on a tight budget,

Adamusik said refacing can be a less expensive alternative to a complete remodeling job.

"Refacing cabinets and counter tops can provide the most bang for the buck," he said. "They are an excellent investment."

Adamusik said kitchen or bathroom remodeling can range in cost from \$5,000 to \$15,000 depending on the extent of work that is done. Stella and Adamusik agreed that basement remodeling gives the homeowner the least return on the resale of the home.

Adamusik said that any investment in a remodeling project is worthwhile if the owner plans on keeping the home.

The longer the owner stays, the more a home improvement project pays off.

"If you are the first one in your neighborhood to make some improvements," he said, "you may have to wait five to seven years to see a return on the investment.

"If you are the last one in your neighborhood to make home improvements, your investment will be realized immediately.

"Value on homes usually increases at

Contractors say investment will pay off in the long run

the neighborhood level."

In other words, as members of a neighborhood collectively improve their homes, the value of the homes collectively increases.

"If you plan on keeping your home, no improvement can hurt," said Adamusik.

It seems homeowners are making the improvements. Both contractors are having excellent years.

"Business has been excellent," said Stella. "It's great and has gotten stronger and stronger. March was excellent and we had our best April ever.

Adamusik said business is fantastic for Regal Construction. "We are up a good 20 percent this year," he said.

According to a study in remodeling magazine, the average cost for a major kitchen remodel is \$21,371.

The resale value of the remodeling job is \$21,988, which means 103 percent of the job cost is recouped.

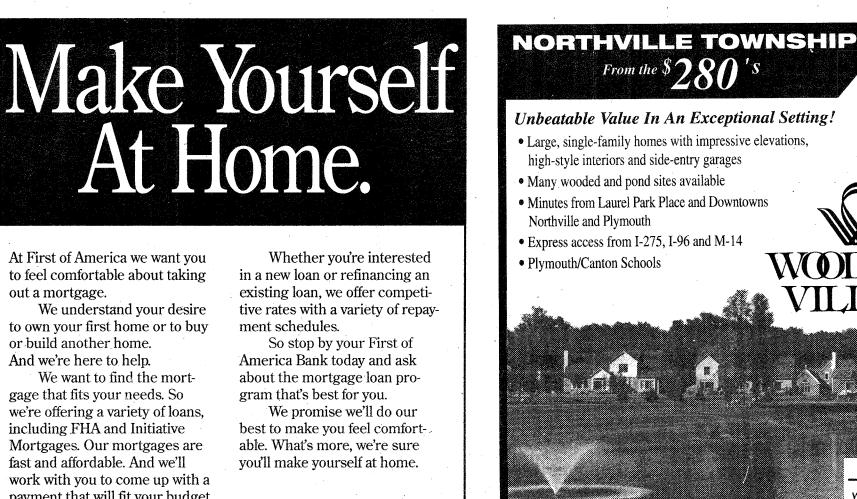
The same study showed that the average cost for a bathroom remodel in the Detroit area is \$6,849. The resale value is \$6,113, which means 89 percent of the job cost is recouped when the home is sold.

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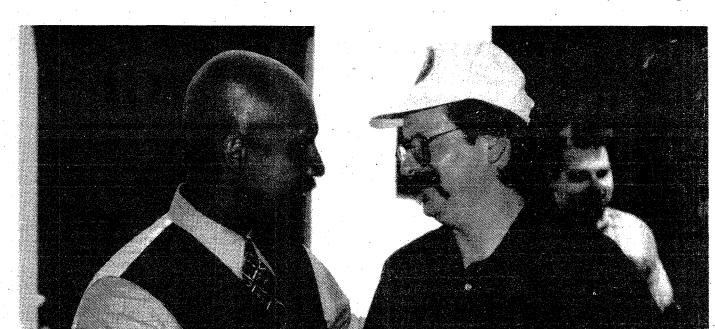
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Jack Trabue, owner of Porterhouse Meats, met with talk show host Montel Williams recently. Trabue's Word of Mouth seasonings were used on the program, which was all about cooking.



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State probes Breen's petitions; decision expected Tuesday

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At issue is whether Breen had enough valid signatures on his nominating petitions when he filed his candidacy May 10.

To run for the 35th District Court, a candidate must file 162 nominating signatures from registered voters in the court's district — which includes Canton, the two Plymouths and the two Northvilles.

Breen told The Crier he would be at the hearing on Tuesday, adding that the outcome was a "toss of the coin."

According to Breen, questions about his petitions stem not from the validity of

the actual signatures, but of the actions of his petition circulators.

"I didn't expect to see this happen," Breen said. "The mistake was on the part of the circulator; he picked the wrong date (to sign the petition himself)."

Altogether, Breen said, 30 of his 197 signatures are affected by the initial challenge, reducing his margin of valid signatures to five.

When asked if such a margin was cutting it too thin, Breen said he didn't think so:

"I've never had any knocked out before," he said, adding that "would I

rather have had 300? Yeah."

By comparison, Lowe said that he had

filed more than 350 signatures on his nominating petitions.

In addition to the original 30 names, Lowe said that when he reviewed the remainder of Breen's petitions, he "found another eight or nine names" that were questionable.

Breen did not rule out possible court action, should the board toss him out of the race — adding that the only case law since 1961 dealing with petition challenges does not address the issue of circulator error.

Concerning Lowe's challenge, Breen said only that "everybody's got a right to do it."

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orities on their minds as well.

of the expiration date," she said.

But, he added, "I've never made it a practice of challenging others; I leave to the voters at the ballot box."

Jacquelynn Ruff of the Wiler, Cutler

"As we have repeatedly stated, we

That reply was part of a letter Ruff

sent to Municon, a consulting firm hired

and Pickering firm in Washington, D.C. responded to Plymouth's extension

believed it possible to reach agreement on the Plymouth franchise well in advance In defending his action, Lowe said that the race for judge deals with electing someone who "will apply the law the way it's written," and that his decision to challenge the petitions was based on "the way we interpreted (the law)."

Should Breen be thrown off the ballot, that would leave 11 area attorneys running on the Aug. 2 primary for the seat being vacated by retiring Judge James Garber.

The top two in the primary would then face off Nov. 8.

The current 12 candidates are: Breen, Stephen Boak, Jacqueline George, Michael Gerou, Victoria Hariri, Carol Levitte, Lowe, Maria Petito, Dennis Shrewsbury, Kevin Simowski, Karen Woodside and Edward Zelmanski.

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by the City during negotiation periods. Municon serves a watchdog-type purpose for the City. Walters said it is comprised partly of former cable operators. "It's like hiring the crook to advise you on security," Walters said. "They

you on security," Walters said. "They know the tactics and the nature of the market."

While Omnicom appears to be dragging its feet in approving the extension, its attorneys have shown concern about bigger contract talks.

"We believe that the best course of action is to redouble our efforts to complete franchise renewal negotiations over the next three weeks, instead of focusing on a a franchise extension," she added.

Walters said he finds Omnicom's reluctance to approve the extension somewhat backwards.

