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## FBI nabs Twp. bank robbery suspect

## Ice Spectacular underway

BY BRIAN CORBETT

Warning to bank robbers: Stay out of Plymouth.

For the second time in less than a year, a suspect in a robbery of a Plymouth community bank was captured less than a week later.

Elijah Washington, Jr., a 28-year-old Detroit resident, was arrested by the FBI at noon Monday in Detroit after allegedly robbing the Standard Federal Savings and Loan, located at the corner of Ann Arbor and Haggerty roads, at approximately 1 p.m. Friday, according to FBI Special Agent Sean Nicol and Plymouth Township Police.

As it turned out, the third time was the charm for law enforcement officials. "He's robbed three banks," said Nicol. "One in October, one in December and the one this past Friday. He had no criminal record. He was a real good guy. I actually felt sorry for him. He was in the military for six years. He just had money problems. It was a bad decision, and it ruined his life."

Washington is accused of robbing Standard Federal of \$2,500 dollars as well as two Michigan National banks, one in Dearborn and one in Southfield.

Nicol said the FBI had been tracking Washington since he went to a Michigan National Bank in Redford and tried to exchange bills marked with a dye from his December robbery. "We ran his social security number to see if he had recorded any income," Nicol said, "and he did some place off Telegraph (Road.) We went there and they said he had disappeared in October, which was the time of the first bank robbery, but we had some addresses for him. We knew he was in town. When he hit Friday, we knew we had to do something."

So Nicol visited Washington's uncle and parents. Washington's father then called his youngest son who agreed to page Washington while the FBI waited.

"That was it," said Nichol. "There was no resistance at all. He was really good."

The robbery marked the second bank theft in the Plymouth communi-

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## Chamber to plan future

The future of the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce will be planned Jan. 17.

That's when members of the chamber will gather at a special planning meeting to set the focus and direction of the Plymouth business community.

Long and short term goals will be outlined and used by the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors to formulate a plan for the year and to help identify areas of concern to the membership.

The meeting at the Mayflower Hotel's Colony Room will run from 8-10:30 a.m. Reservations must be made by Monday by calling the chamber at 453-1540.



The 14th annual Plymouth International Ice Spectacular begins today throughout downtown Plymouth. Brett and Chris Harrison of Plymouth Township enjoyed the event last year, despite balmy temperatures. As many as 500,000 people are expected to attend the event.

### Left Bank

*Former Plymouth resident turns dream into magazine*

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### Ice = Gold

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### Chiefs win

*Canton remains perfect for the season with overtime win*

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# Ice Spectacular has rich history

BY BRIAN CORBETT

It could be said it took Plymouth resident Scott Lorenz 60 minutes to come up with the idea for the Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular.

"I got the idea when I was watching '60 Minutes', a new show a few years ago," Lorenz said with a touch of sarcasm. "They had a show on the Sapporo Ice Festival, actually I think it's called the Sapporo Snow Festival in Sapporo, Japan. I don't know if you've ever seen this thing, but some of these snow sculptures are two, three stories tall. And I thought, we certainly have the weather in Michigan. If they can do it in Sapporo, why not here in Plymouth, Michigan?"

Lorenz's father, Ralph, told him why not. "He thought I was crazy," Lorenz said. But Lorenz was able to convince his

father to get involved, and he won the approval of city officials. The first Ice Spectacular was put together within 45 days, but was still successful, providing a jolt to the usually slow business month of January.

"Everybody was just totally amazed," said Lorenz. "They'd never seen anything like it. That's why it's so successful. It's unique. Let's face it: It's cold out, and we're walking around."

In the following years, the Ice Spectacular was expanded throughout downtown and Japanese chefs were flown in from their homeland to participate. "They just created some fabulous sculptures," Lorenz said. "That just put us on another level right there."

Lorenz worked on the Ice Spectacular for eight years, allowing him to see — and feel — a little bit of everything it has to

offer. "It's a savage beast," Lorenz said, "because when the weather's good for the sculptures, it's not good for the spectators. When it's raining out, when it's warm, it's good for the spectators, but not sculptures."

Lorenz remembers one Ice Spectacular when he was trying to cover the sculptures during a driving rainstorm with spectators following right behind him, lifting the plastic covering, trying to sneak a peak. "Then lighting hit nearby," he said, "and I thought, 'What am I doing out here?' But they've all been great."

Lorenz believes promoter Mike Watts and everyone else involved in planning this year's Ice Spectacular have done a great job keeping it a family event. "I think they're on the right track," he said. "They're improving quality. The key is to be innovative, creative and stay number one."

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## Howe to attend fire benefit

BY ROB KIRKBRIDE

The Canton Fire and Police Unions game with the Detroit Red Wing Alumni team, set for Jan. 27 at 7 p.m. at the Plymouth Cultural Center, will feature a familiar face for hockey fans.

Red Wing legend Gordie Howe will be at the event again this year.

Sgt. Jim Davison of the Canton Fire Department said Howe will be at the Cultural Center 3:30-6 p.m. signing his book "and Howe." Autographed books are on sale for \$35, with half of all book

proceeds going to the unions' campaign to help the University of Michigan Trauma Burn Center.

Davison stressed that autographed books would be available before the official signing session by visiting Canton Fire Station One, at the corner of Cherry Hill and Canton Center roads, or Canton Fire Station Two, on Warren Road between Haggerty and Lilley. The fire station locations will also be selling tickets for the game for \$5. Tickets are expected to sell out fast.

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# Twp. pavilion burns

## Memories go up in smoke with shelter, Twp. recreation offices

BY ROB KIRKBRIDE

Flames engulfed the picnic shelter at Plymouth Township Park early Saturday morning — taking with it years of great memories for many community residents.

Plymouth Community Fire Department Chief Larry Groth said the fire completely destroyed the shelter, which also houses the Plymouth Township Parks and Recreation offices, causing more than \$125,000 in damage.

"It appears to us that an unknown number of people were gathered in the pavilion after hours," said Groth. "There was some wood in there and a fire was started in the fireplace. Fires were also started in two 55-gallon drums."

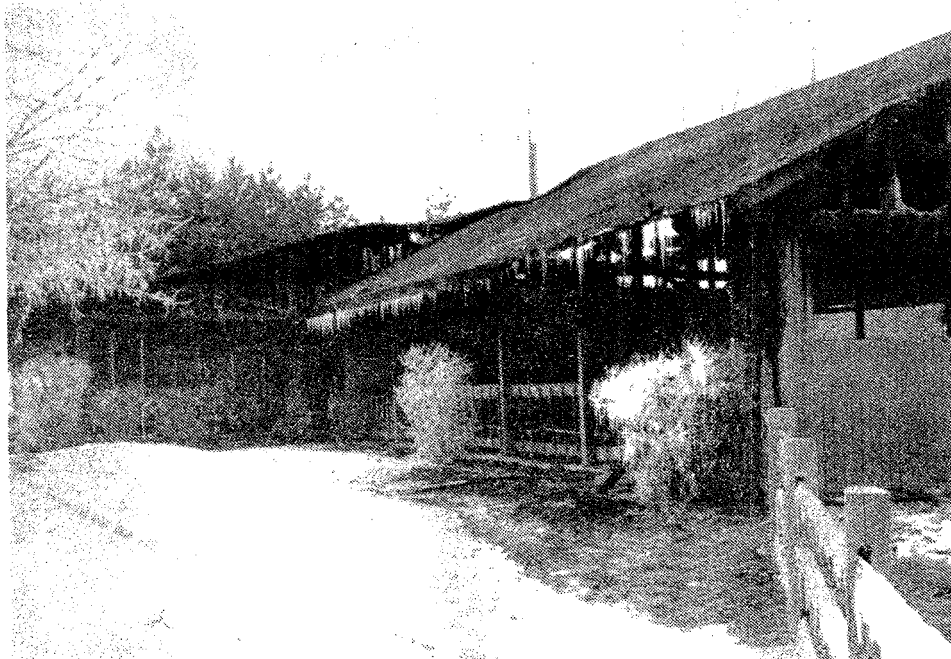
That, said Groth, is where the fire started. One of the 55-gallon drums was positioned against a support post, he said. The department received the fire call at 2:05 a.m. Saturday morning.

"The fire spread to the roof and then back in a northerly direction into the attic over the park offices," he said. "When the fire department arrived, the roof was already engulfed in flames."

Even with four pieces of fire fighting equipment and 20 firefighters, the flames could not be extinguished before destroying the facility, which was the site of many family and community picnics.

The remainder of the structure was torn down Monday, but will be rebuilt, according to Groth.

There are no suspects at this time, but investigations continue.



(Above) Ice from firefighters' efforts to extinguish the blaze hang from the burned shell of the pavilion. (right) The pavilion was also the site of the Plymouth Township Recreation Department offices, all of which were destroyed in the fire. (Crier photos by Rob Kirkbride)



# Canton Police piece together shooting

BY ROB KIRKBRIDE

Despite the controversy and confusion following the shooting death of a 17-year-old in Canton Friday, Canton Police are attempting to piece together the facts of the case.

Rumors are swirling through Metro Detroit media outlets, but according to Canton Police Officer Lew Stevens, the cause of the shooting is still somewhat cloudy.

