Unsafe for animals, okay for humans

Heavy metal contamination in Tonquish Creek

BY CHERYL EBERWEIN

High concentrations of heavy metals have been found in Tonquish Creek, a representative for the Michigan Department of Natural Resources said Thursday. While the metal contamination does not pose a human health threat, it could affect the health of animals exposed to or drinking the water, DNR officals

Excessive concentrations of both iron and zinc were isolated in the water samples taken by DNR water quality specialist Brian Reicks March 14. Reicks said that zinc was found at 14 parts per million in the water samples tested and iron was found at 18 parts per million.

Normal levels for these metals. Reicks said, would be in the low hundredths of one part per million.

Chrome, nickle and copper were also found in the water samples. Reicks said concentration levels of these metals may also be slightly higher than normal.

Concentrations of all metals found in the samples could be even higher in the creek, Reicks said. "The water samples I took were at the end of discharge period. The heaviest concentrations of metals had already been washed downstream when I took the samples."

The DNR took sediment samples from the stream on the same day. Results of the sediment samples were not available at press time, but Reicks said he felt the sediment would also reflect high metal concentrations.

"We're trying to track down the source Cont. on pg.6



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City eliminates 30% of its fire force

Lay-off of 3 firemen sparks protest in Plymouth

BY RACHAEL DOLSON

Plymouth City Firefighters this weekend passed out flyers urging citizens to protest the lay-offs of three of the city's 10 firemen.

'We were shocked by the lay-offs," said Bob Degen, firefighters union president. "They are putting the citizen's lives and homes in jeopardy by making these cuts."

City Manager Henry Graper said the firemen should not have been "shocked" by the lay-offs. "We sat down and negotiated four times with them. I told them what (concessions) were necessary to preserve those jobs."

Graper said the budget approved two weeks ago by the city commission required either concessions or position cuts in the fire department.

The elimination of the three employees is do to "economic considerations," Graper said, not because of the city's agreement with Community

EMS to provide advance life support and ambulance transport services.

To keep the fire staff at its' former level of 10 full-time firemen plus a chief, Graper said the fire union would have had to agree to changes in overtime, vacation, and call-back benefits.

"If they're so concerned about these guys loosing their jobs - they could have agreed to some changes. I have a budget to balance," Graper said.

"They make a decent salary before overtime," he said. "None of us in city hall get paid four our overtime. With the money them make in overtime, some of them made more than I did last year."

One fireman was laid-off as of April 29, and two firemen were given pink slips with last work days of May 30. "One was a probationary employee - he could be laid off quicker," Graper said.

A fire captain who has been running a full-time fire prevention program for

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Board OK'S 1st National collection of summer taxes

BY MARK CONSTANTINE

The Plymouth-Canton schools and First National Bank of Plymouth have formed a limited partnership that could eventually impact upon school districts across the

In an unprecedented move Monday night, the Board of Education voted 6-0 to allow First National to collect the summer school property taxes in the townships of Canton, Plymouth and Northville.

Trustee E. J. McClendon is sick in the hospital and was unable to make the

Also, at the same meeting, the board voted unanimously to allow the townships of Salem and Superior to collect the summer taxes at the rate of \$3.37 and \$3.56 per parcel, respectively.

Finally, the board approved a resolution by a vote of 6-0 authorizing the City of Plymouth to collect the summer school taxes. The city will charge the district a one per cent administrative fee for the service.

First National will charge the district

\$3 per parcel for the cost of the tax collection in the three townships. The precedent-setting agreement is the only one of its kind in the state, according to Ray Hoedel, assistant superintendent for

"As far as we know, no other district in the state will be working in conjunction with a bank in the collecting of school taxes," he said. "The bank, through its parent company, City National, is looking at this as a possible pilot program for the rest of the state. .

"We feel very good about the as its enthusiasm. It (summer tax collections) means so much to the people of the district. Not only does it reduce a line item in the budget by \$900,000, it also allows us to reduce the millage by half a mill."

First National will begin mailing out the tax bills by July 1. However, the district by May 30, at the latest, must deliver to the bank in computer tape format a list of all taxable properties upon

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INDIANA ARTIST C. SCHIEFER is shown through the eye of his own creation at the Plymouth Art Fair this past weekend. More Spring Art Fair photos on pg. 7 (Crier photo by Rick Smith).

School elections June 13

It's official. The annual school election will be held Monday, June 13.

The Board of Education made sure of that Monday night at its regularly scheduled meeting by unanimously adopting a resolution setting the school elections for that date.

Two four-year and one two-year-school board seats will be up for grabs the second Monday in June when the voters in The Plymouth-Canton Community head to the polls.

Incumbents Tom Yack and Roland Thomas, along with newcomers Roberta Woolard and Harry Stearnes will be vying for the two four-year seats.

Dave Artley, Nancy Quinn and Karen Murphy, meanwhile, will battle it out for the lone two-year post.

No millage proposals will be included on the ballot.

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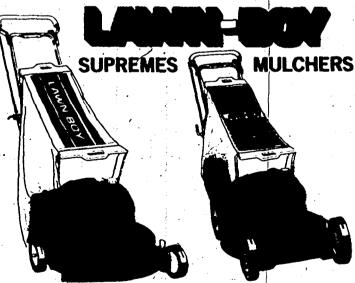
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Schools set tax levy at maximum - 37 mills

BY MARK CONSTANTINE

The Plymouth-Canton schools can legally set the tax levy at a maximum of

And that's exactly what the Board of Education did Monday night, adopting a resolution establishing the 1983 summer tax levy at one-half of the full tax levy.

However, the levy can be reduced by the seven-member body in September if the proper set of circumstances occurs.

The levy includes 35.26 mills for the operation of the schools and 1.74 for debt retirment, according to Ray Hoedel, assistant superintendent for business.

The operational levy is the same as in 1982, while the debt levy of 1.74 represents a decrease of .5 from the 2.24 assessed last year, Hoedel said.

The decrease in the debt levy can be attributed directly to the implementation of a summer tax levy, Hoedel added.

Superintendent John M. Hoeben in a

written report sent to the board prior to Monday's meeting explained the reasoning behind the district assessing one-half of the full tax levy.

"Due to the uncertainty of a state aid act that has not been passed and, in light of an economy that is still somewhat slow on the upturn," Hoben said, "it appears to me that we should not consider any reduction of millage in the summer tax collection but should re-evaluate in September when state aid will be known and the Governor's proposal will either be a reality or will have been tampered with by legislation."

Of course, he went on to add, if the district receives positive signs from the state, then the schools can reduce the millage by September 15.

This means the winter tax levy could be decreased if it determined a a full levy is not needed, Hoedel said.

A Plymouth whodunit

Twists and turns by ZBA

BY RACHAEL DOLSON

Everyone loves a good mystery.

Well, the City of Plymouth has a whodunit with more twists, turns and tales then Agatha Christie's most convoluted concoction.

Truth may be truly stranger than fiction.

The principals in Plymouth's whodunit were either in the room, in the hallway, upstairs, downstairs, at another meeting or at home, according to documents and statements. Some were two places at once, and some just can't remember where they

Some say an illegal act was committed, others deny it. Some say meeting itself was illegal, making the legality of the action somewhat of a moot point.

So sharpen your detective skills and get out your thinking caps. Maybe you can deduce whodunit.

Our story begins on Sept. 2, when the city Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) first considered Edward Ochal's plans for a workshop-family room addition to his house at 145 Union.

Because Ochal's property is zoned for general business use, he needed the ZBA's approval to expand his nonconforming (residential) use. The ZBA's discussioon on the Ochal property was tabled until Sept. 8, according to the minutes, so the ZBA could meet jointly with the planning commissioners.

Here the plot thickens. According to the original Sept. 8 minutes, the ZBA used a phone poll to illegally vote on the variance request after their joint meeting with the planning commission. At the next meeting, the ZBA amended the minutes to say all the board members were physically present.

Two months later, after planning commissioner Greg Green had called attention to the issue, the ZBA struck both statements from the record Fand revoted to approve Ochal's request.

The original minutes for the Sept. 8 meeting say that ZBA members Diane Kimball and Ken Christensen were absent. After consultation with the planning commission, it was moved to

approve the application ... after telephone poll of the ZBA members who were absent, Chairman (Charles) Cash advised that the motion was carried unanimously."

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man, the auditorium at the school he served as principal since 1964 will be

His interest and support of the fine arts program at Fordson also led to the auditorium being re-named for him. The ceremony honoring Failor will take place Saturday at 1:30 p.m.

While he held the top spot at Fordson, he was kept busy from 1976-1979 with supervising a \$10 million restoration and renovation of the facility that first opened its doors in 1926.

He also sprearheaded the development of a bilingual education program at Fordson, and is still involved in assisting in the development of a statewide approach bilingual-vocational educational programs.

For further information on the dedication of the auditorium, call 582-

MARY BREEN



Car fire

Mary Breen, a 16-year veteran of the Livonia Public Schools, says she can do the job.

The Plymouth Township mother of three is talking about being able to hold down one of the six-year seats on the Schoolcraft Community College Board of

She recently held a luncheon announcing her candidacy at which she told a gathering of leaders from The Plymouth Canton Communty, as well as a bevy of national and state legislators, her many years of civic involvement and her educational background are her primary qualifications for the job.

"I am a graduate of a community college myself," the Stevenson High School assistant principal said, "and I believe this level of education is vital to our community."

Breen, whose husband, Maurice, is Supervisor of Plymouth Township, emphasized her familiarity with all the communities in the Schoolcraft district make her uniquely able to bring any diverse elements togetherr for the benefit of the educational community and the

Greenleaf

Harry Greenleaf has announced he is seeking re-election to one of four six-year Schoolcraft Community College Board of Trustees' seats up for grabs in June.

The Livonia resident has served as board chairman the past four years, but

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It'll be a long time before the students and faculty at Dearborn's Fordson High School will forget Canton's Harvey Failor.

The recently retired educator spent the last 30 years at Forson, first as a teacher and coach and then later as a counselor, assistant principal and principal.

Retirement doesn't mean inactivity for the 35-year veteran of the Dearborn school system. He recently filed a petition seeking election to one of the six-year seats on the Board of Trustees of Schoolcraft Community College.

For those he came in contact with in his tenure at the east Dearborn school, the memory of his achievements will never be forgotten.

However, in an effort to insure future Tractors will know something about the

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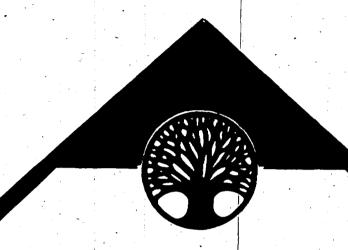
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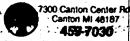




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Where is water cheapest?

BY CHERYL EBERWEIN

Is it cheaper to take a shower in Plymouth than it is in Canton? Are you better off to wash your clothes in Plymouth Township rather than Plymouth? Is it more economical to water a lawn in Canton or Plymouth Township?

Although Plymouth, Plymouth Township and Canton all purchase their water through the City of Detroit, water rates charged to consumers in the communities differed by as much as 66 cents per thousand gallons of water used in the past three years.

Sewer rates in The Plymouth-Canton Community also differed by several cents among the three although all use the Rouge River Waste Water System.

Plymouth charges its residents the most for its water and sewer services. Plymouth residents have paid \$1.53 per thousand gallons of water since September of 1982. Residents were charged \$1.10 for the first 50,000 gallons of water used and 88 cents for every thousand after that in 1981.

Plymouth's rate is 66 cents higher than what both Canton and Plymouth Township presently charge their residents.

City manager Henry Graper said that Plymouth charges its residents more for water because it has an older water system than either Plymouth Township or

'Plymouth reported a loss last year in both its water ans sewer rates," Graper said. "The townships are able to subsidize their water rates because their systems are newer."

Graper also said that one of the biggest factors used to determine water and sewer rates is the elevation of the receiving

'Plymouth has the highest elevation in the county," Graper said. "It is also the furtherst community out in the system, and this affects our water rates.'

Sewer rates in Plymouth are figured on a bulk water consumption basis. Sewer rates have increased from \$10.93 for the first 18,000 gallons used in July of 1981 to 71 cents in September of 1982. The bulk payment cost consumers about 60 cents per thousand gallons in 1981.

Graper said if the city had its own system water and sewer rates would not be so expensive. Such a system, however, would be impossible to establish, Graper said because Plymouth has sold its water

Plymouth Township has increased its water rates from 72 cents per thousand gallons in 1981 to 87 cents in 1983. Its sewer rates have increased from 69 cents per thousand gallons of water used in 1981 to 97 cents in 1983.

Thomas Hollis, DPW superintendent for Plymouth Township said the biggest reason water rate increases have not been passed along to Plymouth Township residents is because Plymouth Township's system is so small.

"We only have fixed costs of about 14 per cent," Hollis said. "The only costs we pass along to our consumers are the costs which Detroit passes along to us.

"We don't want to pass along rate Cont. on pg.11

Civic groups march

Memorial Day parade

The Plymouth American Legion and Veterans of Foriegn Wars (VFW) of Plymouth have a city parade planned to celebrate Memorial Day, May 30.

Police Chief Carl Berry said the parade will begin at Central Middle School and march around town, ending at Kellogg Park in downtown Plymouth.

The parade will begin at 10:30 a.m., he said, and feature units from the VFW, Legion, as well as civic organizations such as the Boy Scouts.

The Legion and the VFW take turns organizing the parade, the VFW post commander said, and this year the parade is in the hands of the Legion.

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Parents plan senior party

THE CANTON HIGH SCHOOL class of '83 will celebrate commencement in style on June 16. Above, parents of the graduating students map out plans for a senior class party in the cafeteria. Tickets are \$10 and will be sold in school and at the door that Thursday. There will be food and dancing to a live band as well as millionaires' games and a fortune teller. Party organizers pictured above inlude Dorothy Meharg, Linda Regan, Doug Steele, Judy Hausman, Jim Geresh, Tom Santer and Lois Santer.

Knollwood hearing scheduled

The state Attorney General's office is planning another court hearing to determine if Knollwood Memorial Cemetery in Canton violated a previous court order to repay deficient perpetual care and merchandise trust funds.

A hearing was called for by the commission in February for the same reasons, but it was never held because "more immediate concerns came up," according to the Attorney General's office.

"I think we'll be going to court by July, probably in May or June, Assistant Attorney General Ronald J. Styka said.

The Cemetery Commission has had seven audits done on Knollwood dating back to 1971, all of which have shown steadily increased deficits in the two trusts, the audit reports stated. The last audit, done by the commission in 1982 put trust fund deficits as of Dec. 31, 1981 at \$371,165.29.

Commercial cemeteries are required by law to put an initial deposit of \$25,000 and 15 per cent of all sales placed into a perpetual care trust fund. The interest is used for cemetery maintenance, it must set up a separate trust fund to insure delivery of merchandise.

According to the law, the cemetery must deposit 70 per cent of proceeds received from burial vault sales and 130 per cent of the cost from grave memorial sales into the fund. Withdrawals require certification that the merchandise has been delivered and installed.