"It's odd," Walters said. "The normal complaint is that the government takes too much time and now it's just the opposite."

City seeks Omnicom extension

Omnicom would consent to the extension, providing the City would adhere to timely discussions in renewing the contract.

While it is a request of professional courtesy, the cable operator has protection to ensure such talks under Section 626 of the Cable Act.

Ruff said the act provides the cable operator due process rights.

The City has four months in which to make a preliminary assessment of Omnicom's proposal. If the City, in acting as the franchising authority, rejects the proposal, Omnicom can take it to court. Ruff was not making any threats, but pointed to the cable operator's rights in seeking appropriate renewal discussions from Plymouth.

"Omnicom prefers to complete negotiations prior to the expiration of the fourmonth period and thus avoid the need to resort to a formal administrative proceeding," she said. "We think the Consortium communities share this preference."

It is still the primary goal of the City to have the extension approved, regardless of what Omnicom expects in the future. Walters said Omnicom's stance on this matter shows it has little faith.

"I don't know why they are so shy about this," he said. "It implies a lack of trust within the communities for renewal. It's obvious they have some misgivings."

Board puts committee on hold for two weeks

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calls for the superintendent to appoint members, but then goes into detail about the membership breakdown.

As a result, a committee might not be in place until last August or September.

But to delay the creation of the committee — and possibly push back its timetable — could seriously impact ongoing repair and renovation plans at buildings that could be affected by the committee's final report.

In addition, board members agreed that as a newcomer to the district, Little would be ill-prepared to name specific individuals to such a committee.

Still, the committee will answer directly to the superintendent — not the board -- leaving the appointments his to make. One group of residents keenly interested in the final charge of the committee and its reporting timetable are members of the CAP. (Class-size Action Partnership) Committee:

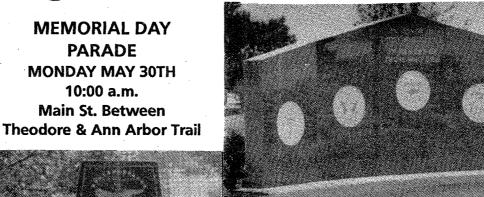
Working hard to help bring down pupil-teacher rations — especially in the elementary grades — the CAP members see the new Housing Committee as the vehicle for getting their plan into motion.

The two co-chairs of the CAP Committee — Judy Mardigian and Judy Gordon — were in attendance at Monday's meeting.

In November, CAP issued a report to the district outlining a plan to reduce class size over five years. (See related story.)

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CAP wants class size a priority

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Housing Committee on the brink of reality (see related story), the stage is set, some think, to make the plan a reality.

"One of the most encouraging signs was that the two superintendent (finalists) both said class size was an important issues," said Judy Mardigian, committee co-chair.

"This has got to be made a priority; we've got to make it work.

"And with some planning, it can be done right now," she said.

But what will ultimately make the plan a reality is a change in thinking on the board — a change that could come with the reelection of the sole incumbent in the race and the election of two other sympathetic candidates on June 13.

The incumbent? Trustee Sue Feiten, who was co-chair of the committee before her appointment to the board last year.

The sympathetic candidates? Although committee members are reluctant to name names and the committee itself will not be endorsing any specific candidate, Mark Horvath has been mentioned in conversation as at least one who is "sensitive" to the issue.

And on Monday night, candidate Peggy Kalis told the board that class size "is the No. 1 question by far" from parents asking about their child's move into a new grade.

Kalis then challenged the board to make lower class size a goal in budget priorities.

But the support may not even end there: There could, in fact, be a newfound interest by sitting board members in the plan.

For example, after the board decided to open the two new elementary schools — Tonda and Bentley — in the fall, board President Roland Thomas was heard to say that class size would now become one of the priority issues on his agenda.

And that development is long overdue, committee members say.

"(The public) should have put more pressure on the board about the issue way back when," said committee member Lucy French, referring to the time when class size ratios began to slowly creep higher.

"Instead, we let it slide."

Now, French said, "we need to keep an active profile."

Specifically, the CAP committee has recommended a one-anda-half pupil per class reduction in lower grade class sizes - K-3 each year for five years.

The cost?

Based on the school district's own figures, about \$750,000 each year — or less than 1 per cent of the district's \$85 million operating budget.

And the strategy?

'We need to attack four of the 'hot spots' right now," Mardigian said, referring to specific grade levels at Hulsing, Bird, Isbister, Erikkson and Field elementary schools.

In one instance — a fourth-grade class at Erikkson — 36 children are crowded into one room, while two other classrooms have 35 children each.

And while the district's own teacher's aide policy kicks in when a 33rd child is added to a class, Judy Gordon says that by that time, education has taken a back seat to mere class control.

"It's impossible to teach in that setting," said Gordon, who now co-chairs the committee with Mardigian.

"I'm a former teacher at the middle school level, and I can't imagine what it would be like at the elementary level.

"You're dealing with children who may have emotional problems, problems dealing with new social settings...

"We've got to cap the levels at the elementary grades; it's imperative," she said.

All of the research compiled by the CAP committee suggests the same action: Based on data culled from Tennessee's muchquoted Project STAR (student teacher achievement ratio), the committee concluded that the ideal district-wide class size average should be 25 -compared to the current 29.

But more important, committee members say, is that the initial commitment must be made to the lowest grade levels; that those ratios need to be reduced significantly - now.

"What teachers want to see in kids," Gordon said, "is that they're going to the next grade having learned the basics.

"Instead, there's a significant amount of money being spent on remediation; (money) that wouldn't have to be spent if the children had been cared for (at an earlier age)."

And the key to that care, the committee members agree, is to reduce class size to a manageable level, and give the teacher

room to teach.

"Intervention at the lowest levels has the greatest impact," French said, adding that elementary teachers she knows in Novi where she works as a physical therapist — are becoming "frightened" at the prospect of class sizes remaining at bloated levels while new testing and assessment mandates come down from Lansing.

But, the three add, there's yet another factor to consider ---especially in light of recent funding changes in public education:

"There's also the issue of revenue being lost because of (large) class size," Mardigian said. "People are taking their children to private schools because they believe the (conditions) are better.

"I don't know that they are (better), but the fact is that when they leave, the district loses money - and now we know exactly how much money that is: \$5,495."

(The figure is the so-called "foundation grant" that the state will pay each school district per child under the new funding structure.)

"People are fleeing the system," French added, worried that unless Plymouth-Canton comes to grips with this sensitive issue, it could face a massive exodus of young children once the full effect of educational reform measures — such as schools of choice and charter schools - becomes a reality.

Clearly, reducing class size suggests the need to add more teachers - or else shift existing teachers around to new assignments. Yet both approaches have their own complications:

•Adding more teachers costs money; money the school board may find difficult to break loose at a time when they're also dealing with already tight purse strings.

•Moving teachers around would first entail a restructuring of upper-level curriculum; of possibly eliminating some low-interest or questionable class offerings at the high schools, for example, and moving those teachers to other assignments.

