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District, teachers inch closer to contract

BY BRIAN CORBETT

The Plymouth-Canton Schools and the Plymouth-Canton Education Association revised their contract offers during bargaining sessions Monday, but did not bring an end to seven months of negotiations.

The two sides are \$430,000 closer to a settlement after concessions were made regarding health care, and the P-C Schools offered a 1.5 percent top-of-the-scale pay raise, according to Assistant Superintendent for Employee Relations Errol Goldman and PCEA

negotiator Tom Cotner.

It's the most substantial progress since district teachers began working without a contract Aug. 30, the day a two-year agreement expired. "It is the first real progress in a month," said Goldman.

Cotner remained skeptical about Monday's developments. "I'm going to try to stay positive, but it's been pretty tough," he said. "I've been in easier negotiating sessions."

Cotner acknowledged "a lot of tension is building up."

"At the table, it's not as tense as it may feel away from the bargaining table because we know that's where a settlement has to be made," said Goldman. "At the table, it doesn't do us any good to get mad at each other."

Another bargaining session is scheduled for Monday.

The PCEA's position was notable because its members have been extremely vocal regarding health care benefits. At talks this week, the union altered its health care package per person deductible by \$100, according to sources.

"We changed our table position by \$300,000," said Cotner.

The P-C Schools responded by dropping its minimum requirement for Blue Cross/Blue Shield coverage, and offering a pay raise to a majority of teachers in the district. Not acceptable, Cotner said. "For 40 percent of our people, it's still zero," he said about the proposed raise.

Cotner, who has repeatedly offered binding arbitration, also decried the P-C Schools declaration that the negotiations were at an "impasse."

"I really don't see this word 'impasse' that's being thrown around as warranted," he said.

The P-C Schools, meanwhile, have been moving forward in the fact finding efforts, Goldman said.

"We're not happy with them pushing for fact finding," said Cotner. "I don't want to say it's pointless, because it may not be. But the chance of us getting in front of a fact finder before November is slim."

And the fact finding proposed settlement would not be binding, Cotner said.

Morrison remembered as business, community leader

William James Morrison, Jr., a prominent accountant in The Plymouth-Canton Community, died Sept. 18, 1996 at the age of 79.

He will be remembered as a community-minded businessman, who cared deeply about the companies he served.

Morrison was born May 24, 1917 in Detroit. He attended Cooley High School and received his bachelor's degree in accountancy from the Detroit Institute of Technology.

A Certified Public Accountant for 55 years, Morrison was a life member of the Michigan Association of Certified Public Accountants and an honorary member of the American Association of Certified Public Accountants.

Morrison taught accounting at the Detroit Institute of Technology from 1941 to 1952. Among his students was a young man named Richard Austin, who

went on to become the first African-American CPA in the State of Michigan.

Morrison worked for Price Waterhouse and Co. from 1938 to 1946, when he left to form his own CPA practice. In 1968 he moved the firm to Plymouth, where it grew to become Morrison, Stanwood, Polak and Hillard, P.C.

Much of his success was based on the way he became involved in the total operation of his clients' businesses, even to the extent of learning welding when he did accounting for a welding company. He made it a point to know the people working in the shop as well as management. He retired from the firm in 1989.

He was an active member of the Plymouth Rotary Club for more than 28 years, where he helped in the organiza-

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(left to right) Heather Trent, Brandon Bookout, teacher Renee Nowaske and Jacob Alexander release monarch butterflies.

Students learn nature's lesson with help of City resident

BY JANET ARMSTRONG

The monarch butterfly has a friend in Plymouth Township.

That friend, Rosita Smith, has spent the summer raising, tagging and releasing monarch butterflies to aid in an University of Kansas study into the butterfly's migration.

The study, according to Smith, is to find answers to how the monarch butterfly finds its way from their summer breeding grounds to the mountains of Mexico, which is sometimes a 2,500 mile trip.

Finding out about the study was as easy as reading the paper, according to Smith.

"I saw an article in the paper about a group of kids taking part in a Monarch study trying to find out about the migration plan," she said. "I called them from the article and asked if I could take part, what was involved and if East Middle School could take part if I sponsored them.

"The science teacher (Renee Nowaske) said she'd love too, so I enrolled the school and myself in the study."

Since Smith contacted Nowaske, her sixth grade science class has been actively

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Artrageous begins in downtown Plymouth this weekend

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Local business owner makes a living off other people's dirt

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Too close

Salem girls basketball team hangs with Northville to the end

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Super students

National Merit Scholarship names 9 P-C Schools students as semifinalists

Nine seniors from the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools have been named as semifinalists in the 1997 National Merit Scholarship program.

Named as semifinalists were Daniel E. Lobelle, Michael J. Mayo, Elizabeth E. Oatley, Angkana Roy, Philip A. Sands and Jessica Smith from Canton High School.

Named from Salem High School were William G. Chapin, Brian M. Decker and Sarah A. McGlone.

Salem Counselor Janet Dersey said, "We are very please and proud for these students. It is a great honor to be a National Merit semifinalist."

Semifinalists entered the 1997 Merit Program by taking the 1995 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test. The test served as an initial screen of more than one million Merit Program entrants, mostly juniors, who were enrolled in some 20,000 high schools nationwide. Only some 15,000 who qualified as semifinalists have an opportunity to continue in the competition for Merit Scholarship awards.

Semifinalists are the highest-scoring program participants in each state representing about half of 1 percent of the state's seniors. A semifinalist must fulfill a number of additional requirements — including high academic standards in college prep course work and being full endorsed by a high school principal — to become a finalist and be considered for Merit Scholarship awards.

Also, a semifinalist must complete a detailed application. About 14,000 semifinalists are expected to advance to the finalist level of the 1997 competition.

City mourns accountant's death

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tion of the Plymouth Rotary Foundation and served on its board of directors for many years. He owned a motor home and loved to travel with a group of Rotary friends.

Morrison is preceded in death by his wife, Wilma Lux Morrison in 1952. He married his son's fifth grade teacher, Virginia Copeland, in 1953. Virginia died in 1988 after 35 years of marriage. Morrison is survived by his wife of one year, Louise Gates; sons, William James (Barbara) Morrison, III of Plymouth and James M. Copeland of Ripon, WI; daughter, Leigh Parks (John) of Fenwick; grandchildren, Deborah Morrison of Lansing and Jason Simon of Fenwick; and great grandchild, Trisha Simon.

Arrangements were made by and services held at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home in Plymouth with Rev. Roy G. Forsyth officiating. Burial was at Acacia



WILLIAM JAMES MORRISON, JR
Park Cemetery in Birmingham. Memorial tributes can be made to the Plymouth Rotary Foundation or Angela Hospice.



Morrison's office mourned his death with a black wreath above the door. (Crier photo by Janet Armstrong)

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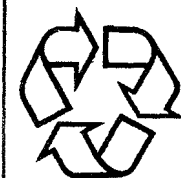
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Twp. Ford plant earns top certification

BY BRIAN CORBETT

After a four-day audit this month, the Ford Sheldon Road Plant has been ISO-9000 certified.

ISO-9000 is an internationally recognized quality standard for manufacturing and services organizations, and with the certification, the Sheldon Road Plant has demonstrated to the world its commitment to quality products and services, according to Jim Lazarus, the plant's ISO-9000 coordinator.

"There's a great sense of accomplishment. Everyone is really excited and relieved," said Lazarus. "There was a lot of work involved. Everyone is very happy, very festive."

The plant celebrated with a lunch party last week.

The certification will benefit the Plymouth Township plant through its access to global markets, international recognition and respect, standardized processes and procedures, and improved competitive position, according to Lazarus.

"It's especially helpful for anyone new coming into the company. They won't have to learn the hard way, so to speak. They can learn through this manual," he said.

It was necessary for the Sheldon Road Plant to obtain ISO-9000 registration, Lazarus said, because nearly all industrial countries in the world have adopted the ISO-9000 quality standard.

ISO-9000 will also support Ford's 2000 vision by preparing the plant's processes and products for competition in the global market. And ISO-9000 builds upon the automotive company's Q1 standard, which improved quality systems and taught statistical use by adding a quality manual, document control and regular audits to ensure the plant follows the ISO-9000 quality system.

The process was started in July, 1995, according to Lazarus. "In February, we kind of rolled things out to get people peopled involved," said Lazarus.

Employees were supplied with information to understand the scope of the program. In preparation for the certification audit by the Vehicle Certification

Agency (VCA), employees were briefed on the key elements of ISO-9000 and participated in optional "fun quizzes" for prizes to test their knowledge.

The Sheldon Road Plant was also audited by the Ford Automotive Components Division before VCA arrived Sept. 9-12 to assess all aspects of the plant's manufacturing operations. "It's extremely thorough," Lazarus said of the audit. "It's stressful. There were a lot of people involved. It took a lot of teamwork."

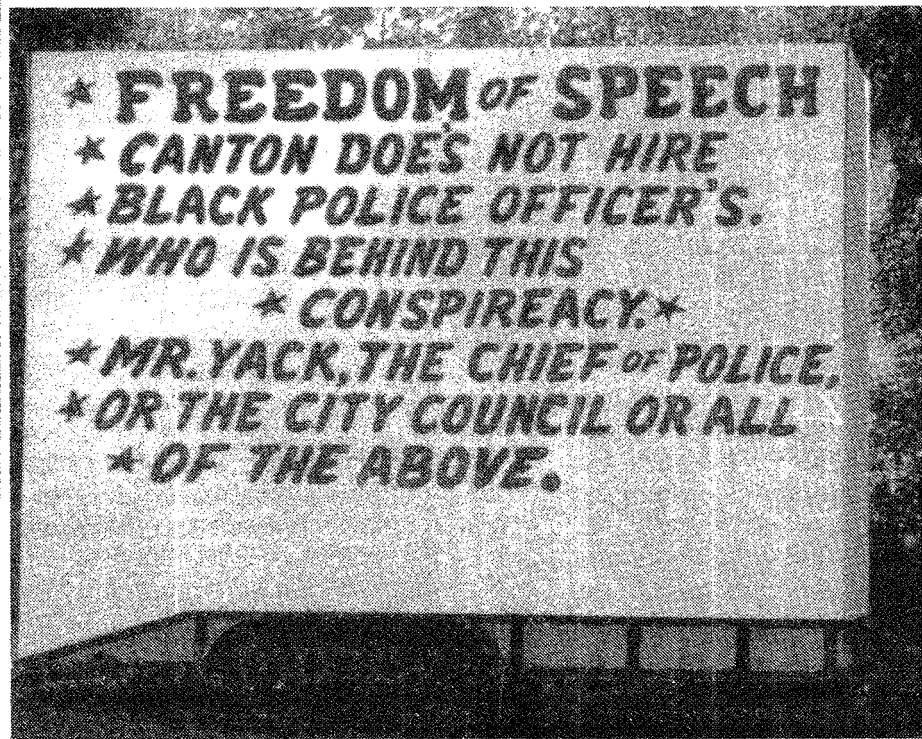
A total of 14 issues were identified during the audit, but they were all resolved to the satisfaction of the VCA

— allowing the Sheldon Road Plant to receive its unconditional certification status.

To ensure the plant continued its commitment to ISO-9000, VCA will return for surveillance audits every six months. The first one is tentatively scheduled for March 31 to April 2.

But the Sheldon Road Plant isn't done yet. Ford requires all suppliers to be certified QS-9000 — a standard which builds upon ISO-9000 but includes some automotive industry specific requirements as well — by Dec. 31, 1997. Another VCA audit for QS-9000 is set for September, 1997.

Canton controversy



Patrick Ratchford, Sr. had been making his feelings about the Canton Public Safety department known to anyone passing by Palmer Road on I-275. According to a Canton Public Safety report, Ratchford's claims are unsubstantiated — Canton is an equal opportunity employer. Police say that although Ratchford has been well known to the Canton Police Department since 1987, they do not know what Ratchford's motivation for making these claims is. Ratchford was not available for comment. (Crier photo by Jack Armstrong)

Get ready for Rocky

Penn Theatre in Plymouth site of cult film Saturday

BY "INTERPLANET" JANET ARMSTRONG

Ready or not Plymouth here they come!

Brad, Janet and of course Dr. Frank-N-Furter will be making a command performance Saturday night at the Penn Theatre.

"Plymouth is ready," said Annette Horn, chairperson of Artrageous.

Ready for what, you ask — for The Rocky Horror Picture Show of course.

For the first time ever, the movie will head the Penn Theatre's marquis Saturday as part of the Plymouth Is Artrageous Art Walk.

"Plymouth is more with it," said Horn explaining the decision to include the movie. "And it definitely has a following."

The Rocky Picture Show has been a "cult" favorite for more than 20 years, according to Horn, and has a wide variety of viewers.

"There will be a wide variety of attendees," she said.

"Whether you're experiencing it for the first time or the 141st time, people love this movie."

According to Horn there will be one added feature to the showing of the flick — a live-cast performance by "Extreme Lifestyles."

"This cast has been doing this for 15 years," said Horn. "They are the dream cast."

Horn said that she expects the movie to be a great success for Plymouth now and in the future.

"We do anticipate a sell out," she said. "We also anticipate Rocky Horror being an annual thing."

You can purchase your tickets prior to the showing for \$5 at any of the following stores: Animation Station, Frameworks, Gabriela's, Francis Jewelry Gallery, Wild Wings, Native West, Creative Framing and Gallery, Chameleon Gallery, Penniman Showcase and at the Plymouth Community Art Council.

The show time for the movie is 11:30 p.m.

Agenda

THIS WEEK

- The Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce is awarding four Business Beautification Awards at the chamber office tomorrow from 8-9 a.m. The recipients of this year's awards are: Frameworks, Piccadilly's Home & Garden, sideways and American Pie. The public is invited. No RSVP is needed to attend.

THE WEEKEND

- Plymouth will buzz this weekend with the annual Artrageous and Music Festival events. All can be found throughout downtown Plymouth.
- The Plymouth District Library invites the public to a groundbreaking ceremony for the new library building Sunday at 2 p.m. The ceremony will take place in front of the old library building at 223 S. Main St., next to City Hall. Farmer Jack stores are contributing "dirt cupcakes" for the kids. The Canton Meijer store is donating shovels for the kids to dig too.

UPCOMING

- U.S. Rep. Lynn Rivers is holding coffee hours Oct. 12 from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Rose's in Canton.

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Canton zooms onto Information Superhighway

BY ROB KIRKBRIDE

Canton government now has its own on-ramp to the Information Superhighway.

Residents and those interested in Canton can find information on the community's public safety department on two separate pages on the World Wide Web.

According to Canton Communications Coordinator Ken Voyles, the amount of information on the community will increase if web surfers show interest in the

site (located at <http://www.cantontwp.org>).

"We're learning right now," he said. "The one we did (web page) was a collaboration between us and Canton Reserve Police Officer Brian Witkowski."

The page includes non-interactive web pages with detailed information about the Canton Public Safety Department. The information includes details about Canton's community policing program, the public safety department's mission and an

officer profile.

Voyles said the site will remain open for the next several months with periodic updates. If the Canton web site receives a substantial number of "hits" or visits to the site, the program could be expanded to include all Canton services, as well as a phone directory, calendar of events, community statistics, Summit on the Park and recreation updates.

"This department has been looking at

this over the last year," he said. "Although the Canton Library approached us about this a while ago, we pushed it to the back burner."

Voyles said he hopes the Canton page on the World Wide Web will increase visibility for the community.

"Along with the cable show, the web page is another avenue we can use to get another group of people information," he said. "Everybody's starting to do it (create a web page) Now we have the capability to do it in-house."

Voyles said if the experiment is successful, Canton government may team-up with the Canton Library to create the community-wide web page, which would include interactive information. The Canton Library currently uses the MetroNet service to provide their link to the web.

Residents wishing to express an opinion about Canton's test program can contact the organization through the home page itself using the e-mail address or by calling (313) 397-5472.

Motorcyclists hit by automobile in Twp.

BY JANET ARMSTRONG

A 22-year-old Canton man and his 19-year-old passenger, from Plymouth, were injured Friday night when their Suzuki Motorcycle was struck by a 1992 Sable driven by a 16-year-old Plymouth boy,

according to a Plymouth Township Police report.

According to the report the Sable turned left off of Canton Center Road striking David William Kline and Cara Marie Fontana who were traveling on

Ann Arbor Road approaching Canton Center.

Kline suffered a compound fracture of his right leg and a broken leg, while Fontana suffered a broken hip, said the police report. Both were transferred from the scene to St. Mary's Hospital in Livonia.

The driver of the Sable was ticketed at the scene of the accident for failure to yield the right of way, according to the report.



