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Area code takes effect today

BY ROB KIRKBRIDE

The new 810 area code will take effect today, but under the new system, customers in Plymouth and Northville will continue to dial the usual seven-digit phone numbers when placing in-community calls across the new boundary.

"It wasn't technically feasible to draw the 313 and 810 area code boundary so that it conformed with community boundaries," said Dean Hovey, manager of Ameritech's 810 area code project. "The best alternative was to find a way to let customers in the four communities (Northville Township, Livonia, St. Clair Shores and Genoa Township) continue dialing seven-digit local calls."

Hovey said if the code boundary was split according to community borders, the cost would have been enormous.

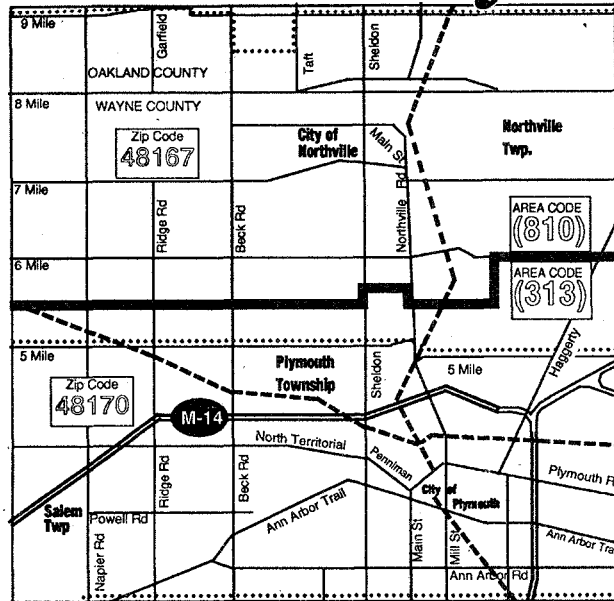
"We had to run it where it seemed to make sense," he said, "and we did not want to have to pass that cost on to the consumer."

Hovey said a community advisory committee appointed by local government leaders two years ago helped develop the new 810 area code plan.

Thousands of citizens were consulted through public meetings, surveys and a special 810 hotline.

Of special concern to the committee was residents who live in communities that contain both area codes.

"The cost of calls isn't changed by the new area code," Hovey



The map shows the boundary between the 313 and 810 area codes. Plymouth residents will still be able to use seven digit dialing to reach Northville.

said. "Even in communities that must use the area code to com-

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Agenda

TODAY

- The Edinborough Saxophone Quartet, along with Dance Ensemble West, perform live music in Kellogg Park from noon to 1 p.m.
- The new 810 area code takes effect today. The change will affect Northville Township and parts of Livonia.

THIS WEEK

- Thursday: Plymouth Summer Poetry Festival continues with rising young Plymouth poet Amy Furmanek. Ron Allen, founder of Horizons in Poetry and one of Detroit's leading poets will also perform. It runs from 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. at the Plymouth Coffee Bean Co.
- Friday: The deadline for poem submissions for the Crier poetry contest is Friday.

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From the dress to the hall to who to seat next to your uncle, The Crier's bridal section has everything you need to know and do. —pg. 11

Downtown post office to be revived

BY JOHN HORN

For those tired of slow postal service, take notice.

The downtown Plymouth Post Office on Penniman Avenue will receive 27 new routes effective Monday.

According to Station Manager Dave Mullins, the downtown location, which was previously non-operational, will be alive again and turned into a full-service post office.

"This meets a community need," he said.

"It is going to take some time as far as adjustments are concerned, but we should get some more timely delivery."

Mullins said the physical move will take place Saturday and expects every-

thing to be in place Monday.

He said the Post Office will be handling the 27 routes, all east of Sheldon Road, in an effort to bolster service.

"Definitely, it should improve service," Mullins said.

"Customers should get a speedier, earlier delivery."

Mullins is expecting exterior changes as well.

He said the back of the building facing Fralick Street, has seen fresh paint, new lights and some new cement.

In front, he said new collection boxes have been added to make drop-offs more feasible.

He said the move will bring two-thirds

of the Post Office's carriers back to the Penniman Avenue office.

Mail will be sorted at the Beck Road office and trucked to Penniman, according to Mullins.

"We do anticipate more window service," he said.

"People who had to previously pick up parcels or notices at Beck Road will be able to pick them up at Penniman."

Mullins said the Post Office and employees are looking forward to the transition and upcoming results.

"We are all excited about the route adjustments and are looking forward to giving better service," he said.

He said plans for an open house are in the works for the near future.

Canton looking into water hookup

BY ALEX LUNDBERG

After learning that A.D. Transport has allegedly connected itself to township water lines without permission or inspection, Canton Township is looking into the possibility of pursuing legal action against the firm.

According to Canton Municipal Services Director Aaron Machnik, the issue is one of the public's health and safety.

"The issue is that the water lines are part of the public trust," Machnik said.

"The trust is that we will keep the water lines free of contamination."

Machnik said that the township believes that A.D. Transport tapped into the water lines without permission and, as a result, the township is exploring their legal options with the Wayne Co. prosecutor and through their own ordinance council.

Tom Casari, of the Canton Engineering Department, said that the township has had problems with A.D. in the past.

"Over the years," Casari said, "we have had problems with that company extending their business without permission."

According to A.D. Transport spokesman George Grof, the company did not need Canton's permission to tap into the water lines.

"The state and the county said that we did not need the township's permission," Grof said. "This is just a difference of opinion."

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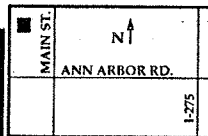


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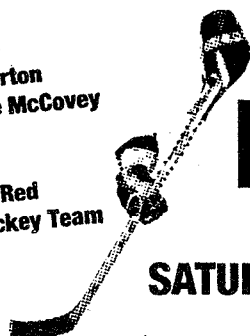


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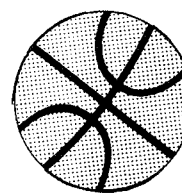


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P-C school board drops pay-to-play for sports

BY PETER BRODERICK

Pay-to-Play will no longer be a part of co-curricular funding in the Plymouth-Canton Schools.

At its Monday night meeting, the P-C board of education voted 4-3 to abolish the fee for participation that has been a factor in sports and all co-curricular activities for several years.

Sue Feiten, Sue Davis and Mark Horvath, the three newest members of the board, held the dissenting opinion.

With the resignation of Canton high school's Faculty Athletic Director Jim

Finn, the athletic administration of the district was looked at by Supt. Charles Little. According to Little, reorganization of the district's athletic administrators would save the district roughly \$30,000.

Little worked out a plan and presented it to the board.

He suggested that Finn's position did not need to be filled by a high-paid administrator.

The money that is saved by filling the position with an individual that has a smaller salary could be used to fund the part of the co-curricular budget — origi-

nally funded by students, through the pay-to-play program.

"This is an opportunity to change the direction of the district in a positive way," said Little.

"There are a lot of gains for the students. We need to look at ways to save money, and redirect it to the kids."

"We're already deficit spending," said Feiten, who also said that the money could be put to better use, and that a small pay-to-play fee is not unreasonable. "We have a wide menu of needs in our district, and we need to see what helps

the students most.

Practically speaking, we can't please everybody."

Horvath said: "This will put us right back in the same place we were last year; spending money to solve a short-term problem."

The discussion of pay-to-play was originally not an "Action Item" on Monday night's agenda, but was part of Little's weekly report.

It was voted unanimously by the board that the proposal be added to the agenda, and subsequently voted on.

Canton inspecting company's water hookup

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According to Machnik, the transport company has taken advantage of Canton's willingness to reach resolutions in these cases.

"We like to take the case that the focus is to reach resolutions," Machnik said. "Now and again we find that some companies and people aren't interested in resolutions.

"It's a case of it being easier to beg forgiveness than to get permission," Machnik said.

Machnik said that it seems that nothing that the township has done has gone fast enough for the transport company. Casari said that the nature of securing permits takes time.

"It takes planning, it also takes money and time," Casari said.

"They have decided not to take the time and to just go ahead and do the work.

"It's one thing to do that with a parking lot, we'll help there as best we can," Casari said.

"But this could possibly contaminate the water line, that's a completely different thing."

Machnik said that the township has to guarantee a potable water supply for its citizens.

He said that the transport company connected itself to township lines with no permission or authority to do so.

According to Machnik, his concern is that the type of valve that the company used has to be installed properly.

"They used a gate valve," Machnik said. "If they installed it and everything works perfectly — there's no problem. If the job was not perfect, the percentage chance of contamination goes up for everything that is not perfect.

"This is a basic health, safety and welfare issue."

Machnik said that the township and his offices have taken steps to ensure the health of the citizens of the township.

If the valve is bad, the level of potential hazard to the populace will go up.

"That is a valve that we cannot guar-



Canton township is looking into the possibility of legal action against A. D. Transport for tapping into their water lines. (Crier photo by Peter Broderick)

antee," Machnik said. "A.D. has put people at risk and the repercussions of that action could be significant."

"I think that it is awfully arrogant to

ignore the safety of people," Machnik said.

"It doesn't have to take much to make the system go bad."

Cable Consortium negotiates for short cable contracts

After more than a year of negotiating, members of the Cable Consortium, made up of Canton, Plymouth, Plymouth Township and Northville, have recommended to their governing bodies that a short-term cable franchise of three and a half years be entered into with Omnicom Cablevision.

According to Larry Monroe, a consultant for Municon, the consulting firm hired by the communities to help during the talks, Omnicom officials reiterated their desire for a 15-year agreement.

"The cable laws are changing very rapidly," said Monroe. "There is legislation that is being considered that would rewrite the 1934 Communications Act.

