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Ford Sheldon Road Plant to change name, business focus

Parts supplier wants bigger piece of market

BY BRYON MARTIN

The rumors were true: Ford Motor Company's Sheldon Road Plant will get a name change.

Ford announced Monday that its parts division will be renamed, from Automotive Product Operations (APO) to Visteon Automotive Systems (VAS).

According to Plant Manager Paula Winkler-Doman, the change is far more than nominal. It's about better products and bigger markets for the Sheldon Road plant.

"This is a complete change in focus from parts operations to increased emphasis on systems and growth," she said. "We're going to make some wonderful products that will be successful for our customers. We're very positive about it. It's a good, solid plan."

If all goes well, she said, the new enterprise will also grab a larger share of world markets and will increase outside sales.

Ford Motor Company has been the largest buyer of APO-made products. Other companies from around the world

have bought about \$1.3 billion annually from the APO, according to Wendi Parson, product news manager for Visteon.

Operating under the new name and product focus, the goal is to hit \$4 billion, she said. "This is an opportunity to grow as a business."

Although touted as such by Ford management, not everyone endorses the change wholeheartedly.

Roger Caldwell, president of United Auto Workers (U.A.W.) local 845 in Canton, said he is cautious about what the change will actually bring.

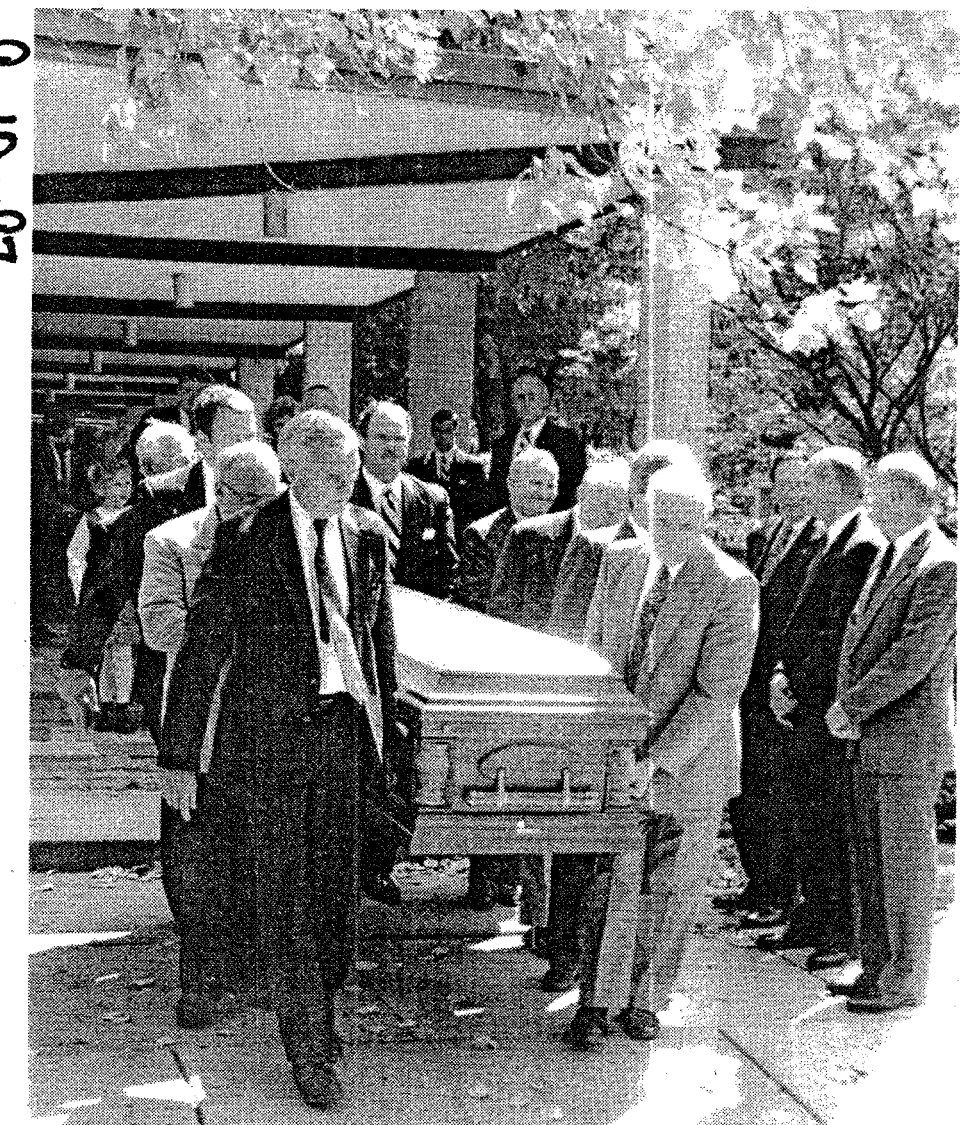
"Do I think management is always truthful with the union? Absolutely not," he said. "They say it's going to create more work for us and more jobs. If that's the case I support it."

Caldwell cited other such name changes, as when General Motors teamed with Delphi, as harbingers of plant closings.

"They started out with 14 plants. I think now they've got six," he said.

Keeping the Sheldon plant a Ford plant

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Loss to bear Friends and colleagues attended funeral services Wednesday for former P-C Schools superintendent John Hoben. The last two weeks have been marked by loss, with the deaths of long-time residents Ray Hoedel and Jean Wendover. See pg. 9 for the Hoedel story, 16 for Wendover. (Crier photo, R. Alwood, Jr.)

Bond suit decided, debate date stands

BY BRYON MARTIN

It's a one-man show, but it's going to go on.

Jerry Vorva is scheduled to speak on school-related issues at a public forum next Wednesday at the Canton Administration

building.

Organized by the Plymouth-Canton Jaycees, the forum will focus on the March 22 school bond election and the possibility of splitting the district into two, one for Canton and one for Plymouth.

The event was originally planned as a debate between Vorva and a schools representative about the contested school bond election, according to Jaycees President Tim Fedewa.

More than 700 ballots were improperly

cast by voters in the March 22 bond election. Vorva filed a three count suit against the school board, charging that the election violated state laws and failed to grant all voters equal opportunity.

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Can do!

Plymouth Whalers win weekend Can-Am tourney

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Plymouth volunteers comfort value in therapeutic rides

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Giving spirit

Plymouth business earns national recognition

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Adistra gets new name

After 40 years, Plymouth-based company becomes Gage Automotive, Trade Support Services

BY SCOTT SPIELMAN

The Adistra Corporation, headquartered in Plymouth, is changing its name.

The nearly 40-year old corporation announced the name change from Adistra to Gage Automotive and Gage Trade Support Services last week. Changes will take effect Sept. 8.

The new name should not represent any

change in services or products, according to media representative Sharon Rathke.

"Gage Marketing Group is Adistra's parent company," she said. "We're just making everything consistent."

The company was founded in Plymouth in 1958, according to Rathke. It has grown from its original role in assisting automotive manufacturers in the distribution of

promotional and training materials, and now is a full-service marketing company.. Adistra provides distribution, inventory management and other marketing support services to all types of markets.

Gage Marketing Group, headquartered in Minneapolis, purchased Adistra in 1992 Rathke said. Since that time, Adistra has experienced a wide range of growth,

including the addition of a 420,000 square-foot warehouse distribution facility in Romulus.

Adistra, which consists of automotive and non-automotive divisions, will continue to operate in their existing facilities in Plymouth and Romulus under their new names, Rathke said.

Court committee resolves key issues

BY SCOTT SPIELMAN

The 35th District Court Reconstruction Committee has recommended building the new courthouse on the old site.

The decision came barely a week after the committee decided to locate the court's long-term facilities in a modular building in the Unisys parking lot.

"I think we were just so relieved that we didn't have to talk about the temporary facilities any more that we just started taking care of business," said Plymouth City Manager Steve Walters. "That was getting old really fast."

The committee's recommendation the resolution of two key concerns: the old building's foundation and parking space.

Court Administrator Kerry Erdman said nothing official had come back from the

engineers who tested the foundations, but preliminary reports were positive.

"We haven't received the hard copy documents yet, but we did get a call from the engineer saying the foundation was intact and in good shape," Erdman said. "That alone weighed heavily in our decision."

Concerns over parking space were relieved by realigning property lines at Riverside Cemetery. The potential parking could be rectangular, allowing a more efficient use of space, according to Walters.

"It wouldn't take any land away from the cemetery, only reposition it. No one would lose any land," he said.

While realigning the property lines would involve going before the City Commission, Walters said he was confident the project would be approved.

"It's my impression that they would approve of the change," Walters said.

According to Erdman, by the year 2020 the court's caseload will approach 50,000 per year and will require three judges, four courtrooms and a staff of about 35 full-time employees, all of whom could be housed in a 30,000 square-foot structure.

With a redesigned parking lot and a larger, two or three-story building, the courthouse would be able to handle the needs of the community for the next 20 years at least, according to Erdman. A more precise prediction was difficult to give because technology advances could result

in reduced space and staff needs, he said.

"It could very well be sufficient for 30 years," he said.

Last week the committee also decided against the design-and-build method of constructing a courthouse, in which a construction firm would design and build the courthouse, then lease it back to the court.

The committee's recommendations will go to the court advisory board later this month, Erdman said.

"I think we made this decision so easily because we all thought it was what was probably going to happen," Walters said.

Union supports growth, wary of name change

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is one of Caldwell's concerns, he said.

"We've had assurances that the Ford oval won't come down in front of the plant. And we won't tolerate that if it does," he said.

Winkler-Doman said the oval-shaped Ford sign will remain at Sheldon plant, even as the APO become Visteon.

"Ford has invested considerable amounts of money in the plant in recent years," she said. "We're looking forward to a long, successful future here."

If Visteon meets its growth goals, the

community could benefit as well, according to Plymouth Township treasurer Ron Edwards.

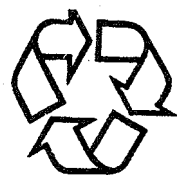
The plant is the largest taxpayer in the township. Edwards said he received a \$1.2 million check from the plant Monday.

"If they sell more parts, they'll buy more equipment," he said. The more equipment at the plant, the more taxes they pay: "Their growth might broaden the tax base."