According to a report by Detective Eddie Tanner, sometime before 11:30 p.m. Friday, the victim was shot in the head with a small caliber revolver. The victim was then transported by his roommate and other witnesses to Annapolis Hospital in

Westland. From there, the victim was airlifted to the University of Michigan Hospital, where he died at approximately 5:30 a.m.

The two suspects being sought by the Canton Police Department turned themselves in for questioning on Sunday, but have not been charged in the killing.

The case has drawn the attention of the Metro Detroit media, whose reports are conflicting. Some reported it was a suicide.

Others that it was an accidental shooting. Yet others described it as a homicide. Stevens said it is too early to draw conclusions.

"The evidence will go to the prosecutor's office," he said. "They'll decide what to do with it."

# Schools prepared for Canton growth

BY BRIAN CORBETT

The Plymouth-Canton Community Schools are neither ahead nor behind the population growth in The Plymouth-Canton Community.

And that's where they want to be, said P-C Schools Associate Director for Research and Technology David Rodwell in reaction to the recent release of the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG) growth projec-

tions for 1990 to 2020. "We're probably right on target with our planning," he said. "The problem is we have to be real careful. If we move too fast and interest rates turnaround, then we're stuck with tax dollars. If we move too slow, we affect the quality of the program."

SEMCOG projections point to a tremendous rise in Canton's population from its current level of 66,119 to 98,251 in 2020 — a 72.2 percent gain from

1990. Plymouth Township's forecast is not as dramatic with population expected to rise from 23,686 to 33,377.

Rodwell said the school district is monitoring the growth. "I have maps of where the current and future building will be on my desk all the time," he said. "We're watching it. There'll be a recommendation before the board next month for a short term solution."

An enrollment and facilities community committee was formed last fall after a report on school population and building use was presented by Rodwell. In that report, Rodwell informed the board that three elementary schools in the school district were at capacity and that the freshman class at the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park was the largest of the four in the high schools.

He said a long term solution on the

# FBI nabs bank robbery suspect

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ty in 10 months. On March 10 of last year, NBD in downtown Plymouth was robbed by William Warwick, a veteran thief known as "The Ghoul" by the FBI until his capture in Garden City March 16.

Like Warwick, Washington implied he was carrying a gun, but it was never visi-

ble according to police. Neither incident resulted in injury to employees either. "They felt endangered," Rapson said of the Standard Federal employees, "no doubt about that. When someone tells you he has a gun in his pocket and they want money, anybody in the world would think their life is in danger. You'll do anything to give it up."

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## Agenda

### THIS WEEK

- The Plymouth Poets, in conjunction with the Plymouth Community Library and the Michigan Council for the Arts and Cultural Affairs, invite poets and poetry lovers to their annual Winter Writer series. The first program will take place Thursday at 7:30 p.m. at the Plymouth Coffee Bean Company.
- The Plymouth Historical Museum is hosting a program on cardboard and lithographed doll houses featuring Marge Powell as the speaker. Several pieces from Powell's collection are on exhibit at the museum as part of the special exhibition of doll houses and miniature, which runs through March 3.

### NEXT WEEK

- The Plymouth City Commission will meet Monday at 7 p.m.

### UPCOMING

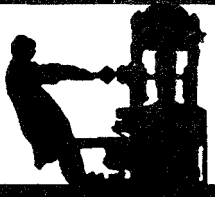
- The Plymouth German-American Club will hold their Fasching Party Jan. 27 at 7:30 p.m. at the Plymouth Cultural Center. German food, beer and wine will be available during the evening. Tickets are \$6 per person and can be purchased in advance by calling Maria Mulzer at 453-5839. Fasching is a pre-Lenten activity dating back to the 16th century in Bavaria and the Black Forest area of Germany.

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# Grand opening

(right) Canton Supervisor Tom Yack helps Nicholaus Pesant, Kurtis Lynett, Elvin McGuire, Angela DiNacola, Alicia Sundquist, Leann Sundquist, Erin Dillenbeck, Shelley Catalan, Amy Caves and Justyna Kargol cut the ribbon during the Summit on the Park grand opening celebration last weekend. The students from P-C schools designed the "cutout people" ribbon to reflect summit activity. (below) Crowds waited in line for tours of the new community center. (Crier photos by R. Alwood Jr.)



## Public notices

### NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools invites the submission of **BIDS** for the purchase and installation of 68 self-storing safety rails on bleachers in Canton High School. Specifications and Bid Response Forms can be obtained at the Purchasing Department, Board of Education Building, 454 S. Harvey Street, Plymouth, MI. Bids are due on or before 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, January 24, 1996. The Board of Education reserves the right to accept any or reject all bids, as they judge to be in the best interest of the School District.

BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Plymouth-Canton Community Schools  
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## Public notices

### ANNUAL MEETING PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY UNITED WAY

The Annual Meeting of the Plymouth Community United Way will be held at the Plymouth Historical Museum located at 155 South Main, Plymouth, MI, 48170 on Tuesday, January 16, 1996 at 7:00pm.

The purpose of this meeting is to elect four Board members, four officers, hear reports from the President, Secretary and Treasurer and to conduct such other business as may come before the Board.

The public is invited to attend. Refreshments will be served at the conclusion of the meeting.

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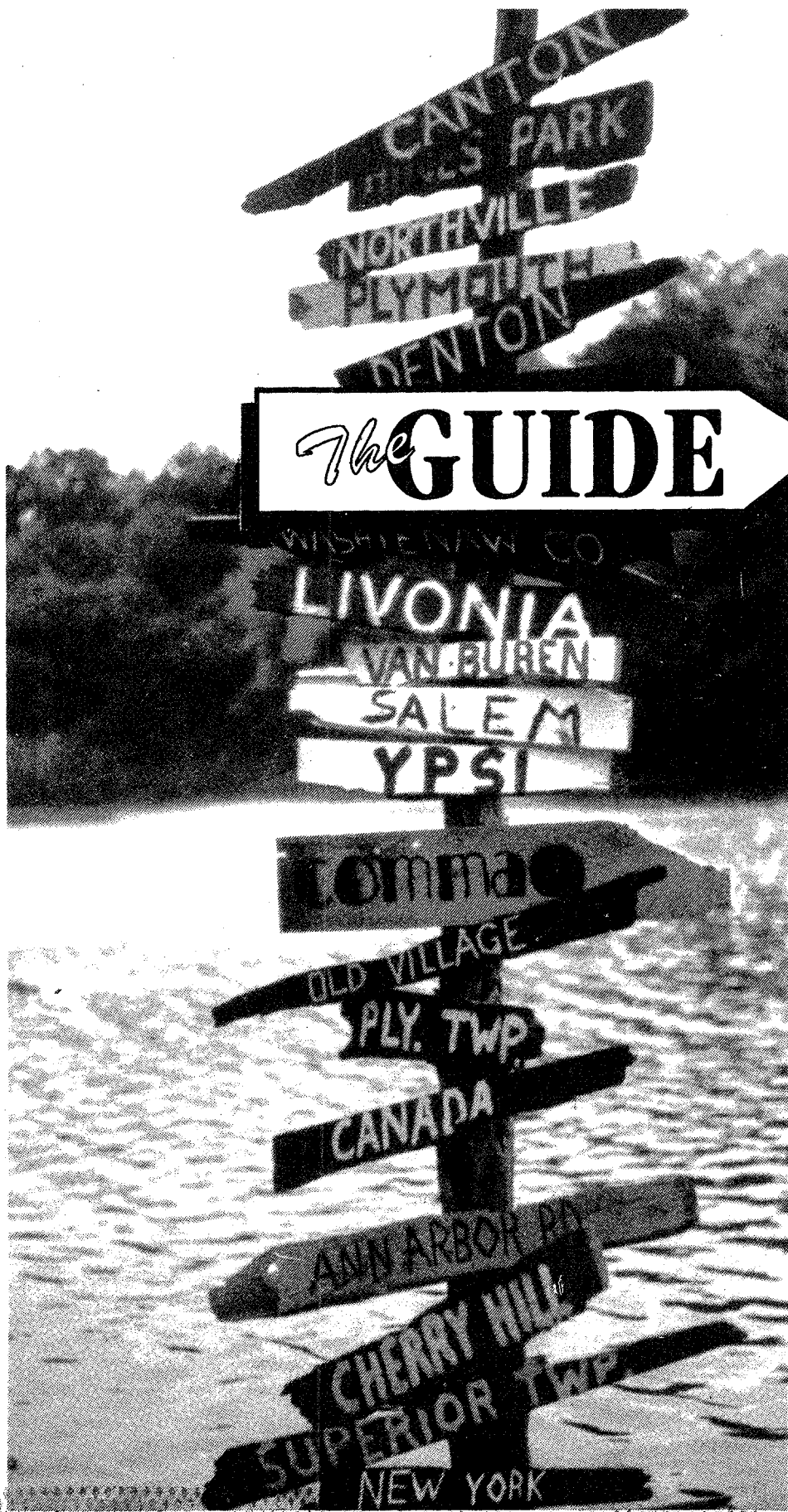
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# Friends & neighbors

## Neighbors in the news

The Plymouth-Canton High Schools' Chamber Ensemble will perform at Borders Books and Music Jan. 21 at 1 p.m. The bookstore is located in the Novi Town Center, off Novi Road, just south of I-96.