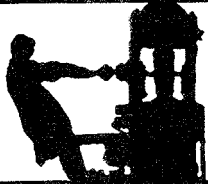
Public notices

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools invites the submission of PROPOSALS for legal services in the area of property and real estate. Specifications/Response Forms can be obtained from Errol Goldman - General Counsel at the E.J. McClendon Education Center, 454 S. Harvey Street, Plymouth, MI. Bids are due on or before 2:00 P.M. Friday, October 18, 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
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Carrie F. Blamer, Secretary

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CITY OF PLYMOUTH CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH LEGAL NOTICE

CLOSE OF REGISTRATION FOR NOVEMBER GENERAL ELECTION

PLEASE NOTE that Monday October 7, 1996, is the last date to register for the General Election to be held on Tuesday, November 5, 1996. Registration for City electors will be taken at the Office of the Clerk, 201 South Main Street in Plymouth; Registration for Township electors at the Office of the Township Clerk, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, or for either at any Secretary of State Office. The phone number of the City Clerk is 453-1234 X234; that of the Township Clerk is 453-3840 X224. 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 the respective Clerk's Office can set up a convenient time for the resident.

Linda Langmesser, CMC
Clerk, City of Plymouth

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Clerk, Charter Township of Plymouth

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PCAC picks art offerings

The Plymouth Community Arts Council (PCAC) is the place to go this fall for art, culture and drama classes for all ages. A wide variety of activities are being offered, including drawing, cartooning, watercolor and pottery.

The PCAC also offers some unusual classes including Parent and Child ARTventure — a class for parents with children as young as two years old. The popular Ancient Egyptian Art class for seven- to 10-year-olds teaches the art and culture of ancient Egypt through music, art, costume, food and fun. In Percussion Workshop, students learn cool rhythms for cool cats who always wanted to play the drums.

Adults can enjoy classes in pottery, watercolor, creative drawing and sketching. There will also be open creative studio time where adults can work on their own among their peers.

Complete course descriptions and schedules are available at the PCAC Art Center, 774 N. Sheldon Rd.

Registrations are being taken now for the eight-week fall session that begins the week of Sept. 30. Call 416-4ART to register or for more information.

Kids share love of butterflies

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involved with the monarch study

Smith had first become interested in raising the butterflies more than a year ago after watching a monarch plant an egg

"I had heard that you could raise them," said Smith. "It's been a unique experience."

Smith said there are many factors to raising the butterflies

"First you have to find a healthy patch of milkweed and look under their leaves," said Smith. "That's where they lay their eggs."

Smith added that once you collect them, the eggs will take about four days to hatch a caterpillar. They are in the caterpillar state for approximately 10-14 days and then they shed their skin and turn into chrysalis. Smith said that the butterfly will emerge from the chrysalis after another 10-14 days.

Once the butterfly matures, Smith tags it (which means she uses a special glue, which doesn't hurt the butterfly, to attach a small tag) and releases it so it can migrate.

Smith said that the university study has received word back on many of the butterflies being raised throughout the country and are a little closer to finding out how they find their way to Mexico.

The mystery behind the migration plan is not the only problem the group is trying to solve however.

"The peasants (in the Mexican-mountain top roost) are cutting down the trees that provide shelter to the monarch's when it snows," said Smith. "So the experts are trying to start ecotours to the area."

Smith said that in addition to the winter roost being saved there is something that everyone can do to help.

"I have Asclepias seeds," said Smith. "I will give some to anyone who is interested."

It's something that everyone should try, said Smith.

"I find it so enjoyable," she said. "It's better than going to a bar."

Memories

of life in

Lowertown

BY CLARA L. GAYDE-ALEXANDER

My grandfather, Peter Gayde, came from Germany at the age of 18. He had learned the cooper trade, and made good use of his knowledge here. Some of his work can be seen in the store in the Plymouth Historical Museum. When he was established, he sent for his bride-to-be, Wilhelmina, and they were married in the German Lutheran Church, which my grandfather had helped establish. They had several children, but during a severe epidemic, all but three of the children died, along with Wilhelmina. After some time Peter married Elisabeth Born. This was the grandmother I knew and loved. Peter Gayde had built his home at 761 Oak Street, later Starkweather, next to the Starkweather family, and is still there.

My mother came from Detroit, and she would come to visit her sister, Helen, who was married to John Streng. Streng ran the Victor Hotel, later known as the Anderine, on the south east corner of Mill Street at the railroad tracks. It was a lovely hotel at that time, and I spent many hours in their living quarters.

My grandfather, Gayde, had built a two-story office building located on the North East corner of Main and Penniman Avenue, thinking my folks would occupy the second floor. Instead, my parents, William and Emma Gayde, purchased the two story brick building at 149 Liberty Street on April 1, 1895 from William F. and Carrie A. Markham and had his meat market there for many years. The lower floor was my father's meat market and the upper floor was our home. We had four bedrooms, a parlor, large living room, large kitchen and dining room.

All five Gayde children were born there — Sarah, Helen, Clara, Elsa and Peter Albert.

I was very fortunate to grow up with my mother and father so close. My father must have been a saint to have all of us around, and never lose his cool. Also, we were in a community where half the neighbors were related — the Heides, Beyers, Gaydes, Strengs, and if not related, we called them uncle and aunt anyway. The Springers, Starkweathers, Pershans, Drews and so many more.

In back of the building was a huge ice house as we had no electricity. Ice had to be cut on the lakes and hauled in each winter. As soon as we had electricity my father cleaned out the building, put an old carpet on the floor, and that was our playhouse — enjoyed by all our family, and a lot of neighborhood children. There was also a barn for the two horses and a smoke house as my father smoked all his own hams and bacon. Next to that, an open front building for the delivery wagon and a surrey for family use.

My father was on the fire department. At the first whistle he would harness one horse and rush over to the fire truck which was in the fire station in the park across from the Starkweather School.

In our home above the meat market, the very back room, in back of the kitchen, was used for storage. Dad had fixed a pulley outside of the east window, and in the fall he had wood delivered, cut in sizes and lengths for the kitchen stove. Mother and most of the girls were upstairs, and dad on the ground putting the wood in bundles. Then we would pull it up and through the window, dump it on the floor, and put the rope back down for another load. During that time the kids were piling the wood along the back wall, and we had enough wood for the whole winter and beyond. Dad and mother always made work seem like fun.

Dad had one employee, Albert Stever, who never lost his patience with all the children. At spring cleaning time my father would take the screen out of one of the windows that looked down on a wooden walkway between our building and Louis Reber's barber shop (157 Liberty Street). He would then just set the screen in without fastening it until the cleaning was completed. One time my curiosity got the better of me and I leaned against the screen to see what was happening. Out I went but landed on several mattresses which had been tossed out for cleaning. No harm done, but I sure frightened a few people. Albert Stever came running thinking I would be a basket case but it all turned out OK. I never lived that down.

I can still smell the wonderful aroma of bread, three layer cakes, and all the other good things baking in the big iron stove — my mother was a wonderful cook. Sarah and Elsa inherited that talent, but Helen and I would rather be with my dad. He made all his own bacon, hams, sausages, etc. He had a slaughter house at the end of the lane off of Mill Street (which used to be called Lover's Lane) where he owned 10 acres. He would let us go with him but when it came time to bring in a cow to be killed he sent us outside. We heard the shot and shortly after we could go back in. After he sold the meat market he sold some of that property going down the hill side to the County of Wayne to become part of the Rouge Parkway.

Dad had the 10 acres, but it hadn't been subdivided, so he grew tomatoes and seed corn. About once a week dad would hitch up the horse and wagon and take a load to Detroit's



Glimpse At Yesterday

Western Market. It was a two-day trip. One day down, and another back after selling his load. Later there was a tomato factory at the edge of town so dad took his tomatoes there and sold his sweet corn in town. One summer dad and mother wanted to go up to Gaylord to visit Aunt Sarah and Uncle John. The tomatoes were about gone, but the sweet corn was just getting ripe. He sold a lot to Gayde Brothers in their grocery store, and asked Lisle and me if we would see to getting it picked. We had a good supply for them in the morning before leaving for work, but they called and asked if we could get more for them. We came home for lunch, picked a few more dozen corn, called and told them it was on the back porch, and went back to work. Both Lisle and I were at the bank at that time.

After dad sold the meat market to William Pfeiffer he rented a house on Starkweather until he built our next home at 465 Mill St. The Starkweather house was heated with a big stove with isinglass on the door, and it had oil heaters in the other rooms. Right over the stove was a register, which we kept open all winter, to let some of the heat upstairs. From upstairs we could hear through that register what was going on downstairs.

Dad had a jersey cow so we had plenty of milk, and one customer who came to the house every day to get a quart. She was a maiden lady, and wore a hat with one rose straight up the front and when she spoke that rose would bob around. From upstairs we could watch that hat and would giggle. I know mother would have liked to strangle us. We tried to be quiet about it but sometimes it got out of hand.

One day dad, who always had very sharp knives, was cutting something in the kitchen,

'I attended the Plymouth Schools, and in my junior year our school burned down. Most of Plymouth stood by and watched, and we counted the rooms as each one burned.'

— CLARA L. GAYDE-ALEXANDER

and had to leave it for a short time. Peter, who thought he would try to do it too, cut off the end of his little finger. Dad wrapped him up in a blanket, took him and the end of his finger to Dr. Cooper, who put it on, stitched and bound it, and it did grow back on. Dr. Cooper was our family doctor for years and years. When dad still had the meat market, he would buy what he wanted, keep track of it, and we kept track of all his calls, and about twice a year, dad and Dr. Cooper would compare bills and settle up. When we lived in the house on Mill Street, dad came down with pneumonia, but dad wouldn't call Dr. Cooper, as he had tried to get their bills straightened out, but Dr. Cooper wouldn't get around to it. Dad had mother call Dr. Patterson and the next day Dr. Cooper stormed in, brought his bill, and forever after was our doctor.

This Mill Street property which went from our house to Rose Street, and about 150 feet in depth had a two-story house and a two-story barn. We had two horses, a chicken coup, a cherry orchard, and a large strawberry patch. My husband Lisle and I were married in that house in 1924. Before that, my father had moved what was the two-story barn to Mill Street and made it into a lovely house. Lisle and I lived there for three years, purchases the two lots north of it at 210 N. Mill Street from my dad, and built our home. Lisle died in 1962, but I still lived there.

During the years we lived on Starkweather, Sarah started taking piano lessons. She was having a hard time, but I sat quietly in the room, listening. After the teacher left, I would try to play the music Sarah was to practice. Her lessons didn't last too long. She wasn't interested. I started taking violin lessons from Anna Baker, a maiden lady who lived in the beautiful brick home at 233 Main Street next to the library. It has since been registered in Lansing as one of the historical homes. I took lessons until I could play a few old songs, decided that was not for me, and took piano lessons Czarina Penney. A good friend of mine, Alvena Streng, played the piano at the only movie in town, located on the second floor of the old City Hall, which was where the new City Hall now stands. At that time the movies were silent, with a piano furnishing the music. The pianist had to watch the movie, and change with the show - real exciting in a Western. She also played at the theater in Northville. When she played there, I would take her place in Plymouth. That was interesting, and I could make a little money. I had purchased a new piano, and it was in our living room where I now live, until my hands didn't take to playing any longer, and I sold it for \$25, and gave all my music to Major Taylor (Berniece Cline Gayde Taylor's second husband).

When we were still small, Easter Sunday was exciting — up early so we could hunt for Easter eggs at home, then over to grandfathers' house on Starkweather before church and Sunday school at St. Peters Lutheran Church which was at the end of Spring Street (291 Spring) across from the Starkweather elementary school.

During the summer time, mother would pack a large basket of food, dad would hitch up the horse to the surrey, and we would be on our way to Walled Lake. Dad had a boat house there, and his own boat. He would fish and take us for boat rides. Near the boat house was an orchard owned by a Mr. Chapman. He had picnic tables in the orchard, no charge, and he would say, "If you want apples, just help yourselves." On one trip, after we had our lunch, mother repacked the basket, covered it with towels, and left it on the table while we took a ride in the boat. When we returned, Mr. Chapman's dog had discovered the basket, and had eaten most of the leftovers, so we had to wait until we returned home for our

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Friends & neighbors

Neighbors in the news

Marine 2nd Lt. James P. Bernthal, son of Kathleen A. Tibbits of Plymouth, recently graduated from the Basic School at Marine Corps Combat Development Command in Quantico, VA.

The **Plymouth Symphony** and the **Plymouth Community Arts Council** have both received grants from the State of Michigan.

The Symphony received \$11,650, while the PCAC received \$5,200.

Marine Pvt. Rocky S. Kelly, a 1994 graduate of Salem High School, recently completed basic training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego.

Army Pvt. Casey Swanson, the son of Christine C. Swanson and stepson of James A. Novechy of Canton, arrived at Fort Drum, Watertown, N.Y.

Swanson is a 1995 graduate of Canton High School.

Air Force Airman Kenneth S. Paquin has arrived for duty at McClellan Air Force Base, Sacramento, CA.

Paquin is a 1995 graduate of Canton High School.

Malie K. Shirmohammad, of Plymouth, has been awarded a doctor of medicine degree from the University of Michigan Medical School.

Shirmohammad, a 1988 graduate of Salem High School, is the daughter of Gwendolyn and Parviz Shirmohammad of Plymouth.

Plymouth residents **Glenn Fischer** and **William Secunda** and Northville resident **Jacqueline Dobson** were honored by the faculty of Madonna University for their writing skills.

MSU announced their summer graduates from The Plymouth-Canton Community. From Canton: **Christopher Briney**, **Jessica Butterfield**, **K. Colleen Kelly**, **Aimee Lanzon**, **Amy Lee**, **Kevin Sturgill** and **Andrew Topic**.

From Plymouth: **Michael Gold**, **Joshua Green**, **Bryon Martin**, **Shelley Moore**, **Melanie Notestine**, **Sean Okeefe**, **Sara Peterhans**, **Pertter Poulos** and **Katharine Truckly**.

The sound of music

Seventeen acts will entertain community Friday, Saturday

BY JANET ARMSTRONG

The Plymouth-Canton Community will be jamming Friday and Saturday with help from the musicians of the Plymouth Music Celebration.

The stage for the sixth annual celebration will be Kellogg Park, and according to Mike Watts, from Watts Up, Inc., it will be a celebration to remember.

"There will be 17 acts taking part," said Watts. "The idea is to have something for everyone."

According to Watts, that means that musically the acts will range from country to jazz to alternative. It also means that this will be an event you can bring the kids to.

"Saturday from noon to 3 p.m. is family fun day," he said. "There will be activities and music for the kids."

According to Watts, the adults will also have a full music

menu to choose from.

"Friday is blues in the park," he said. "We'll have Mudpuppy, Robert Noll, and Baked Potato."

"Baked Potato features the mayor's son Lance Loisel." "

Saturday will also offer several different types of music to choose from starting with the Young Country (WYCD-FM) "Plymouth Country Music Festival" featuring Debi Samuels, the Forbes Brothers and Storm Rider.

Lemon James, from Garden City, will take to the stage Saturday night to pay homage to the late Jimi Hendrix, in addition to Jazz artists INO UNO and reggae musicians Black Market.

Watts said that he expects between 40,000 and 50,000 people to attend the Plymouth Music Celebration and the Artrageous program.

City to have weekend 'art attack'

BY JANET ARMSTRONG

Downtown business owners are hoping that The Plymouth-Canton Community feels artsy this weekend for the Plymouth is Artrageous Art Walk.

The three-day event will include musicians at each of the street corners, artists in each of the 10 galleries taking part and a juried chalk art contest for Canton High School students.

"There is something for everyone," said event chairperson Annette Horn. "This is the galleries way of saying this is a community event."

"The community can come view art at their leisure."

Horn added that the event gives the galleries a chance to do something for the students in the community.

"The students will be in the galleries on Sunday between 1-3 p.m.," she said. "It gives them an idea of what it's like to have their artwork on display."

The event, in its third year, also tries to attract those people who think that art is only for rich people, according to Horn.

"A lot of people perceive art as being something for the rich," said Horn. "The truth is art is affordable for everyone."

Horn added that art can also act as a release in a high-stress world.

"In a world full of stress, everyone needs some type of release," she said. "Art gives that to you."

A new addition to the art walk this year is a car show in the parking lot on Penniman Avenue across from the Post Office.

"We called all the local dealerships and asked them to bring and display their most artful cars," said Horn. "In addition to the car show there will be a musical group (featuring car-related songs) performing in front of The Coffee Bean."

Horn said that those people visiting the galleries during the event would get a chance to meet the artists at each of the

gallery and possibly watch them create their art.

Below is a list of the artists taking part in the event and at which galleries they are participating:

Animation Station — Nick Pritual, local animator.

Framework's — Maureen Electa Monte, photography.

Gabrial's — Dwayne Warwick, painter.

Francis Jewelry Gallery — Mike Reynolds, photography.

Wild Wings — Thomas Kinkadee, painter.

Native West — Michael Kahe, Kachina sculptor.

Creative Framing and Gallery — Ruth Ann Mersino, painter.

Chameleon Gallery — Ingrid Dijkers, sculptor.

Penniman Showcase — Rob Adamson, glassblower.

The artwalk is taking place Friday from 7 - 10 p.m., Saturday from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Sunday from noon - 5 p.m.

