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'I won't be resigning'

City Manager goes on record as City Hall buzzes with rumors

BY BRYON MARTIN

Municipal employees can be a gossipy bunch. When politics get weird in a small town, news ripples outward in phone calls to offices across the state, and City Clerk Linda Langmesser says she is used to getting them.

But with the recent intrigue at City Hall surrounding relations between City Commissioners and City Manager Steve Walters, Langmesser says her peers have been calling more than usual.

"I told the Mayor and the City Manager that I don't want them to tell me anything," she said. "I don't want to know anything that could get me in trouble."

As the City Commission continues to postpone a decision on whether to fire or keep Walters on as City Manager, the rumor mill continues to churn. Some whispers around City Hall say Walters will resign, other say the Commission will fire him.

Plymouth — even Township Hall — is full of scuttlebutt and suppositions. Discussions of his contract continue in private, although Walters is willing to confirm at least one fact about his future.

"I won't be resigning," he said Monday. "It makes no sense under my employment contract."

Resigning, he said, would disqualify him from severance pay.

If the Commission voted to fire him, he would receive six months of severance pay from the City.

It would take four votes from the City Commission to end

Walters' current three-year contract, although it is unclear whether four commissioners would support the action.

And according to Langmesser, Walters didn't offer City employees much information to clarify the situation at their regular staff meeting Monday. The City Commission had been scheduled to meet later that night to continue its months-long review of his performance and contract terms, but officials agreed to postpone that meeting to a later date, according to Mayor Don Dismuke.



WALTERS

"It's a timing issue," he said, stating that a meeting could be scheduled later this week or early next week.

City commissioners, employees and Walters agreed it would probably be later than that, possibly as many as three weeks from last week's meeting. It was there that commissioners blasted each other over the political infighting that has splintered the Commission, and left officials divided on whether to fire Walters, accept his resignation or continue his employment.

Walters is now in the fifteenth month of a 36-month contract. The Commission began its annual review of his performance months ago, and has not yet reapproved the current contract for \$75,924 a year.

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Trustee ticks off firefighter

BY SCOTT GOODWIN

Plymouth Township Trustee Ron Griffith is the subject of an internal Township investigation stemming from a Sept. 29 incident Griffith describes as "a misunderstanding."

Fire Chief Larry Groth said his report on the incident would be completed by today as requested by Supervisor

Kathleen Keen McCarthy. He would confirm an incident had occurred, but would comment no further.

The investigation began after a Plymouth Community firefighter made a complaint that Griffith berated him at the scene of a false alarm. The incident took place at the Hines Park Lincoln Mercury Dealership on Ann Arbor Road

sometime between 11-11:30 p.m.

"I was inquiring into what was going on," Griffith said. "I was driving by, I saw a fire truck, but I didn't see a fire or any smoke. It was just one truck and nothing else was going on. I didn't see anybody walking around. It looked strange to me."

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Upscale market opens in Canton; Chiropractor goes computerized

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Thermometer on the rise

It might seem like the wrong time of year for thermometers to be rising, but the end of the year is when the United Way's fundraising heats up.

As the thermometer on Main Street shows, the United Way has picked up about 10 per cent

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City searches for lewd photographer

BY SCOTT GOODWIN

City of Plymouth Police are concerned about a man who has been leaving lewd pictures of himself around town, and they want your help in finding him.

According to Sgt. Steve Hundersmark, a white male has left several photos of his "private parts" at various points in the City, often in places where children are likely to find them.

For the last year and a half, Hundersmark said photos have been discovered in front of the old public library, on Mill Street and as recently as last Wednesday, at the corner of North Main Street and Amelia, one block from Central Middle School.

"It was found at about 3 p.m.," Hundersmark said. "And we all know what happens at that time during a weekday,

School children are let out."

Although police have photos of his face — he's described as in his mid-20s to mid-30s with dark brown hair — they don't have any suspects and have very few leads.

"We're at the point where the community needs to get involved," Hundersmark said. "People should look out for anything suspicious."

The lewd photographer may have also

left pictures in Plymouth Township, Hundersmark said, but thus far there is no indication that his behavior will escalate into more serious offenses.

"There hasn't been any reports of suspicious activity around playgrounds or anything," Hundersmark said.

Anyone with information on the suspect can call Sgt. Hundersmark at (734) 453-8400.



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Mini mega-deal?

Burton-Katzman developers consider a smaller project for Ford-I-275

BY SCOTT SPIELMAN

Burton-Katzman developers are down but not out of a potential development at the corner of Ford and Lotz roads.

The developers are still looking at the site, but their focus has closed in on a smaller portion for strictly commercial use, according to project manager Chuck DiMaggio.

"I can say with a high level of certainty that we are not looking at a 125-acre project," DiMaggio said. "This would be a smaller project. We're examining the options of a single user or possibly a dual use, certainly not on the scale of the previous project."

Late last year Burton-Katzman proposed a mixed-use residential, commercial and office development for 125 undeveloped acres just south of Ford Road between Lotz Road and I-275. The

site was to contain up to four restaurants, a shopping center, apartments or condominiums and potentially a multi-screen movie theater. Extensive — and expensive — improvements were needed before the project could be started.

A central roadway connecting Ford to Lotz roads, and a better sewer and water management are necessary. Burton-Katzman asked Canton to sell about \$4 million in bonds to finance the improvements. The township, in a 'sense of the board' resolution in August, refused.

"We really needed the township's participation," DiMaggio said. "That is really a dead issue."

Now, Burton-Katzman is concentrating exclusively on the land's Ford Road frontage, DiMaggio said. The project would stretch from Ford Road to Willow Creek and host commercial uses, DiMaggio said. A multi-screen movie theater could still fit into the development, he said.

"It's possible," DiMaggio said. "We're looking at a range of clients."

Codes empower City cleanups

Ordinances would let Plymouth ticket landlords for shabby exteriors

BY BRYON MARTIN

If Plymouth's City Commission adopts regular updates to its city codes next month as expected, it will have new tools to pressure

owners of derelict buildings in the City to clean-up their acts.

Structures such as The Mayflower Hotel and the building on Penniman Avenue once

expected to host Tom's Oyster Bar could be ticketed for the peeling paint, broken windows and shabby siding and moldings that have drawn public ire for months, according to City Manager Steve Walters.

"The new BOCA codes would give us a formal basis for filing a complaint," based on aesthetic standards, he said.

The City hasn't had such a standard in the past, he said. Owners of buildings that were structurally sound but visually rough around the edges received requests from the City for improvements.

The revised code, which could be in effect by December, would give the City the power to cite landlords with tickets that, if unaddressed, would land them in court, according to Walters.

The BOCA — Building Officials and Code Administrators organization — codes are adopted as local ordinances in cities across the country. According to Jim Penn, the City's chief building official, those codes are updated every three years.

As part of its agreement with Plymouth Township through the Community Fire Department, the City has also agreed to update its codes as the Township does. This, Walters said, prevents fire inspectors from having to switch between code books when they inspect buildings in the City and the Township.

"Even if there wasn't any peeling paint downtown we would still be adopting (the revised codes)," Walters said.

But, he said, buildings in the City are getting flaky and in highly visible places. Paint has fallen from the the southern exterior wall of the Mayflower hotel and along the Mayflower II addition above its parking structure.

Walters said the City sent a request for repairs to hotel owner Matt Karmo last year. The broken window along Main Street was fixed, but not the paint, he said.

"Unfortunately, they've been saying they're going to demolish the building soon, so they want to wait on the repairs. But after a year without demolition..." Walters said, emphasizing that the delays in the hotel renovation have

Close race for 8th Senate seat

BY SCOTT SPIELMAN

With less than a month before the November election, the race for the 8th State Senate seat currently held by Sen. Loren Bennett (R-Canton) is shaping up to be one of the closest in P-C-N.

Bennett's opponent is Democratic candidate Ken Warfield, current Mayor of the City of Wayne

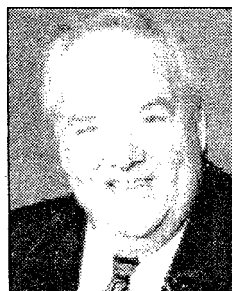
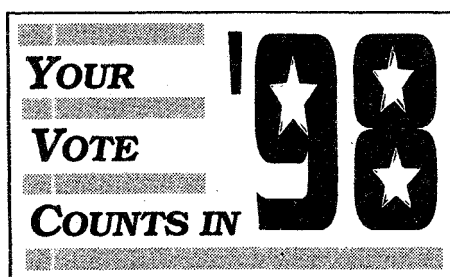
The race is Warfield's second attempt at a higher elected office. He was defeated by Bruce Patterson in a bid for the 11th County Commission District seat in 1994. As in that race, he said it was the people of Wayne who suggested he try to run for senate.

Warfield has a long career of public service, beginning with 27 years as a firefighter in the City of Wayne. At that time he helped organize the Firefighters Union Local 1620 and became its first president. He also served the city as one of the youngest fire chiefs in Michigan.

During his seven year-term as Mayor, the City of Wayne has prospered with the addition of a new library, a community aquatic/health center and a senior citizens' center.

Bennett, a former Canton Township clerk, Bennett was first elected to the State Senate in 1994. Since that time he has initiated several pieces of legislation in the district. Bennett sponsored laws to ban the import of waste into Michigan and initiatives adding responsibility for clean up to existing fines imposed on firms or individuals are among legislation from Bennett's hand. He has also sponsored bills increasing the penalties for making false reports to police officers and increasing funds for public schools.

The state of the roads has returned as a perennial election-



WARFIELD



BENNETT

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Agenda

THIS WEEK

- Today, Plymouth's Seniors Club meets from 1 - 4 p.m. at Tonquish Manor. Call Emil or Isabell at 734-455-9076 or 734-455-8157.
- Tomorrow at 7:30 a.m., Canton holds its third Thursday Government-Business breakfast at Old Country Buffet. Call 734-453-4040 for details.
- Tomorrow, Canton's Downtown Development Authority Board meets at 6:30 p.m. in the Administration Building.

THIS WEEKEND

- Friday & Saturday is clean-up day at Canton Waste & Recycling. Call 397-5801.

NEXT WEEK

- Tuesday, Canton's Board of Trustees meets at 7:00 p.m. at the Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Rd.
- Tuesday, Plymouth's VFW Ladies Auxiliary will host firefighter Jim Haar for a presentation on fire safety. Call 734-459-2394 for info.
- Wednesday, seniors can get free legal aid at Canton's Summit on the Park. Call 734-397-5444.

NEXT WEEKEND

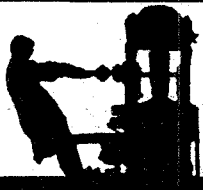
- Saturday morning, Plymouth's final Farmers Market of the season will be held under The Gathering.

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- Governor and Lieutenant Governor
- Secretary of State
- Attorney General
- U.S. Representative in Congress - 13th District
- State Representative - 18th or 21st district
- State Senator - 8th District, 9th District
- Two Members of the State Board of Education
- Two Regents of the University of Michigan
- Two Trustees of Michigan State University
- Two Governors of Wayne State University
- County Executive
- County Commissioner - 11th District
- Justices of the Supreme Court -
Regular Terms, Incumbent Positions - Vote 2
- Justices of the Supreme Court -
Partial Term, Incumbent Positions - Vote 1
- Justices of the Court of Appeals - 1st District,
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- Judges of the Circuit Court - 3rd Judicial Circuit,
Partial Terms, Incumbent Positions - Vote 2
- Judges of the Circuit Court -Non-Incumbent Position,
Regular Term - Vote 2
- Judge of the Probate Court -
Regular Term, Incumbent Positions - Vote 3

and to vote on the following proposals:

ALL PRECINCTS:

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROPOSALS:

PROPOSAL A:

A PROPOSAL TO CHANGE THE WORK "HANDICAPPED" TO "DISABLED" IN THE STATE CONSTITUTION

The proposed constitutional amendment would change the word "handicapped" to "disabled" in Article VIII, Section 8, of the State of Constitution. Article VIII, Section 8, of the State Constitution currently reads: "Institutions, programs and services for the care, treatment, education or rehabilitation of those inhabitants who are physically, mentally or otherwise seriously handicapped shall always be fostered and supported."

Should this proposed constitutional amendment be adopted?