It was in June that The Crier first reported that the plant might receive a change in name

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Roger Caldwell
President, U.A.W Local 845



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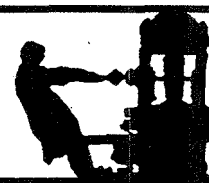
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High-tech system to help in Canton emergencies

BY SCOTT SPIELMAN

This is an important message from the Canton Police Department...

In the coming months, business people in Canton may receive such a message during emergencies as the Township's Community Watch Message System gets under way.

The high-tech computerized community outreach system has been tested and should have some limited applications by the end of this week, according to Canton Police Captain Alex Wilson.

According to Wilson, certain businesses are already programmed into the Community Watch System.

"We're starting off slowly," Wilson said. "We want to get our feet wet before we just jump in and drown."

Starting slowly involves targeting businesses that have the most potential need for the Community Watch system, like banks, 24-hour convenience stores and drug stores.

It has already proved its potential worth, Wilson said.

"We recently had an individual who had stolen some prescriptions. He was going around to local drug stores and filling them fraudulently," Wilson said. "Through the

Community Watch, we were able to contact all the drug stores with information about the person and types of prescriptions."

Community Watch is a high-tech blend of phone and computers designed to get information to as many points as quickly as possible.

Community Watch is just that. A high-tech blend of phone and computers designed to get information to as many points as quickly as possible.

"We record the information into a digital, computerized recorder and then have the computer dial all the numbers in a file and deliver the message," Wilson said. "It's important to listen to the entire message, because it will give information on if the

person should call back, and what number to call. It will usually direct the person to call back only if they have important information."

Although the system will require additional phone lines to optimize efficiency, the immediate uses are clear, Wilson said.

"We can send a message out to every business in the computer mailbox," Wilson said.

In the future, the system will have an additional 12 phone lines and will be capable of serving all areas of the community, Wilson said.

It will eventually be able to send faxes and use its mapping software to blanket an entire area in case of emergency.

"If we had a lost child, we could program his address into the computer, and the computer will give us a list of every phone number in the area," Wilson said.

Although the system will not be fully functional until next year, Wilson said he expects many businesses, banks and convenience stores to be programmed into the system when it goes on-line Friday.

"I think it will serve the entire community in time," Wilson said. "We just get to play with it first."

Canton accepting summer taxes

The Canton Treasurer's Office, located in the Administration Building at 1150 Canton Center south is collecting the 1997 summer taxes without penalty through Monday, Sept. 15. Postmark dates will not be accepted.

Beginning Tuesday, Sept. 16 a 1 per cent interest fee will be charged. The penalty increases to 2 per cent Oct. 1 and increases

accordingly each month through Feb. 28, 1998, which is the last day Canton can collect these taxes.

The office is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Residents can also use the night deposit slot located on the northwest wall for before and after hours payments. Checks should be made out to Canton Township Treasurer. For more information call 397-1000.

Jaycees' bond debate to be 'one-man show'

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The vote was upheld and all three counts in the suit were dismissed last month by Circuit Court Judge James Rashid.

Rashid's decision echoed those that the Secretary of State, and local and Wayne County boards of canvassers made.

Fedewa said that even though the issue has been settled in court, plans for the event are still on. "We've been trying to coax the school board to participate," he said.

But according to Evola, this coaxing runs counter to the Jaycees original offer.

An Aug. 8 letter sent to Evola by Fedewa says the Jaycees,

"...recognize the uncertainty regarding the situation, and can not predict what the status will be on Sept. 17. If, at that time, this issue becomes a moot point due to a settlement of this case, the event will be cancelled with advance notice given to the participants, public and media."

Evola said she had not recently communicated with Fedewa. "They said they weren't going to do it. I'm surprised that they still plan to."

She also said that, with the issue settled

'(Rashid's decision) is the fourth verification that the district did everything according to state and federal laws. We just don't want to promote division around the issue.'

Judy Evola

in court, the schools now want to move forward.

"It's unfortunate what happened, but the school district cannot arbitrarily throw out an election. It's a democratic process. This is the fourth verification that the district did everything according to state and federal

laws," she said. "We just don't want to promote division around the issue."

Division is what Vorva plans to discuss at the forum, according to Fedewa. Vorva has expressed concern that Canton's growing population, around 60,000 compared to the Plymouths' combined 33,000, will dominate future school decisions.

According to Evola, however, the school district is not separate, but unified.

"We have a very strong school district and it's the people that make it strong," she said.

Part of that progress is a continuing dialogue with Plymouth-Canton, she said. "This district is committed to communicating with the community, with parents and our employees." Evola said her office welcomes calls from those with interest in the bond, the lawsuit or other issues.

Interest in the Jaycees forum has been modest according to Fedewa. "There hasn't been much response from articles and press releases," about it, he said. "But Vorva is still ready. He's interested in conducting a one-man show."

Agenda

THIS WEEK

- Tomorrow, Lower Town leather craftsman Philip Hawk will present "Historic Saddlers and Leather" at the Plymouth Historical Society. Bill the horse will also be on hand.
- The Plymouth Community Arts Council is holding registration for all ages in various art disciplines. Classes begin Sept. 22. Call the PCAC for more information at 416-4-ART.

THIS WEEKEND

- Friday through Sunday, The City of Northville holds its annual Victorian Fest in downtown Northville. Victorian era entertainment is planned and free to the public. An art show and ball will also be held.

NEXT WEEK

- Tuesday through Thursday, the Whistle Stop Players will hold auditions for their musical, Babes in Toyland. Hopefuls should pick one day, arrive before 6:30 p.m. and plan to stay until 8 p.m. Sixty actors/singers are needed for. Participation fee: \$100 PCAC members, \$125 for non-members.*

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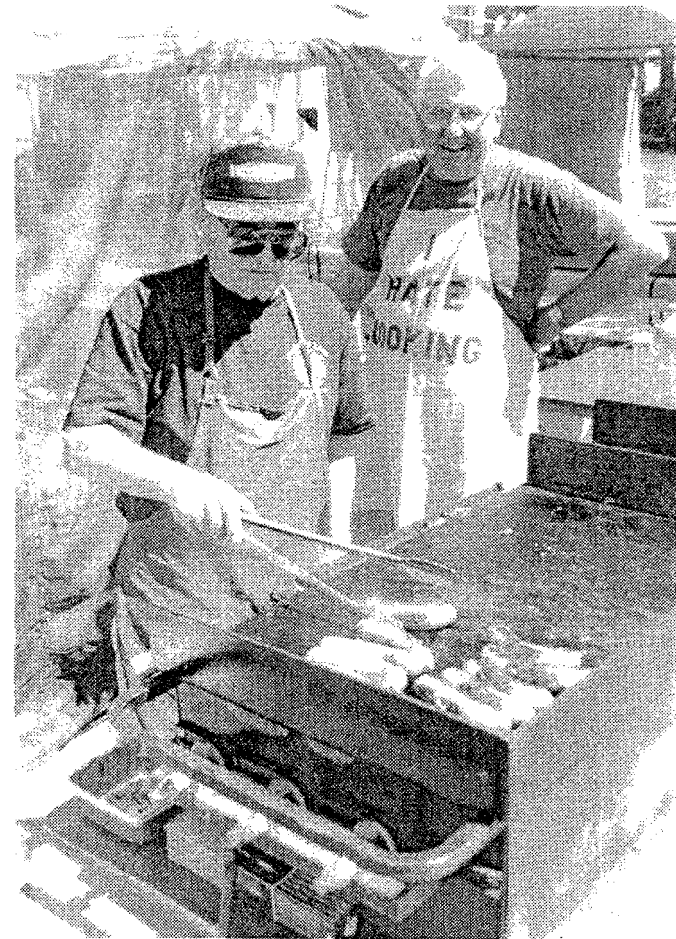
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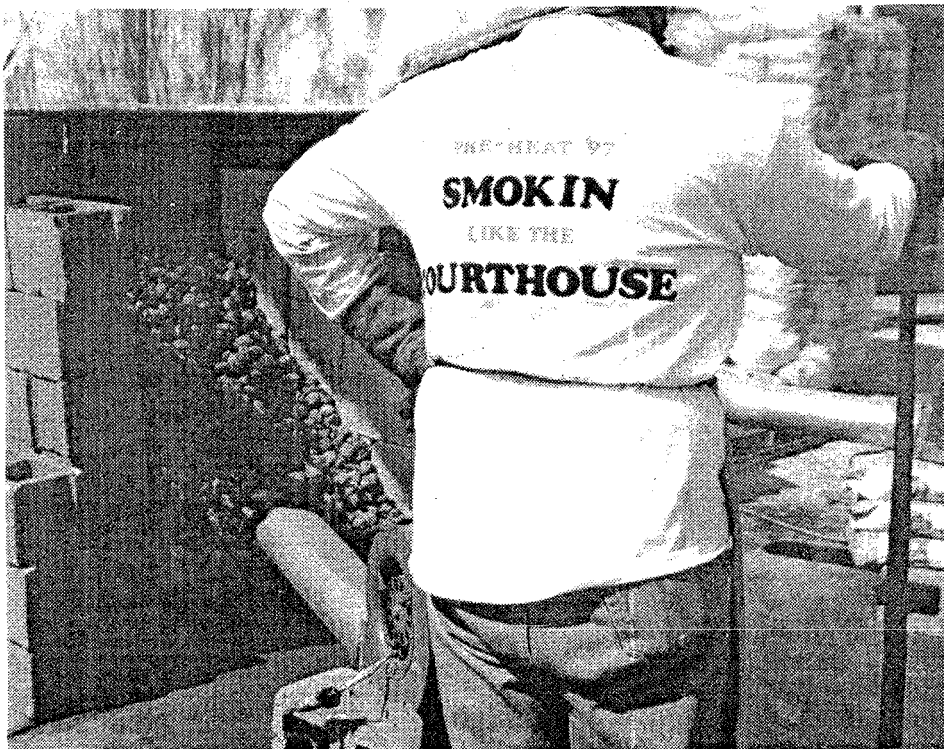
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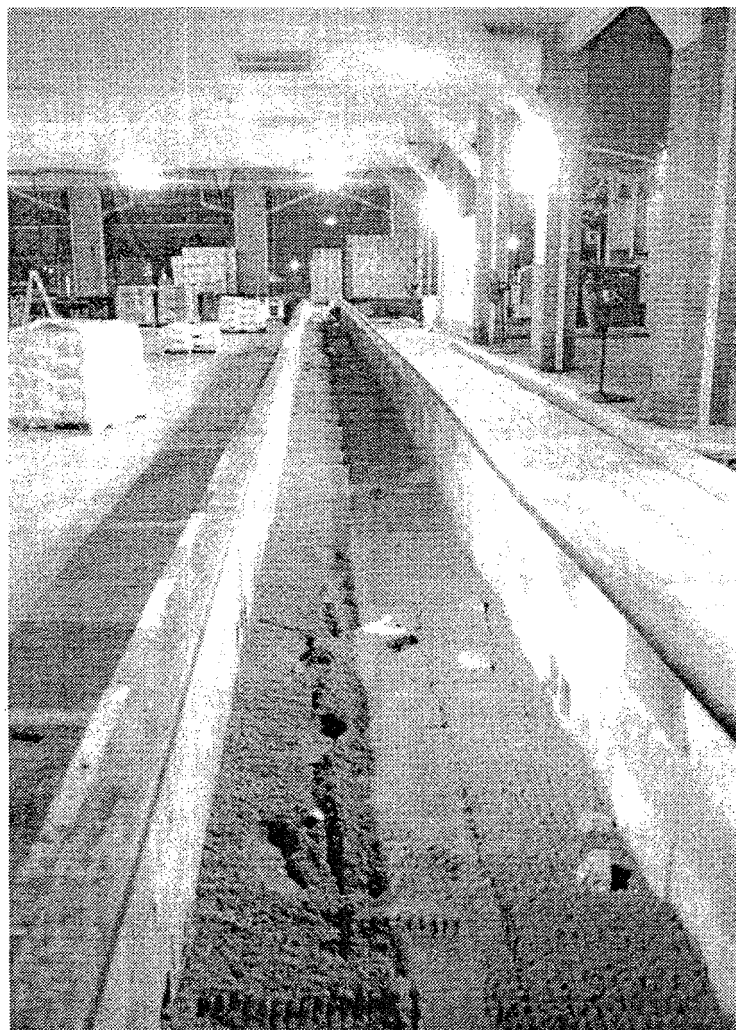
Plymouth's 42nd Fall Fest celebrated with 3 days of sun



