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Fire guts Canton dental office

BY ALEX LUNDBERG

In the wake of an explosion that gutted the offices of a Canton dental practice, fire officials have found the source of the fire and the dentists have made plans for extended office hours at their Livonia location to serve their patients.

According to Canton Fire reports, an explosion was reported at 7:34 a.m. at the Smulski and Varga dental office on Canton Center Road. When firefighters arrived on the scene they saw heavy smoke pouring out of the office. The report said that the fire was extinguished quickly.

According to Canton Fire Marshall Art Winkel, Canton Fire investigators have found the fire's point of origin.

"We've got it down to the area that it started," Winkel said. "It was a closet with three tanks, two oxygen tanks and one nitrous oxide."

Winkel said that a "slight" explosion occurred, lighting combustibles in the area, when the oxygen tank was turned on. From there, according to Winkel, the



Canton firefighters drag the oxygen tank out of a dental office on Canton Center Road. The tank exploded and the fire quickly spread throughout the office. (Crier photo by W. Edward Wendover)

"The damage to the office was quite extensive," Winkel said. "The employee

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Agenda

THIS WEEK

- The Canton Chamber of Commerce will hold their member luncheon at the Roman Forum at noon today. The luncheon will feature professional speaker John Landis with the program "Gaining the Competitive Edge with Customer Service."
- Canton High School will have their Homecoming events, game, parade and halftime events Friday starting at 6 p.m.

NEXT WEEK

- The Plymouth-Canton school board will meet at 7:30 p.m. Monday at the E.J. McClendon Administration building
- The Canton Board of Trustees will hold their regular meeting at 7 p.m. on Tuesday at the Canton Township Administration building.
- The regular meeting of the Canton-Plymouth Mettetal Airport Citizen's Advisory Board will not be held this week. It has been moved to Oct. 13 at 7 p.m. There will be a short ceremony honoring the heroes of the Sept. 3 crash shortly before the meeting at the airport.

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Harvest time



Bunyea Farm on Powell Road displays tractors from the past as part of their events for the Halloween season. These are just a few of the tractors that supported what was once an agricultural capital in the state. (Crier photo by Craig Breil.)

Canton approves Dec. 1 millage hike

BY ROB KIRKBRIDE

Canton taxpayers are going to have to reach a little deeper into their wallets this tax season.

The Canton Board of Trustees passed the Dec. 1, 1994 millage last week, raising the rates from 9.0100 mills in 1993 to the 1994 rate of 9.3523. The rise in rates comes from fire and police special assessments.

Fire rose from 2.9400 mills to 3.0915 mills. Police rose from 4.9600 mills to 5.1508 mills.

One mill is equal to \$1 per \$1,000 valuation of the taxpayer's home. The total

tax increase on a \$120,000 home with a state equalized value of \$60,000 is \$21.27 per year.

According to a 1995 Canton budget overview, there are three factors that have played a part in the fund balance difficulties for the police and fire departments.

The first is the assessment freeze of 1992, which required that the fund balances be used to cover revenue shortfalls.

The second is a labor arbitration award to firefighters and police officers.

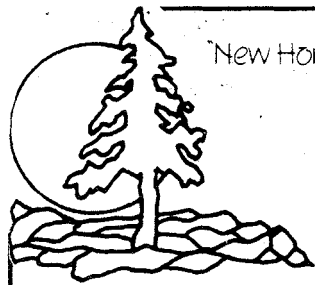
The third is because of legal fees and litigation awards against the departments. Another added expense for the depart-

ments will be for gas tank removal as Canton moves to private suppliers for their fleet fuel needs.

Not everyone is happy with the tax increase. In a public hearing on Sept. 13, taxpayers voiced their concerns to the board.

"It's amazing that Canton can find millions of dollars to spend on golf courses and a brick wall on Ford Road," said one Canton resident. "How come you can't find money for that (police and fire protection)?"

Another taxpayer said millages should be voted on by the people.



New Horizons in Dental
Excellence



Our computer was destroyed by the fire in our office last Thursday, but our backup saved all records.

An Open Letter to the Patients of Dentists Joseph Smulsky and Thomas Varga, PC

On September 29, 1994 our Canton dental facility was destroyed by an unusual fire. There were no serious injuries and thanks to the prompt and professional response on the part of the members of the Canton Fire Department, the building is still standing.

We have been advised that it will take approximately six months to rebuild.

Fortunately, all of our patient records were promptly retrieved undamaged and have been stored in a safe location.

Our concerns now focus on the continued treatment and convenience of our patients--many of whom have overwhelmed us with their expressions of concern.

It is with our patients in mind that we announce the following schedule at our Livonia office until we are able to re-open in Canton:

Office hours at our Livonia office will be 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Monday thru Friday until further notice. The office is located at:

16801 Newburgh Rd.
(South of Six Mile Rd.)
Livonia, MI 48154
313/591-0223

Please call us with any questions you may have concerning current or future appointment scheduling. Our staff members are committed to providing the same high standards of professional treatment that have been the trademark of our practice.

Words cannot express our gratitude for the help and concern shown by so many of you since last Thursday. We look forward to seeing you back in Canton.

Our sincere thanks,

Joe Smulsky
Dr. Joseph Smulsky

Tom Varga
Dr. Thomas Varga

Lauren Grosse
Judy Joker
Deborah Smulsky, RDH
Susan Kowal
Carrie Pipoly
Rebecca Campbell

Kristen Burton
Amy Collier, RDH
Sandra Brincat, RDH
Linda Jacobsen
Christine Mascaro

Township ordinance blasted as 'treason', unconstitutional

BY ALEX LUNDBERG

A proposed Plymouth Township ordinance that would codify a state prohibition of firearms and other weapons into the township criminal code has been called unconstitutional and has garnered the attention of a local wing of a national gun rights group.

Introduced for its first reading by Plymouth Township Police Chief Carl Berry at the Sept. 27 meeting of the Plymouth Township Board of Trustees, the ordinance would make a misdemeanor of possession of a dangerous weapon.

The ordinance passed its first reading at the meeting and will become part of the criminal code after its second reading. The next reading of the ordinance will be at the Oct. 11 meeting of the Plymouth Township Board.

According to Berry, the ordinance is by no means an oddity in the state.

"Most communities have this kind of ordinance on the books," Berry said.

"It's there so that we can deal with the problem locally rather than on the state level."

Berry said that the ordinance is practically a verbatim reading of a similar state law.

He said that, on the township level,

enforcement of the law would be more efficient.

"It would make that misdemeanor one more thing that could be handled here rather than by the state," Berry said. "It would also be a break to first-time offenders in that it would not mess up their records as badly."

Berry said that the ordinance would not be as far reaching as many might think.

"This doesn't mean that we're going to be setting up roadblocks and searching cars," Berry said.

"We need a reason to pull someone over and we don't have enough people or the inclination to do that anyway."

But that doesn't mean that the ordinance will pass by the board unnoticed. The gun rights group "Gun Owners of Southeastern Michigan," a local affiliate of the "Gun Owners of America," has been watching the ordinance's movement through the township.

A fax sent to The Crier by the Southeastern Michigan affiliate of the group pondered whether "they're 'growin' and smokin'" in Plymouth Township and in Detroit (where a similar measure is being considered) and that citizens could dissolve the city and township as entities and sell the assets for damages.


Township Trustee Charles Curmi attacked the ordinance as being "unconstitutional" at the Sept. 27 board meeting.

"The way that this ordinance is written is a violation of state law," Curmi said. "This is a violation of the oath (taken by the board members) to uphold that laws of the state."

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Forum fined by U.S. Labor Department

Canton's Roman Forum hit with \$14,850 fine for alleged violations of federal child labor laws, owner has filed exception letter in response

BY ROB KIRKBRIDE

The Roman Forum restaurant in Canton was assessed a civil money penalty of \$14,850 by the U.S. Department of Labor's Wage and Hour Division for alleged violations of federal child labor laws.

The Labor Department alleged that 33 employees under the age of 16 were working hours beyond those allowed by federal law.

The firm has filed an exception letter concerning the alleged violations and penalties.

Valeria Sobecki, assistant district director for the Labor Department in Detroit said kids 14 and 15 years old cannot work past 7 p.m. during the school year.

They cannot work more than three hours per day or 18 hours per week. Students ages 14 and 15 are not allowed to work more than eight hours at a time on non-school days.

No one under 14 years old is allowed to work.

Greg Gatto, owner of the Roman Forum, said that although some of the labor laws may have been broken, the fine handed down by the Labor Department is excessive.

"We did make a mistake," he said, "but they make us look like criminals. All we want is justification for such a large

fine."

Gatto said in the 18 years he has been in business, this is the first time he has been fined for a labor violation.

"Nothing like this has ever happened to us before," he said.

"We paid everyone — it's not the kids who are complaining.

"We didn't take advantage of anyone. All the parents of the kids knew they were working here."

Brad Mitchell, a public affairs officer at the Labor Department said the fines are large for the type of offenses alleged against the Roman Forum, but he also noted there was a large number of alleged violations.

"The civil money penalty is set by a formula," he said.

From here, Daniel Ocharzak, the district director for the Labor Department will review the case and possibly meet with Gatto to discuss the allegations.

If the situation is not resolved by Ocharzak and Gatto, the case will go to the Solicitor of Labor in Chicago.

Gatto said he is prepared to cooperate with the Labor Department. "All I want is a fair shake," he said.

"We are not owned by a corporation. We're family owned. This (fine) would hurt us considerably. We're trying to survive just like everyone else."



Greg Gatto, owner of the Roman Forum, hopes to get an explanation of the fines that have been levied against his restaurant. (Crier photo by Craig Breil)

Adistra to move 200 employees to new facility in Romulus

BY MICHELLE PREDDY

Adistra Corporation confirmed Monday that it plans to move 200 employees in its warehouse, distribution and printing operations from Plymouth to a new 275,000 square foot facility in Romulus.

Speaking at the city commission meeting, Adistra President Charles Boyle said that despite a three-year search the company was unable to find a suitable location in Plymouth.

He stressed, however, that Adistra's Union Street building would be remodeled, adding 30,000 square feet of office space.

By relocating and hiring professional, administrative and computer staff, Boyle

said he expects the number of Adistra employees in Plymouth to actually top the current number of 400.

"I could move in 50 almost immediately," Boyle said, referring to staff in leased offices in Northville and Plymouth. "I want that place filled up within 18 months."

Boyle and his attorney were at Monday night's meeting to request the city's formal consent, required by state law, to their application for tax abatement in Romulus.

He explained that due to growth the company's warehouse and distribution operations now require facilities, such as more than 15 loading docks and 30-foot warehouse ceilings, which are not feasi-

ble at the Plymouth location.

"I've squeezed every last drop of lifeblood out of this building from a distribution point of view," he said.

However, Boyle said, they are aggressively seeking clients on a national scale, and Adistra's computer and administrative services now make up 50 per cent of its business.

He said these employees will continue to be located in Plymouth, noting that the company's lease runs through the year 2000.

"I see no reason to move when the lease expires — as facts appear now, Adistra will be here in 10 or 15 years," Boyle said, although he noted that changing conditions may affect business deci-

sions down the line.

Adistra plans to sublease the 70,000 square foot Hamilton Street building, on which it previously received a tax abatement from the city that runs through 1998.

It will be up to the city commission to decide whether to grant similar terms to any new tenant at the site.

The commissioner unanimously approved Adistra's request to apply for the Romulus tax abatement.

Boyle said that the new move to Romulus will take place in stages, with a target date of March 1, 1995. He added that he can move faster if a new tenant is found before then for the Hamilton Street facility.

Township ordinance blasted as 'treason', called unconstitutional

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Curmi expressed fears that an "unscrupulous" police department or prosecutor could use the ordinance to "fine the hell out of a citizen for doing something that they always thought was one of their basic fundamental rights as Americans: to have a weapon."