YES NO

PROPOSAL B:

INITIATED LEGISLATION TO LEGALIZE THE PRESCRIPTION OF A LETHAL DOSE OF MEDICATION TO TERMINALLY ILL, COMPETENT INFORMED ADULTS IN ORDER TO COMMIT SUICIDE

The proposal would:

- 1) Allow a Michigan resident or certain out-of-state relatives of Michigan residents confirmed by 1 psychiatrist to be mentally competent and 2 physicians to be terminally ill with 6 months or less to live to obtain a lethal dose of medication to end his/her life.
- 2) Allow physicians, after following required procedures, to prescribe a lethal dose of medication to enable a terminally ill adult to end his/her life.
- 3) Establish a gubernatorially appointed, publicly-funded oversight committee, exempt from Open Meetings Act and whose records, including confidential medical records, and minutes are exempt from Freedom of Information Act.
- 4) Create penalties for violating law.

Should this proposal be approved?

YES NO

PROPOSAL C:

A PROPOSAL TO AUTHORIZE BONDS FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AND NATURAL RESOURCES PROTECTION PROGRAMS

The proposal would:

- 1) Authorize the State of Michigan to borrow a sum not to exceed \$675 million to finance environmental and natural resources protection programs that would clean up and redevelop contaminated sites, protect and improve water quality, prevent pollution, abate lead contamination, reclaim and revitalize community waterfronts, enhance recreational opportunities, and clean-up contaminated sediments in lakes, rivers, and streams.
- 2) Authorize the state to issue general obligation bonds pledging the full faith and credit of the state for the payment of principal and interest on the bonds.
- 3) Provide for repayment of the bonds from the general fund of the state.

Should this proposal be approved?

YES NO

WAYNE COUNTY PROPOSALS:

ELIMINATE THE TAX ALLOCATION BOARD BY ESTABLISHING SEPARATE TAX LIMITATIONS SHALL SEPARATE TAX LIMITATIONS BE ESTABLISHED FOR AN INDEFINITE PERIOD, OR UNTIL ALTERED BY THE VOTERS OF THE COUNTY, FOR THE NON-CHARTER TOWNSHIP, INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT, AND DETROIT PUBLIC LIBRARY WITHIN WAYNE COUNTY, THE HIGHEST AGGREGATED OF WHICH SHALL NOT EXCEED 1.4576 MILLS, (AS REDUCED BY THE HEADLEE ROLL BACK ADJUSTMENTS AND AS CERTIFIED IN THE 1997 WAYNE COUNTY COMMISSION APPORTIONMENT REPORT), AS FOLLOWS:

WAYNE COUNTY REGIONAL EDUCATION SERVICE AGENCY:	.0984 MILL
DETROIT LIBRARY COMMISSION:	.6400 MILL
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TOWNSHIP OF GROSSE ILE:	1.3592 MILLS
TOWNSHIP OF SUMPTER:	.8870 MILL
HIGHEST TOTAL:	1.4576 MILLS

YES NO

AND IN PRECINCTS 2, 15 & 20:

EDUCATION FIRST:
WAYNE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE
MILLAGE CONTINUATION PROPOSAL

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YES NO

CANTON TOWNSHIP PRECINCT NUMBERS AND LOCATIONS

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2	Canton Recreation Center	44237 Michigan Avenue
3, 10, 21	St. John Neumann Church	44800 Warren Road
4 & 13	Miller Elementary School	43721 Hanford Road
5 & 18	Field Elementary School	1000 S. Haggerty Road
6	Royal Holiday Clubhouse	39500 Warren Road
7	Plymouth Salem High School	46181 Joy Road
8	Resurrection Catholic Church	48755 Warren Road
9	Eriksson Elementary School	1275 N. Haggerty Road
11 & 19	Tonda Elementary School	46501 Warren Road
12 & 14	Hulsing Elementary School	8055 Fleet Street
15	Walker Elementary School	39932 Michigan Avenue
16 & 17	Bentley Elementary School	1100 S. Sheldon
20 & 26	Canton Administration Bldg.	1150 S. Canton Center Road
22	Hoben Elementary School	44680 Saltz Road
24 & 25	Plymouth Canton High School	8415 N. Canton Center

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On Monday, November 2, 1998 qualified absentee voters shall receive their ballots and vote them in the Clerk's Office until 4:00 p.m. Emergency absentee ballots ONLY will be issued on Election Day November 3, 1998.

Handicapped Voters with an inaccessible polling place (that being Precinct 6, Royal Holiday Clubhouse, 39500 W. Warren Rd.) are eligible to vote without notice at the Clerk's Office until the close of voting at 8:00 p.m. on Election Day.

If you are unsure of your voting location, please refer to your voter registration card or contact the Clerk's Office at 397-5452.

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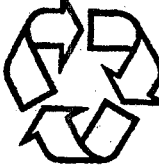
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Back on tap... The Lower Town Grill quietly reopened Monday, after an extended period of renovation and plumbing repairs. The popular Old Village hangout is back on track and serving up favorites such as the nearly-famous Drooling Moose burgers, calamari, salads, and of course, your favorite beer and spirits. (Crier photo by R. Alwood, Jr.)

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Navy Petty Ofc. 2nd Class **John Sheehy**, son of **John M. and Teresa M. Sheehy** of Canton, is currently halfway through a six-month deployment to the Western Pacific Ocean, Indian Ocean and Arabian Gulf aboard the aircraft carrier USS Abraham Lincoln.

Sheehy is a 1993 graduate of Salem High School. He joined the Navy in January, 1994.

Air Force Airman **Joseph J. Williams** has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, TX.

Williams is the son of **James Williams** of Canton and **annette Cummings** of Detroit.

He is a 1998 graduate of Detroit Central High School.

Navy Airman **Gregory J. Demarest** son of **Marcia L. Demarest** of Plymouth is currently halfway through a six-month deployment to the Western Pacific and Indian Oceans and Arabian Gulf with Fighter Squadron 31, embarked aboard the aircraft carrier USS Abraham Lincoln.

Demarest is a 1995 graduate of Northville High School. He joined the Navy in September of 1995.

'Ghost' writer tells Canton tales

Historian highlights popular Canton folklore, ghost stories in book

BY SCOTT SPIELMAN

It's nearing Halloween, the time one might normally expect to hear a whisper in the wind or feel a presence, only to turn and find an empty room.

Spooky lights seen floating through a field can be attributed to a child's prank during October, when children dress up as ghouls and goblins and every community group with an abandoned building sets up a haunted house for Halloween thrill-seekers.

But Canton has a long and rich history of spooky occurrences that can't always be explained by harmless pranks; stories of residents being jostled by unseen forces, or spirits following a family as they moved across the state, and of course, the famous Denton Road Ghost, also called The Blue Lady.

The tales have been told, collected and published in the book *Ghost Stories and Other Tales of Canton*, by Canton's own Virginia Bailey Parker.

"It was a fun book to write," Parker said. "It was a diversion from the kind of writing I normally do." Parker wrote the book for the Canton Historical Society, and said she thinks the book is a departure from typical historical society books.

"Most societies deal with more serious subjects," she said. "This is more light hearted. It's not intended to prove or disprove anything."

The idea for the book came from a Historical Society meeting in October of 1995, Parker said. The theme of the meeting was ghost stories, and residents were encouraged to show up and share their own spooky Canton experiences.

"There were a lot of stories," she said. "We decided it would be a good idea to write them down and publish them in book form."

The past two-plus years have been spent researching the book, Parker said.



Virginia Bailey Parker's book, *'Ghost Stories and Other Tales of Canton* can be found at a bookstore near you. The book is a collection of spooky tales, folklore and pranks as recounted by Canton residents. (Crier photo by Scott Spielman).

She followed some of the stories to gain a historical perspective on their origin, and turned up other interesting bits of folklore as well as a lot of pranks, she said.

The result is a mix of ghost stories, historic tragedies, folklore and pranks.

There are stories involving doors-closing, objects falling and appliances starting with no apparent cause; forces jostling people in historic homes, unexplained drafts of cold air and of course, the Denton ghost itself.

The book is illustrated by Canton artists Sharon Lee Dillenbeck, owner of D & M Studios, and Roy Rinke a one-time illustrator for the Detroit News.

It is available at local bookstores, including Little Professor on the Park in Plymouth, Barnes & Noble on Six Mile and Haggerty, as well as at the Canton Historical Museum at Canton Center and Proctor roads and D & M Studios on Lilley Road south of Joy Road.

Parker will have a book signing from noon 2 p.m. Oct. 24 at Little Professor on the Park and will read selections from her book at Barnes & Noble at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 29.

"It's a real treat. It's one of the best ways to interact with your readers," she said. "Normally writing is something you do by yourself, and you don't have the opportunity for a lot of feedback."

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The Crier will assign each group a window to paint on Oct. 24.

Businesses that participate will be featured in an photo advertisement in The Crier, and local artists will judge each store window.

The group painting the winning win-

dow will receive a free pizza party from Gino's Pizzeria, and free movie passes to the Penn Theater will be available for runners up. For more details call The Crier at 453-6900.

The deadline to enter is Oct. 19, so don't miss out on the chance to show your artistry to the community.

THE NOV. 3, 1998 P-C-N BALLOT

<p>STATE GOVERNOR AND LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR Vote for not more than one</p> <p>Republican John Engler Dick Posthumus Democratic Geoffrey Fieger James G. Agee</p>	<p>REPRESENTATIVE IN THE LEGISLATURE 18th District Vote for not more than one</p> <p>Republican Steve Conley Democratic Eileen DeHart Libertarian Michael R. Corliss</p> <p>20th District Vote for not more than one</p> <p>Republican Gerald H. Law Democrat Fred DiIacovo Libertarian Doug MacDonald</p>	<p>Reform Ray W. Vinton Libertarian William W. Hall Libertarian James F. Montgomery Natural Law William B. Quarton Natural Law Ann H. Rappaport</p>	<p>YOUR VOTE '98 COUNTS IN</p> <p>ELECTION COVERAGE IN THE COMMUNITY CRIER</p>	
<p>SECRETARY OF STATE Vote for not more than one</p> <p>Republican Candice S. Miller Democratic Mary Lou Parks Reform Perry K. Spencer</p>	<p>21st District Vote for not more than one</p> <p>Republican Bruce Patterson Democrat Ray Bailey</p>	<p>MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY <i>Terms Ending January 1, 2007</i> Vote for not more than two</p> <p>Republican Dee Cook Republican Dave Porteous Democratic John C. Schlinker Democratic Doris M. Sims Libertarian Barbara B. Goushaw Libertarian Mark Heil</p>	<p>COUNTY COMMISSIONER 10th District Vote for not more than one</p> <p>Republican Lyn Bankes Democrat Dennis F. Shrewsbury</p>	<p>JUDGES OF THE COURT OF APPEALS 1st District <i>Regular terms, incumbent positions terms ending January 1, 2005</i> Vote for not more than two</p> <p>Helene White Heln E. Brown Daniel P. Ryan Myron H. Wahls Judge of Court of Appeals</p>
<p>ATTORNEY GENERAL Vote for not more than one</p> <p>Republican John A. Smietanka Democratic Jennifer Granholm</p>	<p>STATE BOARDS MEMBERS OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION <i>Terms ending January 1, 2007</i> Vote for not more than two</p> <p>Republican Eileen Weiser Republican Gary Wolfram Democratic Sharon L. Gire Democratic Barbara Roberts Mason Reform Eric Borregard Reform Artie Fields Libertarian Diane Barnes Libertarian Jon Coon Natural Law Gail Quarton Natural Law Alixandra Pablita Summit</p>	<p>MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY <i>Terms ending January 1, 2007</i> Vote for not more than two</p> <p>Republican Vernice Davis-Anthony Republican Elizabeth Hardy Democratic Ronald J. Amen Democratic John F. Kelly Libertarian Scotty Bowman Libertarian Thomas W. Jones</p>	<p>11th District Vote for not more than one</p> <p>Republican Melissa McLaughlin Democratic John Sullivan</p>	<p>JUDGE OF THE COURT OF APPEALS 1st District <i>Partial term, Incumbent position term ending January 1, 2003</i> Vote for not more than one</p> <p>J. Vincent Brennan Michael J. Talbot</p>
<p>CONGRESSIONAL REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS Vote for not more than one</p> <p>Republican Tom Hickey Democratic Lynn Nancy Rivers Libertarian Dean A. Huytra Natural Law Samir Roger Makarem</p>	<p>MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN <i>Terms ending January 1, 2007</i> Vote for not more than two</p> <p>Republican David Brandon Republican Jessie F. Dalman Democratic Phil Power Democratic Kathy White</p>	<p>COUNTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE Vote for not more than one</p> <p>Republican Edward A. Romanowski Democratic Edward H. McNamara Libertarian Paul S. Woolum</p>	<p>NON-PARTISAN BALLOT JUSTICES OF THE SUPREME COURT <i>Regular terms, ending January 1, 2007</i> Vote for not more than two</p> <p>Susan D. Borman Micheal F. Cavanagh Justice of the Supreme Court Jeffrey G. Collins Marua Denise Corrigan Kerry Jay Kaufman David H. Raafaub Matthew R. Abel</p>	<p>Judge of the Circuit Court 3rd Judicial Circuit <i>Regular Terms, Incumbent positions terms term ending January 1, 2005</i> Vote for not more than 20</p> <p>Bruce U. Morrow Judge of Circuit Court John A. Murphy Judge of Circuit Court James J. Rashid Judge of Circuit Court Louis F. Fitzsimmons, Jr. Judge of Circuit Court Jeanne Stempien Judge of Circuit Court Isidore B. Torres Judge of Circuit Court</p>
<p>LEGISLATIVE STATE SENATOR 8th District Vote for not more than one</p> <p>Republican Loren Bennet Democrat Kenneth A. Warfield</p>			<p>JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT <i>Partial term, ending January 1, 2001</i> Vote for not more than one</p> <p>Carole F. Youngblood Clifford W. Taylor Justice of the Supreme Court</p>	
<p>9th District <i>Vote for not more than one</i></p> <p>Republican Thaddeus G. McCotter Democratic Carol Poenisch Libertarian David G. Nagy</p>				

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Like the rest of the state, roads a key to 8th senate

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issue, and Bennett has said that he wants to be a part of the committee that will rework Act 51, the formula that determines how road repairs and maintenance are funded.