"The consortium does not feel it would be astute to enter into a long term agreement

until the regulations are established."

Lisa Boland, Omnicom's general manager said the company is not prepared to talk about any agreements because negotiations are ongoing.

Monroe said a key point to negotiations is capital expenditure.

He said the four communities are asking Omnicom to pay for their own equipment and cable upgrades and not to pass the cost to the consumer.

"The communities are not asking Omnicom for capital expenditure," Monroe said. "Competition will dictate their need to rebuild.

"Let the laws of economic competition rule, but don't pass the cost (of new equip-

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City Commission to discuss tax abatement for Action Distributing

BY JOHN HORN

The first step in Action Distributing's move to the former Highland Appliance building on Sheldon Road is scheduled to take place at Monday night's Commission meeting.

Expected to be included on the agenda are preliminary discussions which could lead to the establishing of an Industrial Rehabilitation District (IRD) for the location.

That measure is the first step in the tax abatement process.

Before an IRD is established, the city must set a date for a required public hearing and then vote.

Action is a Livonia-based distributor of Miller, Molson, Corona and Heineken beers.

It is currently making a commitment to purchase the now empty, 531,000 square foot facility.

Monday night's discussion will be the first formal action on the city's part.

Action President Tom Celani said a tour of the facility with Action and the city is in the works, but plans are sketchy at the moment.

"I really can't tell a date right now, I have to talk to my contractors also," Celani said.

Plymouth Mayor Douglas Miller said the discussion is part of protocol and should eventually lead to setting a date for a public hearing.

"This is a normal course of action," Miller said. "We will discuss the merits of establishing and IRD. Assuming we do, the next step would be for them to request a tax abatement certificate from the city."

Miller said that process also requires a public hearing and discussion, which will probably come at a later date.

According to Action's attorney Ed Draugelis, the company currently has tax abatement status at its Livonia location

on Veronica.

He said Action's preliminary plans for the facility include renovation and multi-tenant conversion.

According to Draugelis, Action plans to use 230,000 square feet and to lease the remaining space to outside tenants. He said Action could employ as many as 500 people.

"Their total plan for remodeling, renovating and rehabilitating the premises are currently being drawn," Draugelis said. "But essentially envision converting the building to a multi-tenant building, employing approximately 500 employees."

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He said the popularity of personal pagers, fax machines, computer modems and cellular phones created a shortage of new telephone numbers. The new 810 area code, southeast Michigan's first

rations and adjustments.

"About 50 per cent of our business customers are using the new area code on stationary, business cards and advertising and 35 to 65 per cent of our customers are already using the new area code as the need.

"It is definitely going better than



Residents of the Maple Hill subdivision are in the 810 area code, while their neighbors across the street in the Northville Colony Estates are in the 313 area (Crier photo by Rob Kirkbride)

since 1947, will create more than 3 million new phone numbers - enough to last for the next 15 to 20 years.

"We were just plain running out of new phone numbers," Hovey said. "We are barely making it until Aug. 10."

"The response has been pretty positive," he said. "Most everyone knows about the changes and have made prepa-

changes made by other telephone companies that we have studied."

The exchanges that can be called without dialing the area codes are: (In Northville) 305, 344, 347, 348, 349 and 380. (In Plymouth) 207, 416, 420, 451, 453, 454, 455, 459, 844 and 981.

Hovey said the new 207 exchange in Plymouth was created because of expansion in the area.

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Friends & neighbors

Neighbors in the news

Mark Pinto of Plymouth has been awarded a doctor of medicine degree from the University of Michigan Medical School.

The son of Joseph and Heather Pinto of Plymouth. He attended Catholic Central high school, and graduated from Miami University.

He will pursue his residency in Orthopedic Surgery at the University of Michigan Hospitals.

The Western Wayne Oakland County Association of Realtors has announced its list of scholarship recipients that are studying Real Estate or related fields.

Jonathan DeKiere of Plymouth received a scholarship, and attends Central Michigan University.

Jennifer Marie Weigard, Aashish Shah and Kevin Sturgill, all from Canton, also received scholarships.

Music Director and Conductor of the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra Russ Reed will be guest conducting the High School Concert Orchestra at the Interlochen Arts Camp this week.

Reed has been with the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra for eight years, and has been working with Interlochen for 12.

Terren J. Bonkowski, Adrienne Brenner, Erica Demchick, Loren Gross, Michael McClain, Heather Tuite and Jennifer Warnke are among prospective freshman at Western Michigan University that have been selected to receive a share of \$1 million in Academic Scholarships.

All seven students graduated from either Canton or Salem high school.

Medieval camera

Plymouth resident Gary Barber's photographs place in top five in Renaissance Festival photo contest

BY ALEX LUNDBERG

With the 15th annual Michigan Renaissance Festival just around the corner, it's time to break out the Robin Hood tights and shoes.

To get an idea of how to accessorize for 12th century chic, stop by the Fisher Building in Downtown Detroit and look at the display there. All of the best of last year's Festival is on the walls.

The organizers of the Renaissance Festival and Perry Drugs have announced the winners of the 1993 Perry Photo Contest. Gary Barber, a pharmacist from Plymouth, took second place in color and third place in black and white.

According to Barber, he found out about the contest after the Festival was over.

"Photography is my hobby, I'm always looking for a good photo opportunity," Barber said. "The Renaissance Festival is a good place to take pictures of people."

Barber said that he found out about the contest by reading the program of events. He sent in two of his prints and waited to hear from the contest's organizers.

"I placed in the contest, but I haven't got my negatives back yet," Barber said. "I'm going to be at the Festival's opening on Aug. 13, I'll get my award then."

Barber said that he has been an amateur photographer since he was young and that he has only been serious about taking pictures for the last 15 years.

"I used to be a member of the Livonia



This photograph, taken at last year's Renaissance Festival, took third place in the Perry Photo Contest. The photographer, Gary Barber, is a pharmacist at Garden City Hospital. (Crier photo by Gary Barber)

Camera Club," Barber said. "I haven't been active in the club for a while though."

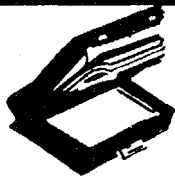
Barber's photos, and those of the other winners of the contest are on display in the Grand Arcade Lobby of the Fisher Building in Detroit's News Center area.

The 15th Annual Michigan Renaissance Festival, located one mile north of Mt. Holly on Dixie Highway opens Aug. 13 and will continue through Sept. 25 on weekends and Labor Day. Parking is free. For more information, call 1-800-601-4848.

Keeping kids safe



Louie the Lightning Bug and Detroit Edison employee Molly Luempert treated Plymouth-Canton students to their Safety Town program, centering on electrical and traffic safety and what to do when approached by strangers. Detroit Edison expects to take their safety program to more than 3,000 kids this summer.



Getting down to business

Neighbors in business



TIMOTHY A. JOHNSON

Timothy A. Johnson, M.D., obstetrics and gynecology, announces the opening of his new office in Livonia. Johnson, of Plymouth is a Junior Fellow in the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists. Johnson is on staff at St. Mary Hospital in Livonia and at William Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak.

Adistra Corporation announces sales force expansion

The Adistra Corporation in Plymouth recently announced an expansion of their sales force.

Steven G. Murray has joined Adistra Corporation as director of quality and process improvement. Murray will design and develop a total quality management culture throughout the organization.

Conrad J. Welsing Jr. has joined Adistra as the Ford/Dearborn sales group manager. Welsing will be responsible for supervision of the sales force, client contact and development and forward planning for account growth.

Peter J. Plum joins Adistra as an account executive for the GM Sales Group.

His primary responsibilities include maintaining existing accounts and generating new business.

Kirk Zechel has joined Adistra's GM Sales Group as an account executive.

Zechel will be responsible for management of existing accounts and securing new client accounts.

Karl F. Brockmiller has joined Adistra's Ford Sales Group as an account executive.

Brockmiller will be responsible for securing new clients and maintaining

existing accounts.

Bill Heedum has joined the Adistra Corporation as an account executive. Heedum is primarily responsible for maintaining existing accounts and generating new business.

Donald R. Stilwell recently joined Adistra as an account executive for the ISM Sales Group.

Stilwell is primarily responsible for cultivating ongoing relationships with clients to provide full marketing support for their company needs.

Paige George joined the company as a sales representative for the Ford Sales Group.

Her primary responsibilities include providing support to the senior account executive and maintaining sales and service functions associated with client accounts.

Donna Haluska was recently promoted to national accounts sales representative. Haluska works exclusively with a senior account executive on assigned accounts.

Her responsibilities include maintaining sales and service functions, project coordination, and client contact.

Haluska has more than 13 years experience with Adistra in a variety of positions, most recently, as a customer service representative.

Laurie Bean was recently promoted to sales representative for the Ford Sales Group.

Her primary responsibilities include working exclusively with a senior account executive on assigned Ford accounts, client contact, project management and coordination.

Bean has been with Adistra for three years, most recently as a project coordinator, and previously, as a customer service representative and teleservices representative.

Carol Beth Hathaway has recently been promoted to sales representative for the Ford Sales Group.

Hathaway is responsible for account management and coordination, client contact, and supporting the senior account executive for assigned accounts.

Hathaway was previously a project coordinator and a customer service representative during her two years at Adistra.

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Animation Station to expand gallery

The Animation Station, downtown Plymouth's newest art gallery, announced plans to expand its present location.

With a projected date of Sept. 1, 1994, The Animation Station, located in Westchester Square Mall, will more than double its current floor space. The gallery will open an interior wall and take over the space currently being used by A Stop, Look & Listen Shoppe.