According to the last audit, Knollwood Cemetery should have had \$157,400.84 in their perpetual care trust fund, and \$271,986.96 in their merchandise trust fund. However, the audit showed only \$40,319.47 in the perpetual care fund, and \$17,903.04 in the merchandise trust fund.

George Bruce, former executive secretary of the state Cemetery Commission, said the owners of Knollwood have not done a great deal to bring down their deficits since that time.

Bruce, said last month's, figures show

the perpetual trust fund at about \$55,000 and the merchandise trust fund at about \$23,000.

Knollwood has had a running battle with the Attorney General's office since 1978 over the deficit funds. The case Cont. on pg. 1).

Fall Fest board okays 3 groups

BY CAROL EHRLE

The Plymouth Fall Festival Board of Directors Wednesday night voted on three new requests by organizations hoping to participate in this year's festivities.

The Plymouth Historical Society, Centennial Education Park (CEP) radio station WSDP and the not-yet-opened Henry Ford Hospital Plymouth Extension Center expressed their desire to become more visible in the community through inclusion in the September event.

The board voted to waive the standard \$125 participation fee for WSDP. In return, the station will broadcast live interviews every hour with exhibitors and organizers at Fall Fest.

Both the Plymouth Historical Museum and Henry Ford Hospital will be included in Fall Fest after paying the \$125 fee, the board voted.

Paul Szilagyi, a spokesman for Henry Ford Hospital, said he hopes to set up a health fair at Fall Fest which would include screening for high blood pressure, glaucoma and other diseases.

"We want to make ourselves known in the community" Szilagyi said. "What better way than through a festival that occurs around the same time as our opening (Oct.1)."

In another matter, the board voted to move the produce stand, sponsored each year by The Community Crier, to the front of the Wilcox house. Previously, it was located in front of Central Middle School







PLYMOUTH CITY FIRE Department Captain Donald Belsky distributes flyers in a Plymouth neighborhood with his wife, Georgiann (left) and daughter, Lisa. (Crier photo by Rachael Dolson.)

City firemen protest staffing cut

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Plymouth has been reduced to a regular firefighter's job, Degen said.

Degen said the cuts will mean only two firemen to a shift instead of three. The lay-offs mean fewer off-duty firemen to respond in a crisis, Degen said.

"Twelve weeks ago we were a fairly good fire department - now who knows. The department is cut back to 1969 staffing levels," he said.

Degen refuted Graper's statement that the union knew the lay-offs were coming. "That's not true. Two days before the budget was approved. Graper said all the affected employees had been notified. Only one firemen had been pink slipped. After the budget passed, two more wer laid off."

Degen said other employee groups in the city were only asked for a wage freeze, while the fire department was expected to make cuts or take concessions.

Degen said the cuts endanger the citizens as well as the firemen, who must fight fires with a smaller crew.

Schools to collect own taxes

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which summer school property taxes will be levied.

"The bills will look very much like the other tax bills that will be mailed out in Superior and Salem Townships and the . city," Hoedel told the board Monday

Vice President Elaine Kirchgatter indicated she would like to see a cover letter developed and sent along with the bills mailed out by the bank to answer any questions taxpayers may have about the new procedure.

Hoedel assured the board a letter was in the process of being developed and would accompany all the tax bills sent out in the townships of Canton, Plymouth and Northville.

Firemen training funds lost in state budget cuts

BY CHERYL EBERWEIN

Firemen in The Plymouth-Canton Community may lose job training opportunities once available to them as a result of state budget cuts, Plymouth and Canton fire chiefs said.

The state announced a budget cut to the Michigan Firefighter Trainee Council of nearly 70 per cent or \$296,000. The council assists local firefighting units by guidelines. providing training correspondents and staff, as well as providing fire related information to all state fire departments.

Chief Melvin Paulun of the Canton Fire Department said that the budget cutbacks will eliminate assistant training programs which the Council once provided to Canton firemen.

"This cutback will hurt the fire department," Paulun said. "Although the training programs aren't mandatory, we rely upon the Council to set up new training programs and introduce new training methods."

Paulun said that the Canton department may come to a standstill in utilizing new firefighting techniques as a result of the Council cutback.

Chief Roy Hall of the Plymouth Fire Department also said the budget cutback would deleteriously affect his depart-

"We're hiring an additional | 10 volunteers on the staff," Hall said. "Normally we'd go through the Michigan Training Council for coordinators and instructors for these people. Now all of our training will have to be in-department training."

Hall said that Plymouth has one state certified firefighter instructor on his staff. He added that the loss of state revenues will force Plymouth to pay this instructor additional overtime pay because he will not be able to conduct all training sessions during normal duty hours.

Hall said that his department will remain in touch with Council coordinators and will therefore not lose opportunities to learn about updated firefighting techniques.

He said that those training sessions which Plymouth's instructor cannot conduct will have to wait until October when a new state budget is developed.

Chief Larry Groth of the Plymouth Fire Department said that the council also provided his department with training

"Although at the present time our full staff is trained with the necessary 240 hours, not all of our volunteers have the required 66 hours," Groth said. "The state has provided assistance for this training in the past, but now it will be on our backs," he added.

Groth said that it was possible that Plymouth Township firefighters would not be kept up to date on firefighting techniques as a result of the council cutbacks.

"They're probably going to cut personnel which will limit ur contact with them," Groth said.

Metals found in Tonquish

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of these metals now," Reicks said. "We suspect that some sort of metal plating industry or business which uses these metals may be the problem."

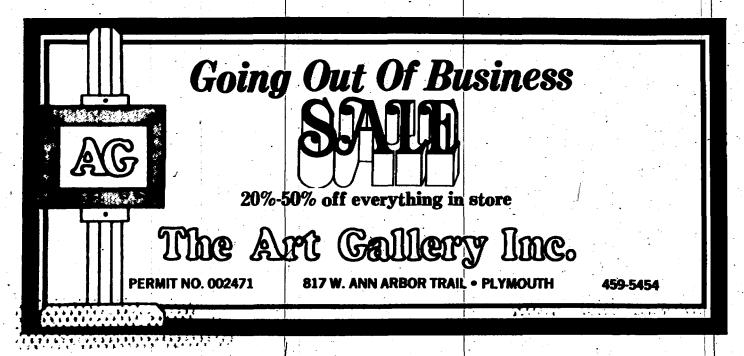
The metal contamination was found in the north branch of the Tonquish. Reicks said he could think of no heavy industry along the north branch of the creek, but he added that auto businesses and other businesses which use metal sheeting and wire will be checked.

DNR officials began investigating the creek nearly a month ago after The Crier notified them about possible contaminants in the water. Residents along the creek told The Crier and the DNR that they had noticed a white cloudy substance in the water at least twice a week for over a year.

Ken West, city engineer for Plymouth said that tracing the source of the metal contamination would be the job of the DNR. "The city has no water quality standards," West said. "All water quality standards are under the state DNR.'

West added that the city would help the DNR in any way it could to isolate the source of the metal contamination.

Reicks said that the metals found in the water would not combine to form chemicals more toxic than the metals themselves. He added that isolating the source of the problem may be difficult unless the DNR can witness the discharge when it first occurs.





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WEATHER KEPT THE number of visitors down, but City Manager Henry Graper said the weekend Spring Art Fair was a success for a first-year project. "We look forward to doing it again next year," he said. Visitors to the fair (clockwise from below) were: Shireley Honert of Plymouth (left) and artist Wilma Halliburton; taking a break are Meghan (left) and Michele Greenwald; and entertaining is jazz musician Ron Davis.









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Blood and gore through the camera's eye

We see people ripped to pieces by gunfire and run over by cars on TV all the time. In fact, violence on the tube, most of the time, doesn't shock us at all.

We accept it because we know it isn't real. But what about when art is no longer imitating life? When life begins to look like a scene out of "T.J. Hooker" or "Hill Street Blues."

Fortunately, many of us don't ever come across someone who has been cut down by a gun or a person who has been hit by a car.

However, being on the scene when incidents like that occur are a part of my iob. I must admit, though, viewing the aftermath of a man who had killed himself with a .357 Magnum and witnessing firsthand another on a motorcycle get smacked by a car all in the span of three days didn't exactly make my week.



On the Mark

with Mark Constantine

I've seen some gruesome sights in my five-plus years as a journalist, but nothing I've ever been on hand to cover affected as much as the two incidents I just described.

It would have been easy to walk around afterwards spouting off to friends and coworkers about how I walked into the 35th District Court men's room to take photos of the crime scene for the Plymouth Police and did it without thinking twice about what I was looking at in the viewfinder.

Or joke about the surreal image of the motorcyclist bouncing off the hood and windshield of the car and winding up standing on his feet for a few seconds before collapsing in pain on the pavement.

However, there was no way I could make light of the accident after I watched the eldery woman who had hit the man walk over to him, get on her knees at his side and begin sobbing almost uncontrollably, trying to make him understand she didn't mean to hit him.

Perhaps policemen and emergency medical personnel, not to mention doctors and nurses, simply get used to such scenes. I don't think I ever could.

I'll simply continue to do my job, pulling out my camera, no matter how distasteful those on hand may think it is, to record on film a crime or accident

Why? Well, when you get right down to the nitty and the gritty, we are all voyeurs to a certain extent. That's why people gawk as they drive past an accident of the freeway, hoping to catch a glimpse of an injured person being pulled out of the wreck.

You don't think so? Why do you think the Pulitzer Prize in photography each year goes to a photographer who has snapped a shot of a griping slice of some sort of human drama.

That doesn't mean I, personally, will ever feel blase about photographing a blood-stained men's room. Yes, I know, I can always get out of this line of work if I want to, and then I won't have to worry

about coming across gruesome scenes. But I love what I'm doing for a living, and I enjoy being able to bring thousands of readers a slice of the real world via a photograph. Twice in three days, though,

is a little much for me.

Dumping charges need discussion

It was a meeting scheduled to answer questions and clear up any misunderstandings, at the very least.

At the most, the session would have allowed all concerned parties to address some

serious allegations.

Toxic chemicals were allegedly dumped into the Woodland Meadows Landfill, located on Hannan Road in Canton, according to two former hazardous waste haulers.(The Crier, April 20)

The dumpings of chromic acids, paint thinners and transmission fluids allegedly occurred between 1974 and 1976. Liquid chemical dumping at the site is prohibited by Wayne County.

In an effort to start discussions on the allegations, The Crier set up a meeting of all concerned parties.

But the meeting between Michigan Waste Systems, Browning Ferris, Inc., the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR), The Wayne County Health Department, Canton Township, and the two former waste haulers did not take place.

The DNR and Wayne County said they were unable to meet on Saturday. Canton said it could not attend the meeting without an attorney, who also was unavailable for a

Browning-Ferris, employer of the truckers during 1974-76, said it might send a representative. Michigan Waste Systems, the company which operates Woodland, refused to participate.

Only the two truckers were willing to attend the meeting.

Another meeting will be arranged and all parties may yet have a chance to listen and discuss the allegations, but we are beginning to question how seriously these charges are being viewed by the officials and companies involved.

We seek only to clarify these serious accusations. But how can questions be answered when most of the parties involved will not even sit down together?

THE COMMUNITY CRIER

From man's best friend to his castle



Unsolicited Remarks

By Rachael Dolson

Ugliness is in the eye of the beholder.

Take Gail's dog, Dolly, for example. (Please take her!) Eason, an advertising professional with The Crier brought her mangy, scruffy mascot to a recent practice of The Crier softball team.

It was the ugliest thing I ever saw dirty dustmop on four legs. But she loves it, right down to the roots of its scraggly white hair. She thinks it could beat Lassie, Rin Tin and Benjie in a canine beauty contest, or search property of the contest of

Or take blue houses. To me, a house painted methum blue is gagging. If God

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wanted blue house, he would have grown wood in blue.

Or, take a certain construction project on Union Street in Plymouth. Calls from residents, city officials and passerbyers poured in over Ed Ochal's "family room" addition to his home.

It has been called "Uck on Union Street," "Ochal's Ol' Crate," and simply "The Monstrosity."

It is the butt of many a city joke. What will it be used for? A birds-eye view of the Fall Festival? A new DPW garage? A lighthouse to warn Tonguish Creek boaters? The least and the standard of

A well-placed source contends the Russians are now taking satellite photos of what they believe to be a missile silo.

Personally, I don't think much of the "family room" so far either. But I don't like blue siding or drop ceilings either.

The house is an existing (residential) use in what is now zoned a business

As a half-dozen city officials have explained (without me even asking) he can building the structure - eliminating the front yard - because of the business zoning. Plus, the city does not have much control over the "aesthetics" of an individual home, they say.

In other words, beauty can not be legislated.

So, let's lay, off the harrassment of Ochal.

After all, I man's home is his castle. And, as one caller so aptly inquired "When's the most going in ?!" () ()

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With Malice Toward None



'Junior lightening bugs' earn title with chicanery

And the Plymouth Jaycees wonder why they're known as junior lightning bugs...

Last week, the Jaycees submitted a letter to the editor thanking the businesses and governmental folks who had helped with their annual Easter Egg Hunt. Another newspaper printed the missive.

Why didn't The Crier print it?

The letter was signed, "Isaac M. Stoned, chairman, Plymouth Jaycees."

Now maybe the Jaycees think it's cute to sign fictitious names, but this newspaper does not.

To the paper, where the editorial and other staffers put their names on honest opinions, or sign them as a group, and see local readers honestly step forward as well, such chicanery is immature and threatening to the honest exchange of ideas.

After all, the major thing the stunt accomplished was to throw disrepute onto an otherwise thoughtful letter. It's a shame that the community which is asked to support the Jaycees must also tolerate their immaturity.

The Jaycees have whined before about being likened to a Peter Pan "never grow up" band of Lost Children, but what other conclusion can be drawn?

All young men between the ages of 18 and 35, who don't want to act maturely, and who want to run around signing "I.M. STONED" all over, should call up Tim Sullivan, past Jaycee president who admitted signing the letter, and join up.

Maybe they'll win one the many state-wide Jaycee awards for im-

maturity.

Firemen 'tug' for honor

EDITOR-

Below, please find a letter making public the challenge the Civitan West Metro Group has made to the Canton Fire Department for this year's Canton Country Festival tug-of-war. If the public gives the firefighters all the support they need, they won't feel so bad when they're pulled into the mud.

TO THE CANTON FIRE DEPARTMENT:

We, the Civitan West Metro Singles Group, are participating in this year's Canton Country Festival and would like to challenge the you to a tug-of-war.

We know for a fact that we are a young and ambitious group and we will have no problem beating you.

It seems that your men are lacking enthusiasm and don't want to get involved. We are trying to make this as easy as possible because you couldn't really manage anything else.

We will put an even amount of weight from our group against yours and the loser will buy the beer. May the best team win.