"The intent is to form a bipartisan committee with three members from the House and three from the Senate," Bennett said. "I've requested to serve on that committee.

"We need to modernize the way we deal with the roads. Act 51 was written in 1951 and life is not the same now," he added. "We need to be less concerned with preserving the bureaucracy, and more concerned with getting it done."

Warfield acknowledges that the condition of the

roads is a vital issue. He said that the current patchwork repair method is costly and ineffective.

Warfield suggests funding road improvements with an increase in the tax on diesel gasoline.

Bennett wants to change the funding formula, Warfield wants a tax increase

"The diesel trucks are twice the weight and cause the most damage to the roads, and they usually get a tax break," Warfield said. "They can get the job done with

a lesser load and not do as much damage. The trucking industry is powerful, but it has to be overcome."

Warfield said he is also concerned with the state of Michigan's public schools. More funding is needed for children to remain competitive scholastically, he said.

"I'm unhappy that the state hasn't fully funded proposal A," he said. "There are shortfalls in the budget and the core curriculum is thrown out the window."

Warfield also hopes to raise standards in nursing homes and set an acceptable level of care. It's an issue that he became aware of while looking for a residence for his own mother.

"It's hard to find a place you're comfortable with that has a high standard of care," he said. "It's usually not the fault of the staff; there are just too many patients and not an adequate amount of inspections."

THE NOV. 3, 1998 P-C-N BALLOT

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Leonard Townsend
Judge of Circuit Court
Marianne O. Battani
Judge of Circuit Court
Margie R. Braxton
Judge of Circuit Court
James R. Chylinski
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Sean F. Cox
Judge of Circuit Court
Gershwin A. Drain
Judge of Circuit Court
Maggie W. Drake
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Cynthia Gray Hathaway
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Kristen Frank Kelly
Judge of Circuit Court
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Judge of Circuit Court
Kathleen McDonald
Judge of Circuit Court
Sheila Gibson Manning
Claudia House Morcom
Judge of Circuit Court

JUDGES OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
3rd Judicial Circuit,
Regular terms non-incumbent
positions terms ending
January 1, 2005
Vote for not more than two
Brian R. Sullivan
Patricia Susan Fresard
Gardy Edward Gardner
Jane E. Gillis

JUDGES OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
3rd Judicial district,
Partial terms, incumbent positions

terms ending January 1, 2001
Vote for not more than two
Richard Halloran
Judge of Circuit Court
Mary Waterstone
Judge of Circuit Court

JUDGES OF THE PROBATE COURT
Regular terms, incumbent
positions terms ending
January 1, 2005
Vote for not more than three
Patricia B. Campbell
Judge of Probate Court
Milton Mack, Jr.
Judge of Probate Court
Cathie B. Maher
Judge of Probate Court

TRUSTEE - NORTHVILLE DISTRICT
LIBRARY BOARD
(Term ending 12-31-2002, vote
for four)
Jean M Hansen
John G. Lorence
Joseph F. Oldenburg

TRUSTEE - PLYMOUTH DISTRICT
LIBRARY BOARD
(Term ending 12-31-2002, vote
for four)
Steven Mark Barnaby
Joanne M. Bellaire
Joseph Bridgman
Joan Claeys
Karl Dalal
Michelle Haselhuhn
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Mary S. Mackie
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STATE PROPOSALS
PROPOSAL A
A proposal to change the word

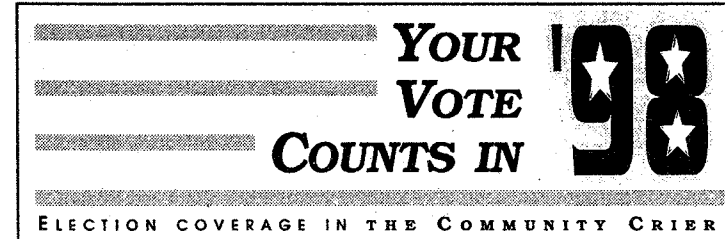
"handicapped" to "disabled" in
the State Constitution

The proposed constitutional
amendment would change the
word "handicapped" to "disabled"
in Article VIII, Section 8, of the
State Constitution currently reads:
"Institutions, programs and services
for the care, treatment, education or
rehabilitation of those inhabitants
who are physically, mentally or oth-
erwise seriously handicapped shall
always be fostered and supported."

Should this ammendment be
adopted?
Yes No

PROPOSAL B
Initiated legislation to legalize the
prescription of a lethal dose of med-
ication to terminally ill, competent,
informed adults in order to commit
suicide

The proposal would:
1. Allow a Michigan resident
or certain out-of-state relatives of
Michigan residents confirmed by
one psychiatrist to be mentally com-
petent and two physicians to be ter-
minally ill with six months or less
to live to obtain a lethal dose of
medication to end his/her life.
2. Allow physicians, after fol-
lowing required procedures, to pre-
scribe a lethal dose of medication to
enable a terminally ill adult to end
his/her life.
3. Establish a gubernatorially
appointed, publicly-funded over-
sight committee, exempt from Open
Meetings Act and whose records,
including confidential medical
record, and minutes are exempt



from the Freedom of Information
Act.
4. Create penalites for violating
the law.
Should this proposal be approved?
Yes No

PROPOSAL C
A proposal to authorize bonds for
environmental and natural
resources protection programs.

The proposal would:
1. Authorize the State of
Michigan to borrow a sum not to ex-
ceed \$675 million to finance envi-
ronmental and natural resources
protection programs that would
clean up and redevelop contaminat-
ed sites, protect and improve water
quality, prevent pollution, abate
lead contamination, reclaim and
revitalize community waterfronts,
enhance recreational opportunities,
and clean up contaminated sedi-
ments in lakes, rivers, and streams.
2. Authorize the state to issue
general obligation bonds pledging
the full faith and credit of the state
for the payment of principal and
interest on the bonds.
3. Provide for repayment of the
bonds from the general fund of the
state.

Should this proposal be approved?
Yes No

WAYNE COUNTY PROPOSAL
Eliminate the Tax Allocation
Board by establishing separate
tax limitations

Shall separate tax limitations
be established for an indefinite
period, or until altered by the vot-
ers of the county, for the non-
charter townships, intermediate
school districts, and Detroit Public
Library within Wayne County, the
highest aggregate of which shall
not exceed 1.4576 mills, (as
reduced by the Headlee Rollback
Adjustments and as certified in the
1997 Wayne County Commission
Apportionment Report), as fol-
lows:

Wayne County Regional
Education Service Agency:
.....0984 mill
Detroit Library Commission:
.....6400 mill
Township of Grosse Pointe:
.....6486 mill
Township of Grosse Ile:
.....1.3592 mills
Township of Sumpter:
.....8870 mill
Highest Total:
.....1.4576 mills

Yes No

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7. CHECK THE THERMOSTAT.
8. REMOVE & CLEAN THE BURNERS.
9. CHECK THE FAN CONTROL.
10. CHECK THE BELTS.
11. CLEAN THE PILOT ASSEMBLY.
12. CHECK THE ORIFACE FOR CORROSION.
13. LUBRICATE THE MOTOR & ALL MOVING PARTS.
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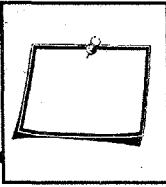
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Events



PLYMOUTH SYMPHONY

The Plymouth Symphony has announced its 1998-99 concert season. The season opens **Oct. 17, 1998 at 8 p.m.** at the Salem High School Auditorium, and will feature a performance by Flutist Deborah Rebeck Ash. **Nov. 21**, guest conductor Anthony Iannaccone will perform, as will vocal soloists Glenda Kirkland and Conwell Carrington. For more information, or to order tickets for these or other symphony events, please call the symphony office 451-2112.

GLASS BLOWING CLASSES

Don Schneider of York Street Glassworks is offering glasses on how to blow glass beads and ornaments. The two-day bead classes will be held **Oct. 25-26; Nov. 1-2 and 15-16**. Ornament classes are on **Wednesdays, Oct. 14, 21 and 28; and Nov. 4, 11, 18, 25**. For more information call (734) 459-6419.

HALLOWEEN DANCE

St John Neumann Singles will be holding a Halloween Dance **Oct. 24**, at 8 p.m. Pop, pizza and other treats will be provided, over 21 B.Y.O.B. Admission is \$8. For more information call (313) 277-6083; (734) 454-4269 or (734) 480-7830.

PIZZA FUNRAISER NIGHT

The Plymouth Historical Museum is having a Pizza FUNraiser Night **Oct. 26**. Guests may choose to dine in the restaurant at 555 Ann Arbor Road from 5-8 p.m., pick up an order from 12-7 p.m. or have pizza delivered by Museum Board members. For order forms stop by the restaurant or call 459-2930.



Groups

PLYMOUTH SYMPHONY LEAGUE

The Plymouth Symphony League is a group of dedicated volunteers that support the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra through fund raising activities. The first fundraising activity will be a **Game and Card Party Wednesday, Oct. 28** from 9:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. at The Golden Fox at Fox Hills Country Club. The event will feature lunch, pastries, coffee, door prizes, raffles and games such as Bridge and Mah Jongg. Tickets are \$25. For more information, or to order tickets call (734) 451-5598.

PLYMOUTH OPTIMIST CLUB

Entertainment 99 books are on sale by the Plymouth Optimist Club. Proceeds will be used for Children's causes throughout southeastern Michigan. The price of the books is \$40. Home delivered. Call Ken Fisher at 728-7619 or Bill Von Glahn at 453-8253.

GUIDE to Entertainment

Go PCN

Your GUIDE to commercial entertainment in the Plymouth-Canton-Northville Community. Also note community and non-profit groups' events, listed in this Crier under *What's Happening*.

BOULDERS

734-459-4190; Wed. and Sun.: Karaoke. Sat.: *Second Luck*

CANTON CINEMA 6

734-981-1900, "There's Something About Mary" "What Dreams May Come" "Antz" "Night at the Roxbury" "Rush Hour" "One True Thing"

CENTER STAGE

734-981-5122; Fri.-Sat.: Dance to alternative music and more.

CROWS NEST

734-459-4020; Wed.-Sat.: D. L. Turner

ERNESTO'S

734-453-2002; Mon.-Thurs.: *Strolling Musicians*; Tues.-Sat.: *Live Music in Piano Bar*.

GENITTI'S HOLE IN THE WALL

248-349-0522; Live Interactive Dinner Theater: "I Do...I Think."

KARL'S COUNTRY CABIN

734-455-8450; Thurs.: Live music: *The Articles*

MARQUIS THEATRE

248-349-8110; Live Musical Theatre "Raggedy Ann & Andy."