Navy Petty Officer First Class Frank A. Johnson, a 1979 graduate of Canton High School, is currently in the Adriatic Sea serving aboard the amphibious assault ship, USS Wasp. Johnson is one of 3,151 soldiers aboard the ship supporting the peace implementation operations in the former Yugoslavia.

Matthew Myhrum of Plymouth is the lighting and designer for the production of "What the Butler Saw" at the University of Evansville.

The PCEP Marching Band Boosters will present the John Blackwell Ford First Annual Mid Winter Night Blues Recital Feb. 11 at the Plymouth Cultural Center. The program is designed to develop a scholarship fund for the music program at Canton and Salem high schools. It will feature Rob Myers, former drum major and trombone player, currently enrolled at the University of Michigan. Joining Myers will be Jason Berkley, saxophone, and Susie Bozell, violin. Tickets for the two-hour show are \$10 and can be purchased by calling Sandy Keesey at 397-8903 or Sharon Shemon at 455-9112.

Megan Millerville of Plymouth recently graduated from Ferris State University with an associates degree in radiography.

Nancy Hixson and Carla Perez of Plymouth are part of Michigan State University's College of Human Ecology program to make sure first-year students get the kind of individual attention and help they need to succeed on campus.

The school of business at Madonna University recognized Canton residents Susan Alonzo, Paulette Bessel, Rozanne Delozier, Kenneth Fanelli, Christine Gerak, Melissa Hajec, Toni Meyer and Margaret Shields and Plymouth residents Glenn Fischer, Karen Histed and Catherine Smith with the Highest Achievement Award. It is given to students who have completed a minimum of 30 semester hours, 15 within the major, with a grade point average of 3.5 or above.

# The Left Bank

*Former Plymouth resident launches upscale new magazine*

Shawn Santo, a 1986 Salem High School graduate, turned her passion for life in Detroit into a smart, classy, new magazine — The Left Bank.

Santo, who is editor-in-chief of the fledgling publication, created the magazine to showcase art and culture in Detroit.

"There is such a richness in life down here," she said. "People don't understand that Detroit is home to such great music, architecture and people."

Santo's love of Detroit began with an acceptance letter from Wayne State University, where she learned to appreciate the city. Detroit became her home.

She bought an old bank building with a couple of friends with the idea of opening a coffee bar. A newsletter designed to keep friends and supporters updated on the progress of the coffee house turned into the magazine.

The Left Bank, which was named after the Rive Gauche in Paris, the artistic and cultural hub surrounding the Universite Sorbonne, will be published bi-monthly. The inaugural issue can be purchased locally at The Little Professor bookstore in Plymouth.

The magazine was not Santo's first business venture. Her three businesses specialize in conceptual design — an out-cropping of her studies at Wayne State. Santo is currently working on her master's degree in urban planning. IS Studio takes care of Santo's artistic projects, Interior Innovations focuses on interior design, and Urban Innovation was formed to handle urban design and redevelopment projects.

"The magazine kind of ties it all together," Santo said. "Conceptual design can be tied to many fields."

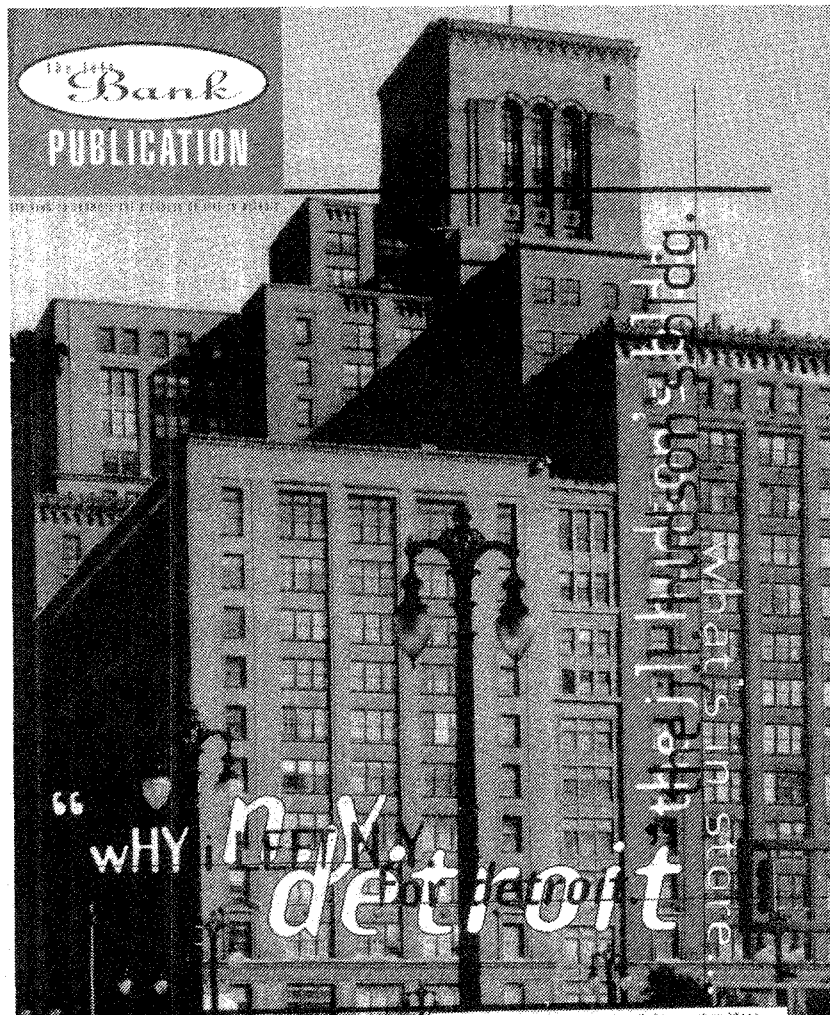
Santo said The Left Bank's target market is a 20-something, WDET listing, wine drinking market — a group she said is "visually attuned to things."

By capturing the attention of this group with slick layout, expensive paper stock and literary articles, Santo hopes to give small businesses the vehicle they need to promote themselves through advertisements.

The Left Bank is an early success. "Sales have been excellent," she said. "After the auto show, I think we'll be sold out."

The magazine has also generated a lot of interest in Detroit. Santo has appeared on Bill Bonds' television program and the magazine has received write-ups in Orbit, The Detroit News and Crain's Detroit Business, to name just a few.

"I believe the city is a small town," she said. "Everyone has been very supportive — the magazine proved that to me. Since the magazine hit the street, the



The Left Bank is the brainchild of former Plymouth resident Shawn Santo. Santo and her friends are preparing for their second issue.

phone has been ringing off the hook with people asking what they can do to help."

The staff of The Left Bank, which includes unorthodox positions such as "staff historian" and "cigar girl," is already working on the second issue.

Volume two of The Left Bank hits the streets on Valentine's Day. "The cover is like none other I've ever seen," said Santo. "It is a photo of the Sweetest Heart of Mary stained glass window from St. Valentine's Church in Detroit."

## Thomas goes 'extra mile' for P-C Schools

Bill Thomas, Allen Elementary School crossing guard for the past three years, consistently goes beyond job expectations day-after-day as he is "on guard" for the safety of the children crossing Haggerty Road near Allen School.

For his hard work and dedication, Thomas received the Extra Miler Award from the Plymouth-Canton School Board.

The entire staff of Allen Elementary nominated Thomas. "As a crossing guard," said Allen Principal James Burt, "Bill sees our need for relief of traffic congestion on Haggerty Road and in our parking lot. He tries to think of new ways to direct traffic in a safe manner. His

intervention has resulted in a better traffic flow as well as a less stressful arrival and departure from school daily."

Burt also noted that Thomas helps the Allen special needs students with their buses, helps "little ones" meet their day care vans, opens passenger doors for children when they're driven to school, and looks out for the staff during the winter months by cleaning windshields of snow.

Thomas accepted the Extra Miler certificate of recognition, a pin of the Flag of Liberty and Learning, and a dinner gift certificate from Roman Forum, all presented by P-C School Board member Barbara Graham.

# Lock it or lose it

*Twp. police investigate rash of car larcenies, urge residents to lock vehicles*

BY BRIAN CORBETT

If Plymouth Township residents don't start locking their car doors at night, they might find something missing in the morning.

Namely: stereos, cellular phones, tapes and compact discs, which have been stolen during a rash of car larcenies resulting in approximately \$3,000 in lost items.

"We've been getting a lot of car larcenies," said Sgt.

Steve Rapson. "We've had nine since Dec. 20."

That includes five on New Year's Eve in the area of Sheldon and Ann Arbor roads. Rapson said he would consider the number of larcenies a dramatic increase. "We think it's local kids doing it," said Rapson.

The suspects, who have made no attempt to steal the cars, are gaining entry by a couple of methods. "They're doing one of two things," said Rapson. "They're finding cars unlocked or they're punching the door lock and gaining entry that way."

Rapson said if a car must be left outside, the doors should be locked and the car should be parked in a well lit area. Thieves could also be denied entry if residents remove their audio equipment every night. "If they're going to have those types of items," he said, "I would suggest they don't leave them in there."

