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## Library district vote likely in September

By Gary M. Cates  
staff writer

Residents of the Plymouth community most likely will vote on a district library authority in September.

Plymouth city commissioners will be asked tonight to approve a resolution endorsing the district concept and calling for a Sept. 10 election. Plymouth Township trustees adopted a similar motion at a regular meeting last week.

City Manager Henry Graper said Friday that the City Commission already has voted in favor of a district library but will formalize the decision tonight.

BOTH GOVERNMENTAL bodies recently received a report from the joint library committee and have decided to approve a "concept" resolution now and hammer out the details of an inter-governmental agreement later.

By doing so, the gears are set in motion for the September election, rather than waiting for the details to be completed and possibly jeopardize the election timetable.

If the City Commission adopts the resolution tonight, as expected, voters will be asked to approve the library authority and elect its directors at the Sept. 10 special election.

Although the exact wording of the

ballot proposal hasn't been worked out, it will call for authorizing a district capable of levying up to one mill district-wide for library operation.

If the district is approved, voters then will be asked to authorize the millage at a Nov. 5 election. The millage question would require another special election in the township but not in the city, as Nov. 5 is scheduled for the City Commission election.

THE LIBRARY district is being sought in the wake of financing squabbles between the city and township.

Currently both units split the operational and addition debt costs through a

contractual arrangement.

Differing fiscal years — July to June in the city and January to December in the township — have caused part of the friction. Township officials complain they have no say on library expenses and simply are asked to meet the city's contribution.

Also, because the library technically is run by the city's library board, the township only has representation on the library advisory board — not the governing board.

The city, on the other hand, has complained that the township, by virtue of its larger population, receives more service from the library than the city.

Consequently, city officials say the township should pay more than 50 percent of the library's cost.

The district authority is appealing to both governments as a means to resolve the squabbling.

Because funding would come from a districtwide levy, and the township has a higher State Equalized Valuation (SEV) than the city, a higher percentage of the revenues would come from the township.

Also, because the township has more registered voters than the city, the township likely would have a majority on the nine-member board of directors.

ALTHOUGH THE joint library com-

mittee — with three members from each community — proposed an inter-governmental agreement for the district, township officials felt it was unacceptable.

Trustee Smith Horton, a member of the joint committee, told his board last week there were two points of contention:

- A clause calling for the transfer of all current library employees to the district with full pay and seniority.
- A clause which would, in the event the millage vote fails, change the funding split from 50 percent city/50 percent township to 30 percent city/70 percent township.

## Township sues for fire overtime

By Gary M. Cates  
staff writer

Plymouth Township has demanded the state share in the cost of its firefighters' overtime pay and will go to court to get the money.

In question is some \$33,000 the township has paid out in overtime wages directly due to Public Act 604 of 1978, which changed a firefighter's work week from 56 to 54 hours.

Tuesday night, township trustees authorized their attorney to file a lawsuit against the state seeking the payment.

"There's nobody denying that the state has to pay it, it's just that the Legislature has failed to appropriate the money," said Supervisor Maurice Breen.

Because of the Headlee Amendment, Breen said the state is required to reimburse local units of government for costs generated by state mandates.

"The question is whether it is a state mandate, and it is," Breen said. "By changing the work week from 56 to 54 hours, they have created an automatic two hours of overtime."

Since the law was enacted, the township repeatedly has sought reimbursement. The latest request, sent last month by Township Attorney Brian James, even threatened litigation.

"We would ask that you give your earliest attention to this matter so that we might resolve this issue without redundant litigation," James wrote.

SINCE ACT 604 became law, Breen said several cities have filed similar lawsuits against the state and won

"That act was a case of an international union having enough clout in the Legislature to get such a law passed," he said.

"The law didn't really change anything, our firefighters are working under the same conditions with the same schedule. The only difference is that there is an automatic two hours of overtime."

"This is just a prime example of the state passing on its responsibilities to the local units of government," Breen said. "If it wasn't for the Headlee Amendment, who knows what else the state would do."

According to the township's lawsuit, being filed in Michigan's Court of Claims, the state has refused to make any Act 604 payments since January 1979.

Breen said the township did receive one payment of about \$2,500 "a while back."

The lawsuit also references previous Act 604 claims which were awarded to other municipalities, and seeks three things: payment of the \$33,000, an order requiring the state to make future payments and reimbursement for legal costs.

Named as defendants in the litigation are the State of Michigan, Robert A. Bowman, state treasurer, Elizabeth P. Howe, labor department director, and Robert H. Naftaly, management and budget director.



BILL BRESLER/staff photographer

## Long ball contest

Bill Bruce of Detroit drives one down the middle of the fairway in a cold, strong wind at Hilltop Golf Course Friday. Bruce was one of many participants in the 1985 National Long Driving Championship. Those with the longest drives will go on to the regional and national competition later this year. Huddled in the background is Ralph Anderson of Detroit.

## City gets tough on parking lots

By Gary M. Cates  
staff writer

In keeping with its "get tough with summer rowdies" stance, city officials met last week with Main Street Plymouth merchants to discuss night time parking lot problems.

The city presented S. Main shopowners with a two-part program to curb gatherings in parking lots after business hours.

The problem is gatherings of young people in cars and trucks, who park and socialize in the various lots, according to Paul Sincoc, assistant to the city manager.

"They stay there too late and are getting too loud," Sincoc said. "The residents living near the parking lots are complaining about the noise and the merchants are complaining about having to pick up the trash the next morning."

Racing engines and loud stereos are the primary noise problems, he said.

Consequently, the city is asking merchants along S. Main to post their parking lots with "no trespassing" signs to take effect after their shop closes.

"This program would allow for the possible prosecution of persons who are trespassing into parking lots after posted hours," according to Sincoc.

"This program can allow for the immediate issuance of a violation under Chapter 111 of the Plymouth City Code."

Besides posting the signs, which can be purchased from the city at cost, the merchants are asked to sign a letter requesting the sign be enforced.

"The letter tells us that they want to cooperate with the police department and want the police department to enforce the sign," Sincoc said.

Without the sign or the signed letter on file, police officers have little leverage in dealing with the gatherings.

**'The residents living near the parking lots are complaining about the noise and the merchants are complaining about having to pick up the trash the next morning.'**

— Paul Sincoc  
city administrator

office successfully prosecute a loiterer they must be able to present evidence that the persons were obstructing the free and uninterrupted passage of the public.

"Someone must be able to testify that the loiterer prevented by his/her loitering, a customer from entering or exiting the store or even parking in order to shop."

"The Plymouth Police Department will not be able to issue violations with regards to loiterers without this cooperation."

Sincoc said people don't loiter when a police car pulls up. Consequently, the store must be able to identify, and be willing to testify against, those who were loitering.

"Hopefully this will get rid of some of the kids sitting in the parking lots looking for someone to buy alcohol for them," he said.

THE PARKING lot program is being done in concert with a series of rules and regulations recently enacted for Plymouth's parks and public areas.

To decrease the number of warm weather problems experienced last year, the City Commission took action to close downtown's Kellogg Park earlier and prohibit the possession of alcohol in public places.

Besides Kellogg Park, commissioners identified the Central Parking Lot deck and the Tonquish Creek walkway as other problem spots.

The Commission's action was taken earlier this year following complaints from residents living near the problem areas and others who walk in and around the downtown area.

Asked where young people should go to socialize during the summer months, Sincoc suggested Hines Park.

"I think that's a better place for them to go — it's designed for public gatherings," he said.

## State threatens building cutoff

By Gary M. Cates  
staff writer

The Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) has threatened to cut off development in all Rouge River basin communities unless a sewer repair/expansion project is agreed to.

Notice of the threatened ban on sewer construction permits — which would halt all development in the affected communities — was sent by the DNR earlier this month.

Officials from western Wayne County communities, involved with the North Huron Valley/Rouge Valley Wastewater Control Project II (dubbed the Grandson of Supersewer), believe the notice is designed to force their involvement in that project.

IN ALL, more than 70 communities were put on notice that a sewer ban may be imposed.

The notice — a letter from Roy Schrameck, supervisor of the DNR's compliance section, to the Wayne County DPW — was mailed May 3.

"You should be aware, for future planning purposes, that a temporary reduction or elimination of Act 98 sewer construction permits may be necessary to control such inputs as combined sewer overflows from collection systems operated within the service areas tributary to the Rouge Valley and the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department interceptor systems," Schrameck wrote.

"By copy of this letter we are also informing the individual communities within these service areas of this possibility."

## Supersewer settlement?

Communities as far north as Pontiac Township, to as far south as Van Buren Township received the letter. Also included were Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills, Bloomfield Township, Canton Township, Farmington, Farmington Hills, Garden City, Livonia, Plymouth, Plymouth Township, Redford Township, Southfield, Troy, West Bloomfield Township and Westland.

SIMILAR LETTERS have been sent in the past, during planning of sewer projects preceding the Grandson of Supersewer (NHV/RV II), but never included such a wide range of communities, according to Plymouth Township Attorney Brian James.

"This is the third edition of this same letter, the message of which is to sign up for the NHV/RV II or face a communitywide sewer tap or extension ban," James said.

"This letter usually circulates approximately six weeks before Wayne County sends a proposed sewer project contract to the local boards for review."

The majority of communities which received the notice aren't involved with the NHV/RV II project and James wasn't certain why they are being threatened, other than to bring more pressure on involved communities.

The NHV/RV II project is designed to solve pollution problems with the existing Rouge Valley sewer line, while increasing sewer capacity to western Wayne County.

The more than \$110-million cost of the project is supposed to be paid for with federal and local dollars. An earlier version of the project was turned down for 75 percent U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) funding because it wouldn't have solved the pollution problems.

A subsequent change in EPA funding guidelines, coupled with the ineligibility of portions of the project, means the projected federal share of NHV/RV II will drop to about 50 percent — sparking questions whether the local communities can afford their share.