PENN THEATRE

734-453-0870; Now playing: "Parent Trap"

PLYMOUTH COFFEE BEAN

734-454-0178; Sat.: *Open Mike* Sun.: *DJ Brian spins jazz*.

STATION 885 RESTAURANT

734-459-0885; Wed. - Sat.: Live music with *Wally Gibson*;

WAGON WHEEL LOUNGE

248-349-8686; Thurs. *Open Jam*, and Sat.: *Karaoke*

WEST SIDE SINGLES

734-981-0909; Every Fri.: *Friday dances at Burton Manor*.

These listings are free of charge and are accurate as of noon Friday, prepared for Wednesday's Crier. Bookings, reservations, cover charges and capacities may change, so please call to verify information. A venue wishing to be listed or to update information should call The Crier at (734) 453-6900 by noon Friday.

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Crier carriers strive to do their best. Your carrier will be stopping by to see you at the end of each month. They would be more than grateful if you pay, but a friendly "I'd rather not pay" will also be accepted. Either way, a valuable lesson is learned; and you can be assured of continuous delivery. As you know, The Crier contains Plymouth-Canton community information and news, local ads, valuable coupons and more.

If you choose to participate in the voluntary pay program, the cost is only \$2.25 per month. And remember, 25 percent of this amount—plus all of your tips—goes to your carrier.

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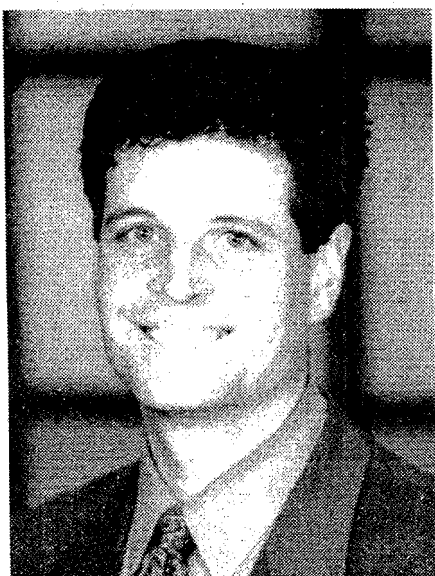
Getting down to business

Neighbors in business



Ross Zafonte, DO, of Plymouth, the chief of staff and senior medical director for the Rehabilitation Institute of Michigan (RIM) has been recognized by *Best Doctors in America: 1999 Edition* for excellence in the field of physical medicine and rehabilitation.

Best Doctors in America is a listing published by Woodward/White, Inc. the preeminent peer-to-peer professional rating organization in the U.S.



Jeffrey P. Steiner (above) has been promoted to director of business development for **Johnson Controls'** DaimlerChrysler Business Unit. He had been director of worldwide marketing communications for the company.

In his new role, Steiner will be responsible for leading the company's new business development activity for interior systems with DaimlerChrysler.

A new way to stand corrected

Plymouth chiropractor uses computers and math for spinal adjustments

BY SCOTT SPIELMAN

A treatment for allergies, arthritis and frequent colds may be easier than you'd think — and not what you'd expect.

These symptoms, as well as dozens of others, can be indications that a crucial part of the spinal column is out of alignment, and a simple adjustment can alleviate many common, seemingly unrelated illnesses.

It's called Upper Cervical Spinal Correction, and it's offered in Plymouth by Dr. Rick DiGregorio.

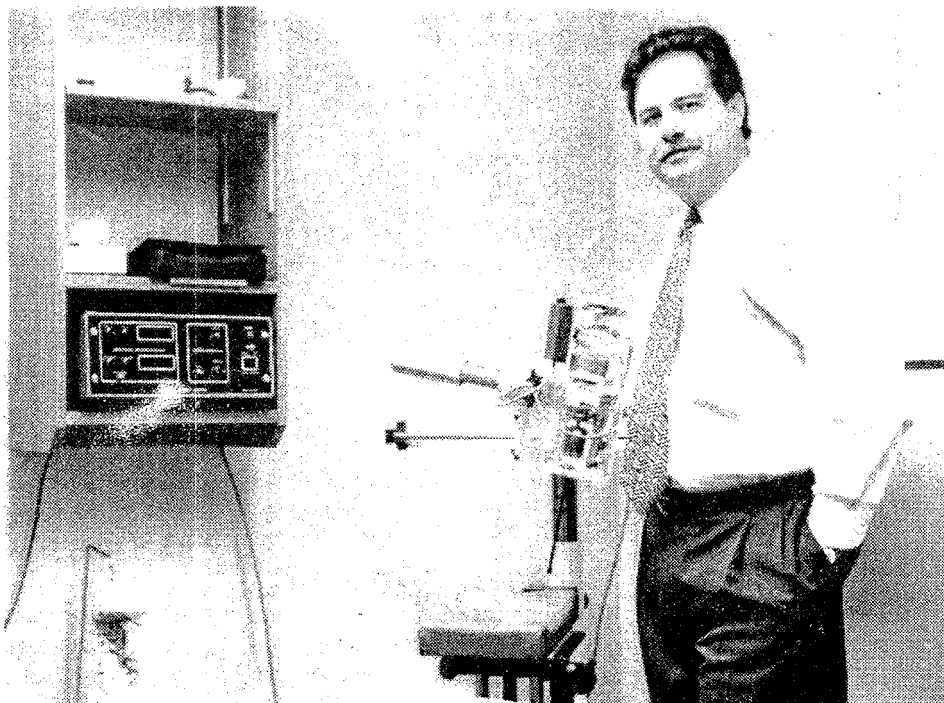
The concept is one of the newer practices among chiropractic doctors, DiGregorio said. It is a precise method of spinal adjustment where math and computers take the place of rough, more physical adjustments.

The technique isn't a common one among chiropractors, DiGregorio said. There are only a handful of doctors throughout the nation that have signed on for the extra two years of study the technique requires, and only eight in the state of Michigan, he said.

It centers around adjustments to the atlas, a single, two-ounce doughnut-shaped bone that completely encircles the brain stem.

"It's the only vertebrae in the human spine with a wide range of motion," DiGregorio said. "It doesn't interlock with any other vertebrae and it is possible to be misaligned to the point where it can put pressure on the brain stem.

That pressure can cause misinformation to be sent by the body to the brain, and result in any number of ailments, anything from arthritis to Tourett's Syndrome, DiGregorio said



Rick DiGregorio uses specialized computer instruments (above) to adjust the atlas, a single, two-ounce doughnut-shaped bone that completely encircles the brain stem. (Crier photo by Scott Spielman).

The upper cervical technique adjusts the atlas, allowing the remainder of the spine to gradually fall into alignment, producing a more complete healing, DiGregorio said.

The process begins with a laser-aligned x-ray, which takes a much more detailed picture of the upper spine than conventional x-rays, DiGregorio said. DiGregorio then takes the x-rays and determines mathematically how the atlas is aligned and how it should be aligned, he said. This formula is fed into a computer, which adjusts the atlas in a far more precise — and less physical — manner

than the human hand could, DiGregorio said.

"It's a very low force adjustment, very specific," he said. With the computer aided adjustment, traditional, lower spine adjustments are unnecessary, DiGregorio said.

DiGregorio will be giving a health seminar Tuesday from 7-8 p.m. at Plymouth Township Hall to allow people to take more control of their health, he said.

For more information, or to make an appointment, call (734) 420-0404.

It's a Holiday...

Bob Pisor cuts a slab of Stone House Bread for a hungry customer at Holiday Market's grand opening Monday. The bread, cooked in a wood-fired brick oven, is just one example of the upscale products available at the market. The store also features traditional grocery items, an extensive wine selection, a cigar humidor and a coffee bar, among other features.

Pisor, a former reporter in Detroit, has been baking the breads in his own shop in Leland, MI, just north of Traverse City. (Crier photo by Scott Spielman.)



Canton isn't excited

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Burton-Katzman originally had options on the land from 14 different landowners, DiMaggio said. Many of those options have since expired, and Burton-Katzman has allowed them to lapse due to the board's August decision not to contribute funds, he said.

"We have negotiated new options with some of the landowners," DiMaggio explained, although he declined to comment on the number of landowners or the overall size of the parcel.

"I don't want to be too specific right now," he said. "It's all pretty nebulous at this time."

DiMaggio did say that the environmental benefits that would have come with the larger project are not part of the smaller, revamped plan.

Burton-Katzman had proposed improving the low-quality wetlands found sporadically throughout the land by centralizing them at the middle of the site and installing a natural filtration system along Willow Creek.

Those plans were scrapped without the Canton funds, DiMaggio said.

"All the environmental benefits are just not feasible on a smaller scaler. That's why we needed the help," he said. "This will now just be a small, privately funded project. It won't involve any public funds."

The possibility of another strip development along Ford Road was greeted with less than delight from township officials.

"We figured this might happen," said Canton Supervisor Tom Yack. "It's a little premature to talk about it until we actually see some sort of a plan. It's changed before. Maybe it will again."

City codes stiffen

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long irked City officials.

"The whole city is frustrated," said Bob Mundt, former chairperson of the Downtown Development Authority.

Mundt and other DDA members asked Walters how to pressure Karmo and Tom Brandel, owner of the Penniman building, into making cosmetic repairs. The new BOCA codes are the way, Walters said.

"If it gives the City some mechanism to enforce community standards, then I applaud it," Mundt said.

"The hotel is such a prominent building that something that looks as tacky as the peeling paint has a lot more impact than a one-story building," Walters said.

Citations can be issued after inspections the City initiates or while following up on complaints from outside of City Hall about buildings.

Penn says he hasn't inspected the Mayflower since his initial walk-through in 1997 when internal demolition began there.

"I haven't been back lately," he said. "But I wouldn't have any qualms going over there and doing an inspection."


Unlike the more passive requests of the past, unaddressed citations could lead to fines from the 35th District Court that could be attached to City tax bills.

Karmo says he would deal with citations, if he receives them.

The paint, he said, "hasn't been our priority. But I understand the City's concern, and if that's what they want then we'll do it."

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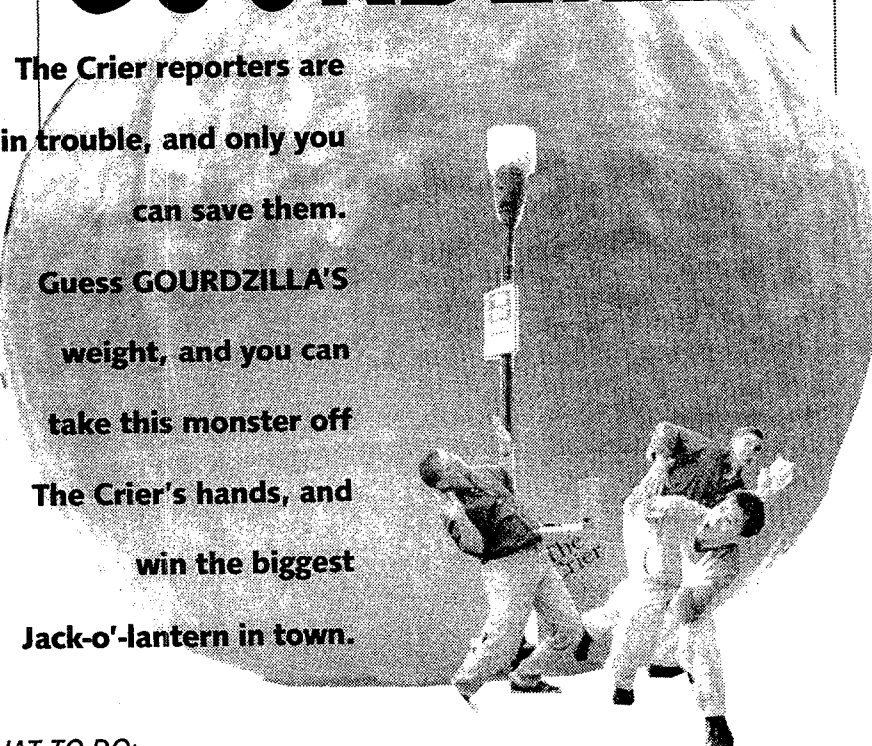
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‘Just a misunderstanding’

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Griffith said he asked the firefighter on scene, the only one he saw, what was going on. The firefighter told him it was a false alarm, he said.

“I asked how he could know that it was a false alarm if he hadn’t gone inside to check it out,” Griffith said. “It seemed like a logical question to me.”

Apparently, the firefighter didn’t feel the same way.