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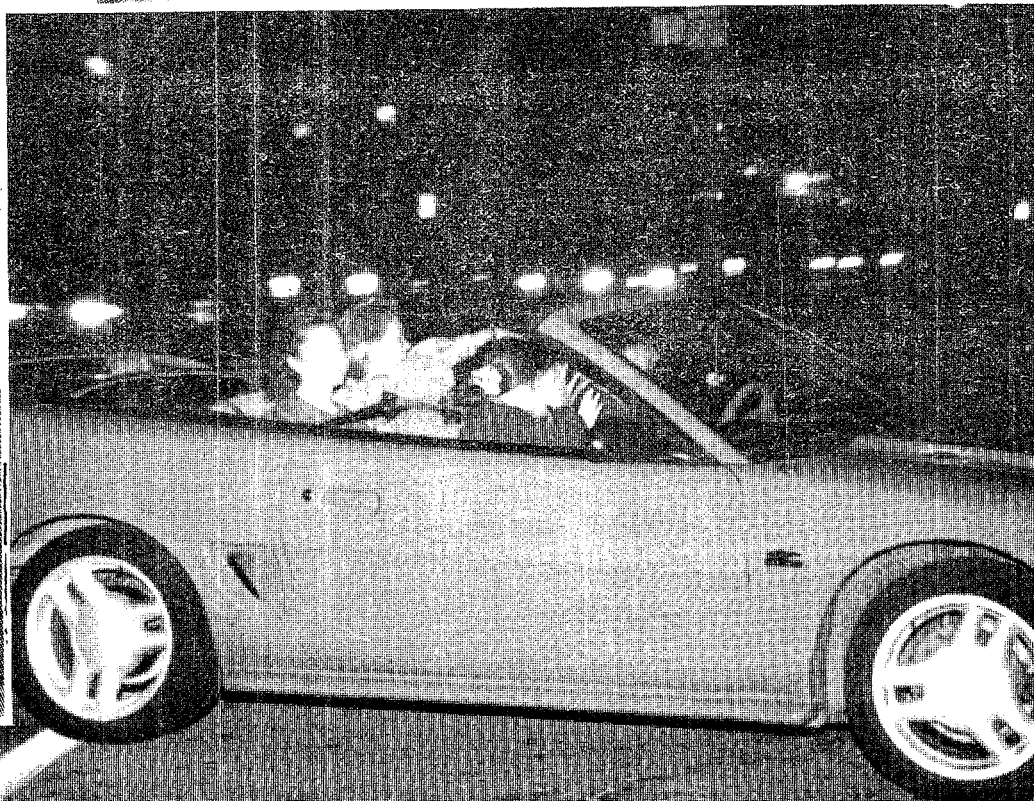
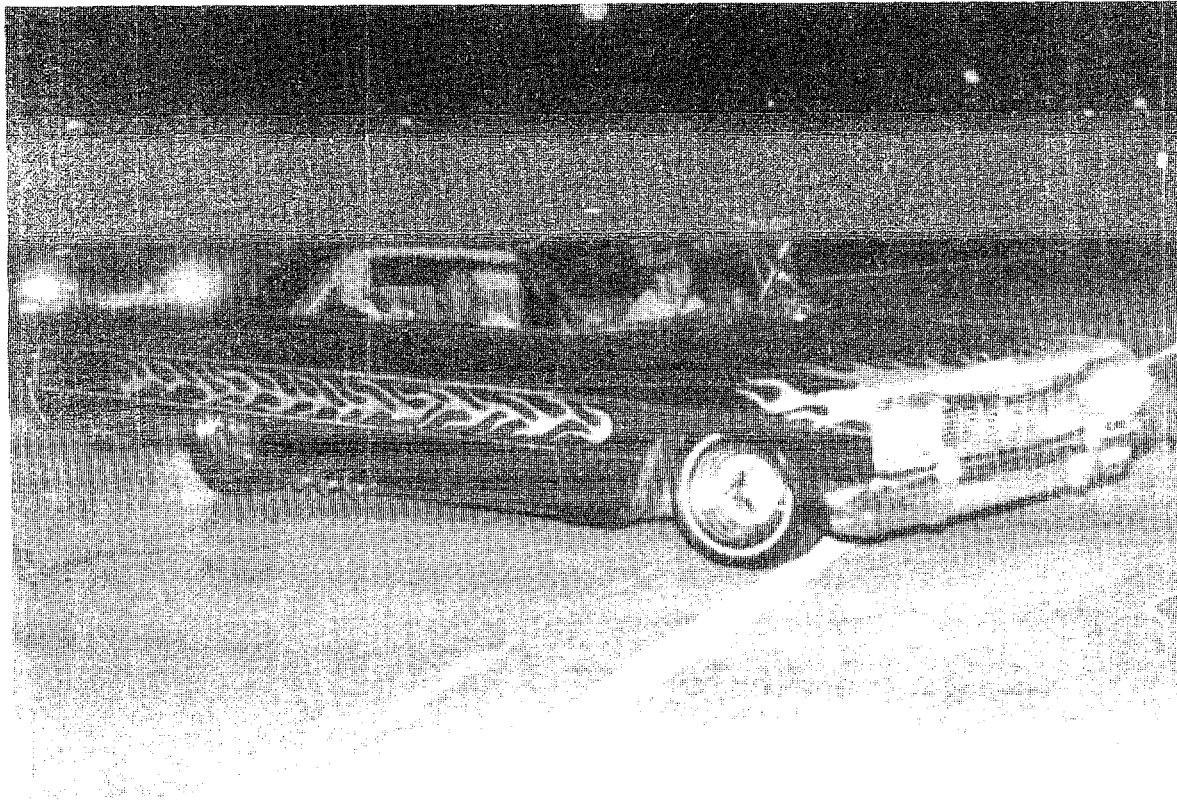
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Cruising Plymouth 1994

Photo essay and commentary by Crier Photo Editor George Gentry



A drive down Main Street in Plymouth as the sun sets will reward you with a view of what has become the evening ritual. Two city police cars move methodically from downtown Plymouth towards Ann Arbor Road, barricading the side streets. An increasing number of teenagers can be seen sitting in the park, strolling or driving down Main Street. The time for 'Cruisin' on Main' has started.

As I walked up and down Main street watching the procession of

cars and people, drug or alcohol use was not evident. The worst thing I saw anyone drink was Mountain Dew. They walk in groups, never less than two people, because these are not safe times for teens.

I was greeted with a wary eye from everyone I passed on the street, but they were always courteous. They were noisy and they were energetic, but then they are still young.

Why do the young gather on Main Street?

The same reasons that people have been cruising for decades, they hope to meet old friends, or make new ones.

They want to show off their car that they worked so hard to buy or restore. And when there's no where else provided by a community for teenagers to get together they will cruise the streets of the city where they live. At 10:00 p.m. on weekends Main street becomes a thoroughfare only for the elite emergency vehicles. Police cars blockade the

lanes of Main street, allowing the passage of emergency vehicles, barring entrance to cruiser, local business patrons, and residents of the area.

These teens aren't vandals or gangs roaming the streets looking to cause trouble. They are young people looking to spend time with old friends and making new ones.

Instead of spending tax dollars trying to keep the young people out of the city, spend the tax dollars and give them someplace safe they can get together.



Community deaths

Local man helped form Plymouth Vietnam Veterans' Association

Rick DiVeto seemed to be everywhere for everyone.

That was the way friends described him. A giving and caring individual whose time for others was unlimited. Unfortunately, his time was.

The long-time Plymouth resident and founding president of the Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 528 died last Monday of heart complications. He was 50-years-old.

DiVeto was instrumental in starting the organization. Current Chapter President Greg Huddas said DiVeto

helped create the group some years ago.

"He was one of our original five members who met in Dan Stengel's basement a few years ago," he said. "It will be a great loss to the chapter and us as individuals."

After helping found the group, DiVeto served as president and as 1993 Member of the Year.

Shortly after moving to Plymouth from California in 1958, DiVeto graduated from Plymouth High School.

He then joined the U.S. Air Force and served in Vietnam from 1965 to 1966.

In a June 1989 interview with The Crier, DiVeto said his was pleased with serving in the military.

"Basically, I enjoyed most of the service," he said. "A group of 12 of us went together. We all volunteered around the same time and we all made it back."

DiVeto said he spent most of his time in Vietnam working out of a major air base near Danang.

Upon returning home, DiVeto came to Plymouth for his grandfather's funeral. He was hired as an electronic technician at Burroughs Corporation.

While at Burroughs he met then-Linda Szakely and the two were married in January 1970.

One year later, DiVeto opened Diveto Electronics on Wing Street, specializing in television repair.

DiVeto hit hard times in 1981, when he decided to close his business. He and Linda were divorced that year also.

After working in a partnership at Rick's TV in Canton, he sold his portion and began working with Control Data in computer repair. Until his untimely death, DiVeto was a computer technician.

He began work with other area vets to erect the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in 1989.

According to VVA's Ted Enright, Diveto made himself constantly available to the group. Whether it was the Fall Festival, car washes or bingo, DiVeto was there.

Linda DiVeto agreed, saying Rick had an endless dedication for others.

"He seemed to always do for everyone but himself," she said. "He would always go out of his way for you."

According to friend Tim Greenhoot he saw Rick the Sunday night before his death.

"He was complaining of pain in his left arm and thought it may be arthritis," Greenhoot said. "I'm no doctor, but I told him I thought it could be a heart problem."

Greenhoot took time, as did many of Mr. DiVeto's friends, to reflect on his character.

"He was a very soft-spoken and gentle man," Greenhoot said.