Pharming a future



Matthew P. Mosley, a Ferris State University pharmacy student from Plymouth, recently received a \$1,000 scholarship and an engraved plaque from Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. He was recognized for his high academic standards by Wal-Mart's Big Rapids Pharmacy Manager Tammy Busch.

Memories of Plymouth past remembered

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supper.

At that time, the road was deep sand, and hilly just before reaching the lake. When we had company dad would rent a large surrey with two long seats, one on each side. When we got to this hill dad would say "All the children out, run up the hill — the horses are getting tired."

We had plenty of children to play with. My father's sister Mary and her husband, Otto Beyer, who owned the drug store at 173 Liberty, had children. The Smyes, the Strengs, and most every family in the area had children, and they loved to play in our backyard and play house.

On the south east corner of Mill and Liberty streets (696 Mill Street), Carl Heide had a large green house. It is now offices, shops, and a restaurant, but the flowers and vegetables he grew were lovely. Their home was on the south west corner of Mill and Liberty (689 Mill St.), next to our property. The Starkweather home is still there at 711 Starkweather and grandfather Gayde built his home next to that. We had a lot of good times there, too. Across from grandfather's house, was a brick home (774 Starkweather) occupied by grandmother Petershans. (No relation, but everyone called her grandmother.) Those were times when all the neighbors watched out for all the children.

My uncle and aunt, Otto and Mary Beyer, had the drug store, and at first lived in rooms back of the store, until they bought the big white house at the north west corner of Mill and Liberty (725 Mill Street). My grandfather's store was next (181 Liberty), and his two sons, Albert and Edward worked for him. Grandfather learned the coopers trade in Germany. He made all the barrels and display boxes for vegetables and fruits which lined the counters. During the winter all the children wore long stocking caps. When we went into the store uncle Albert would pull them off and toss them up on the light fixtures. When they got tired of us they would pull them down and we would scoot out.

There were two large windows in the front of dad's meat market. Every year when the watermelons were ripe, a farmer, Welcome Rosenberg, would come in with a big wagon full of them. He would carry them in and fill one of those windows. Almost at the end, he would "accidentally" drop a nice big one as all the neighborhood kids knew he would. That melon disappeared in a hurry.

At that time the stores delivered with a horse and buggy, and even after I was married in 1924, I would phone in my grocery list, and it would be on the back porch when I came home for lunch. Next to Gayde Bros., Mr. Shingleton had a tailor shop (187 Liberty), then Mr. Starkweather's store (195 Liberty). Every time some one would give us a penny we would hurry over to Mr. Lapham's general store on Holbrook, to buy one yard of ribbon, then go back home and dress up our dolls. Across from grandfather's store was a big water fountain for the horses. The house across from Beyer's store (it is now a vacant lot) was owned by a Mrs. Tousey, who made ladies hats. She had a long porch across the front and all down the side. It was another great place to play, and she would let us dress up in hats. I can't imagine anyone now catering to children the way everyone did at that time.

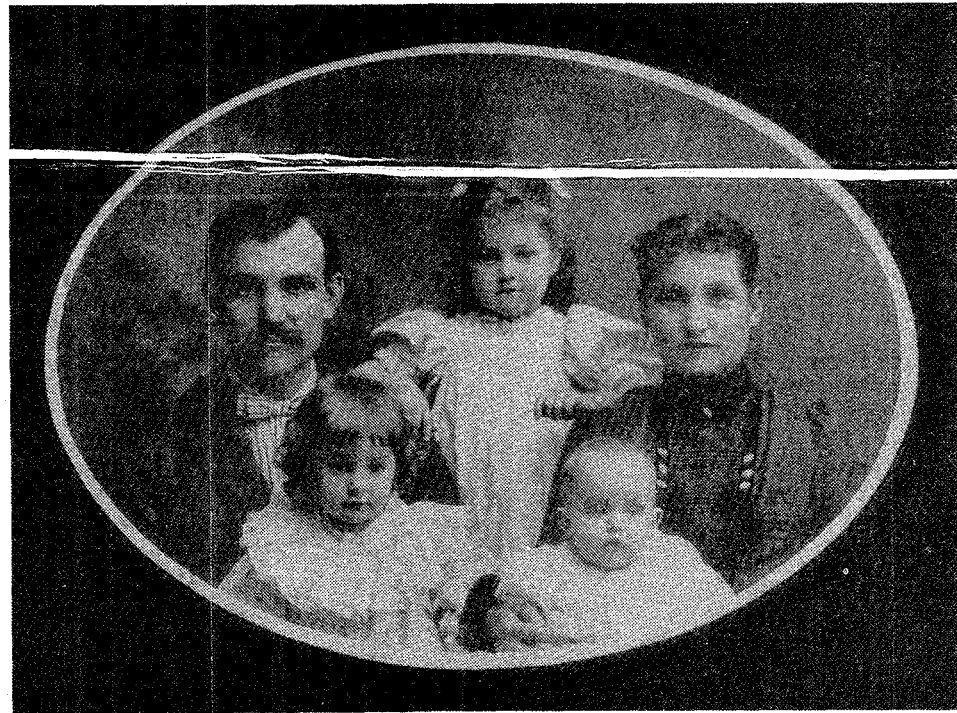
I attended the Plymouth Schools, and in my junior year our school burned down. Most of Plymouth stood by and watched, and we counted the rooms as each one burned. When our music room blew up we could only think of all the trophies on top of the piano. The balance of that year classes were held in the City Hall, churches, lodges, etc. My grade occupied a closed factory, which used to make bugles, right along the railroad track. From where I was seated, the teacher couldn't see us, and there were wide doors to the outside right back of us. One day I slipped out, went home the two blocks and got the Ford car, went back to school and picked up three other students. I drove to Northville and back, dropped off the others, returned the car, went back to school, and the teacher hadn't missed us. But I never tried that again.

I graduated in 1917. Ceremonies were held in the City Hall. The next year I went to a business school in Detroit. Right after graduating from business school, I worked first in the office of the people who were over seeing the building of the Book Building, which we could see from the office window. I don't remember the name of the firm, but do remember that I did the typing for three men who were the top ones in the office. That must have been around 1919.

During the time Helen and I were working at the bank in Detroit, I remember my typewriter desk was right next to a window. All at once bells rang, people rushed into the street, carrying flags, and traffic had to come practically to a stop. The Armistice had just been signed, the war (WW I) was over, and people crowded the streets and celebrated all day and all night. Helen and I were to meet two fellows that evening to go to a show. We made it back to Highland Park, where we lived with aunt Helen and uncle John, but trying to get back downtown later was almost impossible. The street cars ran from Highland Park to just past the General Motors Building, then stopped. We walked from there downtown, met our dates, but instead of going to the show, we joined the mob. By the time we decided to go home, the street cars were running again.

On a weekend at home from my job at the bank in Detroit, Charles Fisher, President of the Plymouth United Savings Bank, called and asked if I would like to work there. I said yes in a hurry, quit my job in Detroit and in two weeks started to work for them. The bank was located where the Blickenstaff drug store was later (It is Wiltsie's Drug Store now).

At that time I was the bookkeeper. There were only three other people in the bank: Charles Fisher, president; Edward Bennett, cashier; and Ada Saffore. One day they were busy, so I went up to the window to see if I could help and took care of that customer. Charles Fisher came up to me and said "You did that real well — if you have time, you can wait on customers too." Coming from the president of the bank, I was real thrilled. During this time the bank had purchased John Gale's store on the south west corner of Main and Penniman, and in 1930 built the bank which is there now. I had many positions there — bookkeeper, then I took over one of the customer windows, then during the war when one



Family was an important part of life in Lowertown. William and Emma Gayde, along with their children, Sarah, Helen and Clara were early Lowertown settlers.

officer was called into service, another officer had a heart attack, the board had to make me assistant cashier. Not much change in salary, but it sure added to my work. I managed the mortgage dept., then the loan dept., and wrote out hundreds of war bonds. The Daisy Manufacturing Co. had a payroll deduction for bonds, and once a week I wrote bonds by the dozens. Evenings, one of the men would take my typewriter and bonds to the theater lobby, and I wrote up bonds there.

In 1946 I retired. The board of directors gave me a big farewell party at the Dearborn Inn, and presented me with my chest of Sterling Silver. I still have the poetry C.H. Bennett wrote to accompany the silver set. In only two weeks I was called to come in and substitute for someone who was ill, so I ended up doing part-time work for quite sometime. My customers would ask if I was trying for a second chest of silver.

My grandmother Gayde was quite elderly and had been ill for sometime. The day she passed away, they called me at the bank to find out how to get in touch with mother and dad. They had been in Gaylord, visiting her sister and husband, Sarah and Florian Von Nostitz. Just that day they had gone on a trip to the Upper Peninsula. At that time, before the bridge was built, the ferry boats ran for cars and people each hour. My uncle called the office in Mackinaw City, described the car, and the number of people, and asked them to relay the message. They did, and they made a fast trip back to Gaylord to deliver my aunt, pack their bags and start home. I think the folks must have driven straight through, as they were exhausted when they arrived home. I stayed at grandmother's home until they arrived. I had tears in my eyes, and Dr. Cooper, our family doctor, said "Don't cry — she was an old lady, and ill, and she is better off." I said "I'm not crying for grandmother, I'm worried about mother and dad. That left aunt Amelia and uncle Ed. Neither one had ever married, and they lived in that home until they both passed away.

Before that time Lisle had been working at the Union Trust Co. in Detroit, and the officers at my bank asked if he would come and work here. He did, and was made manager of the branch bank we had on the north east corner of Starkweather and Liberty Street (198 Liberty) in Lowertown (Old Village).

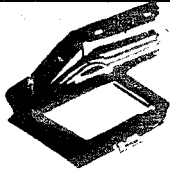
When World War II broke out, the man who was at the head of the American Legion office in the Veteran's Building in Detroit was called into service, and they asked Lisle to take that job. He took a one month leave at the bank, took over the Detroit office of the American Legion, and stayed there until his final retirement. I was able to take my vacations at the time of the National Conventions, so I went to Miami twice, New York, Boston, San Francisco, Los Angeles, and a few more.

After one of the conventions in Miami, we flew to Cuba for an overnight trip. The only clean place was a night club we went to. That was all glitter and dancing, but back at the hotel were the same dirty kids with their hands out and littered streets. We were glad to fly back to Miami the next morning. After one of our trips to a Boston convention, we drove to Canada, up to Montreal, then back by a different route — lovely trip. I loved San Francisco, but not L.A. The smog was so bad my eyes were watering just going from the hotel to the cab. Chicago was great, and our rooms looked over the lake, so we just had to sit and watch the sailboat races when we had time.

In 1940 we bought a log cabin in the Canada Creek Ranch (12,000 acres) and dad went up with us to lower shelves and hooks — the man we bought from was a very tall Scotsman — we were both short.

We had lots of fun there, and it was a good time to relax. Lisle died in 1962, and I only went up once, with Helen and Sarah, to close it up. I sold it a month later to some Plymouth friends.

I have such good memories of all the things I have done, and places I have been, and all the great people who have been a great part of my life. And it still goes on. I still live about three block from where I was born 96 years ago, and in spite of losing family, my life has been wonderful, and I still think Plymouth is the best place in the world to live.



Getting down to business

The Party life

Party Land's business is to party, has 10,000 items in stock

BY BRIAN CORBETT

Keith Sheth and his wife Parindo are in the right business.

"This is my goal, to see everybody happy. I laugh all the time," Sheth said.

Then there couldn't be a more perfect owner for Party Land, 4283 Ford Rd. in the Sears Plaza in Canton, which opened last month.

The store is stocked with supplies for nearly every imaginable festive occasion.

"Over the hill parties, 30, 40, 50, whatever kind of party you're going to have, we have over 10,000 items in store," he said.

That includes paper cups and plates, invitations, cards, balloons, thank you notes and personalized items. Sheth said.

Currently, Party Land is gearing up for Halloween. "This is my first year, and we have 100 different costumes, so this is a learning experience for me, to see what sells well," he said. "Pocahontas is selling well. All the girls are coming and buying all the Pocahontas costumes."

And to think this party supplier began his professional career in the typically conservative field of accounting.

But it's true. Sheth came to this country from Bombay, India in 1974 as a young college student.

"My brother was here, and we'd talk about what it was like here," said Sheth, whose nickname Keith was derived from his Indian name Kirit. "He said America was easy because people respected each other, and if you worked hard enough, you can get what you want."

He wanted a degree from an American school, and he got it after graduating from Oakland Community College with an associate's degree in computer science.

After returning to India in 1975 to get married to Parindo, or Perry as friends call her, Sheth settled in Canton in 1976, and began raising his family.

He worked as an accounting manager for Guardian Industries, and other companies' accounting departments.

And Sheth still provides consulting services to some businesses, including Johnson Controls. "I still enjoy that. I do that to support my family also," he said.

But the free-spirited Sheth was looking for something different.

"I always wanted to do some business that had more flexibility, and like I said, a job is a job — it pays the bills," he said.

A little more than a month into the business venture, and Sheth said the pace is starting to pick up. "People are responding to our selection. You want it? We have it. It's selection, service and pricing, that's what they're really responding to," he said.

Sheth said he hopes to expand across Metro Detroit, after a one-year trial period with his Canton store. Eventually, he'd like to have nearly two dozen, which should be enough to handle the amount of employee inquiries. As it turns out, Party Land has become the hot spot among the teenage, job-seeking crowd. "It's a lot of fun. I have all high school kids working here. They're all excited about working here instead of Burger King and getting all greasy. They like to do deliveries. They're very happy. I have four or five kids stop by here, and say 'Can we work here?' I say, 'I can only hire so many,'" Sheth said.

Working two jobs can be hectic, though. It doesn't leave much time for Sheth to plan a trip to visit his family. "They come here more than I go there,

because of this job. But I plan to go next year and let them know I'm still alive and still love them," he said.

And Bombay is a town that isn't easily forgettable. "Life is always going on," Sheth said. "It's one of those cities."

But Sheth, who has a son in high

school and a daughter attending Eastern Michigan University, said he doesn't regret his move to the U.S.

"This is the best country in the world. I'm a proud citizen, my whole family is," said Sheth.

Utility man



Detroit Edison employee Dennis D. Rodrigue of Canton receives congratulations on winning the utility's 1995 Alex Dow Award from John E. Lobbia (left), the utility's chairman and chief executive officer. The utility presents the employee award annually for outstanding accomplishments in Detroit Edison operations and for outstanding humanitarian efforts.

Keeping the country clean

Power wash company owner celebrates fifth year in business

BY BRIAN CORBETT

Dan Greene's business is correctly titled American Power Wash.

That's because the Canton resident's goal is to keep the country clean while expanding his business from coast to coast — an ambitious goal if there ever was one.

"You got to have goals," Green said.

He did when he founded American Power Wash five years ago.

A former truck driver, Greene had had enough of working for others unfamiliar with the business' stressful lifestyle. So he set out on his own, and began the full service power wash and auto detailing operation.

"I decided to be my own boss and do something for the community that would be as much as fun as it would a challenge," he said.

Power washing was a developing field at the time, but Greene said the idea was rather obvious. "I got the idea from driving around and being out in the dirty world," he said. "I decided we were going to be the ones to clean it up."

But Greene had to do some homework first. "I did some extensive research before I started, and discovered it was booming business. Unfortunately, a lot of the business' were in it just for the money. They weren't in it to satisfy the customers. We're in it to

clean the world," he said.

And the equipment American Power Wash has assembled proves it, Greene said. "We have state of the art graffiti removal equipment. It shoots a highly top secret spray that removes 100 percent of the graffiti. It is biodegradable and environmentally friendly," said Greene.

The business' policy towards customers helps too, he said. "We have personalized service. We have a secretary that answers the phone, not an answering machine. We guarantee our work; we go back to check it. And we give estimates," Greene said.

That includes work on interior and exterior auto detailing, graffiti and gum removal, exterior housing cleaning, fleet service, and deck restoration. "We use the power washers to clean the decks, and then refinish them with sealers," Greene said.

The result is a surface as clean and hard to miss as American Power Wash's red, white and blue trucks, Greene said. "We try to do everything we can to be as American as possible," he said.

After all, Greene has been living the American dream for five years now. "It's been pretty good. It has its ups and downs like everything else, but at least I'm making my own decisions," he said.