Curmi also said that the ordinance was a violation of the U.S. Constitution as well.

"This is against the Constitution of the United States," Curmi said.

"It's treason."

According to Curmi, the ordinance is so vaguely worded that innocent citizens

could be made into criminals by technicalities in the ordinance.

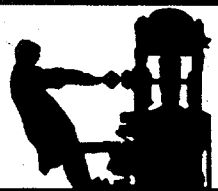
"If you're bringing a set of butcher knives home from K-Mart, because they are over three inches long you are in violation of the ordinance," Curmi said.

He also brought up that, if interpreted literally, the ordinance would make it

impossible for someone to take their gun to a gun club or shooting range.

For his part, Curmi said that he thinks that the ordinance could work if it were written differently.

"As a public servant, it is our job to make sure that the laws are good ones, not just to pass them," Curmi said.



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**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH
BOARD OF TRUSTEES - REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 1994**

Supervisor Keen-McCarthy called the meeting to order at 7:30 and led in the pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. All members were present.

Mrs. Massengill moved to approve the minutes of the September 8, 1994 Work Session Meeting of the Board of Trustees as submitted. Supported by Mrs. Brooks. Ayes all.

Mrs. Massengill moved to approve the minutes of the September 13, 1994 Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees as submitted. Supported by Ms. Arnold. Ayes all. Mrs. Massengill requested that the agenda amended by adding under New Business, Item J.6 Set date for Public Hearing - Redetermination of Block Grant Funds, Mrs. Massengill then moved to approve the agenda as amended for the September 27, 1994, Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees. Supported by Mr. Griffith. Ayes all.

Mrs. Harvey addressed the Board. Per direction of the Board of Trustees, a request for bids had been advertised to provide services to appraise the property at Township Hall and seven bids received. Mrs. Harvey recommended the low bid of Charles W. Allen Real Estate be approved. References for the company have been received. The purpose of the appraisal is to determine whether or not selling the existing site of the Township Hall and building a new facility at another site is a viable financial option. Mrs. Mueller asked to be excused from voting due to a conflict of interest. Ayes all on a roll call vote. Therefore, Ms. Arnold moved to approve the Township Supervisor and Clerk to sign a contract with Charles W. Allen Real Estate for appraisal services as outlined in the Township's Request for Proposal for Appraisal Services. The amount to be paid for the work will be four thousand three hundred dollars (\$4,300.00), and the project is to be completed by October 31, 1994. Supported by Mr. Griffith. Ayes all with Mrs. Mueller abstaining.

Mrs. Massengill moved to approve the changing of the status of the meter reading position in the Department of Public Works from temporary, part-time to regular, part-time and authorized the Township administration to seek bids for electronic, handheld, meter reading devices. Supported by Mrs. Brooks. Ayes all.

Mrs. Harvey addressed the Board stating that the Truth in Taxation Act requires that the Board of Trustees hold a Public Hearing if the millage that they are going to propose levying for a particular year will cause the revenue from taxes to increase. Although the millage is not proposed to be increased, the fact is that the revenue will increase from year to year requiring that we hold a Truth in Taxation Hearing. Therefore, Mrs. Brooks moved to set the date for Public Hearing on the 1994 millage rate and the 1995 General Fund Budget to October 11, 1994. Supported by Ms. Arnold. Ayes all.

Mr. Curmi moved to approve the purchase of semi-automatic weapons, related accessories and ammunition at a cost of \$12,544.74. Supported by Mrs. Brooks. Ayes all.

Mr. Griffith moved to approve the first reading of Ordinance C-94-09, an ordinance to amend, in part, Chapter 51 of the Criminal Code of the Charter Township of Plymouth. Supported by Mrs. Brooks. Ayes all on a roll call vote with Mr. Curmi and Mrs. Mueller voting no.

Mrs. Massengill moved to set date for Public Hearing for Redetermination of Community

Development Block Grant Funds for October 11, 1994. Supported by Ms. Arnold. Ayes all.

Mr. Curmi asked who responds to Capital Currents Articles such as the Secchia Commission which define and study problems of effective delivery of state government services and also asked if we are offering input to the Safe Drinking Water Act. Mr. Curmi further stated he would like to see a proposal for Health Care cost sharing for employees, additional training, upgrade skills and offering tuition reimbursement for employees.

Mrs. Brooks stated she visited the Comerica Bank for the purpose of looking into utilizing a lock box system. No decision has been made to date as further research is needed.

Mr. Griffith would like the Board to consider at the next Study Session the possibility of having one Study Session per month and one Board Meeting per month and feels the Board can still operate efficiently with a reduced number of meetings.

Supervisor Keen-McCarthy recognized Ardyth Paganone, Township Park personnel, Sergeant Robert Smith, Officer Eric Anderson-Smith and Officers Wilson and Seipenko for their letters of appreciation.

Ms. Arnold moved to receive and file Communications, Resolutions and Reports as listed. Supported by Mrs. Brooks. Ayes all.

It was moved by Mr. Griffith and supported by Mrs. Brooks at 9:01 p.m. that a closed session be called for the purpose of discussing pending litigation - Re: TEMPLE BAPTIST CHURCH vs.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH. Ayes all on a roll call vote with Mrs. Mueller voting no. This is permissible purpose under Michigan's Open Meeting Act, Public Act No. 267 of 1976, as amended by Act No. 256 of 1978 Article 15.268, Section 8, Paragraph e.

It was moved by Mrs. Mueller and supported by Mrs. Massengill to call the meeting of September 27, 1994 back into open session at 10:37 p.m. Ayes all.

The closed session was called for the purpose of discussing the pending litigation. No action was taken.

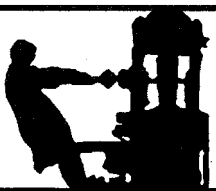
It was moved by Mrs. Massengill and supported by Mr. Griffith to adjourn the meeting at 10:38 p.m. Ayes all.

Marilyn Massengill, Clerk, Charter Township of Plymouth

The foregoing is a synopsis of the minutes of the Board of Trustees held on September 27, 1994. The full text is available in the Clerk's Office for perusal. They will be submitted for Board approval at the next regular meeting on October 11, 1994.

The Charter Township of Plymouth will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon two weeks notice to Charter Township of Plymouth. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Charter Township of Plymouth by writing or calling Catherine A. Broadbent, ADA Coordinator, Charter Township of Plymouth, 42350 Ann Arbor Rd., Plymouth, MI 48170, (313)453-3840, TDD users: 1-800-649-3777 (Michigan Relay Service).

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**CITY OF PLYMOUTH
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH
CLOSE OF REGISTRATION FOR THE 1994
GENERAL ELECTION**

PLEASE NOTE that Tuesday, October 11, is the last date on which to register for the General Election to be held on Tuesday, November 8, 1994. Registration for City residents will be taken at the Office of the City Clerk, 201 South Main Street; registration for Township residents will be taken at the Office of the Township Clerk, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, or for residents in either municipality at any Secretary of State Office. The offices of both Clerks are open from 8:00 a.m., to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. If a resident is unable to register during those hours a call to their respective Clerk's Office can set up a convenient time for the resident to register. The phone number of the City Clerk is (313) 453-1234 X234; that of the Township Clerk is (313) 453-3840 X224.

Linda Langmesser, Clerk
City of Plymouth

Marilyn Massengill, Clerk
Charter Township of Plymouth

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**NOTICE OF TAKING PROPOSALS
PUBLIC DEFENDER CONTRACT**

The 35th District Court is now accepting bids for a new Public Defender contract. The contract will become effective January 1, 1995. All bidders must live or maintain an office within the Township of Canton, the Township of Northville, the Township of Plymouth, the City of Northville, or the City of Plymouth. Although sole practitioners will be considered, the contractor must have the capacity to staff the court with 2 or more attorneys on any given date. The deadline for bidding is the close of business on October 31, 1994. Copies of the bid proposal and specifications may be obtained by contacting:

Ms. Marion Belding
Court Administrator
35th District Court
660 Plymouth Road
Plymouth, MI 48170
(313) 459-4740

Fire destroys Canton office



The dentist offices of Drs. Smulski and Varga were engulfed in flames when the Canton Fire Department arrived at the scene. (Crier photo by W. Edward Wendover)

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that opened up the office was lucky she got out when she did."

According to the report, the employee received minor injuries but suffered no burns.

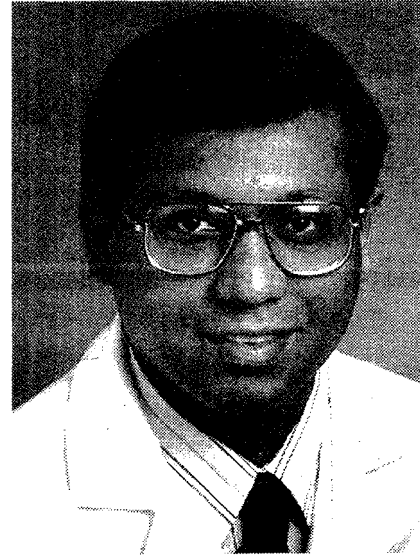
In a letter to their patients, Drs. Smulski and Varga thanked the Canton Fire Department for their prompt action

that the building is still standing and said that a new and improved clinic will be built in the same location.

"Fortunately, all of our patient records were promptly retrieved undamaged," the letter said.

The letter also said that the Livonia office would be open for extended hours to continue serving their patients.

Oakwood Canton Health Center welcomes Dr. Sarju S. Shah to our medical staff.



Dr. Sarju S. Shah
Family Practice

We're proud to announce the arrival of Dr. Sarju S. Shah to Oakwood Canton Health Center. Dr. Shah is board eligible in Family Practice and is looking forward to serving our community.

If you would like to schedule an appointment with Dr. Shah, please call Oakwood Canton Health Center at

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NOTICE
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH

PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 1995 BUDGET
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11, 1994
7:30 P.M.

PLEASE NOTE: The Township Board of the Charter Township of Plymouth will conduct a public hearing on the proposed 1995 General Fund Budget during their regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, October 11, 1994. The Board meets in the Meeting Room in the Township Hall at 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, Michigan 48170. All interested residents of the Township are urged to attend. Comments concerning the proposed budget will be heard at the public hearing.

The proposed 1995 General Fund Budget is available for perusal in the Clerk's Office in the Township Hall during regular business hours, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Telephone Number 453-3840 X 224.

Marilyn Massengill, Clerk
Charter Township of Plymouth

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Friends & neighbors

Neighbors in the news

Army National Guard Pvt. Rene R. Guzman has finished his basic training at Fort Jackson, Columbia SC.

Guzman is the son-in-law of Harold and Gisa Read of Canton.

Nick Purzer, of Plymouth, has graduated BSME, Summa Cum Laude from Princeton University.

Purzer was also elected Phi Beta Kappa and Tau Beta Pi there.

He was offered graduate fellowships from Princeton, Stanford and M.I.T., and has accepted the deferred fellowship from M.I.T. and will enter that school's program in 1996.

Ball State University in Muncie, IN, has announced its summer semester graduates.

Anthony Craig, of Northville, has received his Bachelor of Landscape Architecture.

Heather De Jong, of Plymouth, has received her Bachelor of Architecture.

Naval Petty Officer 2nd Class Michael R. Brescoll, of Canton, has recently completed a six-month Arabian Gulf, Pacific and Indian Ocean deployment aboard the cruiser U.S.S. Antietam, part of the U.S.S. Carl Vinson carrier group.

During the deployment, Brescoll travelled 40,600 miles enforcing United Nations sanctions concerning Iraq and in diplomatic functions to promote Arab-American and Australian-American relations.