According to Lt. Bob Smith of the Plymouth Township Police Department, the firefighter called into the police department on an internal line to report the incident. Smith said it was decided the incident would best be dealt with internally.

No police report was made, according to Smith.

“I don’t recall raising my voice,” Griffith said. “He might have thought I had told him what to do. He seemed a little bit resentful.”

Griffith has not talked to the firefighter since the incident, but said he would apologize if given the chance.

“It was just a misunderstanding,” he said.

City sucks leaves

Monday, municipal workers in The City of Plymouth will begin their annual curbside collection of fallen leaves.

Collections will run over four weeks until Nov. 23, and are scheduled both by area and workload.

For residents south of Ann Arbor Trail and west of Main Street, the first collection will begin Monday. A second collection will begin the week of Nov. 9.

For residents north of Ann Arbor Trail and west of the railroad tracks, collection begins Oct. 26. The second collection begins Nov. 16.

Collection also begins Oct. 26 for residents North of Ann Arbor Trail and East of the railroad tracks in Old Village. The second pickup will also occur Nov. 16.

For residents south of Ann Arbor Trail and east of Main Street, collection begins

Nov. 2. The second collection will begin Nov. 23.

To ensure their leaves are picked up, residents should have leaves to their curbs by 7 a.m. on the first day of their collection week.

Paul Sincock, director of the Department of Municipal Services, says additional pickups will occur as time is available, so residents should start early.

He also reminds residents that mulching leaves is often easier than raking and imparts beneficial nutrients to the lawn and soil.

Sincock warns residents not to park over piles of leaves to avoid starting fires with their autos' exhaust systems.

Strom drains must also be kept clear.

Further questions can be directed to Paul Sincock at 734-453-7737.

'Morale low' at City Hall

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Criticisms of Walters' performance, especially those from Commissioners David McDonald and Colleen Pobur, have led to the current uncertainty surrounding his future with the City.

After more than two hours of discussion last week, the Commission emerged from behind closed doors and announced it would continue talks Monday. Instead, it cancelled that meeting Monday morning. The Commission has not yet set an alternate date.

"Things are where we left them last week," Dismuke said. "Postponing the meeting gives us more time to think about things."

Some expected Walters to resign at last week's meeting, rumors which drew an unusually large audience including four former City mayors.

Employees and department heads say they are balancing such speculation and rumors with doing business as usual.

Walters is the City's primary

administrator and chief supervisor for all departments. No decision has been made as to who would perform his duties if he does leave the City.

Assistant City Manager Paul Sincock returned Monday from a European vacation, and said no one has approached him about filling in as an interim city manager.

So as Walters future remains uncertain, so does the future of City Hall's operations.

Langmesser said one department head has described City Hall as veiled in a "blue funk." "We're not crying at our desks," Langmesser said. "But people want to come in and talk about what your hear."

"I'd say morale is low," she continued. "All the department heads and employees are hoping we can bring this to an end."

Until then, she said, the calls continue to come in from friends working for other towns.

"I get messages like, 'Yeah, let's go to lunch. We've got a lot to talk about,'" she said. "We need to resolve this as quickly as possible — one way or the other."

1 month in, 10% raised

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of its goal of \$950,000 for the 1998 fund drive.

That figure is up from last year's goal of \$850,000 which the United Way surpassed, taking in more than \$1 million according to Executive Director Marie Morrow.

That was an all-time high, she said. And this year's campaign team is out to beat the goal again. "They're out there really trying to push it," she said.

Linda Langmesser, clerk for The City of Plymouth, is chairing the campaign. Greg Foster, Harry Crespy, Bill Graham, George Atsalis, Judy Evola, Carol Stone, Mary Agusti, Esther Hulsing, Jerry Trumpka and

Denise King are also on the campaign team.

Langmesser said many of the United Way's annual fundraising events will be back again, including a skate with the Whalers at Compuware arena.

New events include an evening at the new AMC theater on Seven Mile and Haggerty roads, in Northville.

The campaign will run until the end of the year. Donations can be made at work or directly to the United Way.

The campaign kicked off Sept. 17 at Plymouth Manor, according to Morrow.

For more information on contributing or getting involved with The United Way, contact Marie Morrow at 734-453-6879.



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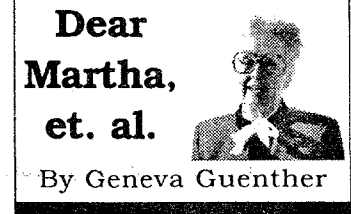
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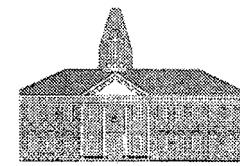


Dear
Martha,
et. al.

By Geneva Guenther

Dear Martha, et al,
Went to the Historical Museum last
night for their monthly meeting. As usual, I
received much more than I give. They're a
tremendous group of people, and the pro-
gram was super. It was dedicated to Dan
LaBlond's mother, and I'm sure the lady
would have been very proud to be a part of
it. Two men, Bob Zaetta and Dave Finney
shared the subject matter. It was on such a
high level that they lost me many times.
However, my interest was always there,
and the whole program was such a far cry
from the politics we now have, you could-
n't help but make a comparison. You felt
you'd like to wipe out all the present day
politicians and start anew. Didn't mean to
sound so gloomy, but our picture is a
downer both here in Plymouth and in the
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Jill - Your mother was a delight. Thank you for sharing her with me. - Geneva

Johnnie C - So glad you are well and kicking up your heels. You're some girl. Thank you for the beautiful mohair scarf! - Geneva

LOWERTOWN GRILL Burgers are back! - Beauregard

Darcy - what a clever young mother you are to order a baby boy on October 5th and have your order filled by such a healthy and happy young man.

Name: Zak
weight: 8 lbs. 11 oz.
length: 19 1/2"

Pretty smart, Zak to choose such a nice mother and father - Darcy and Scott and include ecstatic grandmas like Diane and Shirley. Lucky boy!

LIAM has a fun playhouse.

Curiosities

Mirto's - You're trying to make me fat and you are succeeding. Wonderful chocolates. - Geneva

Lolah Mae - Nothing gives me greater pleasure than being aware of the years and years we have been friends. - Geneva

Sally Wroe - I ate your cake all by myself and didn't share a bingle bite. It was great! Showed the plastic bag holder to my friends and they think you're great, too. Thank you.

JUDGE ISIDORE B. TORRES should be retained on Wayne County Circuit Court! - Sally Repeck

RON-RON: Your hat is still here.

WALTER MENARD made his folks buy dinner at the Whalers?!?!?

Thanks ED, SALLY, JESS & BEAU for my grand birthday present—I just love it—its just as much scary as I can take right now! Love, Liam

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Fifi E - Your cookies were delicious. Thank you. I had a tast of one when a crumb fell on the floor. - Beauregard.

To whom it may concern. The message in front of the menu of the Lower Town Grill, even-thought it sounds like me, was not written by me, so there! - Kim's mother

Happy Birthday, Richard! What a sharing person you are!

Steve W. - I didn't recognize you with a moustache. Remember, I love you and always have. - Geneva

Curiosities

BEAUREGARD eats Steve Guile going away cookies.

Happy Birthday Zak!

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CONGRATULATIONS

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ZACHARY ADAM is sure to be a big hit!

Zachary Adam Finzel was brought into this world Monday, October 5, 1998
8 pounds, 11 ounces, 20 inches!

Welcome Zachary!

Diane's now a grandmother!

Is she "up" for the job?

Beauregard - Thank you for the flowers, we ladies had a lovely lunch. - Jill

WOW! THE DETROIT NEWS discovered Canton last Friday.

DUANE BORDINE drinks milk shake for lunch.

He picks, she picks, I pick

U-PICK PUMPKINS at BORDINE'S FARM in Canton.

SKI reads Curios

Congratulations Mary Jo and Tammy on your new homes!

- from the Women's Adventure Club

Thanks for all your help this week Crier/COMMA, when Liam and I moved in for a few dAZE! Steph

Hey Theresa, HAPPY BIRTHDAY (TO YOU)

I missed you by a week, but you still owe me one...Chuck

Good Luck Jack and Gerry!

Can't wait to see you LA-LA and Terri! Liam

Hey Jack, what are the Spartans ranked in BBAII? Chuck

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MINNIE V. WALL

Minnie V. Wall, a Plymouth resident, died Oct. 6, 1998 at the age of 83.

Mrs. Wall was born March 22, 1915 in Kansas. She retired in 1977 from Continental Can in Plymouth after 23 years of service. She formerly worked at Barnes Gibson Raymond in Plymouth. She came to the Plymouth community in 1936 from Kansas.

She is survived by her son, Jack L. (Barbara) of Canton, Edward (Linda) Wall of Plymouth; daughters, Shirley (Roy) Dyer of Plymouth, Doris (Robert) Stevenson of Gladstone, MI, Mary Lou Dyer of Kissimmee, FL, Joyce (Michael) Budnick of Plymouth; 13 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; and several brothers and sisters.

Arrangements were made by and services held at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with Pastor Jerry Yarnell officiating. Burial was at Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth. Memorial contributions can be given to the charity of choice.

STANLEY ALBERT MELMER

Stanley Albert Melmer, a Plymouth resident, died Oct. 5, 1998 at the age of 72.

Mr. Melmer was born Feb. 25, 1926 in South Dakota. He was a musician (drummer) with the Wally Duda band for 18 years. He came to the Plymouth community in 1987 from Detroit. He was a member of the Farmington Hills Elks Lodge No. 1986 B.P.O.E. and was a former district chariman. He served in the U.S. Army during WWII. He formerly played drums with the Johnny Truedell Orchestra.

He is survived by his wife, Laura of Plymouth; daughter, Bonnie Conn Oster

of Plymouth; three grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; sister, Theresa Rezac; and brother, Frank Melmer.

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

CLYDE ESTEY

Clyde Estey, a Canton resident, died Oct. 5, 1998 at the age of 81.

Mr. Estey was born Jan. 24, 1917 in Amador City, CA. He was a superintendent of Aircraft Maintenance at McClellan Airforce Base. He retired in 1972 after 30 years of service. He came to the Canton community in 1998. He moved to Northville from California in 1997. He was a member of the Warren G. Harding Masonic Lodge in California for more than 50 years. He served in the Air Force during WWII.

He is survived by his son, William (Lynda) Estey of Plymouth; grandchildren, Stephen (Julie) Estey of Plymouth, Jill (Kelly) Mark of Boston; great-grandchild, Megan Estey of Plymouth.

Arrangements were made by and services held at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home under the auspices of the Plymouth Rock Lodge No. 47 F. & A.M., Plymouth. Memorial contributions can be given to the Alzheimer's Disease Association.

ELIZABETH J. PHILLIPS

Elizabeth J. Phillips, a Plymouth resident, died Oct. 6, 1998 at the age of 79.

Mrs. Phillips was born Jan. 24, 1919 in Tiffin, OH. She was a homemaker. She came to the Plymouth Community in 1949 from Highland Park. She was a member of St. John's Episcopal Church in Plymouth.

She is survived by her husband, Gus of Plymouth; daughters, Suzanne Mynatt of Northville, Sally (Dean Strandt) Flower of Plymouth; grandchildren, Debra Riddle of Little Rock, AR, John Mynatt of Saginaw, MI, Matthew Flower of Novi, Andrew Flower of Overland Park, KS; great-grandchildren, Gabrielle Mynatt of Saginaw, Sarah Riddle of Little Rock,

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Michael Licata, 47, prominent CPA

Michael Licata, a Plymouth resident, died Oct. 11, 1998 at the age of 47.

Mr. Licata was born Sept. 12, 1951 in Detroit. He was a certified Public Accountant and tax partner in the firm of Deloitte & Touche L.L.P. He served the firm as partner in charge of Michigan Tax Practice, chairman of the nominating committee for the Board of Directors, and co-chairman of the Tax Role Review Committee. He was a member of Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church of

Plymouth. He was a member of the the Detroit Regional Chamber, was past director and president of the Business Education Alliance, Detroit Athletic Club, Economic Club of Detroit, Detroit Society of Clubs, Orchard Lake Country Club, American Institute of CPAs, Michigan Association of CPAs, Michigan State University Eli Board College of Business Alumni Board of Directors-treasurer. His interests included golf and sports. He and his son, Mike, made a hobby of attending

baseball games in as many ballparks as possible around the country. He took great pride in his children.