DiVeto is survived by his sons, David and Andrew; mother, Phyllis (John); brothers, Paul (Joyce) and Bryan (Kim); and sister, LeeAnn.

Services were Thursday with arrangements by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home. DiVeto was buried in Riverside Cemetery.

Margaret Charette, 83, secretary

Margaret Charette of Plymouth, died Aug. 5, 1994, at the age of 83. She is survived by her sons, Allan (Margaret), Leonard (Roxanne) and Gene (Margo); brother, Henry; and five grandchildren. Services were Monday with arrangements by Vermeulen Funeral Home.

Ian Clinton, 66, engineer

Ian Clinton of Plymouth, died July 30, 1994, at the age of 66. He is survived by his wife, Sheila; sons, David (Lisbet) and John (Karen); daughter, Susan (Keith); sister, Margery; and six grandchildren. Services were last Wednesday with arrangements by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

Marion Westfall, 75, convalescent aide

Marion Westfall, formerly of Plymouth, died July 31, 1994, at the age of 75. She is survived by her son, James (Sue); step sons, Leroy and Louis; brother, Charles; sister, Clara; two grandchildren and nine step grandchildren. Services were last Wednesday with arrangements by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.



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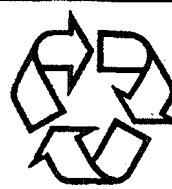


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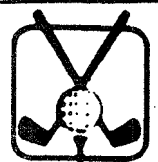
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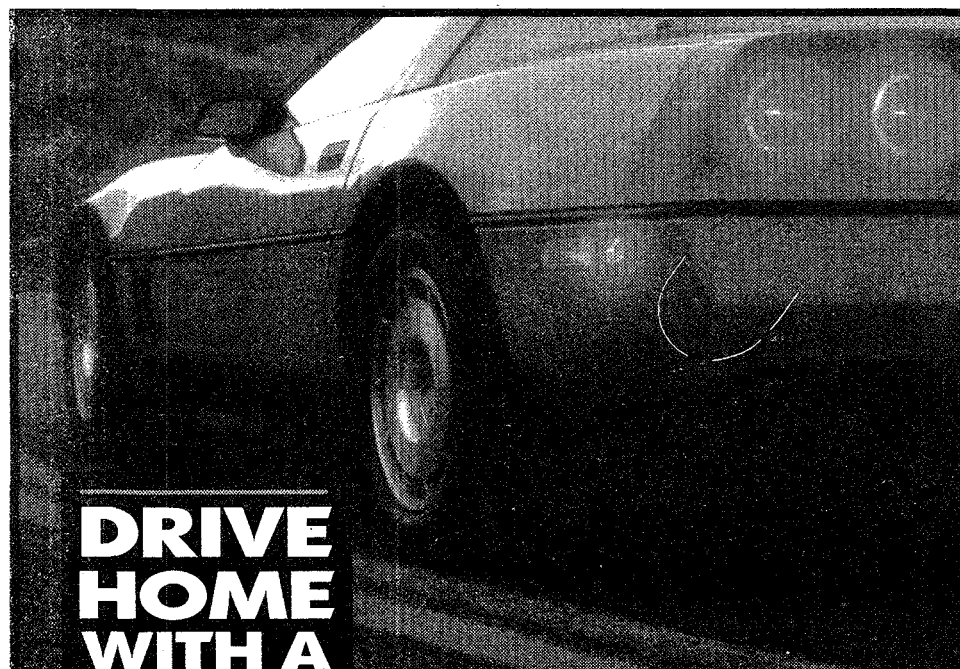
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AMUSEMENT PARK TICKETS

Canton Parks and Rec will be offering discount tickets to Canada's Wonderland, Cedar Point, Crossroads Village, the Detroit Zoo, King's Island, the Michigan State Fair, Sea World and Great America. Cash only, no refunds, purchase tickets at the Canton Administration building. For more information, call Canton Parks and Rec at 397-5110.

MICHIGAN CANCER FOUNDATION

The Plymouth office of the Michigan Cancer Foundation is recruiting volunteers for the Breast Cancer Speaker's Program. Volunteers need an outgoing personality and a willingness to learn. Training is scheduled for this month. For more information call 453-3010.

WAYNE COUNTY SUMMER FOOD SERVICE

The Wayne County Health Department announced that the Summer Food Service Program for children will be held at Canton Commons through Aug. 26. For more information, call 453-5464.

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.

CH.A.D.D MEETING

CH.A.D.D. of Northwest Wayne County (an attention-based disorder parent's organization) meets on the first Thursday of each month at the Livonia Civic Center Library. For more information about the group and the meeting, call Roberta Zarea at 344-8216.

CAMP TONQUISH

The Plymouth YMCA will be holding Camp Tonquish at McClumpha Park for children ages 6-12. There will be trips and events through Aug. 22. For more information, call the YMCA.

CANTON FREE CONCERT SERIES

The Canton Parks and Rec department will hold a free summer concert series 7:30 p.m. on every Thursday night in Heritage Park. Concessions will be available. For more information, call Canton Parks and Rec at 397-5110.

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 Melissa 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 the Water Club Bar & Grill. For more information, call Margaret at 455-6989.

SINGERS WANTED

The Plymouth Community Chorus is looking for new singers, especially tenors, baritones and basses for its 21st season of play. Auditions will be held at the First United Methodist Church on Aug. 29 at 7:30 p.m. and Sept. 6, 13 and 20 and 7 p.m. For more information, call 455-4080.

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.

FIREARMS CLASSES

The Board of Directors of Western Wayne County Conservation Association have announced a series of N.R.A. basic firearms classes. Basic muzzleloading classes, today, Aug. 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.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR FEMALE EXECUTIVES

The National Association for Female Executives (NAFE) will be holding a STRIVE session to promote networking among professional women at Ernesto's next Wednesday at 6 p.m. For more information and to register, call Sue Discher at 722-7937.

GED TESTING

The Plymouth-Canton Community Education Department will hold GED testing at Canton High School today and tomorrow from 5 to 9 p.m. The fee for the testing is \$25 and reservations should be made one week in advance. For more information, call 416-4900.

SMOKE STOPPERS

The McAuley Health Center will be holding a Smoke Stopper course for those wishing to kick cigarettes throughout the summer by appointment. There is no charge for the assessment. For more information, call Pat Harris at 712-4141.

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.

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.

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.

BLACKHAWK DIVISION ASSOCIATION

The 86th Blackhawk Division Association is looking for veterans of the 86th Infantry Division that served during WWII. The next reunion will be held in September of 1994. For more information about the association, contact Alyn Dull, membership chairman at 1226 Kilian Blvd., St. Cloud, MN 56304.

Fall Bridal Preview 1994

The first step to wedding bliss is finding the right engagement ring

BY MICHELLE CARON

Engagement rings are one of the few items purchased to last a lifetime.

So when purchasing the ring, it is wise to become completely educated on the four C's - the four ways of evaluating a diamond.

"You're going to be wearing it the rest of your life," said Kevin Felts, president of Plymouth Jewelry & Gifts, "so you should know what kind of diamond you're buying."

Plymouth Jewelry & Gifts is located in the Old Village section of downtown Plymouth at 630 Starkweather.

The first of the four C's is the carat weight. The larger the stone, the more expensive the diamond. On average, a one carat diamond costs about \$4,000.

The color of the diamond is another key element when shopping for an engagement ring.

The Gemological Institute of America (GIA) sets the standard guidelines for diamonds.

The GIA views the color of the diamond on an alphabetical scale beginning with D.

D is considered the best color for a diamond. D, E and F stones are considered "colorless".

G, H and I stones are considered "nearly colorless".

J and K stones are classified as faintly yellow stones.

L, M and N diamonds are considered to have varying degrees of yellow.

According to Felts, O and P color diamonds are considered "brownies" in the jewelry industry because they have a brown-like color.

"Don't even bother going below a J-color stone," he said.

The best way to evaluate the color of the stone is to place it loose on white paper and view it in florescent or natural daylight.

One important tip noted by gemologists is to buy stones unmounted. It is hard to view the diamond properly if it is already mounted.

According to Felts, if a salesperson does not think it is important to view the diamond apart from its setting, a new jeweler should be found.

Second opinions are also important in finding the right diamond and a reputable jeweler. Felts offers a full refund to customers and said, "I stand by what I sell."

Defining the cut of the diamond is another one of the four C's.

Buyers need to remember that the cut does not mean the shape of the stone, such as marquise, pear and emerald, but rather the actual dimensions of the stone.

Cut is also defined by whether the stone has the right depth, polish and symmetrical balance.