In the past, the DNR has used sewer ban threats to force communities to sign service agreements for proposed projects — agreements which commit the community to paying their share of the costs.

The service agreements are needed before the state can send a proposed project to the EPA for funding certification. James believes the NHV/RV II project is prepared for sending and the state is getting set to ask communities to sign the service agreements.

TO BEAT the state to the punch, the Plymouth Township Board adopted a resolution last week that endorses the idea of such a project without embracing the current funding plan.

James contends there are inequities in the cost allocation plan, which calls for Plymouth Township to pay some \$4.75 million. Plymouth Township's share in the NHV/RV I plans would

have been \$1.93 million.

According to the attorney, the extreme western Wayne County communities are paying more per cubic foot per second (cfs) than are communities closer to Detroit.

Community costs are calculated based on the additional cfs they will receive as a result of the project — in effect charging based on the increased sewer capacity obtained.

"The current proposal from the rate review committee contains some obvious imbalances," he said.

Under the current plan, Plymouth Township will pay \$334,000 for each additional cfs and Canton Township will pay \$392,000. On the other hand, Livonia will pay \$60,000 per cfs.

"Part of the reason for this imbalance has been a determination by Wayne County that the Huron Valley communities should be responsible for 70 percent of the local unit costs while the older communities of the Rouge Valley should be responsible for 30 percent," James said.

"The Rouge Valley communities outnumber the Huron Valley communities so it seems unlikely that a favorable cost allocation formula will be adopted by vote of the governing bodies of the local units involved."

IN A SEPARATE but related matter, James said an out-of-court settlement was presented in Plymouth and Canton townships' lawsuit regarding two earlier sewer projects — Supersewer and NHV/RV I (Son of Supersewer).

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## neighbors on cable

### CHANNEL 8

#### MONDAY (May 20)

- 5 p.m. . . . Tell Me A Story — Gina Pratea talks about animals and reads the book "Berenstein Bears and the Truth."
- 5:30 p.m. . . . Psychologically Speaking — Dr. Bob Goodwin and guest Joyce Carl talk about psychic uses in counseling.
- 6 p.m. . . . Masters of Dance — Part II of competitions. Special guest Judy Jones discusses group competition. Also, special stage performances by students of Master of Dance.
- 6:30 p.m. . . . Let's Go Eat — Fun and Food.
- 7 p.m. . . . EMU Presents — Robert Brow, sales manager of Point of View stores, talks about his job and how he got started.
- 7:30 p.m. . . . Come Craft With Me — Host Kay Micallef demonstrates various crafting techniques.
- 8 p.m. . . . Moraine International — Moraine School students music program presented in Northville High School.
- 9:30 p.m. . . . Single Touch Live — J.P. McCarthy and guest co-host talk about upcoming singles events in greater Detroit area and takes calls from viewers at 459-7392.

#### TUESDAY (May 21)

- 5 p.m. . . . Cinematique — Johnny Midnight and Ace Hunter review films on Omnicom's Channel 8 Family Home Theater: "The Glass Alibi," "Along the Navajo Trail," and "Young Buffalo Bill."
- 5:30 p.m. . . . Canton BPW Presents — Installation of new officers and a networking exercise.
- 6:30 p.m. . . . Investment Times — Host Brian Davis of First of Michigan Corporation presents an analysis of Edward L. Hennessy, Jr.'s speech taped May 13 at Detroit Economic Club.
- 7 p.m. . . . Beyond the Moon — Astronomy information with host Mike Best. Guest is Larry Keefe, professor of physics.
- 7:30 p.m. . . . The Oasis — Music, comedy and variety with the New Ditties and guest, The Streetdancers and Vidiotz.
- 8 p.m. . . . The Food Chain — Host Debi Silverman with facts about sodium, "The Salt of Life."
- 8:30 p.m. . . . Economic Club of Detroit — Speaker is Michael K. Evans, president of Evans Economics, Inc.
- 9:30 p.m. . . . Single Touch — J.P. talks with Lynn Winchester and Bruce Sawyers, two hot metro area singles.

#### WEDNESDAY (May 22)

(All programming the same as Monday)

### CHANNEL 15

#### MONDAY (May 20)

- Noon . . . Total Fitness.
- 12:30 p.m. . . . For Your Health — Host Pat Scriberras talks about rape counseling with Althea Grant, director of the Rape Counseling Center.
- 1 p.m. . . . Cooking with Cas — Cas prepares a type of Yuppie Brunch.
- 1:30 p.m. . . . American Legion Recognition Night — Passage-Gayde post presents 16th annual Recognition Night with special guests, Sen Robert Geake, Rep. Gerry Law, and Plymouth Mayor David Pugh.
- 2:30 p.m. . . . Wayne County Line — Wayne Coun-

- ty Commissioner Mary Dumas interviews U.S. Rep. Congressman Carl Pursell about the federal budget.
- 3 p.m. . . . Express Yourself
- 3:30 p.m. . . . Marching Band Competition — Bad Axe and Bishop Foley compete in Flight II.
- 4 p.m. . . . Plymouth-Canton Live Spelling Bee.
- 7 p.m. . . . Legislative Floor Debate — Guest is State Rep. Gerry Law, R-Plymouth, talks about prisons, governor's top plan and move.
- 7:30 p.m. . . . The Governor's Report — Gov. Blanchard talks about attracting new businesses to Michigan, and other topics.
- 8 p.m. . . . First Presbyterian of Northville Presents: A Celebration — This week's sermon is entitled "Prescriptions For Peace."
- 9 p.m. . . . Friends and Neighbors.

#### TUESDAY (May 21)

- noon . . . School Daze.
- 12:30 p.m. . . . Hollywood Hotline — Johnny Midnight and Kathleen Mueller review current feature films and Ron Garlington highlights local entertainment happenings.
- 1 p.m. . . . Psychic Sciences — Elie talks with Jacqui, psychic astrologer for Kelly and Company and Good Afternoon Detroit.
- 1:30 p.m. . . . Plymouth Memorial Day 1984 — Relive the day of dedication to those who fought for freedom. A special salute and wreath laying in Kellogg Park.
- 2 p.m. . . . Northville Memorial Day 1984 — Northville holds a memorial service in 1984 for those who died in military action.
- 2:30 p.m. . . . Omnicom Game of the Week — Boys varsity baseball with Plymouth Cantor Chiefs vs. Northville Mustangs.
- 5 p.m. . . . Beat of the City.
- 5:30 p.m. . . . Canton Update — Jim Poole gives update on current events in Canton Township.
- 6 p.m. . . . Shopper Comparison — This week's

- grocery prices from area supermarkets.
  - 6:20 p.m. . . . Small Business Person of the Year — Canton Chamber of Commerce presentation of the award to the winner, Jack Falvo, D.D.S., and to the finalist from each field: financial, professional, retail and service. Special guest speaker is Walter Galanty, chairman, Small Business Legislative Council, and state and district officials.
  - 7:30 p.m. . . . Live Call-In With Christeens Cable Talk — Call in and request your favorite music videos. Also, debuts of some videos never before seen in the Detroit area.
  - 8:30 p.m. . . . JA Project Business Economics — Rick Collman, Omnicom General Manager, explains the economics of cable television followed by a Project Business video.
  - 9:30 p.m. . . . Youth View — "The Race Is On," a lively musical performed at Calvary Baptist Church in Canton.
- #### WEDNESDAY (May 22)
- noon . . . Hamtramck Rotary Presents.
  - 12:30 p.m. . . . Art and You — Artist Treamong Hicks demonstrates pastels and talks with fashion designer Jacqueline Benedict.
  - 1:30 p.m. . . . EMU Presents.
  - 2 p.m. . . . Legislative Floor Debate.
  - 2:30 p.m. . . . The Governor's Report.

# Township EDC members changed

The Plymouth Township Board of Trustees took action last week on two Economic Development Corp. (EDC) director positions.

Tuesday night, the board accepted the resignation of Earl Gibson, who had served a little more than half his two-year term. Gibson, principal of Farland Elementary, is retiring from Plymouth-Canton Community Schools.

To replace Gibson, the board approved Supervisor Maurice Breen's recommendation of appointing Tom Bohlander. Bohlander is a township resident and owner of Sunshine Honda on Ann Arbor Road.

The board also approved the reappointment of Clerk Esther Hulsing to the board of directors. Hulsing was the only at-large director whose term expired this year.

Additional directors are added each time the EDC considers a project. The term of those directors expires at the completion of the project. The EDC's primary work involves

working with developers to find alternative methods of financing. The most used method is the issuance of EDC bonds, which is permitted under federal law and Internal Revenue Service (IRS) rules.

EDC bonds are issued with the backing of the municipality and, as such, provide tax-free interest earnings for the bond holders — usually resulting in a lower interest rate for the issuer.

EDC financing is offered to developers as an inducement to build in the township because it's a less expensive way of raising capital.

In other action Tuesday, the board authorized the purchase of an ambulance for the township fire department.

The ambulance, expected to cost no more than \$40,000, will replace the township's 1973 model rig. The township's other ambulance, a 1978 model, won't be replaced.

Money for the purchase was included in the 1984 general fund budget.

## obituaries

### TONY N. TONDA

Funeral services for Mr. Tonda, 61, of Canton Township were held recently in the First United Presbyterian Church of Plymouth with burial at Riverside Cemetery, Plymouth. Officiating was the Rev. Philip Rodgers Magee with arrangements made by Schrader Funeral Home, Plymouth. Memorial contributions may be made to the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth or to the American Cancer Society.

Mr. Tonda, who died May 15 in Ann Arbor, was born in Pershing, Iowa, and had been a security guard for General Motors. He was a member and past master of Phoenix Lodge No. 13, F & A M. of Ypsilanti and a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth.