Brescoll also visited Bahrain, Hawaii, Hong Kong, Korea, Singapore and the United Arab Emirates.

The art of the wild

Ashley Bowsman's rendering of the rainforests took her to Brazil, but the Amazon changed her outlook forever

BY ALEX LUNDBERG

When they teach science, they tell you that maybe one day you'll work on the space program. When they teach English, they tell you that you might become the next Shakespeare.

If they told you that your art training would get you a free trip to the Amazon Jungle, wouldn't you have paid better attention to coloring within the lines?

For Ashley Bowsman, that was just the ticket as her art was chosen out of over 100,000 entries to take a trip to the Amazon Jungle in Brazil as a guest of the "Little Green" Sebastian International Corporation art competition.

According to Bowsman, the competing field was filled with students from all over the country and world.

"Four kids were chosen from North America," Bowsman said. "I went to Brazil with 24 kids and their parents."

Bowsman's art was picked out by the judges who were members of both houses of Congress.

While in Brazil, Bowsman and the other students stayed in the thick of the jungle.

"We lived in a treehouse called Arian's Tower," Bowsman said. "We also took classes in basic jungle survival and jungle navigation."

Bowsman and her other artistic friends got to take part in some other non-art related fields. They watched alligators, fished for piranhas and later swam in piranha infested waters.



Add Brazil to the post, Ashley Bowsman's trip to the Amazon Jungle did more than just teach her about the world's air supply, it also taught her that there was more than self-preservation reasons for saving the Rainforests. (Crier photo by Alex Lundberg)

Of all of those possible perils in the jungle, Bowsman said that the real trouble came from tree-borne locals.

"At the treehouse," Bowsman said. "There were all of these monkeys running around. They stole hats and necklaces, whatever they could get their hands on."

For her part, the trip to the Amazon was more than just a vacation with a little bit of alternative schooling, Bowsman said that the trip to Brazil changed the way that she thought about the rain-

forests.

"I thought originally that saving the rainforests was a good thing because it was my future that was at stake," Bowsman said.

"Now I think it should be done because I want to do it."

Bowsman has to make her own way to the Amazon next time, though.

"I wish I could enter the contest again, but I can't," Bowsman said. "I will be a judge for next year's entries in Washington D.C."

Not playing around



The Plymouth Playscape Project came a little closer to fruition as Dean Pulte and Susan Lewandowski of Pulte Homes give a check for \$1,800 to Linda Jenner, co-chairperson of the fundraising committee for the Plymouth Playscape. The fundraising effort is more than one-third of the way towards their \$100,000 goal.

Aviation association concerned about plans for subdivision

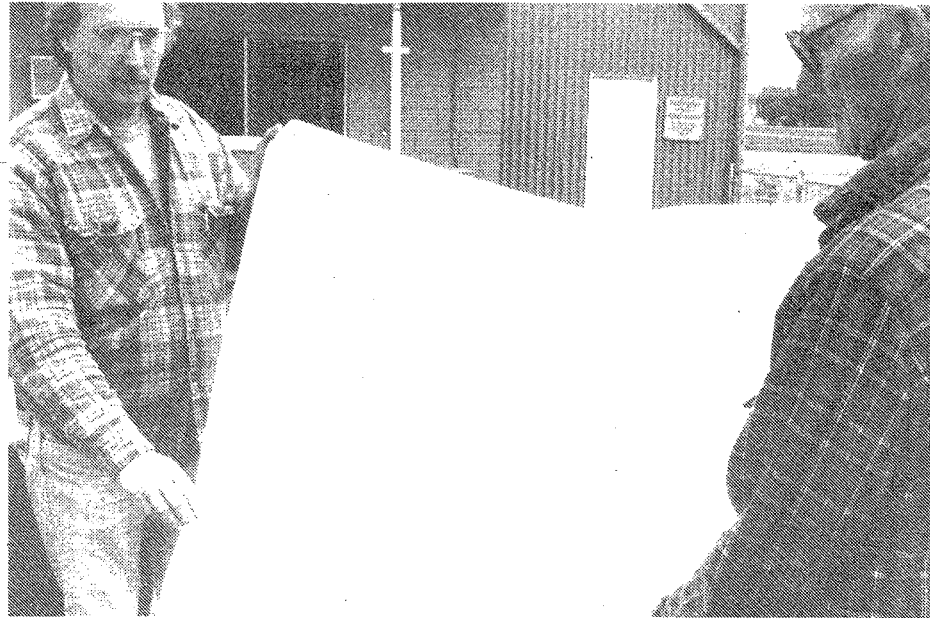
BY ROB KIRKBRIDE

For years, people living near Mettetal Airport voiced their concerns over noise and safety. Now it's the pilot's turn.

The Canton-Plymouth Mettetal Aviation Association, a pilot-aircraft owner group representing the aviation

In a letter presented by association members Bill Brown and Brian Bragg to the board, the Canton-Plymouth Mettetal Aviation Association explained why they feel a development so close to the airport would not be wise.

"In our opinion," the letter says,



Mettetal Fixed Base Operator Doug Kitze and Bill Brown with the plans for the Coves of Canton Subdivision. (Crier photo by Craig Briel)

Canton Township Supervisor Tom Yack said the proposed use of the property falls in line with the zoning and master plan for the area.

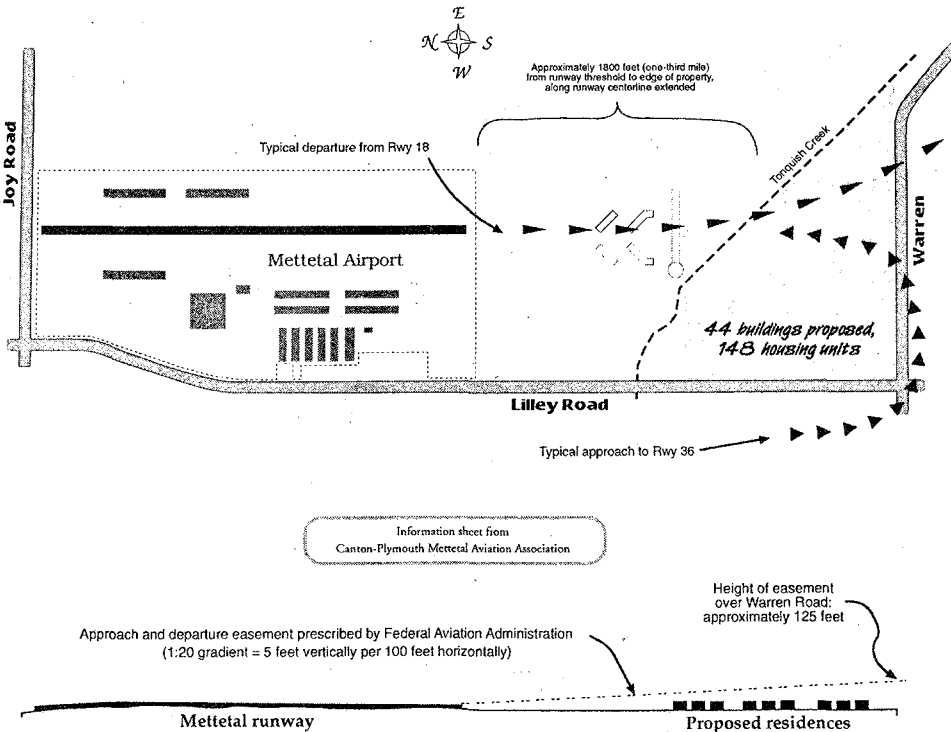
"There is already a site plan," he said. "Obviously, the developer can move forward. There is nothing this board, the state or the federal government can do to stop the developer."

Brown said airplanes will clear the homes at the end of the runway by just 125 feet. "There was no consideration when these condominiums were proposed," he said, "...so when we get a complaint about the noise, we won't enjoy it, but we will forward it to the

planning board and the board of trustees."

The letter says that the group supports progress in the area. "We are not opposed to progress, and we understand that private investment in this community is a desirable goal," the letter says. "We also appreciate the owner's interest in improving this particular property. But our concern is that this development does not represent the best and most prudent use of this land.

"We ask that you bring your collective wisdom to bear on this matter, with the aim of avoiding a serious mistake with long-term negative repercussions for this community."



This diagram of Mettetal flight paths from runway 18 shows just how close the new housing development would be to the airport.

community at Mettetal Airport, came before the Canton Board of Trustees last week to voice their concern over a housing development scheduled to be built at the corner of Lilley and Warren Roads, 1,800 feet from the end of Mettetal's runway 18.

"locating nearly 150 new residents directly beneath the approach and departure path of a thriving airport represents, at best, a failure of common sense.

"At worst, it could be termed irresponsible."

one put in place by the state.

"There was a new state amendment made to the abatement law in the wake of the Ypsilanti-Willow Run mess," Voyles said. "It sets out the conditions for a tax abatement between the community and the business."

Voyles said that the agreement, which has to do with the terms of an abatement, could involve anything from number of workers to the giving of abated tax dollars to charity, as long as the business and

the community agree on the terms.

"There will be an agreement to go with every abatement given by the township," Voyles said.

According to Vince Mucci, the family business got too big to stay in its present location. "We're moving because of space," Mucci said. "We grew out of this location and we went looking for a new home."

Mucci said that he met with Plymouth officials who said that they wanted them

to stay, but their offers didn't offer the pasta maker much to work with.

"They offered us a few properties in the city," Mucci said, "but there isn't much available and there was nothing that was good for what we needed."

Mucci is currently building a new location west of Joy Road that will be finished by early 1995. Mucci said that he was not going to change the business, merely increase his capacity to make pasta.

Mucci's heading for Canton, more space, abatement cited

BY ALEX LUNDBERG

After six years of turning out handmade pasta in the City of Plymouth, Mama Mucci's Pasta is on the verge of heading for greener pastures in Canton Township.

After being granted a tax abatement from Canton township, there will be one more procedural meeting before the abatement is final.

According to Canton Supervisor's Assistant Ken Voyles, the last hurdle is

Despite rain, first Artrageous event is a success

BY JOHN HORN

Plymouth's thriving art community showed its colors over the weekend with the first Plymouth Is Artrageous gallery tour.

According to Native West Gallery owner and one of the event coordinators Annette Horn, the weekend was as much of a success as planned. She said nice weather on Sunday, coupled with a solid turnout Friday and Saturday, made for an exciting time.

"It was a great weekend," Horn said. "Saturday was steady and everyone seemed to be packed with people."

Horn previously said turnout was expected to reach approximately 10,000 people. She said she estimated that Plymouth is Artrageous brought in upwards of 6,000 people to downtown Plymouth.

The 13-gallery walking tour had been in the planning stages for several months. Each gallery hosted guest artists displaying their styles and techniques for the interested art connoisseur.

Horn said the artists' presence helped create a mood for the participants. "The fact that the artists were in the galleries gave it a great atmosphere," she said.

Plymouth is Artrageous offered a variety of entertainment. The fun included musicians, storytelling, dulcimer artists and art displays from high school, middle school and grade school students.

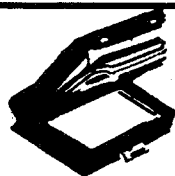
Each gallery also held a silent auction with a piece of art from their place. Proceeds from the auctions are to benefit the Plymouth Community Arts Council. Horn said the amount raised will be determined by the end of the week.

Horn said the positive turnout could give organizers grounds for continuing the event, possibly offering more than one a year. She said Plymouth is

Artrageous is expected to make a return engagement downtown.

"It was neat and different and we expect it to happen again next year," she said. "We could maybe offer one in the spring as well."

The galleries that took part in Plymouth is Artrageous included the Animation Station, Chameleon Gallery, Country Charm, Creative Framing, Frameworks, Georgia's Gift Gallery, Michigan Art Exchange, Native West Gallery, Penniman Showcase, the Sipapu Company, the Victorian Gallery and Wild Wings.