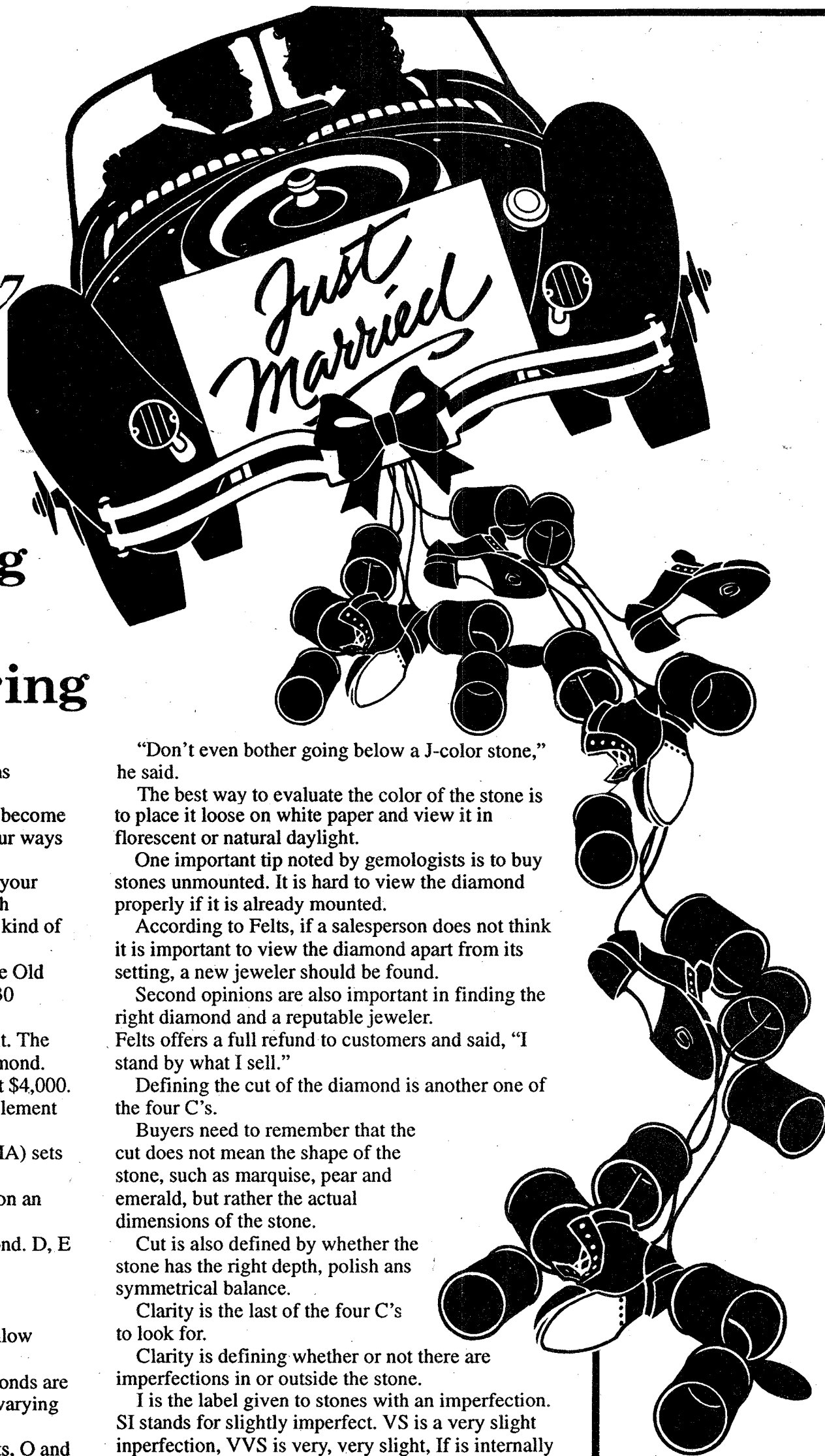
Clarity is the last of the four C's to look for.

Clarity is defining whether or not there are imperfections in or outside the stone.

I is the label given to stones with an imperfection. SI stands for slightly imperfect. VS is a very slight imperfection, VVS is very, very slight, If is internally flawless and FL stands for flawless.

Very, very slight flaws can only be seen under ten-power magnification.

Flawless means imperfections are undetectable both inside and outside of the stone.





Happy honeymoon gets marriage off to a good start for newlyweds

BY CHRIS MACHNIAK

By land or sea, or in a plane or car, newlyweds face a difficult, but necessary choice of where to go during their honeymoon.

Inas Bilbeisi, manager of The Travel Bug, 8555 N. Lilley in Plymouth, said 25 to 30 per cent of their honeymoon business is to Disney World in Orlando, Fla.

"It's really big now," Bilbeisi said.

"Over 50 per cent of these customers go with packages where the entire wedding is held at the resort."

Sources at Disney Travel, based in Orlando, said prices vary depending on the hotel and length of stay, but the basic four night package at the most affordable hotel, The Wilderness Lodge, ranges from \$1,499 to \$2,028 during the off season.

This would include many special perks, including a two hour photo session with a Disney photographer and continental breakfasts served every morning.

Other packages can include the actual wedding and offer various themes.

"They can actually have a Cinderella wedding," Bilbeisi said.

According to Bilbeisi, Hawaii and ocean cruises are the next most popular.

"Hawaii has always sold itself," she said,

"but more people are going because it's more reachable with prices lower than once thought."

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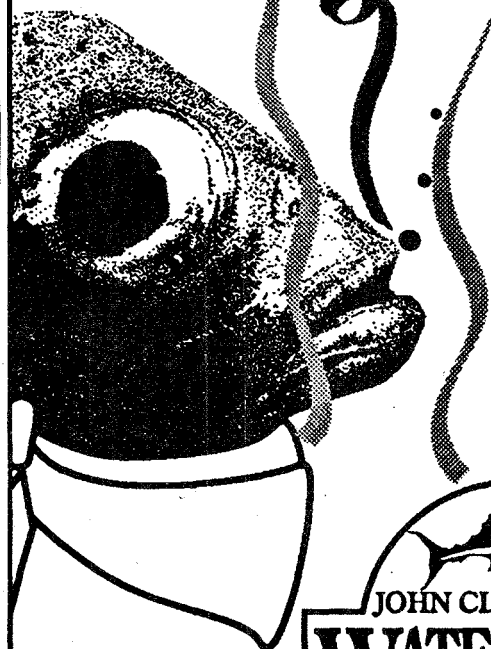
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Honeymoon spots vary depending on newlyweds' tastes, budget

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and I MAX theater passes.

Peggy Coxford, owner of Emily's World Travel at 708 S. Main Street in Plymouth, said her company has done more island vacations to the Caribbean and Mexico than any other destination for newlyweds.

"When people look at Hawaii, it's just so much more expensive," she said. "Of the newlyweds, 60 per cent go to the Caribbean Islands, while 40 per cent travel on cruises."

Of the more exotic places, Mexico's Cancun is the most popular because of its price - \$750 for seven days, per person, Coxford said.

Bilbeisi said the sea cruises are great deals to get away for a week because the prepaid fee includes most of the expenses, with the exception of drinks and souvenirs purchased from island excursions.

Coxford said Norwegian, Royal Caribbean and Carnival are the most popular cruise lines.

All offer cruises to the Caribbean, the Bahamas and Mexico.

Norwegian also goes to Alaska and Bermuda.

Bilbeisi and Coxford said the price for these ocean going cruises cost approximately \$1,200.

Niagara Falls, the traditional honeymoon capitol, is still a favorite trip for newlyweds, but for different reasons, Bilbeisi said.

"Niagara Falls is for people who do not have the time for a long trip," she said.

"It's more of a weekend type honeymoon."

For exact prices and accommodations, travelers should consult with their travel agent.

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Facts on financing can make home buying easy for couple

BY MICHELLE CARON

Buying that first house can be a traumatic experience.

But by outlining some of the initial first steps leading up to finding the first house, the buyer can be more confident and knowledgeable of the real estate market.

The first step is to call several different mortgage lenders. Most lenders want to sit down and gather financial information such as income, credit, current assets and any other outstanding payments. With this information, the lender can tell how large a mortgage the buyer is eligible.

This step is called "qualifying a buyer."

The lending institution will give the buyer a pre-approval, or a written statement of how much the buyer can spend on a home.

Many first-time buyers may think they do not have enough money to buy a house. But real estate agents point out a monthly payment for a house is not that much more than monthly rent for an apartment.

"It's the smartest investment and the tax benefits are incredible," said Patty Stropes, a realtor for Remarica in Plymouth.

The down payment is a hurdle for many first-time buyers may face, because typically, they do not have 20 per cent of the total cost of the house, which is necessary for a conventional loan.

But there are other loans that buyers may be eligible for.

The Farmers Home Administration, a government department that helps first-time home buyers, can help make the down payment more bearable.

Gift letters - money given to the buyer by family members - can often qualify as part of the down payment towards a house under FHA guidelines. One drawback to FHA loans is a restriction on the total cost of a house a buyer can invest in. This cost varies depending on where the buyer is looking to move. In fact, the maximum price of the houses FHA would approve depends on the county in which the buyer lives.

A Veteran's Administration loan is another option to the buyer. VA loans usually involve no down payment, but the buyer must be a veteran of the U.S. armed services with a good job and credit history.

The government approves the buyer depending on how many years were spent in the service.

Once the buyer figures out what kind of loan best suits their situation and what they can afford, a real estate agent can be contacted.

It is best to talk with a real estate agent that the buyer feels comfortable with and that has a good idea of what area the buyer would like to live.

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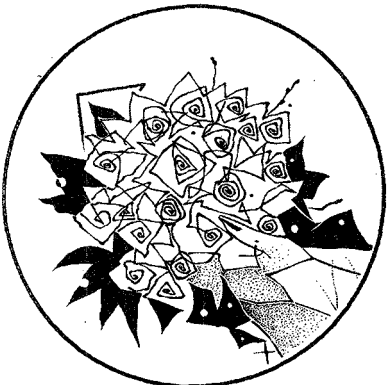
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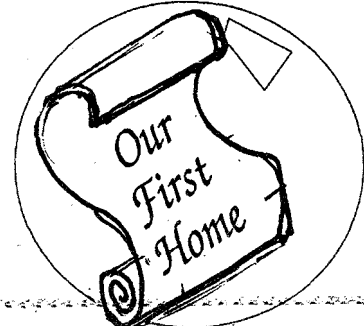


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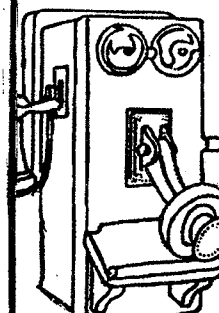
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Who shot John Blackwell Jr.? Jill Andra Young!