Bob Kuhn (right) and Harry Dubiak (left) prepare italian sausages sandwiches for the YMCA booth (Crier photo, R. Alwood, Jr.)



The Rotarians showed their sense of humor, as well as their charitable side. The "fire eaters" shirts featured the slogan Smokin' like the Courthouse, a tribute to the July 2 fire that destroyed the 35th District Court building. (Crier photo, R. Alwood, Jr.)



Two 90 foot barbecue pits (left) are needed to cook the 12,000 chickens the Plymouth Rotary plans to sell on Sunday.

The pits, made out of cinderblock, with six inches of sand at about 5,000 lbs of charcoal on the bottom, are built Saturday night in preparation for Sunday's feast (Crier photo, R. Alwood, Jr.)

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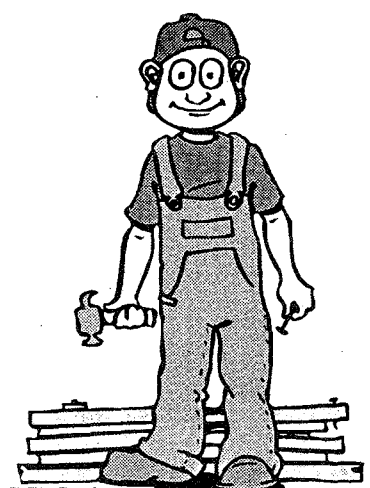
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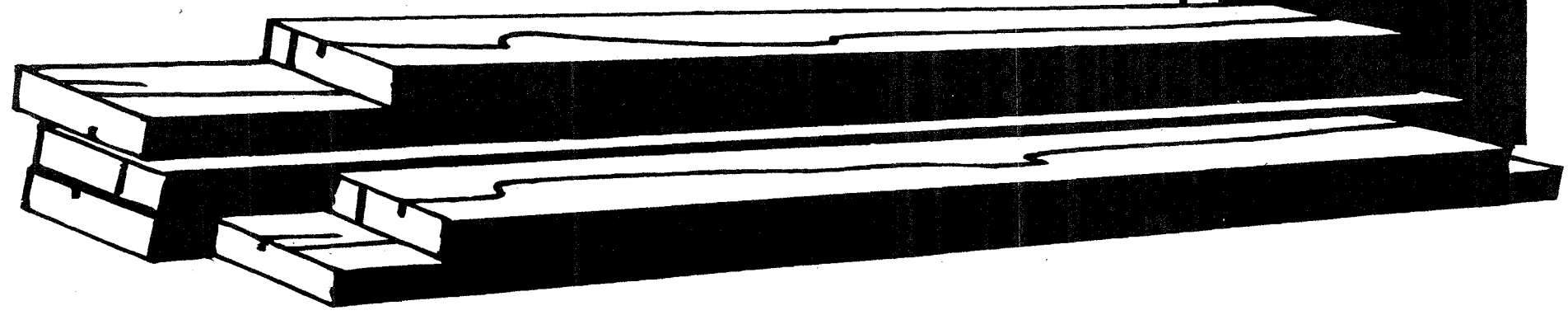
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Neighbors in business

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Slezak, a long-time Plymouth resident, is a former president of the Plymouth Chamber of Commerce. She has more than 20 years of financial service in the Plymouth area.

Peoples State Bank announced that **William S. Graham**, of Plymouth, has been appointed Vice President/Operations Manager for the bank's newly established Plymouth Region.

Graham, whose most recent noteworthy position was Finance Director for the city of Plymouth.

Marie Riley, of Canton, was recently named Associate Broker for Century 21 Town & Country, Plymouth after receiving a Michigan Broker's license.

Riley has been working in real estate since 1992, and has won Century 21's Quality Service Award for four years, selling in excess of \$4 million for the previous three years.



MARIE RILEY

American Power Wash, Inc of Canton, has become a member of the Better Business Bureau.

Dan Greene, owner of American Power Wash, Inc and members of his staff have just received the status of Certified Wolam Contractors from Wolman Wood Care Products, a Pittsburg-based manufacturer of exterior siding and deck restorers, water repellents and stains distributed and sold nationwide.

Plymouth business shows giving spirit

BY SCOTT SPIELMAN

When it comes to giving gifts to friends, employees and business acquaintances, remember one thing:

It's the package that counts.

Plymouth-based The Giving Spirit Ltd is based on the growing field of unique and creative gift giving.

The business, started in 1989 in co-owner Barbara Levensgood's home, has tripled in size and recently brought home two awards at The National Gift Basket Convention in Chicago.

"We provide gifts for all occasions," Levensgood said. "From business gifts to gifts of appreciation, or house warming gifts."

Levensgood and co-owner Cecilia Hinske are constantly on the look out for unusual containers to wrap the gifts in, such as a basket in the shape of a train for an upcoming Holiday Design show at Station 885 or a step-stool packed with utility items like flashlights and tools for a house-warming.

Giving Spirit moved from Levensgood's home to a shop on Starkweather in Plymouth two years ago, and has tripled in size since then, Levensgood said.

And evolved, too. Giving Spirit has concentrated more on the business section, and doesn't function as a typical retail store. Orders can come in through fax or phone calls or, now their web site.

"Companies call us when they want to give gifts with creative packaging," said Hinske. "They can request special



Barb Levensgood, Cecilia Hinske, Cheryl Wulf and Chris Finkelstein of Giving Spirit, Ltd design award-winning baskets and gifts (Crier photo, Scott Spielman.)

products and we'll wrap them in a creative way and send them out."

Hinske said the most popular gifts are tokens of appreciation, employee of the month awards, acknowledging birthdays, a thank you for clients or other random acts of kindness.

"It's a way to convey a message in a real flashy, exciting way," she said. "And it's fun to receive."

Giving Spirit's client base comes from

word of mouth advertising and other areas, such as the company's web site, which has been operational since November. Prospective clients can sign on to www.givingspirit.com and custom design and order their own gift baskets.

"We try to make people look good. It shows that they put some thought into the gifts they give," Hinske said. "It's our job to make the gifts look good, and they get all the accolades."

UPS strike left lessons to learn

Most business could benefit by having a back-up plan, says local expert.

BY SCOTT SPIELMAN

The recent UPS strike took many people and businesses by surprise because shipping is often the least acknowledged aspect of business, according to one local expert.

Mark Taylor, president of Taylor Systems Engineering Corporation, of Plymouth, said that there were many lessons to be learned from the UPS strike.

"The industry isn't very flashy. It's boring and not very popular, but it's still a vital aspect of doing business," Taylor said. "The strike brought it to light."

And he ought to know. Taylor, who started his Plymouth-based business in 1989, has more than 25 years of experience in the shipping industry. Taylor Systems, which custom designs computerized shipping systems for businesses, takes up where his last job left off, he said.

He was working with Ditney Bowes, one of the largest 100 companies in the U.S. in producing forms for postal meters

and shipping systems, he said.

Under Taylor's guidance Ditney Bowes became one of the first entries into the computerized shipping systems. Taylor helped design the systems and trained the representatives. But his efforts were hampered by the size of the company, he said.

"Every decision had to go through nine layers of management," he said. "It took so long to make a decision that by the time they did, it was out of date."

Taylor, frustrated at losing sales, and only 27, saw his future limited at Bowes and decided to strike out on his own.

"We were gonna sink or swim," he said. "We survived the first year on peanut butter and jelly sandwiches and macaroni and cheese."

Business has picked up since then, Taylor said, and the lean days are behind him. The integrated computerized shipping services his business produces are direct competitors to Ditney Bowes.

Taylor's systems are designed to meet

the exact shipping needs of various businesses, he said. His company will identify a business' needs, design a program or an entire computer system to meet those needs. Taylor gets a good idea of what the business needs by talking to everyone involved, he said.

"We meet with everyone and get all the problems. We usually get a different perspective than the CEO," he said. "Then we determine if they are experiencing enough problems to benefit from one of our systems."

Taylor said his systems can always save business that ship more than 100 packages a day money; and usually businesses that ship between 50 and 100 packages a day.

"We don't try to sell to everyone," he said. "If we can't find some way to save the company money we don't pursue it. We don't try to shove it down their throats."



Hoedel dies at 65

Schools, community at large feels second loss in two weeks

BY BRYON MARTIN

Plymouth-Canton schools suffered another loss this week with the death of Ray Hoedel, former associate superintendent for Business and Operations.