JUDITH M. JAMROZ,

PROGRAM COORDINATOR, CIVITAN WEST METRO GROUP

Scout Thanks' for help, food

EDITOR:

April 23 the Boy Scouts of America collected over a quarter of a million pounds of food for the hungry.

The Plymouth area was especially generous. You gave 2,464 pounds of food for the Scouting Food Drive.

We are grateful to you for your overwhelming support and for the opportunity to provide a community service. We're hopeful that this effort will provide relief to those in our community in need.

CHARLES A GREGOIRE,
GEMINI DISTRICT GOOD TURN
CHAIRMAN,

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

Crier publicity helped seniors complete taxes

EDITOR

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you and your staff for the wonderful publicity you gave our tax aide team this past tax season.

Every week you faithfully notified your readers, and especially the senior citizens of our area, just where our tax counselling for the elderly tax team would be setting up to do tax returns, tax credits and rental credits.

I would also like to thank the tax preparers who not only worked many hours preparing the tax returns but also had to go to classes to be certified by the I.R.S. to do these returns.

The preparers were: Louise Bradley, Charles Derr, Dorothy Hadac, Karin Keim, Elsie McDonnell, Gene Niles, Dora Rubenstein, Clifford Smith and William Welsh Thank you for helping us help the senior citizens of our community.

MILDRED W. KINGSLEY, COORDINATOR, PLYMOUTH-NO-RTHVILLE AARP

Soccer team thanks station

EDITOR

Salem Girls Soccer Team would like to thank the Warren-Sheldon Mobil Station for the help and courtesy given in the team's recent, very successful car wash on April 23.

We really appreciated the fact that all of the facilities were donated and the team received all donations taken.

KEN JOHNSON AND
THE SALEM GIRLS SOCCER TEAM



From the Inside Looking Out

By Cheryl Eberwein

Joint cable group needed

At last week's joint meeting between the Canton Township Board and Plymouth-Canton School Board, Canton Supervisor James Poole suggested that The Plymouth-Canton Community form one cable television committee to examine the services and franchise agreements Omnicom of Michigan has signed with each community.

A month ago, Plymouth Township's Board passed a resolution which gave the creation of such a board their approval and support.

And while Plymouth has not publicly spoken of supporting such a committee, the city could only benefit by also participating in such a joint venture.

Problems with franchise agreements and services have not stopped simmering in Canton and Plymouth townships for several months. Satisfaction with Omnicom has not improved even after several meetings have been held in the townships to discuss potential trouble areas with the cable company.

Neither community is ready to revoke Omnicom's franchise rights. But at least Canton's Cable Committee still feels that revocation is an option.

Progress in solving some of the problems which the townships and Omnicom have faced has been made. But since neither township is entirely satisfied with the services which Omnicom has rendered, it would be in the best interests

of Omnicom subscribers if a joint committee were formed.

Influence, persuasion and support of community needs would be more easily represented to Omnicom through a joint committee. Communications, a sadly lacking part of Omnicom's relationship with each community might be enhanced through such an effort.

But good ideas cannot be expected to take root and grow on their own. Although Plymouth Township approached the idea of a joint cable committee over a month ago, nothing has been done to further encourage the formation of this group.

If Plymouth, Plymouth Township and Canton are to take their problems, suggestions and compliments with the cable television company seriously, they should begin to consider how to more effectively approach Omnicom. A new path and energy source are needed by all involved parties in dealing with cable agreements and obligations.

Such a joint committee could, at the very least, save Omnicom and the communities time and energy. At the most, such a committee could help to bridge the poor communication gap which The Plymouth-Canton Community suffers with Omnicom and begin repairing a valuable road long overdue for proper maintenance.

Card Canton's Small Business Person of Year

"People make my business. I give back to the community what it gives to me."

The words belong to Robert Card, newly elected Small Business Person of the Year in Canton. They reflect a way of looking at business which has brought him both recognition and success in the community.

Card and his wife Linda own both McDonald's Restaurants in Canton. Card purchased his first McDonald's Restaurant on Michigan Avenue Nov. 15, 1980. He later purchased his Ford Road restaurant on July 1,1982.

"I never saw myself as owning a restaurant," Card said, "but when the restaurant on Michigan Avenue became available, I jumped at the opportunity to purchase the business. Now I own two and I don't look beyond these two although it's possible we may own more in the future."

Card was with McDonald's for 12 years prior to buying his first restaurant business. He became quickly involved with all types of community events once he bought the business. Card has been actively involved wth the growth of the Canton Public Library through Mc-

Edge travels to Dallas for training

Lynn Edge traveled to Dallas, TX, last week to undergo a week of extensive training at the international headquarters of Mary Kay Cosmetics, and the Canton resident said she returns with an edge which will help her in her new post.

She was recently appointed a directorin-qualification, and she journeyed south to the Lone Star state as part of her preparation for taking over the post of independent sales director.

Now, back in Michigan, she begins a three-month qualification period. She will be eligible for the appointment to sales. director on August 1, if she's met all the required performance standards.

Owner of 2 McDonald's cares about community

Donald's. He has aided the Muscular Dystropy Society, Scouting programs, 4-H programs, area school programs, the Goodfellows, the Rotary and may area hospitals with donations of both time and money.

Card admitted that he was surprised he had been choosen as the Small Business person of the Yar. "I've only been in the community two years," Card said, "I know we're done a lot, but we haven't been here long. I'm very pleased."

Card said that his involvement with changing the sign ordinance in Canton was a milestone in his business. "Before the sign ordinance was changed," Card said, "no one knew about our Michigan Avenue store. Profits increased by 25 per cent the first year we put up our freeway

Card employs about 120 people in both of his restaurants. Employee turnover has been very low, Card said, because he

getting down

to

While in Dallas, Edge took part in

executive conferences with ranking

members of the Mary Kay management

team, including the firm's president,

She also sat in on meetings with top

Edge toured the manufacturing and

corporate facilities as well and spent an

afternoon in the home of the firm's

founder and board chairman Mary Kay

sales directors and national sales

directors in the company's 196,000-

Richard Rogers.

member sales force.

business

treats his employees right.

"We're very committed to the entire community," Card said. "It's an exciting business and is always very busy. Our approach to Canton has made us successful. We're going to be here a long time -- a long time.'

Runners-up in the Small Business Peson of the Year Award included Greg Grotto, owner of the Roman Forum Restaurant. Grotto has been in Canton for 7 years and is involved in several community groups including the Jaycees, the Canton Country Festival Board, the Library Fund and the Historical Society.

Virginia Eades, another runner-up started The Letter Writer, a secretarial service two years ago. Her business offers bookeeping, an answering service, and resume and letter writing.

Dr. James Gillig, an orthodontic dentist, has been in Canton for 6 years. He is the past chairmen of the Canton Library Board and is currently involved in the Canton Country Festival Board.

John Schwartz, owner of Schwartz's Greenhouse, was also chosen as a runnerup. He has beenin business for 37 years and has been activley involved with the community through the Chanber of Commerce, the Canton Rotary Club and the Metropolitan Flower Growers Association.

Other Canton business nominated for the competition were Mrs. Woo of the House of Woo, John Turke of Fairlane Gear, Robert and Lana Olson of Realty World and F. Hugh White of H and W

Also nominated were Dennis Crimboli of Crimboli Landscaping, Frank Mc-Murray, a State Farm Insurance Agent, Bob and Jack Koers, both with Plymouth Construction Equipment and Jim Miller of Canton Bowling and Trophy.

The Small Business Person of the Year Competition was run by the Canton Chamber of Commerce and was judged by both members and non-members of the

Formerly with Omnicom

Jencks tabbed for Booth post

The former program director Omnicom, Hugh Jencks, has been appointed general manager of Booth Communications of Birmingham, the local cable TV firm.

The Plymouth resident is a 12-year veteran of the cable TV field, and has spent the last nine months working at Booth as the director of programming.

The announcement of Jencks' promotion came from Ralph Booth, president of Booth American Company. He said: This management change signals a new operational mode emphasizing increased service to scribers.

"Mr. Jencks brings to the position a thorough knowledge of the industry and the local cable system as well as demonstrated capability in working with this community," he concluded.

Jencks is a founding member of the Michigan Cable Programmers Association and currently serves as its president.

The new Booth GM worked his way to a Master's degree from Western Michigan University (WMU) with a major in communication arts and sciences, with emphasis in educational TV.

Stuart elected to 4-H Board

Alan D. Stuart of Plymouth was elected to the Michigan 4-H Foundation Board of Trustees April 14 during the trustees quarterly meeting in East Lansing.



ALAN STUART

account supervisor at Ross Roy, Inc., a

Detroit advertising agency. Stuart, who has been a supporter of the Wayne County Extension 4-H Youth Program, was elected to a two-year term on the foundation board.

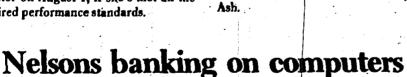
Stuart is employed as a public relations

Stuart, as a foundation board trustee, will assist in the administration of the foundation and help obtain private support for Michigan 4-H youth educational programs. These range from leadership training for youths and adults to innovative programs in health education, career exploration and handicapper mainstrea

The Plymouth resident joined Ross Roy in 1977.

Stuart is a member of several professional groups, including the Ad-Craft Club of Detroit, the Public Relations Society of American and the Automotive Public Relations Council.

Stuart has served as chairman of the Wayne County 4-H Leaders Association and is a member of the Michigan 4-H Advisory Council.



Pat and Art Nelson are banking on the computer rage sweeping the country,

The Plymouth Township husband and wife team will be opening a new store they're calling "Computer Software Center Inc.," in the Harvard Square shopping center.

The grand opening of the business which will specialize in software for major brand computer systems and games as well as a rental club for game cartridges will be Saturday

Nelson, a Ford Motor Company employee who works in the a computer graphics department within the giant automaker, said his shop will also sell major brand hardware and peripheral . equipment.

Oldford honored by Farm Bureau

Larry Oldford is at the top. Or, at least close to it.

The Plymouth resident is a local agent for the Farm Bureau Insurance Group, and he has been named one of the firm's top agents in 1982, based on his record of sales and service.

During the company's recent annual sales convention held in Grand Rapids, Oldford received Farm Bureau's ["All American" award.

Oldford also earned membership in the 1982 Executives Club, an honor reserved for the company's top 23 agents and agency managers.

Water Rates	Canton Twp.	Plymouth	Plymouth Twp
1981	.87 per thousand gallons	April: 1.10/thousand, 1st 50,000 gallons July: 1.10/thousand, 1st 50,000 gallons December: 1.30/thousand, 1st 50,000 gallons	.72 per thousand gallons
1982	.87 per thousand gallons	July: 1:36/thousand gallons August: 1:45/thousand gallons September: 1.53/thousand gallons	.83 per thousand gallons
1983	.87 per thousand gallons	1.53/thousand gallons water	.87 per thousand gallons
Sewer Rates	Canton Twp.	Plymouth	Plymouth Twp
1981	.98 per thousand gallons consumed	April: 1st 18,000 gals. \$9.25 July: 1st 18,000 gals. \$10.93 December: 1st 4,000 gals. \$2.74	.69 per thousand gallons
1982	.98 per thousand gallons consumed	July: .69 per thousand gals. August: .70 per thousand gals. September: .71 per thousand gals.	.73 per thousand gallons
1983	.98 per thousand gallons consumed	.71 per thousand gallons	.97 per thousand gallons

THIS GRAPH SHOWS water and sewer rates in The Plymouth-Canton Community over the past three years.

Where is water cheapest?

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increases to our residents unless we have no other choice," Hollis said. "We're not running our system to make money. But we have adjusted it to cover projected capital shortages and current operating margins."

While Canton has not increased its water and sewer rates in the past three years, Finance Director Mike Gorman said that a water and sewer rate increase of at least 25 cents will take place by June of this year.

"Our last rate increase was in 1981," Gorman said. "We will have to pass along a new rate increase to consumers."

Canton currently charges its residents 87 cents for 1000 gallons of water and 98 cents per thousand gallons of water consumed through its sewage system.

Gorman said that Canton's operating water and sewer system is losing money.

Last year Canton recorded a loss of \$323,000 in this system. The increase planned will help offset this loss.

Schoolcraft elections

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prior to that he held down the post of vice chairman and treasurer.

Greenleaf works for the Ford Motor Company as a supervisor, organization planning and salary administration for central staffs. He graduated from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute with a bachelor of management and engineering degree.

A Livonia homeowner since 1964, Greenleaf has taught personnel management at Henry Ford Community College and technical courses at Hudson Valley Community College in New York state.

He cited his leadership in the selection of a new president for Schoolcraft,

completion of the culinary arts facility, which had been pending for several years and the re-emphasis of on-going programs to update and replace instructional equipment and maintenance of facilities as major accomplishments during his term.

He is a former two-term chairman of the Second Congressional District Republican Organization, and a former chairman of the second district's Chairman's Committee for the statewide Republican Organization.

"My past positions of leadership have provided a sound experience base to continue as an effective and influential member of the Schoolcraft Board of Trustees," he said.

Canton cable committee still unhappy with Omnicom

BY CHERYL EBERWEIN

Although the Canton Township Board officially decided to drop revocation procedures against Omnicom of Michigan at their Jan. 4 meeting, members of the Canton Cable Committee say they still see revocation of Omnicom's franchise rights as an option to Canton Township.

In a press conference held May 3, Steve Larson, a Canton board trustee and member of the cable committee said that the township would not disenfranchise Omnicom "for reasons of a power play." 'But," he added, "Omnicom is not providing the services they said they would, and their community spirit is frustrating to work with."

Both Larson and James Kronberg, another cable committee member expressed concerns over what they consider to be broken franchise agreements.

Both committee members said that Omnicom promised by inference that the satellite tier would be included in the company's basic package.

Consumers presently pay \$7.95 for the satellite tier of channels as an option to basic service. The franchise agreement, Kronberg said, writes up a satellite tier as a part of the basic service module.

"At the cost of a dime, Omnicom is pushing people to subscribe to the satellite tier and pay double for services."

Kronberg said the discounts which the company offers for its premium services are not discounts. "The intention of the discounts is to maintain and increase revenues," Kronberg said.

Consumers, Kronberg added, could end up paying more money for fewer cable options because of the way the satellite tier has been set up.

Larson said the cable committee had several problems with Omnicom's most recent board request. The request asked the board to approve a remote control converter charge of \$3.50 per month to rent a remote control converter to individuals who do not subscribe to the satellite tier of channels.

The board voted to table a decision on the converter charge until financial statements from Omnicom were obtained and examined:

Larson said the remote control converter cost was excessive. "The basic \$7.95 package includes a converter to bring in the cable signal. Now they want to charge \$3.50 for a hand held controller for the system," he said. "That represents 40 per cent of the basic package price. That's a high profitmargin."

Larson said he could support a remote controller charge of \$1.50 because this would be a reasonable return on the company's investment in the equipment. He added that several other cable companies charged prices comparable to \$1.50 to rent their remote control converters.

Kronberg said that nowhere in the franchise agreement did Omnicom mention charging for its cable hardware.