Pete Broderick chews Corned Beef bubblegum.

Amy wins-She gets down to work.

I hope we did good yesterday-I know we'll have fun

UNCLE CLARENCE: this coupon is good for a beer at the Eiks--Ed

BEAUREGARD rolls in dead fish.

WOODSTOCK NATION here we come.

Rob: Thanks for getting Cheryl's first name right! (For future reference her last name's "Hanlin.") -Mike

"YOU GUYS AREN'T quite as acclimated to vacuum cleaners as I am." Sally Repeck (understatement of the year) 1994. But do Jess and Ed care?

BEAUREGARD eats Penniman Deli potato salad while working on Fall Fest

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DEAR ANONYMOUS: THANKS FOR YOUR ASSISTANCE. --A LOWER PENINSULA WRITER

RON RON eats Mama Mucci's Pasta.

PETE BRODERICK: I thought you were a lawyer. --B.

JEANNE & MIKE: dinner?-- Sally & Ed.

LESLIE & BOB: Diana's?--S & E

MATT A.: NEVER PLAY MONEY JOKES ON MOMS, SHE'S TOO STRESSED TO DEAL WITH IT. REMEMBER PAYBACK'S A B...-- MOMS

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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN. Even if it were only for the sake of "good business," you really should have said "thank you."

HELEN G.- to some a birthday means "older," but you keep getting younger.

DUNBAR DAVIS as I was going up the stair I met a man who wasn't there. (If I could write poetry. I would want to write like this.) I think Dunbar, you'll have trouble with this one. G

CINDERELLA. Did you lose something in the Parking Lot? Must have been after the ball. Call The Crier. G.

DUNBAR It would "warm the cockles of your heart" if you knew how many of your friends read the Curiosities, write to me personally, or call to thank The Crier for keeping them informed about you. They also play the poetry game with you. They really care about you, Judge. However, they aren't quite as good at the "poetry game" as you are! Alas!

IRENE WALDORF. Isn't there a rule about saying "Where at" when "Where" is adequate? "English" as it is spoken here, is a different language.

EMMA ROSE- Happy birthday August 18th on your third year. You can't be, thou going on twenty-nine is more like it.

Sadie A: I'll miss you- Have fun down south at your festival. Jousting can be dangerous, so be careful.--moms

Curiosities

LOOK UP, THERE IN THE SKY, it's a bird, it's a plane, it's "barefoot" Ashley Armstrong in her brand new, blue "Neon," with her mother and father cheering with pardonable pride for their special child. Explain to her,- one dresses up to a beautiful car like that, and no more going barefooted!

HELP! I'm running out of poetry to stump Dunbar. You who play this game of wits with him, could you possibly give him something that will challenge him, and no doubt confuse me? He is in the hospital at the moment and has lots of time to play the game.

LEAH makes good cookies and shared them with Grandma G. and the folks at The Crier. Thank you, Leah!

KAY ARNOLD is no longer enthusiastic about gardening or pets after spending considerable time working in her garden, she went indoors and was viciously attacked by her cat - bitten twenty or more times as a matter of fact. Your cat or cats (no one has just one) are not infallible. Please protect your babies.

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"It was stupid but it wasn't THAT stupid."-- Conrad Thorpe, with a hole in his thumb, 1994.

Curiosities

CONRAD THORPE IS all thumbs when it comes to using a power drill. McAuley Hospital look out.

TOMMY KESHISHIAN adds cider to his cucumber- tomato relish (for rock shrimp) at Water Club Grill.

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CSX caught tapping city water supply for their tankers

CSX, running daily trains through Plymouth, apparently has been doing more than testing the patience of motorists as they sit and wait for trains to pass.

It appears the transportation company has been testing the City too, twice tapping into a water hydrant without permission from the city.

Department of Public Works Director Paul Sincock said the hydrant near the yard was found opened a few months ago.

He said a similar situation occurred last summer, when CSX was caught fill-

ing tanker cars. Sincock said both instances have been taken care of.

"CSX has been billed for the water and sewer charges," Sincock said. "It seemed to us they were taking water and we took steps to prevent that. They have been very cooperative."

Sincock said a lock has been placed on the hydrant.

"Unless you have a special wrench, it will not open," Sincock said.

Sincock said he is unsure as to the amount of water taken by CSX this year, but estimates it to be less than 10,000 gallons.



CSX has been caught twice by the City of Plymouth stealing water by tapping into hydrants. (Crier photo by George Gentry)

Library board candidates in field of nine, election set for Nov.8

The list of candidates running for the Plymouth Library Board has been finalized with a field of nine.

The candidates will be on the Nov. 8 general election ballot.

According to Library Director Pat Thomas, the deadline for filing applications was July 21.

Thomas said there are four trustee seats available, with each one holding a four-year term.

Thomas said the nine all filed petitions for Library Board through the Wayne County Clerk.

Filing from Plymouth Township are Brian Barbuto, Larry Fobes, Kimberly Hickey and Mary Ann Prchlik.

Kevin Albaugh, Hugh Harsha, Jim Jabara, Sheryl Tripp Khoury and Mary Mackie are all Plymouth residents who have filed petitions for the board.

Fobes, Prchlik and Khoury are incumbents.

P-C-N communities opt for short cable deal

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ment) on to the subscriber.

"Omnicom wants to - the consortium doesn't want them to."

Steve Walters, Plymouth's city manager, said negotiations with Omnicom stalled at the July 11 meeting.

"We reached a point where we couldn't go on anymore," he said.

Walters said Plymouth's contract with Omnicom expired in July, but was extended until Dec. 12 to coincide with Plymouth Township's expiration date. Canton's franchise contract ends in February and Northville's ends in March.

The consortium and Omnicom are in the Informal Renewal Negotiation Process, as outlined in the 1992 Cable Act.

"We are trying to collectively negotiate this," Walters said. "We would prefer to come to an agreement and I think Omnicom would as well."

"We're getting real close and I would expect Omnicom would want to keep negotiating."

Walters said Municon was hired by the consortium because, "all four communities realized that we didn't know all that much about cable television operations."

"There are a lot of technical type issues that are difficult for the average citizen to deal with."

Walters said Canton is paying the bill for Municon, which has totaled approximately \$50,000 to this point. Canton then sends invoices to the other communities for the Municon bill, dividing the fee up according to the number of subscribers in the community.



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Employment Market

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Laborers Wanted, now taking applications. Call 981-7290.

Help Wanted

Babysitter wanted for Tuesday evenings and occasional other nights. Starting Sept. Call Joanna 455-3902, 553-7490

The Thai Bistro, a 4-star restaurant in Canton has openings in their waitstaff. Thai Bistro offers flexible hours, strong tipping and a friendly work environment. Call Peter at 416-2122 for more information.

Red Wing Shoes store in Canton is looking for part time help (15-23 hrs/wk.) to work some evenings and days. Starting wage is \$6.00/hr. plus commissions depending on experience. Ideal for retirees and college students. Applications accepted at 5948 N. Sheldon Rd., north east corner of Ford & Sheldon.

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Sports

Sports shorts

The Canton Department of Parks is sponsoring a community trip to Cedar Point in Sandusky, OH. Canton residents can enjoy a day at the amusement park without having to worry about driving or parking.

The cost is \$27, which includes the price of admission, as well as bus transportation. The bus will depart from the Canton Township Administration Building lot at 7:30 a.m. on Aug. 20 and will leave Cedar Point at 8 p.m. to same day.

Registration is limited, and open only to Canton residents. You may register in person at Canton Parks and Recreation Services, inside the Canton Administration Building at 1150 S. Canton Center Rd.

On Oct. 1, bicycle riders can take part in the third annual "PedalFest," taking place along Hines Drive on the banks of the Rouge River.

PedalFest is a major fundraising event for Friends of the Rouge, a non-profit organization dedicated to the revitalization of the Rouge River. Money raised from the PedalFest will help Friends of the Rouge in efforts to make the river clean and enjoyable.

PedalFest participants are asked to collect pledges for the amount of miles they ride. Those collecting more than \$50 in pledges will be entered in a raffle, and will receive a PedalFest '94 T-shirt.

To receive an application and pledge form, or for more information about the PedalFest or about Friends of the Rouge, call Jim Graham at 961-4050.

The Canton Parks and Recreation Services is sponsoring a "Rotten Sneaker" contest that will take place today. Contestants will be asked to "model" their sneakers before a panel of judges. Finalists will be required to dribble a basketball to prove that the shoes are still useable.

The rules are as follows:

- Anyone can enter
- Contestants must be wearing the sneakers
- Sneakers can be any age
- One pair of sneaker per contestant
- Sneakers must fit the foot of the contestant

Registration will take place before the contest, which will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the Canton Township Administration Building. For more information, call 397-5110.

The winner gets a \$25 gift certificate, applicable to a new pair, from the Trading Post, a plaque and a can of foot powder.

World Series champions

Orioles down Braves 9-7, in best-of-three series last Friday

The Orioles of the Plymouth-Canton Junior Baseball league won the World Series last Friday, edging the Braves two games to one in the best of three series.

The third and deciding game had the Orioles winning the division of 10-year-olds, 9-7.

Coach Jim Daratony said the series started out tough for the Orioles as they lost the first game 1-0 in eight innings in front of approximately 250 spectators.

That game saw the two teams tied at 0-0 at the end of seven innings before the Braves scored at the top of the eighth to win.

Daratony said that game proved to be a motivator for his team, as well as giving him an idea on strategy.

"We called a practice after that game and brought in some older kids to throw," Daratony said. "That way, they could get used to some faster pitching."