He is survived by his wife, Jill of Plymouth; son, Michael of Plymouth and a student at Boston College; daughter, Julie of Plymouth and a student at Miami University in Ohio; sisters, Lillian Cleveland of Livonia, Frances Thormann of Livonia; and mother, Verna Licata of Livonia.

Visitation will be held at the Schrader-

Howell Funeral Home from noon to 9 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 14. Services will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 15 at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church with the Rev. Fr. John Sullivan officiating. Burial will be at Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth. Arrangements weremade by the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home in Plymouth. Memorial contributions can be given to the Karmanos Cancer Institute or the Cornerstone School in Detroit.



Community deaths

Obituaries

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AR, Mitchell Mynatt of Sagniauw; sister, Geraldine Flechtner of Westland; and nephew, David (Margaret) Flechtner of Livonia.

Services were held at St. John's Episcopal Church with the Rev. William B. Lupfer officiating. Burial was at Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth. Arrangements were made by the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home in Plymouth. Memorial contributions can be given to the Michigan Humane Society or the Right To Life Foundation.

PAUL NASTOFF

On September 6, 1998 The City of Plymouth lost a committed, caring person, who by many was considered a watchdog for the people. His presence will be greatly missed by those who heard him speak at Commission meetings.

How ironic that his favorite issue, the terrible condition of the railroad crossings in Plymouth, is currently being addressed on Mill Street. Those who pass over any of the newly repaired railroad crossings in our community (which is surrounded by rails) do not realize there is one person especially they should thank and that is Paul Nastoff. He attended countless meetings to ask our government officials to do something about the deplorable conditions of the many railroad crossings in our city.

Paul was born February 13, 1919 in Yugoslavia and came to the U.S. in 1927. He was a teacher for Wayne Westland School Systems for 35 years and served in the U.S. Army during WWII.

He is survived by his wife, Lucille, three children and six grandchildren. A memorial service will be held at 7 p.m. Oct. 21st at the Marriott Inn in Laurel Park, with a buffet to follow.

GERTRUDE C. HODGDON

Gertrude C. Hodgdon, a Westland resident, died Oct. 9, 1998 at the age of 85.

Mrs. Hodgdon was born Aug. 22, 1913 in Detroit. She was a homemaker.

She is survived by her daughter, Barbara Metz of Westland; brothers, Robert Scheuher of Livonia, Paul Scheuher of Livonia; three grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Services were held at St. Theodore Catholic Church in Westland with the Rev. Daniel Zeleski officiating. Burial was at Parkview Memorial Cemetery in Livonia. Arrangements were made by the Vermeulen Funeral Home in Westland. Mass offerings can be made or memorial contributions can be given to the Visiting Nurses Foundation.

ELBA A. TROWBRIDGE

Elba A. Trowbridge, a Plymouth resident, died Oct. 7, 1998 at the age of 73.

Mr. Trowbridge was born Nov. 22, 1924 in Ypsilanti. He worked in the maintenance department at United Memorial Gardens Cemetery for the last six years. Prior to that he was the owner/operator of the Lyon Oil Company in South Lyon. He came to the Salem Community in 1941 from Ypsilanti. He served in the Armed Services during WWII, and was a member of the Northville V.F.W.

He is survived by his wife, Betty of Plymouth; daughter, Janet Trowbridge Tiilikka of Salem, MI; sisters, Eleanor Buchner of Belleville; Amy Gransden of St. Helen, MI; grandchildren, Mitchell Trowbridge and Jesse Tiilikka, both of Salem; and several nieces and nephews.

Services will be held at 11 a.m. Oct. 17 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with Richard Sullivan officiating. Burial of cremains will be at a later date at United Memorial Gardens. Arrangements were made by the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home. Memorial contributions can be given to the Karmanos Cancer Institute, 485 S. Main, Plymouth.

MICHAEL EVANS

Michael Evans, a Livonia resident, died Oct. 10, 1998 at the age of 52.

Mr. Evans was born Aug. 25, 1946 in Ann Arbor. He was vice-president and controller of Diamond Automation in Farmington Hills. He was a very active member of Newburg United Methodist Church in Livonia. He served on the Endowment Fund Committee and the Finance Committee. He graduated from Plymouth High School in 1964 and then from the University of Michigan. He loved to play golf and travel.

He is survived by his wife, Jan of Livonia; daughters, Lisa (Steve) Dibble of Dublin, OH; Laura Evans of Holland; mother, Margaret Baude of Plymouth; step-father, Roy Baude of Plymouth; brothers, Mark (Cindy) Evans of Duluth, GA, Mitch (Marcia) Evans of Suwannee, GA; and step mother, Ruth Evans of Duluth, GA.

Services will be held at 11 a.m. Oct. 14 at the Newburg United Methodist Church in Livonia with the Rev. Melanie Lee Cadley and the Rev. Tom Bradley officiating. Burial will be at Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth. Memorial contributions can be given to the Newburg United Methodist Church in Livonia.



Sports

Sports shorts

Clash of the Titans as Steelers halt Meteors, 22-14

It was the battle of the unbeaten Sunday in Westland as the undefeated Plymouth Steelers and the unscored-upon Westland Meteors fought for king of the hill status.

Early on it looked as though the Meteors would have their way, jumping out to a two touchdown lead. But by the second quarter, the Steeler defense closed the doors.

Plymouth got their first score on the last possession of the first half when quarterback David Nicholoff connected with Brandon Wilcox for a touchdown.

The second half was all Steelers. The high-powered Westland defense could find no holes. Plymouth ties the score on a pass to David Hoskins. The game winning touchdown was scored on a run by Wilcox. The Steelers are now 5-0 with three regular season games remaining.

The junior varsity squad lost a defensive struggle with 17 seconds remaining. Mickey Kerul had the only Steeler score, a 20 yard touchdown run. Brandon Mancini and Steve Lehane led the way defensively.

Two long plays, one from 50 yards and another for 70, helped the Meteor freshman squad defeat the Steelers 13-0. Nick Cole, Shawn Little and Paul Kanaan were some of the bright spots for the Steelers.

Canton Parks and Recreation held its annual **Punt, Pass and Kick competition** on Sept. 26. Ranging in age from 8-15, 78 participants took part in the program.

The local competition is part of the national NFL-Gatorade Punt, Pass and Kick competition.

All these winners advanced to the regional tournament held in Canton on Saturday:

8-9 year old boys — Kyle Sanders of Canton, 146.3 points.

8-9 year old girls — Taylor Langham of Canton, 114.6 points.

10-11 year old boys — Julian Smith of Canton, 295.6 points.

10-11 year old girls — Rachel Thomas of Canton, 128.6.

12-13 year old boys — Drew Amble of Canton, 273.1 points.

12-13 year old girls — Mandy Bradley of Canton, 184.11 points.

14-15 year old boys — John Brewer

Rocks eye first state title

Salem gets first-ever regional win, Canton places second, both advance to state finals Friday

BY SCOTT GOODWIN

This weekend will mark the end of a four-year father-son relationship that has extended beyond the bounds of family.

Salem boys golf coach Rick Wilson will tell you this is the best team, top to bottom he has ever coached in his 16 years as Salem. And they proved it last Friday with a dominating performance at the regional tournament.

The victory, the first ever for a Rick Wilson coached team, sends the Rocks to the state finals, held this year at The Emerald in St. Johns.

But the tournament, win or lose, will be bittersweet for Wilson. Not only will he lose his two senior co-captains to graduation. He will also lose his son, Adam, a four-year letter winner.

But neither coach nor son would have it any other way. This is how they have planned it.

"My comment to him the other night was that I didn't think his high school career would be complete without a trip to the state finals," Coach Wilson said. "I know this means a lot to him."

As a freshman, Adam did compete on a state final team, but because he was the sixth man, never got to play the final weekend.

This year he'll get his chance. Along with the other senior co-captain Eric Kruger, Adam has played an intrial role in his team's advancement.

Kruger led the way for the Rocks Friday at Temperance-Bedford, scoring a 77, tying the top score of the afternoon. Wilson and Matt Leon fell in two strokes behind at 79. Mark Doughty (83) and Ryan Nimmerguth (88) rounded out Salem's top five.

"We felt if we played well, we would advance," Wilson said. "And that's exactly what happened."

The state tournament is a two day event consisting of 21 teams, the top three teams from each of the seven regionals. After Friday, the lot will be cut to about 12 teams who will play for th championship on Saturday.

"This tournament will define the best players in the state," Wilson said.

Salem won't be alone in their trip up near Lansing. Canton also made the cut Friday placing second, only two strokes behind Salem. Contributing to the Canton effort were Ben Tucker (78), Jon Johnson (80) and Justin Allen (81).

"Even though we are rivals, each team is

happy to see the other go," Wilson said.

In addition to Canton and Salem, at least two other WLAA teams are heading to the state finals: John Glenn and Walled Lake Central.

"I don't think any other conference can boast that many teams," Wilson said.

Chief swimmers poised to capture division crown

BY SCOTT GOODWIN

Now 3-0 in their division, the Canton girls swim team has their eye on the pie of a Western Division title.

With victories at Franklin tomorrow and Churchill the following week, the Chiefs will float into the conference meet unblemished in division play.

"We're swimming pretty good right now," said Coach Sarah Eubanks.

On Thursday, Canton trounced an over-matched Harrison team, 122-64.

First places included Jacqueline Bernard (200 IM at 2:25.51), Terri Hanson (50 free at 26.13 and 100 free at 57.31), Danial Drysdale (100 fly at 1:04.18), and Megan Powers (diving at 147.05).

Canton also swam to victories in the

BOYS GOLF

In order to make the Friday cut, Wilson expects his team will have to shoot below the 315 mark. They have done that before. To win the tournament? "Below 300," he said. A feat they accomplished at tournaments early in the season but have yet to match again.

GIRLS SWIMMING

200 medley relay (Drysdale, Hanson, Bernard and Erin Bogala) with a time of 1:59.45 and 200 freestyle relay (Drysdale, Bernard, Hanson and Chelsea Opdyke) at 1:47.09.

Despite their success, the Chiefs have qualified only one swimmer for the state tournament, Terry Hanson, who made the 100 butterfly cut.

"But were very close in several other categories," Eubanks said.

Drysdale has been very close in several events including the 100 butterfly, the 100 backstroke, the 100 freestyle and the 200 IM.

Salem runners stroll to victory at Ypsi Invite

BY SCOTT GOODWIN

The Salem boys cross-country team has already captured at least a share of the Lakes division title, but they don't plan on stopping there.

Currently ranked fourth in the state, the Rock runners are poised to make a strong showing at the states. But right now, they are trying not to look past the next few weeks.

"Anything can happen," said Coach Geoff Baker. "But we haven't run our best race yet."

First they have to handle Franklin and Walled Lake Central tomorrow. An expected victory would give them the division crown out right.

Salem is also favored to win the conference meet Oct. 23 at Kensington Sate Park.

BOYS CROSS-COUNTRY

They are looking primed for the victory after dominating the field at the Ypsi Invite last Saturday.

Nick Allen, John Little and Bobby Cushman led the way, each scoring top 10 finishes.

The victory comes one week after Allen broke the 16-minute mark for the first time in his career.

Of the 19 teams that competed Saturday, not one came within 50 points of Salem. Temperance Bedford and Stevenson fell in behind. Canton also raced, they placed 16th.

Bryan Kulczycki led the way for the Chiefs with a time of 17:59.

Legwand returns, Whalers win 3 more

Colagiacomo, Druken continue goal exchange as Plymouth wallops Windsor, Mississauga

Who'll stop the Whalers?

With the return of David Legwand, who failed to sign with the NHL's Nashville Predators last week, and the expected return of Paul Mara this week, the Whalers are primed to continue their torrid start this season — 7-1-0 after three convincing victories this weekend.



Legwand rejoined the team Friday after spending training camp with the Predators. He was also recovering from a bout of mononucleosis he had contracted several weeks before.

But none of that showed this weekend, as Legwand quickly made an impact, contributing five points (three goals and two assists) to the mighty Whaler offensive effort, which totaled 23 goals of output in three games.

"He's still playing at NHL speed," said Coach Peter DeBoer. "It's going to take him a couple of weeks before he's playing back down at our level."

On Legwand's health, DeBoer said, "It looks like he's 100 per cent. His energy levels were good all weekend."

Paul Mara was expected to return yesterday, DeBoer said, and should be ready for this weekend.

"It's like a getting our Christmas present in October," DeBoer

said. "We really didn't expect these guys back until January, if at all."