Not surprisingly, the committee has considered both avenues. In two of its three related "finance recommendations," the committee has called for creating a cost containment sub-committee of the school board, and then making class size an integral part of the bargaining process with the district's teachers union.

And when pressed on exactly where the board could find the money to begin the process, all three members said it first came down to making a commitment and setting priorities.

"We have to take a look at 'X' number dollars and how we spend that already," Mardigian said, "and then we need to make that commitment to class size and make sure the money is there." "We need a mission statement," French said, "that says class

size is a top priority; it's got to be made a priority." Still, funding the committee's recommendations would cost

nearly \$4 million over five years - money that doesn't appear to be sitting around with nothing to do.

The answer: "It's got to be a grass roots effort by the people; they have to (tell) the board that this is a top priority," Gordon said.

"We need to, as families, get involved in how we spend that money.'

And what about simply moving teachers around?

The committee addressed that as well: In its third recommendation, the group calls for a "more equitable distribution of funding between high school and elementary/middle school."

Some examples of that redistribution?

"(The) streamlining (of) curriculum choices, (and creating) cost-neutral non-core programs."

At the same time, Mardigian said, more effort has to be put into generating other forms of revenue; specifically, educational grants from public and private foundations.

Gordon conceded that "this is a big job, to restructure the finances" of the school district.

But, she added, it's a job that finally needs doing: "We need to... we will find the money.

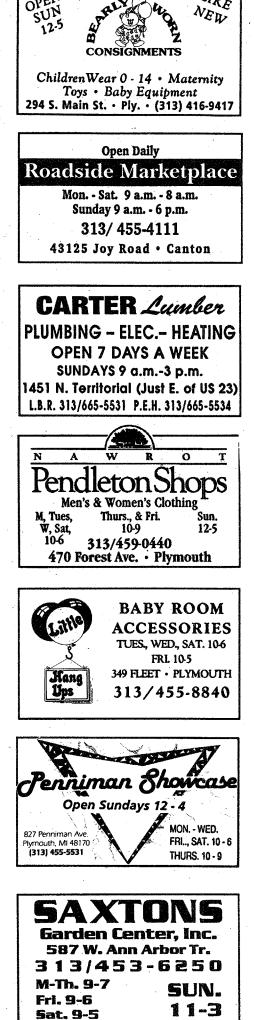
"And any extra money we find, we need to use to deal with this problem.'

Mardigian: "You want to know what kind of impact one additional teacher can make?

"It's not (on) just that one class," she said. "At Miller school we added one teacher and it affected 200 kids."

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The Canton Historical Society will hold their annual DuMouchelle's antique appraisal clinic June 4 at the township administration building from 10 p.m. until 4 p.m. No appointment is necessary. Verbal appraisals will be \$4, written appraisals \$6, and items with a value of \$1,000 or more are \$10. Only items that can be hand carried will be accepted for appraisal. For further information call 453-5297.

50TH CLASS REUNION

Plymouth High's class of 1944 has announced their 50th class reunion, June 30 at the Marriott Inn of Livonia. For further information contact Dora at 453-0769 or Marian at 453-2609.

MARQUIS THEATRE PRESENTS

The Marquis Theatre Children of Northville's historic Marquis Theatre will be entertaining young audiences with a musical comedy presentation of "The Princess and the Goblin." Performance dates and times are scheduled for Saturday, May 28 and June 4, 11, 18 at 11 a.m. Tickets are \$5. For further information call 349-8110.

ROCK AND BOWL

The Canton Police Department is sponsoring and supporting the Super Bowl in a "For Kids only-Rock-N-Bowl," at the Superbowl off of Ford Rd. The bowling will continue throughout the summer from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Admission is \$5 and all children ages 9-15 are welcome.

SALVATION ARMY DAY CAMP

The Salvation Army will be offering a summer day camp, Monday through Friday, for children ages 6-12 years old. The fee per 4 weeks will be \$75. The first session will beginning June 20 and continue through July 15 while the second session will begin July 25 and finish August 19. For further information call 453-8480.

SENIOR TRIP

The Northville Senior Citizens Center will host a trip to "Branson Showcase" Saturday. The cost of the trip will be \$599 and payment in full must be received at least 5 working days prior to the trip. For further information call 349-4140.

CHILDREN'S ART CAMP

D & M Art Studio, in cooperation with the Plymouth Cultural Center, has begun registration for it's fourth annual Art Camp Mania. This year's theme is "art from outer space," which will include the creation of aliens, rockets, spaceships and much more. The camp is for children ages 3 to 16. For more information, or to register, call D & M Art Studio at 453-3710.

TINY TOT PRE-SCHOOL REGISTRATION

The Plymouth Salvation Army Tiny Tots Program is now accepting registrations for the Fall Pre-school classes. There are openings for the Mon./Wed. morning 3-year old class, and for the Tues./Thurs. 4-year old class. Call 453-5464 for more information.

CUB SCOUT GARAGE SALE

Cub Scout Troop 271 will be holding a garage sale on Saturday, June 4 at St. Michaels Catholic Church on Plymouth Rd. in Livonia. Appliances, kids and adults clothing and many other items will be available from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

HEAD START PRE-SCHOOL OPENINGS FOR 1994-1995

The Head Start program has announced several openings for 3 and 4 year olds for the 1994-1995 school year. The program will run out of Central Middle School. For more information on the program or registration, call 416-6190.

ANNUAL GARAGE SALE

The St. Thomas A-Beckett Church will host their annual garage sale June 2, 3 and 4 from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. For more information, call Mary Lou at 397-9838.

HORIZON COUNSELING CENTER OPEN HOUSE

The Horizon Counseling Center and Horizon Associates has announced an open house today from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. For further information, call 451-7577.

WILLOW CREEK PRE-SCHOOL OPENINGS

The Willow Creek has announces several openings in their pre-school classes for 3 year olds. The class will meet Tuesdays and Thursdays from 12:45 p.m. to 3 p.m. For further information call Susan at 981-6918.

RUMMAGE AND BAKE SALE

Christ the Good Shepard Lutheran Church in Canton will be sponsoring a Spring Rummage and Bake Sale June 9 and June 10, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. For additional information call 981-0286.

60+ MEETING

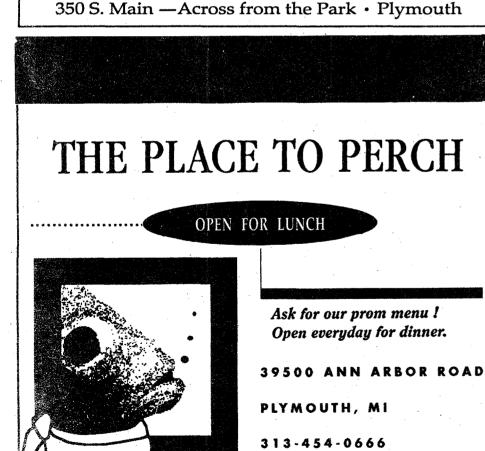
The 60+ Club will be hold their next meeting at noon, June 6 at the First Methodist Church in Plymouth. Bring your own service and a dish for the Pot Luck. For further information contact Peter Suchanski at 459-9195.