Getting down to business

Neighbors in business

Evola Music of Plymouth announced the formation of a piano study curriculum developed by Jeanne Smith, University of Michigan Piano Pedagogy Department. The classes will be taught by prodigies of Smith.

The program is designed for the first-year student, six to eight years old.

This is a serious study program under the aegis of one of America's most distinguished university music programs.

Grace Kabel of Plymouth has been selected to teach basket making at the 13th Annual Association of Michigan Basketmakers Convention, Oct. 11 through 16 in Battle Creek.

Kabel has been teaching basket making for 24 years and has taught at every Michigan convention since its beginning.

Her craft originated by accident after taking a class in chair seat weaving.

She will teach an antique reproduction that includes four baskets woven on a single base that are connected by a hand-carved handle.

Kabel has been teaching in the Plymouth area since 1970 and has published many pattern books as well as designing many patterns.

For one week in April and June each year, people from around the United States who are interested in basket weaving come to Plymouth to take day classes from her.

The sessions called "Basket Classic" are held at Plymouth Reed and Cane Supply.

Governor John Engler recently announced the appointment of Laura V. Miller of Canton to the Michigan Board of Occupational Therapists. The board provides for the registration of occupational therapists and occupational therapist assistants. Members are appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate.

Miller is a self-employed occupational therapist specializing in driver's rehabilitation.

Miller received her bachelor of science degree in occupational therapy from Eastern Michigan University and her master's degree in administration from Central Michigan University.

Miller is appointed to represent professionals, replacing Deborah J. Davis-Rogers of Ann Arbor, for a term expiring on Dec. 31, 1997.

Fine dining

Chef Rick Halberg brings top-notch cuisine to community

BY ROB KIRKBRIDE
Chef Rick Halberg recently moved south.

Halberg, considered to be one of the top five chefs in Southeast Michigan, is the new owner of the Sheldon Road House, 505 N. Center in Northville.

The new restaurant, which is expected to open in mid-October, is called Emily's and Halberg is preparing for the opening.

"I like the community," he said, "and the location is perfect."

Halberg is the former chef and co-owner of R.I.K.S in West Bloomfield. Tony Rizzo, the former owner of the Sheldon Road House said he is happy Halberg is the new owner.

"He (Halberg), of all the people who were interested in buying the restaurant," said Rizzo, "is the most capable

person to run it. He has done a nice job decorating.

"I think he will do extremely well."

Rizzo said Halberg is a top-notch chef and feels Emily's will be one of the top five or six restaurants in Southeast Michigan and one of the top 10 in the state. Halberg was one of the few chefs chosen to prepare food for the G-7 Summit held in Detroit earlier this year. Halberg is in the process of remodeling the inside of the Victorian-style building to convey a feeling of being in a French chateau.

Rizzo said he has owned the building since April 1991.

Since that time, Rizzo has made many changes to the restaurant, including adding a liquor license and a banquet room — the site of many weddings and business meetings since its opening in 1993.



Rick Halberg a well known area chef is ready to open Emily's — at the former site of the Sheldon Road House in Northville. (Crier photo by Craig Breil)

Canton names golf course managers

A veteran Canton Parks & Recreation supervisor has been named Operations Manager for Canton's newest golf course project, and a grounds professional from The Orchards Golf Course in Washington Township has been hired as Golf Course Superintendent.

Kevin Mill, a five-year supervisor with parks and recreation services will head the operation of the Pheasant Run Golf Course and Gary Johnson has been hired as grounds superintendent to supervise the grow-in of the championship municipal course, which is scheduled to open in mid-summer of 1995. In his role, Mill also will oversee all grounds maintenance for township parks.

"I'm looking to develop Canton's golf course operations, and to expand them," said Mill, adding that he will encourage the sport of golfing among residents and possibly draw a high-profile golf tournament to the Canton area. "This is kind of icing on the cake for this whole complex," he added, referring to nearby Heritage Park, Canton's new Summit on the Park community center, municipal offices and library and the residential communities being built around the golf course.

Johnson said he is pleased to be part of this new project. Prior to his experience at The Orchards, he worked at the award-winning Elk Ridge Golf Course in Northern Michigan. He is a graduate of Michigan State University's Turf Grass

Management program. Golf became his career choice early on after discovering his love of the game. "That's all I did when I was a kid," he said. "I wasn't good enough to be a pro, so this was the next best thing."

Johnson said he came to Canton for the opportunity. "I came out here...and walked the golf course and saw it was going to be a top notch course," he said. "There are a lot of courses, but many aren't so great."

Ground was broken last November for the \$5 million course located west of Canton's municipal offices on Canton Center Road. The 18-hole course was designed by Arthur Hills, and will be an upscale municipal course with mandatory carts. It is designed to highlight natural features and sits on more than 200 acres, which Mill and Johnson said is one of the largest golf sites in the state, and boasts the most fairway acreage. The course will have four sets of tees to fit the needs of every golfing level.

All construction and seeding was scheduled to be completed this week, and the project is on schedule, reported Canton Parks & Recreation Superintendent Michael Gouin. Although the course will not open for play until mid-summer 1995, the driving range area is expected to be completed and ready for use by next spring.

Yet to be hired for the new course is a golf professional who will handle all lessons and manage the clubhouse, plus

other full-time and seasonal positions. The golf course is expected to employ a total of 45, mostly seasonal workers, Mill said. A fee schedule for the course has not been finalized.

Canton also owns the Fellows Creek Golf Course on Lotz Road, which is operated by a private company contracted by the township. It was Mill's proposal for Canton to run this new course that prompted the Municipal Services Department — Parks & Recreation Services Division, to submit a proposal. This will be a team effort and draw on all the in-house resources of the township, including finance and other technical staff, Mill said. The township board accepted the proposal this summer.

Prior to his recent advancement, Mill served as foreman for Canton's grounds division. He previously held similar positions for the University of Detroit and the regional Metropark System, and owned and operated his own landscape business. He was instrumental in helping launch the township's five-year-old summer Liberty Fest and handled logistics for George Bush's rally in Canton's Heritage Park in 1992.

He attended both Albion College and Michigan State University where he studied business communications and turf management.

Mill was drawn into the golf business, "because of the variety: business, science, outdoors and nature," he said. "Golf is a nice part of this."

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HAUNTED FOREST WALK
Northville Parks and Rec will hold their annual Haunted Forest at Maybury State Park on Oct. 28 and 29 from 7 to 10:30 p.m. Only advance tickets will be accepted and cost \$7. For more information, call 349-0203.

JAYCEE HAUNTED HOUSE
The Plymouth-Canton Jaycees will hold their haunted house on Oct. 13-15 and Oct. 20-30 behind the Plymouth Landing. The House opens at 7 p.m., admission is \$6, \$4 for kids under 12. There will be Friendly Monster Days on Fridays before the house opens. For more information, call the Jaycee Hotline at 453-8407.

YMCA HAUNTED HOUSE
The Plymouth Community Family YMCA is looking for volunteers 16 years old and older for their haunted house held from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Oct. 27 to Oct. 29. For more information, call the YMCA at 453-2904.

CANDIDATE'S FORUM
The Concord Coalition will hold a forum featuring the candidates for the 13th congressional district on at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 18 in room JS 101, Morris Lawrence Building on the campus of Washtenaw Community College. For more information, call 973-3300.

HARVEST FESTIVAL
Maybury State Park in Northville will hold their fourth annual Harvest Fest featuring traditional autumn activities of the early 1900's on Oct. 9 from noon to 4 p.m. Maybury State Park is located on 8 Mile Road, one mile west of Beck. For more information, call the park at (810) 349-8390.

COUNTRY DANCE GROUP
The Detroit Country Dance Society will be coming to the Plymouth Masonic Hall at 7:30 p.m. on Oct. 8, and on Nov. 12. No partner or experience is required, admission is \$6. For more information, call Steve Gold at (810) 967-1055 or Karen Missavage at 995-1336.

SYMPHONY LEAGUE FUNDRAISER
The Plymouth Symphony League will be selling Entertainment 1995 coupon books as a fundraiser for the symphony. Books are \$40. For more information, call 453-3016.

CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL NIGHT
The Parent-Teacher Guild of Our Lady of Good Counsel will hold an informative meeting at the school about Catholic schools for junior high students and their parents at 7:15 p.m. on Oct. 5. There will also be information about the High School placement tests. For more information, call 453-3053.

CANTON NEWCOMERS MEETING
The Canton Newcomers club will hold their general meeting on Oct. 5 at 7 p.m. with speaker Maryann Findley, who will give someone in attendance a makeover. There will also be a membership tea on Oct. 11 from 7 to 9 p.m. For more information, call 453-3693 or 455-8636.

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL WOMEN
The Canton Business and Professional Women's club will feature Andrea Hofley speaking on "Experiences of an American Business Woman Working in Germany" at 6 p.m. on Oct. 10 at the Roman Forum Restaurant in Canton. For reservations or for more information, call Salema Burkholder at 453-3699.

PCAC CHRISTMAS SHOW AUDITIONS
The Plymouth Community Arts Council will be holding auditions for their Christmas production of "A Winnie the Pooh Christmas Tail" on Oct. 5 and 6 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the PCAC office. Actors of all ages, no experience is required, are welcome to audition. For more information, call 416-4ART or the director Jennifer Tobin at 453-5212.

GOODFELLOW NEWSPAPER SALES
The Plymouth Goodfellows will be selling their Christmas newspapers on the Plymouth streets on Dec. 3 to support their holiday goal of "No Kiddie Without a Christmas." For more information, call the Goodfellows at 453-4987.

CLOTHING BANK
Starting Oct. 4, the Clothing Bank will be open to distribute donations of clothing to families in need on Tuesdays only from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and from 1 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. during the school year. To make an appointment or for more information, call 416-6179.

BOUTIQUE AND BAKE SALE
The Bradbury Condominium Adult Community will hold a boutique and bake sale on Oct. 15 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Clubhouse on 4185 Newport Dr. For more information, call Dorothy Wilson at 416-1656.

LADIES GOLF LEAGUES
Ladies golf leagues are now forming at Oasis Golf Center for spring and summer of 1995. Space is limited. For more information, call 420-4653.

PLYMOUTH WOMAN'S CLUB
The Woman's Club of Plymouth will open their fall season on Oct. 7 with a luncheon at the Botsford Inn in Farmington Hills at noon. The featured speakers will be Creon Smith and Dr. Martin Brosnan. Carpool will meet at the Methodist Church 45201 N. Territorial at 11 a.m., tickets are \$15. For more information and to make reservations before Sept. 30, call Betty Barbour.

HANDCRAFTER'S ARTS AND CRAFTS SHOW
Handcrafters in Canton will sponsor their 12th annual Arts and Crafts show Oct. 7 (9 a.m. to 9 p.m.), 8 (9 p.m. to 5 p.m.) and 9 (11 a.m. to 5 p.m.) at the Northville Community Center. No strollers please, admission is \$2. There will be over 70 juried artists at the show. For more information, call 459-0050.

PCAC ART RENTAL GALLERY
The Plymouth Community Arts Council will hold a sale before moving to their new location this spring. The gallery on the 2nd floor of the Plymouth District Library will be open from 10 a.m. to 8:30 p.m., for more information, call Therese at 459-6896.

PLYMOUTH SYMPHONY SOCIETY OPENER
The Plymouth Symphony Society opens its 49th season with sapecial guest Pianist Pauline Martin on Oct. 15 at 8 p.m. at the Plymouth Salem Auditorium. Tickets are \$12 for adults, \$10 for seniors and \$5 for children k-12. There will be an after concert gala at the Water Club Grill for a \$10 donation. For more information, call the society at 451-2112.



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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.