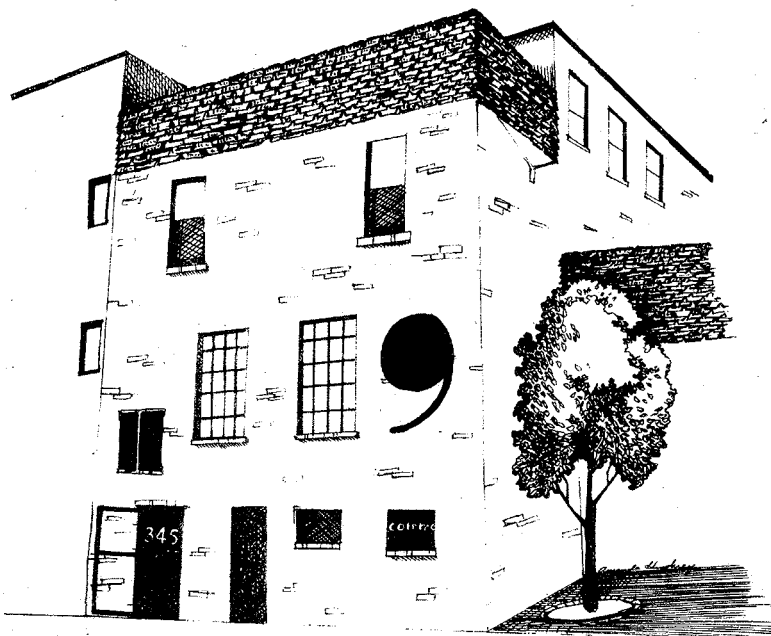
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Community deaths

Obituaries

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RUTH E. HEHMEYER

Ruth E. Hehmeyer, a Wyandotte resident, died Sept. 21, 1996 at the age of 84.

Mrs. Hehmeyer was born in July 14, 1912 in Detroit. She was a 25-year resident of Wyandotte. Mrs. Hehmeyer was a homemaker.

She is survived by her daughters, Gloria (Richard) Hornby of Canton and Carol Smith of California; and five grandchildren. She is preceded in death by her husband, Walter R. Hehmeyer.

Services will be held today at 10 a.m. at Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home in Plymouth with Rev. Drex Morton of St. Michael Lutheran Church in Canton officiating. Burial will follow at Glen Eden Memorial Park in Livonia. Memorial tributes can be made to Henry Ford Wyandotte Hospice, 140 Elm St., Second Floor, Wyandotte, MI 48192.

JOSEPH CARLI

Joseph Carli, a Westland resident, died Sept. 15, 1996 at the age of 94.

Mr. Carli was born July 4, 1902 in Hurley, WI. He worked as a material handler for an automotive manufacturer, where he served as a committeeman for the UAW.

He is survived by his daughter, Marie Carli of Westland; sons, Alex Carli of Livonia and Joseph (Caroi) Carli of Plymouth; sister, Betty (Carl) Hunnicutt of Florida; brothers, Ernest Carli of Warren and Nino (Josephine) Carli of Allen Park; and grandson, Joseph Carli.

Arrangements were made by and services were held at Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home in Plymouth with Rev. Leonard Partensky officiating. Burial was at Mt. Olivet Cemetery in Detroit. Mass offerings can be made or memorial tributes to The Alzheimer Association, 17220 W. 12 Mile Rd., Suite 100, Southfield, MI 48076.

LAWRENCE PEPLOSKI

Lawrence Peploski, a Plymouth resident, died Sept. 18, 1996 at the age of 50.

Mr. Peploski was born Aug. 18, 1946 in Detroit. He worked for General Motors Power Train in Romulus. He was active in the Madonna Charismatic Prayer Group. Mr. Peploski loved Traverse City, walking and biking and was very involved with his children.

Mr. Peploski is survived by his wife of 20 years, Janice Peploski; daughter, Laura Ann Peploski; son, Adam Christopher Peploski; sister, Barbara Peploski of Trenton; and mother, Stephany Peploski of Trenton.

Services were held at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church in Plymouth with Fr. James Livingston officiating. Arrangements were made by Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home in Plymouth. Burial was at St. Hedwig Cemetery in Dearborn Heights. Memorial tributes can be made to the American Cancer Society, 29350 Southfield, Suite 110, Southfield, MI 48076 or the Karmanos Cancer Institute, 744 Wing St., Plymouth, MI 48170-1235.

BENJAMIN J. SOLEAU

Benjamin J. Soleau, a Canton resident, died Sept. 23, 1996 at the age of 80.

Mr. Soleau was born Sept. 21, 1916 in Frenchtown Township. He came to the community from Monroe in 1941. Mr. Soleau served in the U.S. Army. He was owner of Plymouth Carpet Service since 1956. He was a member of the Fr. Renault Council 3292 Knights of Columbus. He also loved fishing.

He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Gertrude (Liedel) Soleau; sons, Ronald (Barb) Soleau of Fountain, CO, Edward (Linda) Soleau of Plymouth, Marvin (Christine) Soleau of Westland; sisters, Theresa (Hank) Balk of Sun City, AZ and Marie DeSloover of Monroe; brothers, Ralph Soleau of Monroe and Jim Soleau of Spring Hill, FL; seven grandchildren; and two great grandchildren. He is preceded in death by his son, Glen Soleau.

Visitation is today from 1-4 p.m. and 6-9 p.m. at Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home in Plymouth. Services will be held tomorrow at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church with Fr. James Livingston officiating. Burial will follow at Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth. Memorial tributes can be made to Karmanos Cancer Institute, Plymouth region, 744 Wing St., Plymouth, MI 48170-1235 or mass offerings.

AMANDA S. "MOLLY" MURPHY

Amanda S. "Molly" Murphy, a former Plymouth resident, died Sept. 15, 1996 at the age of 80 at the Arboridge Care Center in Galesburg.

She was born Feb. 7, 1916 in Plymouth, the daughter of Joseph and Marie (Deja) Zielasko. She was a graduate of Plymouth High School and married James P. Murphy on Aug. 25, 1945 at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church in Plymouth. He preceded her in death on July 25, 1987.

Mrs. Murphy was one of the original founding officers of the Knights of Columbus, Plymouth Counsel Credit Union where she was a treasurer. She later served as treasurer of the Wayne Auto Assembly Credit Union.

She was formerly featured in a national magazine as the "Merry Milk Maid" of Plymouth, the story highlighting what women did during World War II to replace men gone to service. She had a milk route through the family-owned Newburgh Dairy.

Mrs. Murphy was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Battle Creek and formerly of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Hudson, and of the Alter Rosary Societies of both churches.

Mrs. Murphy is survived by her son, Gregory (Vickie) Murphy of Climax; daughter, Colleen Ann Randall of Fairfield, CA; two grandsons, Ryan Gregory Murphy and Kevin Christopher Murphy, both of Climax; and one sister, Irene Blaharski of Westland. She is preceded in death by her parents, her husband, and a brother, Edmund Zielasko.

Services were held at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Hudson with Fr. H. Paul Ruddy officiating. Interment was made in Calvary Cemetery in Hudson. Memorial tributes can be made to St. Joseph Catholic Church in Battle Creek.

MARY ANN MARTIN

Mary Ann Martin, a Canton resident, died Sept. 18, 1996 at the age of 65.

Mrs. Martin was born Oct. 15, 1930 in Detroit. She moved to the community in 1976 from Westland. She was a computer operator at Garden City Hospital. She was a member of the Westland Art Association, loved to paint and made ceramic dolls and doll clothing. She was also a seamstress.

Mrs. Martin is survived by her husband of 47 years, Francis Martin; daughters, Mary (Darwin) Noel of Monroe and Lynn

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Community deaths

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Gouaiana of Canton; son, Michael (Shirley) Martin of Grass Lake; grandchildren, Michelle, Mary, Christina, Steven, Nicole and Michael; and one great grandchild, Nicholas.

Services were held at St. Anne's Catholic Church in Redford with Fr. Eric S. Ensey officiating. Arrangements were made by Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home in Plymouth. Burial was at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Southfield.

FLORENCE PETERSON

Florence Peterson, a Green Oak Township resident, died Sept. 22, 1996 at the age of 82.

Ms. Peterson was born June 8, 1914 in Englevale, ND. She was

a homemaker, sales clerk and cook. She moved from Englevale, ND in 1930 to South Lyon and attended Grass Lake High School, where she played basketball. Ms. Peterson was a member of the Newburg United Methodist Church, where she was a member of the church's senior citizen group. She was also a member of the South Lyon Community Seniors. She loved to crochet, read, garden, and loved helping with church activities and watching basketball.

Arrangements were made by and services held at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home in Plymouth with Rev. Gilson Miller and Rev. Melanie Carey officiating. Burial was at Glen Eden Cemetery in Livonia. Memorial tributes can be made to Community Hospice Services.

Arrangements were made by and services were held at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home in Plymouth.

Emerson John Heath, 82, sheet metal worker

Emerson John Heath, a Canton resident, died Sept. 11, 1996.

He is survived by his wife, Eleanora Y. Heath; daughter, Linda (Robert) Garrett of Canton and one other daughter; one son; and seven grandchildren.

Services were held at St. Michael Lutheran Church in Canton with Rev. Jerry A. Yarnell officiating. Arrangements were made by the L.J. Griffin Funeral Home in Canton.

Martha Louise Smith, 65, homemaker

Martha Louise Smith, a Canton resident, died Sept. 17, 1996.

She is survived by her husband, Richard Smith; two sons; two sisters; and a mother-in-law. She was preceded in death by her daughter.

Arrangements were made by and services were held at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home in Plymouth with Rev. Dean Klump officiating.

Jeffrey L. Franken, 24, manager

Jeffrey L. Franken, a Canton resident, died Sept. 9, 1996.

He is survived by his mother, Betty Franken; brother, Jason Franken; and grandparents.

Services were held at St. John Neumann Catholic Church in Canton with Fr. George Charnley officiating. Arrangements were made by the McCabe Funeral Home Canton Chapel.

Ruth Jeanette Kuhr, 61, business officer

Ruth Jeanette Kuhr, a Plymouth resident, died Sept. 8, 1996.

She is survived by her husband, Roger L. Kuhr; daughter, Tracy Recendiz of Plymouth; three step children; one sister; one brother; parents; and four grandchildren.

Services were held at the Cryer Funeral Home in Obion, TN. Local arrangements were made by the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home in Plymouth.

Dorothy Ann Nelson, 65, homemaker

Dorothy Ann Nelson, a Canton resident, died Sept. 13, 1996.

She is survived by her husband, Terry E. Nelson; three brothers; and many nieces and nephews.

Arrangements were made by and services were held at the L.J. Griffin Funeral Home in Canton with Rev. Stanley Kruse of Temple Baptist Church officiating.

Kevin E. Rutledge, 40, business owner

Kevin E. Rutledge, a former Plymouth resident, died Sept. 10, 1996.

He is survived by his wife, Barbara J. Rutledge of Westland; children, Kelly and Justin Rutledge; parents, Roy L. and Mary E. Rutledge of Plymouth; two brothers; and two sisters.

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You are invited to attend our group meeting which will be held the 2nd Tuesday of the month. For further information contact:

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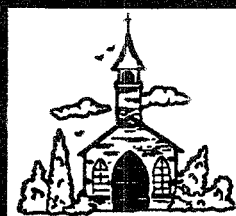
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Groups...

WOMAN'S CLUB OF PLYMOUTH

Oct. 4 at noon at the Waterman Center at Schoolcraft College. Lunch and the program "Cooking Demonstration" will be prepared by resident student chefs. Tickets are \$15 each. Reservations must be made by Friday. For more information, call Clara Camp at 453-8865. Proceeds will be used for civic giving.

PLYMOUTH YMCA "Y" KIDS

For children ages 3-5. Openings for afternoon sessions of Y Kids. Age 3 meets on Tuesday and Thursday, and ages 4-5 meet Monday, Wednesday and Friday. For more information, call the Plymouth YMCA at 453-2904.

60+ CLUB

Meets every first Monday at noon at First United Methodist Church located at 45201 N. Territorial Rd. Everyone is welcome. Bring your own table service and a dish to pass. For more information, call Lola Schueder at 453-7999.

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MEET OTHER MOTHERS

Meet Other Mothers invites you to join them for guest speakers and discussion. Meet the second and fourth Friday of the month at the First Presbyterian Church in Plymouth. Babysitting is provided. For more information, Mardi at 453-4970.

ST. JOHN NEUMANN SINGLES GROUP HALLOWEEN DANCE

St. John Neumann Singles Group in Canton, 44800 Warren Ave., is having a Halloween Dance Oct. 25 from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Pizza, pop, raffle tickets, prizes and great music by James Dunn. BYOB. No jeans please. The cost is \$8. For more information, call Marilyn at 591-9269 (after 6 p.m.), Patrick at 277-6083, Theresa at 277-2171 or Scott at 266-7253.

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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 Thursday from 7-9 p.m. at the Plymouth Township Hall. For more information, call 453-3840, ext. 223.

SMOKERS' RIGHTS MEETING

People supportive of smokers' rights can meet on the third Monday of every month at 7 p.m. at The Senate Coney Island, 34359 Plymouth Rd. For more information, call Marc at 455-1635.

PLYMOUTH OPTIMIST CLUB MEETINGS

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.

PLYMOUTH DISTRICT LIBRARY WRITER'S CLUB

The second and fourth Thursday of every month from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Writers of all experience levels are welcome. For more information, call 416-0418

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Today's Fall Home Improvement Plus Section includes numerous ideas and suggestions for brightening up your home both inside and out.

Shop for flooring quality

BY JANET ARMSTRONG

Your home's floor covering can be one of its most noticeable features, so when buying new carpet or area rugs there are several things you should consider.

According to area carpet

experts the trend for homeowners is to keep their floors natural, with a hardwood surface.

"A lot of people are still doing hardwood floors with area rugs," said Sheri Barber, manager of Independent

Carpet at 1400 N. Wayne Road in Westland.

Barber said that people purchasing area rugs should consider buying a Berber style rug.

"It's textured and looped," she said. "So they hide tracking and dirt very well."

Although many people are using hardwood flooring, carpet sales have not suffered according to John Thomas, owner of John Thomas Floor Coverings at 42177 Ann Arbor Rd. in Plymouth.

"Even though there is still a trend toward a lot of hardwood, I'm selling a lot of carpet too," he said.

Both Thomas and Barber have several suggestions for people looking to purchase new carpeting for their homes.

- Go with a quality house (for your carpet).

- Study the traffic pattern of your home before you buy.

- Work with a quality installer to make sure its done correctly.

- Don't skimp on the padding.

There are several reasons behind going with a quality house, said Thomas.

"You have to find someone you trust," he said. "They have to provide quality service and make sure it's done correctly."

"I can tell you that if you get a negative feeling from someone don't use them."

Thomas added that people building their homes should make arrangements for carpeting from someone other than the builder.

"You need to arrange for the carpeting ahead of time and have the builder take it off the price," said Thomas. "That way you make sure you get the quality you want."

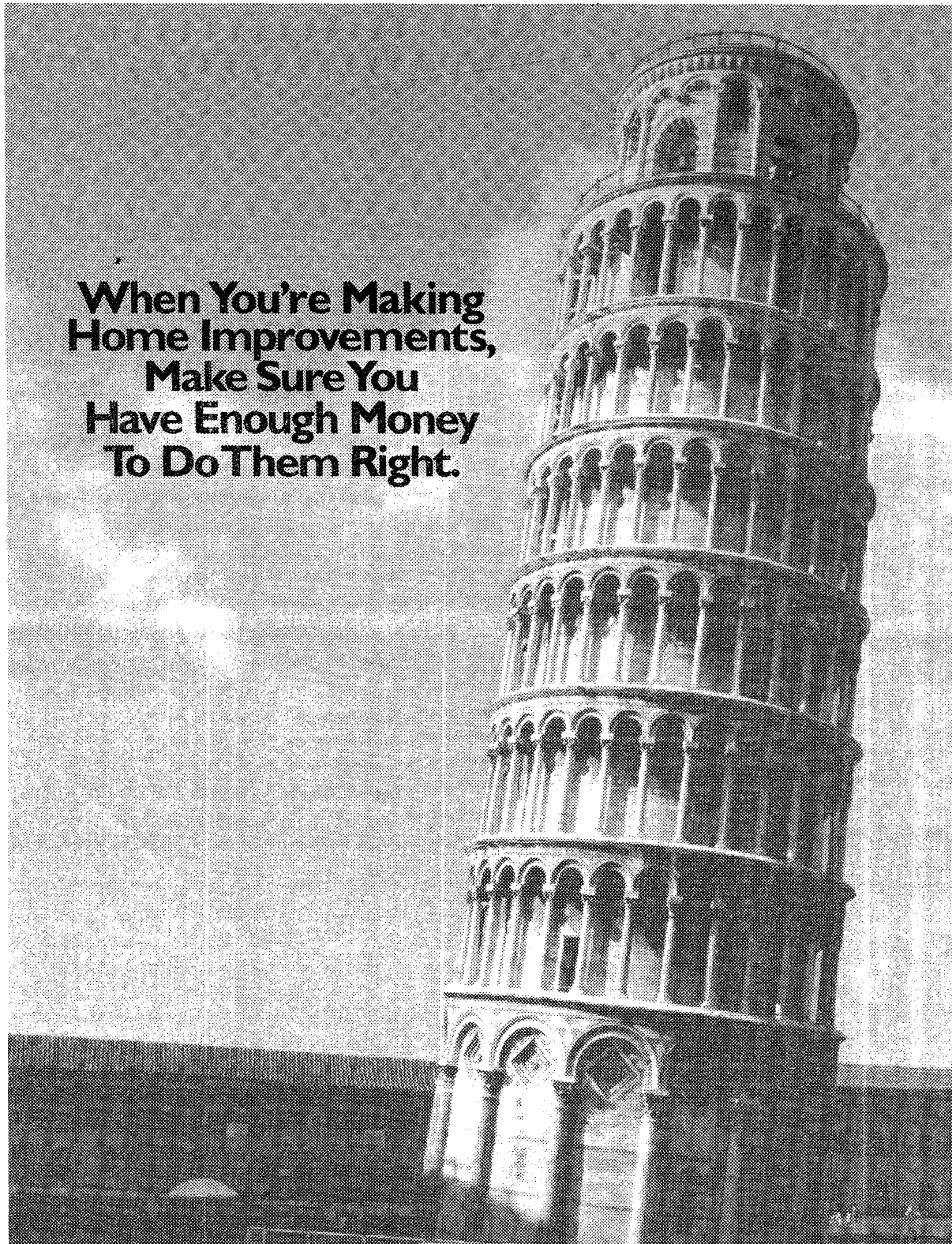
Barber said that once you've spent the money on the carpet, you should make sure to get quality padding for it.