SENIOR CITIZENS TRIP

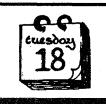
The Northville Senior Citizens Center is hosting a ten day trip to England, Scotland and Wales June 10. The cost of the trip will be \$1,969. For further information call 349-4140.

PCEP SENIOR CLASS PARTY

The graduating classes of both Plymouth Canton and Plymouth Salem High Schools will be holding their annual Senior Class Party on June 12, after commencements. The party will begin at 9 p.m. and conclude at 4 a.m., but no one will be admitted after 11 p.m. It is a closed party for the graduating classes only. Tickets are \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door. Advance tickets include a T-shirt.



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FARMER'S MARKET

The Plymouth Chamber of Commerce will once again present the annual Farmer's Market every Saturday from 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. through Oct. 15, with the exception of the Fall Festival. For more information contact the Chamber at 453-1540.

BROOKVILLE GARDENS TO OFFER CLASSES

Brookville Gardens will offer classes focusing on herbs this Summer. The cost for each class will be \$8. Free garden walks are also available at 2 p.m. May 29, June 12 and 26. For further information contact Cindy Brautigan at 455-8602.

CO-OP NURSERY CLASS OPENINGS FOR FALL 1994

Suburban Children's Co-op Nursery has openings in their 3-year-old class, Mondays and Wednesdays from 9:15 to 11:15, and toddler class, Fridays from 9:30 to 11 a.m. for Fall 1994. Contact Janet at 453-9018 for further information.

BIBLE STUDY

Christ the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church is holding a nine week Bible study series on the book of Hebrew through June. 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 week's topic will be "How can any religion be scientific?" The series is produced by the Christian Science Committee on Publication for Michigan and sponsored by local Christian Science Churches.

CONGREGATION BET CHAVARIM

Congregation Bet Chavarim of Western Wayne County, a Jewish group of individuals and families in and around Western Wayne, announces their schedule of events. For more information about the group and their events and meeting times call 630-8950 (Beeper, leave phone number after the tone).

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.

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.

GOD'S GOLDEN GIRLS

Christ the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church invites women over 50 to join "God's Golden Girls." The organization meets the third Friday of each month, at noon. Lunch is free but reservations are a must. For more information, call Pattie at 981-0286.

PLYMOUTH-CANTON CIVITAN MEETING

The Plymouth-Canton Civitan club will hold their monthly dinner meeting on the third Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at Italian Cucina. For more information, call Margaret at 455-6989.

PLYMOUTH OPTIMIST CLUB

The Plymouth Optimist Club meets every first and third Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m. in the Mayflower Hotel. Meetings include dinner and a speaker. For further information contact Felix Rotter at 453-2375.

YMCA OFFERS MAINTENANCE PROGRAM

The Westland YMCA will be offering a Summer Swim team. The Swim team will begin on June 13. The fee for members will be \$30 as opposed to \$60 for non-members. For more information call Jim Davis or Chris Cooper at 721-7044.

CANTON LIBERTY FEST

Fine artists and Antique dealers are wanted for Exhibition and Sale for the Canton Liberty Fest June 25 and 26. Booth fee for 10 x 10 foot covered space is \$65. For further information, contact Julie Giordano at (810) 348-0282 or Sharon Lee Dillenbeck at (313) 453-3710.

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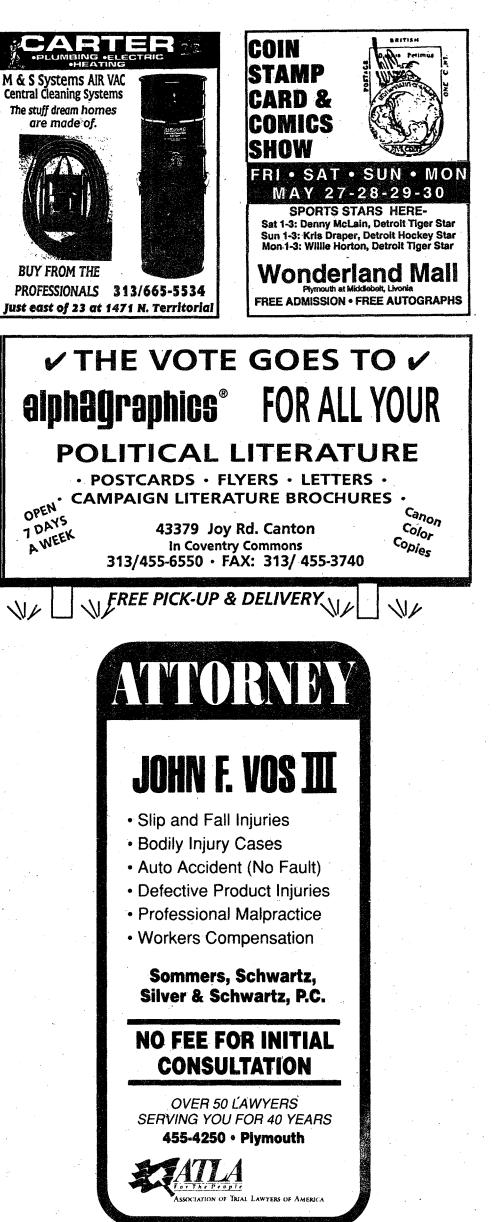
Learn & Care is offering a hearing workshop at Sumpter Senior Center June 1 at 9:30 a.m. A certified audiologist will address how to manage hearing loss and will also execute hearing tests. For further information call 397-8665.

CREATIVE DAY NURSERY SCHOOL

Creative Day Nursery School located in the Canton Free Methodist Church, has few openings for the Fall sessions. Creative Day offers half day programs for children 2 to 5 years of age. For additional information call 981-3990.

FIREARMS CLASSES

The Board of Directors of Western Wayne County Conservation Association have announced a series of N.R.A. basic firearms classes. Basic Pistol classes, June 1, 8, 15 and 22; basic Rifle classes, July 6, 13, 20, 23 and 27; basic muzzleloading classes, August 3, 10, 17, 20, 24, 27 and 31. All classes will be held on the grounds of Western Wayne County Conservation Association in Plymouth Twp. For further information call Bill Scherer at 535-0436.



Eight are seeking three seats on P-C school board

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At least that's the way some of the candidates look at it:

"We need to change the way we conduct meetings," said Kalis, who served on the district's citizens superintendent search committee. "We have too tight of a hold on Roberts Rules of Order; we need to respect the citizens who stand before us."

Horvath: "I don't see that the (board's job is) to micro-manage the process; I think we need to use a more business-minded approach; (an approach) where the board asks questions.

"It's the board's responsibility to understand what questions to ask.

"We need to lead that change."

Greene, in fact, said her entire reason for running was the past practices of the school board:

"I've had enough of districts holding children hostage for money," she said. "I find that appalling.