BORDINE'S FALL EVENTS

Bordine's Farm Market, at the corner of Ford and Ridge Roads, will be running hayrides through October by reservation, their haunted Grun Haus in October and Family Day at the Farm on Saturday's and Sundays. Hayrides and haunted house are handicap accessible. For more information, call Bordine's at 495-1098.

COUNTRY MUSIC IN THE PARK

To benefit the Canton Community Playscape Project Canton Parks an Rec will hold Country Music day in the Park Oct. 15 from noon to 4 p.m. with two bands. There will also be food, a classic car show and paddleboat rides. The suggested donation is \$2. For more information, call Canton parks and rec at 397-5110.

MARQUIS THEATRE

The Marquis Theatre in Northville will run the children's play "Annabelle Broom the Unhappy Witch" on Oct. 23 and Oct. 30 at 2:30 p.m. Oct. 22 and 29 at 2:30 p.m. and Oct. 28 at 8 p.m. All tickets are \$5. For group rates, birthdays, special school performances and more information, call 349-8110.

SENIOR TRIPS

The Plymouth Parks and Rec department will sponsor a group of trips around the country and to events, ending with a trip to Hawaii on Jan. 10, 1995. For more information about the trips, call Steve Anderson at 455-6620.

PLYMOUTH THEATRE GUILD — "SPIRIT OF BROADWAY"

The Plymouth Theatre Guild will perform their production of "The Spirit of Broadway" on Oct. 7 and 8 at 8 p.m. at the Water Tower Theatre on the campus of the Northville Regional Hospital in Northville. Admission is \$10 for adults, \$9 for children. For more information, call 349-7110.

COUNCIL ON AGING

The Plymouth Community Council on Aging will hold their monthly meeting on Oct. 10 at 2 p.m. at the Cultural Center. There will be information on leader dogs for the blind and senior transportation. For more information, call 453-1234, ext. 236.

MOTHERS OF PRESCHOOLERS MEETING

Lake Pointe Bible Chapel will hold a Mothers of Prechoolers meeting on Oct. 7 at 9 p.m. at the chapel. There will be childcare available during the meeting. For more information, call the church at 420-0515.

ENTERTAINMENT '95 BOOKS

The Plymouth Optimist Club will be selling Entertainment 1995 books good for dining, events and other services in Michigan. Price is \$40 hand delivered, all proceeds go to children's causes in southeast Michigan. For more information, call Ken Fisher at 728-7619 or Bill Von Glahn at 453-8253.

CARD PARTY LUNCHEON

The Ladies Auxillary of VFW Post #6695 will hold their card party luncheon on Oct. 15 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the hall. For more information about the party and luncheon, call either 981-0771 or 455-2620.

MOMS IN THE MIDDLE

Moms in the Middle, a new group forming in the Plymouth area for mothers with kindergarten through eighth grade aged children is looking for members. For more information, call 455-8336.

C.H.A.D.D. MEETING

C.H.A.D.D. of Northwest Wayne County (a parent-based organization formed to better the lives of those who have attention deficit disorder) will hold a rap meeting at 7:30 p.m. on Oct. 6 at Meads Middle School in Northville. For more information, call the C.H.A.D.D. information line at 380-0847.

YMCA KREATIVE'S

The Plymouth Community YMCA will offer a 6-week program of art, music, language and dramatic arts for preschoolers, ages 3-5 at the Resurrection Church through Oct. 22 with morning and afternoon classes. For more information, call the YMCA at 453-2904.

PLYMOUTH REPUBLICAN CLUB

The Plymouth Republican Club hold their regular meetings on the fourth Thursday of the month at the Water Club Grill at 6 p.m. For more information, call Carl Berry at 420-0782.

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.

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.

CLASSES AVAILABLE

The City of Plymouth Parks and Rec Department is offering classes in musical theater, cartooning, gymnastics, cheerleading, baton, and junior self-defense through Nov.30. For more information, call 455-6620.

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.

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The date and location of the meeting to take action on the proposed additional millage will be announced at this public meeting.

If adopted, the proposed additional millage will increase operating revenues from ad valorem property taxes 2.5% over such revenues generated by levies permitted without holding a hearing. If the proposed additional millage rate is not approved the operating revenue will increase by 1.1% over the preceding year's operating revenue.

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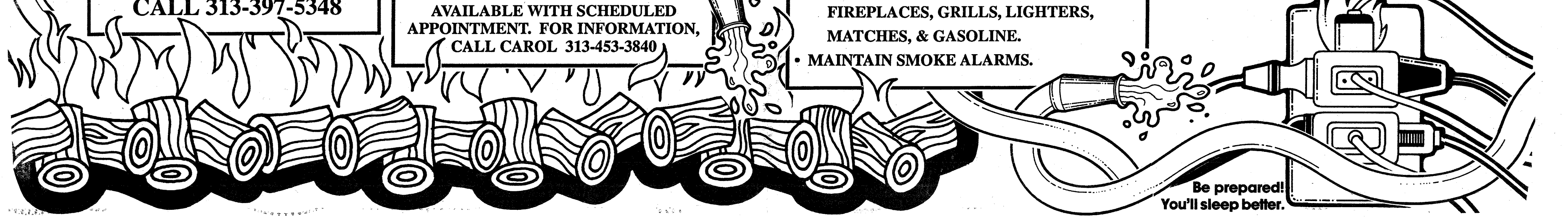
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Community deaths

Marguerite Robinson, 88, homemaker

Marguerite Robinson of Plymouth, died Sept. 21, 1994, at the age of 88. She is survived by her husband, William; sons, William R. (Mary Jane) and John (Maureen); sister, Isabell; brother, Clare; 12 grandchildren and 24 great grandchildren. Services were Friday with arrangements by the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

Josephine Vega, 74, homemaker

Josephine Vega of Canton, died Sept. 26, 1994, at the age of 74. She is survived by her husband, Jose; daughter, Marie; brother, Emilio; sisters, Maria and Esperanza; two grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Arrangements were made by Vermuelen Funeral Home, there were no services.

Anna Stark, 89, homemaker

Anna M. Stark, of Ann Arbor, died Sept. 18, 1994, at the age of 89. She is survived by her son, Chris (Sandy) of Plymouth; and grandchildren Michael, Patrick and Keith. Services were held on Saturday at the Vermuelen Funeral home.

Patrick Kearney, 65, special ed teacher

Patrick J. Kearney, a special education teacher for 20 years and member of Michigan High School Football Coach's Hall of fame, formerly of Plymouth, died Sept. 9, 1994, at the age of 65. He is survived by his wife, Dolores, four sons and one daughter. Services were held at the Thayer-Rock Funeral Home.

Donald Stickney, 77, real estate agent

Donald E. Stickney, a real estate salesman for many local firms from Plymouth, died Sept. 27, 1994 at the age of 77. He is survived by sons Frank, Chris and Michael and three nephews. Services were arranged and held at the Vermuelen Funeral Home.

Bernice Burkart, 87, homemaker

Bernice K. Burkart, a homemaker from Plymouth, died Sept. 29, 1994, at the age of 87. She is survived by sons Loren (Bonnie), Donald (Betty), John, and daughter Harriet (Jim). She is also survived by 13 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held and arranged by the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with Pastor Jerry Yarnell officiating.

Veronica Alekson, 87, homemaker

Veronica P. Alekson, a homemaker from Canton, died Sept. 27, 1994, at the age of 87. She is survived by her son, Getty (Martha); daughter, Eleanor (Stanley), five grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren. Services were held at St. John Neumann Catholic Church and were arranged by the Pawlus Funeral Home.

Robert Jackson, 43, administrative technician

Robert Dean Jackson, an administrative technician for the U.S. Army formerly of Plymouth, died Sept. 28, 1994, at the age of 43. He is survived by his parents; Betty and Harold and sister Donna. Services were held at the Schrader-Howell Funeral home in Ohio with visitation in Plymouth as well.



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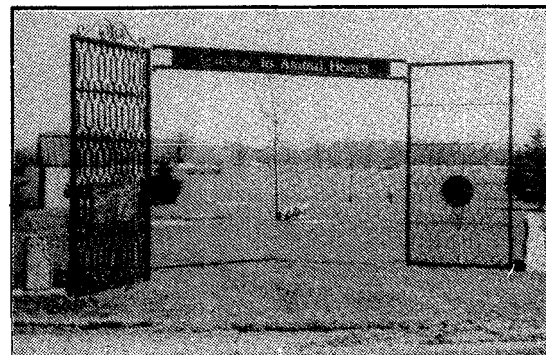
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Curiosities

Kerstin Popke is spreading rumors at Kroger's about a baby brother. Her mom says NOT!!

Curiosities

MAXINE MOSEY: Thanks for "Joining" Thanksgiving dinner in absentia. Do you have Memorial Day cards?

DUNBAR AND MARTHA DAVIS Missed last week, so here's an easy one.

"To be or not to be: that is the question: whether 'tis nobler in the mind to suffer

The slings and arrows of outrageous fortune,..."

ARTRAGEOUS was a great showing! Congratulations Annette, Frank, Therese, et al.

BEAUREGARD eats Lemon Meringue pie.

"YOUR TRAIN HAS LEFT the station: please step back from the platform." Jess, 1994 (after Dad was confused on which Uno card to play).

VINCE HERBRUCK SAVES the day with his Swiss Army knife. Wine for lunch!

PETER MEIJER: get well soon. Sorry you missed us.- The Fish.

KAY ARNOLD: how many points did O.S.U. beat NORTHWESTERN by? What about an O.S.U. vs. Salem High School matchup?

17-7 was last year's score: this year it'll be even more! GO STATE, beat 'em in Ann Arbor.

IT WAS 20 YEARS AGO TODAY, The Shop Steward taught his band to play.

DON BIDWELL (the Youngest) has a new trick for school.

"SIMPLIFY, simplify. "--Henry David Thoreau."

Wish I could, but everything I trash is a part of me. I find a use for everything. Plus I can always have a sale! DLA

JESS EATS RUTABAGA.

LOUISE AND PAUL- thank you for allowing me to share your joy. Love- Aunt Geneva.

Its Pumpkin time- the pumpkin mom told me so

I know what Amy wants for Christmas- the only hint, I'll give you is that it is not her 2 front teeth.

K. Don't talk that way.

Jim is home today so I have all 3 of my lovely children together with me for the first time in ages-

Janet & Peg are great golfers.

I hope Nora, John, Steve, & Jack did better last night than they did last week. Of course it would be hard to do Amy worse.

It was great having Lisa back for a lunch- Amazing, they let her out once & she didn't have a suit on.

Grandpa Smurf & the entire Smurf family were very disappointed that Kevin (Keith) never watched their show- Of course that may be why he is always. So happy go lucky, BUT NEVER BLUE.

Sadie--Glad Timmy is OK-Tinker Bell Perfume must taste good, sure smells good. Too bad it's 70% alcohol- that doesn't sound very child safe does it!

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I THINK YOU'RE MORE obnoxious as a Spartan than as a Wolverine,"--Anonymous, (In E. Lansing Saturday).

GO GREEN!

MELINDA BIDWELL was in town again! Good thing the Box Bar has Rolling Rock now.

LOOK OUT FOR BILL THIMM: he knows Karate now.

BUNCH, WITHOUT AN "E." The dictionary says a "bunch" is a group, a cluster, or a tuft as "a bunch of Bananas, flowers, weeds or people." However, there is another connotations, "Bunch" can also be a "pair," as "Arabie & Mary Bunch," and what a special pair they are!

SONIA W.- What a good friend you are! Surely something nice is going to happen to you soon.

KAREN O.- If one had a daughter they would be well to wish you were a part of their family.

Peggy's Back! Stock up the bars. Call me & we'll do lunch.

Amy was very happy Tues. night & Wed. morning.