Kronberg also said that while Omnicom has the equipment and people to provide the services they promised to Canton in their original agreement, "they have failed to do so.

"They have failed in the service areas where people are interested in those services," Kronberg said. "Omnicom is good at making promises, but if you don't yell at them, nothing happens."

Kronberg said that the company promised to offer 35 channels in its basic package by April I and they are still three channels short. He said that they offered FM music services which they have not begun to sell. He also said he was concerned about the number of religious channels ther company was offering the community. Kronberg felt that local financial support of area churches was being affected by cable religious channels.

Kronberg said the company was exploiting the community. Larson added that while the company has taken in \$1.6 million in revenues in Canton, he did not feel that they had provided the service to match this amount.

Peter Newell, senior vice president of Capital Cities Communications, the parent company of Omnicom, was unavailable for comment on the cable committee's concerns.

Suzanne Skubick, community affairs and program director for Omnicom said that she was unable to comment upon Omnicom's Canton franchise agreement.

"I don't really know the history of the agreement," Skubick said, "and this isn't something I can easily address."

Skubick said, however, that as an employe of Omnicom and Capital Cities, she felt Capital Cities was an honorable company.

"People should observe that we have reached the level of programming promised and have put in our 35 channels of basic selection," Skubick said. "Capital cities is an honorable company and that's coming from someone who used to advise communities on cable television companies."

Knollwood to undergo another court hearing

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first came to that office in February of that year, as an appeal of an order to revoke Knollwood's registration from its owner, Sam Tocco. Knollwood was granted a temporary stay from Wayne County Circuit Judge Neal Fitzgerald, keeping the revocation from going into effect.

Attorney General Frank Kelley, working on behalf of the Cemetery Commission, then filed a motion asking to uphold the decision to revoke the Knollwood registration and ask for a

receiver, someone appointed by the court to run the cemetery, to be appointed. Before the motion reached court, a settlement was reached in late 1979.

The cemetery was then put on probation for three years to make sure payments were being made, with Wayne County Circuit Court Judge John D. O'Hair retaining jurisdiction during this period.

In May 1980, the attorney general; filed a second motion to ask for

revocation of registration and have a receiver appointed to Knollwood.

A third motion of revocation was filed in Wayne County in May 1982, resulting in an order to extend the probation period one year, until November 1983.

Now that the case is getting geared up for another hearing, Styka said that the Cemetery Commission is being dismantled and it is going to be tougher for the state to investigate Knollwood as well as other cemeteries.

"We are hoping that even if we cannot set a receiver appointed, we could set an extended probation period," Styka said. "The only harm (in this case) is down the road. It is harder to see, harder to convince a judge future harm will be done.

Knollwood's attorney Eliot Perlman said he was bothered by the longevity of the case.

"There has never been a complaint about Knollwood by the public ever," he

friends & neighbors

Family an important part of membership

Local motorcycle club not a 'gang'

BY CHERYL EBERWEIN

It's a rather unassuming-looking building on Geddes Road between Canton and Ypsilanti. While the discrete letters "HVN" painted on the outside may give no clue to the activity within, on any given weekend during the summer, the machines parked outside tell their own story.

Glistening, sleek motorcycles line up in a row 21 bikes deep. Their owners, dressed in black leather jackets and wearing black uniforms with a brilliantly colored hawk emblem on the back, are members of the Huron Valley Nighthawks Motorcycle club.

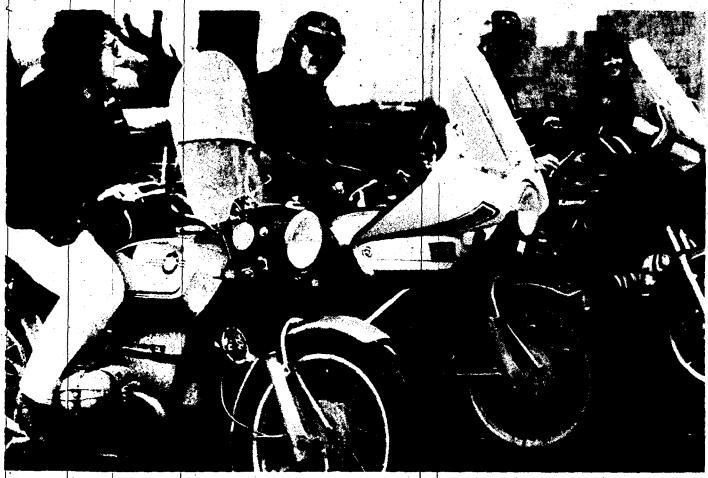
Jay Graser, treasurer for the group, said that the Huron Valley Nighthawks is like any other club. But Graser said that convincing people of this is nearly impossible. While he is quick to say that the Huron Valley Nighthawks are not the Hell's Angels of The Plymouth-Canton Community, he also admits motorcycle clubs must carry the "gang" stigma regardless of their nature.

"The Nighthawks are a family oriented group," Graser said. "My wife, Juanita, and my daughter have always been welcome here, and my wife is a member of the club now. We're not a motorcycle gang. We're a club like other hobby

The Nighthawks club was formed in 1952 when three motorcycle club members from the Ypsi-Arbor Riders decided to form their own group. They first met at at the old schoolhouse once located in the same place where their present clubhouse on Geddes is built. When a fire destroyed the building in 1963, the club built its present building.

Graser said club membership flucuates





SEVERAL MEMBERS of the Huron Valley Nighthawks Motorcycle Club line up for a bike inspection Saturday. They are (from left) Mary Riding, Tex Stearns, Jay Graser and Bobbie Wallace. At right, the Nighthawk emblem stands out boldly on a club member's jacket. Belwo right, Tex Stearns shakes rain from off of his helmet after riding out the weather last Saturday. Below, at left, Merry Sherman, another club member, finds time to offer club members and newcomers alike a friendly smile. The Nighthawks will host over 300 motorcyclists from throughout Michigan May 15 for their first club event of the season, a poker run race. The festivities will start at 10 a.m. at the Nighthawks clubhouse on Geddes Road. (Crier photos by Cheryl Eberwein)

yearly. Women, he said, were once only an auxiliary unit to the club. "But," he added with a laugh, "the women were making more money than the men were, and so in 1968 we gave them full club status."

Although the Nighthawks have not taken may long touring trips as a club, they hold several club events a summer. The Nighthawks own 40 acres of land in the Irish Hills where they often host other bike clubs at these events.

Graser said that many of the motorcycle events which they sponsor involve games and races which they run on their bikes. On May 15 the club will host its first event of the season, a poker run.

The power run will start from the Nighthawks clubhouse on Geddes at 10 a.m. Over 300 bikers from throughout the state will participate in a timed road course event. Poker cards are picked up at check points along the course and the winner of the event must hold the best poker hand in the race.

In addition to games and club events, however, Graser emphasized that the Nighthawks also sponsor safety courses and motorcycle education courses for its members.

"Over 90 per cent of all motorcycle fatalities occur in the first two years when a biker is on the read," Graser said.

"Many people just don't know what a bike can really do. We want to increase testing requirements for bikers.

"We're here to enjoy ourselves, and no one is allowed to get hurt, 'Graser

Graser said that stringent, club entrance requirements help to screen potential members of the club. New members, in addition to owning at least a 250 horsepower cycle, must act as gophers for other club members for a year. Graser said after a year's probation, if other club members like approve, the potential member becomes a full member of the group.

Graser admits that the system is a little exclusive in its setup. "But by carefully screening people who want to join, we can be sure that we're getting desirable members in our club."

"We don't have problems with our club other than the stereotype all motorcycle groups carry," Graser said. "No one knows about our club and that's the way it should be. We don't want to be known because of the trouble and problems associated with bike clubs."

"If my kids aren't safe in this club, I'm gone," Graser said. "It's a family oriented group and it always will be. That's the important part of our club."





tell it to Phyllis



Follies mean much more than a few good times

What do you mean you're tired of hearing about the Follies? You might as well get used to it, because those of us who were involved will probably be talking about it for two years, until the next Follies.

Sure it was fun being on stage, but there's a lot more to it than that. There is even more involved than the weeks and months of planning that went into making Follies 83 a success.

With a cast and crew of great, fun loving people, many friendships were made. When you combine a mixture of personalities and a variety of backgrounds and come out with a friendly group, it says a lot for the people in our community.

It's fun to walk into a local business and see someone you met during the Follies. (Now if I could only remember names and figure out who goes with who.) It's fun to relive the funny little things that happened back stage that the audience never saw, almost saw, or in some cases did see.

Being in the Follies was more fun than I've ever had, not because I had some talent to show off, but because of the people I was with. Where else can a group of normal people turn into a bunch of hams and at the same time do something good for Community Arts Council turns the proceeds into scholarships and special projects in the schools.

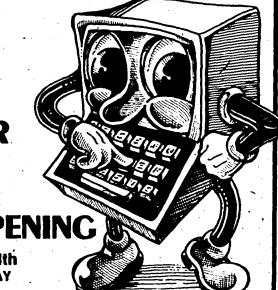
The two night performance of Follies 83 is but a memory. By the time of the finale Saturday night, excitement reached a peak not only with those on stage but with the audience as well. It showed that the whole community could work as well as have fun together.

It's not where you start, it's where you finish ... Finish? Who said anything about being finished? We have no intention of letting the fun, excitement and friendships die. When you have a good thing going - keep it going. See you a week from Friday, May 20 at 8 p.m. at the Box Bar for the first Follies After Glow reunion.

Eastern Michigan University students from Plymouth who have been recognized for their outstanding performance during the past year are: Scott Anderson, Burroughs; Roy Arold, Pepperidge Court; Ronald and Timothy Atkinson, Willowbrook; Elizabeth Blackman, Parkhurst; James Britton, Shadywood; Jennifer Brown, Huntington Drive; Sarahjane Brown, Hackberry; Alison Burtzloff, Brougham Court; Debra Busha, Beech Street; Jeffrey Campbell, Westbury; Donna Chase, Tower Road; David Corliss, Blunk; Lucy Crowley, Robinwood; Geoffrey Davies, Sheldon Road; Kevin Decker, Shadywood; Elizabeth Delano, Greenview Place; Duane Denison, Trailwood; Paul Dobry, Gold Arbor; Dawn Drummond, Simpson; Caron Eddy, Postiff; Lisa Gentelia, Fairground; Ann Harrington, Betty Hill; Carol Harris, Marguerite; William Heiney, Appletree Drive; Toni Ivankovics, Byron; Chris Johnson, Ann Arbor Trail; Craig Johnson, Risman; Kathleen Kiefer, Greenbriar Court; Ann Klaes, N. Territorial; Elain Knuth, Portsmouth; Jean Kuharevicz, Dewey: Kathleen Kunk, Canton Center; Carl Lambert, Farmbrook; Susan MacNiven, Canton Center; and Melinda Mathews, Lighthouse Court.

Other students from Plymouth included on the list are: Eileen McGlinn, Burger Drive; Karen McQuade, Riverside; Elaine Miller, Orangelawn; Rhonda Miller, Heritage; Sherri Moore, Greenbrook; Ann Murphy, Parkview Drive; Debra Ozenghar, Brougham Court; Steven Papler, Purcell Drive; Vern Parks, Jr. Terry; Penelope Pederson, Ridge; Joan Pence, Morrison; Michelle Perrot, Eckles; Mary Postlethwait, Mill; Sharon Radionoff, Sheridan; Sue Rutter, Harvey; Steven Ryan, Lilley; Anna Sanderson, Ball; Christopher Scott, Ann Arbor Road; Christopher Staniforth, Nantucket; Sheryl Stevens, Pinecrest; Charles Stevenson, Barrington Court; Sybille Stewart, Dunn Court; Gregory Stoops, Academy Court; James Stremick, Brookline; Cheryl Szczodrowski, Elm; Debra Thompson, Starkweather; Conee Tomolak, Haggerty; Sue Vallie, Pine Street; Kimberly Wright, Lakewood; Debbie Wroble Junction; Lisa Wroble, Turtlehead; and Sevi Ziordas, Orangelawn.





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DETROIT LIONS AND MCDONALDS PLAY FOR MD

Tickets are on sale at both Canton McDonald's for the May 23 benefit basketball game between the Detroit Lions and Macs to benefit Muscular Dystrophy. A karate demonstration and other entertainment will begin a 7 p.m. with the game to follow at 7:30 p.m. The twon high school cheerleading teams will flip a coin to see who will cheer for the Lions and was for Macs.

PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY FUND HOLDS BUDGET SESSIONS

Meetings on Tuesdays and Thursdays, May 17, 19, 24 and 26, will feature various Community Fund agencies presenting their 1984 budgets. The public is invited to the meetings in the Colony Office Plaza, Community Fund office. Meetings will start at 2 p.m.

CRANDMA'S NIGHT FOR MOTHERS OF TWINS CLUB

The Western Wayne County Mothers of Twins Club will have a Grandma's Night with a potluck dinner at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, May 16, at Holy Cross Evangelical Church, 30650 Six Mile, Livonia. A short business meeting will follow. Mothers of twins or triplets are invited. For more information, call Kathy Lucas at 533-

COLF OUTING PLANNED BY SOROPTIMISTS

The Soroptimist International of Liponia and Plymouth is planning their third annual golf outing on Saturday, June 11 at the Fellows Creek Golf Club in Canton. Reservations must be received by May 28, so call Ruth at 591-2200 or Georgie at 261-8260.

REFUNDERS CLUB MEETING IN PLYMOUTH

The Refunders Club will meet Wednesday May 18, at 9:30 a.m. in the Plymouth Grange Hall located at 273 Union Street. Bring refund forms, proofs of purchase, and complete deals to trade. New members are

CANTON ROTARY RUMMAGE SALE

Donations are needed for the Canton Rotary rummage sale. Tax exempt receipts and pick-up available.

The sale will be child on Saturday and Sunday, May 28 to 29. from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Canton Historical Museum, Canton Center and Proctor roads. For information on donations, call 453-6084 or 495-0811.

PLYMOUTH BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL WOMEN

The Plymouth Business and Professional Women's Club will meet on Monday, May 16 at the Jacobs Room of the Hillside Inn with social hour beginning at 6 p.m. A candlelight ceremony will mark the induction of new members and installation of new officers. Call Daisy Proctor at 453-5045.

FREE FINANCIAL PLANNING SEMINAR

Discover who to defer taxes until you are in a lower tax bracket, how to increase buying power, how to use tax shelters and how to benefit from trusts at seminars on Tuesday and Thursday, May 17 and 19, at 2:30 and 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday and 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, at the Plymouth Cultural Center conducted by CPA Mike

MAY SANDWICH LUNCHEON FOR DAR

The Sarah Ann Cochrane Chapter, daughters of the American Revolution, will hold its May sandwich luncheon at noon on May 16, at the home of Mrs. Lester Robinson. The program will be resolutions and the speaker will be Mrs. Robert Willoughby, Anyone interested in learning more about the DAR may call 464-1154 or 348-2198.