"There's far too much hostility on both sides now; the board seems to have forgotten who owns the district."

But the candidates' view of the sitting board goes beyond generalities about behavior; it cuts right to the heart of setting a clear direction for the district's future.

In particular, candidates complained that the district's education plan lacks direction.

Bollman: "We don't have a continuity of curriculum from elementary to middle to high school; we don't have a plan.

"Instead, we jump on the bandwagon; 'let's try this this year, this the next year.'

"Because we don't have this continuity, we have kids coming out (of school) with inadequate skills."

That feeling was shared by Kilijanczyk, who said there was "no continuity (and) a lack of structure" from the board"; that parents are "anticipating the next step (of their child) at the next school, but when they see the curriculum, it's not what they expected.



Two (2) four-year seats One (1) one-year seat



"There's no coordination of expectations."

Feiten also agreed with accusations of "inconsisten-

cies" in the education model, adding that "we need to relook at what we're doing; that now is the time to be asking all the right questions." And Davis, whose job as director of community ser-

And Davis, whose job as director of community services at Growth Works puts her in direct contact with young people, put the situation this way: "We need to set goals for the kids, decide how we will (meet) those goals, and then decide how we will measure (our performance)."

In short, Davis said, "I wish we could do an IEP (individual education plan) for each child."

Kalis: "We need to set goals so that people can see what you're doing; we've got no choice but to set priorities."

WTUA to dump 'clean' water into Rouge River

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"Ultimately, we'll be pumping 58 mgd into the Lower Rouge," Newell said.

The project to feed the Lower Rouge will not raise the banks of the river, rather it will maintain the level over the entire year.

According to Newell, the rise and fall of the river through the seasons will calm down.

"There will be a continuous flow of water," Newell said. "It won't get low and stagnant during the summer."

She said that the YCUA has been testing the water over time to see its effect on the riverbed itself. Once the outfall has begun, YCUA will continue to test the water for its effects on the landscape.

According to Newell, the effect of the cleaned waste water on the ecosystem of the Rouge will also be monitored.

The waste water is treated with a

three-step system that brings it to near drinking quality.

According to Canton Supervisor Tom Yack, the outfall marks the last step in a long process.

"The outfall is the last step in the WTUA process," Yack said.

"It satisfies the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) agreement for the project."

The project is several months ahead of schedule.



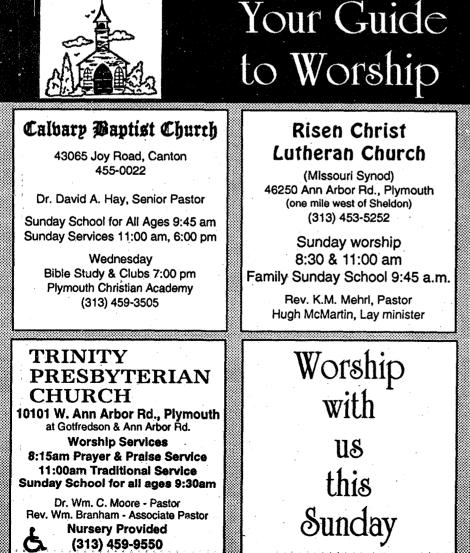
James Simpson, 68, Marine corporal (ret.)

James Simpson of Canton Township, died May 14, 1994, at the age of 68. He is survived by his sons, Kevin and Scott; daughters, Susan (Duane) Crawford, Kerry (Darcy) Simpson; brother, Ian (Winnie); and grandchildren, Amy and Jason. Services were last Tuesday at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

Calvin Fletcher, 82, union secretary

Calvin Fletcher of Canton, died May 22, 1994, at the age of 82. His is survied by his wife, Virginia; daugher, Patricia (Joseph); son, Calvin (Barbara); sister, Cleda; and four grandchildren. Services will be held today at 1 p.m. at Pawlus Funeral Home.





A week of tragedy

Alzheimer's patient found dead in Twp.

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Canton Police released a bulletin on May 4, indicating Huntley had been missing from his residence at Joy Road and I-275.

According to Canton Police officials, Huntley may have been attempting to get to his previous residence in New Jersey, and had recently expressed desires to return there.

Huntley's desire to return to New Jersey was so great, he was reported missing from his home three times within a five-day period beginning April 29.

The first two reported incidents listed Huntley as found and returned to his Honeytree Complex home. After the April 29 disappearance, Huntley wandered away again, this time on May 2.

He was discovered by Livonia Police the same day, in the area of Levan and Plymouth roads. It was in that area where preliminary searches began.

The third and final missing person incident did not turn up Huntley until Thursday, when his body was found.

Upon his disappearance, Huntley was carrying no money or identification. Police found no such items when his body was discovered.

Canton Police had previously alerted other police agencies along possible routes to New Jersey to be on the watch

RICHARD HUNTLEY

for him. Police officials had also engaged in land (mounted, ATV, K-9 and foot searches) and aerial searches for Huntley.

Although Canton police engaged in an exhaustive search of the township. Huntley was found six miles northwest of the search area.

Huntley had been dead for a somewhat lengthy period of time, according to Berry.

"It appears that his body had been there for a while," Berry said.

Berry said Huntley was last seen walking north on a bike path between Joy and Ann Arbor roads. His body was found approximately 300 feet from the path.

Canton man killed in house fire Friday

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Friday that there was a house on fire in the 8400 block of Alton.

While en route to the site, firefighters said that they could see smoke from the blaze.

By the time that they arrived, the report said, the house was completely engulfed in flame.

The report went on to say that, in the course of fighting the fire, one victim was found inside the house.

The victim was later identified as 48 year-old Robert Vanderroest, the owner of the house. The report said that the Wayne County medical examiner learned that Vanderroest died of smoke inhala-

The Canton Department of Public

According to Canton reports, damage to the house from the blaze was estimated at \$100,000 with extensive flame damage to the entire structure.

The report said that there was flame damage to the entire structure but neighboring structures were not damaged. One firefighter received minor injuries and was transported to Oakwood Hospital in Canton.

According to Canton fire officials, the blaze began in the house's family room and the cause of the blaze is still being investigated.



Cyclist seriously injured in car accident University of Michigan Hospital in Ann

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The report said that the driver of the car, a 28 year-old Canton woman, was driving west on Palmer when she struck 21 year-old Michael Timothy Booth, also of Canton, who was riding his bicycle.

The report said that the Canton Accident Investigation Team arrived on the scene and Booth was transported to Annapolis Hospital by Canton Fire Rescue and later Med-Flighted to

According to Canton Police officer Tammi Colling, it is possible that alcohol

Arbor.

Center.

Oak Park couple injured in M-14 roll-over accident

An 80-yea-old Oak Park man is in fair condition following a rollover accident on M-14 Friday evening.

Michigan State Police reported the car went off the road, hit a cement retainer and began to flip.

part of the overpass and dropped back down onto the roadway's shoulder.

The man's wife was treated and released from St. Mary's Hospital.