With the Whaler offense clicking so well, so early, the only problem DeBoer seems to be facing right now, is where he should stick Legwand and Mara.

"Obviously we're going to have to put them somewhere," he said. "Right now we're experimenting, having Legwand on the line with (Randy) Fitzgerald and (Eric) Gooldy."

DeBoer seems less inclined to break up the line with Harold Druken and Adam Colagiacomo, who through eight games this season are one-two in OHL scoring.

Colagiacomo had a marvelous weekend, manufacturing six goals in three games, including a hat trick Saturday night in the 7-2 victory over Windsor at home. He continues to prove the worth of a trade with Oshawa that brought him here over the summer.

"We knew he was a natural goal-scorer," DeBoer said. "But we didn't expect this."

Colagiacomo's scoring partner, Druken maintained his early season tear, scoring three more goals and six assists to bring his league-leading points total to 20.

"Those two have really been the biggest surprise so far," DeBoer said.

Plymouth 7, (at) Windsor 0 — One night after Rob Zepp

held the Spitfires to only two goals, the Whalers' other goalie named Rob, Robert Holsinger, did even better, blanking Windsor in their home arena before a paltry 1,650 fans Sunday night.

Although Plymouth did get into a bit of penalty trouble — seven powerplay chances for Windsor — they dominated play in all three periods, outshooting the Spitfires 38-17.

Colagiacomo got the scoring started early on a goal at 5:48 of the first period. Druken and Gooldy assisted. That goal was followed at the 9:05 mark with another, this time on the powerplay by Shaun Fisher.

Near the end of the second period the Whalers were up 4-0 when rookie Jared Newman notched the first goal of his OHL career with less than five minutes left before intermission. The goal was unassisted.

Less than 30 seconds later, the Whalers increased their lead to six on a goal from Legwand. The Druken/Colagiacomo line grabbed one more goal early in the third to close out the scoring.

"That's really been the story this year," DeBoer said. "Our team speed has just worn the other teams down."

Plymouth 7, Windsor 2 — Maybe the glare from David Legwand's superstardom blinded the Spitfires and they couldn't

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WHALER WATCH

OHL STANDINGS

(Through OCT. 12)

WEST	W	L	T	Last 10	Pts.
PLYMOUTH	7	1	0	7-1-0	14
SARNIA	3	3	0	3-3-0	6
S.S. MARIE	3	4	0	3-4-0	6
LONDON	3	5	0	3-5-0	6
WINDSOR	2	5	0	2-5-0	4

EAST	W	L	T	Last 10	Pts.
OTTAWA	5	0	1	5-0-1	11
PETER.	5	2	0	5-2-0	10
KINGSTON	4	2	0	4-2-0	8
OSHAWA	3	1	0	3-1-0	6
BELLEVILLE	2	3	1	2-3-1	5

MIDWEST	W	L	T	Last 10	Pts.
GUELPH	5	1	0	5-1-0	10
OWEN SOUND	4	1	1	4-1-1	9
ERIE	3	2	0	3-2-0	6
KITCHENER	3	4	0	3-4-0	6
BRAMPTON	0	3	0	0-3-0	0

CENTRAL	W	L	T	Last 10	Pts.
BARRIE	4	2	0	4-2-0	8
SUDBURY	2	5	1	2-5-1	5
NORTH BAY	1	5	2	1-5-2	4
TORONTO	0	4	2	0-4-2	2
MISSISSAUGA	0	6	0	0-6-0	0

WHALER STATISTICS

Team Leaders:
Goals: Colagiacomo (10)
Assists: Druken (11)
Points: Druken (20)
PIM: Fitzgerald (35)
+/-: Druken (+15)
GAA: Zepp (2.00)

CATCH OF THE DAY

When the Whalers play the Erie Otters on Friday, they will be playing their first team this year with a current winning record.

UPCOMING GAMES:

• Fri. at home versus Erie (7:30 p.m.)
• Sat. at home versus Barrie (7:30 p.m.)

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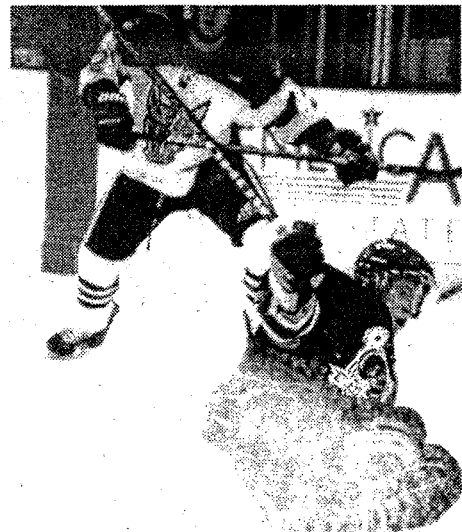
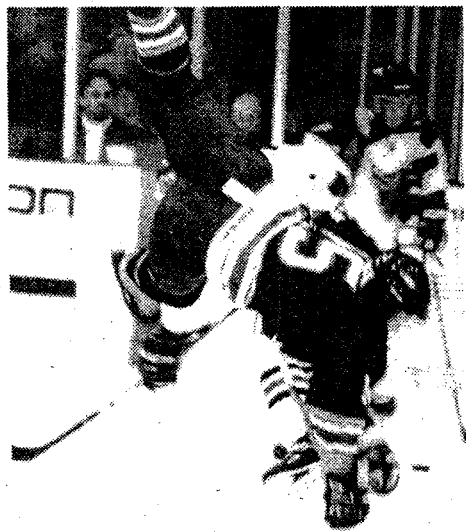
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Whaler Kris Purdy shows off his latest gymnastic maneuvers Saturday night at Compuware Sports arena. Most of the night, it was the visiting Spitfires who were on their backs, falling hard to the Whaler offensive punch (Crier photo by R. Alwood Jr.).

DeBoer: Whalers' speed the difference so far

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see Adam Colagiaco skating by.

With a goal in each period, Colagiaco made known what most Whaler fans are starting to see about this team: it's more than one player.

Windsor actually got on the board first Saturday night, but the Whalers struck back hard, netting three before the end of period one. Besides Colagiaco, Julian Smith and Jamie LaLonde also contributed to the scoring.

Period two was all Plymouth, with first-round pick Kris Vernarsky grabbing his first

goal of the season. Justin Williams, another rookie, added a goal in the third to put the game out of reach.

Rob Zepp, continuing his unexpected early-season maturity, knocked back 21 Windsor shots.

Plymouth 9, Mississauga 1 — Don Cherry's expansion all-Canadian team traveled to Plymouth Friday night, and just like the rest of the season for the Ice Dogs, they were overmatched by their more experienced, more talented opponent.

Through six games for Mississauga this season, they have allowed 54 goals. They have scored only four.

That is not so unexpected for an expansion team, but because the team is owned by Don Cherry, many have taken notice. Cherry's proclamation last year that he wouldn't allow any foreign players on his team raised a lot of

eyebrows.

The story was no different Friday night as Plymouth showed little mercy for their under-matched adversaries.

The score was only 2-1 after one, both Plymouth goals scored by Colagiaco.

But the second period was a different scene. Legwand scored his first and second goals of the season. Druken also added two, while Nik Tselios and Williams each added another. After two periods, the Whalers led 8-1.

"They looked like an expansion team," said DeBoer. "They played hard, but I think the powerplays were the difference."

The Whalers scored on five of eight powerplay chances.

Holsinger stopped seven of the only eight shots Mississauga could muster. Plymouth on the other hand got off 46 shots.

Fall Classic turns to Brawl Classic for Ambassadors

BY NICK GISMONDI

This weekend's Compuware Fall Classic began with a whisper on Thursday, but ended in a brawl.

A total of 24 teams from across the country, including all nine NAHL teams, competed in the event.

Compuware started the tournament with a pair of victories Thursday and Friday. They first dropped the Cleveland Barons, a team not expected to give the Ambassadors any trouble but put up a good fight. On goals from Troy Milam, J.J. Swistak and Mark Mink, Compuware held the Barons down, 3-2.

On Friday, the Ambassadors proved unlucky for the Parry Sound Shamrocks, winning 5-1. Swistak, Jack Redwood, John Shouneyia and Nick Shrader contributed goals.

After a 10-0 shellacking of Vaughn on Sunday, Compuware found themselves in the semi-finals on Monday, matched up against the Soo. Again Compuware produced a shutout, blanking the Indians 6-0.

Redwood and Pat Brush each notched a pair of goals.


The stage was set for Monday night: Compuware, the favorite, versus the St. Louis Sting.

What a game this would turn out to be. St. Louis noticeably had more energy coming into the game and was able to score first. They would go on to score a 5-1 upset but that wasn't the story of the game.

A game-ending brawl that involved nearly every player on the ice, including both goalies stopped play for several minutes. The backup goalies even got into the melee, coming off the bench to throw down.

There were too many penalties to list, but despite being outsized in many of the fights, the Ambassadors took the Sting out of St. Louis. St. Louis may have become the 1998 Fall Classic Champ, but give the Golden Gloves to Compuware. The two teams will replay their antics next week in St. Louis.


WHALER OF THE WEEK



**#9 RIGHT WING
ADAM COLAGIACO**



Acquired in a trade with Oshawa in the off-season, Colagiaco has been an offensive force for The Whalers in the early season. Colagiaco scored six goals this weekend, including a hat trick Saturday night. He also had 5 assists.

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SALEM GIRLS TENNIS
Friday, State Meet if necessary.

SALEM GIRLS SWIMMING
Thursday at Farmington, 6:30 p.m. Saturday at EMU for the MISCA Meet, time: TBA.

SALEM GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY
Thursday at John Glenn versus Glenn and Walled Lake Central, 4 p.m. Saturday at the Gabriel Richard Invite, time: TBA.

SALEM FOOTBALL
Saturday at Farmington, 1 p.m.

SALEM BOYS SOCCER
Monday, districts begin.

SALEM BOYS GOLF
Friday and Saturday, state finals.

SALEM BOYS CROSS COUNTRY
Thursday at John Glenn versus Glenn and Walled Lake Central, 4 p.m.

CANTON GIRLS BASKETBALL
Thursday at home versus Churchill, 5:30 p.m. Tuesday at Stevenson, 5:30 p.m.

CANTON GIRLS TENNIS
Friday and Saturday, state finals if necessary.

CANTON GIRLS SWIMMING
Thursday at home versus Franklin, 7 p.m. Saturday at EMU for the MISCA Meet, time: TBA.

CANTON GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY
Thursday at Walled Lake Western versus Walled Lake and Franklin, 4 p.m.

CANTON FOOTBALL
Friday at home versus Franklin, 7:30 p.m.

CANTON BOYS SOCCER
Friday, conference finals versus Stevenson. Monday, districts begin.

CANTON BOYS GOLF
Friday and Saturday, state finals

CANTON BOYS CROSS COUNTRY
Thursday at Walled Lake Western versus Walled Lake and Franklin, 4 p.m.



Community opinions

Twp. should DARE to be different

When I was in high school, we had a D.A.R.E. program that was both non-obtrusive and, for the most part, effective.

As a student, you knew it existed. You knew what it stood for. You may have even understood the message. But in the end, despite all the posters, the buttons and the fancy Reagan backing, D.A.R.E. never really made an impact.

It may be unfair for me to write it off. I have never experienced the elementary or junior high curriculum that is the main crux of most D.A.R.E. programs.

In high school, D.A.R.E. was run mostly for students, usually sprightly, do-gooder types that weren't going to make an impact with the kids that really needed the help.

One of the leaders of the D.A.R.E. group, however, was a recovering drug addict. Only a senior, he had already experienced the life of detoxification centers and 12-step programs. For most D.A.R.E.

advocates, he was a shining example to behold. Rejuvenated and clean, he swore by the D.A.R.E. program as a means to not only get off drugs, but to stay off them as well.

"Look at me. You can do it too."

Unfortunately, if anybody decided to follow his lead, they would have been led down the wrong path. Less than six months after pronouncing in front of God and country his intention to rid the world of drugs, the D.A.R.E. student leader was seen at a party, high as a satellite, pronouncing his intention to make it home without the help of little green men.

But that's only one case, and certainly not reason to denounce the entire system. But there are other examples that have led a number of experts to question the effectiveness of D.A.R.E.

Several studies published in the last few years have taken a closer look at the long-term effects of D.A.R.E., the most popular

drug-prevention program in the world. Through statistical evaluation, several of the studies concluded what many people had suspected: while D.A.R.E. education is shown to be effective at the younger-age levels, they generally have little or no effect at the high school level.