Rapson echoed Plymouth Township Police Chief Carl Berry's call for community involvement to prevent crimes. "If they see any suspicious vehicles in the area," Rapson, "give us a call."

## Canton police 'have suspect in mind' in Dec. 28 sexual assault case

*Leads being followed in case*

BY BRIAN CORBETT

Canton Police are still investigating the sexual assault that occurred Dec. 28 in the western end of Canton.

"They do have a suspect in mind," said Officer Lew Stevens, "but it's in the preliminary stages."

A married couple was returning home at about 7 p.m. to their secluded Warren Road home, just east of Napier, when they were accosted by a man with a shotgun, police said. The suspect sexually assaulted the woman while her

husband, according to police, was tied up in the bathroom. After taking approximately \$200 in cash and items, the suspect forced the couple to drive him to Detroit, police said, where he escaped on foot.

The couple then drove to Oakwood Hospital where the woman was treated and released.

The suspect is described as a black male, 30 years of age, 6' tall, 200 pounds with brown hair and eyes, and a possible mustache and beard.

"They've got a number of leads they're working on," said Stevens, "but other than that, nothing new has come up."

## 'New Age' medicine gains popularity in community

BY CAREY MCCONKEY

With the rising costs of health care many people are turning to homeopathic remedies as an alternative to traditional medical care — that trend is especially noticeable in The Plymouth-Canton Community.

Some of the products receiving media attention are: Melatonin, which is being used for insomnia and jet lag, and there are several herbs which people are using for anything from improving memory to treating cancer.

"Whenever anything is in the media, there is always a big run on it," said Healthways employee Jean Ferguson.

However, emergency physician Dr. John Wleznia of St. Mary Hospital in Livonia, warns that there has been little research done on many of the products that have recently drawn so much media coverage.

The homeopathic products are not subject to the same governmental regulations as prescribed medications are.

"They are not government regulated for purity. You could be putting potentially harmful substances into your body," said Wleznia.

Despite a lack of governmental control, many people have chosen to seek self-medication rather than the traditional medical treatment.

Wleznia said that he feels many people are resorting to homeopathic remedies because they are cheaper than going through the medical establishment, and many do not have health insurance.

Wleznia added that some may feel as if traditional medicine has not come through with a solution for them.

"People are tired of taking prescription drugs and not getting results," said Ferguson.

Wleznia, while not denying that some homeopathic remedies might be effective for some, stressed the importance of traditional medication. He was quick to point out that these remedies should never be used as a substitution to conventional medical treatment, especially if there is a known cure.

"I wouldn't recommend them (homeopathic treatments), especially if there was something that I could offer," said Wleznia, "maybe in conjunction with traditional treatment. I would never abandon traditional medicine."

Wleznia does admit to being more open minded to homeopathic "cures" if it were for

an illness that traditional medicine could not cure.

If these "new age" remedies are used, be warned, some have the potential to be harmful if not used properly.

"I have seen a few women try herbal teas to induce an abortion. It didn't effect the pregnancy, and caused vomiting, but it wasn't serious enough for the women to be hospitalized," said Wleznia.

Whatever the risks, many customers have returned excited over the results that they have gotten from the homeopathic remedies — results not found with prescription drugs, according to Ferguson.

## Schools ready for growth

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schools district's population will be presented later this year, and that any solutions being mentioned currently are purely speculative. "That's all in the area of rumor mill," he said.

Rodwell reminded that while Canton, according to projections, will continue to grow, there are other areas of the school district that are witnessing a decrease in enrollment. "The Plymouth-Canton Schools really touch five different municipalities," said Rodwell. "There's Northville Township in the northeast cor-

ner of the district, Canton Township, Plymouth Township, the City of Plymouth, Superior Township and Salem Township. When you're looking at one community and looking at the growth, you don't want to overreact and say that growth is going to overtake the whole district."

That rate at which Canton increases in population, Rodwell said, is very important. "There's got to be a balance to where the new growth is," he said, "and we do know, and where the decreasing enrollment is."

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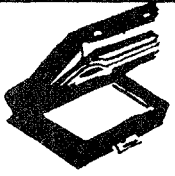


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# Getting down to business

## Spartan warehouse changes hands

BY BRIAN CORBETT

The facility that is currently home to Spartan Stores Inc., located at 9075 Haggerty Rd. in Plymouth, has been acquired by The Merchant Banking Unit of Cohen Financial from Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company.

"We bought it on behalf of a client that we serve as an investment advisor," said Terrence Connors, director of industrial acquisitions for the Chicago-based real estate investment firm.

Connors said the deal was completed in mid-November, and the client would probably remain anonymous. "Unfortunately," said Connors, "I can't disclose that at the client's request."

Spartan Stores, Inc. is the only tenant in the 400,000 square foot facility built in 1968. The grocery wholesaler, one of the 10 largest in the country, will continue to occupy the property, Connors said.

Cohen Financial's Service Unit will be responsible for the management of the facility, which includes, according to Connors, "collecting the rent, billings, maintaining oversight of the maintenance of the property. The single tenant, by in large, has the responsibility for the maintenance of the facility."

Greg Lintner has been named property manager for what is Cohen Financial's largest management project outside of Illinois. Connors said Cohen Financial, which concentrates its investments in Chicago, will continue to show interest in Metro Detroit as the local economy grows efficient and stable from the automotive industry, especially western Wayne County, which is considered to be the premiere industrial market in the area.

"We're looking at a number of transactions in the Detroit area," he said.

"This building is 400,000 square feet, and we will probably, we will pursue other acquisitions. There just hasn't been any investments that have suited us — yet."

## Staples acquires Canton-based Macauley's Business Resources

BY BRIAN CORBETT

New year, new name.

The office supply and furniture industry formerly known as Macauley's Business Resources, Inc. (MBRI), 41554 Koppnick Rd. in Canton, has completed its adoption into the Staples, Inc. family by changing its name to Staples Business Advantage.

On July 1 of last year Staples purchased Macauley's Business Resources. "This name change," said President and CEO of Staples Business Advantage Jack Macauley, "from MBRI to Staples Business Advantage marks the final and most exciting step of our integration into the Staples family."

The name change brings an end to a short life for MBRI, which was formed in 1994 when Macauley's, Inc. merged with Business Resources, Inc. of Ann Arbor. "The two companies merged so we could be attractive to a national firm," said Macauley. "Obviously, it was successful."

Other than losing a few executives to retirement, the sale to Staples did not effect employees; it has, however, provided some positive additions.

"You benefit from the larger national firm that has some 19,000 employees," Macauley said. "You get the benefit of the human resource package, the buying power and the advertising."

Customers will continue to reap the benefits of Staples, Macauley said, such as free next day delivery and customized billing. "Our customers will receive the same great service they're accustomed to," he said, "with many added conveniences and cost savings that come with the Staples name. Our new name truly reflects what we believe: That the combination of Staples and MBRI provides new advantages in price, convenience and service to customers."

Also, beginning this month, Staples Business Advantage will offer "convenience cards" to customers, enabling them to shop at any Staples Office Superstore

and have their purchase included in their regular methods of billing. Macauley said, after two name changes to his business in two years, that there are no more changes planned in the operation of the business. "There are no

changes in the future that we know of," he said. "The only change that may take place is if Staples decides to sell off one of its divisions, but there's no reason for that to happen."

## Plymouth Ice Spectacular brings big business to community's retailers

### *Local business owners brace for hot week during icy festival*

BY BRIAN CORBETT

One thing the Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular won't put a freeze on is downtown business.

Most local eateries and retailers are looking forward to Ice Spectacular '96 with unbridled anticipation. "It makes January," said Dennie Englehart, owner of the Outback Cappuccino Bar. "Needless to say, with the cold, people don't just walk around outside. That's what it takes: an event."

"It's a really important event," said Dave Kaplan, owner of Uncle Frank's Coney Island. "It gives a real good spike to January. It was hard to tell last year because the weather was so warm, but it was still pretty good. We're thinking we'll have it even better this year."

A majority of local business owners said the Ice Spectacular ranks as one of their biggest sales periods — depending on the weather — and that customers often load up on warm refreshments and soups.

"They like hot food, that's for sure," said Joy Hollen, owner of the SideStreet Pub. "We let them in on Sundays.

"By law, we can't serve them alcohol before noon. But if they're standing out there in the cold, we'll let them in and serve chili or soup, hot chocolate, it really warms them up."

It's more of the same over at the Outback, where hot chocolate and cappuccino exercise the chill out of customers' bones and cookies are snapped up. "It's probably better than Fall Festival," said Nancy Tilly, who works in Chameleon Galleries, Ltd., which is adjoined to the Outback. "I think we get more people here for the Ice Festival than the Fall Festival because we don't have to compete with all the food being served."

While Englehart and Tilly believe the weather doesn't have much of an effect and always increase staff for the onslaught, Kaplan said he is busier during Art in the Park, and Hollen said her success rests on Mother Nature's temper.

None of this matters to Ann Kuchard, owner of Maya's Deli in Westchester Square, who said her business is steady all year except for the Ice Spectacular because her regular customers can't find a place to park. But Kuchard still enjoys attending the event and hopes this year will be different. "After I finish working, we'll go over," she said. "It's unfortunate; you look forward to it all year and you don't make any money on it. We have great business all year long — and I'm shocked we don't get better business then."