He was airlifted to U of M Hospital where he is currently listed in fair condi-

Safety's chaplain was called to the scene to speak to family members who were at the scene of the fire.

At presstime, Booth was still listed in

Canton police reports said that charges

serious condition in the U of M Trauma

against the driver of the car are pending

completion of the investigation.

was a factor in the accident.

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ART IN THE PARK • JULY 16-17 DRAWING BY JAMIE REHFELD

THANK YOU TO ALL THE PEOPLE WHO TRIED TO HELP ME on Dunbar Davis' puzzle. Remember it was. "Far, Io, the winter is past, the rain is over and gone, the flowers appear on the earth; the time of the singing of birds has come." And I was supposed to finish the quotation and name the source. Lucky for me I had seen a play about fifty years ago and I had an inkling. It was called "The voice of the Turtle," so I had a clue. No, Alice, Ernie Harwell didn't write it, even though he uses it at the beginning of each baseball season. The quotation is from the songs of Solomon in th Bible, and the end of the quotation is "And the voice of the turtle is heard in the land." So there, Dunbar Davis! Geneva

"No more Mr. Nice Guy

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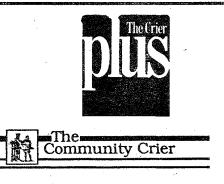
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Classes run from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Students will learn the grip, aim, set-up, and full swing as well as golf etiquette and course management.

Call 397-5110 or register at Canton Parks and Recreation Department, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton MI.

On June 10, the Huron Valley Girl Scout Council will host the 1994 Juliette Low Golf Open at Fox Hills Country Club in Plymouth.

There are still tee times available, and interested golfers should call the Council at 483-2370 (or 800-552-4929 ext. 224 for information.

Sponsorship and program advertising opportunities are also available.

Canton Parks and Recreation Services is sponsoring its 14th Annual Father's Day 3-person "scrambles" golf tournament at Fellows Creek on Sunday, June 19.

Teams will compete for prizes including awards for the long drive, closest-to-the-pin and top three teams.

The cost of the tournament is \$78 per team, which includes all greens fees and awards. Electric carts are extra. Tee times are from 11 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.

Registration is open to all golfers. Deadline for registration is June 16 at the Canton Parks and Recreation Services, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188.

The Canton Chamber of Commerce will be holding their Men's and Women's Golf Outing at Fellows Creek Golf Course on Tuesday, August 9.

The foursome scramble will begin at 8:30 a.m. with a shotgun start. The outing includes 18 holes of golf, cart, continental breakfast, lunch and refreshments on the course.

There will be prizes and many special events including a putting contest and an awards banquet and trophies for teams and various sponsors.

A portion of the proceeds will go toward the Special Olympics. Foursome reservations can be made by calling the Canton Chamber of Commerce at 453-4040.

Tour de force

Canton soccer is on the way to another furious finish

BY ROB KIRKBRIDE

The conference playoffs are over and the first round of the district playoffs are complete. The Canton varsity soccer team may be on their way to another showdown with archrival Salem if the two teams win their games tonight.

The Chiefs advanced in the districts by beating Saline 8-0 Monday night.

The conference playoffs were not as easy for Canton. The Chiefs could not capture a conference title. They tied Stevenson 0-0 for a share of the conference championship.

Melissa Tomei provided most of the firepower Monday for the Chiefs, scoring three of their eight goals.

Kristie Drinkhahn added two more for Canton. Jenny Parviainen, Amicie Crayton and Shelley Camilleri each scored one for the Chiefs.

Mandy Salin, Crayton, Robyn Vachow, Becci Brown and Therese Ideblad each contributed an assist to the winning cause.

Defense is often the best offense. Canton's Sarah Warnke provided solid defense in goal by not allowing any shots to get by.

"It was a good game for us," said coach Don Smith. "We had a chance to rest some injured girls and give some others some valuable experience."

Canton will face the winner of the Ann Arbor Pioneer vs. Pickney game today at 7 p.m. Scores were not available at the time the paper went to press.

"We have some good teams we will have to beat to advance to the regionals," said Smith. "We are playing well, but the girls have to keep up the intensity to keep advancing."

Rock soccer team set for showdown with Canton

BY ROB KIRKBRIDE

The Salem varsity soccer team drew a bye in the first round of the district playoffs and may be headed toward a clash with Canton if both teams win their games tonight. The Rocks played to a 0-0 tie with Northville last Friday in the con-

Canton softball improves; heads

BY ROB KIRKBRIDE

The Canton varsity softball team used a complete team effort to beat Churchill Friday 5-1 at Churchill.

With the victory, the Chiefs ended their regular season with a 6-4 record in division play and a 16-12 mark overall.

Canton plays John Glenn today at 4 p.m. at home in the first round of the conference playoffs. Coach Jim Arnold said the team is finishing the season strong.

"It is a good time in the season to be playing this well," he said. "We are coming together at the right time and that's

what we wanted to see all season long." Jackie Nacastri got the win for the Chiefs in the final game of the season.

Nacastri pitched the entire game allowing three walks and striking out six Churchill batters. "Nacastri pitched a great game," said Arnold. "She has pitched great all season long.'

The hits were scattered around and Arnold said no one individual had an outstanding game offensively.

"We got the key hits at the right time," he said. "That's what won the ball game for us."

Kari Jackson scored three runs for Canton, while Amy Price and Amy LaGrow each scored one.

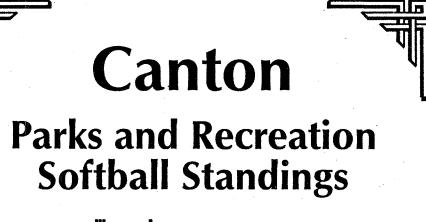
"John Glenn is a good team," said Arnold.

"We played them once this season and lost on a few errors. They are fundamentally sound and they are a good hitting team."

ference playoffs to finish in fourth place. Coach Ken Johnson is impressed with the way the team is playing considering how young the Rocks are this season.

"We play a lot of good teams throughout the year," he said, "and we learned a lot over the course of the season.'

The Rocks had several opportunities to beat Northville, but could not capitalize. "Our goalie Julie Buczek had two great saves at the end of the game,' Johnson said, "and we had several opportunities to get the win, but we couldn't put the ball in the net."



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into playoffs

From the heart

Tri-Kor fund-raiser will send buckets of help to charities BY ROB KIRKBRIDE

A quarter may not seem like much, but each quarter goes a long way in helping those in need.

Jean Wright, owner of Tri-Kor Golfland is donating 25 cents for every bucket of golf balls hit on May 29 and May 30 to various charities, including the Special Olympics, the National Arthritis Foundation and the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

Wright said she is making the donation to give back to the community a little of the support the community has given her.

"This is our eighth season and business has been progressively better every year," she said. "We are growing with the community and it is time to give a little bit back."

Wright is also attempting to help the average hacker by adding to the driving range facility. "We are in the process of helping to put up a new clubhouse that will be open in 1995," she said. "Each year we try to make the place a little nicer for the golfer to come and practice."