Apparently it worked because the Orioles came out Thursday and beat the Braves 9-3, creating a 1-1 tie going into the final game.

In that game, Daratony said the Orioles came out strong, running up a 4-0 lead in the first inning.

Equipped with a 9-2 lead in the ninth, the Braves knocked in five runs, but the Orioles held them off for the win.

"We pretty much dominated the game," Daratony said.

The P-C baseball league began the 16-game regular season in May, according to Daratony.

It was at that time, Daratony said, the season was not looking so hot.

The Orioles failed to get a winning decision in the first three games, going 0-2-1. Daratony said that poor start ended



The Orioles of the Plymouth-Canton Junior Baseball League won the 1994 World Series last Friday by defeating the Braves 9-7, clinching the best-of-three series 2-1. After starting the season 0-2-1, the Orioles went on a seven-game tear to improve their record and subsequently make it to the playoffs.

up working out for the better.

"It was better for us because it got our players on a serious note for the rest of the season," Daratony said.

The Orioles (14-6-1 overall) were indeed serious as they peeled off a seven-game winning streak following the dismal start.

The streaks continued, as the Orioles ended the season taking five in a row. Prior to that, Daratony said he was concerned the team would not make it to the playoffs.

"We didn't think we had a shot," he said. "When we ended the season with that five-game streak, that put us in the playoffs."

Local teams earn gold, bronze



Two teams from The Plymouth-Canton Community took part in the Michigan Special Olympics Annual Softball Tournament in Canton a few weeks ago. The Pirates won the Gold Medal in their division, and the Thundercats (pictured) won the Bronze Medal in their division.

PCJBA:

Fall hoop season gets underway

The Plymouth-Canton Junior Basketball Association has announced its registration for the 1994-95 season. Registration will be Aug. 24 from 7-9 p.m. at the Canton high school gymnasium in Phase III.

There will be six leagues this year, three for boys, and three for girls. Divisions will be as follows: League A, open to the seventh and eighth grades, League B, open to fifth and sixth grades, and League C, which will be an instructional league, open to the third and fourth grades.

In order to be eligible, students must either attend Plymouth-Canton Community Schools, or live in Canton Township.

Organizers are also looking for high school age students to register as referees.

Sports Medicine:

Local business offers students training, experience

BY PETER BRODERICK

For the fifth year, MedHealth Sports Medicine Center in Plymouth Township is sponsoring a Student Trainer Program, teaching local high school students about the prevention, care and treatment of athletic injuries.

"(Athletic Training) is a field where there are a lot of job opportunities for people coming out of college," said Jim Patrick, sales and Marketing coordinator at MedHealth. Athletic Training is a growing field, and the program may offer students the chance to develop their skills and get some useful experience before college.

MedHealth's program will provide students with valuable instruction, hands-on work with athletic training procedures and the viewpoints of guest speakers — but most appealing of all, it's all free.

MedHealth has kept the cost of the entire seven-week program so low, that there is no cost to the students. All books, materials, and instruction time are free.

"We prepare the students to assist the athletic trainers at their high schools," said Steve Olson, instructor and Certified Athletic Trainer (A.T.,C.). After completing the program, Olson said that it's not unusual for the students to become assistants to their high school's athletic trainer.

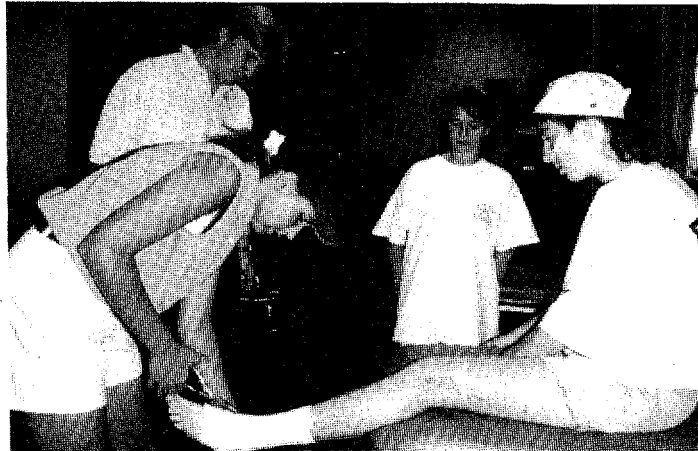
The course teaches basic taping skills, as well as first aid and splinting/transportation of an injured athlete. Students who complete the course can travel with teams, and provide emergency care to the athletes until professionals or certified trainers arrive.

Olson says that the course also helps the students to decide if this is the career for them, before they commit to a college or university.

The program is put on each summer in MedHealth's three major regions: Flint, Downriver, and right here in Plymouth.

Instructor Wade Bartlett, A.T.,C. looks on as Antonella Cippollone practices her taping skills on Carrie Hansen (right). Kelly Klene joins in, taping up an ankle (below). Cippollone, Hansen and Klene are all students in the program.

For more information on next year's program, see your athletic director, or contact MedHealth at 459-1800.



Local kids tops in metro area Jr. Olympics

On July 28, 39 Junior Olympic finalists from Canton Township attended the Detroit Metropolitan Area Youth Fitness Meet.

Over 1,500 boys and girls ages 7 - 14 in this 37th annual Youth Fitness Track and Field Meet, held at Kensington Metro Park in Milford.

Thirty-six communities — including three districts from the city of Detroit — were represented in the finals.

Out of the 39 finalists from Canton

Township, participants placed in their events and came home with plaques.

Andrew Meagow placed third in the Class C (ages 9-10) standing long jump, with a jump of 6' 1.5".

Angela McKinney placed second in the Class B (11-12) standing long jump with a jump of 6' 8".

Kendra McKinney placed first in Class C Chinnups with 12. Kendra also holds the Detroit Metropolitan Area Youth Fitness record for Chinnups in Class D (7-8) with 13.

Canton Parks Dept. concludes summer playground plan

BY PETER BRODERICK

The Canton Department of Parks and Recreation has been sponsoring a supervised playground program all summer, that will conclude tomorrow.

The program will run all week, and was open to all Canton residents between the ages of 5 and 15. It was free to all Canton residents.

According to the Parks and Recreation Department, the purpose of the program was to provide structured and unstructured leisure time activities for young people within Canton Township. Activities included field trips, sports, arts and crafts, group games and more.

For more information on next summer's program, call the Parks and Recreation office at 397-5110.

CANTON TOWNSHIP Parks and Rec. Softball Standings FINAL STANDINGS

Red League	W	L	White League	W	L
A.D. Transport	12	2	Mexican Fiesta I	12	2
American Yazaki Corp.	10	4	Kenny's	9	5
The Iceburgs	9	5	ASAP Machine	9	5
Action Landscape	8	6	Landing Strip	8	6
Bittingers	7	7	Magic	8	6
Tri State Communication	5	9	Elec. Stick/Beaver Creek	4	10
Donto	4	10	T.C. Gators	4	10
Canton Lions	1	13	GMAC	2	12
Blue League	W	L	Green League	W	L
Metro Direct	12	2	Dental Diplomats	11	3
Post Bar	10	4	Fairway Club Apts.	10	4
A.G. Edwards	10	4	St. Michael I	10	4
Rusty Nail	8	6	Selemi's Salon	8	6
Team #8	8	6	Lobdel/Emery Canton	8	6
Lanier	4	10	Ancor	4	10
Yazaki EDS Eng.	3	11	Private Eyes	4	10
Carpet Workroom	1	13	St. Michael II	1	13

On deck

The Canton Parks and Recreation Services Division is sponsoring a Ballet/Tap/Jazz Dance program for residents ages 4 - adult.

The registration fee for the program will be \$17, plus a monthly fee for the instructor. All classes will be held on the lower level of the Canton Township Administration Building, located at 1150 Canton Center Road.

Registration for returning students will be held on Aug. 24, from 6 - 9 p.m. For new students, registration will be from 9 - 11 a.m. on Aug. 27.

For more information, call the Parks and Recreation office at 397-5110.

The third Corporate Golf Classic has been scheduled for Aug. 22 at Meadowbrook Golf and Country Club in Northville.

The Corporate Golf Classic provides businesses an opportunity to network with current and potential clients on the links while supporting Our Lady of Providence Center, which provides residential, educational, and vocational opportunities for mentally impaired children and young adults.

The Ronald McDonald Children's Charities (RMCC) Hole-In-One Shoot Out will take place at the Willow Creek Golf Center in Orion Township beginning Friday, and lasting until Aug. 20.

Pulte Homes, a local building company, will be sponsoring a "Bonus Round" after the RMCC's tournament.

The top finishers in the first round will play in Pulte Homes' bonus round. The first golfer to shoot a hole-in-one in the bonus round will win a home built by Pulte Homes, worth up to \$200,000.

The Northville Department of Parks and Recreation will be offering a Fall Softball league, both Co-ed and Women's Teams.

Games will be played on Sunday Afternoons beginning Sept. 11, and lasting six weeks. Each team is guaranteed a minimum of ten games.

The fees will be \$190 for Women's teams, and \$240 for Coed. (\$40 of this will be refunded if no games are forfeited)

Non-resident and umpire fees will be additional.

For more information, contact the Northville Department of Parks and Recreation at 349-0203.



Community opinions

W e l c o m e !

The Mayflower Hotel

The Community Crier would like to extend a genuine welcome to some new, as well as familiar, faces to downtown.

A hearty salute goes out to Matt and Keith Karmo, the new on-site managers of the Mayflower Hotel. Their creative ideas (cappuccino, bakery facility) for the Meeting House are commendable and exciting.

Their plans to bring in metro Detroit architect/designer Victor Saroki for refurbishing ideas show the type of commitment to downtown Plymouth that is both valuable and respected.