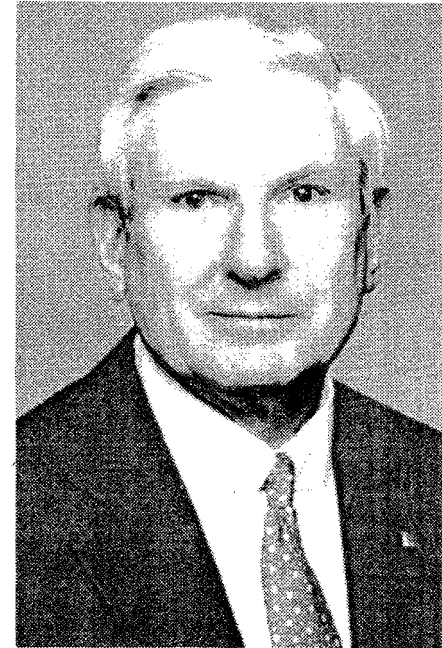
Hoedel spent 22 years in the district, hired in 1973 as assistant superintendent. He retired from his position at board offices in August, 1995.

His death marks the second the schools and the community at large have felt in two weeks. Former superintendent John "Mike" Hoben died Aug. 25. Services for Hoben were held last Wednesday at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church in Plymouth.

Hoedel was responsible for the financial end of building Eriksson, Hulsing, Field, Hoben, Bentley and Tonda elementary schools. He is also credited with negotiating the lease of Lowell Middle School from Livonia Public Schools.

The district received a national award for an energy savings program he began in 1981.

He was active in the Michigan School Business Officials Association and served on the executive board for eight years and was president in 1990. He was also a finance executive with the Michigan Department of Education from 1966-68 and a business manager for Michigan State University.



RAYMOND HOEDEL

Hoedel is survived by his wife, Beverly; sister, Shirley; son, David; daughters Karen, Kathy and Deb; and seven grandchildren.

Services were held Monday at Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home, in Plymouth.

It was two weeks ago that former superintendent Mike Hoben died

Hot dogging for a cause... Plymouth Whaler Eric Goody hands out a free hot dog at the kick-off to the United Way's fund drive. The United Way has set \$1 million as its goal, and with the help of the Whalers, got out the word last Friday. The Whalers are often around town helping with charities and at other events, including Our Lady of Providence. The team will host a Skate with the Whalers fundraiser Oct. 24 at Compuware Arena. Today, they helped at the grand opening of the Super Kmart in Canton. (Crier photo, Bryon Martin).

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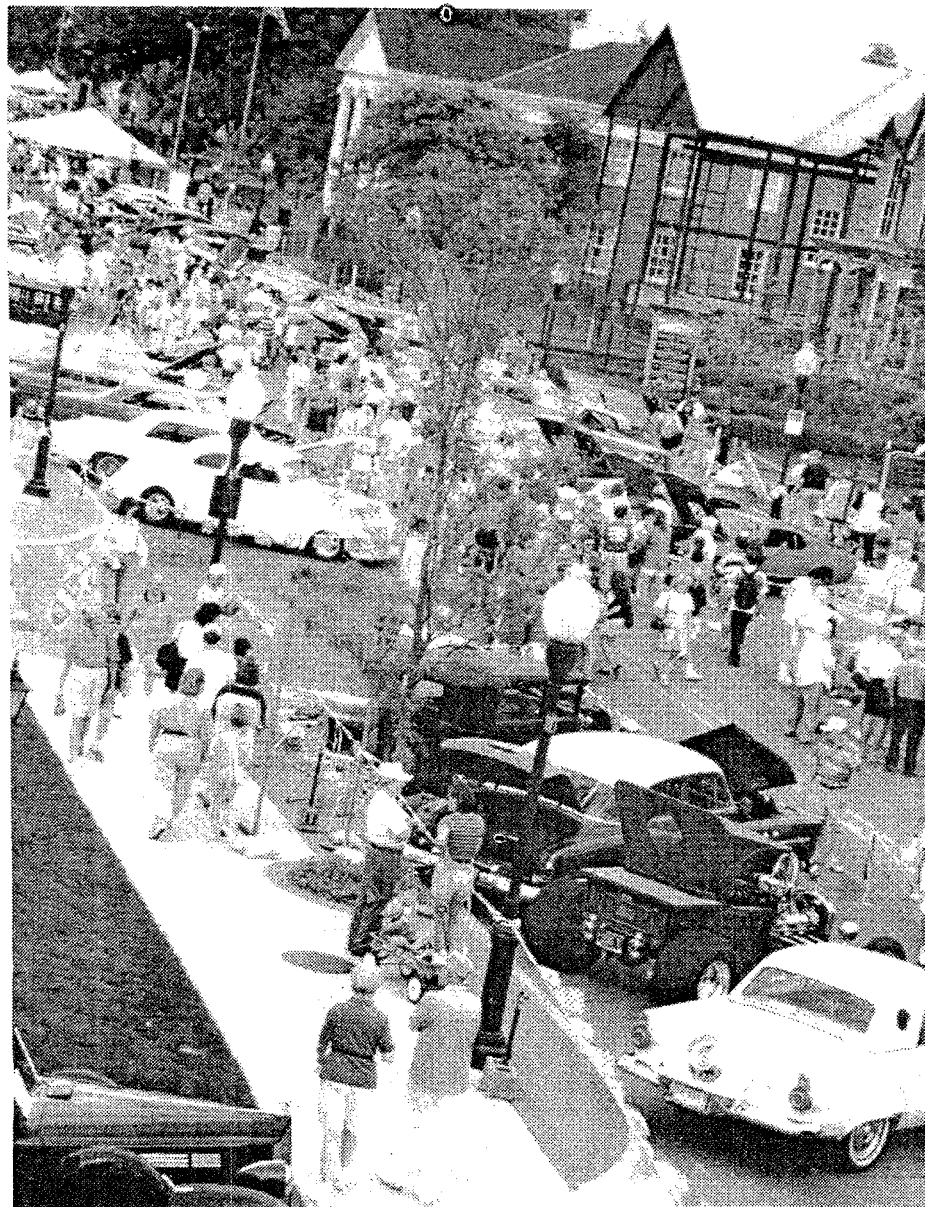
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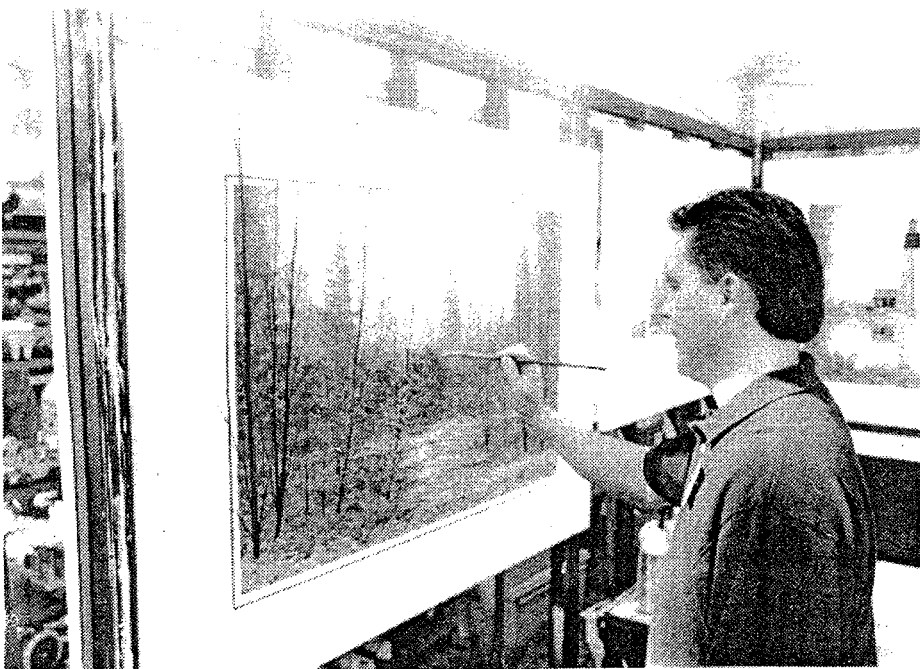
The Festival Car show attracted car lovers of all ages, whether they could drive, or just sit in the front seat (Crier photo, Scott Spielman.)



A Canton Cheerleader braces for the inevitable at the Cheerleader boosters booth. The offered interested throwers the chance to hit a cheerleader with a cream pie (Crier photo, B. Martin.)



The Fall Festival car show was as popular as ever, with flks and classic cars lining main street. (Crier photo, R. Alwood, Jr.)



Tom LeGault, of Plymouth, works on a painting at the Arts and Crafts in front of Central Middle School. (Crier photo, Scott Spielman.)



Looking back at Fall Festival 1997

And the winner is....



Andrew Cannon and just one of the six kittens that one for the smallest cat in the annual Optimist Pet Show. He placed first through third (with three honorable mentions. Crier photo, R. Alwood, Jr.)



Georgia Randinitis shows off her arrangement of vegetables and flowers, which look good enough to eat, at the Trailwood Garden Club Exhibit Sunday. (Crier photo, R. Alwood, Jr.)