Curiosities

Amy wins & her stock goes up-

HAPPINESS is such a fleeting thing you wonder what is missing in this age of "shacking up" and "short term" marriages, and then you meet a "Louise & Paul" and know there is hope for all of us.

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"I'm not opposed to Christmas,"-- Jim McKeon, City Commission Chambers, 1994.

Curiosities

KEITH SURVIVED?

MILDRED WELLMAN- HAPPY BIRTHDAY- ninety years, and wishing you many, many more. Born in New York State. Came to Plymouth as a youngster. Was graduated from Plymouth High School: Lifetime member of the Plymouth Methodist Episcopal Church (and rarely missed a service). Lived here, married here, and raised your family here. Not many can top your record. Celebrated your birthday on Sunday last but this time a little different, (The pews filled to flowing with your family); then off to Alice Jordan's, your granddaughter's, for a family Brunch. How proud you must be! We know how proud your family is of you. Again- Happy Birthday.

DUNBAR AND MARTHA-Did I give this before? Anyway, it's one of my favorites. "I wandered lonely as a cloud that floats on high o'er vales and bells,..."

Walter, thanks for the living room space! YAY!

Curiosities

Matt A: Things are actually getting unpacked. Sorry, you had to walk home in the rain. But Not all parents get off at 5:00 every day. Good Luck on your third game, wish I could be there, love, MOM PS Good progress reports!!!

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Questions remain after local man escapes from hospital

BY W. EDWARD WENDOVER
and ALEX LUNDBERG

A Plymouth man is fighting for his life in University of Michigan Hospital while police weigh the "bizarre" circumstances that put him there.

Eighteen-year-old Roger Crain was arrested by Plymouth Police on a warrant for the unlawful driving away of an automobile after he and his father surrendered at City Hall on Sept. 21.

According to Plymouth City Police Chief Robert Scoggins, Crain surrendered to Lt. Wayne Carroll, who was a friend of the family.

Crain was placed in a cell at the Plymouth Police lockup, where all cells are monitored by video camera.

Scoggins said that a short time later Crain was observed tying his blanket around his neck as though trying to hang himself.

Within the hour, Crain was transported to Psychiatric Intervention Center (PIC) in Westland from the Plymouth jail.

According to officials at PIC, Crain was then transferred to Aurora Hospital in Detroit.

Here the story gets "bizarre," said Scoggins.

Apparently, the Plymouth chief says, Crain called a girl he knew who came to visit him at Aurora, bringing a gun and a knife. Crain cut his restraining cords and

brandished the gun at a matron at Aurora, then he escaped by climbing a fence near a waiting car with the girl inside, Scoggins said.

Aurora Hospital has refused to comment on the case and Detroit Police (who local police say informed them of the escape) say they have no knowledge of the incident.

Plymouth Police tracked Crain to the Southfield area but could not locate him.

Then, Carroll received a tip that he was near Michigan Avenue and Hix Road.

Reports say that he and Sgt. Steven Hundersmarck went looking for him.

They found him in Wayne at the intersection — not notifying the local police they were coming in.

"We were following up a lead, and didn't really know if we'd find him," said Carroll.

"When he saw me, he kicked off his shoes and started to run.

Carroll said he tried to yell to Crain as they were running to stop and, at one point, thought he would lose the fleeing man.

Then, the Plymouth lieutenant said, Crain turned and began running alongside traffic and appeared to dart into traffic.

"That woman (driving the van that struck Crain) had nowhere to turn. There was nowhere for her to go," said Carroll.

"We thought that if he saw me, we'd at least have a chance (to take him without incident). He's got a great family."

Scoggins said that Carroll's friendship with the young man was strong and that the case has caused heartache in the department.

"He (Crain) was one of our kids. This is small town police work," Scoggins said.

As police question the circumstances of the whole incident, others have asked about the Plymouth Police actions too.

One witness, who at this point has asked to have his name withheld, said the incident raised questions in his mind. He volunteered his account to The Crier.

The witness gave the following account of the chase and mishap in which Crain was struck by the van on Michigan Avenue at Hix in Wayne:

"I was in the Mobil Station close to Hix Road, pumping gas on the east side of the pump. I heard a little commotion and looked up.

"He (Crain) was running from the north and another guy was chasing him. They came pretty close to me. He chased him out into Michigan Avenue and onto the median.

"He said something like, 'Stop Walter goddamit!' But he never said he was cop.

"I looked for a cop car — there was none. I figured it was two hillbillies drunk up. They were yelling and run-

ning around like lunatics zig zagging around. I went back to what I was doing.

"There was a crash. I thought a car had hit a car. I looked up and the kid was flying. He had been hit in the back it looked like. He went limp, hit the ground on his head.

"The guy who was chasing him knelt down and was screaming.

"That guy never said anything about being a cop as he ran by me. Don't police holler, 'Stop that guy. I'm a police officer.'

"If that had been a citizen chasing him, they'd have gotten him for great bodily harm. The kid didn't seem to be armed.

"Short of murder that the guy was wanted for, it was pretty harsh punishment.

"There was something weird about it all."

Carroll, who says he was the one in plain clothes chasing Crain, disagrees with the witness on how Crain was struck.

(The witness said he did not see the actual impact, but looked up when he heard the crash and saw Crain flying as though struck in the back.)

The Plymouth Police Lieutenant said Crain was struck "mostly from the front."

Carroll also said that since Crain knew him personally so it was not necessary to identify himself as a policeman to him.

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The Canton Township Parks and Recreation Services announces its Fall softball standings up until 9/30/94.

In the American Division, J&M Packaging is on top with a 7-1 record. A close second is Rusty Nail with 5-3 record. Cantons Ice Cream Center is 4-4, so is Tri State Communications and A.G. Edwards. Yazaki EDS is 0-8.

In the National Division, Metro Direct leads with 7 wins and one loss. Next is Mexican Fiestsa with a 6-2 record. Fairway Club and Johnson Controls, Inc. are both 4-4. Dental Diplomats are 2-6, and St. Peter/ Red Apple is 1-7.

Canton Parks and Recreation Services is sponsoring a Country Music Day in Heritage Park as a fundraiser for the Canton Community Playscape Project. Country music from the Waco Band and the Sassy Band will be performed, as well as a special performance from the Canton Senior Kitchen Band.

The event is to take place from noon-4:00 p.m. Saturday October 15, 1994.

The suggested donation is \$2.00 per person. For more information, call 397-5110.

Plymouth/Canton Parks and Recreation Services is sponsoring a Co-ed Volleyball League.

It will start on Nov. 18, and be every Friday for 14 weeks at West Middle School. The fee is \$250.00 per team, plus \$15.00 for each player who lives outside Canton Township or the City of Plymouth.

Teams are allowed as many non-residents as they wish. A resident is any player that lives or works full-time in Canton or Plymouth. Registration will be Oct. 17-23, for returning teams only. For new teams, the registration will be Oct. 24-28.

Doubleheader

Local boys do good as one Paluk brother goes to the Dodgers, the other is invited to an Olympic baseball tryout

BY SHAWN STEUER

It is perhaps every little leaguer's dream to get a chance to play big league baseball. But for every dream that comes true there are millions that go unrealized. Incredibly for the Paluk brothers of Plymouth the opportunity has presented itself not just once but two times.

Jeff and Brian are the sons of Mike and Laura Paluk. Jeff, 22, was drafted this past summer by the Los Angeles Dodgers. Brian, 19, was drafted by the Kansas City Royals but declined the contract in favor of college. Brian has also been invited for a tryout with Team USA, our Olympic baseball team.

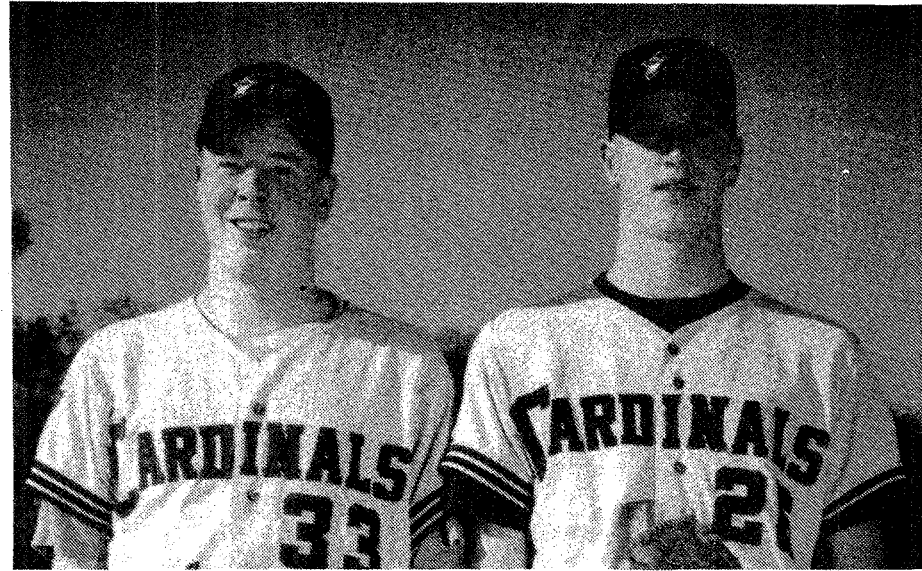
Jeff's pitching prowess was developed in the Plymouth Little League system then honed in advanced youth leagues including, The Catholic Youth Organization, Babe Ruth, Mickey Mantle, Connie Mack, and American Legion. He pitched for the Plymouth Salem Rocks his junior and senior years. After graduating in 1990 Jeff attended Saginaw Valley State University where he made the Cardinal baseball team as a walk on. Success continued and he played his final three years at Saginaw Valley on a partial scholarship.

While pitching for the Cardinals Jeff caught the eye of Dale McReynolds, a scout for the Los Angeles Dodgers. This past winter Jeff received a letter from McReynolds informing him that the Dodgers were interested in drafting him. On June 4, 1994 the Dodgers officially drafted him and he was offered a contract. Jeff spent the summer pitching for the first place Yakima Bears of Washington, the Dodgers single A farm club, posting an impressive rookie ERA of 3.60.

Jeff is currently in Arizona pitching in a fall instructional league.

"It's really hot, over one hundred degrees most days," says Jeff. "I miss the cool temperatures in Michigan this time of year."

Weather notwithstanding he says he's happy with his current situation. "This is



For Jeff (left) and Brian Paluk (seen here as Saginaw Valley State University starting pitchers) baseball has paid off in a big way. Jeff was drafted by the Dodgers and Brian is taking a shot at being on the U.S. Olympic baseball team.

a first rate organization, I'm very glad to be with the Dodgers."

Next season Jeff expects to be playing in an extended A league either in San Bernadino or Vero Beach, CA home of the Dodgers during spring training.

Brian followed a similar path to success. Brian attended Catholic Central High School. During his four years he pitched Junior Varsity and Varsity baseball for the Shamrocks.

When Brian graduated in 1993 he was immediately drafted by the Kansas City Royals. He was offered a contract to play in the Royals farm system but opted instead for college. According to NCAA rules he is now ineligible for the Major League draft until the conclusion of his junior year.

He enrolled at Saginaw Valley in the fall and joined the Cardinal starting rotation alongside his brother Jeff. The Paluk brothers helped Saginaw Valley to a 38-15 record and second place in their division. Brian, now a sophomore is in the midst of fall conditioning. The program runs until the middle of October.

November 1, Brian is off to

Homestead, FL where he will battle it out with twenty eight other hurlers from across the country for a spot in the pitching rotation for Team USA and a chance for gold at the 1996 Olympics in Atlanta, GA. He was nominated for the tryout by Saginaw Valley baseball coach Walt Head.

"I had totally forgotten that he had nominated me," said Brian. "So I was shocked when I found out that I had made the tryout."