They have both said that while they plan restorations and bringing in modern business ideas, their top goal is to maintain the Mayflower as the landmark it has been. This is just what downtown needs, a breath of fresh air, not a hurricane.

THE COMMUNITY CRIER

Post Office

While the welcome carpet is out, make room for the Post Office. Effective Monday, the Penniman Avenue Post Office will start handling 27 new routes. That means the rear of the building will no longer look like a tumbleweed breeding ground. It will be bustling with trucks and carriers, doing their best to make postal services east of Sheldon Road more efficient. Station Manager Dave Mullins said the transition is expected to get mail to residents and businesses much earlier. For this alone, they get our applause.

However, the shift will do more than that. It takes a facility, which by the way is a beautiful and historic building, that was once non-operational and brings it back to life.

THE COMMUNITY CRIER

Action Distributing

Another welcome, this time to a new neighbor, goes out to Action Distributing.

The Livonia-based beer distributor is currently working with the City of Plymouth to purchase the building on Sheldon Road left vacant by Highland Appliance.

The Community Crier would like to welcome Action, and its associates to our community. We are looking forward to the future of an ongoing relationship with the newest members of our business community.

The former headquarters of Highland is a perfect home for Action Distributing, and they are sure to be a wonderful addition to The Plymouth-Canton Community.

THE COMMUNITY CRIER

Roadside Marketplace

Coming one week from today at the corner of Ann Arbor and Lilley roads in Plymouth Township is the Roadside Marketplace.

In the fine tradition of Detroit's Eastern Market and the Plymouth Farmer's Market in The Gathering, we expect great things from Roadside Marketplace.

It is great to see new business in our community, especially one bringing baked goods, meats, flowers, fruit, vegetables and other goodies. Talk about bringing something to the party!

We welcome Roadside's estimated 70 employees and hope for a long and fruitful friendship.

THE COMMUNITY CRIER

Showpiece

Canton's Pheasant Run/Summit complex will be studied by other communities

I got a chance to take a drive through the Pheasant Run/Summit on the Park complex with Canton Supervisor Tom Yack on Monday and I could tell that the place is going to be incredible when it's finished.

The Summit is already taking shape, the walls are going up and the pool people are coming in in a couple of weeks to begin their work. The Summit isn't much to look at now, but almost all of the rest of the building will be glass and steel, pools and recreation equipment.

Pheasant Run is also looking a lot like a golf course these days. The landscaping is still rough and the grass has yet to be laid down, but it is shaping up nicely.



Wordsmith

By Alex Lundberg



Now remember, I'm not a golfer. The only thing about golf that I'm sure of is that I've got a slice like Jack the Ripper. If I stand 45° to the left of whatever I'm hitting for I could rule the game.

Yack didn't seem too enthused with all of the holes either. There was one that he showed me, 500 yards long with a water hazard right through the middle.

"No one could play from the long tee," He complained. "Except maybe Bruce Patterson."

Patterson aside, the Pheasant Run/Summit on the Park is going to be a jewel for the Canton community. Not only will it have all of the nicest things (residential living right next to a golf course and a swimming pool with a current), it will also become a showpiece for visiting community heads.

Next fall, September is the target month, the whole shebang will be finished and open for business.

You can be sure that many of the first visitors will not be interested in taking a swim or playing the links.

They'll be there on business, reporting back to their respective communities about Canton's facilities and pitching them to start selling the bonds to build one of their own.

In the future, those who complained that both projects were unnecessary and needlessly expensive (me being one of the former and the latter) will see the good that both are doing for the community.

After all, would you rather try to impress surrounding communities with an ice rink?



Community opinions

Money for nothing? What did they spend to lose?

It was only a dry run for Nov. 8.

The primary elections a week ago may have seemed like life and death for those narrowed from the field, but the real lessons learned are those that will be used in November.



Voter turnout was the key.

The low response at the polls let a few determined teachers and a few right-to-life advocates surprise Jerry Vorva by backing Gerry Law's re-bid.

It was the low turnout and the resulting high absentee ballot percentage that let Karen Woodside slip by Mike Gerou for third place in the race for 35th District Court judge. Until Canton overcame ballot counting problems counting absentees at 3 a.m., Gerou was in

With malice toward none

By W. EDWARD WENDOVER



third.

How much did candidates spend to lose? The final figures aren't in yet, but it felt like Cynthia Wilbanks spent more than John Schall — but she lost by 200 votes. (That, by the way, was the margin of victory when her former boss, Carl Pursell, won for Congress the first time.)

And speaking of spending money! The Plymouth-Canton-Northville Community has certainly seen a new record on spending per vote — Victoria Hariri, with two expressway billboards, spent upwards of \$60 per vote for her 596 votes in the judge's race.

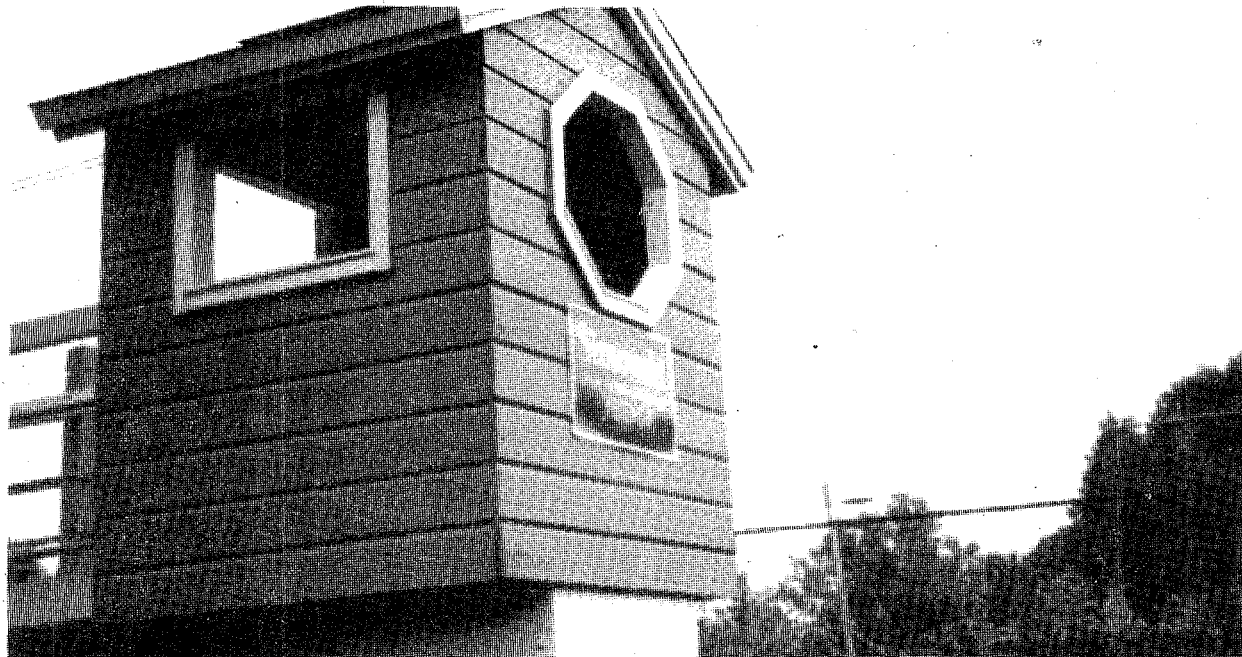
Attitudes always seem magnified at election time.

There were gracious losers — Gerou, Carol Levitte, Dennis Simowski, and Ed Zelmanski in the judge's race; Vorva in the State Representative contest; David Jacokes for the State Senate; David Geiss for U.S. Congress. Then there were the ungracious grouches — Bill Joyner seems to snare the "blame everybody but me" award once again.

Actually, the elections point out the positive attitudes the most.

When Simowski laughed about his neighborhood's lawn sign turnout and especially the treehouse with the lawn sign, he proved a good candidate can laugh at himself-herself. Readers will recall that he was the "anti-sign" candidate of the race.

And when a huge water main break at Ann Arbor Trail and Harvey (known locally as the "Bermuda Triangle" because of all the odd things that happen there) attracted a large crowd, Judicial Hopeful Ron Lowe donned waders and grabbed a fishing rod to "fish for votes." Every court can use a judge who can laugh at himself-herself.



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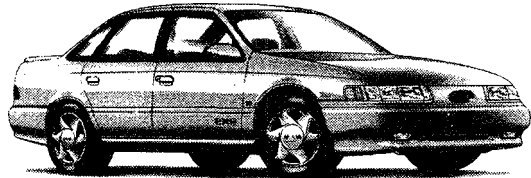
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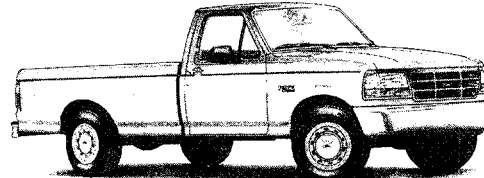
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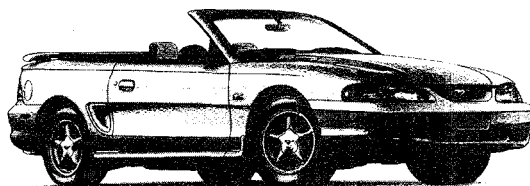
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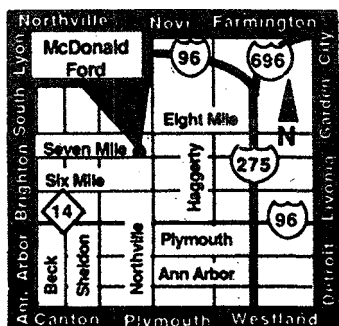
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