Survivors include: wife, Flossie; daughters, Pamela of Ypsilanti, Tina Servies of South Lyon, and Toni of Canton; sister, Norma Bredernitz of Ypsilanti; brother, Joe of Knoxville, Iowa; and two grandchildren.



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### excursions

- AMISH TRIP**  
Wednesday, May 29 — City of Plymouth Parks and Recreation in cooperation with Bianco Travel and Tours is sponsoring a one-day trip to Shipshewana, Ind., (Amish country). The price of \$33.50 includes bus transportation, snack and beverage en route, lunch at "Das Dutchman Essenhaus," shopping at the Shipshewana flea market, and a tour of the Amish country. Interested adults may contact the recreation office at 455-6620.
- ELIAS DAY TRIP**  
Wednesday, May 29 — The Canton Seniors are offering residents age 55 and older a one-day trip to the Elias Brothers Warehouse in Warren. The charge of \$1 includes tour and trans-

- portation. Lunch on your own at the Elias Brothers cafeteria. Register by calling Canton Seniors at 397-1000, Ext. 278.
- OVERNIGHT MYSTERY TRIP**  
Monday, June 3 — City of Plymouth Parks and Recreation Department in cooperation with Bianco Travel & Tours will sponsor a two-days/one-night mystery trip departing June 3 and returning June 4. Tour price of \$125 includes bus transportation, coffee and doughnuts en route, one night accommodation at a unique hotel, one lunch the first day, one dinner, a lake cruise and tours. Length of tour is about 300 miles round trip. Bring casual, comfortable clothing. Any interest-

- ed adult may contact the recreation office at 455-6620.
- SARNIA BOAT CRUISE**  
Wednesday, June 5 — The Y Travellers will be taking the Sarnia Boat Cruise with the group departing Plymouth at 10 a.m. and returning about 4 p.m. The charge of \$28 includes morning snacks, a two-hour boat cruise, lunch and transportation. For reservations, call 453-2904.
- TRIP TO AMISH LAND**  
Wednesday, June 12 — The YMCA of Western Wayne County is planning a trip to Indiana Amish land on June 12. All you can eat Amish dining at Das Dutch Essenhaus precedes a visit to an Amish cheese factory and the Shipshewana Flea Market and auction. The area includes Amish farms. The charge is \$39 with a reservation deadline of May 29. For information call 561-4110.

- RIVERBOAT TRIP**  
Thursday, June 20 — City of Plymouth Parks and Recreation in cooperation with Bianco Travel and Tours is sponsoring a riverboat trip in Oscoda, Mich. Tour price of \$40 includes bus transportation, a snack en route and beverage service, rest and meal stops, dinner at Lutz's Smorgasbord, a two-hour scenic cruise on the Au Sable River and shopping in Oscoda. Interested adults may call the recreation office at 455-6620.
- EUROPEAN ADVENTURE**  
Sunday, June 23 — Madonna College is sponsoring a tour called "Summer European Adventure" from June 23 to July 12 or June 23 to July 18. Charge for the 20-day tour is \$1,999 per person and for both tours \$2,450 per person. Reservations may be made or information obtained by calling Sr. Martin Ann Stamm at 591-5178 or 591-5146 or Robert and Sarah Smith at 591-5085 or 455-0977.

- PUT-IN-BAY TRIP**  
Wednesday, June 26 — Canton Seniors offer residents a trip to Put-In-Bay on Lake Erie in Ohio. The charge of \$32 includes transportation, ferry boat, island tour by train, Perry National Monument, tours of the Heinenman Winery and Crystal Cave, and lunch. Arrangements are being made by Bianco Travel. For information or reservations call Canton Seniors at 397-1000, ext. 278.
- CHESANING SHOWBOAT**  
The following local groups are planning trips to the Chesaning Showboat to see the Osmond Brothers perform:  
• Monday, July 8 — City of Plymouth Parks and Recreation, in cooperation with Bianco Travel & Tours, will sponsor a day trip to the Chesaning

- Showboat. Charge of \$36 includes transportation, reserved tickets to the showboat, a dinner, flea market, and in-route snack and beverage. Any interested adult may call the recreation department at 455-6620.
- Monday, Tuesday, July 8-9 — The Y Travellers will take a two-day, one-night trip to the Chesaning Showboat. Tour includes three meals and one night's accommodation at the Flint Sheraton. For further information or reservations, call the Plymouth Community Family YMCA at 453-2904.
- Wednesday, July 10 — Canton Seniors are sponsoring a trip to the Chesaning Showboat to see the Osmond Brothers perform. The charge of \$22 includes transportation, a dinner, and a ticket to the Showboat. For information or reservations, call Canton Seniors at 397-1000, Ext. 278.

# A view of city 20 years away

By W.W. Edger  
staff writer

What do you think the City of Plymouth will look like 20 years from now?

Well, in the opinion of City Manager Henry Graper, the entire area will be a modern city with many nice homes, many renovated buildings and a possibility of more modern living quarters in the downtown area.

Graper envisions the renovation of most of the homes on Deer and Union streets and the possibility of a series of row houses which seem to be most familiar as we head toward the turn of the century.

There was a time when Deer and Union were to be part of a loop road for the business section. But now the city manager envisions residential row houses on these streets to make them more attractive.

Along with that vision, he also sees more residents in the downtown area which will be done by using more of the second floors of the downtown buildings.

ONE OF the main sights he envisions, just in case the Board of Education decides to sell Central Middle School on Main Street, is a series of modern apartments on the 23 acres that would be available.

"This is a fine piece of property," Graper said, "and modern apartments there would be fine, and close to the business section which would make them fine places in which to live."

Asked about the possibility of an overpass over the railroad on Main Street, he said: "There is little chance of that ever happening because it is too expensive." He said the price could be \$5 million plus the cost of revamping some of the buildings — maybe as far back as the traffic light.

If an overpass ever was attempted, it would mean that part of the building that now houses the Plymouth Landing restaurant would have to be cut off. And the other buildings would need costly changes.

"So, it looks impossible to me," said Graper.

There was a time when a study was made to bypass the railroad. This could be done by coming west on Ann Arbor Road to Mill Street, then north to a point below the railroad. Then curve left to join Ann Arbor Trail and get to the middle of the business district. But this plan never went past the study point because it, too, cost too much.

THERE IS a chance, too, because there are so few residential lots available that the city will approve higher apartment buildings downtown. There was a plan to build such a structure at Forest and Wing Street.

It is within the realm of possibility that the center of the business section will have an attractive change with the construction of a steel-structured bridge running across Main Street just south of Ann Arbor Trail. At the top of this arch, which wouldn't be too high, there would be a great electric clock with chimes, such as the Big Ben in London, England.

In fact, a tape of the Big Ben chimes already is at hand. All that is needed is the bridge. And the city manager said it is possible that this change will be made before the end of the century.

And with the medical facility at Ann Arbor Trail and Harvey and the Ford medical clinic on Main Street the city is well on its way to becoming a medical center.

So, as the city manager envisions things, Plymouth will be an attractive city 20 years from now.



BILL BRESLER/staff photographer

## Large print for library

Thanks to the Lions Club of Plymouth, the Dunning-Hough has a growing collection of large print books and reading material for persons with poor vision. The books are funded from the proceeds of the club's annual White Cane Sale, among other Lions fund-raising efforts. In appreciation of the Lions donations, the library recently had printed special book marks thanking the Plymouth Lions for their support. Gerry

Barlage, outreach librarian at Dunning-Hough, shows the Lions Club Thank You Bookmarks to Jack Stoops, club treasurer.

## Moratorium threatened

Continued from Page 1

The two townships filed their lawsuit in 1983, after a governor's task force decided to split Supersewer and force the northwestern Wayne communities to plan an alternate project with the Rouge Valley communities, thus giving birth to NHV/RV I.

The southern Supersewer communities were permitted to proceed with a scaled-down version of Supersewer and subsequently received approval for 75-percent EPA funding.

The townships argued that they had been forced to participate in planning Supersewer because of sewer ban threats from the DNR. Consequently they pumped planning money into a system they were denied access to.

Besides seeking reimbursement of the planning money, totalling more than \$1 million, the two townships are seeking a declaratory judgment stating Detroit doesn't hold the exclusive right to their sewage — which would free them to seek alternate methods of sewage treatment.

The southern Supersewer communities, which are named in the lawsuit along with the state, county and Detroit, are expected to be dropped as soon as they repay the planning money.

The payment is expected soon, as the southern communities recently sold bonds for the construction of their project. The payment will come from the bond proceeds.

"As to the state, county and Detroit, a settlement offer has been put before them by Plymouth and Canton townships," James said.

The lawsuit would be settled out-of-court if six points are agreed to, according to James. The points include:

- Agreement with the townships' position on the declaratory judgment being sought.
- Providing 65-percent non-local funding for a 'cost-effective, implementable, pollution controlling sewer system.'
- No sewer bans in the interim.
- No recoupment of the \$3.3-million cash advance given to Plymouth Township to pay for planning work on NHV/RV I.

- Planning of NHV/RV II within one year.

"These matters will be discussed on June 12 at yet another settlement conference, the results of which are impossible to predict," James said.

ALTHOUGH THE townships haven't been named in any cross-complaints, Plymouth and Canton townships have been named in a lawsuit filed by Garden City.

That lawsuit, according to James, seeks to force the townships into the Rouge Valley system for all sewage they generate now and in the future — just as Detroit contends.

In the meantime, James said the townships have retained an independent engineering firm out of Chicago to "formulate some workable local project options which could be funded pursuant to the settlement offer."

The "most favorable" sequence of events for the townships would be the demise of NHV/RV II, while gaining "freedom from the Detroit Water and Sewer Department for transport and treatment of future flows," James said.

"This would allow the townships to build a project which functions, controls pollution, and has finite and determinable costs of construction, operation and maintenance," he said.