"The padding is as important as the carpet," said Barber. "It's the foundation."

"Don't skimp on the padding."

Don't let all these warnings scare you off of purchasing carpet though, said Barber.

"Technically right now is an excellent time to buy carpeting," she said.



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Plymouth Furniture Refinishing, Days Gone By, Your New Home and Valguard Security of Plymouth and Diversified Energy Control of Canton are featured exhibitors at the fourth annual Fall Remodeling Show, which is open tomorrow through Sunday at the Novi Expo Center.

"Each year we have been fortunate enough to attract many of the area's finest companies to our show," said Gilbert "Buzz" Silverman, president of Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) and president and chief executive officer of The Silverman Companies in Farmington Hills. "It's a win-win situation because showgoers see a wide array of top-quality products and services for the home and garden all in one place."

The non-profit BIA is the event sponsor.

Plymouth Furniture Refinishing will feature furniture refinishing, repairs, antique restoration and designer finishes; Days Gone By will display lace curtains, doilies, cookie molds and stamps; Your New House will exhibit a video on building a new home; Valguard Security will exhibit its security system; and Diversified Energy will show its window film product.

A special highlight of the show, columnists and authors Katie and Gene Hamilton, creators of HOUSENET on America Online and on the World Wide Web, will help homeowners decide whether to tackle home improvement projects themselves or not. The pair has been seen on NBC's "Today Show" and Lifetime Channel's "Our Home." Other highlights include members of the American Society of Interior Designers conducting designer consultations and clinics and the Home Office Show, a show within the Fall Remodeling Show, featuring products, services and support for home offices.

Additional show features include BIA's Remodelers Council Home Remodelers Clinic, offering seminars on moving to a new home or remodeling an existing home; the second annual Showcase of Distinctive Homes sponsored by BIA, which will kick off at the show, displaying detailed home illustrations; demonstrations on decorating, home repair and remodeling and a Treasure Chest contest with daily prizes.

More than 200 exhibitors will show their most interesting and up-to-date products and services for kitchens, baths, home offices, doors, windows, yard/gardens, remodeling, interior design, furniture, arts and crafts, decorative accessories, pet accessories, electronics, heating, cooling and appliances.

BIA also sponsors the International Builders Home, Flower and Furniture Show at Cobo Conference-Exhibition Center and the Spring Home & Garden Show at the Novi Expo Center.

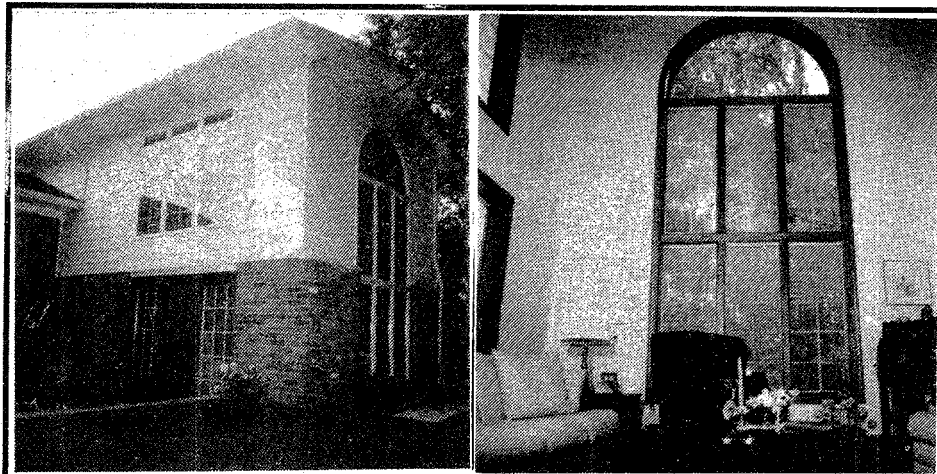
The Novi Expo Center is located at I-96 and Novi Road. Show hours are from 2-10 p.m. Thursday and Friday; 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday; and 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday. Admission is \$6 for adults; \$4 for seniors; \$3 for children six to 12 years old; and children under six are admitted free. Family tickets for two adults and accompanying children are available at Farmer Jack Supermarkets for \$9. Free admission coupons for tomorrow's show are available at all Frank's stores.

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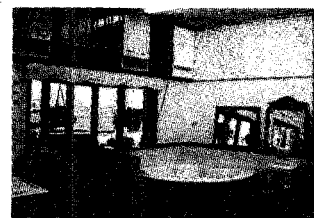
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Whether your system is forced air gas, oil or propane, it's always a smart idea to have your system checked out annually before each heating season begins. You can feel assured of a safe and warm home this winter by calling your local heating-ventilating-air conditioning (HVAC) dealer.

There are several areas of your forced air system that are a must when it comes to inspections. Having the heat exchanger checked is of the utmost importance in order to detect possible carbon monoxide or propane leakage. Holes found within the heat exchanger can be as small as a pinhole but can be just as dangerous to the life of the homeowner. The pilot light as well as all of the controls, including the thermostat, should also be included in your furnace inspection to help keep your system running safely and efficiently. Also, be sure to have your humidifier cleaned and the filter within replaced. Last but, not least, have the air filter changed before the start of the heating season to keep clean air flowing through your system and, in turn, throughout your home. Flame Furnace owner, Gary Marowske compares a furnace inspection to having the oil changed in your car. He stresses, "An oil change is equally important to the life of your car as a furnace inspection is to the life of your furnace."

Another point of inspection for forced air systems is duct

In the workshop

by Maura Cady



cleaning. It's probably safe to say that most homeowners with forced air have never had their system's duct work cleaned. Duct cleaning and sanitizing companies such as Sanit-Air in Troy suggest having your duct work cleaned before the heating season is in full swing. This is especially true for systems that have never been cleaned or not cleaned within the last five years. Owner Connie Morbach says, "You would be amazed to discover the amount of dust and cellulose from insulation that gathers in your duct work." This build-up, in turn, creates mold which you and your family then breathe in. Morbach also suggests duct cleaning and sanitizing for new construction homes as well as new furnaces. "Starting out fresh can prevent future problems," Morbach stresses.

Although most HVAC and duct cleaning companies offer special packages for the homeowner, it's always safe to be on the lookout. The cheapest company is not necessarily the best. Be sure to research the extent of the inspection as well as checking out references from your neighbors and other satisfied customers. If the company you've contacted is reputable, they should be eager to share with you the references of their previous customers. Once complete, you can literally breathe easy knowing that you have chosen the right company to service your home's heating system.

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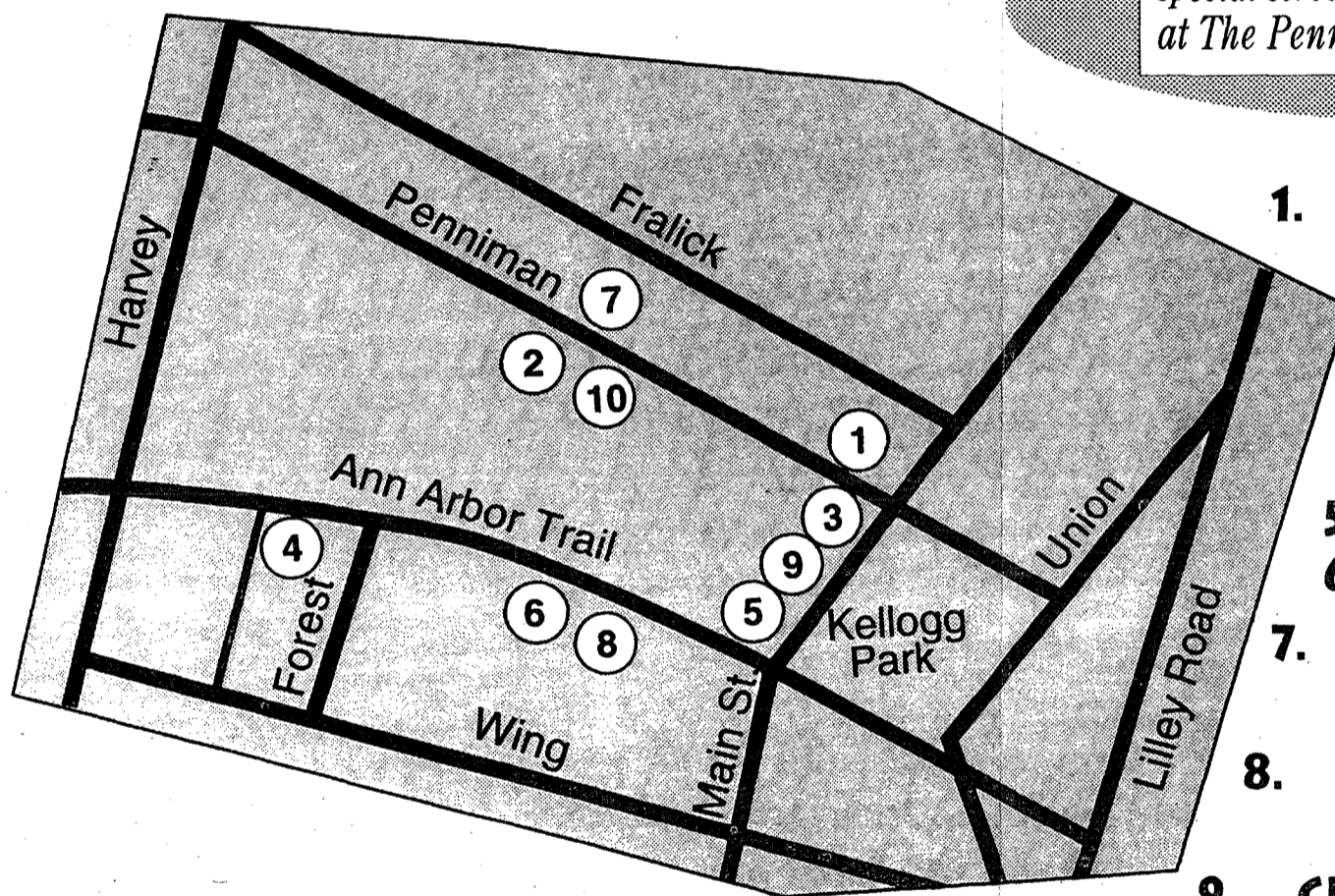
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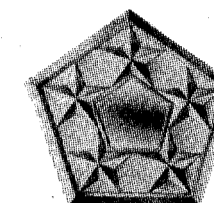
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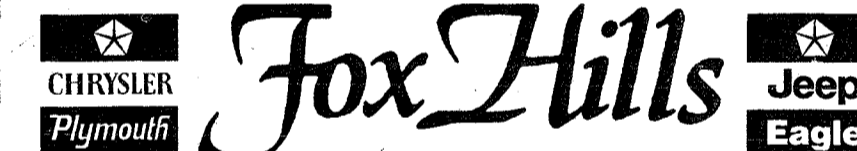
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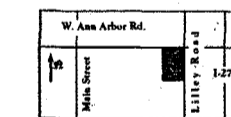
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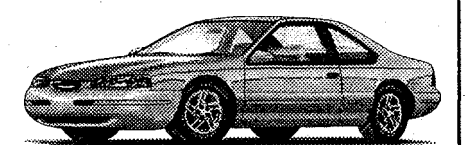
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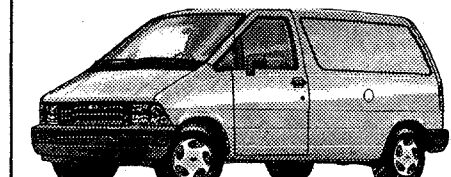
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"Although it's not a new concept to buy a run down "fixer-upper" with the intention of restoring it to an attractive and comfortable home, many buyers are taking a renewed interest and some banks are taking a closer look at this market," said Gilbert "Buzz" Silverman, president of the Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan and of The Silverman Companies in Farmington Hills.

What differentiates fixer-upper buyers from other home buyers is that when looking for a home, the buyer is looking specifically for a house which he or she does not consider livable in its present condition. The challenge comes in the steps it takes to remodel the fixer-upper house into a home either for the buyer or for the buyer to sell right away, at a profit over his or her initial investment.

An initial attraction of these homes is their cost, usually significantly below their potential market value. In some areas, cities may even offer these houses for a \$1 to anybody willing to make the necessary repairs. Of course, bargains are rarely what they seem, and fixer-uppers are called such for a reason.

A buyer who purchases one of these houses must be prepared to invest substantial material and labor resources to make the house comfortable, or in some instances, even inhabitable. For years, this presented a dilemma for buyers, because they would use up most of their savings for the down payment and have nothing left with which to remodel. They could not borrow against the equity in their home because there was none.

Some banks have loan programs designed specifically for home improvements in homes with little or no equity. This program is designed around the Federal Housing Administration Title I Home Improvement Loan program. Interest paid on these loans may be tax deductible.

"It's always a good idea for buyers to have a professional home inspector examine any home they're planning to buy, but in the case of a fixer-upper, it is essential," said Silverman. While chipped paint and other cosmetic drawbacks are easy to spot and relatively easy to fix, structural damage can be more difficult to see, not to mention more difficult and expensive to repair. To the layman, two rundown houses may look alike. But one can be brought up to snuff with new wallpaper, carpeting and a thorough scrubbing, while the other may need extensive and expensive rewiring, new plumbing and the like. An expert will be able to tell whether the wall just needs a fresh coat of paint, or if it's a structural wall that is about to fall down and take the ceiling with it.

Even if it's determined that major repairs and renovations must be made, a buyer may still be interested in accepting the challenge and buying the house. In addition to the potential cost savings, renovating a fixer-upper gives buyers customization options that would otherwise be available only to people building a new home.

Once a buyer decides to buy a house requiring professional remodeling, the big question is how to select a remodeler to do the work.

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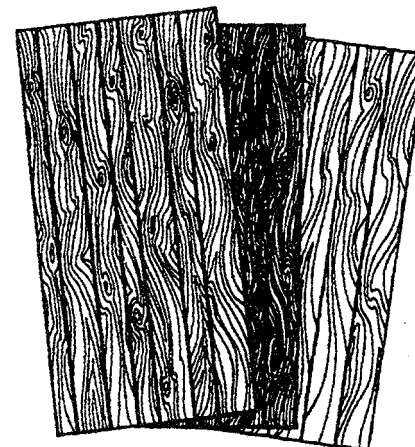


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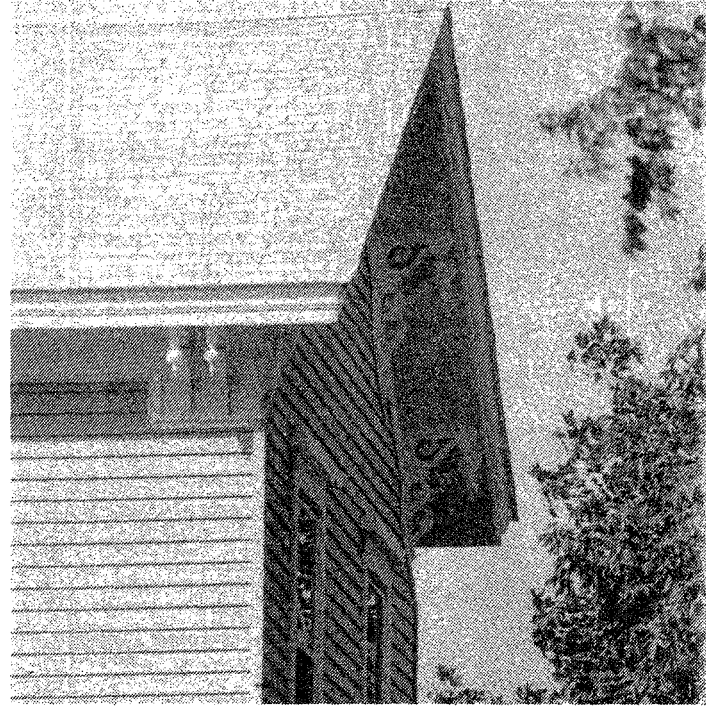
experiences with a specific remodeler. That way the customer can have an opportunity to find out what it was like working with that particular remodeler and see the work. If the customer is satisfied, then, he or she can arrange to meet with the remodeler to see if the remodeler's style and ideas make the customer comfortable.