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**AEROBICS CLASS**  
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**EMERGENCY PHARMACEUTICAL PROGRAM**  
 Qualified Plymouth seniors can receive a month's supply of medication, available at the township hall the second and third Fridays of each month. Call 455-7526 for an appointment.

**SMOKE STOPPERS**  
 The McAuley Health building will hold a continuing stop-smoking clinic with a free assessment. Patch users are welcome. For more information, call Pat Harris at 712-4141.

# Schools...

**SCHOLARSHIPS**  
 The Plymouth Township American Legion/Auxiliary Post 112 is currently accepting applications for two \$500 scholarships from local area students who are the dependents of veterans. Scholarship applications may be obtained from the office of local high school counselors or by calling the Post 112 at 451-3574 or P.O. Box 701134, Plymouth, MI 48170-0959. Applications must be received by Feb. 1.

**NEW MORNING SCHOOL**  
 Registrations are being accepted for the winter sessions of Me & My Shadow classes, an introductory preschool class. Ages two to four. Music, activities, art, snack and story time. Monday sessions started Monday. Friday sessions start Friday. Call 420-3331 for more information.

**PLYMOUTH SALEM LINEBACKERS MEETING**  
 The next meeting for general membership will be held Jan. 24 at 7:30 p.m. at the Salem High School Cafeteria. For more information on upcoming meetings or activities call Dan Lehane (455-3179) or Henry Schlusler (455-4348).

**TALENTED AND GIFTED PROGRAM SCREENING**  
 Parents of second, third and fourth graders need to contact their school office for a nomination form and return the completed form to their building principal no later than Jan. 22. An informational meeting regarding TAG is scheduled for today at 7 p.m. in the Miller Elementary School Gym, 43721 Hanford Rd. in Canton. For more information, call the TAG office at 416-4867.

**WSDP, 88.1-FM REUNION**  
 WSDP, the student-operated station of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools is planning its 25th anniversary reunion for 1997. Former staff members are asked to send their current addresses to the station at 46181, Joy Rd. Canton, MI 48187 or call 416-7732.

**P-C HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI DIRECTORY**  
 Will include names of current alumni all over the country, from Salem, Canton and Plymouth high schools. Current names and addresses needed. To update call 1-800-659-7995, fax 1-800-238-8332, mail Bernard C. Harris Publishing Company, Inc. ATTN: Richard Bradley, 313 E. Anderson Ln., Ste. 300 Austin TX 78752.

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**PLYMOUTH CHILDREN'S NURSERY OPENINGS**  
 Plymouth Children's Nursery still has openings for three-year-olds, Wednesday a.m.'s, and four-year-olds on Monday, Wednesday, Friday p.m.'s. Please call 459-3111 for more information.

# Upcoming...

**VALENTINES DAY DANCE**  
 St. John Neumann's Singles Group, located on Warren Avenue between Sheldon and Canton Center roads, is having a Valentine's Day Dance Feb. 10 from 8 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Dance, pizza, pop, raffle, tickets, prizes and music by James Dunn BYOB. No jeans please. \$8 admission. For more information call Pat at (313) 277-6083 or Marilyn at (313) 591-9269.

**ORATORICAL CONTEST**  
 The Plymouth Township American Legion/Auxiliary Post 112 is accepting registrations from students who desire to compete in this year's American Legion National Oratorical Contest. The competition will be held Jan. 14. Call 451-3574.

**CUTEST BABY CONTEST**  
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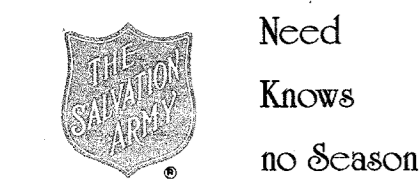
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At the Legion Post, 173 N. Main St., tomorrow at 8 p.m.  
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The first meeting of 1996 will be held Friday at 12:30 p.m. at the Plymouth First United Methodist Church, 45201 N. Territorial Rd. The program, "Being Lefthanded in a Righthanded World," will feature Plymouth City Manager Steve Walters. Dues for 1996 are due.  
**PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP LEGION POST/ AUXILIARY 112**  
Regular business meetings will be held Sunday at noon at Oddfellows Hall, 344 Elizabeth St. All veterans welcome. Call 451-3574.  
**SALEM HISTORICAL SOCIETY DINNER**  
Reservations for the Jan. 25 gala dinner for the restoration of the Stone School should be directed to Don Riddering (810-349-3550) or Jerry (459-7103).  
**CLOTHING BANK**  
The Clothing Bank will be open to distribute donations of clothing to families in need on Tuesdays only from 9-11:30 a.m. and from 1-3:30 p.m. during the school year. To make an appointment or for more information, call 416-6179.  
**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.  
**PLYMOUTH-CANTON JAYCEES**  
The Plymouth-Canton Jaycees hold monthly meetings on the fourth Thursday of each month at the Plymouth Cultural Center. The meetings begin at 7:30 p.m. For more information, call the Jaycee Hotline at 453-8407.  
**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.  
**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 Patie at 481-0286.  
**SMOKERS' RIGHTS MEETING**  
People supportive of smokers' rights can meet on the third Monday of every month at 7 p.m. at Denny's. For more information, call Marc at 455-1635.  
**U-W ALUMNI CLUB FUNDRAISER**  
The University of Wisconsin Alumni Club is raising scholarship funds for Michigan students attending U-W by selling Entertainment books, which contain hundreds of two-for-one and 50 per cent discounts to a variety of activities. Call Chuck at 454-5749.  
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**CANTON PARKS AND REC**  
The Recreation Center on the corner of Michigan Avenue and Sheldon Road will be available for community group and individual rental through April. Canton groups and residents only. Call 397-5110 for more information.  
**STU ROCKAFELLOW AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY**  
The Stu Rockafellow Amateur Radio Society will hold their regular monthly meeting at 7 p.m. on the third Tuesday of the month on the second floor of the Plymouth City Hall. For more information, call 455-7652. Amateur radio classes will be held Wednesdays from 7-9 p.m. at the Plymouth Township Hall. Call 454-4061 for more information.  
**PLYMOUTH OPTIMIST CLUB**  
The Plymouth Optimist Club meets every first and third Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m. in the Mayflower Hotel. Meetings include dinner and a speaker. For further information contact Felix Rotter at 453-2375. The Optimist Club will sell entertainment books for \$40 until Monday. Call 453-8253 or 728-7619 for more information.  
**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 Tom Hickey at 455-7110.  
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Every Friday, 5:30-8:30 p.m. at the V.F.W. Post #6695, 1426 S. Mill St. Call 459-6700 or 459-2394 for more information.  
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## Obituaries

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### PAUL PETER KANTOR

Paul Peter Kantor, a Westland resident, died Dec. 30, 1995, at the age of 84.

Mr. Kantor served in the U.S. Army Air Force in W.W. II. Mr. Kantor worked for 30 years with Detroit Gasket Company and 12 years with Ford Motor Company. He retired in 1979. Mr. Kantor was a member of VFW Post 3323 of Wayne-Westland.

Mr. Kantor is survived by his sister, Anna Knapczyk; and many nieces and nephews.

Services for Mr. Kantor were held from SS Simon and Jude Catholic Church with Fr. Gerry Bechard officiating. Arrangements were made by the Vermeulen Memorial Funeral Home. Burial was at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. Memorial tributes to mass offerings and the Michigan Cancer Society, 3807 Monroe St. Dearborn, MI 48124-9910.

### PETER GALAMBUS JR.

Peter Galambus Jr., a Canton resident, died Dec. 29, 1995, at the age of 72.

Mr. Galambus served in the Army during W.W. II. He came to the Canton community in 1950. Mr. Galambus worked for Evans Products for 20 years. Mr. Galambus was a member of V.F.W. Post 9973.

Mr. Galambus is survived by his son, Peter III (Valerie) and Thomas R. (Sandra); six sisters; and grandchildren, Nichole, Nathan, Braden and Matthew.

Services for Mr. Galambus were held at the Vermeulen Memorial Trust 100 Funeral Home with Rev. Rob Cook officiating. Burial was Ft. Custer National Cemetery in Battle Creek. Memorial tributes to the family fund are appreciated.

### NORMA E. HOMIER

Norma E. Homier, a Plymouth resident, died Jan. 3, 1995, at the age of 69.

Mrs. Homier is survived by her husband, Robert I.; Sheryl Nelawake, Susan Homier, Kathleen (Jim) Ernsberger; sons, Michael (Mary) and Richard (Tracy); eight brothers and sisters; and six grandchildren.

Services for Mrs. Homier were held at the Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home with Pastor Richard Martzolf. Burial was Glen Eden Memorial Park. Memorial tributes to Arbor Hospice, 3810 Packard Rd., #200, Ann Arbor, MI, 48108.

### Jennie Siebert, 80, cafeteria manager

Jennie Siebert, a Canton resident, died Dec. 26, 1995.

She is survived by two daughters and five grandchildren.

Services were held at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with Pastor Jerry Yarnell officiating. Burial was at Glen Eden Cemetery.

### Max Christopher Lafferty, 18, student

Max Christopher Lafferty, a Canton resident, died Dec. 26, 1995.