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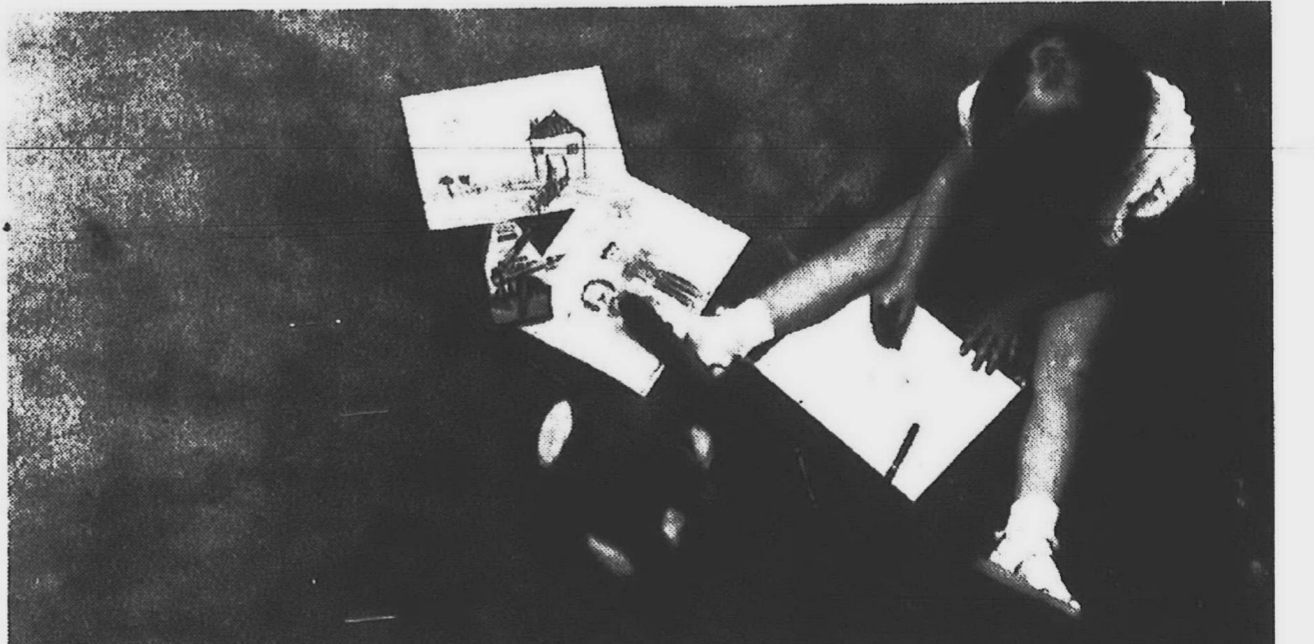
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## Dog license tax is due

Licenses for dogs in Plymouth Township must be purchased by the end of the month or an extra fee will be charged.

The township's dog ordinance provides that licenses are \$5 until May 31 and \$7 beginning June 1. The dog licenses will expire on May 31, 1985.

They are available in Plymouth Township Hall, 4231 Ann Arbor Road at Mill. Bring cash, check or money order payable to Plymouth Township and a copy of current rabies vaccination.

# Opinion

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## Kenyon School House ceased to operate in 1940s

(Part 4)  
Textbooks used in Plymouth Township's Kenyon School District in 1888 included Harrington's graded spelling book, Swinton's grammar, Scott's U.S. history, Kellogg's physiology, and readers, arithmetic, geography and copy books by Harper. In 1894, Reed and Kellogg's language books were added. Elected school director in 1896 was Arthur D. Stevens. He served in the post until 1900. Prior to 1905, wood was used in the school stove. In that year the board voted to buy coal. In July 1911 the board voted to establish a district library.

THE ROOT FAMILY continued to serve the district in official positions. In July 1922, L.H. Root, who had served as moderator for 21 years, relinquished the position and was succeeded by Mary B. Root.

Three years later, she was followed by Henry Root on whose farm the school was located. By that time the name of the district had been changed to "School District No. 9, Fractional Plymouth and Canton."

By 1923, the seats in Kenyon School had been in use for 40 years so the board decided to buy new ones. In the following year, after a long discussion about "the bad boys in the school," the board bought wire guards for the school windows.

The depository for district funds in 1932 was the Plymouth United Savings Bank; in the following year it was transferred to the First National Bank of Plymouth.

Those in attendance at the 1934 meeting of what now was being called "District No. 9, Kenyon School Fractional" were invited to go to the gas station at Root's Corners to have a



past and present  
**Sam Hudson**

light lunch at district expense.

Cub Forshee, who had been treasurer of the Kenyon School District for 27 years, retired from the job in 1941. The last entry in the minutes of the district is dated July 9, 1945. On that date, Charles Brake, who headed the Wayne County School System, was present to propose the sending of the sixth, seventh and eighth grades to schools in the village. His recommendation was accepted. The children in those grades were

absorbed into the Plymouth school system beginning with the fall term. Don Sutherland, who was secretary of the Plymouth Board of Education at the time, recalls that this was the period when the state was trying to consolidate Michigan school districts from 6,000 to 2,000.

Later, when all of the Kenyon district's children were absorbed into the Plymouth school system, the land on which the building stood reverted to the Root's heirs, under the terms of the 1883 deed.

The heirs sold the property to Mr. and Mrs. E.J. Cutler, whose house adjoined it. The Kenyon school house itself was burned to the ground by firemen as part of a training exercise. By that time it had not been in use for several years.

THAT ENDS THE saga of Fractional School District No. One established in

1837 on the Root farm at Joy and Ridge roads.

Attention now turns to schools closer to the hub of the Plymouth community. As previously indicated, these were scattered in log-cabin or frame structures throughout the area. In 1853, all that changed. In that year, consolidation of schools took place with the formation of Union School District Number One.

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those he notified. A few were sent written messages, but most were told personally.

On the list of 131 names are a number that have figured prominently in the history of Plymouth. They include E.J. Penniman, William Conner, Jonathan Shearer, John Kellogg, John Fuller, Bethuel Noyes, Charles H. Bennett, Henry B. Holbrook, Calvin Crosby, George A. Starkweather, John Gunsolly and Peter Trinkhaus.

The seminary building at which the meeting was held belonged to Penniman. He had built it as a select school when he arrived in Plymouth, at age 36, in 1940. It was on Church Street, facing the Presbyterian Church, on the site where the high school later was built.

At the November meeting, James M. Adams was elected moderator, Henry Fralick, director, and I.N. Hedden, assessor.

Five voters of the district — Joseph Brailly, Elias Palmer, John Rodger, Thomas P. May Jr. and William McNitty — requested that director Fralick call a special meeting "in pursuance of section 12 of the Primary School Law" for the purpose of (1) designating a site for the new schoolhouse and (2) disposing of the property of the former districts now to be included in Union District No. One.

## Part of the 'Do you remember' group

There was a time not too long ago that a person's age was measured in numerals. You were 40, 50 or 60 years old. But now times have changed and a person traveling alone life's highway is measured in groups.

The Stroller found this out recently when he was called to the phone and the person on the other end opened the conversation by asking "Do you remember?"

Then he said, "I understand you remember Ty Cobb playing baseball for the Tigers."

Assured that he remembers the Peerless Leader, the voice on the other end, asked, "If you remember him, why did he carry three bats up to the plate when it was his turn at bat, when the other fellows carried only two?"

This was a good question as it would puzzle the fans who now see the batters going to the plate with an iron ring around the bat that is taken off as he reaches the batter's box.

The Stroller thought for a moment then explained that if carrying two bats helped to lighten his regular bat, then three bats would make it even lighter. Maybe that's why he had such a high batting average.

That satisfied the caller.

THEN, THE OTHER day came an-



the stroller  
**W.W. Edgar**

other caller who placed The Stroller in the Do You Remember Group.

"Do you remember," he asked, "Johnny Nuen's unassisted triple play for the Tigers in 1927?"

Assured that he remembered, the caller then asked, "Do you remember who was playing second base?"

He was told to call the Tigers office where they keep records and the public relations man would tell him.

"I don't suppose you would remember Jim Thorpe, the great Indian?"

Well, it so happened that The Stroller did see the famous Indian when he played for the Carlisle Indian School. The Indians always played at Lehigh University and The Stroller was taken over there by a neighbor just to see him. And he never will forget him, and the way he had of tackling a rival. He never grabbed him. He just ran up close and then gave him the hip and toppled him.

But the real shock of being placed in the Do You Remember Group came in church a week ago. When the service was over and we started to leave, a rather elderly woman came up to The Stroller and asked, "I read your column all the time and I liked the one you wrote about your mother feeding the

children with what she called mock duck.

"Do you remember how she flavored the bread?"

This brought a smile as Mother never flavored the bread. She would flatten the steak, put the bread crumbs on it and then lift both sides.

She then would sew the sides to make a pocket of the steak and then filled it with the crumbs. She let the oven's heat do the flavoring. When serving it she would slit the pocket so we would get a taste of the steak, but mostly all bread.

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# City Commission to act on special event permits

Two community events, a commercial tax abatement and a public hearing on the 1985 street paving program top the agenda for tonight's Plymouth City Commission meeting.

The regular meeting starts at 7:30 p.m. in the second-floor commission chambers of City Hall at Main and Church streets. A public pre-commission meeting starts at 7 p.m. in the city

manager's conference room.

Commissioners will be asked to approve special event permits for two functions, the Plymouth Centennial Education Park (CEP) Band concert in Kellogg Park and a Kiwanis Club recreational vehicle show.

Band Director James Griffith has requested permission to hold the concert

7:30-9:30 p.m. on May 31 in the downtown park. The concert is an annual event and usually attracts between 1,000 and 1,500 spectators.

The Kiwanis Club has requested permission to use the Central Parking Lot deck on June 1, 2. The RV display will be set up in the lower level of the deck and will run from noon to 8 p.m. each day.

Last year the club sponsored the event and attracted between 1,000 and 1,500 people.