Of course, depending on the customer's budget and timetable, he or she may decide to buy the house and then prioritize the repairs, fixing only the essential main systems first.

Like any home improvement, many variables will affect the return an owner will receive on his

investment. A rule of thumb is that any repair which brings a house up to the level of the other houses in the neighborhood is a worthy one. Eventually, the homeowner will face the principle of diminishing returns where the home's value will not increase in proportion with the cost of the improvements.

One thing that is not variable is that shoddy workmanship will not increase a home's value. The time and resources necessary to restore a fixer-upper may not be acceptable to everybody. But those who decide to accept the challenge and make the commitment to invest in quality improvements will be richly rewarded.



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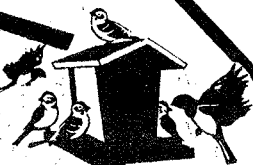
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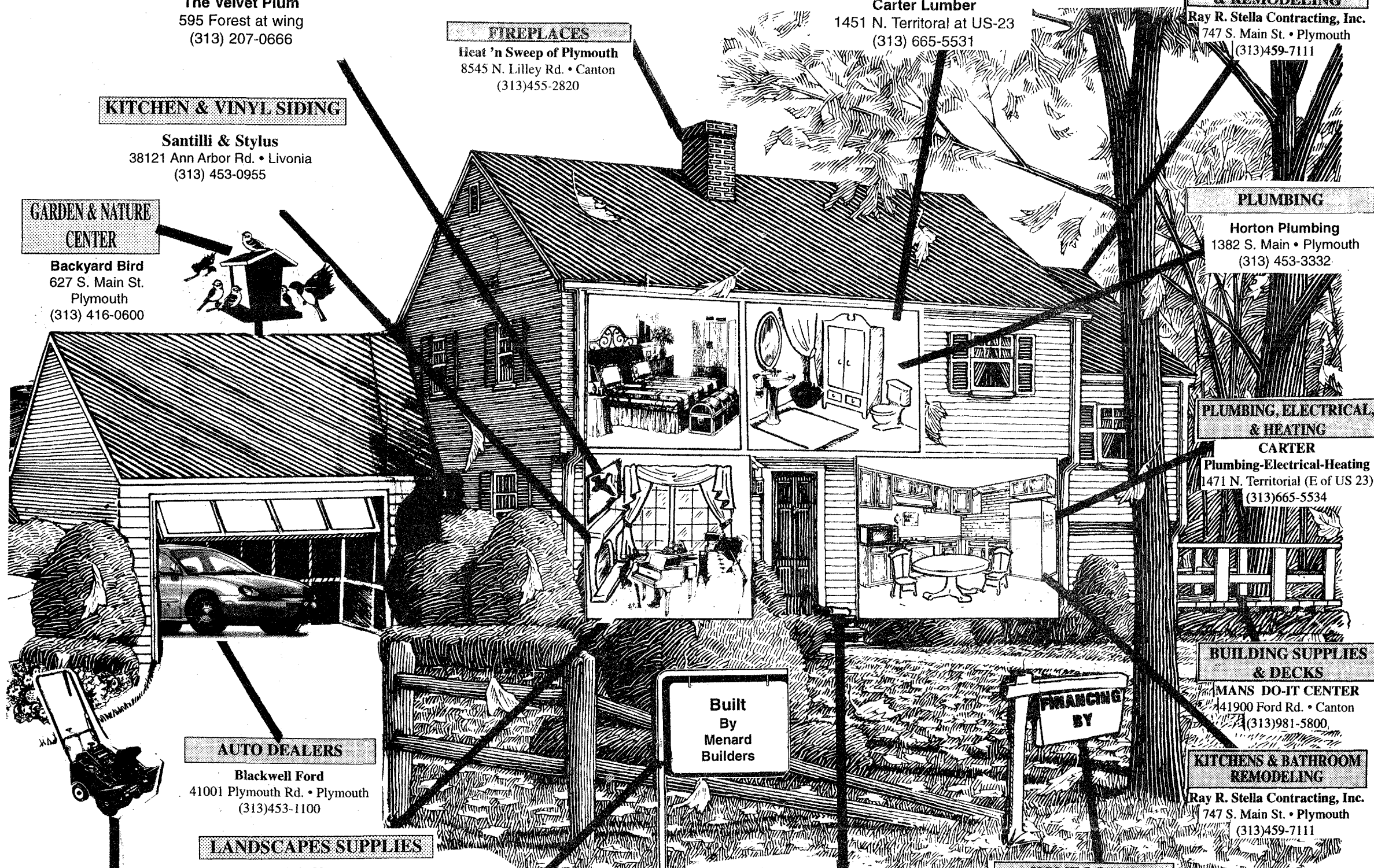
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Fall Fest Puzzler — Results

How well do you know community's (historical) sites?

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Picture 1



Picture 2



Picture 3

How did you do?

Fall Festival edition readers were asked to identify the community landmarks. The winners, Joe Carli and Hope Sims of Plymouth were chosen as the winners of the Fall Fest Puzzler and will receive a \$50 gift certificate at a local restaurant.

Picture 1--Rockwell Sculptures at Plymouth Township Park.

Picture 2--Installation of the Guenther Clock at original location on Kellogg Park side of Main Street.

Picture 3--Lobby of the Plymouth Hilton on Northville Road in Plymouth Township.

Picture 4--Canton's historic Travis House before repairs began.

Picture 5--Stroh's Brewery (now the site of Plymouth Marketplace)

Picture 6--Meijer store at Canton Center and Ford roads in Canton.

Picture 7--Canton Township Hall during construction.

Picture 8--The Nelson Hotel in Old Village (before it burned down)

Picture 9--I-275 Ford Road interchange in Canton.

Bonus Picture, Picture 10--Parade in Plymouth, England
Thanks to all those who participated in The Crier's Fall Fest Puzzler!



Picture 4

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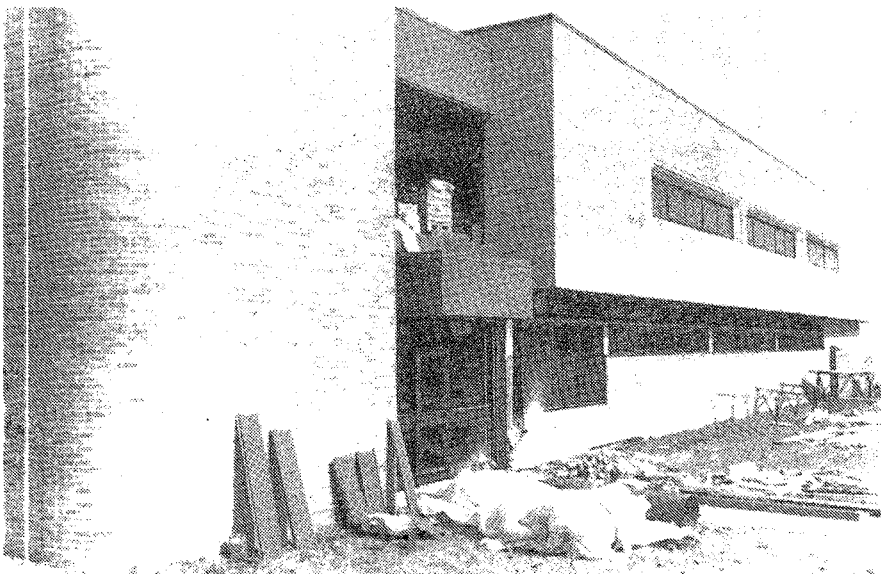
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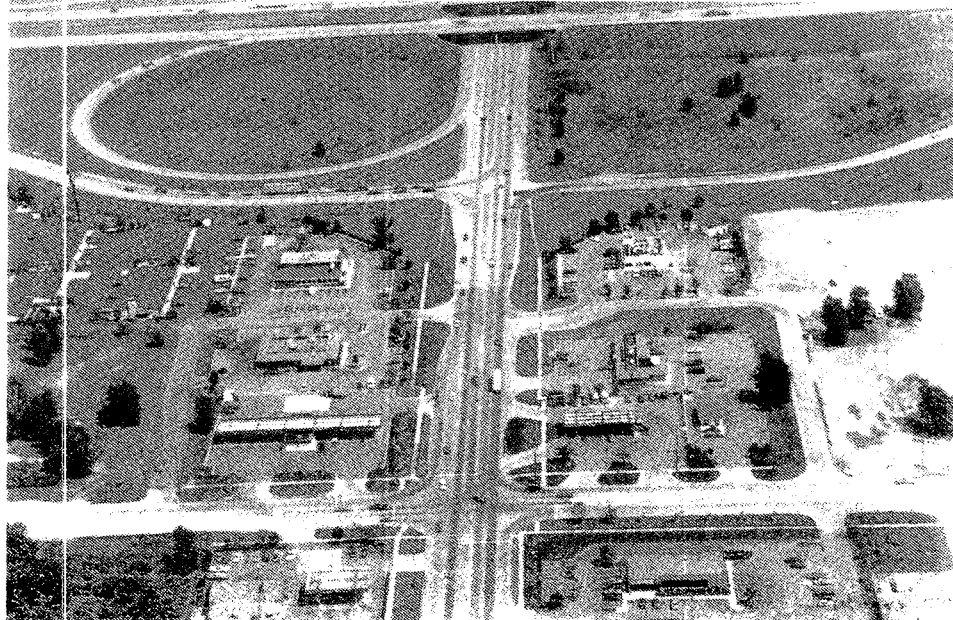
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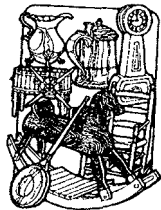
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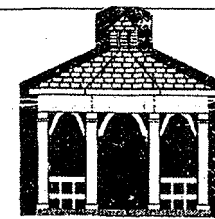
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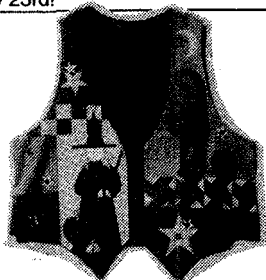
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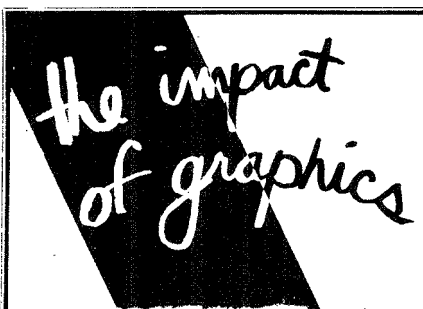
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There's "**open gym**" basketball Monday through Friday from 1-4 p.m. at \$1 per person.

Call the Salvation Army at 453-5464 for more information on any of the events listed above.

The Canton Parks and Recreation Services is sponsoring a **Ballet/Tap/Jazz dance program** for ages four to adults with classes beginning Monday at the Summit on the Park. There will be new openings for beginning students and also limited openings for students with prior dance experience. The registration fee is \$25 with a one time administrative fee of \$5 per student plus a monthly fee to the instructor. Call 397-5110 for more information.

Canton Parks and Recreation Services is also sponsoring its **Fall session of Men's Recreational Basketball** for Canton Residents only. This 10-week program will be held at Field school. Deadline for registration is Sept. 30.

The Detroit Whalers announced that **individual game tickets are now on sale** for the 1996-97 season. Tickets may be purchased at the new Compuware Sports Arena located at 14900 Beck Rd. or by calling (313) 453-8400.

The Canton Township Parks and Recreation Department would like to remind everyone that registration for fall programs is still taking place. You can register at the Summit from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday or call 397-5110.

The City of Plymouth Parks and Recreation Department will be offering a **Senior's trip to Door County, Wisconsin** Sept. 30. The trip is for four nights/five days. For information on cost or to reserve your spot call (313) 455-6620.

Bumpy road

Detroit Whalers search for first victory of season after rocky weekend

The Detroit Whalers return to the road this week still searching for their first victory of the season.

That's because the Whalers lost both games — despite outshooting both opponents — in weekend visits to Guelph and Owen Sound.

It started with a 3-2 loss to Guelph Friday, and got worse the next night in a 6-2 loss in Owen Sound.

Before a crowd of 2,637 the Storm took a 1-0 lead just 55 seconds into the first period when center Andrew Long and right wing Brian Wilson set up a goal by Mike Christian, who beat Whalers goalie Robert Esche.

Nearly seven minutes later, Harold Druken, the Whalers 1996 first-round draft pick, evened the score. Defenseman Jesse Boulerice gave the Whalers their first lead of the season at 13:41 of the first period. Center Julian Smith assisted.

In the second period, the Storm struck early again when left wing Todd Norman scored on an assist from defensemen Mike Lankshear.

The contest remained tied at 2-2 until Norman scored his second goal of the evening on Long's second assist of the evening. The Whalers outshot the Storm in every period.

Owen Sound was not nearly as gracious hosts. And the Whalers weren't nearly as competitive — surrendering three shorthanded goals and two power play scores to the Platers,

whose veteran players victimized Detroit.

It took more than 10 minutes for Owen Sound's Dan Snyder to score the first goal, but 20:45 later Esche was pulled from the game by coach Peter DeBoer after the Platers had gone up 5-0.

The first period set the tone for the game as Owen Sound shelled the net with 16 shots on goal to Detroit's four. But both goals — one by Snyder and the other from defenseman Steve Gallace — were shorthanded.

Snyder, the game's number one star, assisted on the third goal of the game by Ryan Davis, 50 second into the second period. David struck again just 2:04 later, assisted again by Snyder and forward Adam Mair.

Mair drove Esche from the net on an unassisted, shorthanded tally at 11:02. Defenseman Shane Kenny rounded out the second period scoring at 17:09, beating back up goalie Nathan West.

Strangely, the Whalers doubled the Platers shot total that period, 19-8.

They would accomplish that again in the third period (14 shots to seven shots), while getting goals from Boulerice and Druken. Scott Cameron, Luc Rioux and Andrew Taylor recorded assists.

Boulerice, a fifth-round selection of the Philadelphia Flyers, scored on a power play at 1:38.

The Whalers play at Sarnia Friday and at Erie Sunday. Their home opener is Oct. 5 versus Kingston.

Rock linksters sink Walled Lake Western

BY RACHEL RAZGUNAS

The Salem boys golf team defeated a strong Walled Lake Western team last Friday at Hilltop Golf Club, 208-214.

The Rocks were led by: Brian Fox, 40; Ryan Deschaw, 40; Mark Runchey, 43; Adam Wilson, 43; Aaron Pawloski, 43; and Jeff Lear, 43. Tournament medalist Chris King of Walled Lake Western, shot a 35.

"It was an important victory for us because Walled Lake Western had not lost," said coach Rick Wilson.

For conference play, teams play 11 dual matches, with each win worth one point and each tie worth one-half. With the win over Western, Salem's record improves to 3-1-1. Walled Lake Western drops to 5-1.

The golf season began for the Rocks on Sept. 12 with Salem's first dual match against Northville, winning 207-214.

"Before school," Wilson said, "we played a lot of 18-hole tournaments."

The team played in the Traverse City Tournament, Michigan State Tournament, Eastern Michigan Tournament, Hilltop Tournament, Pickney Tournament and Brighton Tournament.

So far, Salem has defeated Northville, Farmington and Western. They've tied John Glenn and lost to Churchill.

This week, the team plays three dual matches against: Stevenson on Monday; North Farmington today; and Harrison tomorrow.

Salem competes in the Conference Tournament Oct. 8.

Only two players from last year's undefeated squad were lost. Ryan Andrzejewski and Mike Hjelmstad grad-

uated from the Western Lakes Activities Association co-champion squad.

An abundance of talented players fill-out this year's team. Two of the top prospects include senior co-captains, Lear and Fox.

"They've been pretty steady all year," said Wilson.

Other Rocks showing promise include: Deschaw, Pawloski, Runchey, Pat Belvitch, Wilson and Eric Kruegar.

These eight members have played in most of the varsity matches.

The Salem golf team's number one goal is to win the division. They are also working toward winning the Conference Tournament, becoming Western Lakes Activities Association champion and going on to regionals.

Salem has qualified for the state finals two years in a row and hopes to match that again this year.

P-C Steelers rock Vikings

The Plymouth-Canton Steelers varsity football team easily defeated the North Farmington-West Bloomfield Vikings on the Vikings home field Sunday.

The Steelers struck first with a 21-yard pass from Chris Hardy to Chris Sherfey, while Charlie Haeger finished the scoring drive off kicking the extra point. Marshall Tucker and Nate Halbert each scored rushing touchdowns for the undefeated Steelers.

The junior varsity also won against their Viking counterparts 16-0. Mike Jones started the Steelers scoring off with a sack of the Viking quarterback in his own end-zone for a safety. Justin Carson scored the next two Steeler touchdowns, one on a 17-yard rush and the other after returning an intercepted Viking pass 20 yards.