He is survived by his parents, James R. and Gail A.; brothers, Tony and Troy; two grandmothers; one grandfather and one step grandmother; one great grandmother; and many aunts, uncles and cousins.

Services were held at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with David Willerup officiating.

### John Duncan, Sr., 41, machine operator

John Duncan, Sr., a Canton resident, died Dec. 31, 1995.

He is survived by his wife, Beverly; sons, Russell, Joseph, Anthony, Jonathon, Timothy and John, Jr.; and mother and father.

Visitation was held at the Pawlus Funeral Home.

### Cecile Taylor, 92, teacher

Cecile Taylor, a Plymouth resident, died Jan. 2, 1995.

She is survived by two grandchildren and four great grandchildren

Services were held at Our Lady of Good Counsel of Catholic Church with Fr. John J. Sullivan officiating. Burial was at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

### Burnice Audry Pulido, 69

Burnice Audry Pulido, a Canton resident, died Jan. 2, 1996.

She is survived by her daughter, Joyce (John) Silagy and one other daughter; three sisters; two brothers; seven grandchildren; and four great grandchildren.

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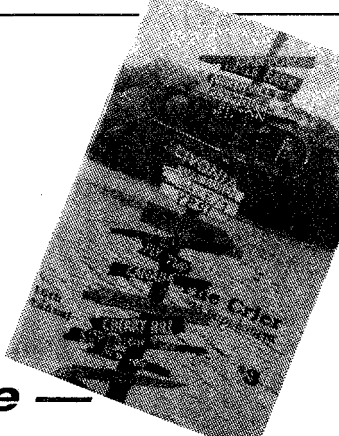
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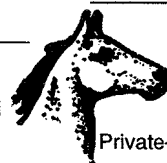
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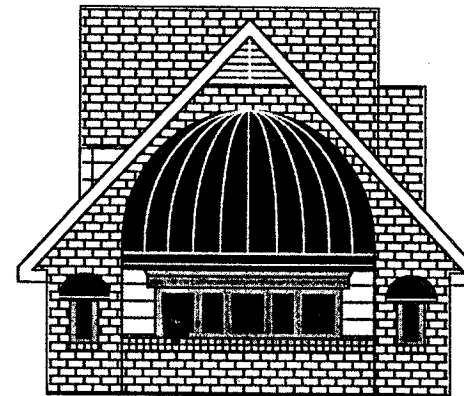
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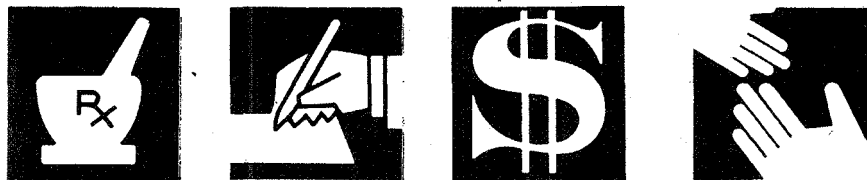
Steph and Rob, Thanks for the fun time on Saturday night (even though I was falling asleep on you!) Your "pre-baby" babies are really cute, too! Maura

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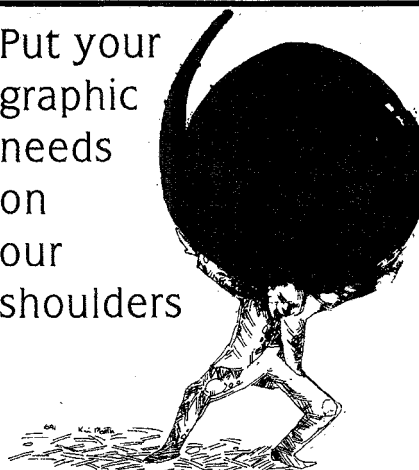


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Pity the poor Federal Government workers on PAID FURLOUGH. "Me thinks they do protest too much!" What I think is interesting is that we are getting about the same amount of work out of many of them, if they are at work or not. O! Weird Harold

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BEAUREGARD eats pizza but wants to know what Janet Armstrong did with the rest of her leftovers.

JACK ARMSTRONG IS A STAR--the "throne" has a new seat! Yay! AND A BIG THANKS JACK!

BEAUREGARD eats Bernie's home made dog biscuits.

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Mom McKay CONGRATULATIONS! And how cool that we get to see you and the gang this weekend.

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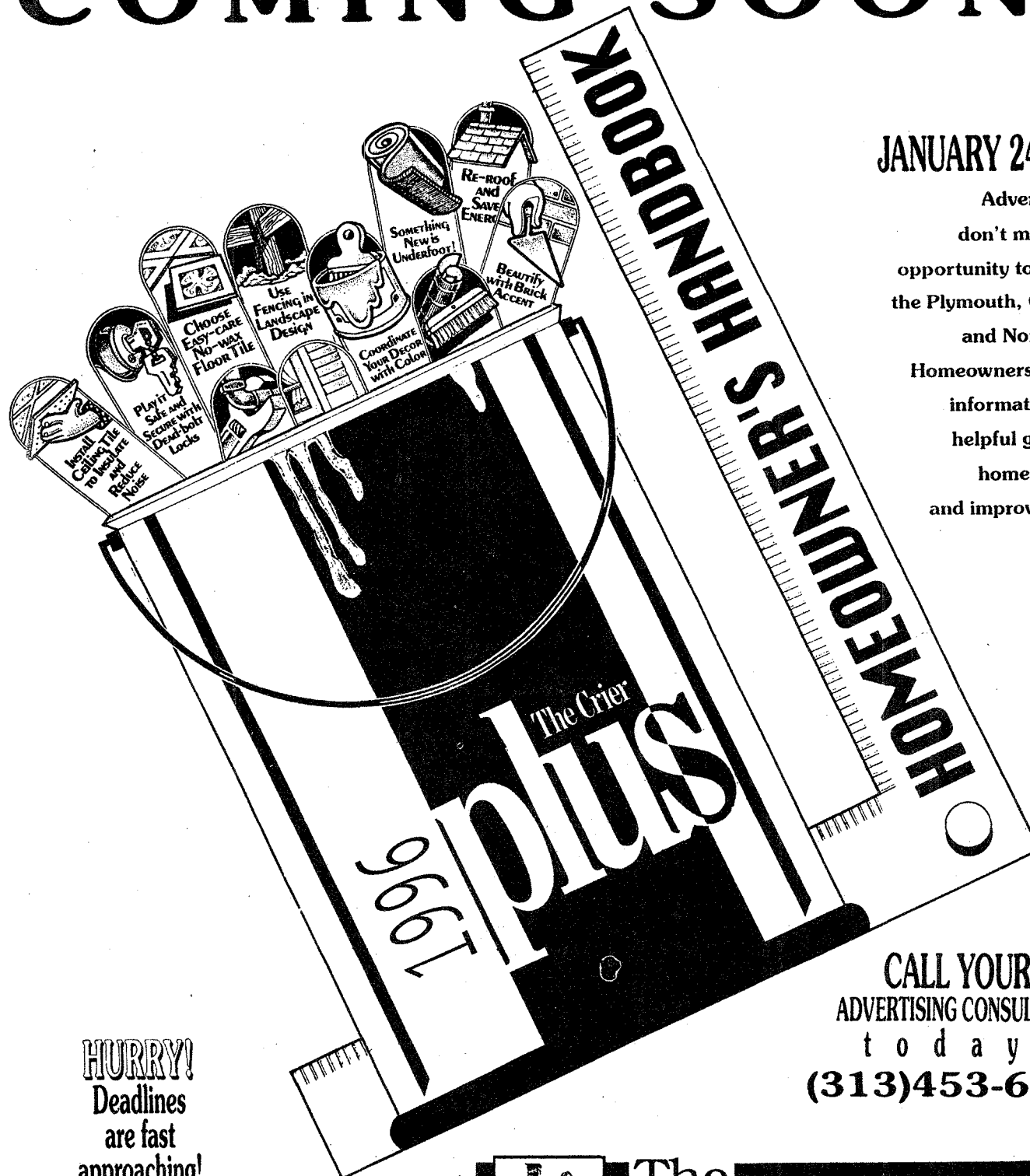
Matt Hucal has a sense of humour...huh huh...Hucal can rhyme with such funny things.

Stop by and check out the Ice Sculptures this week/end!

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Thanks Maura for the nice gesture with that auto show thing--we greatly appreciated it--Also it was pretty fun to get together Sat, night. We'll have to do it again. R & S

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# Sports

## Sports shorts

The Plymouth Canton Devils pee wee hockey team of 11- to 13-year-olds has compiled a 12-0-1 regular season record. The team has 66 goals for, nine goals against, a .958 winning percentage and a .75 goals against average.

The team is coached by Phil Lang, Jim Urick and Tim Smith and is captained by Steve Rapson. The rest of the team is Jason Knurek, Dustin Smith, Troy Starkey, Tyler Lang, Ryan Stipp, Adam Dilley, Nick Norville, Andrew Plagens, Joe Rzyzi, Jeff Fabry, Jack Ware, Bobbie Breen, Travis Plye, Andrew Martin and James Dogonski.