Carol and William Barringer have requested final approval for a Commercial Facilities Exemption Certificate under Public Act 255 of 1978.

The Barringers plan a warehouse and office project at 1145 Starkweather,

expected to cost some \$22,000 for construction and \$8,500 for restoration. If approved, the Barringers will receive 50-percent property tax abatement for 12 years.

COMMISSIONERS also will conduct a public hearing on the special assessment roll for the 1985 street paving program.

The proposed program includes 20 streets scheduled for repair and/or resurfacing.

Several residents have requested their streets be eliminated from the program during earlier hearings of ne-

cessity. While one street was dropped, commissioners are expected to make a decision tonight on petitions filed by residents on Hartsough and Roosevelt.

At an earlier meeting, when the petitions asking to be eliminated were presented, commissioners decided to include the streets in the special assessment roll with the understanding they could be dropped later.

Other items on tonight's agenda include a proclamation recognizing Muscular Dystrophy Month (May 15 to June 15) and a resolution approving the purchase of an \$8,700 riding lawnmower for the Department of Public Works.

# Township to collect summer taxes

Plymouth Township once again will collect summer tax bills for Plymouth-Canton Community Schools.

Last week the Township Board approved an agreement to collect the school property taxes for a price of \$3 per parcel. The school board approved the agreement at its April 22 meeting.

Summer taxes for school districts are allowed through Public Act 333 of 1982, which took effect in 1983. The mid-year collection is designed to reduce the amount of money a district must borrow to maintain cash flow.

This year's Plymouth-Canton district levy will be 19.5 mills, representing

one-half of the district's property taxes, including debt service.

"Plymouth-Canton Community Schools are saving more than \$1 million in interest payments through the summer collection," said Raymond Hoedel, associate superintendent for business.

"This will be the first year the schools don't have to borrow at all for cash flow needs," Hoedel told the board.

"The schools prefer to get out of the tax collecting business and prefer to have the townships do it," he said.

THIS IS the third year the school district will issue summer tax bills, and the second the township has agreed to collect them. During the first year, the schools and township couldn't agree on a price for the service.

First of America bank collected summer taxes for Plymouth and Canton townships during the first year. The City of Plymouth and the townships of Northville, Superior and Salem — all having properties in the school district — have collected the summer bills from the start.

Hoedel said Canton Township is the only community where a collection

agreement hasn't been reached, although negotiations are taking place.

The \$3 per parcel fee is "similar to the amount paid to other communities," Hoedel said.

The schools pay First of America \$2.75 per parcel and the lowest-priced community is Superior Township at \$2.50 per parcel.

The summer bills will be mailed out by July 1 and are due between July 1 and Sept. 14 without interest penalties. In Plymouth Township, the bills are payable at the treasurer's office inside Township Hall, the corner of Mill and Ann Arbor Road.

# Weather takes its toll on gravestones

By W.W. Edgar  
staff writer

Many graves in Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth are more than a century old — some of them have been there since long before the Civil War.

But no one knows which is the oldest or just where it is located in the city cemetery near Plymouth Road and Haggerty.

This has been brought about by the weather. Over the years many of their gravestones have been marred by the weather. They were built of soft granite and just wilted away with the

changes in the weather.

Many of the tombstones are out of the ordinary. Some were 2 1/2 feet wide and 4 feet tall and lettered with skill. But the soft granite could not stand the various moods of the weather. As a result some of the names and dates weakened and fell away. Because of that, no names or dates now are available, according to Marvin Behluy, who handles cemetery records for the Department of Public Works (DPW).

"It is just a shame," said Behluy, "that these Civil War veterans and older residents of the area can't be located. Because of this deterioration there

is no record of the number of graves in the cemetery.


"Another matter which hinders our ability to keep records is the fact that when the Presbyterian Church was built in its present location it was to replace the old cemetery. At the time the graves were moved to Riverside, so over the years they were made victims of the weather."

These graves were moved in 1937 to help bring about a cemetery to take

care of the graves in the city. The move made record keeping a difficult job. Because of the move, it also is unknown officially just how many graves there are at Riverside.

The plight at Riverside is not as disappointing as the plot off N. Territorial Road were no trace can be found of the families of those buried there. The state cemetery association at one time claimed that nothing could be done to find relatives or to remove the graves.

## Named trustee



Neal K. "Doc" Fenkell of Plymouth, broadcast consultant for the Detroit Tigers, has been appointed to the Henry Ford Hospital Maplegrove Center Board of Trustees. Fenkell is responsible for administering national and regional television and radio contracts for the Tigers, and also serves as an adviser to Pro Am Sport System (PASS), Cable Systems.

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Prehlah Vachher, MD, Arbor Health Bldg., 7-8:30 p.m.

**Wednesday, May 29 - Adolescent Suicide**  
Mark Fettman, MD, Arbor Health Bldg., 7-8:30 p.m.

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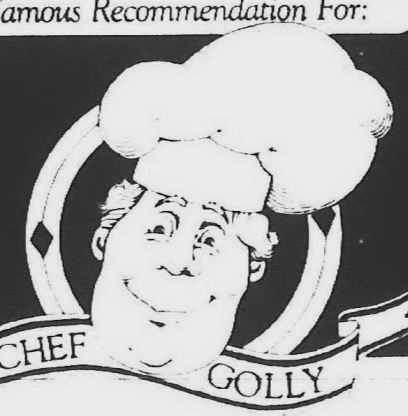
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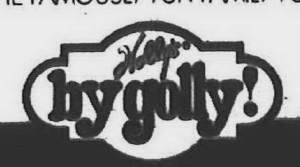


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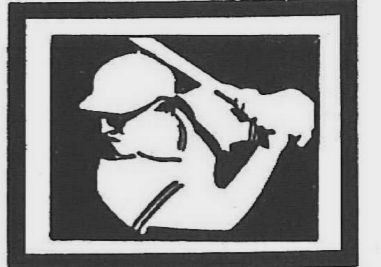
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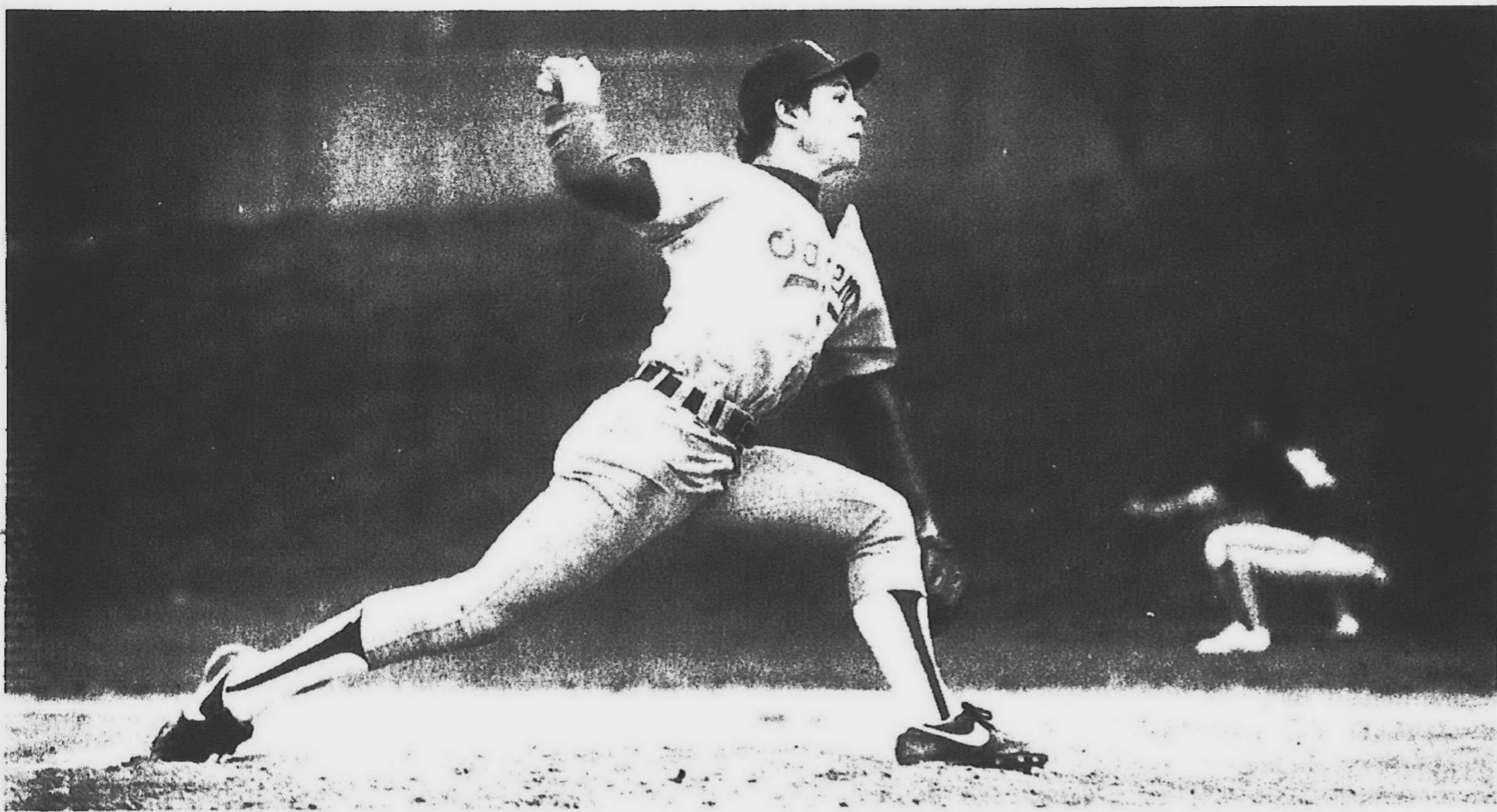
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O&E Monday, May 20, 1985

## Salem clinches WLAA championship



BILL BRESLER/staff photographer

Chris Davis's talented right arm has helped propel Plymouth Salem to a Western Lakes baseball championship. Davis, 6-0 on the year, beat Farmington on Wednesday 4-3. Salem came back to defeat Churchill Friday.