LIONS AUCTION ON MAY 14 AND MAY 15

Chests, dining room furniture, other unupholstered pieces, tools, sporting goods, games, toys, small kitchen appliances and dishes are needed for the Lions auction. Chairman Jerry Holden said all Lions with trucks and vans will be needed at the Maxwell property on Joy Road at 8 a.m. on May 14 to pickup items. On Sunday, May 15, Lions should be at Maxwell's by 7:30 a.m. and Lionesses should try to deliver thier items for bake sale at 10 a.m.

SIERRA CLUB OF DETROIT MEETS THURSDAY

The Sierra Club will hold its general membership meeting on Thursday, May 19 at 7:30 p.m. at the Northwest Unitarian Church, 23925 Northwestern Highway service drive. Non members are welcome, program on backpacking. Call 532-2659

STORY THEATHE PRODUCTION AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

The Alma Players present "Story Theatre" at 7:30 p.m. on May 18 at First Presbyterian Church, 701 Church in Plymouth. Tickets are free for the family entertainment.

SPRING FITNESS BIKE RIDE

Don Massey Cadillac and Growth Works are sponsoring a spring fitness bike ride on Saturday, May 14 open to everyone age 12 and older. The course will traverse Edward Hines Drive, which will be closed to traffic for the day. All participates will receive T-shirts and certificates with winner class distance winner receiving medals. Call 455-4095.

CANTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETING

The Canton Historical Society will recet on Thursday, May 12, at 7:30 p.m. at the Museum, Proctor and Canton Center roads, with featured speaker Mrs. Zehra Clark, granddaughter of a Canton pioneer.

PLYMOUTH HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETING AND POTLUCK

The annual meeting of the society will be Thursday, May 12, beginning at 6:30 p.m. with a potluck dinner. Bring a dish to pass to serve 10 and your table setting. Regular meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m. at the musuem, 155 S. Main Street.

CANTON K OF C CAR WASH

The Knights of Columbus, 8284 Canton Chuncil, will have a car wash in the parking lot of St. Thomas A'Becket Church on Saturday and Sunday, May 14 and 15, following every Mass. The \$2 fee will go to the fund for the new council.

AREA REACT TEAMS GENERAL MEETING AND EVENTS

THE P.A.R.T. will have their general meeting 8 p.m. and a board meeting 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 12. The C.A.R.T. will meet on Saturday, May 21. Volunteers are needed to sign up for Memorial Day safety break work.

MARINE WEATHER SERVICE RESUMES

Call 313-881-7787 for a marine forecast for lakes Huron, Erie and St. Clair, service provided by the Great Lakes Metro Boat Show and Jack Leverenz Sailing Schools.

MADONNA COLLEGE COMMENCEMENT

The annual commencement exercises of Madonna College in Livonia will be held Saturday, May 14 at St. Genevieve Church in Livonia. Honorary Doctor of Humanities degrees will be presented to Russell G. Mawby, chief executive officer of the W. K. Kellogg Foundation and Thomas S. Monaghan, founder and

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SCHOOLCRAFT JAZZ ENSEMBLE AT MADONNA

The Schoolcraft Jazz Ensemble will present a Wind and Jazz concert on Wednesday, May 11 at Madonna College in Livonia at 760 p.m. Any admission donations will go to music scholarship fund.

EASTER SEAL SOFTBALL BENEFIT AT GRIFFIN PARK

Griffin Park in Canton will be the site of one of eight softball marathons to support Easter Seals on the weekend of June 4 and 5. All types of teams can participate, call 338-9626.

WESTSIDE SINGLES HOLD DANCE

Roma's of Livonia will be the site of the Westside Singles Dance on Friday, May 20, from 8:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Dressy, budget bar, snacks with an admission price of \$3. Call Ed 562-3129 for more details.

P-C CHAPTER OF PARENTS WITHOUT PARTNERS

THE Plymouth-Canton chapter of Parents Without Partners will hold its general meeting on Friday, May 13 at 8:30 p.m. at UAW Local 900 on Michigan Ave east of 1-275. Stacy Taylor of WAAM Radio will speak on The Relationship in a Single Life." Dancing from 9 to 1 a.m. All single parents welcome. Call 326-3295.

CANTON CORVETTE CLUB ROAD RALLY

A fun road rally, open to everyone, is being sponsored by the Canton Corvette Club on Saturday, May 21 at 7 p.m. For further details, call Bob at 464-0479 or Tom at 721-0496.

GAIN NETWORKING MEETING BY YMCA

Gain-Networking will have a meeting at Station 885, 885 Starkweather in Plymouth on Thursday, May 12, at 7:30 p.m., with guest speaker John Thomas, who will speak on his career transition from school teacher to attorney. Sponsored by the Plymouth Community Family YMCA, phone 453-2904.

REGULAR TOPS MEETING

Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) meet 6:30 to 8 p.m. Thursdays at Faith Community Moravian Church, Warren west of Canton Center, in Canton. For more information, call 455-6820.

SUMMER CRAFT AND ANTIQUE SHOW

A craft and antique show will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the Mayflower Meeting House, 455 S. Main St., Plymouth. This showing will feature wood crafts, antiques, ceramics, oil paintings, stuffed animals, silk and dried flowers and much more. Free admission and balloons. A few spaces still available, call 459-3070.

VFW MAYFLOWER POST MAY EVENTS

The Veterans of Foriegn Wars (VFW) Mayflower post has these activities planned for the month of May: regular post meeting at 8 p.m. on Tuesday, May 10; lounge birthday party at 8 p.m. on Saturday, May 14; Poppy Day on Thursday, May 19; regular post meeting on Tuesday, May 24; Memorial Day parade and services at Kellogg Park at 10 a.m. on Monday, May 30. For more information about the VFW, write P.O. Box 383, Plymouth, 48170.

MISSIONARY BAPTIST SPONSORS ART SALE

Framed Art will be sold by the Mass Choir of First Missionary Baptist Church, Romulus, on Friday, May 13 from 11 a.m. until sold out. Framed 16 by 20 pictures, a \$69 value, for only \$10, at the Peddlers Corner of the Four Seasons Squure, 555 Forest, Plymouth.

BUSINESS WORKSHOPS AT MADONNA COLLEGE

Special Problems in Contract Handling and Robotics: State of the Art, will be offered at Madonna College in Livonia on Friday and Saturday, May 13 and 14. For more information, call 591-5049.

MICHIGAN SCOLIOSIS ASSOCIATION

The Scoliosis Association of Michigan will meet in the adminstrative services building of William Beaumont Hospital on Thirteen Mile Road on Thursday, May 19 at 7:30 p.m. with guest speaker Dr. Jerry Rosenberg, an orthopedic surgeon. Call 288-7221.

SHOWCASE OF BANDS FOR WEDDINGS

The Mayflower Hotel and Entertainment Consultants of American will present another Showcase of Bands on Tuesday, May 17 at the Mayflower Meeting House, 455 Main Street in Plymouth. Admission is \$2 with cash bar and four bands will be featured.

CENTENNIAL EDUCATION PARK PARENT COFFEE

Co-principals Bill Brown and Kent Buikema will host the monthly parent coffee on Thursday, May 12, at 9:30 a.m. in the Canton principal's conference room. Area coordinator Pat Patton will also be present to respond to parent questions.

SCIENCE CLASSES WILL HAVE CAR WASH

Central Middle School eighth grade science students will be washing cars on May 14 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at two locations: Famous Recipe on Ann Arbor Road and Taco Plaza on Main Street at Mill. Donation for cars is \$2, \$2.50 for vans. The money will be used for trips to Cranbrook Institute of Science. The car wash will be May 21 if the weather is bad on the 14th.

CHILDBIRTH PREPARATION CLASSES

Childbirth and Family Resources is offering an 8-week course for expectant parents beginning May 26. In addition to Lamaze techniques, the class includes options in childbirth, the birth process, Caeserean delviery, breast-feeding early parenting skills. Class is limited to seven couples and is held in Plymouth. For more information, call Diane Kimball at 459-2360.

SPINNAKERS FELLOWSHIP GROUP ACTIVITIES

Spinnakers, a single adult fellowship program, is planning an evening of musical entertainment on Saturday, May 14 at 7:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall of the First Presbyterian Church of Northville, 200 E. Main. Guitar music and singing will be featured.

SELF-HYPNONIS FOR WEIGHT LOSS, STRESS REDUCTION

Learn the techniques of self-hypnonis in a seminar offered a Madonna College in Livonia in May on Tuesday from 7 to 10 p.m. To register, call 591-5049.

MDA SEEKS RUNNERS FOR FUNDRAISER

The America's Love Run to benefit the Muscular Dystrophy Association is designed to accommodate individual running habits. The MDA asks runners to set goals for themselves and get sponsors to pledge a certain amount for every mile ran during May, June and July. Call 381-3838.

ENCORE ANNIVERSARY LUNCHEON

Encore, the post-rehablitation mastectomies, will be celebrating its second anniversary at the Forum Health Spa with luncheon and presentation of appreciation awards at May 12, at 11:30 a.m. Call 561-4110.

COLONY SWIM CLUB

Colony Swim Club is now accepting applications for new memberships. For more information, call the membership chairman at 455-3391.

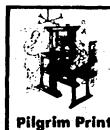


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ZBA chairman says first vote was a "short cut"

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At the ZBA's next regular meeting "Chairman Cash and board member Christensen requested that the minutes of the special meeting of Sept. 8 reflect that all board members were present."

Christensen said he requested the minutes be changed because he was in City Hall at the time of the meeting. 'I was upstairs. Our meetings are usually held upstairs, but there was another meeting so we (the ZBA) were downstairs. I saw chairman Cash in the hall.'

Christensen said he could not remember if the board's vote was actually taken in the conference room or in the hall. "September was a while ago."

When asked why he agreed in December to rescind the earlier action and re-vote on Ochal's variance, Christensen said "Because we didn't want the appearance of impropriety. We felt it was the best thing to do."

The ZBA has used phone polls in the past, Christensen said, to vote on cases which the board had considered at an earlier meeting or cases were the board is already familiar with the issues.

At first, Kimball said she could not recall if she was at the meeting or not. "I know I missed a meeting or two."

After further questioning she said, "That was a total misunderstanding. We had our meeting after the planning commission went upstairs for their regular meeting. We hadn't designated that the whole board was supposed to be there (at the planning commission conference). I was in the hall,"

The minutes, however, say that the ZBA's meeting in the downstairs conference room adjourned at 7:25 p.m. The planning commission's pre-commission minutes say that its meeting, in the same room, lasted until 7:29 p.m.

City engineer Kenneth West said the ZBA never really had a meeting at all, not a legal one anyway.

"I was at the planning commission precommission meeting where ZBA chairman Charles Cash and Les Cavell, if I remember right, talked to the com-

I remember right, talked to the commission about Ochal's request," West said.
"I think they left and took some kind of

vote, although (Pat) Sharp (who is both a ZBA member and planning commissioner) stayed with the planning commission. So I don't know what they did with only Cavell and Cash there.

"The minutes were written up by our

deputy clerk (Pat Williams) saying they had voted unanimously. I issued Ochal a permit on that basis.

"Then the City Clerk (Gordon Limberg) came to me and said the meeting wasn't legal because there wasn't proper advertising and notice... I told Ochal to hold up on construction until the board could consider it again," West said.

"Part of the problem was that they never should have asked Pat (Williams) to do their minutes." Williams was there as the planning commission's secretary, West said.

Sharp, liason between the two boards, said he can only "vaguely remember" discussing Ochal's request. He said he does not remember a joint meeting between the two boards. "I honestly don't remember the circumstances in detail."

Sharp said the ZBA does use phone polling to make decisions. Occassionally we do conduct a phone poll. The normal thing is to call a special meetings, but sometimes if the case has been previously discussed by the board ... then we will go with a phone poll."

State attorney general Frank Kelley has determined that a phone poll is not legal way for a public board to do business. A public body must make its decision at a properly noticed public meeting where a quorum of members are physically present. Kelley has determined.

Unless overturned by the courts or superseded with new legislation, attorney general opinions are considered law.

Asked how he could be in the hall voting with the ZBA, as some claim, and still at the pre-planning commission meeting simulaneously, Sharp said "I really can't remember what happened that day."

Asked why the ZBA took the action in December to rescind and revote, Sharp said, "I really don't recall."

Cash said it was Green's dogged determination that led to the December re-vote. "I have a tendency to want to take short cuts," the ZBA chairman said.

"Mr. Green explained to us that this was not proper. So we attempted to amend it (by changing the minutes at the October meeting.) That didn't sound all

the great either. Somewhere down the line we struck everything from the record and voted on it all over again," Cash said.

"At the (pre-planning commission) meeting the three of us were in agreement (Sharp, Cavell and Cash)." I had two members out in the hall. I came out and explained to them what had taken place, they agreed with us.

"Somehow it came out in the minutes that I had taken a phone poll.

"Everything's kosher now. It was my error in the first place. Mr. Green stayed on it until we got it right. I'm glad he did, I learned a lot," Cash said. Although Cash has said the mix-up was his fault, Graper said that William had made an "error of judgement" and that it had been noted in her personnel file.

"We we realized that Pat William had done this, we rescheduled it to be considered again. It was brought to my attention, since I don't attend ZBA meetings or planning commission meetings unless I have to make a presentation," Graper said.

"We corrected the situation and the circumstances have been noted in her personnel file," Graper said.

Green said he was glad the ZBA had taken a proper vote at the December meeting. "But I really don't think the people on the board are taking it seriously enough."

Young authors conference set

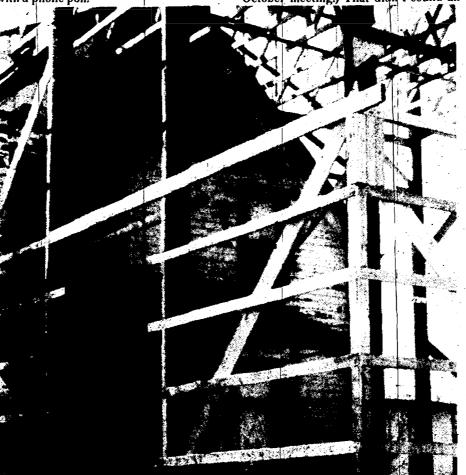
Young authors in The Plymouth-Canton Community will have a chance to discuss their interests with adult authors on May 14 when Field Elementary School hosts its Young Authors' Conference.

This 12th annual event, run under the theme of "authors meet authors," will involve 254 young students and 21 adult authors.

The conference is scheduled to run from 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. It will provide young authors to meet and work on writing skills with published authors.

The keynote speaker, author Alfred Slote of Ann Arbor, will speak at two sessions. One session will be held for the young authors.

Admission to the adult session is \$2. Tickets are available now at all elementary and middle school offices, the Canton and Plymouth public libraries and at Plymouth Book World.