The City of Plymouth Parks and Recreation Department, in cooperation with Bianco Tours, will be offering a trip to the Windsor Casino on Jan. 18. The cost of \$26 includes the following: round trip transportation via deluxe motor coach; lunch at a local Windsor restaurant; \$10 of Canadian tokens; and plenty of time at the Casino. Proof of citizenship required for the trip to Canada. For more information, call 455-6620.

Canton Parks and Recreation Services is sponsoring a teen ski trip to Alpine Valley on Jan. 19 for ages 13-18. A bus leaves the Canton Administration Building parking lot at 5 p.m. and returns at approximately midnight. The cost for teens with their own equipment is \$22 and those needing rental equipment is \$29. Registration ends Jan. 18.

Canton Parks and Recreation Services is sponsoring beginners cheerleading classes for girls ages 5-11 starting Jan. 23. Classes are held at the Canton Recreation Center every Tuesday with five- and six-year-olds going from 7-7:30 p.m. and seven- to 11-year-olds going from 7:30-8 p.m. It will last for 10 weeks at the cost of \$25. Students will learn pompon and dance routines, basic cheers and jumps. Registration begins today and ends on Jan. 22.

Canton Parks and Recreation is running their Winter "Canton Cricket" registration on Jan. 22 from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Summit on the Park community center. The preschool program is for three- and four-year-olds and runs for 16 weeks beginning Feb. 12 through June 14. The class includes crafts, low organized games, story time, special events, trips and snack time. There are limited openings available. Call 397-5110 for more information.

# Tough tournament

*Canton, Salem wrestlers have rough time at home*

BY MATT HUCAL

Hosting the enormous Salem Varsity Wrestling Invitational year after year, Rocks coach Ron Krueger has noticed that his squad of 21 wrestlers seems to always endure a bit of trouble.

"It seems like we never do well as the hosts. This is usually our worst tournament," Krueger said. "I don't know if it's because we're always setting up or moving mats, or just that there are some really tough teams that come here."

Although he has a young team under his wings for the 1996 season, the Rocks, as well as the Canton squad, struggled against some tough teams in the 19-team tournament last Saturday.

A strong Holt team finished first with 275.5 points, Portage Central came after them with 151 points, and Stevenson rounded out the top three with 128 points. The hosts ended up in 10th place with 92.5 points, while the cross campus Chiefs beat out only two other teams with 36.5 points.

Between both Salem and Canton there were only seven wrestlers who ended up placing.

In the heavyweight class Canton's

## Chiefs remain perfect, Rocks stop Northville

BY MATT HUCAL

### CANTON

In a battle of undefeated basketball teams last Friday, the Canton Chiefs gave a performance that shows they have the heart to go far this year. While visiting Walled Lake Central (5-0 going into the game) in front of a packed gymnasium, the Chiefs escaped with a 71-62 overtime victory.

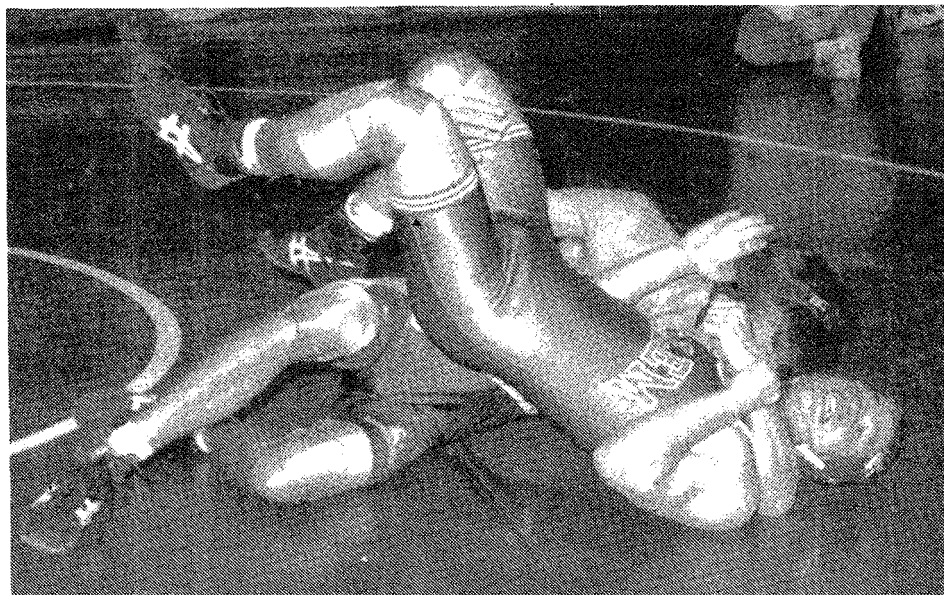
Playing in their first game in 17 days because of the holidays, the Chiefs (6-0), fell behind early in the game. They were behind by as many as 12 points in the third quarter and by nine at the beginning of the fourth quarter.

"We hung in there all game and kept our composure even with a packed house," Canton coach Dan Young said. "It was really wild there."

Once the fourth quarter began, Canton started making some big shots and tied the game at 45 with four minutes to go. The score at the end of regulation was 55-55. The Chiefs dominated the overtime by taking a 16-7 scoring advantage.

"I thought we really hung in there and made the shots we needed to," Young said. "It was a hard place to play. They're one of the better teams in the league."

Leading the Chiefs was Ron Hunter with 27 points and 12 rebounds. Nick



Salem's James Green had a tough time with Portage Central's Jason Herbert in the 135 pound weight class. The Rocks and Chiefs struggled at the Salem Varsity Wrestling Invitational. (Crier photo by R. Alwood Jr.)

Doug Cooper finished in third place. In the 119 lbs. weight class Salem's Eric Coburn ended up in third place after losing to the eventual winner from

Stevenson.

Up in the 152 lbs. weight class, Salem had a fourth-place finisher in Jeremy Briethaupt and a seventh-place finisher in Dave Popeney. At 152 lbs., Canton was represented by Tom Keeling in sixth place. Salem's Teono Wilson finished in fourth place at 171 lbs and Salem's Clayton Walker lost in the finals to an Ypsilanti wrestler at 189 lbs.

A good sign for Salem is that of the five other teams from the Western Lakes Activities Association, only two did better than them. Third-place Stevenson and eighth-place Farmington were those squads. "We'll have a tough division this year, but at least we know we can compete with them," Krueger said. "Our three seniors are doing well and meshing with our younger guys. One at a time our younger kids will start breaking out and doing better, and at the same time our team will."

Hurley contributed 14 points, eight assists and five steals. Matt Ammons had eight points.

The one bad thing to come out of the game was a knee injury to one of Canton's leading rebounders and defenders, Rob Johnson. It's unknown as to how long he'll be out.

Canton played undefeated Ann Arbor Huron yesterday and take on Stevenson this Friday.

### SALEM

A big win was what the Salem boys basketball team needed and that's just what they got last Friday against Northville. Before the two week holiday break, Northville had played in a 103-102 triple overtime game with Brighton, so they knew all about high scoring games.

But Salem, who have had their ups and downs this season with an inexperienced team, held Northville to almost half that amount and won, 75-56.

"We had some good quarters and a bad quarter," Salem coach Bob Brodie said.

The bad quarter Brodie was speaking of was the second, in which they were outscored 18-9 after leading 21-12 after the first quarter. The Rocks were also 0-

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# Golden opportunity

## Canton teacher will work at Olympics this summer

BY ROB KIRKBRIDE

Canton teacher Dan Riggs is preparing for the Olympics.

Riggs, who has been involved in wrestling for more than 25 years, will head to Atlanta this summer to work as a floor director.

Riggs said the trip is a dream come true. "I'm really excited," he said. "When you apply for something like this you say, 'I'll go for it and see what happens' and lo and behold, I find out I'm going."

The application process to work at the Olympic games was not easy. Riggs said he applied more than a year ago and just found out he would be going during the holidays. "I had scads of sheets to fill out," he said.

Riggs, who helped found the Canton wrestling program in 1973 and coached the team for its first decade of existence, will work as a host during the Greco-Roman and Freestyle wrestling events. Although he has officiated at the high school and college level, he leaves for training in Atlanta on July 15 and will work for a total of three weeks.

"This really is a once in a lifetime thing," he said. "I knew this (Atlanta) would be the closest the Olympics would be."

Riggs will share his Olympic experience with his son, who will travel to Atlanta and view the wrestling events from the stands.

"I hope I'm able to introduce my son to some of the athletes," he said. "It will be a thrill for both of us."

## Canton, Salem finish 6th, 4th respectively in home gymnastics tournament

### Chiefs and Rocks prove they can compete with best in state

BY MATT HUCAL

In a stacked tournament that included four of the top five teams in the state, the Canton gymnastics team showed why they continue to remain in the top echelon of teams as they finished in fourth place overall and first place in the floor exercises. Holland was first in every other event.

Salem — the host of last Saturday's invitational tournament — didn't fare as well but did end up a respectable sixth place out of the 14 teams participating.

"It was an average meet for us considering we were missing some girls on vacation and most of the girls had loosely put together routines because it's so early in the season," Salem coach Pam Yockey said.

"Canton was pretty impressive on the floor. They were wonderful."

Along with winning the floor exercises Canton was second place on the beams.

Individually, the Chiefs had some strong performances from Brie Wahl on the vault with an 8.65 score and Kim Nowak on the beam with an 8.5 score. In their strong floor exercise department the Chiefs were lead by Wahl with a 9.55 score, Brooke Larson with a 9.15 score and Sandy Molder with an 8.8 score.