Introducing the 1985 Western Lakes Activities Association baseball champions . . .

No, it is not Walled Lake Western or Plymouth Canton.

The 1984 WLAA champs are none other than the Plymouth Salem Rocks — the same team that area coaches expected to flirt with the basement this season.

The Rocks clinched the title Friday with a convincing 11-5 victory at Livonia Churchill.

"After we beat Canton we knew we were in the driver's seat," said Salem coach John Gravin. "Then we came up flat against Stevenson. Now we're revived."

Steve Dawson, mired in a horrible hitting slump until this week, led Salem's 14-hit attack against Churchill with three hits.

"Dawson has been a pleasant surprise," Gravin said. "He's really swinging the bat."

Dawson had a homer, single and three RBI on Wednesday leading the Rocks to a 4-3 win over Farmington. Junior pitcher Chris Davis picked up his sixth win of the season without a loss in that one.

Mike Kesson and Dom DeBello each ripped three hits for Salem against Churchill.

John Storm started and got credit for the victory. He got relief help from Dan Knapp and Shane Smith. Smith got the save.

"It's good we were able to win the week," Gravin said. "We can

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now concentrate on the state tournament."

The Rocks (14-5 overall, 11-1 in the conference) open the state Class A tournament Monday with a predistrict contest at Walled Lake Western. Western, which features all-state pitcher Dan Gabriele, is the Class A defending champion. Salem defeated Gabriele and Western earlier this season.

**CANTON 3, BENTLEY 0:** Left-hander John Lenders pitched a solid two-hitter for his third straight win of the season, pushing Plymouth Canton one step closer to the Western Division crown.

Canton needs to win one of its remaining two league games to clinch at least a share of the division title.

Lenders walked one and fanned two en route to his third win of the season and his first shutout.

Mark Stevens, Tom Kenyon and Tony Aiken each rapped out a pair of hits for the Chiefs.

Aiken, center fielder, helped preserve Lenders' shutout by gunning down a Bentley runner at the plate in the top of the fourth.

Canton (8-3 in the conference, 16-4 overall and Observerland's No. 1-ranked team) will host Walled Lake Central in a predistrict game Friday.

## When the news isn't good, OU doesn't feel like talking

**A**T LONG LAST. It's official. For months, no one wanted to confirm that Stan Blackford was being terminated as sports information director at Oakland University, preferring to leave the axman's work to someone else.

Blackford's job has been in jeopardy since March, when OU athletic director Paul Hartman recommended his contract not be renewed. But it wasn't made official until Hartman's recommendation cleared the OU review board and was signed by President Joseph Champagne last Wednesday.

Blackford is out of a job for reasons that have not been made public. Those reasons may never come to light. Just finding out Blackford would not return (his contract officially expires Aug. 15) took a good deal of digging.

**THAT'S BECAUSE** good news is apparently all that exists at OU. It's like living in a fairy-tale world and trying to convince people that, as the song goes, Everything is Beautiful. At least everything at OU is.

In the past two years, the school has not released such information as:

- the non-renewal of basketball coach Lee Frederick's contract;

- the loss of three women's basketball starters — Anya Williams, who flunked out, Kim McCarthy, who transferred, and Maria Reynolds, who quit the team;

- two students, one a member of the wrestling team, who apparently drowned in Lake Michigan over spring break.

**FREDERICK'S FIRING** was discovered when an advertisement for a new coach was printed in the NCAA news. Williams and McCarthy, both starters in 1983-84, were not mentioned in the OU preseason preview. McCarthy turned up at the University of Detroit to play for her former coach at OU, Dwayne Jones.

The absence of Reynolds, who lasted one game for OU and quit when she



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didn't start, wasn't discovered until I witnessed a game in January. The supposed drownings of the two students, Gary Nanian and Daniel Meloy, were revealed by wrestling coach Mike Ozga at the OU sports banquet three weeks after the pair were listed as missing.

Why the lack of information regarding such gloomy events? Reasons vary, according to Hartman.

For instance, Hartman said Frederick and his lawyers didn't want his firing released during the season. That proved an embarrassment for OU when the ad appeared in the NCAA News at the season's midpoint.

**WITH REYNOLDS,** coach Sue Kruszewski was trying to convince her to return to the team. A press release announcing Reynolds had left the team, Hartman felt, would have "shut the door on her." Yet, when Reynolds didn't return to the team after more than a month, Hartman agreed a release should have been issued.

Blackford knew what could happen. "How am I going to convince you guys," he told me, "to do a story on our soccer team if you find out I'm holding back other information?"

Blackford agonized over such a problem and made Hartman aware of it. Hartman says he agreed with Blackford, but several items he wanted to release, he couldn't.

Blackford's own non-renewal was a case in point.

"The university asked me not to announce it when contracts are not re-

newed," Hartman said. "It's not negative publicity they're worried about. It's the rights of the individual. They don't want to say anything negative about him."

**HARTMAN DID** send a release to the OU public information department regarding Blackford, but OU vice president for external affairs David Rodwell vetoed it.

"In defense of Paul Hartman, he did propose a release," said Rodwell. "We don't make announcements for everybody whose contract is not renewed. It comes across as a punitive type of thing, and I don't think they need that."

"The public wouldn't be concerned with about 90 percent of them."

Yet it appears that there are problems determining who the public would be interested in.

Rodwell agreed that public figures, like coaches or department heads, would deserve an announcement if their contracts were being terminated.

But that doesn't explain adequately why certain distasteful problems are simply ignored, as if in a week or so they will disappear or be forgotten.

**IT SEEMS** as though the OU hierarchy — whoever will accept the responsibility for such lapses in communication — never learns. The Frederick firing was bungled badly, and the school paid for it in the press.

Not much has changed, it seems. There are still problems relating to the media.

"I guess we're a little paranoid with the press," Hartman said. "We don't know how they'll treat it."

And no one wants to look bad. Accentuate the positive, ignore the negative.

If I get a press release next winter saying a basketball game has been moved to the Silverdome, I'll have to remember to drive past OU on the way — just to be sure Lepley Sports Center hasn't burned down.



DAN DEAN/staff photographer

Beth Frigge and the Canton soccer team was ousted from the state playoffs by Livonia Bentley Wednesday.

## Spartans blank Salem

Mary Kay Hussey supplied all the offense Livonia Stevenson needed and Lisa Broccardo, Danielle Montroy and Marci Jamrog put the defensive clamps on Plymouth Salem as the Spartans blanked the Rocks 2-0 in a state regional quarterfinal Friday at Stevenson.

Hussey scored both goals, the first unassisted with 10 minutes left in the opening half. She got her second with 15 minutes left to play following a free kick from Broccardo.

Stevenson's defense allowed just 12 shots — the Spartans had 25 — and Jamrog shadowed Salem scoring sensation Dena Head throughout the game. The win raised Stevenson's record to 14-0-1, with its next state tournament game tentatively slated for Tuesday against Livonia Bentley at Stevenson.

**BENTLEY 4, MARIAN 2:** Kim Paterson drilled home two goals and the Livonia Bentley defense awoke in the second half to shut down Birmingham Marian as the Bulldogs advanced in the state tournament with a win Friday at Bentley.

Bentley led 3-2 at the half before its

defense throttled Marian's offense. The Mustangs did not get a shot on goal in the second half.

Jamie Kubacki and Missi Weber also scored for Bentley, now 16-2 for the season and ranked second in the state.

On Wednesday, Paterson scored three goals in a 4-1 Bulldog triumph over Plymouth Canton in a state tournament game at Bentley.

Canton's only goal was scored in the first half by Kendra Whiteley as the Chiefs stayed close, trailing 2-1 at the intermission. But Bentley, behind the scoring Paterson and Amy Weber, who had one goal, were too much for Canton.

The Chiefs are 5-7-3 with one match remaining.

**MERCY 8, LADYWOOD 0:** Annette Ruggiero increased her goal output to 32 for the season with three in a state tournament victory for Farmington Hills Mercy at Livonia Ladywood.

Mercy led 6-0 at the half. Ruggiero also has 18 assists for the Catholic League champion Marlins.

Farmington battled back to tie the game at 3-all with five minutes left in regulation, then outshot visiting Livonia Franklin in the overtime shootout 4-2 to advance in the state tournament Wednesday.

The Falcons trailed 3-2 when Carey Hause took a crossing pass from Karen Pennywitt and converted to tie the game. Leslie Martin and Laurie Dingle also scored goals for Farmington, with Hause assisting on Dingle's score.

Stacy Horner netted two goals and Laura Alcalá had one for Franklin.

Neither team was able to score in two five minute overtime periods and two five minute sudden death overtime sessions, necessitating the shootout. Franklin started badly, missing its first two chances while Farmington's Dingle and Pennywitt connected.

The Patriots scored their next two, but Jennifer Cunningham got the Falcons third goal and Martin clinched the victory by scoring Farmington's fourth straight.

The win lifted Farmington to 3-8-1. Franklin fell to 3-12-3.

## McCarthy HR lifts Eagles

Plymouth Christian erupted for four runs in the top of the eighth inning then choked a rally to defeat Bethesda Friday 9-7 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Association baseball game.

Jim McCarthy's two-run home run capped the Eagles' outburst in the

eighth. Rob Cannon led off the inning with a triple. He scored on Rod Windle's hit. Windle stole second and scored on Dave Cadaret's single. McCarthy then put the cap on it.

Bethesda got two back in the bottom of the eighth, but McCarthy, in relief of

starter Bob Files, managed to get the third out.

Windle had three hits and four RBI to pace the Eagle's 10-hit attack. Cannon had a pair of hits.

Plymouth Christian is now 6-5 in the conference, 6-7 overall.