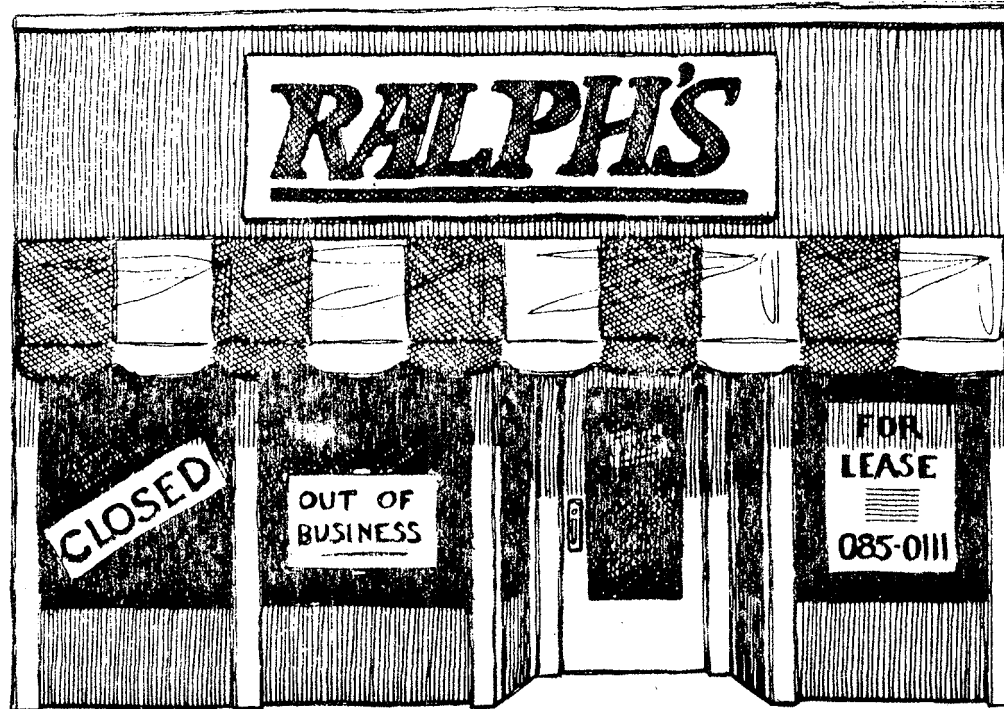


Sean Young took first place in the junior Garden faces competition with his cabbage head entry (Crier photo, R. Alwood, Jr.)

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**“I don't need to advertise.
I have enough business.”**

This ad is dedicated to a produce store on Main Street who less than a month after using Excuse No. 109, moved out — in the middle of the night.



The Crier's advertising consultants, the largest-numbered, longest-serving ad specialists serving The Plymouth-Canton Community, have heard it all. We thought we'd share a few of our favorite reasons we've heard why some business people don't advertise.

- #1 Advertising never works.
- #4 I'm going through a divorce and my wife is suing me.
- #5 I'm going through a divorce and my husband is suing me.
- #8 I spent all my money on stocking the shop.
- #12 I've never had to advertise.
- #17 The newspaper makes too much money.
- #25 I don't have anything to advertise.
- #31 I have to paint the outside of my store.
- #38 My accountant says I can't spend any money.
- #39 My lawyer says I can't spend any money.
- #40 My husband says I can't spend any money.
- #41 My wife says I can't spend any money.
- #42 My partner says I can't spend any money.
- #47 We're not trying to make any more money right now.
- #48 We have enough business.
- #54 I only need the yellow pages.
- #59 My customers don't read.
- #68 My competitors advertise.
- #69 My competitors will know my prices.
- #76 I'm saving all my money for a buying trip to Toronto.
- #82 My brother-in-law is taking a marketing course in night school and he says advertising doesn't work.
- #84 My cousin's next-door-neighbor's kids are putting flyers on windshields downtown — I think.
- #88 I advertise on our matchbook covers.
- #89 I mail to our customer list.
- #93 I don't get any advertising allotment from the home office/parent company.
- #98 I don't have any co-op dollars.
- #101 My ad budget's set until 1998.
- #106 The road in front is under construction.
- #110 My name is well known in town.
- #112 I don't have a checkbook yet.
- #113 I'm waiting for a check from my last customer.
- #121 The newspaper ran a story on my business.
- #122 The newspaper hasn't run a story on my business.
- #123 The newspaper ran a story on one of my competitors.
- #124 Your newspaper ran a story when I crashed my car into the hotel lobby.
- #137 The newspaper prints "negative" letters.
- #140 The newspaper favors Canton High School.
- #141 The newspaper favors Salem High School.
- #142 The newspaper favors the Rotary Club.
- #143 The newspaper favors the Lions Club.
- #144 The newspaper favors the Kiwanis Club.
- #148 The newspaper prints too much Plymouth news.
- #149 The newspaper prints too much Canton news.
- #155 The newspaper is in league with Township Hall.
- #156 The newspaper is always picking on Township Hall.

*Don't look for excuses not to advertise your business!
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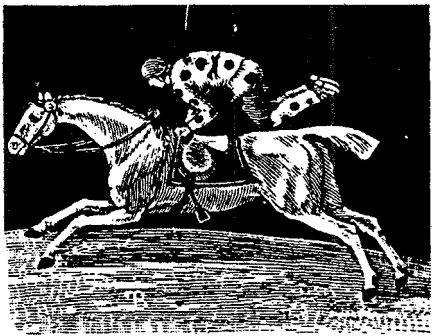
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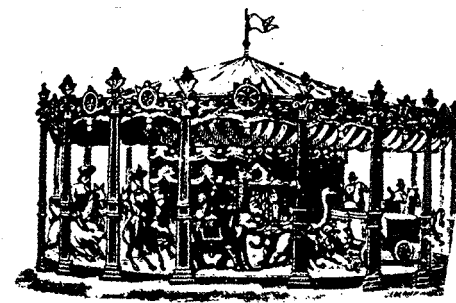
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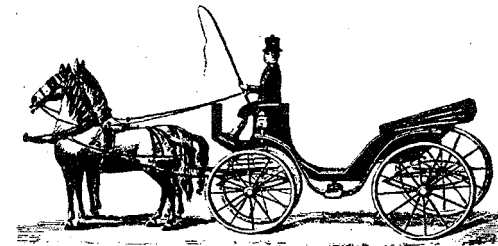


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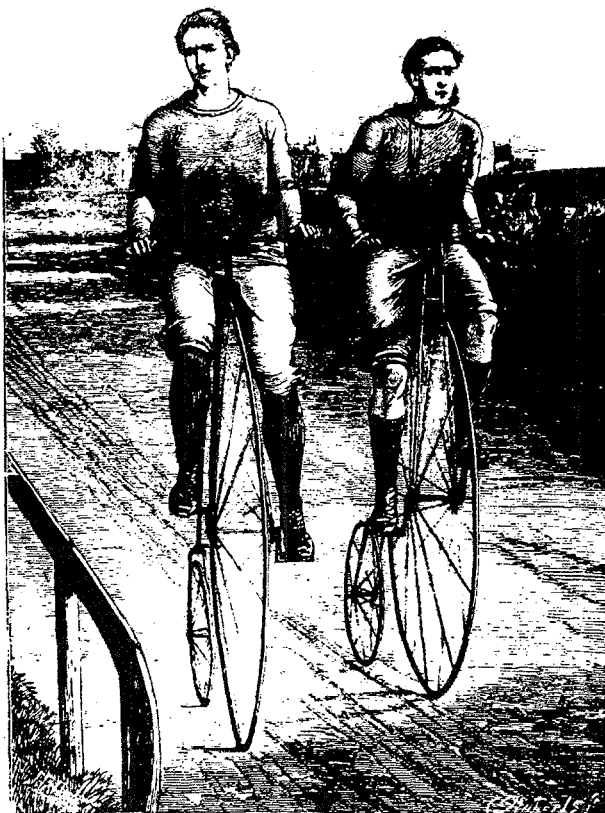
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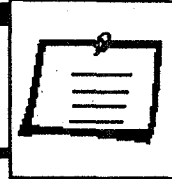
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Events

BLUES CONCERT

Bob Willett and The Blues Devils will be playing at the Lower Town Grille (313) 451-1213 on **Sept. 20, 1997.**

SENIORS, SURF THE NET

A new class at Schoolcraft College will introduce seniors to the World Wide Web. The one day class meets on Tuesday, **Sept. 17** or Wednesday, Oct 29. The fee is \$98 with a senior discount. For more info call (313) 462-4448.

BRIDGE BONANZA

If you are a Bridge fanatic who wants to learn the finer points of the game, register for the 10 week Schoolcraft College class. First session is Friday, **Sept 19.** The fee is \$89, with a senior discount. For info call (313) 462-4448.

WAY OF THE WOMAN WORKSHOP

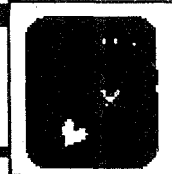
The way of the Woman Workshop is to be hosted by Jeanne Cotter from 9 a.m. through 3p.m. **Sept. 13.** \$15 registration fee includes lunch. For more info call 459-9842.

JEANNE COTTER IN CONCERT

Join Jeanne Cotter for an evening of songs and stories. Friday, **Sept 12** at 7:30 p.m. For tickets call 459-9842.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Congregation Bret Chaverim, serving Jewish families in Western Wayne County, will host it's second annual Back to School Ice Cream Social on Sunday, **Sept. 21** at 7:00 p.m. Non members encouraged to attend. For further Information call Bet Chaverim (313) 480-8880.



Health

REMARRIAGE/BLENDED FAMILY WORKSHOP

Temple baptist Church will be hosting a one day Remarriage/Blended family workshop on Saturday, **Sept. 13** from 9:00 until 4:00 in room 125. Cost is \$25 per couple, cost includes Lunch. For Info call (313) 414-3999.

THREE MILE FITNESS WALK

Walk, or run three miles through Downtown Northville on Saturday **Sept. 13** at 8:00 a.m. Register on the day of the event. For more info call Lori at 349-0203.

TEEN PARENTING

The Northville District Library will have seven free weekly programs, beginning Wednesday, **Sept. 17** at 10:00 a.m., on parenting teens. For more Info or to register call (313) 513-7598, or (248) 349-3020.

BET CHARVERIM

Blood pressure checks, breast feeding support groups, childbirth preparation classes, infant CPR. Call 454-8001.

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PLYMOUTH BREATHERS CLUB

Those with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, emphysema, other respiratory disease. Meets **second Wednesday** each month, 1:30-2:30 p.m. at St. Joseph Mercy Health Building, Plymouth. Call 712-5367.

SENIOR VAN

Ply. community seniors van available for free transport to destinations in city or township **five days a week**, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Take Ply. seniors to medical, dental, other appointments or planned trips to nearby malls. Call 459-8888.

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP

Detroit Area Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association offers a free support group for family members/friends of people with the disease or related dementia. Group meets **third Tuesday**, each month at St. John Neumann Church, 4480 Warren Rd., Canton, 7:30-9 p.m. Call Rosemary Shim, 326-1200.

HEART CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

Heart cancer support group meets **second and fourth Monday**, each month, 7 p.m., Livonia's Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church. Call 422-1826.