Wright said she is looking for local golfers to come out and support the causes and improve their golf games at the same time.

"We are hoping to get as many golfers out as we can," she said. "Everyone needs to constantly work at improving their game.



Golfers can brush up on their games and support the Special Olympics and local charities by hitting a bucket at Tri-Kor. (Crier photo by Rob Kirkbride)

CANTON VARSITY BASEBALL The Canton varsity baseball team competes in conference playoffs today.

On

deck

Call the high school athletic department for more information, including game time and location.

SALEM VARSITY BASEBALL The Salem varsity baseball team competes in conference playoffs today.

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CANTON GIRLS VARSITY SOCCER The Canton varsity soccer team faces Ann Arbor Pioneer today at 7 p.m. at Ann Arbor.

If the Chiefs advance, they will play Salem at home on Friday at 7 p.m.

SALEM GIRLS VARSITY SOCCER The Salem girls varsity soccer team plays Saline at 7 p.m at home today. If the Rocks advance, they will face Canton at home on Friday at 7 p.m.



Plymouth is a small town. Small town people traditionally come together and help each other when times are tough or when they realize someone

are tough or when they realize someone in the community is less fortunate. Jean Wright, the owner of Tri-Kor

Golfland is a small town person. Wright is donating 25 cents from

every bucket of golf balls purchased on Sunday, May 29 and Monday, May 30 to some of those people who are less fortunate than we are and need a little bit of help.

Although Wright has not finalized the list of charities that will benefit from the donation, three are definite. The Special Olympics, Make-A-Wish Foundation and the National Arthritis Foundation will receive some of the money.

Obviously, the Special Olympics are directly tied to sports. This organization gives mentally retarded members of society the chance to compete in sports. The feeling of achievement and accomplishment is stressed. All the participants in the Special Olympics are winners.

The Make-A-Wish Foundation is an organization that grants kids who are suffering from cancer a wish. Many of the children wish to meet their sports heroes. The Make-A-Wish Foundation makes these dreams a reality.

The National Arthritis Foundation is dedicated to curing arthritis, a condition that can make participation in a sport impossible in some cases. Arthritis affects athletes and non-athletes alike.

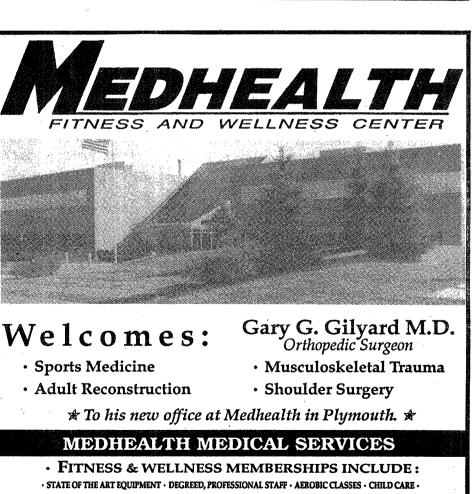
It's easy to see how these charities tie into sports and also hold a spot close to Wright's heart. No one twisted Wright's arm to donate this money to these worthwhile causes.

But sports and charity have always gone hand-in-hand. From the NFL's support of the United Way to Babe Ruth visiting children's hospitals and orphanages, sports people and organizations have traditionally supported charities.

Wright's donation is just another example of how sports and charity go together and how small town people treat each other: With kindness and support.

Stop by Tri-Kor Golfland at 5988 Gotfredson (between M-14 and N. Territorial) to enjoy a day of hitting golf balls and helping those less fortunate.

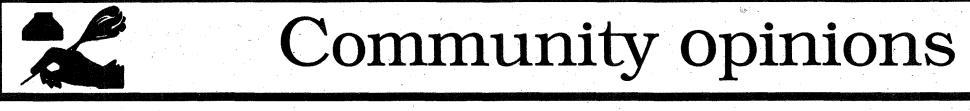
Wright's gift, and all those who support her in collecting money for these charities have not and will not go unnoticed.



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At first blush, P-C candidate look...interesting

Hello P-C,

The superintendent has been selected, Proposal A is on the books and the weather was perfect over the weekend.

So.... let's talk school elections, shall we?

Yes, Virginia, there really is a school board election this year — June 13, to be exact although you may not have realized it.

Which is understandable: There's been a load of stuff going on and — quite frankly — the outcomes of some of this "stuff" is going to have a bearing on the races.

For example, the fallout from Proposal A (like being underfunded by the end of the year?) is something the new school board is going to have to face before the same time next year.

Why? Because, if for no other reason, sometime next year this new board is going to have to come to the voters — you — and ask for a local levy of the other part of Proposal A.

(And you thought districts were out of the millage business.)

Likewise, having a new superintendent on site for the first time in more than a generation is going to shake things up a bit around here.

In fact, from talking to people inside the district, some cages are going to be rattled by Chuck Little; some empires assaulted.

Great!

Similarly, the board itself is probably going to be acting a little differently in the future — if for no other reason than there will be new faces and a new superintendent.

I might even hazard a guess that your next board will be a "kinder, gentler" — and more conversational — board, one just a bit more responsive than you've been accustomed to in the past.

So, with these preliminaries out of the way, let's take a peek at those who would be trustees on the P-C school board.

Now first, although you might not agree, I've never been one to throw someone out of office merely because they were in office; I need a better reason than incumbency to toss officials from a train.

As a result, Sue Feiten — who is almost a new face herself — must be wondering what brought two challengers out of the woodwork to take her on.

And, after talking — or maybe a better phrase might be "not talking" — to one of the two candidates, I'm wondering myself.

The first candidate running against Feiten is Valerie Greene (she returned my calls), a working woman who brings a unique political point of view to the discussion: She's intensely involved in Ross Perot's grass roots United We Stand America movement.



Valerie finds fault with not only how the board operates, but how the district operates and is running on that platform. (Take a number, Valerie, everyone's trying to get *this* train running on time.)

But then there's **Carolyn Bradley** — our mystery candidate: After leaving nearly 10 messages on her machine — and not getting one return call — I've decided to call her bluff.

I don't think she's running. (Go ahead, Carolyn, tell me I'm wrong; heck, tell me anything!)

So, let's see: One candidate who trying to serve out a term she was appointed to; a second who is running on the time-honored tradition of being more efficient; and a third who makes Stealth fighters appear flamboyant.

Gotta wonder about this race.

...as we will about the race for the two open seats on the board — those being vacated by Carl Battishill and Les Walker: Five people are running for the two seats, and every one of the five has demonstrated some kind of involvement in the district.

Steve Kilijanczyk, if you recall, made a strong showing last year against incumbent Dave Artley — but ran most of his campaign on an anti-millage platform. There's no millage this year, so Steve's campaign is centering on fiscal accountability.

Good choice; one you can't argue with. (And don't worry, Steve, there probably *will be* a millage next year, so we'll see what happens, eh?)