## FISH TALES FOR EVERY TASTE

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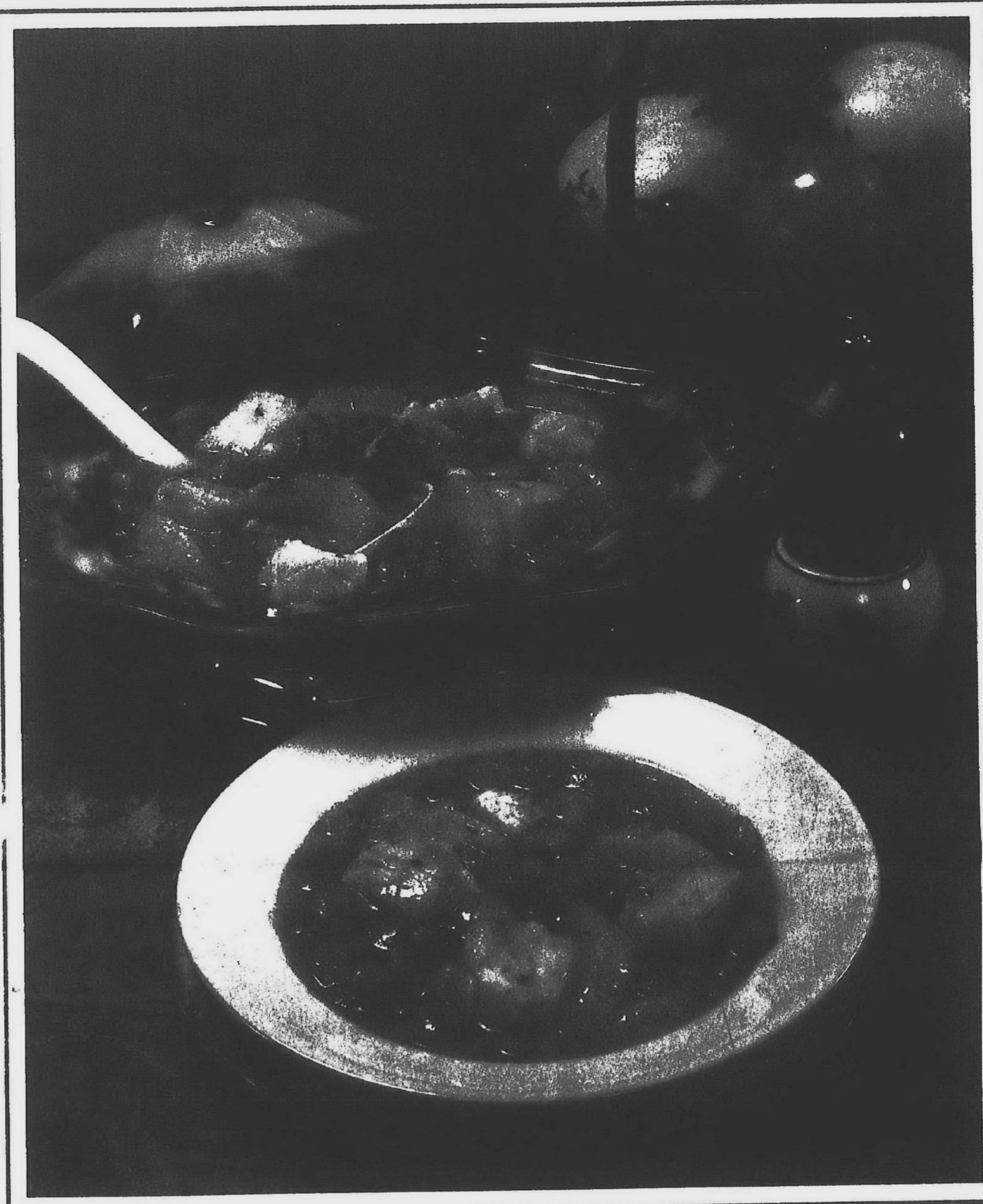
Down Home Fish Stew celebrates the robust flavor of cod. It is a delightful entree that is easy to prepare and hearty enough for four healthy appetites. Chili peppers add a spicy Mediterranean touch, while grapefruit from Florida offer a zesty flavor and a succulent contrast in texture to the flaky fish and tender lima beans.

Sesame Baked Fish takes a whole fish — head and tail included if you like a dramatic presentation — and bakes it with fresh vegetables that are spiced with ginger and soy sauce, sweetened with honey and enlivened with grapefruit juice and sections.

Salmon Salad Daytona is a wonderful and unexpected mix of brown rice, olives, scallions and plump grapefruit sections, all finished with an Italian dressing.

Another winning combination is Florida Grapefruit Scallops. Parsley and chervil, crumbled to release all their flavor, lend a tantalizing bouquet to the tender sweet scallops and piquant citrus sections.

As these examples attest, there is a style of cooking fish to satisfy every taste, bland and sweet or spicy and hearty. Tart-sweet grapefruit juice and sections can enhance the natural flavor of fish and seafood, no matter what the seasoning, and help keep the fish moist and succulent.



### DOWN HOME FISH STEW

- 2 tablespoons vegetable oil
- 1 large onion, chopped (1 cup)
- 2 cloves garlic, chopped
- 1 can (1 pound) tomatoes, drained
- 3 tablespoons chopped, canned, green chili peppers
- 1/2 cup grapefruit juice from Florida
- 1 vegetable bouillon cube
- 3/4 teaspoon dried leaf thyme, crumbled
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 package (10 ounces) frozen lima beans, thawed or 1 can (1 pound) lima beans, drained
- 1 package (1 pound) frozen cod fish, partially thawed, cut in chunks
- 2 medium grapefruit from Florida, sectioned

In large saucepot heat oil, sauté onion and garlic until tender. Stir in tomatoes, chili peppers, grapefruit juice, bouillon cube, thyme and salt. Simmer 20 minutes. Add lima beans and fish, cook 5 to 10 minutes until fish flakes easily when tested with a fork. Add grapefruit sections, mix gently.

YIELD: 4 servings

### SESAME BAKED FISH

- 2 tablespoons peanut oil
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 1 teaspoon chopped fresh ginger
- 1 cup sliced celery
- 1 cup julienned red pepper
- 3 tablespoons soy sauce
- 4 teaspoons honey
- 2 grapefruit from Florida, sectioned, juice reserved
- 1 whole flounder (about 3 pounds), dressed
- 2 tablespoons sesame seeds

In medium skillet heat oil, add garlic and ginger and cook 3 minutes. Add celery and red pepper, stir-fry 1 minute just to coat with seasoned oil. Add soy sauce, honey and juice from grapefruit (about 1/4 cup). Cut diagonal slashes on both sides of fish. Place fish in a shallow baking pan lined with aluminum foil. Spoon vegetable mixture over fish, sprinkle with sesame seeds. Bake, uncovered, in a 425° F oven about 15 minutes or until fish flakes easily with a fork. Halfway through baking period baste with pan juices, add reserved grapefruit sections. To serve, spoon vegetables onto a heated serving platter. Lift fish on foil and slide onto serving platter.

YIELD: 4 servings

Note: Red snapper, porgy, or striped bass can be substituted for flounder.



### SALMON SALAD DAYTONA

- 1 cup brown rice, uncooked
- 1 can (1 pound) salmon, flaked
- 1/2 cup sliced, black olives
- 1/2 cup sliced scallions
- 3 medium grapefruit from Florida, sectioned, juice reserved
- 1/4 cup bottled Italian dressing
- Salad greens

Cook rice according to package directions reducing salt to 1/2 teaspoon. Cool. Combine rice, salmon, olives and scallions; add juice from grapefruit (about 1/3 cup) and dressing; mix well. Add grapefruit sections and toss gently. Serve on salad greens.

YIELD: 4 to 6 servings.

### FLORIDA GRAPEFRUIT SCALLOPS

- 1 pound fresh or frozen bay or sea scallops
- 1/2 cup vegetable oil
- 1/2 cup grapefruit juice from Florida
- 1/4 cup finely chopped parsley
- 1 clove garlic, crushed
- 1-1/2 teaspoons dried leaf chervil, crumbled
- 1/2 teaspoon pepper
- 1/2 cup plus 2 tablespoons packaged bread crumbs, divided
- 1-1/2 cups grapefruit sections from Florida, cut into bite-size pieces
- 1 teaspoon paprika

If using sea scallops, cut in quarters. Thaw scallops, if frozen, by rinsing under cold water. In medium bowl, combine oil, grapefruit juice, parsley, garlic, chervil and pepper; mix well. Add scallops; refrigerate at least 1 hour. Drain scallops reserving oil mixture. Toss scallops with 1/2 cup crumbs. Add grapefruit sections and mix well. Spoon mixture into 4 scallop shells or individual ramekins. Mix remaining 2 tablespoons bread crumbs with paprika; sprinkle over each serving. Spoon 1 tablespoon reserved oil mixture over each. Broil, 6 inches from heat, 10 to 12 minutes, or until topping is golden brown.

YIELD: 4 main dish servings.