RESPIRATORY DISEASE ASSISTANCE

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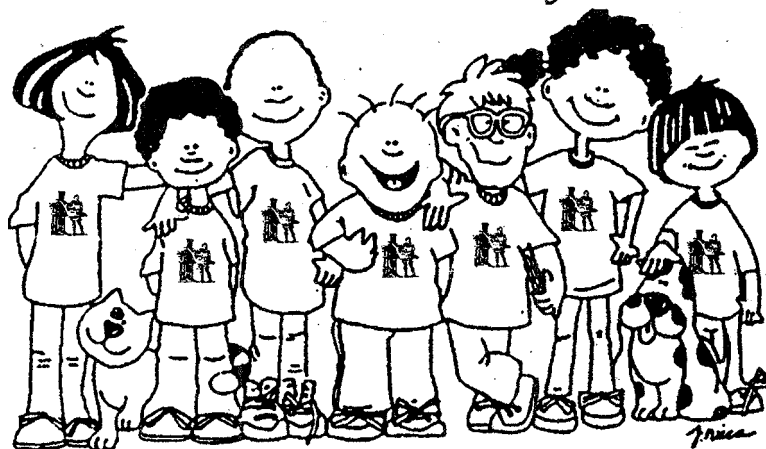
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VIETNAM VETERANS OF AMERICA

There is to be a Vietnam Veterans of America general meeting held at 9318 Newburg Road, on Monday Sept. 8 at 7:30 p.m. All Veterans on duty Jan. 1, 1959-May 7, 1975, regardless of duty station, are eligible. For more info call Don Dignan (313) 446-3492 or (313) 525-0157.

PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY CHORUS

The Plymouth Community Chorus is calling people who love to sing. Most needed are tenors, basses and baritones. Auditions for the Christmas concert are underway. For appointment or details call First United Methodist Church (313) 455-4080

SPEAKING SUCCESS

Oral Majority Toastmasters Club meets Sundays, 6:45 p.m. Aug. and Sept. in the Friendly Building at Ann Arbor and Lilley Rds. Call Marc Sullivan, 455-1635.

PLYMOUTH YMCA "Y" KIDS

For children ages 3-5. Openings for afternoon sessions. Age 3 meets Tuesday and Thursday, ages 4-5 meets Monday, Wednesday, Friday. Call YMCA, 453-2904.

PLYMOUTH ORATORIO SOCIETY

Society invites interested singers to join this year's performances, including Brahms' Liebeslieder Waltzes and the Duruflé Requiem. Practices held weekly. No audition necessary. Call Clark or Karen Chapin, 453-4765.

VILLAGE POTTERS GUILD

Guild is dedicated to advancement, education of ceramic arts; 25 members share space, equipment for pottery production. Classes each semester. Call 207-8807.

PLYMOUTH OPTIMIST CLUB MEETINGS

First, third Monday of month, 6:30 p.m. Mayflower Hotel. Includes dinner and speaker. Call Felix Rotter, 453-2375.

60+ CLUB

Meet every first Monday of month, noon, First United Methodist Church, 45201 N. Territorial Rd. Bring a dish to pass. Call Lola Schueder, 453-7999.

3 CITIES ART CLUB

Meetings will be on the first Monday of the month. November meetings will be announced. Call S. Argiroff at (313) 422-8106 for info.



Volunteer

HOSPICE OF SOUTHEASTERN MICHIGAN

Hospice seeks patient care, companion, team support volunteers in P-C-N area, 291-9700.

PLYMOUTH COURT NURSING CENTER

Ply. Court Nursing Center needs volunteers to assist resident activity programs, 455-0510.

MICHIGAN CANCER FOUNDATION

Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute is looking for volunteers to provide transportation for cancer patients in P-C-N area. Call 561-8880, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

HOST-FAMILY OPPORTUNITY

American Intercultural Student Exchange seeks host families for high school foreign exchange students, 1997-98 school year. AISE students live with host families, attend local high schools during 10-month stay. Call 1-800-742-5464.

RETIRED AND SENIOR VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

Retired and Senior Volunteer Program need volunteers in Canton to help children needing tutoring in basic math, reading. Free training. Call 883-2100 ext. 368.

FISH VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

FISH of P-C in need of volunteers to assist in aiding neighbors who can't help themselves. To be a driver, caller, or run errands, call 261-1011, leave a message.

SUMMIT SHUTTLE

Summit on the Park, Canton, offers shuttle service from east parking lot (next to playscape) to north door of Summit. Enclosed eight-person cart provides service 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Mon.-Fri. If P-C Schools close because of bad weather, tornado or severe thunderstorm warnings, shuttle won't operate. Senior Office, 397-5444.

STUDENT EXCHANGE

Families needed to host international students from "Academic Year in America," sponsored by American Institute for Foreign Study Foundation. Students range from 15-18 years, arrive from Brazil, Germany, Spain, Netherlands and other countries. Call Amy Mullen, 1-800-322-4678, ext. 5423.

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Dr. Dean A. Klump, Senior Minister
Rev. Tonya M. Arnesen, Associate Minister

8:30 AM

INFORMAL WORSHIP

10:00 AM

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NURSERY

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9:30am Lifeline-Contemporary
Service

11:00 am Traditional Service

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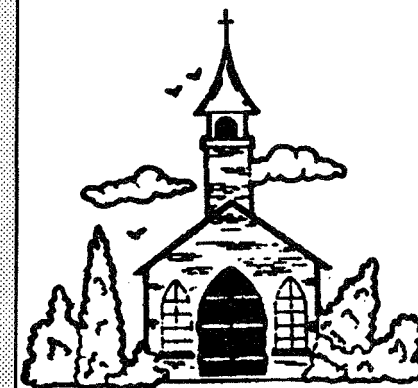
Sunday School

9:am

Morning Worship

10:am

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Communities lose Jean Wendover, 73

Services for St. Petersburg, Kentwood and long-time Plymouth resident set for Saturday

Jean Van Fleet Wendover, a long-time Plymouth resident, and a resident of Kentwood and St. Petersburg, FL, died Sept. 6, 1997 at the age of 73.

She was a landscaper painter and a known arts supporter. She was president of her homeowners group at Club Chalet Park in St. Petersburg, FL and an active supporter in AIDS causes.

Mrs. Wendover worked at a number of Plymouth-Canton insurance and real estate offices, at Pease Paint and at COMMA, the publishing division of The Crier. She was a long-time member of the board of directors of this newspaper.

She is survived by her daughter, Diane (Stephen) Herbruck of Saranac; son, W. Edward Wendover (Sally

Repeck), of Plymouth; brother, Robert (Celeste) Van Fleet of Middletown, NY; granddaughter, Jess Wendover; grandson, Vincent Herbruck; seven nephews; three nieces; several great and great-great nephews and nieces. She was preceded in death by her husband, William E. Wendover in 1978.

Visitation will be held at noon, Saturday Sept. 13 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home in Plymouth. A memorial service will follow at 1 p.m. A visitation was also held Sunday at Lake Funeral Home in Saranac. Another memorial service will be planned for St. Petersburg, FL at a later date.

Memorial contributions can be given to the Michigan Cancer Society, to AIDS research, or to the Club Chalet Park Association.



Jean Wendover politics with former U.S. Rep. William D. Ford (Crier photo.)



Community deaths

Obituaries

For more information on listing a paid obituary notice in The Crier, contact your funeral director or call (313) 453-6900

SANDRA NICOLE YOUNG

Sandra Nicole Young, a Canton resident, died Aug. 17, 1997 at the age of two months.

She was born June 7, 1997 in Wayne, MI.

She is survived by her parents, Steven Young and Sandra Hoing Young; god-parents, Jeanne Hoing and Brett Young; grandparents Bud and Leslyn Young of Wayne, Janet Cebalt of Redford, Russel Hoing of Farmington, Sandra Hoing of Novi; sisters, Suzanne Hoing, Courtney Young, Celeste Young; brothers, Randall Hoing, Robert Hoing, and Ryan Young (twin of the deceased.)

Arrangements were made by and services held at Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home in Westland with the Rev. Art Magnuson officiating. Memorial contributions can be given to an educational trust fund for her brothers at 44579 Savery Drive, Canton, MI 48187.

ELLEN VIRGINIA LAING

Ellen Virginia Laing, a Plymouth resident died Aug. 26 1997 at the age of 85.

Mrs. Laing was born March 11, 1912 in Bay Port MI. She was a register nurse at Borman Hall (Detroit Jewish home for the aged) and Prentis Hall, retiring after more than 50 years of nursing service. She was a member of the Plymouth Study Group and the swimming group at Schoolcraft College. She was a volunteer for Health-A-Roma and her hobbies included knitting, gardening and swimming. Her biggest interest was the Dairy King on Main Street in Plymouth. She was known as the "Dairy King Grandma."

Arrangements were made by and services held at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home in Plymouth with the Rev. James Skimins officiating. Burial was at Grand Lawn Cemetery in Pigeon, MI. Memorial contributions can be given to leader dogs for the blind.

ANTHONY N. DeMINK

Anthony N. DeMink, a Westland resident, died Aug. 27, 1997 at the age of 83.

Mr. DeMink was born Sept. 13, 1913 in Detroit. He was a truck driver. He was a long-time member of Knights of Columbus.

He is survived by his daughters, Norrene (Harry, Jr.) Armstrong of Canton, Jacqueline (Walter) Garon of Cheboygan, MI; sons, James J. (Glema) DeMink of Plymouth; brothers, William DeMink of East Tawas; nine grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren. He is preceded in death by his wife, Lillian and brother, Harry.

Services were held at St. John Neumann Catholic Church in Canton with the Rev. George Charnley officiating. Burial was at Hillcrest Cemetery in Greenwood Township. Arrangements were made by Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home in Plymouth. Mass offerings can be given to St. John Neumann Catholic Church, or Karmanos Cancer Institute, Plymouth Region, 744 Wing Street, Plymouth MI 48170; or Michigan Lupus

Foundation, 26202 Harper Ave, St. Clair Shores, MI 48081.

JAMES RILEY SNOW

James Riley Snow, a Plymouth resident, died Aug. 28, 1997 at the age of 50.

Mr. Snow was born Jan. 31, 1947 in Walnut Ridge, AR. He graduated from Plymouth High School in 1965 and from Schoolcraft College with a degree in business. He attended flight school in Florida and was a man of many hobbies: fishing, motorcycles, cars, music.

He is survived by his daughters, Tiffany and Katie of Las Vegas, NV; brother, Sherman (Cherrie) of Brighton; sisters, Ada (Jerry) Kendall of Union City, TN, Rebecca Sue Johnson and fiancé Sterling Gafford of Plymouth, Paula A. (Gregg) Knight of Plymouth. He is preceded in death by his parents, Leonard and Vivian Snow.