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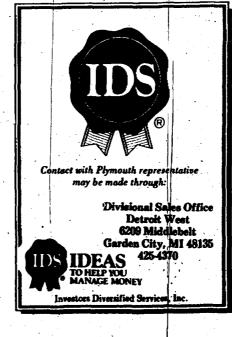
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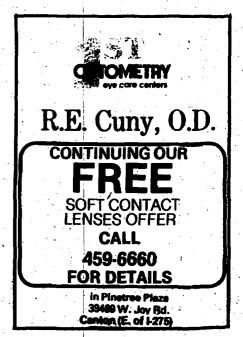
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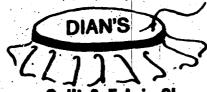
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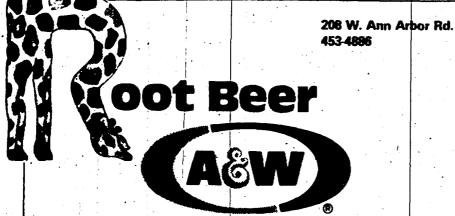
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Citizenship essay winners

WINNERS OF THE CIVITAN Citizenship Essay Contest were recently announced. The trio pose outside the Canton High School office, (from left) Plymouth Salem junior, Jill Sturdy (third place); Canton junior, Steve Swanson (second place); and Canton senior, Jennifer Zang (first place). Contest chairman Joe Henshaw said the winners received prizes of \$100, \$50 and \$25, respectively. (Crier photo by Mark Constantine)

Freak storm hits area

That's the way Canton Supervisor James Poole decribed the storm which hit The Plymouth-Canton Community May 2.

Poole told the Canton Township Board May 3 that the community suffered minor disaster as a result of the baseball size hailstones which pelted some parts of the township for nearly fifteen minutes.

Poole said that township DPW crews pumped excess water out of the township for over 27 hours. Over 10 million gallons of water were pumped out of Canton in this time, Poole added.

"Canton was within three feet of having every sewer and basement in the township flood," Poole said. "Basements which haven't flooded in years were flooded as a result of that storm."

Storm damage throughout the area as a result of Monday's unexpected weather

brought damage totals into thousands of, dollars. People throughout The Plymouth-Canton Community reported car damage which ranged from minor dents and bangs to smashed windshields and torn vinyl tops.

Other major damage to in the community included thousands of dollars in damage to airplanes at Mettetal Airport and the roof of the Metro Cable Magazine building on Joy Road being torn completely off.

"This was a flood," Poole said at the board meeting, "and we'll take whatever action is necessary."

Many of the greenhouse owners along Lilly Road also said they suffered substantial damage as a result of the storm. Hundreds of panes of grrenhouse glass were smashed by hailstones.

They're gonna make music

The Plymouth Community Chorus' spring concert entitled "We're Gonna Make Music" will take the stage on Saturday and Sunday, May 14 and 15 at 7 p.m. both nights.

"The chorus will perform a wide variety of music that's sure to please everyone," said director Michael Gross.

Among the selections to be performed are: "We're Gonna Make Music," by Don Besig; "Georgia On My Mind," arranged by Kirby Shaw; "Tribute ot Louis Armstong," arranged by Roy Ringwald, and the spirtual "Home on That Rock."

Soloists announced for the concert are: Gayle Lang, Sherrie Northway, Vicky

Morrissey, Chris Stopa, Dick Shaw, and Kelvin Chen.

Also performing at the concert will be the Choral Expression, a 19-voice group of singers comprised of Plymouth Community Chorus members who perform around town for fuctions that cannot accomodate the full 125 voice chorus. The group's accompanist is Margaret Racer.

Tickets for the concert are \$3 for adults, and \$2 for seniors and children under 12. Tickets are available at Book Break, 44720 Ford Road in Canton, and at Sideways, 505 Forest in Plymouth. For more information call the chorus office at

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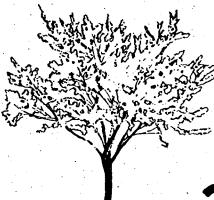
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Among the special skating artists scheduled to perform at the event are Ed Hessenaur, a senior men's competitor and state regional champ in 1982 and 1983; Billy Eddy and Nancy Wilczewski an international ice dance team; Gwen Cirbes, a local champ and ladies bronze medalist for the midwest; and Colleen Armstrong a seven state outstanding regional competitor.

Four performances have scheduled through the Plymouth Parks and Recreation Department. All shows will take place at the Cultural Center on Farmer Street. On Friday, May 20 there will be a show at 7:30 p.m. Saturday May 21 two performances, one at 1 p.m. and one at 7:30 p.m have been scheduled. On Sunday, May 22 a 3 p.m. performance will also be performed.

Tickets are available in advance at the Plymouth Parks and Recreation office at the Cultural Center. Tickets are \$3 for adults, \$1.50 for children under 16 and senior citizens. Tickets purchased at showtime are 50 cents more.

rendition of Samson and

"Softly Awakes my Heart,"

In Spain we met "Carmen's" dancers

from the Northern Ballet Theater and,

while the dance floor could have been higher, the passengers enjoyed the show.

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This weekend's chorus soloists

NOLA BONANDRINI, DICK SCHAW, AND GAYLE LANG will be soloists in the Plymouth Community Chorus spring concert on Saturday and Sunday, May 14 and 15 at 7 p.m. both nights. Tickets are available at the door of Plymouth Salem high school the night of the concerts. Prices are \$3 adults, \$2 for senior citizens and children.

Pops concert was fantasy flight around the world

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Have you ever taken a charter trip around the world with almost 1000 other people and have everything run smoothly, from takeoff to landing?

With limited funds, I faced the prospect of going nowhere on my spring vacation last week. Thanks to the Plymouth Symphony League and countless others I was spirited aloft in first class accommodations to over 16 countries with a lay-over between Russia and Austria.

As we taxied to the runway, Dracula (Johan van der Merwe) personally escorted our 747, while Wayne Dunlap led the passengers in a rousing rendition of "Old Cow Hand," complete with authentic Texan "whoooops."

We climbed to 35,000 feet and headed east towards Ireland. The passengers and crew began to sing the nostalgic "When Irish Eyes Are Smiling."

Then it was on to Scotland with "Loch Lomand." to France for the renowned "Can Can" and a heart rendering

Used by Alpen cowherders, these intricately hand carved instruments were played by Louis Stout Jr. and Cathy Miller, members of the crew. The question remains as to how they got them on the plane.

> From Switzerland, the travelers flew to Italy where we were treated to tenor Peter Riberi and Rossini's "La Danza" and then it was on to Russia for the last stop in the first leg of our journey. There we enjoyed Borodin's "Polovetsian Dances."

During our lay-over we were served complimentary cheese and crackers by friendly flight attendants, while passengers made trips to the beverage station.

After our short stop, we once again took to the air and headed to Austria and Hungary in the company of Strauss' "Emporor Waltzes" and Jane Becker's rendition of "Czardas."

One of the most moving experiences of the entire flight was Tschaikovsky's "Danse Arabe" or Nutcracker Ballet. This romantic and sensuous Arabian dance was masterfully performed by Jim

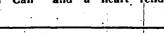
Duncan and Mary Lassaline of Livonia's Northern Ballet Theater group, who between them have 17 years experience and are only 19 years old.

From Arabia to India, China, Japan to Siam, we traveled while enjoying "The song of India," Puccini's "Madama Butterfly" and "March of the Siamese Children." Our 747 zoomed us back to the Americas for "Blue Hawaii" and a stop in the South Pacific islands.

Hopping back to the states, Wayne Dunlap led us in a Stephen Foster singalong and the crew played the traditional "Stars and Stripes Forever" as we landed.

Special thank yous were extended to Captain van der Merwe and his crew before the weary travelers headed for

Of course this trip refers to the Plymouth Symphony's annual Pops Concert hosted this year by the Plymouth Hilton Inn for the first time. Since 1957 the Pops Concert has developed into a madcap respite for symphony loyalists and this year was no exception.



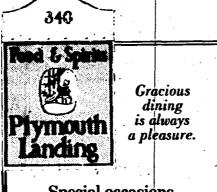
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This year, as in previous years, the festival board promises to keep its visitors whooping and cheering throughout the week as they participate in the many events lined up for the fest.

Mary Feltz, festival parade representative said over 85 units have now registered to for June 12 opening day parade. Music provided by eight bands will keep the entourage moving and "Count Scary", that buffoon-like Dracula from WDIV will act as parade marshall. The parade will begin at 1 p.m. and will move along Saltz, Canton Center, Ford and Sheldon Roads.

June 13 has been devoted to setting up

the carnival and flea market for the festival. Work crews will set up the events behind Canton Township Hall this year. The flea market and carnival will open on June 14 and will run for the rest of the week.

Bart Berg, entertainment chairperson said that the "Luck of the Draw Rodeo" will hold showings Friday, Saturday and Sunday June 17,18 and 19. Bronco and bull riders will show off their talents, while cowboys will steer wrestle, and

The Clark Family Players will croon to festival goers at 7 p.m. June 17 and the Sweet Adelines and the Canton Kitchen Band will play for crowds on June 18.

Closing day will end with a bang when Canton's infamous cow chip fling takes place at 3 p.m. The fling will be preceeded by a square dance, golf tournament and corn eating contest.

The festival committee said this list only highlights a few of the many events which will be held. Groups interested in booth and concession stand space can still obtain applications through the Canton Public Library. The committee is also

looking for a 1983 Canton Cow Chip Queen. Anyone interested in the position should write a letter to Art Winkle at 47935 Hanford, Canton telling him why you would like to reign over this year's festival events.

Family fun - free fables!

The entire family is invited to the free performance of the Alma Players as they present "Story Theatre" at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 18 at the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth, 701 Church Street.

'Story Theatre," according to Alma's director Dr. Paul Griffiths, is an evening of magic and imagination - a zasny presentation of acting, miming and storytelling of famous stories form the Grimm

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Henny Penny, the Golden Goose, Venus and the Cat, the Fisherman and His Wife, the Robber Bridegroom, the Bremen Town Musicians, and other favorites are included in the production.

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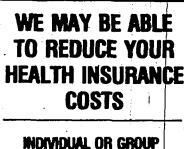
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Cantonite loses drink, cigs, weight

BY RACHAEL DOLSON

Canton resident Lee Beebe is less of a man than he once was - and he is being honored for it.

Weight Watchers International has chosen Beebe as one of 10 national 'Lifetime Achievers' to be honored during the organization's 20th anniversary celebrations.

Beebe - who lost 88 pounds back in 1973 and has kept it off for 10 years - is one example of the many Weight Watcher success stories, according to public relations director Lisa Lapides.

Beebe and nine others from the United States and Canada were honored at a recent dinner in Southfield, as Weight Watchers officials gathered for a 20th anniversary gala.

In September of 1973 Beebe weighed 250 pounds – a hefty amount for his 5 11" frame. "I was living in Brighton at the time and going through a divorce. I had really been on a downward slide and let myself go. I didn't care about anyone or anything.

"I had tried to diet all my life. I've been fat since I was a little boy. I had taken diet pills and tried all the fad methods that every obese, desperate person resorts to."

Beebe said a major change in his life was needed "and with the help of God I

In September of 1973, Beebe began going to Weight Watchers and following their diet and mild exercise plan. He quit smoking. He also gave up drinking alcohol.

'I lost alot of friends over it because I know longer wanted to do the same things they did - go out eating and drinking. They couldn't accept the change in me.

"The biggest thing was an attitude change. I began to feel like a new person -



- I had a new feeling mentally, physically, and spirtually as well," Beebe said.

Beebe went to his first meeting "ready to make a change," he said. "I enjoyed. the lecture very much. That night I met a man who had lost 201 pounds in one year - that gave me the enthusiam I needed.

"Everybody needs a challenge, at the Weight Watchers meetings all the people

are in the same boat. It is no fun to do anything alone. They make it into a competition. If you walked in on Tuesday morning and you had not lost weight, they would ask you if you had gone off your program. If you had lost, you would be congratulated.''

Beebe said the small-town atmospere of the Brighton meetings helped him. ''It's a small town and and you knew everyone and you would see them around town.'

Beebe lost 88 pounds and reached his goal weight in about six months. "The hardest thing was to keep it off. When you are an obese person, it is a battle everyday to stay on your program."

He said he continued to go to meetings in Brighton after he had reached his goal and then when he moved he switched to the Westland group.

He said he has not gone to a Weight Watchers meeting in about two years. "I have an afternoon job now and it is just not convenient, but if I started to gain weight again I would."

Beebe said the biggest thrill to his weight loss to "feeling good about myself and my physical condition."

The second biggest thrill was going to my 25th class reunion. "All the people none of them knew me. I had been a fat kid in high school. None of my friends even knew me."

Beebe said his daughter-in-law, who is a Weight Watchers lecturer, nominated him for the Lifetime Achievement award.

"I was surprized I got it. When I went to the celebration and met the other ones chosen - one woman had lot 200 pounds, another man 205 - my little 88 doesn't seem like mụch.''

Beebe has three adult sons and is single.

Canton treasurer asks for committee

BY CHERYL EBERWEIN

Canton Treasurer Maria Sterlini would like to see Canton Township become a little more aware of the legislation which is all around them.

Sterlini told the Canton Board at its May 3 meeting that she was interested in forming a legislative review committee wich would discuss and examine state house and senate bills which are pending and which come up for consideration in the state government.

We usually address issues after they become law," Sterlini said. "We need more input into legislation before these laws are enacted. There are ways to change these laws if a legislative body in the community will take a active role on state issues."

Although at least one board member, Steve Larson said that he felt the idea was good, but was concerned about how much time such a committee would require, Supervisor James Poole said that what the treasurer was suggesting was already being done in the township.

What Maria is suggesting, Canton already does on an informal basis," Poole said. "She's simply requesting a more formal approach to the matter."

Poole said that a five member committee should be formed. Members of the committee, Poole said, should include Sterlini, John Flodin, township clerk, Mike Gorman, finance director, a representative of the township department possibly affected by the legislation, and himself.

"This won't take more time," the

supervisor told the board. "Legislation will be formally discussed and then will be brought back to the board for review."

Sterlini's proposal was unanimously adopted by the board.

National bike race held **Edward Hines Park**

A nationally recognized bicycling event, the Pan American Selection Road Race, will be held at Edward Hines Park on Saturday, May 14. The road race will begin a series of Michigan Week biking

The Road Race will be followed by an event for all levels of riders, the Don Massey-Growth Works Spring Fitness

Both events will take place on Hines Drive, starting and ending at Northville Road in Plymouth at Wilcox Lake.

The Pan American will start at 8 a.m. as unwards of 150 nationally-rated cycliest embark on a 65-mile competition. The course will take them down Hines Drive to Outer Drive and back, about three times.