The Steelers' freshmen squad were not so lucky on the day dropping their first game of the season to the Vikings, 19-6. Brandon Mancini scored the only Steeler score on a 20-yard run.

Troopers fundraiser helps Special Olympics

Troopers from the Northville State Police Post will be strapping on their bike helmets and running shoes to help raise money for the Michigan Special Olympics.

The troopers will be riding bicycles and running through downtown Northville Friday. According to trooper Thalia H. Snell, the team captain and organizer of the local event, each of the participants are collecting donations for the Special Olympics.

Snell added, that in addition to raising money the troopers are trying to raise public awareness for the event and getting the Michigan State Police involved in the local community.

Donations for the Michigan Special Olympics can be made during normal business hours at the Northville State Police Post until Oct. 15 or sent to the Michigan Special Olympics, Central Michigan University, Mount Pleasant, MI. 48859.

Salem girls basketball stumbles at end of game, loses to Northville in last 20 seconds

BY RACHEL RAZGUNAS

The Salem girls basketball team held with Northville for the entire game, except when it counted most — at the end. The Mustangs beat the Rocks, 42-39.

Coach Fred Thomann said he's happy with his team's play. "It was really a hard fought game against a quality basketball team," he said.

It was so close throughout the game that neither team pulled more than four points ahead.

At the end of the game, it was knotted at 39. Salem turned the ball over, which proved to be their downfall. With 20 seconds left, Northville drove to the hoop. The Mustang's Lauren Medtime was fouled and hit two free throws. Salem was unable to answer at the other end. The game ended with Medtime hitting two more from the charity stripe.

The Rocks were led by Angela Sillmon with 10 points; and Andrea Pruett and Laurel Weinman with nine.

"I think this is one of the best teams in our league," Thomann said of Northville, "and we're looking forward to maybe trying to play against them again at a later date."

With the loss, Salem dropped to 4-2. Northville is 5-2.

It's the second straight loss for the Rocks, who began the season by beating Ann Arbor Pioneer, Rochester Adams, Bishop Borgess and Ann Arbor Huron. They lost to defending state champion Flint Northern by 13 points.

"We've been state ranked all season and we've been playing

some pretty good ball," said Thomann.

The Rocks face North Farmington tomorrow at North Farmington at 5:30 p.m.

Salem is coming off a strong season, ending last year with a 17-7 record. They made it as far as the regional championship game, losing in overtime — one basket away from going on to the quarterfinal in the state tournament.

Senior guards Weinman and Janelle Sterling, along with forward Merrit Walker take the place of last year's captains: Shelleye Sills, Nicole Vanhees and Kelli Simpson.

The rest of this year's squad is made up of four juniors, two sophomores and one freshman. They include: guards, Amanda Abraham, Laura Schreider, Angie Zilman and Tiffany Graubaugh; and forwards, Heather Guerin, Nikki Nauman and Pruett.

"The goal for this team is to compete for the conference championship," said Thomann.

That goal will be a little more difficult with the loss to Northville, a league game.

Another of Salem's goals is to win the district. To do that, they'll have to get by cross-campus rival Canton and Northville.

Although these goals are significant to the team, they're not as important as simply working together.

Thomann said: "The most important thing for a basketball team is that they come together and all play with a sense of purpose and play as a unit."

Chief cagers roll over Flint Powers Marzolf leads Canton to 7th win of season

BY JANET ARMSTRONG

The Canton girls hoops' squad came out strong against Flint Powers and just kept rolling Saturday beating Powers 56-38.

Melissa Marzolf led the Chiefs in scoring dropping 18 points, while Kristi Fiorenze had 12 and Nkechi Okwumabua scored 10 points and pulled down eight rebounds for the Canton win.

The Chiefs led the entire game against Powers enroute to their seventh win this season, they're 7-1 overall.

"I was really surprised," said Blohm about Canton's commanding win. "Powers is a good team, a solid team.

"They lost their best player of the summer when she died. They're still trying to recover from it."

The other thing to surprise Blohm is his team's ability to overcome their lack in size so far this season.

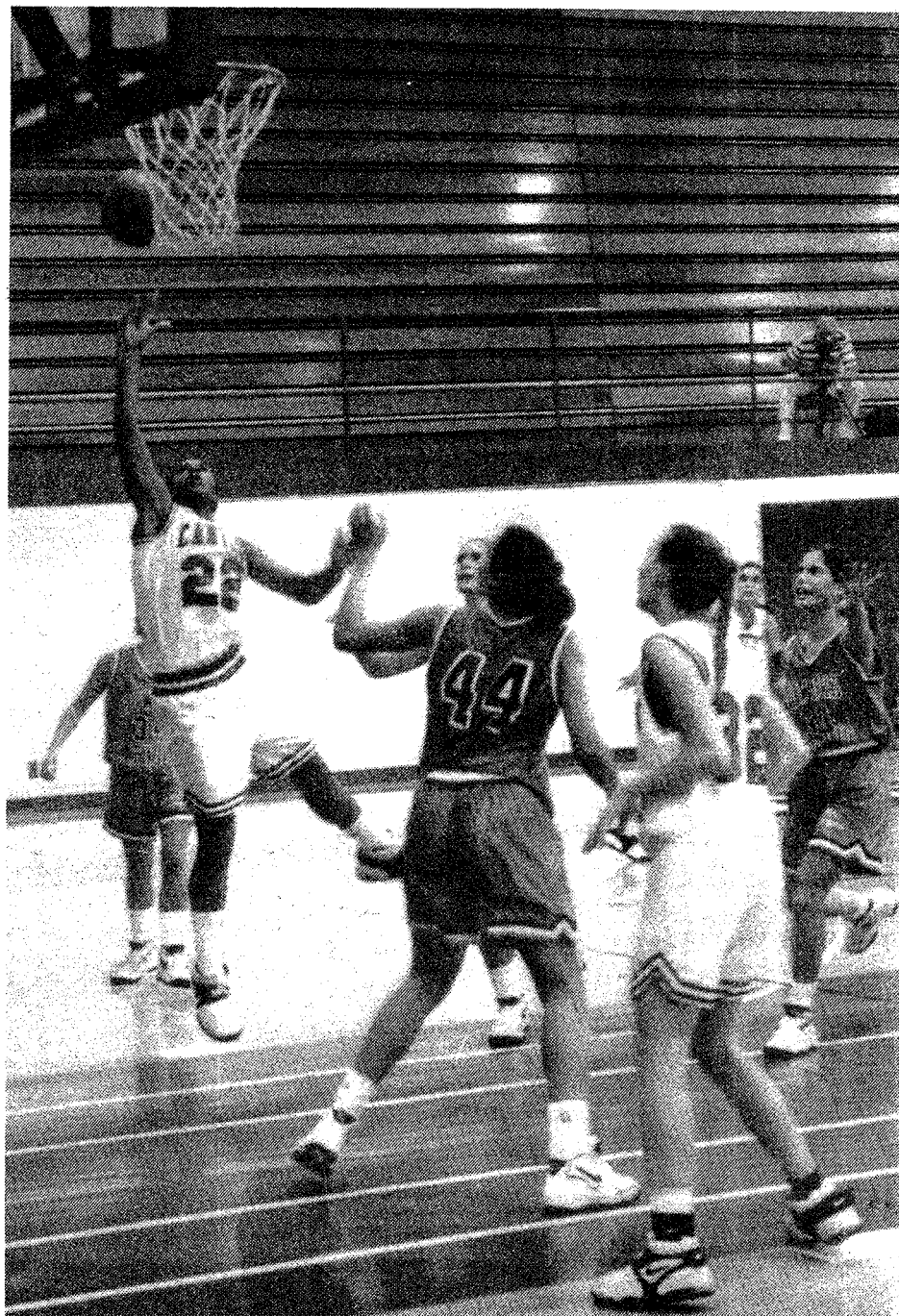
"Our defense is really strong, these are athletic kids," said Blohm. "They are very well conditioned. I think that's been a real bonus for us."

With Canton's non-league schedule behind them, Blohm said it will get tougher for his squad.

"We're coming up on the hard part of our league schedule," he said. "We face Salem and Northville in the same week.

"It's going to get tougher not easier for us."

Canton faces Livonia Churchill Thursday at home. Tip-off is at 7 p.m.



The Chiefs rolled over Flint Powers to win their seventh game of the young season. The face Churchill tomorrow at home at 7 p.m. (Crier photo by Janet Armstrong)

On deck

SALEM BOYS CROSS COUNTRY
At N. Farmington Thursday at 4 p.m.
At Ann Arbor Pioneer Invitational Saturday.

SALEM BASKETBALL
At N. Farmington Thursday at 7 p.m.
At Adrian Saturday.

SALEM GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY
At N. Farmington Thursday at 4 p.m.
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SALEM TENNIS
At home versus Franklin Today at 4 p.m.
At home versus Canton Friday at 4 p.m.

SALEM FOOTBALL
At home versus John Glenn Friday at 7:30 p.m.

SALEM GIRLS SWIMMING
At home versus John Glenn Thursday at 7 p.m.
At Rock Invitational Saturday.

SALEM GOLF
At home versus N. Farmington Today at 3 p.m.
At Harrison Friday at 3 p.m.

SALEM SOCCER
At home versus N. Farmington Today at 7 p.m.
At home versus Troy Athens Saturday at 1 p.m.

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Community opinions

Crier reporter 'gets to be a kid' at P-C Schools

I sat in the corner of Nancy Sullivan's classroom and waited for her fifth graders to arrive. It was 9 a.m. I'm at Bentley Elementary School. I'm a teacher for a day. "This should be easy," I figured. "Baby-sitting five days a week with the summers off. I can handle that."

I would learn something today.

"Where's that guy that was going to be in here today?" said Lacie, one of the first students through the door.

Before Sullivan could answer the question, Lacie's eyes had zeroed in on me. "Oh, there he is," she said.

Well, I guess I don't look like a teacher. Add investigative reporter to a student's duties.

Her classmates wandered in behind her.

The surroundings were familiar to my early 1980s fifth grade experience. Posters blanketed the wall. Pencils, erasers, and markers were on the students' desks, which were in groups of four in a U shape around the room. The class pets, turtles and fish, were in the back near the bathroom.

Globes were on the air conditioner in front of the window which provided a view of the asphalt parking lot and abutting subdivision.

All of this assembled by Sullivan. OK, so teachers are interior decorators too.

But I was reminded of the 1990s when the morning announcements came on — over the TV. A typical teacher, Sullivan doesn't let this time go to waste by handing out papers. But neither does Lacie, who leaned over and said "Are you going to gym with us too? And recess?"

"Teachers don't have to do all that too?" I thought. "Uh, oh."

The day was underway. And let me tell you: The fast-paced, snap shot 1990s is reflected in the classroom. The students sat down quietly and worked meticulously from one assignment to another.

In the middle of this morning madness? It's Sullivan, of course, who nonchalantly reads off math answers while whispering instructions to a student and rolling up a projection screen. It was so instinctive, she didn't even notice until I reminded her later. At that point, it became clear to me there was a lot more to this teaching thing than "having summers off."

9:30 a.m.- As the class gathered around their teacher seated in a rocking chair for a lesson in writing — thankfully something I could relate to — the planning and effort of a teacher's school day became clear. "She probably has homework too," I thought.

Explanations came in exhausting, simple detail through a variety of means: sight, touch and sound. Sullivan shares a story of a summer west coast trip and displays a collection of beach rocks she brought back from the Pacific northwest. Somehow, Sullivan brings the lesson full circle, and introduces a notebook. "I want you to think about memories, and how you can keep this year as a fifth grader alive, because sometimes you don't always have an object to remind you," she said.

Add story-telling and historian to a teacher's duties.

The class breaks for gym, which I am glad to hear is still a favorite with students. Sullivan generally uses the time for work, but today introduces me around school. "Now you're going to think this is what I always do while they're in gym," she quipped.

The thirsty students return from their soccer game, and begin to slurp down the eternally popular elementary school drink — CapriSun.

11 a.m.- A girl's hand goes up. "Please wait until I finish my directions, unless it's an emergency," said Sullivan.

"My tooth fell out," Audra said.

"That's an emergency. Go to the office," Sullivan said.

So fifth grade is when adult teeth come in. Add being a dentist to the list of teacher's duties, that justs keeping piling up.

It's an early lunch, and a short one, lasting all of 10 minutes in a room too small to seat the entire staff — they gave up the regular staff lunch room to hire another teacher. But it's still enough time for the teachers to exchange ideas.

11:30 a.m.- We head back to the classroom, and begin to organize for the rest of the day. Actually, Sullivan does, I watch. The class soon returns from lunch. Most had opted to brown bag as opposed to buying a lunch. It appears Dominoes pizza and chicken nuggets are the only enticing entrees. Add food critic to a student's duties. The afternoon begins with another book, with Sullivan providing the delivery of a seasoned orator, which eschews into movie. She

Truth is tough

By Brian Corbett



A game of four-square was just one of the lessons learned at Bentley Elementary School. (Crier photo by Brian Corbett)

draws the lines of similarity, and leads the children to themes of leadership and teamwork.

This definitely isn't baby-sitting.

1 p.m.- the students are turned loose on a number of activities: spelling corrections, quilt designs, personality profiles and notebook cover designs. "Quilt designs?!" I thought.

The methods of teaching are impressive. It's not a blackboard, chalk and a book anymore.

2:27 p.m.-A girls hand's goes up during a reading session. "Stephanie," said Sullivan, "you lost a tooth. Well, this is the age."

She makes it back from the office just in time for recess, the self-admitted pinnacle of the school day by many fifth graders. On the way out into the sunlight and cool breeze, Jon, a class officer donning a Padres shirt, is caught with his fingers in his mouth, testing a loose tooth. "You want to get out of class and go to the office, huh?" I said.

"No, I need the money," he said.

Turns out the Tooth Fairy pays up to \$3 for the bigger teeth nowadays.

Add capitalist to a student's duties.

I'm relieved to find that four-square is still popular at recess. "Only the rules have changed, depending on which group you play with," said Sullivan. Add referee to a teacher's duties.

3:15 p.m.- My only "real instruction" comes when I speak to the students on journalism deadlines.

3:30 p.m.- The students are lining up at the door, getting ready to go home. Sullivan reminds the students of a spelling exam tomorrow while Genna, a Canadian-American, tells me how oppressive Canada is. "America you can do anything. In Canada, you can't drive until you're 18," she reasoned.

Add foreign affairs to a student's duties. Their day is done — but ours isn't. Sullivan begins correcting work too large and cumbersome to take home, before comforting a former student who immigrated from Iraq last year. She offers her help unconditionally.

Add counselor to a teacher's duties. Another two hours of work awaits Teacher Sullivan, as Reporter Corbett wraps up the day, nearing the five o'clock hour.

Before leaving, I ask how she established such trust with people so much younger than her. "As long as I am authentic with them, they will respect my feelings," she reasoned. "That's why I'm comfortable telling my life story to them. That's why I'm a teacher."

"And you get to be a kid," I said.

"And I get to be a kid," Sullivan said. Add being a kid to a teacher's duties. No wonder they have summers off — they need it.



Community opinions

'Life' in community begins at 5 a.m.

It's great to watch our town wake up each morning at 5 a.m.

The Plymouth Streetscape project has breathed new life into the downtown area. Many shoppers frequent the area both day and night. The park is a unique part of our community too. Now we have to do something similar with our friends in Old Village. Our roads need attention too.

Usually I begin my day at Bodes at 5:30 a.m., joining Jack Murdock, Fred Hadley, Ed Winguard, some local police, Myron Hopper, Anna Sambrone, Don Keeth, Okie (our produce and pumpkin expert), John Thomas, Russ Maxwell, Don Darling, Jim Kaisal and many others. Jack, now retired, makes the morning coffee and writes beautiful poetry too. He's putting up a new flag on Dec. 7. We salute you, Jack. We are anxiously awaiting your next poem about the "Morning Star." Fred, who operated Pease Paint, was born in Holly. Bode's nice staff, Diane, Nancy, Becky, Willie and Richard, the owner, are up early too. "Good morning" are their first words as the customers file through the door.

While picking up a few groceries at Danny's, I noticed how messy the parking lot was. I mentioned it to their store manager, and bang, instant results! They plan to contract out and have it swept every day. Thanks, Danny's. Brad Larkin, manager, and their night man Dave — Kudos.

Fest frustration unfounded

...when most stores close at 6 p.m., Sundays

EDITOR:

I noted that some retailers aren't entirely happy with our community festivals (RE: recent DDA survey). I agree with Rex Tubbs. Any retailer who can't figure out what to do when a festival trots 100,000 people past their store might want to consider a career move.

A friend of mine, a working mother who goes out of her way to support local businesses, once expressed her frustration when trying to "shop Plymouth" after 6 p.m. and on Sundays — when she wasn't working. Referring to some local store owners she muttered: "hobbyist-retailers!"

Downtown isn't just for businesses — it's a community focal point. And by far, most store owners know how to promote in harmony with our many festivals.