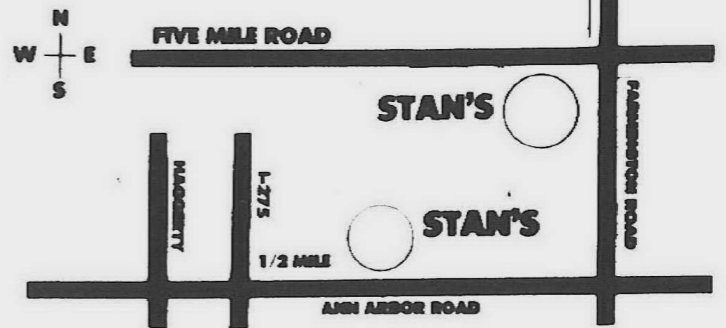
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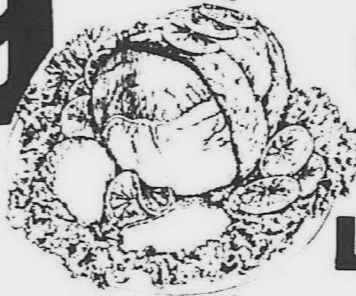
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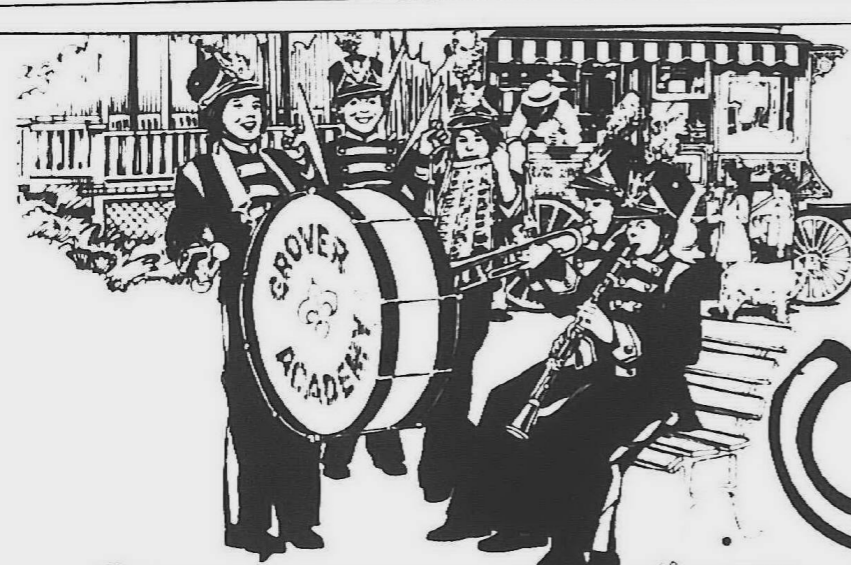
Students at Central Middle School and merchants are cooperating in a fashion show to benefit the Ethiopian Relief Fund. Kathy DeBord of Masons adds a necklace to Terri Kersten's outfit and Ron Melnik models eye-catching shoes from Armbruster's Bootery. Other shops taking part in the show are Mountain Rags, Marleen G's, The Willow Tree and Sagebrush. Great Shape Salon is doing hair and make-up with the operators donating their time to the cause. Admission is \$1 with showings at 7:15 p.m. and 8:15 Tuesday, May 21, at Central.

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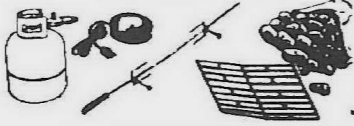
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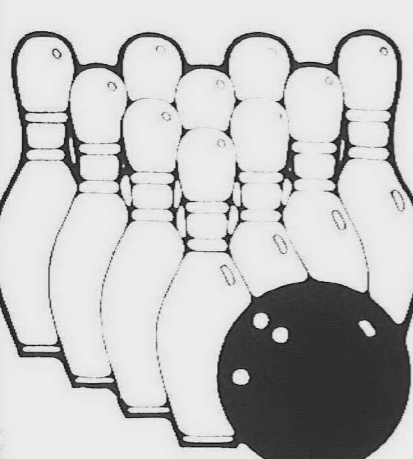
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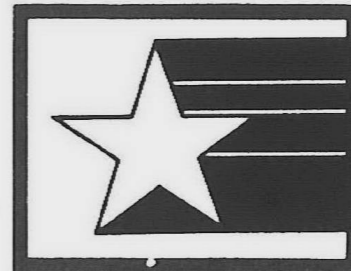
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Marilyn Henner is the dance hall hostess and Sela Ward is the cattle baron's daughter, who are both smitten with the western hero, played by Tom Berenger, in "Rustler's Rhapsody."



the movies

**Dan Greenberg**

## 'Rhapsody' suffers from raunchy script

It's quite a challenge to take a clever idea, a good cast, a decent budget and turn it into a bad movie. Producer David Giler and Writer-Director Hugh Wilson were equal to the task in "Rustler's Rhapsody."

First, the clever idea. What if they made Westerns like they used to... with one exception? Yesterday's films with today's mores and values, except for the hero. He's stuck with Hays Office Production Code, circa 1938: "No lustful and open-mouth kissing."

"Rustler's Rhapsody" opens with the screening of an old, black-and-white Rex O'Herlihan (Tom Berenger) western. O'Herlihan made 38 in the good old days. As the situation is explained, the screen widens to modern-day, full-color Cinemascope.

From that point Rex rides his great horse Wildfire into nearly two hours of unfulfilled promises, bad jokes and a lot of humorless, pointless homosexual allusions.

EVERY WESTERN has its cattle-baron villain, and this time Andy Griffith as Colonel Ticonderoga has the unenviable assignment of trying to be a tough, evil lord of the "ranch" while mincing around with his cowhands.

The problem with this, and much of the rest of the film, is that a one-liner is milked long after its limited potential has run dry. Griffith doesn't even have a one-liner to work as he shows no strength or evil of his own, simply prancing and nancing. The only toughness is exhibited by his gunslingers.

The film's second obligatory villain, the railroad baron, Fernando Rey, is equally humorless and appears to suffer from terminal heartburn.

Griffith's daughter, played by model Sela Ward, soon falls for our singing hero, Rex, as does the local dancehall queen, Miss Tracy, played by Marilyn Henner. Several compromising situations which develop — two girls on the make for the same guy, one campsite and one hero with morality — are not exploited for their potential slapstick humor.

The whole thing just lies there and whimpers slowly as the pace falters and the dialogue dies a humorless death.

"RUSTLER'S RHAPSODY" has all the other stereotypes of old westerns. Shepherders; a corrupt sherriff, town drunk, and another gunslinger, John Wayne's son Patrick. His face-off with Rex, and their discussion of good guys being confident heterosexuals, has got to be a new low in tastelessness.

G.W. Bailey as the town drunk who sobers up and becomes Rex's faithful sidekick has all the grace and humor of a large, gray lump. His so-called comedy routines include trying to emulate Rex's heroic bound into the saddle. All he manages is a groin-crushing leap. It is tasteless, humorless and obvious.

So is the film.



Andy Griffith is Colonel Ticonderoga, the cattle baron, who is confused about his sexual identity.

## Fine wines flow from Franciscan

It is always rewarding, and a bit esoteric as well, to write on new and obscure wineries that only a select few know anything about. It makes the writer seem to be very much on the inside of things. And we all like to be that, writer or not.

But it can be equally rewarding, if a bit less enterprising, to reveal changes in existing wineries, ones that are undergoing dramatic transformations. Recent columns have discussed the remarkable renaissances that are occurring at Kenwood and Buena Vista.

Now there is another to report, and it is no less exciting and favorable. Franciscan Vineyards, a mid-Napa property has long been a bit of an embarrassment to the industry. It has, in its 13-year history, known many owners and been guilty of some of the most erratic production in the valley. There are tales of poor cooperation, the acquisition of inferior grapes, questionable vinicultural techniques, injudicious marketing... the list goes on.

But no more. In 1979, Franciscan was purchased by the Peter Eckes Co. of West Germany. Things seemed to drift for a couple of years, and then a series of events occurred that resulted in a determined move by the new owners to rehabilitate the operation.

BY 1984 Franciscan was becoming a respected property, as things slowly began to turn around. The only obvious public mistake it has made so far, at least that I can see, is not to change the name of the winery. That one step, if taken, would have obviated the need to re-create its image.

Now, production is down from its earlier high of 120,000 cases a year to a more governable 50,000 and the focus

is on issuing fewer varietals. Much new equipment has been installed, including row on row of lovely French puncheons to deliver clean wood flavors to the wines. In nearly all respects, the winery seems to be a quality operation, not a bulk production facility as in the past.

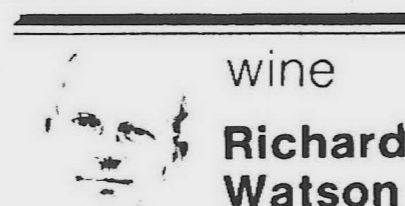
About the time the turn-around became apparent, I tasted an array of its present offerings with Ken Robeson, chief winemaker since 1983. Robeson has replaced Tom Ferrell, to whom he had been assistant and helped in the decision to down-size and upgrade the business.

This decision has perhaps done more than any of the many made recently to enable Franciscan to begin to start its new course: a limited production facility focusing on select varietals only.

This column would not have been written had I not tasted them, and subsequently, several of its current crop of chardonnays. In a word, they are stunning. Some are to be preferred over others but these preferences are over style, not quality. Each is full of good fruit, touched intelligently with wood and show decent complexity without being gross in any manner.

THERE ARE, essentially, two levels of chardonnay currently being marketed. One is the standard issue, carrying an Alexander Valley appellation (about \$9), and both the 1982 and 1983 vintages are now available at various local places. The latter of these, incidentally, was the one of all the chardonnays that I enjoyed most in my recent blitz.

Its other releases are from Estate-Grown grapes, a Napa appellation, and carry vineyard designations. The word



wine

**Richard Watson**

"Reserve" is usually affixed. In time there will be four issues from the 1982 vintage, each priced in the \$12 range.

Also of high merit were a couple of cabernets, a 1979 Napa and a 1980 Estate issue. Both showed fine depth and a pleasant ripe olive character, the lat-

ter being, if anything, too intense for present consumption.

The 1983 sauvignon blanc is a lovely thing, full of sound varietal character. But beware: It also has issued a 1983 fume blanc (a questionable practice that can only confuse the public) that is a most unattractive thing, off odors and taste.

Robeson is very fond of his 1979 charbono, presently available, and a small army of staff descended when it was learned that we were to open its 1982 johannisberg riesling, a wine that came in at 35 brix and is full of apricot, peach and other lovely fruit flavors.

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