The entry fee is \$5; the riders must be USCF licensed and wear helmets. For more information, contact Dale Hughs, 23262 John R., Hazel Park, 48031, 547-

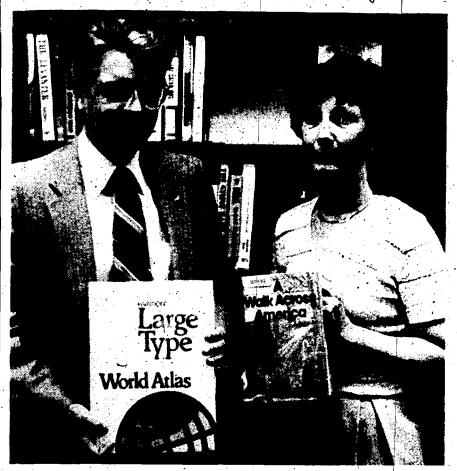
Following the pro race, bikers of all ages and abilities will participate in the spring fitness ride. Riders will travel part of the same course as the professionals in

The ride will last from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and riders may make as many cirucits as they have time to complete, The entrant in each category who completethemost number of circuits in course recognition.

All participants will receive a T-shirt and a certificate of completion. Entry fee is \$7 and registration begins at 9:30 a.m.

This event is being promoted by Growth Works, Inc., a private non-profit human service agency in Plymouth. The event is sponsored by Don Massey Cadillac.

For further information contact Dale Yagiela or Scott Levely at Growth Works, Inc., 271 Main, 455-4095,



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LIONS CLUB PRESIDENT Dennis Siegner presents a large print book to outreach librarian Geraldine Barlage, of Plymouth's Dunning-Hough Library. A percentage of the Lions' collection during White Cane Week (April 29 through May 6) will go to providing additional large print books to the library, which sends some to Tonquish, St. David's and other places where they are used. Barlage said large print copies of recent best sellers are the most popular. (Crier photo by Cheryl Eberwein.)

A week of WSDP radio shows

Program highlights for the week May 11 to May 18 on WSDP radio are:

Wednesday, May 11: 7 p.m. News Magazine with June Kirchgatter featuring in-depth studies of events in the Plymouth-Canton area.

Thursday, May 12: at 11:40 a.m. is Good News from the Kiwanis; at 7 p.m. is Tim and Tom's "Radio Madness."

Friday, May 13: at 6 p.m. album playback with Jeff Robinson featuring

Lionel Ritchie's latest release; at 8 p.m. is jazz special with Bill Smola.

Monday, May 16: at 8 p.m. is rock special "Anything Goes," with Jeff Robinson.

Tuesday, May 17: at 11:40 a.m. is Good News from the Kiwanis with a new interview format; at 7 p.m. is "Tuesday Extension" with June Kirchgatter featuring a discussion on atheism with Robert Brooks.

Wednesday, May 18: at 7 p.m. is News Magazine with June Kirchgatter.

Scouts, seniors, Red Cross

Community Fund review

The various Community Fund agencies serving the Plymouth area will present their 1984 budgets at a series of meetings during the next two weeks, Fund official Clarence DuCharme announced.

The directors of each organization will outline anticipated needs, plans and programs for the coming year, he said. They will also report on the previous year's activities and financial condition of their agency.

"As this is a total community effort, the public is inivted to attend and participate in the planning," he said. Meetings will be at the Community Fund officies in the Colony Office Plaza.

Tuesday, May 12: Plymouth Senior Citizens at 2 p.m.; Plymouth Opportunity House at 2:30 p.m.; Big Brothers and Big Sisters at 3 p.m.; Boy Scouts at 4 p.m.

Thursday, May 19: United Way of Michigan at 2 p.m.; Visiting Nurses Association at 3 p.m; Plymouth Community Council on Aging at 3:30 p.m.; and American Red Cross at 4 p.m.

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deaths

Jackson

Guy Warren Jackson, 23, on Tennyson Avenue in Plymouth Township died on May 2. Funeral services were Thursday, May 5, at the Schrader Funeral Home with Chaplain Tim Schabeck officiating.

Mr. Jackson came to the Plymouth community in 1973 from Atlanta, GA. He graduated from Plymouth Salem High School in 1977 and attended Western Michigan University for two years.

Mr. Jackson is survived by his mother, Patricia Charron of Plymouth; his father, John C. Jackson of Atlanta, GA.; his sister, Carla Jackson of Plymouth; his grandmother, Glena-Faye Collins of Tuscon, AZ.; his uncle, James Griffin of Atlanta, GA; and his great-aunt, Norma Hughes of San Diego, CA.

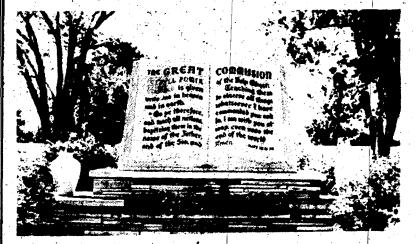
Burial will be in Riverside Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the Plymouth Family Service.

Lorimer

William T. Lorimer, 56, of Bedford' Road in Canton, died on May 2. Funeral services were held May 4 at the Schrader Funeral Home with Dr. Calvin Stickles officiating.

Mr. Lorimer came to the Canton community in 1973 from Roseville. He was a service engineer with Federal Mogul Corporation for 36 years. Mr. Lorimer was a member of the Roseville Blue Lodge No. 522 F. and A.M., Mt. Clemens chapter No. 69, Knights Templar No. 51 in Mt. Clemens, Moslem Shrine.

He is survived by his wife, Florence; his daughter, Vivian Lee Perdue of Southfield; his daughter, Lori Belcher of Canton; his son, Daniel T. Lorimer of Massachusetts; his sister, Jane Satkus of Detroit; his brother, Daniel W. Lorimer of San Jose, CA.; and four grandchildren.



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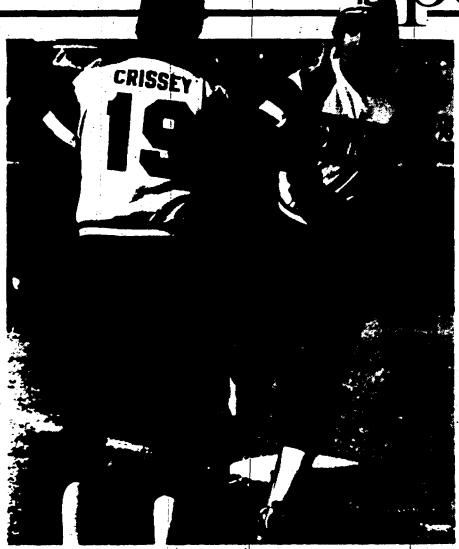
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CANTON'S DON DOMBEY is all smiles Monday as he rounds third base after belting his second consecutive home run in the Chiefs' 15-2 shellacking of Salem. (Crier photo by Rick Smith)

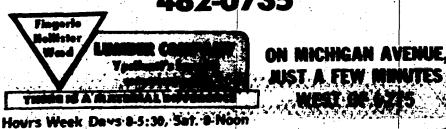
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CEP showdowns Chiefs crush baseball, Rocks

BY MARK CONSTANTINE

Fred Crissey couldn't have been happier Monday after his Canton baseball team belted Centennial Education Park (CEP) rival Salem, 15-2.

Brian Gilles, on the other hand, couldn't have been more disappointed after watching his Salem squad fall apart.

"The kids came to play," Crissey said matter-of-factly afterwards as the Chiefs posed for a team picture behind him. "We've been hitting the ball well, but the difference today was we got some pit-

Mike Battaglia got the starting nod and he went all the way, limiting the Rocks to two runs on five hits.

"He's capable," Crissey said of Battaglia. "The difference from his past outings this year and today is today he was getting his change and slider over.

"He's quick, too, which will keep you honest."

Rick Berberet took the hill for Salem and he was racked for 13 runs on 12 hits before giving way to Dave Haut in the fifth. Gilles admitted he figured his team would be short on pitching this season,

but he didn't figure his club would forget how to play sound baseball.

"We looked terrible out there," Gilles said disgustedly in front of the Rock dugout as the Salem faithful quietly emptied the stands. "That's the worst baseball I've seen in my 17 years here.

"We didn't execute at all. We missed cut off men, we got picked off and we generally didn't do the little things you have to do to win ballgames.

"About all you can say about today is we showed up. This ballclub is going nowhere. Oh, we'll win our share of games, but we're still going nowhere.

"The cream always rises to the top and you saw what happened today," he concluded with a pained expression on

The Chiefs came into the game trying to rebound from a bitter 11-10 setback at the hands of Walled Lake Western Friday at home.

Salem, meanwhile, tuned up for the showdown with Canton by splitting a doubleheader with Divine Child Saturday on the Rocks' diamond, losing the first,

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Rock softballers prevail, 4-1

BY JOE SLEZAK

The Salem girls' softball team's 4-1, 10 inning victory over Canton at Don Massey Field Monday night was truly a classic.

The outcome of the tense affair was decided in the top of the tenth when Salem's Cindy Runge hit a bases-loaded single to drive in the winning run.

The Rocks didn't quit there, however. With the bases still loaded, Terri Lesniak singled and Debbie Glomski walked off of Canton's Janine Carpenter for two more

Sophomore Sue Carlson pitched all the way for Salem, giving up the one run. "Sue really did the job," said Salem coach Rob Willette.

Canton scored first in the top of the fourth. Karen Schulte hit a bases-loaded single to drive in Marie Krashovetz.

The Rocks got it back in the next inning, Mary Pryslak doubled, driving in Lesniak from third. Sarah McKenna tried to stretch it home from first, but was stopped by Carpenter, who was blocking the plate.

Each team traded rallies the rest of the way, but brilliant defensive plays got both squads out of big jams.

'It was just a great game. I'm glad we played under the lights," said Willette. "We fielded what they hit."

"We had some nice plays, but we didn't get the hits," said Canton coach Max

'I hope we keep playing up here every year," chipped in Willette.

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Canton netters hold off Salem

BY MARK CONSTANTINE

Jim Hayes has relied on the number two, three and four singles players all year to pace the Canton boys' tennis team's attack, and Monday the trio didn't let their coach down.

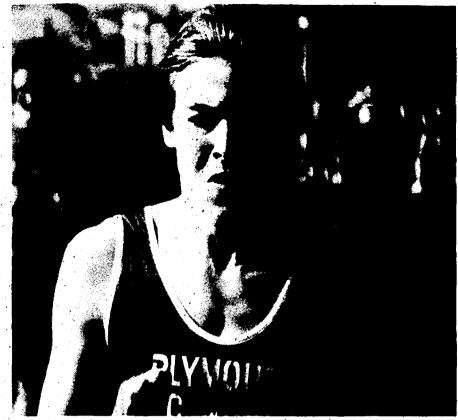
Ron Austen, Ray Lademan and Mike Minton all came up with victories as the Chiefs beat Salem, 5-2.

The Chiefs came into the showdown with Salem fresh off a 4-3 loss at the hands of Farmington Harrison Friday. The day before, Thursday, Canton lost to Livonia Stevenson, 5-2.

The pair of losses combined with the triumph over the Rocks gives the Chiefs a 3-2 Western Lakes Activities Association (WLAA) ledger, while over Canton sports a 3-3 mark.

Canton gets back into action today (Wednesday) when the Chiefs will travel

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IT'S FULL SPEED ahead for Canton's Matt Flowers in a recent Chief meet. Canton took part in the All-Area Relays Saturday and wound up with 11 points, good for 12th in the 17-team field. (Crier photo by Rick Smith)

Canton Soccer Club wants to promote the community

BY MARK CONSTANTINE

While Supervisor Jim Poole may have put Canton on the map, literally, Phil Lalov and his cohorts in the Canton Soccer Club (CSC) intend to etch the name indelibly in the minds of hundreds of young soccer players and their families.

Visitors from as far away as Columbus, Ohio, and Petosky, MI., as well as Windsor, Ontario, will be in Canton over the Memorial Day weekend (May 27-29) for the first annual Canton Invitational Soccer Tournament, according to CSC President LaJoy.

Just after Christmas LaJoy and company began planning the affair, which will be held at the new Canton Recreation Complex, west of Canton Township Hall. And he admitted everyone involved has been pleasantly surprised by the response it has generated.

"I, along with a lot of other people in the club, were convinved in could happen," he said emphatically. "It has been a lot of hard work, thus far, but it has been worth it."

The Canton Board of Trustees were so impressed by the work of the club in organizing the tourament that they voted to spend \$4,000 to supply t-shirts with special Canton-Canton Soccer Club patches on them.

The t-shirts with the insignas emblazoned across the front will be passed out to all the youngsters who particiapte in the three-day get-together. The emblem itself was designed by Centennial Education Park (CEP) students, acording to LaJoy.

"That's part of the reason we decided to put on the tournament, we wanted to promote Canton as well as soccer in Canton," LaJoy explained. "We are also hoping this will help build community spirit. We're hoping there will be a spirit of cooperation among different organizations.

'But I'm especially interested in the kids. I feel the more we can do to support the youth is good for Canton,"

For those who may be wondering where



Canton's getting the \$4,000 to purchase tshirts for the tourney, LaJoy said he was told it's coming from profits Canton pocketed from the operation of the Fellows Creek Public Golf Course.

So what will Canton be getting for its money? Lots of recognition, LaJoy insisted, because 98 teams have indicated they will have players on hand to take part in the festivities.

"Right now we have 98 teams who have set entry forms and their entry fee back to us," the first-year president of the club said, beaming: "We've had to turn down several teams who wanted to get into the tournament."

Girls in three divisions along with boys in seven brackets will be vying for trophies. Included in the boys' categories will be two select or all-star divisions.

The tournament gets underway the afternoon of Friday, May 27, when several local squads will square off against one another. Besides kicking off the CSC event, the action will mark the grand pening Complex.

"We're trying to organize a bar-be-que for that Friday for both the start of the tournament and the opening of the park," LaJoy noted. "We're looking for a club or an organization to step forward and lend us a hand with the bar-be-que.

"After all, our goal is to open up Canton to a lot of visitors and show them how many great people we have in this community,"

100-yard dash disputed Salem manages to take 4th in All-Area Relays

BY MARK CONSTANTINE

It's billed as one of the premier relay events in the area.

And Gary Balconi and Mike Spitz, the coaches of the Salem and Canton boys' track teams, prior to Saturday's All-Area Relays talked about how they couldn't wait to match up against the other teams involved.

But a driving rain throughout the finals of the running events, combined with a dispute centering on the 100-yard dash, left a sour taste in the mouth's of both

"I was kind of ticked off," Spitz said emphatically. "A big meet like that you'd expect they'd keep track of the length of the races.'

The controversy surfaced when it was announced the Churchill runner who broke the tape first in the 100-yard dash was clocked in 9.5.

Our runner, Elijah Rogers, was timed in 10.0," Spitz noted. "He is certainly the" fastest runner on our team, but I don't think he's equipped to run that fast, yet.

"And I remember seeing Hasley Crawford, a sprinter from Eastern Michigan (University) who went on to win a medal in the Olympics, run a 100 in 9.5. But I've never seen a high school kid do

Dispute aside, Churchill wound up capturing the title in the 17-team field. Catholic Central trailed the Chargers in

second place, followed by Bishop Borgess and Salem.