D.A.R.E. proponents quickly denounced the studies as flawed, as the products of pessimistic nay-sayers whose intent was to trash the system. Given the popularity of drug-enforcement in this country, and the billions upon billions spent every year on it, the D.A.R.E. studies came as a shock to many people who believed, perhaps naively, that prevention programs such as D.A.R.E. were the key to cleansing future generations of drug problems.

D.A.R.E. was started in 1983 by the Los Angeles Police Department as a way to teach elementary kids, those most impressionable, the horrors of drugs and drug abuse. Uniformed police officers educate through the classroom, sometimes in one-to-two week sessions.

D.A.R.E. has since spread across the country and into higher levels of education. It has even expanded to include violence prevention and parental involvement.

It's an honorable idea. It is better to have some education than none at all. But even if D.A.R.E. has worked just a little bit, has it been worth it? Millions have been spent on the program, and now, 15 years after its inception, many are questioning if it was even worth a dime.

Plymouth Township has recently received grants to hire another D.A.R.E. officer for the junior highs (they already

have one at the elementary level). Whether or not it works remains to be seen, but if history is any indication, the effects will be minimal.

The time has come to side-step all the propaganda and get down to real work. The younger generation is a cynical bunch and attempts to mold their behavior often become an object of that cynicism (again, see Nancy Reagan).

Many drug-education and violence-prevention programs dumb-down the potential severity of abuse. They use coloring books, cartoon characters and "hip" slogans in attempt to talk to kids "at their level."

Unfortunately, kids see these attempts the same way adults do, as childish manifestations of a bureaucracy that doesn't understand. For kids, it's a good way to get out of two weeks of health class. For educators, it's an easy way to ignore a lingering problem.

The atmosphere that encourages smoking and drinking and the elements that propagate drug abuse, namely peer pressure and family disintegration, are so deeply ingrained in the American culture that a few posters and slogans aren't going to eliminate the problem.

D.A.R.E. is an attempt to get at the root of the issue. But it fails to dig deep enough or with a sharp enough shovel.

If it is allowed to continue, and all indications are that it will, the drug education system in this country will meander like a slow-moving river, continuing to dump millions of dollars in a reservoir of wasted attempts.

Write of way

By Scott Goodwin



The City Manager:

'Plymouth is better because of Steve'

EDITOR'S NOTE: This letter originally was addressed to City Commissioner Stella Greene.

STELLA:

As business owners as well as commercial property owners in Plymouth, we wish to offer our support

for Steve Walters, Plymouth City Manager. Please have this read into the minutes as a communication at our next meeting.

Steve Walters has been a superb city manager who knows and has performed his job admirably. In

addition, Steve has been a real "friend" to many of the non-profits in Plymouth.

Here are just some of the examples:

- Plymouth Community Arts Council owes a debt to Walters for helping them acquire and creatively finance their new building.

- Service on the Salvation Army Board and the help Walters provided in meeting their donation goals for new construction.

- Plymouth Chamber owes thanks to Walters for his service as chairman of Leadership Plymouth.

- Walters serves DARE as "super" pancake chef at their breakfasts.

- Kiwanis member in good standing attending weekly meetings.

Steve Walters does not only talk the talk of a person who supports

Plymouth, he walks the walk!

Not many of us, publicly or privately, have done as much for our city.

Plymouth is a better place to live and raise our families because of Steve Walters' leadership.

TOM & NANCY CAVISTON

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'Whaddya think?'

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Community opinions

Autumn in Plymouth: slow down

Autumn is one of the best times of year to walk around Plymouth-Canton-Northville. The air is crisp, cool and dry; leaves become a canopy of colors.

Taking a break from work one night, I found myself walking down Harvey Street. I admired the majestic houses with their Halloween decorations, the growing piles of leaves at the edge of the street and wondered where the year had gone.

It was then that I heard a soft scuffling behind me. I turned, expecting to see leaves blowing across the sidewalk. And I did, although among them was a rather plump squirrel that looked up at me inquisitively.

We stared at each other for a few seconds, then I turned to continue walking. The squirrel followed. I turned again, and it still looked up at me inquisitively.

"I don't have any food," I said, recounting an oft-used statement usually reserved for Beauregard, our office dog. "Beat it," I added, when that logic failed.

No, strange as it seemed, the squirrel wanted something, and it wasn't an acorn or a peanut.

It wanted to talk.

I sat down on a bench in nearby Rotary Park and the squirrel hopped up next to me. Its chocolate-colored eyes locked onto mine and its tail twitched as it spoke, clearly unfamiliar with the patterns of human speech.

"We need your help," it said, and somehow I knew 'we' meant squirrel-kind.

I sat and stared, unwilling to admit what was

happening, yet unwilling to get up and leave. If the squirrel had a beef, let him air it.

He told me about the streets of Plymouth, and the lush homes squirrels built among the generous boughs of the aged City trees. He talked of an otherwise peaceful squirrel community that lived in fear — fear that a loved one may never return from gathering nuts.

The streets were out of control, dangerous. He called Harvey Street 'The Bad Place' and admitted — with a tiny tear — that he had lost four friends there last week. He said people were driving too fast.

He paused and looked me in the eye again. I felt a strange mixture of guilt and embarrassment — guilt because I was one of the fast drivers he lamented, and embarrassment because a squirrel had made me feel guilty.

"I knew if I could reach you, one of the most flagrant of violators, I could reach anyone," he said.

I opened my mouth to refute his claim but thought of the nervous start I felt whenever I saw the Plymouth Police car and radar trailer parked on Harvey. All of my paltry excuses died on my tongue. Although I had never hit an animal, it was no excuse not to drive a little slower.

I thought of the conversations I'd had with Canton's Crime Prevention Ofc. Leonard Schemanske. I said that just because I drove over the speed limit didn't equate with a total disregard for authority.

I wondered if I looked the same to him as I did to the squirrel.

Off the cuff

By Scott Spielman



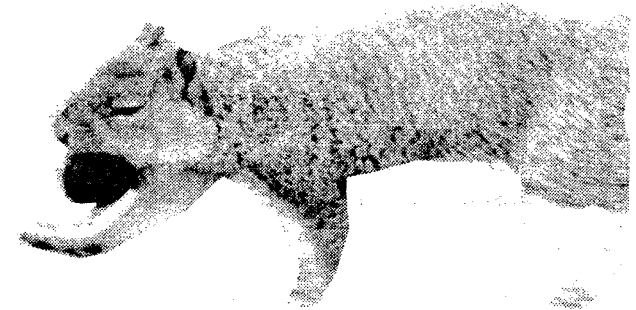
"Okay," I said. "I'll spread the word. Although it will be a lot easier if you just told all the other squirrels not to run out into the street."

He bounded off without a backward glance and started back to the office, kicking a dry pile of leaves.

A car sped by, barely paused at a stop sign and sped on.

"Slow down!" I called after it.

Autumn is the best time of year to drive around P-C-N and taking a bit more time will help make the streets safe for squirrels and children alike.



Goodbye residential, hello Inns

EDITOR:

Have you seen the one-room motel, oh, excuse me, "Inn" that popped up on Jener Place in Plymouth?

The following scenario could happen to any Plymouth resident.

Your neighbor has sold their home.

Does a new family move in? Single resident? Is the house a typical rental property? No. Something else happens. Welcome a new "Plymouth Inn" next to you.

Random customers plunk down cash. They stay overnight. A maid cleans up the

building. The next day another paying customer moves in for one night, etc. The unit is vacant whenever there is a vacancy. You know there is a vacancy, because the Vacancy sign in the window lets anyone know that the building is currently unoccupied.

Who can stay at these "Inns"? Anyone. It is illegal for the proprietor to discriminate against anyone who wants to buy an overnight stay.

Your family-oriented, residential street has just really changed. While this home to one-night-stay unit transformation is a great capitalistic endeavor and can be applauded, it seems that the desire to gain money, any way possible, outweighs the desire of a Plymouth resident to live on a quiet residential street, with nothing to say about the loss in quality of life.

The current muckrakers and language hairsplitters in Washington have taught the citizenry well to ignore common sense, civility and longtime understood assumptions, forcing even Plymouth to define every action right down to the comma.

In other words, we've been Al-Gored. There is currently no controlling legal

authority to stop Plymouth, the City Homes, from becoming Plymouth, The City of Motels.

The Tax Code started out a few pages long and is now over 6 million words long. Thus, Plymouth is succumbing to the 20th Century loss of civility, community, a redefinition of the human experience. We even have to add more words to our Code to halt the interpretation a hairsplitting over the exact definition motel, hotel, inn, residential street, business and bed-and-breakfast.

This intense codification must be completed, just to stop any home in Plymouth from being turned into a "short-term" Inn; defined as a motel by anyone else. Plymouth basically has no legal authority to judge or properly oversee the type of property.

Our Jener Place scourge is now grandfathered in. Don't let this happen on your street. Call the Mayor. Let the Commission, Planning Commission know how you feel. Act now. Do you see a house for sale nearby? Good-bye residential street. Welcome, new Plymouth Inn row.

GLENN KREMER

Thanks to a community that supports the arts

EDITOR:

The Village Potters Guild would like to thank Ed Wendover and The Community Crier for pairing generous supporters and organizations such as ours in the Fall Festival edition of The Crier.

As a non-profit organization advertising dollars are at a premium. The full-page ad that showcased our organization is something that could only be done with support from the business community.

Thank you Torb Guenther and C.D. Sparling Company for sponsoring the Village Potters Guild in the Fall Festival edition. Thank you Plymouth Historical Museum for the generous use of their front lawn, and the water and electricity that were used for pottery wheel demonstrations.

We are fortunate to be located in a community that values the arts.

Thank you for your support.

THE VILLAGE POTTERS GUILD



Community opinions

Time for duty, not deliberation

Plymouth Township's Board of Trustees and Plymouth's City Commission could use a few words of wisdom to guide them through difficult but important decisions ahead.

Sometimes, the best advice is old advice. Consider the words British writer Hannah More:

"Perish deliberation when it interferes

with duty."

For elected officials in the City and the Township, those words should serve as a timely reminder of their responsibilities.

Supervisor Kathleen Keen McCarthy said last week that the Township would not pay for half of the local cost of building an underpass at the Sheldon Road railroad crossing. The City has proposed splitting

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the cost 50-50 with the Township, and is expected to initiate a shared millage effort with the Township to fund the long-needed relief traffic congestion at Sheldon.

Township residents' use of Sheldon warrants its participation in the project. Just as Canton Township attempted to sell bonds to pay for repairs to the county roads within its borders, so should Plymouth Township pursue similar efforts.

The Township must lead. Trustees must do the right thing and agree to shared measures with the City.

To do less would be to fail in their duty.

The City Commission will also do as much if they fail to decide the fate of City Manager Steve Walters' contract.

This week, the Commission has again put off a decision on Walters' employment. Commissioners already have spent three months reviewing his performance. The deliberation continues, and the City is in danger of compromising duty for deliberation.

That, too, is a failure. The City must lead and commissioners must publicly act on the beliefs they so freely share in private.

The City must decide Walters' contract and bring an end to the uncertainty at City Hall.

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"Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the government for a redress of grievances."

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Crusader-dancer will be missed

Paul Nastoff was a Citizen Crusader.

Although one former City of Plymouth department head described Paul as a "pain in the —," he was one of the cadre of citizens who keep local governing boards on their toes.

Paul died Sept. 6. A memorial service scheduled for Wednesday, Oct. 21 at 7 p.m. at the Marriott Inn in Livonia will celebrate his uniqueness.

Like many other Citizen Crusaders — Tony Licata, Jack Wilcox, Loyd Sharland, Rosita Smith, Bill Brown, Bob Jones, Ted Bohlen — Paul Nastoff had his community at heart.

Sure he asked tough questions or raised issues that department heads or building principals didn't want out in public — but that's the job of Citizen Crusaders.

With malice toward none

By W. Edward Wendover



Paul raised many issues. Ironically — with the Sheldon Road overpass now a real possibility if the Plymouth Township Board doesn't chicken out — the railroad taking town hostage was his favorite complaint. He was a one-man campaign against bad railroad crossings.

But Paul wasn't just a nay-sayer. He spoke positively too on City of Plymouth issues that made town a "picture postcard" as he described it once.



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A teacher by profession, Paul was an Army World War II vet. He'll be missed.

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