Arrangements were made by and services held at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home in Plymouth. Burial was at Riverside Cemetery. Memorial contributions can be given to University of Michigan Liver Transplant Program in Ann Arbor, MI.

MABEL ROBABACHER

Mabel Robabacher, an Austin TX resident formerly of Plymouth, died Aug. 28, 1997 at the age of 93.

Mrs. Robabacher was born April 23, 1904 in Lake City, MI. She retired from Michigan Bell Telephone Co. in Plymouth, where she was a telephone operator.

She is survived by several nephews. She is preceded in death by her husband, Dale C.

Interment services will be held Sat., Sept. 13 at noon in the Riverside Cemetery Mausoleum. Arrangements were made by the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home in Plymouth.

HELEN RUTH PARKS

Helen Ruth Parks, a Westland resident, died Aug. 27, 1997 at the age of 75.

Mrs. Parks was born Jan. 28, 1922 in Detroit. She was a homemaker.

She is survived by her daughters, Julie Asta of Canton, Margaret Anderson of Camby OR; sons, Richard (Patricia) Parks of Westland; brother-in-law, Rugo Neari of Lincoln Park, MI; nine grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren. Arrangements were made by and services held at Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home in Westland with the Rev. Neil D. Cowling officiating. Burial was at White Chapel Cemetery in Troy. Memorial contributions can be given to American Cancer Society, 29350 Southfield Road Suite 110 Southfield, MI 48076-2078.

SYLVIA MANDERACHIA

Sylvia Manderachia, a Westland resident, died Aug. 25, 1997 at the age of 83.

Mrs. Manderachia was born Feb. 17, 1914 in Parisville, MI. She was a homemaker. She liked bingo, cards, and crafts.

She is survived by her husband, Vincent J.; daughter, Rose Marie (John) Venney of Inkster; son, Vincent P. (Marjorie) of Plymouth; four grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

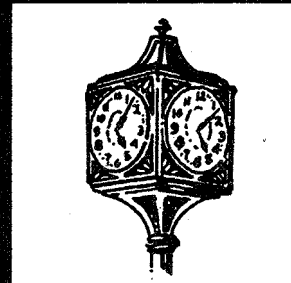
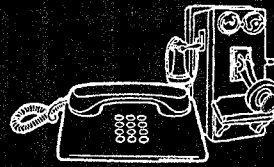
Arrangements were made by and services held at Vereulen Trust 100 Funeral Home in Westland with the Rev. Gerald V. Bechard officiating. Burial was at Mt. Hope Memorial Park in Livonia. Mass offerings can be made.



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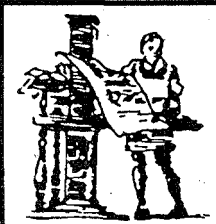
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You could have shot a cannon down any street in Lower Town and have hit nary a person. Oh well! 'Twas ever thus. But you would think things would have changed by this time. Glad to hear how attentive your children and grandchildren are. They are a blessing to you, aren't they? I think you are a blessing to them, too. Love, Geneva

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Salem gridders fumble way through loss to Belleville

Mirror, mirror on the wall, what was the score of Salem's first football game last fall?

A mirror is about all you needed for the Rocks' season opening game versus Belleville at the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park on Friday; the game was a reflection of last year's matchup.

"Everything was the same," said Salem coach Tom Moshimer. "The score was the same, 20-7, the opponent was the same, it was even the same score at halftime, 14-0."

Of course, with mirrors, everything is reversed, which means Salem's 20-7 victory last season translates into a 20-7 victory for Belleville this year.

If it wasn't for Salem's four turnovers, the Rocks would've likely won. Salem outgained Belleville, who accumulated all its yards on the ground, 243-225. Salem also had the ball for nine more minutes than Belleville, mainly because of senior quarterback Tony Bernhardt, who over-

came opening night jitters to run for 67 yards on 11 carries and complete six of 13 passing attempts for 94 yards.

"I think the kids played really well," said Moshimer, "takeaway the turnovers, which were the game of course, and we're right there."

Cullen Jenkins was right there for Belleville when the Rocks fumbled at mid-field in the opening quarter. Jenkins picked up the ball and rambled 55 yards for the touchdown. The Tigers were up, 7-0.

The Rocks nearly played themselves out of the game on their next possession when Bernhardt fumbled on the first play from scrimmage. But senior defensive back Jeff McKian kept the score 7-0 with an endzone interception of a pass from Belleville quarterback C.J. Grantham. The Rocks were in the midst of their second sustained drive of the game when Charlie Schmidt fumbled and Belleville recovered.

The Tigers scored on a 38-yard run by Jenkins six plays later.

Down 14-0 in the third quarter, Salem finally cashed in on its third extended drive of game. Tight end/full back Teono Wilson scored from the one-yard line.

The extra point by Rob Zdrodowski narrowed Belleville's lead to 14-7.

Salem had two more possessions in the third quarter, including one that began at the Belleville 39-yard line, but the Tiger defense held.

When Belleville got the ball early in the fourth quarter, Grantham score on a run from 33 yards out to compete the scoring, 20-7.

Moshimer said his team must improve in order to win Friday's game at Northville, who is much better than last year's 2-7 mark. "We've got to be more consistent with our running game. Somethings (Belleville) did confused us a little bit, and they shouldn't have," he said.

The defense, Moshimer said, may have to blitz more to pressure the Mustangs' passing attack.

Salem wins Mercy Hoops tourney

The Canton girls basketball team shows no mercy.

Just ask St. Joseph and Ann Arbor Pioneer, who were losers to Salem in the Mercy Hoops tournament Thursday and Saturday in Farmington Hills.

The four-team tournament also included host, Mercy.

Forward Nkechi Okwumabua was named the tournament most valuable

player

In the low-scoring, opening round game, the Chiefs defeated St. Joseph, 47-38, led by Okwumabua's 19 points and Melisa Marzolf's 10 points.

Okwumabua kept the Chiefs in the game early with eight points in the first quarter, but the Bears led 20-18 at halftime.

The Chiefs dominated the second half,

though, outscoring the Bears, 15-8 and 14-4 in the third and fourth quarters, respectively. "We had a great second half," said Canton coach Bob Blohm.

The win advanced the Chiefs to the championship game against undefeated Pioneer, who had knocked out the Marlins, 58-46 on Thursday.

The Chiefs, who lack height, were able to adequately pressure the Pioneers perimeter game and take a 22-17 halftime advantage, led by senior guard Kristin Lukasik's work inside. "But they came on strong in the second half, especially the fourth quarter," said Blohm.

The Pioneers outscored the Canton 16-14 in the third quarter to pull within three, 36-33. But the Chiefs held on to win in a high-scoring fourth quarter; the teams combined for 39 points.

The difference was at the charity stripe. Canton made nearly twice as many free throws (19) as Pioneer attempted (11).

Canton also had balanced scoring with four players in double digits. Marzolf led the Chiefs with 16 points; Okwumabua had 14, senior guard Kristin Mayer had 13 points and Lukasik pitched in 11 points.

Canton is 2-1.

Rock golfers swing into 7th place at Maple Invite

They say seven is a lucky number, but it was pure skill that placed the Salem boys golf team seventh at the 20-team Maple Invitational Monday at the Lenawee Golf Course.

The Rocks (328) finished behind one of the state's top teams, Brighton, who won the invite with a score of 303.

Tecumseh was second at 305, Saline (314) came in third. Ann Arbor Pioneer was fourth at 317. Ann Arbor Huron was seven strokes back at 317. Okemos finished two strokes ahead of Salem at 326.

"I like getting out of conference for invitationals, we need the experience," said Salem coach Rick Wilson.

Adam Wilson was the runner-up medalist at 73, two-under par on the challenging course that dares golfers to stay on the fairway because of its exceptionally long-cut rough. The junior was solid from all over the course, driving and putting, recording two birdies.

Eric Krueger was also consistent, hitting his average 83; Ryan Nimmerguth and Mark Runchey were three strokes behind at 86.

Mark Doughy hit 88 for Salem, who is 1-1 in conference competition.

Canton, Salem CC teams off and running

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Rucinski (22:33), Erin O'Rourke (22:34) and Darcy Crain (22:37) were 10th, 11th and 12th respectively.

"Hopefully, we'll get better," said Przygodski. "I'm really excited about this team."

SALEM BOYS CC

In 11 years of coaching the boys cross country team at Salem, Geoff Baker has won a regional title and finished sixth in the state finals, but he has never won a Western Lakes Activities Association

crown.

This may be the year. The Rocks placed seventh at the highly competitive West Bloomfield Invitational held at Kensington Metro Park on Saturday, finishing ahead of the other participating WLAA teams. "We're off to a pretty good start," said Baker. "We're happy with our progress so far."

They should be. The West Bloomfield Invite includes elite teams from all over Michigan and Ohio, and the Rocks' stellar performance has everyone thinking

"title", as in conference, regional and state.

"That's the buzz word around here," said Baker.

With top runners Ian Searcy and Jon Little leading the way, it's no wonder confidence is high in the Salem camp. Searcy (16:52) placed 11th at Kensington and Little (17:54) was 11th. Bobby Cushman came in at 17:54, good for 48th place. Matt Anderson (18:03) and Donnie Warner (19:09) rounded out Salem's top five.

On deck

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Tonight at home versus John Glenn at 5:30 p.m. Monday at Farmington at 5:30 p.m.

SALEM BOYS GOLF

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SALEM FOOTBALL

Friday at Northville at 7:30 p.m.

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Community opinions

Fall Festival?

Ahh... yes. Fall, our favorite season. Frost on the pumpkin, Indian corn, and a big, orange harvest moon. Hot cocoa and seats on the fifty. Breezy days, chilly nights - the best sleeping weather of all year. Drive to work with the heater on, open the windows for the ride home.

A color tour every day. Some trees show off, others just blush. Catch a leaf as it spirals down. See your breath in the morning cool, play two hand touch in the afternoon.

Golden Delicious - "pick your own" and take the kids. They pick 'em, you carry 'em. A bushel a peck a hug around the neck. Pull on a favorite sweater to rake the lawn, watch the World Series and the Wizard of Oz. Halloween is upon

us, so thanksgiving must be just around the...