The Rocks made their presence felt on the beams with a third-place finish and on



Salem's Brooke Kilby showed grace and poise on the floor exercise. Her performance helped the Rocks finish sixth against the top gymnastics squads in the state. (Crier photo by R. Alwood Jr.)

the vault with a fourth-place finish.

As Salem plugged away during the day they got some individual help from Zoe Yockey on the beams with a 9.4, on the floor with an 8.9, and on the bars with an 8.7. Yockey also had the highest all around score of 35.7. Kristen Kosik gave a good effort on the vault with a 9.1 and on the floor with a 9.0.

"All in all we did an excellent job and showed some good representation," Yockey said.

"I'll be interested to see how our team looks when we're all together."

Salem will be able to see how they all look together tomorrow when they, along with Canton, visit Ann Arbor Pioneer.

## Basketball teams victorious

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12 in free throw shooting in the second quarter and 15-37 altogether.

Once that first half was over, Salem turned it on and outscored Northville by 10 points in the third quarter and by nine points in the fourth quarter.

"We're starting to understand what to do to win games and how to get better.

I'm beginning to see some improvement," Brodie said.

Eight players scored for the Rocks, with four in double figures. Andres Lopez lead the way with 16 points, while Mike Corduba and Phil Parker had 11 points. Andy Power finished with 10 points.

Salem played Brighton yesterday and will face Walled Lake Western on Friday.

## On deck

### CANTON BASKETBALL

At home versus Stevenson on Friday. At Walled Lake Western on Jan. 19. At Salem on Jan. 23.

### CANTON SWIMMING

At Franklin on Jan. 18 at 7 p.m. At the Monroe Invitational on Jan. 20 at 9 a.m. at noon.

### CANTON WRESTLING

At home versus Walled Lake Western tomorrow at 6:30 p.m. At the Catholic Central Invitational on Saturday. At home versus Churchill on Jan. 18 at 6:30 p.m.

### CANTON GYMNASTICS

At Ann Arbor Pioneer tomorrow at 7 p.m. At the Rockford Invitational on Saturday at 11 a.m. At home versus North Farmington a week from today at 7 p.m.

### CANTON VOLLEYBALL

At the Brighton J.V. Invitational on Saturday at 9 a.m. At home versus Northville on Monday at 6 p.m. At North Farmington a week from today at 6 p.m.

### SALEM BASKETBALL

At Walled Lake Western on Friday. At home versus Walled Lake Central on Jan. 19.

### SALEM SWIMMING

At Novi tomorrow at 7 p.m. At Ann Arbor Huron on Tuesday at 7 p.m. At home versus Farmington on Jan. 18 at 7 p.m.

### SALEM WRESTLING

At Walled Lake Central tomorrow at 6:30 p.m. At the Berkley Invitational on Saturday at 10 a.m. At North Farmington on Jan. 18 at 6:30 p.m.

### SALEM GYMNASTICS

At Ann Arbor Pioneer tomorrow at 7 p.m. At Walled Lake on Jan. 18 at 7 p.m. At the Holt Invitational on Jan. 20.

### SALEM VOLLEYBALL

At home at the Plymouth Festival Tournament on Saturday. At Farmington on Monday at 6 p.m. At home versus Churchill a week from today at 6 p.m. At home at the Plymouth Varsity Invitational on Jan. 20.

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# Community opinions

## Responsibility

*Media decision making is not easy, sometimes mistakes are made*

Sometimes racism pops up where least expected — in this case, in a story edited by me.

Last week, we ran the story of a Canton couple who was assaulted in their home on Warren Road. It ran on the front page.

As I read through the first draft of the story, the Canton Police Officer Lew Stevens was quoted as saying: "Two Canton residents were returning to their home when they were accosted by a black male armed with a shotgun."

When I read through the article, I considered the appropriateness of running the part of the quote that describes the intruder as a "black" male. Since the case was still open, with the suspect on the loose, I felt it was proper to run the fact that the suspect was black.

Later in the story, we describe the suspect as being black, male, approximately 30 years old, 6' tall, 200 pounds, brown hair, brown eyes and a possible mustache and beard. That's where the description of the suspect being black should have begun and ended. It should not have been mentioned in the quote. Don't get me wrong. Officer Stevens was not making a racist quote. He was simply describing the scene.

It is my fault for letting it run. The fact that the suspect may have been black makes no difference. In reality, it is odd that the story mention that fact so prominently in the quote. Would it have been proper for



who allegedly crossed the center line after having a few drinks and killed the girl from Canton on Cherry Hill Road. It was widely reported by other newspapers and television stations that the suspect's driving record was less than exemplary. Included in the driving record were several prior drunken driving charges and countless license suspensions.

We did not include the suspect's past driving record in the story. In fact, it was a hot topic of discussion in the newsroom. Do we report past convictions if they have nothing to do with the current charges? Arguments for both sides were convincing. Some argued his past record set a dangerous pattern. Some felt the record had nothing to do with the accident.

We decided not to run the past record. After all, if the past record cannot be used in court, why should the media use it? After much discussion, we decided not to run a trial in the newspaper.

I made the wrong decision on the example of the suspect in the rape case. I made the right decision in the accident story.

The media has incredible power in shaping opinions. That power in the wrong hands can be dangerous. I, for one, do not take this power for granted — or take it lightly.

Everyone in the media needs to remember that with the power comes responsibility.

### No curves By Rob Kirkbride



us to say, "...when they were accosted by a bearded male with a shotgun?" No, it wouldn't. It sounds silly — just as mentioning the fact that the suspect is black is silly.

To all our African-American readers (and everyone else): I apologize. It's little things like this that keeps racism alive in this country and community.

Obviously, there was no

malice intended. In fact, there are many decisions made every day that might affect how people view stories. It's a reporter's and editor's job to make sure (especially in police stories) the reporting of the news does not get in the way of the story itself.

The decision making process is often difficult. Take, for example, the case of the man



# Community opinions

## Leadership needed in joint purchase of voting machines

Stop! Before the City, Plymouth Township or the Plymouth-Canton Schools go any further on the purchase of new voting equipment, everyone involved should stop and take a deep breath and figure out what will be best for the whole community.

The three governments have discussed jointly purchasing new voting equipment, which is badly needed, for the past three years.

Talks have now broken down.

Plymouth Township Clerk Marilyn Massengill said she feels the direct recording voting machines are the way to go because of their reliability and small storage size. Plymouth Clerk Linda Langmesser said the optic scanning voting machines are right for the community because of their comparably low cost and proven track record. P-C Schools Superintendent Charles Little

is leaning toward the optic scanning equipment.

They're all right, yet they're all wrong. Their criteria for selecting the different equipment is admirable. The result of their selections will hurt the community as a whole if they go separate ways.

The taxpayer will be the big loser in this fight. There is no reason three governmental units so close to each other should individually purchase voting equipment. After all, the cost of the voting equipment is not cheap — it is in excess of \$100,000.

It's too early to throw in the towel on a project each government has spent three years on. Before taking any further action, the parties involved should sit down and see if there is any way to salvage the plan.

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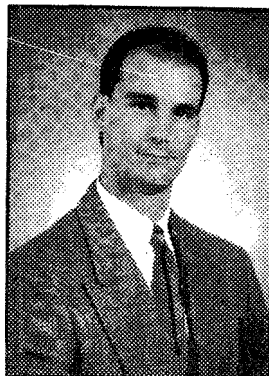
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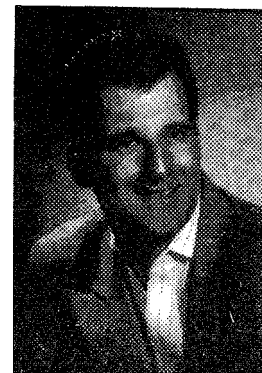
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Worship Leader



Anthony Clark  
World's Strongest Man










Rick Pasquale  
State Youth Director

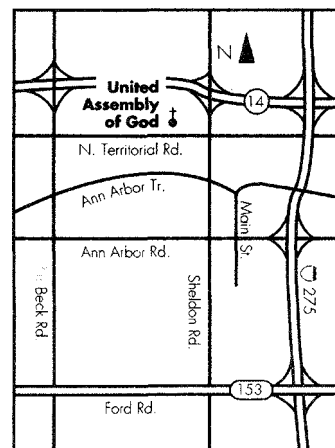


Tim Dilena  
Pastor, Revival Tabernacle

The full Gospel walls of Pentecost have crumbled. It's time to rebuild the walls and again raise the standard by putting back the bricks of Revival.

## Join us January 14 - 19

-  Sunday AM All Dressed Up & Nowhere to Go, 11:00 AM
-  Sunday PM Truth & Power, 6:30 PM
-  Monday Removing the Rubbish, (Illustrated Sermon), 7:00 PM
-  Tuesday The Bricks of Revival, 7:00 PM
-  Wednesday The Trial (Illustrated Sermon), 7:00 PM
-  Thursday Evangelism Night with Tim Dilena, 7:00 PM
-  Friday Youth Night with Rick Pasquale & Anthony Clark, featuring a bench-press exhibition, 7:00 PM



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