Brian has some tough competition as he is the only Division II collegiate athlete trying out.

He will return to Saginaw near the end of November, one week late for the start of basketball practice. Yes, Brian is also a forward for the Cardinal hoops team.

"I like basketball better," admits Brian, "But I know my future is in baseball, I do like having control of the game like I have when I'm pitching."

In the mean time Brian looks forward to the '96 draft, when he will have some collegiate experience and a degree in Marketing and Finance to bring with him.

Canton and Salem girls b-ball on the rise

BY CHARIE RICE

Both the Canton and Salem girls basketball teams were victorious last week, as Canton beat Northville 40-35, and Salem defeated John Glenn, 43-35.

It was Canton's third win in a row, and the win brought their record to 5-3, overall, and 2-1 in the WLAA.

It was a close game, as the Chiefs were only up by five at the half. They fell

to only a two-point lead after the third. With less than a minute left in the game, Northville was within three points, but the Chiefs pulled it off for the 40-35 win.

Leading scorer for the Chiefs was Kristi Fiorenzi, with 12 points.

Salem came back in the second half to beat John Glenn. They didn't take the lead until mid-way through the fourth quarter.

They wouldn't give up, however, especially against John Glenn, whose record is only 1-7, after the loss.

Salem was losing 25-16 at the half, and were still losing after the third, 29-26. The win brought the Rocks up to 2-1 in the WLAA.

Shellye Sills led the scoring with 13. Kelly Lukasik and Amanda Abraham both added 9.

Rocks roll over Vikings, 35-18

BY CHARI RICE

The Rocks got off to an excellent start even before the actual game started at their Homecoming game against Walled Lake Central Friday night.

Salem senior Johnny Little started it off with a wonderful rendition of the National Anthem. From there the Rocks went to beat the Vikings 35-18.

It was a cold, wet night, but that didn't stop the stands from filling for the Homecoming game.

The first points put on the board were by kicker Mike Kley, as he kicked a 40-yard field goal to put Salem up 3-0.

Later in the quarter, quarterback Brad Lear ran the option right outside the tight end.

He ran, untouched, into the end zone, making the score 9-0. Kley missed the kick.

Walled Lake Central's Greg Tobias scored a touchdown, with the help of teammates Adam Bruce, Jeremy Tisdale and Matt Koxchke. They went for the two-point conversion, but it didn't pan out. The score sat at 9-6.

Mike Brannan showed his abilities, as usual, as he drove into enemy territory like a pro.

On one offensive drive, he drove over 75 yards, which led to the next touchdown.

On the fourth down, Brad Lear directed a pass perfectly, as Kirk Craggs caught the 5-yard pass. Kley's kick was good, making the score 16-6.

In the third quarter, Jason Hoban scored, putting the Rocks ahead 23-6.

The Vikings couldn't get through the Rocks defense and were scoreless in the third quarter. The Rocks didn't.

Ashraf Youssef intercepted a pass near the end of the third quarter. The Rocks took over the offensive drive, and Rich Giddings scored. The Rocks were now leading 29-6.

The Vikings wouldn't be humiliated, however, and Kroxchke had a 39-yard touchdown run.

Jason Hoban decided to answer with another Salem touchdown.

On the next Viking drive, Jason Whalen threw a huge 80-yard touchdown pass to Tisdale.

It was too late, however, and Salem stayed on top.

Mike Brannan had 23 rushes for 170 yards, Jason Hoban had 13 carries for 29 yards.

For the Vikings, Tisdale had two receptions for 118 yards. Kroxchke had 12 rushes for 94 yards.

On deck

The Canton Chiefs play their Homecoming game against Northville Friday at 7:30 p.m.

The girls and boys cross country teams run against Walled Lake Western Thursday at 4:00 p.m., and they go to the Ypsilanti Braves Invitational Saturday at 9:30 a.m.

Girls basketball plays against Harrison on Thursday, and against John Glenn Tuesday, both at home.

Boys soccer goes against Walled Lake Western at home Wednesday, at 7:00 p.m. Then again against Troy at home Saturday, at 1:00 p.m., and against Walled Lake Central at 7:00 p.m., away.

The girls swim team goes against Walled Lake at 7:00 p.m. Thursday, and against Ann Arbor Huron at 7:00 p.m. at home Tuesday.

Boys golf goes to the Regionals Saturday.

Girls tennis plays today against Northville, away, and Tuesday they go to the conference meet hosted by Stevenson.

Salem girls basketball plays against Stevenson Thursday, away, and against Franklin Tuesday away.

Football goes to North Farmington Saturday at 1:00 p.m.

Girls and boys cross country run against Walled Lake Central at home Thursday. The boys team will run in the Ypsilanti Braves Invitational at 9:30 a.m. Saturday.

Boys golf goes to the Regionals Saturday.

Boys soccer plays Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. against Walled Lake Central, away. They play again Monday against Northville at 7:00 p.m., but this time, at home.

Girls swimming swims against Dearborn at home Tuesday, at 7:00 p.m.

Girls tennis plays against Farmington at home Wednesday at 4:00 p.m. Tuesday they go to the conference meet hosted by Stevenson.

Salem destroys Walled Lake, 71-17

BY CHARI RICE

Coach of the Freshman girls basketball team has a lot to be proud of. His team is now 8-0 after they defeated Walled Lake Western 71-17 Thursday.

The two leading scorers for Salem were Nicole Nauman and Melissa Sieminiak, both with 12 points.

They were the top scorers, but something very unusual happened during this game.

"Everyone scored," said coach

Williams, "the entire team scored, that doesn't happen very often.

Just the fact that every girl on the team contributed, shows why they're record is so great.

"The team is very excited. It's nice to watch their faces when they're doing so well," Williams said.

Williams said the girls had a big adjustment to make coming from junior high basketball.

"Now they are playing full-court pres-

sure, zone defense, and they have adjusted really well," Williams said.

This year Williams has the biggest team, with 12 girls.

He is very proud and happy that his team is doing so well.

"I am really pleased with this team," he said.

The girls play against Walled Lake Central tonight, and the coach said it should be a great game because they are also undefeated.

Ypsi Braves shut out Steelers, 12-0

The Ypsilanti Braves brought an undefeated, unscored upon freshman team to Plymouth, and came away with a hard fought 12-0 victory over the Plymouth Canton Steelers.

The defensive battle was led by Steelers' Jorday Robertson, Mike Tomasitis, Charlie Haeger and Kevin Entsminger. Justin Carson and Michael Tolhurst recovered fumbles.

The JV Steeler defense continued to shine, as they held the Ypsilanti Braves

to only 14 yards, total, as they shut them out 8-0.

The Steelers drove down the field on their first possession with Andy Kocoloski capping a 14-yard play and a 58-yard drive, taking it in from the one-yard line. Brad Wells added a two-point conversion.

The defense was led by Kocoloski, Wells, as well as Mark Dasher. Ian Winter picked off a Braves pass at the Steeler 20 in the last minute to seal the

victory.

The JV team is now 4-0, and play against Belleville Sunday.

The varsity Steelers played tenacious defense Sunday before finally losing to the Ypsilanti Braves 22-0.

The Braves broke open a close ball game with two late fourth quarter scores. The defense was led by Kyle Entsminger, Aron Burg, Nick Kato and Robert McDonald. Mike Allensandrini recovered a fumble for the Steelers.

Canton recreation punt, pass and kick a success

BY CHARI RICE

The Canton Parks and Recreation Services held its Annual Punt, Pass & Kick program on Saturday, Sept. 24, at Griffin Park.

The clouds were out, and the weather was cool, but that didn't stop the kids aged 8-15 from taking part in the activities.

All the winners will now advance to the regional level of competition at Griffin Park, on Oct. 15, 1994.

The eight-year-old first place winner

was David Neu, with a score of 69'8". A close second was Nolan Sanders, with 69'2".

The nine-year-old first place winner was Tony Cruz, who scored 128'2". The second place winner was Timothy Strabbing, with 126'0".

Jonathon DeBono came in first for the 10-year-olds, with a 184'0". Ricky Martin came in second with 148'8".

The 11-year-old first place winner was Todd Shirkman, with 148'11". Second place was Truy Gersak, with 133'9".

Brian Lehman scored a 219'8", to make him first in the 12-year old competition. Second place was Doug Plateau, with 166'3".

First place for the 13-year-olds was Bill Wanniger, with 205'8", and Justin Bradley scored a 172'11", good for second place.

The 14-year-olds' first place winner was Jeff Bugeja, with 238'4". Second place went to Mark Micale, who got 192'1". Look for the winners Oct. 15, at Griffin Park.

Canton golf takes Stevenson in season ender

BY CHARI RICE

It was an end-of-the-season win for the Canton boys golf team, as they defeated Livonia Stevenson Friday 213-229.

Chuck Newsome was the medalist, as he shot 37. Next were Brian Carlson, 42; Chris Wilson, 44; Albert Hamood, 45; and Jason Bricker, 45.

They compete in the Regionals

Saturday, and Friday, Oct. 14, they compete in the conference meet. Saturday, Oct. 15, they go to the State finals.

Coach Tom Alles and his team will be looking for some wins.

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 **The Community Crier**



Community opinions

Cavity in Canton

As far as fires go, Joe Smulsky, Becky Taylor and Tom Varga got lucky

Joe Smulsky looked like a forlorn puppy dog.

Canton Firefighters were busy swinging axes into his dental office windows and into his roof. Thick smoke poured out of his building adding to the surreal Thursday morning confusion of shouting public safety workers and smelly diesel fumes from the fire pumper trucks.

Joe stood all alone and watched.

The good news was that Becky Taylor of his staff was not seriously injured.

She had come in early that day for an appointment. When she turned on the oxygen tank — with her left hand — the whole office exploded.

Becky got out suffering only minor burns, some shrapnel in her arm and the scare of a lifetime. She was treated and released.

Meanwhile the fire spread through Smulski's and Tom Varga's offices. Staff and neighbors began arriving and ran up to comfort Joe.

Canton's Fire Chief Mike Rorabacher, the Fire Marshall Art Winkle, and the Canton Public Safety Director John Santomauro all said hello to Joe at the early morning scene. Firefighter Jim Davison took Joe in for a tour once the fire was out. "It looked like you entered another world," Joe said of the blackened offices.

But then the good news began to sink in.

The patient files were all right.

Although the fire's heat had melted the computers, singed the top rows of photos on the patient bulletin board, melted the dental chairs and killed the fish in the waiting room aquarium — the records were intact.

There may be a quarter million dollars damage to the contents and thousands of dollars more damage to the building itself, but no one was seriously hurt and the records were all right.

It certainly was not the best day Joe's ever had.

But last Thursday's fire could have been worse in just about every way.

"There were so many things that could have happened that could have turned this into a big time tragedy," Smulsky said.

Rorabacher echoed that. "We were very, very lucky. If she (Becky

With malice toward none

By W. EDWARD WENDOVER



Taylor) had fallen backward and knocked herself out...it would have been very different the way things turned out."

There were many lucky parts to the fire.

•Joe wasn't in early in his office — a windowless room — where his only entrance would have been right past the burning tanks. He would have been trapped.

•The 7:34 a.m. blast came just before the 8 a.m. shift change at the fire department — there were plenty of Canton firefighters to respond. "Those guys were great and they were super nice — they really watched out for me," Joe said.

•Becky Taylor was left handed. If she had been opening the tanks with her right hand the explosion and fire would have struck her face first instead of glancing off her side. The fire burned her nail polish — but it didn't hurt her seriously.

•Insurance was in place and Smulski and Varga have a Livonia office to move appointments to. The patient records are being cleaned and moved there.