Hey! Not so fast, Pilgrim. From where I'm standing, which happens to be in the middle of my swimming pool, it's still summer. What's all this talk about fall?

From where I'm standing I'm standing, which happens to be in the middle of my swimming pool, it's still summer.

Sure, the nights are getting longer and the days are getting cooler, and the kids are back in school. But, the leaves are still there, my feet are still bare, and if it's muggy at night, I still turn the air.

What's the big hurry? Summer is short enough around here without

dropkicking it through the goalposts as soon as the first sign of football season. Fallfest is OVER before the Wolverines even begin their season. Figure that one out while your getting sunburned.

Pure Speculation

By W.H. "Bill" Dean

Don't get me wrong, fall is wonderful and marvelous and all that other stuff, but it's just not here yet. Forget about the weather we had in August - blame El Nino. I'm not sure what that means, but everyone else blames El Nino, so I will, too. Anyhow, summer bounced back like a beach ball, and the weekend weather was perfect - 80 degrees and sunny. Not a flannel shirt in sight, except on a few skateboarders.

Don't believe it's summer? Check the Farmer's Almanac. The sun doesn't pass over the earth's equator (an event known as the autumnal equinox) for another two weeks, when fall officially begins. Until then, have another glass of lemonade and

pass the tanning butter.

So, why is Fallfest held during summer? Someone must know. Shouldn't we wait until we turn our clocks back? Or forward? Or whatever? Wouldn't the middle of October make more sense?

I think it would, but I'm willing to compromise. A simple problem requires a simple solution: if we must keep Fallfest in the summer, we should rename it. I'll even toss out the first idea.

Because I suspect that early September was chosen to give a "break" to some downtown retailers, I propose changing the name "Fallfest" to "Break-fest." Hey! That should sell a few pancakes!

City workers leave job incomplete

EDITOR:

I am writing to tell your that I have gambled and lost. I decided to let the City arrange to "repair" the sidewalks in front of my house. That was a gamble. I lost when I let the paid worker "clean up" instead of doing it myself.

While the work progressed I thought to myself that nobody would ever consider to reuse the sad, left-over pile of fill dirt and debris sitting on the sidewalk. They will take that garbage away and put in good topsoil. I was wrong.

Long ago my dad gave me a simple piece of advice about how things grow. I would like to pass it

along to the City for application to future projects. "My son," he said. "Neither people nor grass can eat rocks and survive and they can't live underneath dirt either."

Without expecting a dime in return or even recognition, I freely pass this sage advice on to the sidewalk workers.

The following items do not help grass grow: small rocks, the pile of brown dirt balls that don't seem to break up even when hit with the butt of a shovel

(otherwise known as clay), sandy acidic soil from underneath the sidewalk, the bushel of rocks I raked out after the job was "over", newly hacked up tree roots and shoots, fist sized pieces of cement and leftover cement slag from recently poured cement, stakes pounded in and the stakes left behind and buried (out of sight out of mind), and yellow useless fill dirt (it looks

really bad sitting next to topsoil) pushed back in along the edges of my new sidewalk.

Here's some bonus advice too: Use a hatchet or chainsaw when you decide to destabilize a 40-year-old maple tree and cut tow of its three main westward support

roots. Clean cuts promote more healthy disease free trees.

Do not use the bucket of a backhoe to hack and mash through four inch roots. Now while my tree is fighting to hold itself up against light westward winds, it shouldn't have to fight disease and ants too.

But you know I'm not all gray clouds, the sidewalk looks okay.

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Community opinions

Usual ups and downs for 42nd Fall Fest

Chalk up another Fall Festival. Like the 41 before it, this Fest had its ups and a couple of downs.

The Rotary Club's chicken barbecue sold 700 more meals than a year ago, but encountered backups of an hour at its drive-through site. Rebates soothed some customers, but not all.

A communications problem left a hole on the entertainment stage when the Community Band declared a rain day without letting the Festfolk know.

The pet show went well, the produce competition too. Autos — antique and unusual — ruled on Sunday.

Flapjacks went as usual.

One chef at the Greek Church booth had to be removed for burning shishkabobs.

But all in all, the Fest was a successful family-fun-fare. It remains as The Plymouth-Canton Community's premier "homecoming" and group fund-raiser rolled into one.

Next week, Crier readers will get the opportunity to give their opinions of the 42nd Fest and suggestions for the 43rd. All ideas help the Festival — watch this space next Wednesday.

THE COMMUNITY CRIER

Officials should charge aliens' employer

EDITOR:
I am writing in response to the article "Alien Workers Arrested in Canton" by Bryon Martin.

According to the article the Border Patrol Asst. Chief Stan Rosas was quoted as having said "They don't know who employed the illegals and they do not plan to investigate the question further."

Why not? The changes in the immigration laws a few years ago penalize employers for employing illegals. If they are not fined why would they not employ cheaper labor? It isn't only American jobs being replaced but taxpayers pay to transport these illegals apprehended back to their native country by plane. Cheap labor and big profits for companies is what it is all about- the American way?

D. ARCHER

'Owed' to Farmer Street

FARMER STREET

I know the wheels of progress turn slowly- But this Farmer Street repair project, Holy-Moly! Am I mistaken or are they inexperienced and slow- Perhaps low bidder is not the best way to go? You folks have seen the work that has taken place- I mean come on, we're going at a snails pace. First they put stuff in then they take it out- What in the world is this all about? These folks have to be getting paid hourly- No contractor can make a profit working that slowly. Folks across town are also moving like a snail- Look at the mess on Ann Arbor Trail. Just have patience they'll have Farmer fixed as soon as they can- In the mean time though, they are wrecking Harvey and Ann. You'd think they'd realize there's a bump on Ann- Left by the last low bidder man. Trucks and loaders are always racing up and down- Scattering dirt and rocks all around. I'd venture to say this repair situation- Is taking longer than the original installation. We're not talking a few days, but weeks- And the original installer used antiques. His machinery was primitive compared to the new- I'll bet he stayed within his bid too! Are you?

VIRGIL NORGROVE

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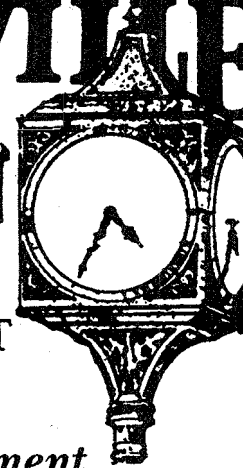
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Entertainment Extravaganza Featuring
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H I G H L I G H T S

• Victorian Parade • Victorian Costume Ball • Antique Show • Non-Profit Booths • Art Market • Old Fashioned Children and Family Games • Duck Race • Dixieland Band • Barber Shop Quartet • Mill Race Village Tours • Horse and Carriage Rides • Pony Rides • Food Booths • Historic Home Tour • Victorian Tea • Box Lunch Auction • Max the Moose •

NORTHVILLE VICTORIAN FESTIVAL And ART MARKET 1997



On the Street Entertainment

Dr. Rudy Medicine Man Show • Dulcimer • Palm Reading • Barber Shop Quartet • Caricatures • Clowns • Punch and Judy Show • Strolling Musicians • Actors and Townspeople in Costume • Shopping Downtown •

Friday, September 12th

9:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

9:30-12:00 Northville Public Schools
Family Entertainment
Public Invited
5:00-9:00 Pony Rides
NON-Profit Booths
Antique Show
6:00 Max The Moose/CS
6:30 Victorian Parade
7:30 Circus in the Round/BS
7:30 Kevin "The Uncanny"/CS
7:30 Dr. Rudy/Dunlap & Center

Saturday, September 13th

8:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

8:30 Festival Fitness Walk
10:00-4:00 Victorian Home Tour
10:00-7:00 Fine Art Market
11:00-8:00 Antique Show
Non-Profit Booths
Pony Rides
11:00 Kevin "The Uncanny"/CS
11:00 Circus In the Round/BS
11:00-2:00 Children's Old Fashioned Games

Saturday, September 13th continued

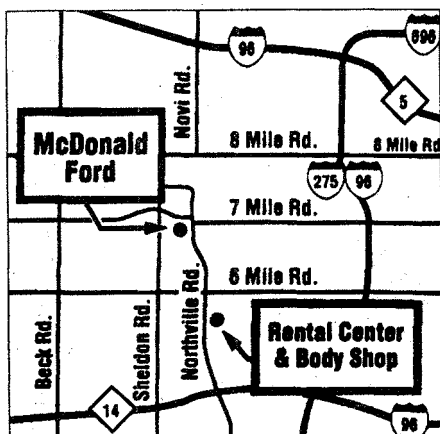
11:30 Semcycle/BS
12:00 Max The Moose/CS
12:00-3:00 Ice Cream Social/Wing & Cady
12:00-5:00 Horse and Carriage Rides
12:30 Circus In the Round/BS
1:00-4:00 Mill Race Village Open
1:00 Kevin "The Uncanny"/CS
1:00 Pie Eating Contest/BS
1:30-3:00 Straw Hat Band/BS
2:00 Max The Moose/CS
3:00 Victorian Tea/Presbyterian Church
3:00 Kevin "The Uncanny"/CS
3:00 Semcycle/BS
3:30 Circus In the Round/BS
4:00 Victorian Tea/Presbyterian Church
4:00 Chataqua Express/CS
5:00 Story Lady/CS
5:30 Circus In the Round/BS
6:00 Chataqua Express/CS
7:30 Victorian Costume Ball

Sunday, September 14th continued

11:00-6:00 Fine Art Market
Antique Show
Non-Profit Booths
Pony Rides
11:00 Zeemo/CS
11:30 Circus In the Round/BS
12:00 Kevin "The Uncanny"/CS
12:00-1:30 Box Lunch Auction/BS
12:00-5:00 Horse and Carriage Rides
1:00 Zeemo/CS
1:00-4:00 Mill Race Village Open
1:00-3:00 Kids Games
2:00 Hat Contest
3:00 Duck Race
1:30 Circus In the Round/BS
2:00 Motor City Brass Band/BS
2:00 Max the Moose/CS
3:00 Kevin "The Uncanny"/CS
3:30 Circus In the Round/BS
4:00 Max the Moose/CS
5:00 Kevin "The Uncanny"/CS
5:00 Circus In the Round/BS

ENTERTAINMENT LOCATIONS:
BS=BANDSHELL ON MAIN STREET
CS=CENTER STAGE ON CENTER STREET

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