And then there's **Peggy Kalis**, a person with a nice laundry list of school activity — the most recent being her membership on the citizens superintendent search committee. Unfortunately, some people are going to think of her husband, Tom, instead of her and vote accordingly.

Don't do it. (Hey, Peggy, tell Tom to keep his distance for the next two weeks...)

Susan Davis is another person with a nice portfolio of accomplishments — and her current job as director of community services for Growth Works puts her in direct contact with the problems being faced by young Americans today.

That certainly brings something different to the table. (Sue, the next time we talk, relax....)

I couldn't believe it: Mark Horvath graduated from my adolescent alma mater: Allen Park High School. Hey, that alone should make him the frontrunner — but it turns out he's got a lot more to offer than just good breeding: As an engineer with Ford's, he talks a good line about being business-minded when running a school district.

My only concern: Putting Roland Thomas and Horvath together. (Mark, just remember: While the district may be operated like a business, the people can't be treated like employees. They're your boss, not the other way around.)

And finally, there's Carol Bollman....

....sorry about that, she was talking.

The fact is, Carol can literally talk your ear off — but just as literally, she can make sense in the process. Carol, the mother of a special ed student, brings a certain hard edge to discussions; she's passionate and concerned — but she also cuts peo...

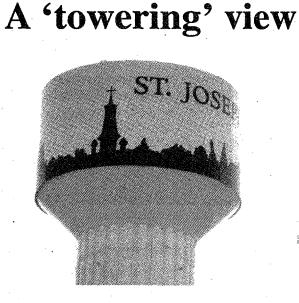
...Carol, I was writing here.

She has a tendency to step (verbally) on peoples' toes. (Remember, Carol, listening is half the communication process.)

As you can see, all five candidates would be fine additions to the P-C board; they each bring a different point of view — and some needed vitality — but more importantly, they each bring a challenge to the existing structure.

And that, coupled with a new superintendent July 11, means more change is in the air for P-C.

But whatta breeze.



Ron Jandura, superintendent of the St. Cloud (MN) School District — and one of those interviewed for the Plymouth-Canton job — sent along this photo of a water tower in nearby St. Joseph after seeing (and hearing about) plans to re-do Plymouth Twp.'s tower in the Lakepointe subdivision.

Needless to say, this is one great idea to capture the sense of the community. THE COMMUNITY CRIER





Community opinions

Lundberg way off base in Fest critique

EDITOR:

This is in response to the eight ideas for the Fall Festival put forth by Alex Lundberg in his column on May 11, 1994.

My involvement with the festival has come from several different perspectives.

I have attended the festival since 1965, helped in a booth from 1978 to 1989, and was festival president in 1988. I am currently a non-voting advisor to the Fall Festival board helping keep track of applications.

In the first idea Alex calls the festival a "Gravy train for groups." The classic definition of a gravy train is a big reward for little effort.

This is the dumbest thing I have ever read and, at the same time, the most infuriating because it insults the hard work and long hours that the volunteers put in before, during, and after the festival

These people give the most precious thing they have, their time. Gravy train? Give me a break, Gravy Train is a dog food. Do not trivialize their efforts.

Second: He says, "Get rid of 90 per cent of the food booths." The simple fact is food booths make the most money. The Fall Festival is a fund raiser for these groups.

Everyone knows this and there is no reason to apologize for it. All groups need money for their charitable work. He then states, "There's nothing special about high school kids selling pizza."

This is the second dumbest thing I have ever read. High school students taking part in the festival is very special regardless of what they sell. The kcy word is involvement.

As for the Rotary not doing chicken, the Rotary and other groups over the years have purchased equipment to do their activity

If the Rotary tried to cook beef it would be a cremation, not a barbecue.

Beef has been tried in several forms and was never a success.

Mr. Lundberg then says, "screen each groups plans." Now there's a great idea. If Alex would attend the board meetings (first Wednesday of each month), he would know that we always screen applications.

But if he did attend the meetings he would have some facts for his opinions and that would not fit in at The Crier.

Third: "Get some real bands." Would you please tell us which bands you would eliminate? Our fine Community Band? Our award winning school bands? The Fife and Drum Corp?

If you think I'm angry just wait 'til you take on those groups. We are very proud of all of our local talent and we thank them for taking part in the festival.

We do have some professional entertainers that are paid for by the generous contributions of local car dealers, however the entertainment budget is not unlimited.

The hardest working committee on the festival board is the entertainment committee. I see what they go through each year and I'm amazed how smoothly it comes off during the festival.

Four: "Don't charge for the craft show." Read my lips the Fall Festival is a fund raiser for local religious, school, and service groups.

In order to have a fund raiser some funds have to change hands. Only in your dream world do you get to use school buildings, tables and chairs for free.

The fifth idea actually has some merit. In fact it has been suggested by the board several times in the past along with a rodeo, pony rides, donkey softball, donkey basketball (there were some suggestions as to who we should get to play the part of the donkeys), Hawaiian luau, etc. These and other ideas have been presented to new and old groups with no takers.

Sixth: "Two words: Beer Tent." Four word answer: Bad, bad, bad idea. One of the comments I hear the most from the festgoers is how nice it is to find a festival where a family can attend without the problems associated with a beer tent.

Now I'm not suggesting that drinking a beer would mean the end of civilization as we know it, but it is a fact that festivals with beer tents have more problems.

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The beer tent idea has come up in the past, so two years ago I went to the Livonia Spree to see how they handled it.

The first thing I noticed was there were many more policemen then we see at our festival, so I decided to ask their opinion.

Should the Fall Festival allow a beer tent? The police were all familiar with our festival and every one of them said "don't do it.'

We have a good, clean, family oriented festival. Lets keep it that way.

Seventh: "Look for alternative activities for festgoers." See fifth answer.

Eighth: "Keep an open mind."

I suggest to Mr. Lundberg that he take his own advice. Just because something is 38 years old it doesn't mean it can't hold some appeal.

We are not afflicted with the past; we do not worship the past. We do revere the traditions that provide continuity and guidelines.

Is the festival perfect? Of course not. Will the festival change? Of course it will, too slowly for some, too quickly for others.

Finally, Mr. Lundberg states that if the 39th festival is like the 38th he doubts that anyone will come to the 40th.

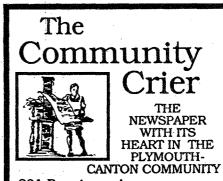
Well Mr. Lundberg, God willing I plan to spend the weekend after Labor day 1995 at The Plymouth Community Fall Festival, and I wish you all the luck in the world wherever you are work-

ing. KEN HOLMES

This way, mom



Several shoppers - including Glen Hayden (above) of Northville — and downtown Plymouth shopkeepers (along with Plymouth Police Sgt. Ed Ochal) helped this mother duck (below right) and her 11 ducklings cross Main Street, Ann Arbor Trail, the Central Parking Deck and Harvey on their way to head upstream in the Tonquish. (Crier photo by W. Edward Wendover)



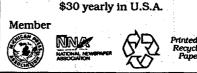
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