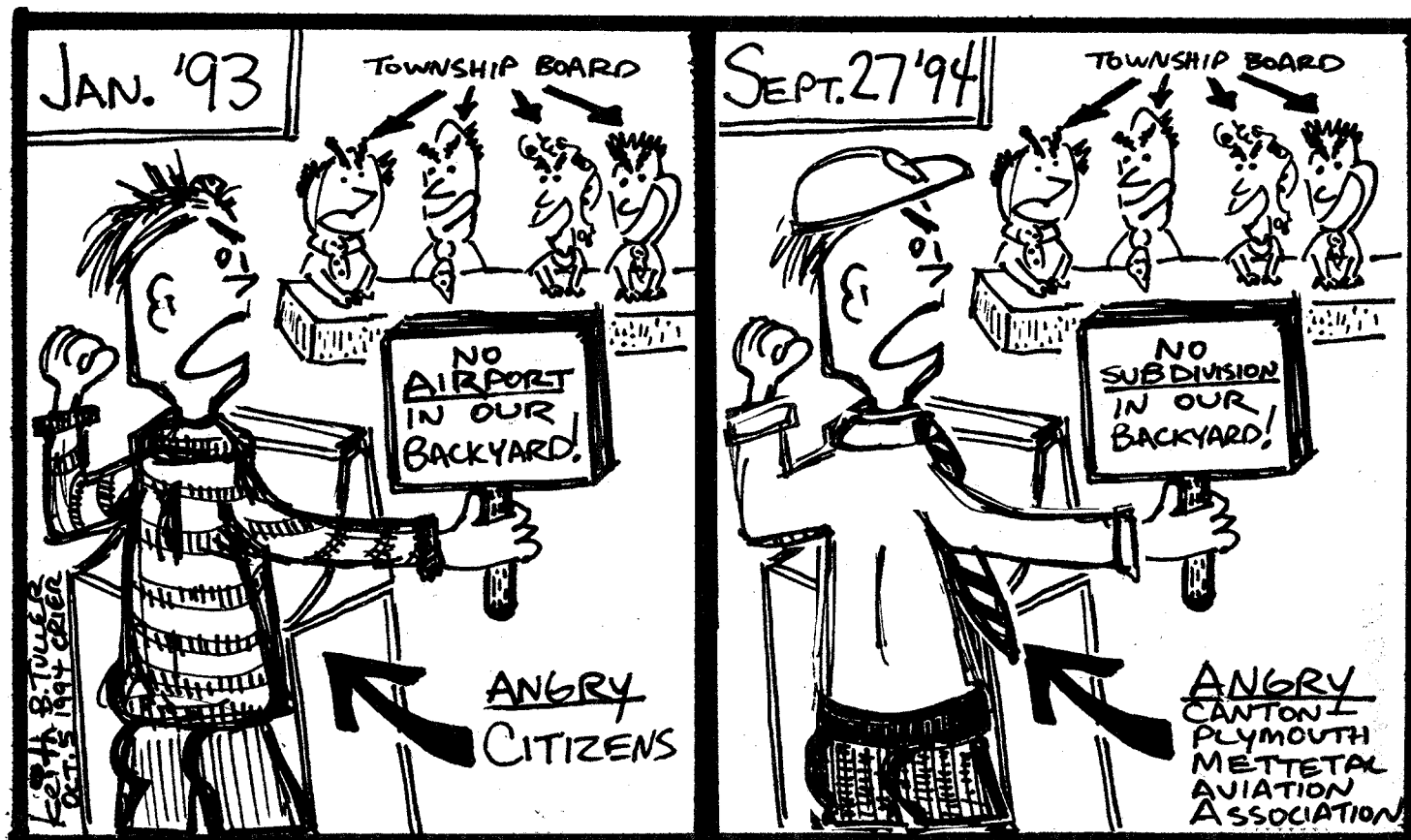
A fire or police emergency is never a happy thing.

But as these things go — last Thursday morning's "freak" blaze (so said Rorabacher) could have been worse in almost every way. This may be an inconvenience for the Smulski-Varga patients for the six months it will take to rebuild, and it was a tough experience for the dentist office staff, but the lessons are there.

"This fire safety stuff we're preaching is real," said Rorabacher.

And in six months, when the office is re-opened and back to normal, Joe won't look like a lost puppy dog again.

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Community opinions

Forum fines

Give to Caesar what is Caesar's — give to the Labor Department what is the Labor Department's

Greg Gatto, the owner of the Roman Forum restaurant in Canton didn't know that giving a few high school kids the chance to make some money after school would cost him \$14,850 in U.S. Department of Labor penalties.

The Labor Department is alleging that Mr. Gatto had kids under the age of 16 working past 7 p.m.

Mr. Gatto does not deny the charges. In fact, he's proud of the fact he could help out the kids. What he is fighting is what he feels is an excessive fine for what happened.

There is no doubt Mr. Gatto is sorry for not knowing the laws as well as he should. And it will never happen again.

Unfortunately, the Labor Department is sending a very disturbing message. By fining Mr. Gatto, they are saying to all the businesses out there and all the kids looking for a job that developing a solid work ethic is not worth pursuing.

Mr. Gatto is a strong man. His business will survive, even if he is forced to pay the fines. It has served the Canton community for 18 years. And is a favorite place for the Canton Chamber of Commerce to gather for their luncheons. But it does hurt. Not only Mr. Gatto, but the kids who wanted to work.

Mr. Gatto said to me in a phone conversation this week that the kids were there by their own free will and their parents knew they were working.

So where is the crime? All too often we send kids mixed messages. On

Looking down the barrel...

Township ordinance puts law into local hands, gives offender fair shot from local prosecutors

The proposed ordinance by Plymouth Township to make it a local misdemeanor to carry firearms or other dangerous weapons in public areas in the township is a minor — but good — thing.

Boiled down to the barest facts, the ordinance will change nothing because it is a re-reading of a similar law currently enforced by the state.

In other words, this is all much ado about nothing. Six of one as opposed to a half-dozen of the other.

The ordinance is a good thing for the township because it puts power in the hands of the local police rather than leaving it in the hands of the state police.

Law enforcement is at its best at the local level. A local officer will have a better grasp of the issues surrounding a community and its people than an officer that answers to Lansing.

And it helps both ways. A first-time offender will get a fair shake from local prosecutors and judges than they would get from outsiders. Similarly, a repeat offender with a history of local crimes would not be as likely to slip through the cracks in the system when the court he faces

Expulsion column fails to note kids lack of respect for authority

EDITOR:

I'm writing in response to Mr. Lundberg's column "Expulsion cuts kids out of society". First of all, the problems in public schools are not due to the loss of authority, but to the loss of respect for authority. The authority is there, it's just not respected. And, this is not due to the schools having a low level of discipline, but is due to parents having a low level of discipline.

At the time children are ready to attend school, this respect for authority should be present. Why doesn't "Junior" know how to behave? What has Junior been learning from the time he was born until the first day of

No curves

By Rob Kirkbride



one hand we say, "Go out and get a job — work for things you want and save your money." Then comes the government who says, "You can't work that late."

I understand the reasons behind the labor laws. It is important that kids study after school and get a good night's sleep before the next day.

The fact is, the hectic schedule of the students' parents is now part of the student's life as well.

The labor laws say kids under 16 can work after school, but only until 7 p.m. Most students get out of school at around 3 p.m. Say they get to their job at 4 p.m. That only leaves three hours of work.

And we have the nerve to tell these kids they have to save their money to go to college.

It is unfair to Mr. Gatto and his employees.

Next time you feel hungry for some fine Italian food and you're in the Canton area, stop in and see Mr. Gatto. Thank him for giving the kids a chance to make some money.

And order an extra garlic bread. If Mr. Gatto has to pay the \$14,850, he's going to need all the help he can get.

Wordsmith

By Alex Lundberg



knows just what his word is worth.

This is not a gun issue, and even if it was it would only be a minor one. All the ordinance says in reference to firearms is that it is illegal to... "carry a firearm or dangerous weapon on his person or within any vehicle, concealed or otherwise, in any public place in the township."

This is a local control issue, and on that front this is an important step for Plymouth Township. The ordinance is Plymouth saying that the township will deal with, rather than pass on, Plymouth's problems.

For those that think that Plymouth's ordinance is a bad thing for the people of the township, by all means go to the next board meeting and exercise your First Amendment rights to protect your Second Amendment rights.

kindergarten? (Let's not only focus on the schools responsibility, but let's examine mom's and dad's responsibilities.)

In his column, Mr. Lundberg stated that by expelling a problem student, the student is being cast out of the social contract. But, by expelling a problem student from the student body, the social contract may be kept for those students who are trying to learn and have respect for their teachers. It is the problem student, himself, who is doing the cutting out of the social contract by not following the rules of the school and classroom. (Besides, usually when expulsion is considered, the student has already

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Community opinions

Schools cannot give up on children

EDITOR:

I just had to respond to Alex Lundberg's "Expulsion Cuts Kids out of Society." It was all so true. I have a son who at 15 was kicked out because he didn't always show up to class, or was late. Our children are crying for our help and we all need to make sure some know how they get it. I know classes are overcrowded but kicking out kids is not a responsible way to control class size.

These kids need the education to survive in an already overcrowded world. I am a 1973 graduate of

School kids need more respect for authority

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been given several chances to improve.) Maybe it is time for "Junior" to return home and learn those attributes which are the responsibility of the parents. Maybe if mom or dad had to take time off of work to teach these lessons, "Junior" would learn very quickly.

Contrary to Mr. Lundberg's beliefs, I believe there are gains to expelling a problem student. The remaining students can now learn without the interruptions of their classmate's misbehavior. They now have more time to gain more knowledge. What a good example this sets to the remaining student body.

Mr. Lundberg stated that a school that expels a student sends a discouraging, quitting message. I will again disagree. I believe it sends an encouraging message. It portrays an attitude of respect for education. It

Salem and have always been very proud of my education and I want that for my children too.

You are right that we cannot give up on any child just because they may be difficult. Some of our most brilliant scientists, scholars and artists were hard to handle children.

Let's not cut our world short of intelligent people. Thank you for your concern, it really hit home.

BARBARA J. KING

expresses that education is important and is an opportunity and privilege that should be taken seriously. School is not day care. Teachers are there to teach, let's let them proceed. What would a child learn if everything were fixed for him? What will happen to "Junior" when he has a job and consistently behaves inappropriately? Might he also be "expelled" from that position? Is the school not being consistent with the social contract?

Overall, expulsion is not the failure of the schools but is a failure of parents. Maybe we should have a program to help parents teach their children to behave so that when they reach the age to attend school, they will never have to be forced to become alienated from the educational system.

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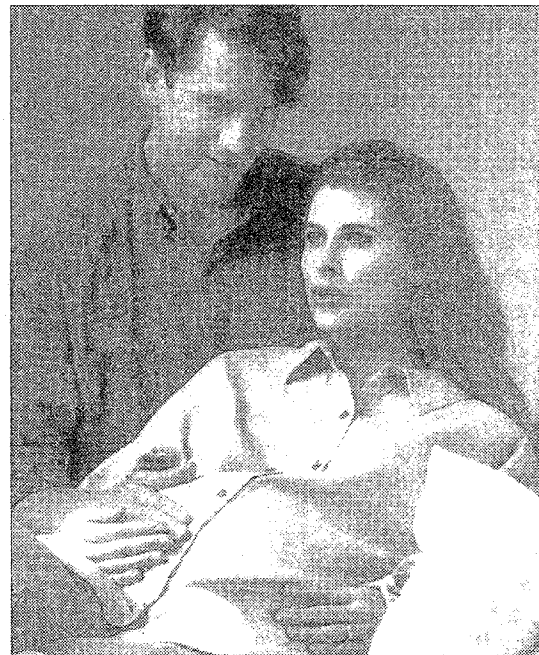
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