Then, again...maybe my friend has an idea worth pursuing. Why not hold all our festivals after 6 p.m. — and on Sundays — that way they won't interfere with any "hobbyist-retailers."

MIKE CARNE

A view from the hill

By Carl Pursell



Next I join my beautiful collie, Casey, at Central Middle School for our one or two miles around the track. I went to elementary (1937), junior and high school there. We walk past my boyhood home (367 N. Harvey), then up Williams and around Ann Street to Blanche. Those happy days bring tears to my eyes, but my collie looks up and wonders. She says nothing, but walks on. Yes, those memories were 50 years ago — kick the can, jacks, hide-and-go-seek, pulling the girls pig tails, wearing cub scout knickers while walking over to Central to play baseball, football and just have fun. No drugs, no alcohol, not guns — maybe a sling shot or a Daisy BB gun, snowballs too.

Then we catch the business roundtable at the hotel. Mike Hoben, George and Dan Smith, Carl Berry, Lou LaRiche, Hugh Harsha, Bob Bake, Mike McCaffery, Scott Lorenz, Craig Flemming, Mel Keshiman, Paul Sincock, Jim McKeon, Kurt Olson, Warren Bradburn, the largest asphalt road builder in the state — Bob Thompson, and many others who come and go until 9 a.m. They cover all issues, but mostly analysis, not many solutions! Par for the

course.

The memories still abide with us however. Mabel and Ralph always had this landmark beautifully decorated for Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Mayflower's new assistant manager, Steve, is from Shanty Creek. A nice young man who is improving the food, cleaning up and standing by to receive the remodeling crew this fall. The Plymouth City Commission was wrong when they waived part of the Mayflower's back taxes. Only Dennis Shrewsbury and Joe Koch voted "no." City government should not pick winners and losers. Let the marketplace work. If some other business lapses on their taxes next year, what does the City do? Every other business abided by the law. They paid their taxes. Why didn't the Plymouth Chamber of Commerce speak up?

Maybe it's time to plan a community conference to do a "Goals for the Year 2000." Identify our problems, plan solutions, then move ahead...City, Township, P-C Schools and a diverse list of individuals. As president of the Plymouth Chamber of Commerce in 1965, we took 65 leaders to the Hillsdale Conference Center for a weekend. We had Dr. Howard McClusky serve as our facilitator. We had excellent results. The future is too important to let the status quo course dictate our destiny.

I'm not too sure our town is fully awake for the 21st century. Some touchdowns, some missed passes and some blocked kicks. Let's enjoy this fall season however. It only comes once in 1996!

P.S. Our prayers are with Mary Childs, Mrs. Houk and Ruth Vorsburgh in their hour of illness.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Carl's last column included the question, "What caused the Fall of the Western Empire?" It should have read: "What caused the Fall of the Roman Empire?" Mea culpa.

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Community Opinions

Teachers should be treated like part of 'school community'

EDITOR:

When a disastrous fire struck the Malden Mills Textile Company in Lawrence, MA on Dec. 12, 1995, 40 percent of the company's 2,400 workers were suddenly without jobs. Aaron Feuerstein, Malden Mills' 70-year-old owner, was in a position to turn a calamity into a windfall. This was the perfect opportunity to take the insurance settlement and retire or to rebuild in the south where labor costs were cheaper.

Instead, two days after the fire, he announced that he would rebuild the plant on its former location. Not only that, all workers would get their \$275 Christmas bonuses and their customary \$50 gift certificates. Best of all, he announced that all employees would receive their full salaries and health benefits for at least 30 days. At the end of 30 days, he extended the full salary pledge to three months and health insurance benefits to nine months. By April 1996, the mill was up and working again with 70 percent of the workers back on their jobs. The new facility is now under construction and should be ready by early 1997.

When WGBH economics correspondent Paul Solman asked Feuerstein why he continued to pay employees when he didn't have to, he replied, "...the quality and efficiency that we get in our factories is critical to the health of our company. And so I make it my personal business to see to it that I have loyalty and goodwill amongst my people. And that's what we enjoy at Malden Mills, and they're the

valued asset. They're not just a cuttable expense. They're the people who make the quality for us, and our products (are)...the best in the marketplace, and only because I have very good workers, and I'm not about to tear that apart and to break that down for some short-term gain."

I have found myself thinking about Feuerstein frequently of late because of the current relationship that exists between the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education and this community's teachers. When Gov. John Engler and the state legislature enacted Public Act 112, they effectively rendered teachers' unions powerless. The law theoretically preserves teachers' right to bargain collectively, but boards of education have all the power.

This has put our board into essentially the same position Feuerstein was in when his mill burned down. They can ride roughshod over us, and can force us to work without a contract or compel us to accept a settlement that none of us wants. The board knows it and we know it.

I am writing now, not to make a plea for any particular settlement, but to urge this board to resist the temptation that Feuerstein wisely avoided. He understood that his employees were not just an expense, they were his greatest asset. Together, they were Malden Mills.

I have taught in this community for 31 years and I have loved working here. I hope I will continue to feel that way. I also hope that the teachers who succeed me will find the same joy I have found in

working here. I am not sure they will. A school system is not just a business whose success is measured by the size of shareholders' profits. Rather, a school is a community, and school boards must look out for the interests of all those in the community. This includes teachers.

From time to time, collective bargaining puts teachers and school boards into temporary adversarial positions. Everyone knows, though, that when bargaining ends, we unite for a common purpose. This depends on neither side trying to destroy the other.

This is the spirit that motivated us in 1993 when we returned a 3 percent raise that we had negotiated and that we could have forced the board to pay. We understood then that by agreeing to reduce the salary schedule, we were taking a pay cut that year and every year thereafter. But we did it for the sake of the community.

PA 112 has put Michigan boards of education into a position where they can probably destroy the unions. Boards with their communities' best interests at heart need to be careful, though, how they wield this newly-acquired power. Feuerstein understood that by looking out for his employees' best interests in the short run, he was serving everyone's interests in the long run. Bargaining with a goal of suppressing teacher salaries and bringing the unions to heel, may create short-term economic gains, but in the long-term, it would be a disaster.

DUDLEY BARLOW

P-C teachers deserve better treatment during contract talks

EDITOR:

I picked up my mail yesterday to find a letter from Central Administration. Before I opened the envelope, I thought that in spite of all of the labor problems in the district, the district had the good sense to commend the mathematics teachers at the high school for an excellent job on the proficiency test scores.

Instead of being congratulated, I discovered that I was being harassed by (Errol Goldman) the Assistant Superintendent for Employee Relations & Personnel. Your letter alleges that I did not call in my absence properly, that I did not get a job number, and therefore, my pay will be docked.

I did follow procedure. I called to report my absence and I do have a job number. I can only conclude that your office is incompetent or is harassing me arbitrarily and capriciously. Is this any way to build morale and work together for the good of students?

I am an exemplary teacher. I have taught in this district for more than 20 years, during which time I have

earned recognition and awards from civic groups as well as educational organizations. I have received the Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics Teaching. I have published several articles and four books. I have been President and a member of the board of directors of MACUL (Michigan Association of Computer Users in Learning), DACTM (Detroit Area Council of Teachers of Mathematics) and CFCU (Community Federal Credit Union). I represent our school district on many statewide

committees. I have coordinated the Mathematics and Science Conferences at Canton High School for the last four years, and I am invited to speak at international, national and state conferences.

When all the people with whom I come into contact ask me how I like teaching in the Plymouth-Canton School District, what am I to say? Should I tell them the truth? Should I have to waste my time replying to a personnel director who can't keep a simple database in order, instead of working with students or curriculum

or correcting assignments.

I demand an apology. I demand that any reference to your mistake be removed from my personnel file. I demand to be treated in a professional manner.

RONALD CARLSON
CANTON HIGH SCHOOL

EDITOR'S NOTE: The Plymouth-Canton School District has not docked the pay of Carlson. It is still unclear as to why Carlson's call was not recorded by the automated substitute teacher call-in system.

Densmore is great businessman, thoughtful neighbor

EDITOR:

It was with great interest that I read the story on Plymouth Furniture Refinishing and the owner, Jay Densmore, in the Sept. 18 edition of The Crier.

I have had the pleasure of doing business with Mr. Densmore quite a few years ago, when he beautifully restored a tiger oak library table that once belonged to my grandmother.

Our second encounter was unexpected. On the night of Sept. 12, 1996, Mr. Densmore witnessed a car lose control and hit our office building. He proceeded to call the police and was willing to follow the "culprits" if they left the scene prior to the arrival of the police.

Although it was late and he was on his way home to

Brighton, he waited for the police and provided them with an eyewitness account.

Mr. Densmore then stopped by our office the next day and left his card and I was able to learn what had happened, as we were not notified by the police and the police report was spartan.

It is not unusual for a business owner to give 110 percent of his efforts to his business, to extend those efforts to a stranger in the dead of night IS unusual.

Mr. Densmore can look forward to a certain oak sideboard that needs some serious refinishing. I could certainly not give a better referral to a business or the character of its owner.

BARBARA WICHER



Community opinions

Sorry for confusion over Jaycee Safety Town event

EDITOR:

This letter is in response to your Sept. 18 column about Safety Town. The Jaycees would like to apologize for the miscommunication that resulted in the appearance of the public, fire department, sheriff's department and The Crier at Safety Town after it had been canceled at 12:30 p.m.

The Jaycees stayed at the project until 12:30 p.m., advising everyone that showed up that it had been canceled. When no other

organizations or public arrived, we left. Somehow, there was a mix-up in the cancellation resulting in the fire and sheriff's departments showing up. Please be assured that the Jaycees have taken prompt action so that this mistake will not happen again.

The Jaycees are not a community service group, but a young people's leadership training organization. While we run many successful projects such as the Essay Scholarship Contest, Haunted House,

Senior Clean-up, Easter Egg Hunt and the Fourth of July parade and fireworks, we do occasionally make a mistake.

The Jaycees are a safe place to gain leadership training and experience. In the Jaycees, you can make a mistake and learn from it.

We are the organization that gives young people the freedom to fly with new projects; if they fail, we will pick them up, dust them off, and we all learn from the experience.

Look, for example, at the number

of U.S. Presidents and even local business and community leaders who have been Jaycees. It's proof that our leadership training works. We invite the community to join us at 7:30 p.m. on the fourth Thursday of every month at the Plymouth Township Clerk's Office.

We may make mistakes from time to time, but we build incredible business and community leaders.

KATHRYN PUMPHREY
52ND PRESIDENT
PLYMOUTH-CANTON JAYCEES

Frank Millington's dreams have come true with ice arena

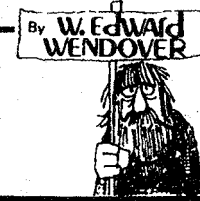
Frank Millington will be chuckling that famous laugh when the "Detroit" (shouldn't it be "Plymouth-Canton"?) Whalers take home ice for the first time at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 5.

Frank will have a great view of his old property on Beck Road from a "special grandstand seat" way up above.

Before he died, Frank spent his last few years in retirement climbing his apple trees, mowing the lawns and feeding ducks on the pond that Whaler fans will walk around to the new hockey rink. The "Ombudsman of Plymouth Township" also enjoyed walking the property and showing youngsters the pond. (Ask the Township Police Chief about swimming in the pond as a kid).

But Frank will also be chuckling at the recreation opportunity offered to the community at no public expense. When he served on the Township Board, Frank was always a big backer of the Hilltop Golf Course acquisition...but he was adamant that it cost as little as possible for the government and for Township-resident-golfers. (There is no truth to the rumor that he sat under a green umbrella with binoculars counting golfers to audit golf course fees — it was a

With malice
toward none



blue umbrella).

Now, without tax dollars being spent, there's hockey in The Plymouth-Canton Community. Of course Frank wouldn't be happy that the school district has now completely botched getting into offering hockey for the second time. (The first botch was renting the land for the City of Plymouth Cultural Center without getting ice time).

Frank wanted a great use for his Beck Road property.
He'll finally have his wish and his recreation dream too.

High speed limits unsafe on many roads in our community

EDITOR:

Per the enclosed copy of an article in our local newspaper, The Community Crier, it looks like I was a little hasty in sending my letter yesterday before I had read this editorial, because the editorial is a great example of exactly what attitudes are of those who make decisions, and the attitudes of those who actually live in the neighborhood. How true this editorial is in its statements!

So, regarding the posting of the speed limit on Powell Road, forget my request for 35 mph and do it right from the start — make it 25 mph — thereby saving time and money for a second installation of signs and saving injury or perhaps death.

I sympathize with those involved in the Morton Taylor Road death, and don't want the same to happen on Powell Road.

Now think of this: Morton Taylor is a much wider road, with wide shoulders on each side. Powell Road, on the other hand, has no shoulder on

a large portion of the road, it has numerous driveways intersecting, it is not flat (like Morton Taylor), but has both an incline and a decline right where many of the intersecting driveways are.

Like Morton Taylor, there is no street lighting, there is no sidewalk. Therefore, if children want to go from one residential area to another, the only way to get there is on the road, thos there is a lot of bicycle and walking traffic on Powell.

I would ask: Is Powell Road a

commercial or residential road? Make it right. Make the speed 25 mph now!

Also, when I drove home yesterday, the road was being center-lined/yellow-lined. I don't know, but it does not seem to me that whoever makes the decision on these lines was ever physically out there to make that decision, because if they were here, I don't think they would have allowed passing on a hill, or passing in an area of numerous driveway intersectings.

City resident, natives surprised by Fall Fest coverage

EDITOR:

Sunday morning, Sept. 8 began as another day of wandering about in the wilds of northern Maine and the Canadian Maritimes, enjoying the casual lifestyle of small fishing/logging towns, and following whatever road seemed interesting.

Directionless, if not purposeless, this trip seemed like the time and the opportunity to see more of what is right at our doorstep, for a change,

there in this country and nearby.

So, waking near the crack of noon in a small cabin up in New Brunswick, I decided to "channel surf" the television for a minute ("roughing it" should be viewed and practiced with healthy restraint, I believe), hoping to find an area weather forecast, what should appear on that small screen, amid French language programming and news of local tidal conditions, but some

Common sense seems to have been thrown out. I invite whoever is in charge of these decisions to come out to our neighborhood, talk with me, walk the road, or whatever it takes to make our local community road safe.

MARILYN HENRY

EDITOR'S NOTE: This letter was sent to Wayne County Road Commission Traffic Engineer Vicky Holland in response to The Crier's editorial on speed limits on local roads.

distant scenes at Fall Festival in Plymouth — Kellogg Park, the Penn Theatre, and crowds of people enjoying our annual Rotary Chicken Dinner!

After several days of flying and driving, this unexpected view of activities right back in the "home town" came as a bit of a surprise to me, and maybe, to that area's Passamaquoddy Indians, too.

JOHN GUETTLER

Things are happening in the community!

Sept. 27 PLYMOUTH — September —	CANTON — September —	Sept. 26 NORTHVILLE — September —
Sat: Farmers Market 7:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. The Gathering (Chamber, 453-1540)	28: Annual Punt, Pass & Kick program - Griffin Park.	27,28: Tivoli Fair, Northville Downs, 348-1845
27,28 29: Plymouth is Artrageous/Music Celebration Visit Plymouth Canton Collects exhibit at Plymouth Historical Museum	— October —	— October —
— October —	2: Canton Chamber of Commerce Member Luncheon, Summit on the Park, 12 noon.	5-11: Juried Art Show
4-5: Old Village Craft Fair	2: Teen Meeting at the Summit. 6:30 p.m.	11-13: Handcrafters Craft Show
13: Chili Cookoff	5: Ballroom Dancing at the Summit.	25-26: "Maybury Madness" Hunted Forest
15: "Made in Plymouth" - Historical Museum	11-12: Canton Clean-up at CWR site.	25-26: Antique Show
26-27: House of terror 273 S. Union (YMCA) Haunted House	12: Senior Singles Get-Together, 7:00 p.m.	— November —
30: Great Pumpkin Caper 5-7:30pm	17: THIRD THURSDAY UPDATE, 7:30 p.m. Old Country Buffet.	2: Ski/Skate/Sport Sale
31: Halloween	18: "Murder Among Friends", Murder/Dinner, Canton Public Library, 6:00 p.m.	Call for dates: Mill Race Christmas Walk
31: Plymouth Canton Collects (Plymouth Historical Museum)	19: Plymouth Symphony Orchestra, Salem High School.	22: Santa Parade
— November —	25-26: Canton Clean-Up at CWR site.	24: Northville Christmas Walk
1: Annual Auction	26: National Make A Difference Day. Host site: Good Food Co. West.	
24-25: Open house, Santa's Arrival (Sunday)	26: Summit Boo Bash dance/costume party for teens (ages 13-17). 9-11 p.m.	
29: Salvation Army/Kettle Drive runs until 12/24		
29-30: Arts & Crafts Show at Cultural Center		
6-30: Visions of Christmas Santa Clause/Angels (Plymouth Historical Museum)		



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