Canton, meanwhile, managed to accumulate nine points, good enough for 12th place.

Balconi and company went into the one-day affair with an eye on cracking into the top three, and after an impressive start in the field events, it appeared the Rocks might reach their goal.

"We did much better than expected in

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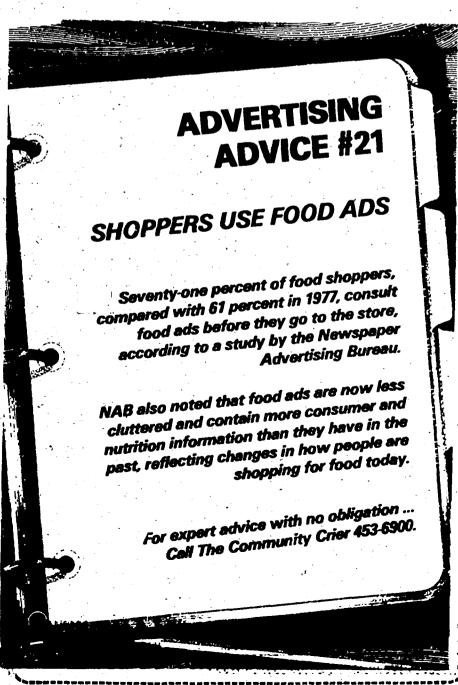
Northville trip beneficial for Chief cindermen

The Canton boys' track team got on the winning track Thursday on the road by downing Western Lakes Activities Association (WLAA) foe Northville, 74-58.

"I told the boys beforehand that it would be a tight meet and we'd need good performances from everyone and that's exactly what happened," beamed Chief mentor Mike Spitz.

The triumph evened the Chiefs league mark at 1-1, while Canton sports a 1-2 dual meet record overall.

Tomorrow (Thursday) Spitz and Cont. on pg. 31



Johnson's Salem soccer teams always under control

First, let me say I've been involved with soccer for over 10 years, primarily as a player. But I've also done a little coaching in my time, too.

So when I say Ken Johnson is a topnotch coach, it's a statement backed up with a thorough knowledge of the game.

I've only known the little Englishman for nine months, but what I've seen of the man, as an individual, and of the teams he fields, is enough to make me want to get to know him better.

Win, lose or draw, his units always come prepared to play. Even in defeat, you never see him lose his composure -- a trait reflected by his teams.

Johnson plays an attacking style of soccer with long through balls that is exciting to watch. He knows you can't win unless you put the ball in the back of the net, and you can't do that by backing up on defense and fooling around with the ball at midfield.

Livonia Bentley showed up Friday at



Offsides

with Mark Constantine

Salem to take on Johnson's troops in a girls' soccer match that had to be seen to be believed. The progress of women on the soccer field is astounding, but that's another story.

Anyway, the Bulldogs prevailed, 4-1, but by no means is the score indicative of the match. Salem controlled the tempo of the game most of the way.

However, an opportunistic Bentley bunch transformed several key Salem mistakes into goals, while the Rocks were thwarted by a hot goalie and bad luck.

What's so great about Salem sticking close to Bentley? The Bulldogs came into

the showdown the top-ranked Class A team in the state. The green-and-whiteclad visitors also had not given up a goal in seven games coming into the match.

Bentley's lofty ranking, however, didn't phase the likes of forwards Shelly Staszel, Julie Tortora, Maureen Dazer and Laura Kaczar or defenders Jacque Merrifield, Colleen O'Connor and Robin Brandt. And that's a credit to Johnson who had his club ready to battle the tough Bulldog

Johnson also referees in the Great Lakes Men's Soccer League (GLMSL), and anybody who knows anything about soccer knows the job of the man with the whistle is no picnic.

I play for the Garden City men's team, which is a part of the GLMSL, and Johnson worked my team's game a week ago in a driving rain. Several times he made calls my coach didn't like and heard about them from the sidelines.

At halftime Johnson and I talked briefly, and we both came to the conclusion the referee is seemingly never right, somebody is always upset by his

However, it's the referee who is firm and decisive with his calls who stays in control of the game. And you better believe Johnson and his partner had control of our game.

That's why I like the meticulously organized Rock mentor, whether he is coaching or officiating, you know both he and his teams will be under control at all

Salem soccer team snaps losing streak

There's no better cure for a losing streak than a victory.

And even though a two-game losing skein isn't cause for alarm, Salem girls' soccer coach Ken Johnson was smiling Monday after his Rocks heat North Farmington, 4-1.

Johnson's troops came into the North Farmington match saddled with a pair of tough defeats last week, falling to Livonia Bentley at home Friday, 41, and to Northville on the road under the lights Wednesday, 1-0.

That's why a pair of goals by Julie Fortora and Shelly Staszel in the first half against Farmington were appreciated by

Goalie Sarah Wallman turned in a strong game in goal and defenders Jacque Merrifield and Colleen O'Connor adeptly cleared out the front of the net, affording Wallman to get a good view of the few shots that managed to penetrate the

The pace picks up for Tortora and her mates this week. Today (Wednesday) the Rocks take on Centennial Education Park (CEP) rival Canton, before hosting Farmington Harrison on Thursday.

State Class A action gets underway Friday when the Rocks will head to Belle Isle to square off against Detroit Muarry Wright in a first round regional contest.

Salem sports a 6-3-1 mark heading into this week's schedule.

Canton booters hold on to beat N. Farmington

The Canton girls' soccer team upped its record to 3-4-1 Monday at home by edging Livonia Franklin, 1-0.

Kim Reeves gave her side the triumph when she converted a penalty kick into a goal midway through the second half.

Pat Phillips looked solid in the net as she picked up the shutout.

Canton dominated the first 45 minutes of action, but the Chiefs couldn't slip the ball past the Franklin netminder.

The offense faltered in the second half, but Reeves took care of all the offense the Chiefs would need when she booted the

ball in off the penalty kick.

The victory sets the stage for today's (Wednesday) confrontation with Salem for bragging rights at the Park.

Friday the Chiefs head up Sheldon to take on Northville in a game that will be played under the lights.

"I was happy with the win, but I know they can do much better than they showed against Franklin," Lonigro remarked.

Friday, the Chiefs tied Farmington Harrison, 5-5, but last Wednesday they dropped an 8-0 decision to Livonia Stevenson.

At the Harrison match, Lisa Russell notched three goals to pace the tie. Lori Engel and Beth Frigge each added a goal for Canton.

"After the Stevenson game, they played together very well," said Lonigro.

Salem softball squad beats Canton in 10 innings

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At the Romulus tourney over the weekend, Salem won a pair before losing to the host squad.

In the first two games on Saturday, the Rocks scored mercy wins over Flat Rock, 15-4, and Livonia Ladywood, 11-2.

Carlson went the distance in the Flat Rock game, surrendering just three hits. McKenna led the way with three hits.

Three other players, chipped in with two hits each.

The Ladywood game lasted six innings before it was halted. Carlson went all the way again, allowing six hits. It started out slow offensively for Salem, but they exploded for nine runs in the fifth.

The loss to Romulus by an 8-7 count was played partially on Saturday and part on Sunday. The rain struck with Salem on top, 7-4, at the end of three innings. Romulus came back on Sunday for four runs and the victory.

Canton softball coach Max Sommerville was just a little upset on Saturday.

He wasn't hopping mad about his team's play. After all, the distaff Chiefs only lost to Belleville by scores of 2-0 and

However, the Chief mentor was fuming because he insisted Belleville's pitcher, Jody Wisniewski, was using and illegal delivery, which limited his team to three hits all afternoon.

Wisniewski limited Canton to just one. hit in the first game, a single by Ranae Edwards with one out in the bottom of the seventh.

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Salem captures 2nd at Stafford

BY JOE SLEZAK

Fred Thomann was happy Saturday night.

The Rock girl's track coach had just seen his squad place second at the Stafford Relays in Walled Lake with 48 points.

"We scored everywhere we thought we could score," said Thomann. "It was a good meet to be able to go into with that many teams and finish second."

Brighton finished first, 20 points ahead of Salem. Canton ended up with eight points.

Salem walked away with four first place medals. The long jump relay of Ann Glomski, Kelly Bemiss and Dawn Johnson combined for a length of 45' 4.5," while the discus relay (Fran Whittaker, Cheri Muneio and Cindy McSurely) teamed for 293 feet.

Also winning was the shot put relay of Muneio, McSurely, Whittaker and Nancy Smith (57, 9").

The 880-yard relay of Whittaker, Carol Lindsay, Bemiss and Johnson finished with runner-up medals with a mark of 1:52.34.

Fourth for the Rocks were the four mile

Rocks bring home 4 first place medals

relay (4:34) and sprint medley (4:38.3). The 440-yard relay was fifth (53.25).

For Canton, the 880-yard relay (1:53.4) and the mile relay (4:21.3) each took fourth.

Thursday, Salem got a key league win over Livonia Churchill, 66-57.

McSurely took three events, the high jump (5' 2"), the 100-meter hurdles (15.95) and the 300-meter hurdles (50.87).

Muncio took top honors in the discus and shot put with tosses of 108' 8" and 30' 4," respectively.

Other individual winners included Johnson in the long jump (16' 9 3-4") and Stacy Stojeba in the 100-meter dash (13.13).

The 800-meter relay quartet of. Whittaker, Lindsay, Bemiss and Johnson

also took top honors (2:03.56).

"Churchill is a good team and might be the best team in the (Western) division," said Thomann.

Also Thursday, Canton fell to Northville, 67-56, in a match at Canton.

Hollie Ivey took two individual firsts for Canton. Ivey won the shot put (28' 11") and the discus (87' 7").

Kim Bennett won the 100-yard dash with a time of 12.0 seconds and Carolyn Nagy won the 440-yard dash (1:03.8). Ruth Ann Trout, returning to the lineup after an injury, won the 880-yard run.

The mile relay of Lisa Wood, Ivey, Pam Barstow and Nagy took the event (4:34.3), as did the 440-yard relay at 55 seconds (Wood, Lori Schauder, Kim Brown and Bennett).

Last Tuesday after a long layoff, Salem ran at Monroe, and came up a 60-54 winner.

Monday, Canton lost to Livonia Churchill, 79-44.

Bennett won the 100-meter dash and the 200-meter dash and Ivie took the discus. The Chiefs also secured the 800-meter relay. They placed second in six events, and third in five.

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Lingg shows versatility in All-Area

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the field events," Balconi admitted.

Spitz insisted his troops came into the get-together Saturday held at a junior high in Redford hoping not to get shutout.

The Salem pole vault relay was more than right in there in that competition, the threesome of Dan Lingg (13-6) and sophomores Mike Harwood (12-0) and Rich Piwko (11-0) won the event.

Lingg continued to prove his versatility by coming back to combine with Mike White and Jeff Arnold to take first in the long jump relay.

A pair of personal bests by Marz Zurek (6-2) and Erich Hartnett (6-0) along with a leap of 5-8 by White was enough to give Salem a third in the high jump relay.

The running finals were then scheduled to get underway at about 7 p.m., and that's when the skies opened up and the rains came.

When the finals came to a halt several hours later, the highest Rock finish was recorded by the shuttle hurdle crew of Arvinder Sooch, White, Glenn Medalle and Zurek. The foursome took third in the event.

Churchill clobbers Salemon track

Gary Balconi figured his Salem boys' track team would be in for a tough time of it when the Rocks squared off against Western Lakes Activities Association (WLAA) rival Livonia Churchill.

Balconi's bunch got all it wanted and more. The visiting Livonia contingent whipped the home side, 94-38.

Salem gets back into action Saturday, taking part in the Highland Park Relays. Tuesday the Rocks resume WLAA dual meet competition by traveling to Livonia Bentley.

Dan Lingg continued to impress opponents and Balconi alike by taking first in the pole vault (13-0) and the long jump (21-1) in the loss to Churchill.

Canton tennis team whips Salem

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to Northville. Hayes and company then will be off until Monday when they'll take on Livonia Churchill on the Chargers' courts.

Salem, on the other hand, hits the road for a match against Brighton today before taking part in the Dearborn High School Invitational on Saturday.

The Rocks will attempt to get back on the winning track in WLAA play Monday when they'll entertain Farmington.

In the victory over Salem Monday, Austen downed Paul Weber, 6-3, 6-2, Lademan easily handled John Kath, 6-2, 6-1, and Minton whipped Ron Rabillas, 6-

Adding valuable points to the Chief

cause were the number one and two doubles units. Todd Garrett and Tim Feldcamp, at the top doubles spot, edged Salem's John Kolb and Steve Moran.

Mike Miller and Paul Reid, meanwhile, at the number two doubles position, got the better of Kevin Hewitt and Eric Sovine, 7-5, 1-6, 6-1.

The battle for supremacy at number one singles turned out to just that - a war. The Rocks' Jeff Fortin wound up downing the Chiefs' Jonas Palm, 4-6, 6-4, 6-2.

The other Salem point came courtesy of the performance of Mike Goble and Todd Stewart at number three doubles. The Rock duo downed Tom Roggenback and Yat Kueng, 6-2, 6-2. the highest Canton finish. Also picking up points with a fifth place finish for the Chiefs, however, was the 440 relay foursome of Matt Santilli, Rogers, Steve Light and Jin Kim.

Rogers' fourth in the 100-yard dash was

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Canton rips apart Salem on baseball diamond

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10-6, and then coming back to win a slugfest in the nightcap, 19-12.

The Rocks came into the Divine Child twinbill fresh off a 12-6 shellacking of Walled Lake Central at the Vikings' field.

Gilles and company kicked off the week last Wednesday by entertaining Livonia Bentley. The Rocks sent the Bulldogs home saddled with a 7-6 loss.

Salem gets back into action Friday with ← Ξ a 4-3 league record and a 7-4 mark. overall, by traveling to Livonia Stevenson for a Western Lakes Activities Association (WLAA) clash. Monday Farmington journeys to the Rocks' diamond.

Canton, meanwhile, sports a 6-1 WLAA ledger, while overall the Chiefs are 10-1-1. Crissey and company host WLAA opponent Northville today (Wednesday), travel to Midland for a tournament Saturday and then square off against league rival Livonia Churchill Monday at Churchill.

The Chiefs, with Bryan Capnerhurst and Don Dombey leading the way at the plate, took control of the game Monday early, while Battaglia never gave the Rocks a chance to get back into the game.

Capnerhurst belted out the first of his two home runs in the first inning as the Chiefs went on to cross the plate three times in the opening frame.

Crissey said both his club and Walled Lake Western learned a valuable lesson Friday - the game is never over till it's

A quartet of pitchers beginning with Bucky Blake, followed by Scott Ford, Mark Bennett and Mike Battaglia tried to shut down the potent Warrior attack, but it was to no avail.

The Chief attack, however, wasn't lacking, either. When the dust had settled on the 11-10 Western victory, both sides had pounded out 14 hits each.

Bryan Capnerhurst and Jeff Wittner carried the big sticks for Crissey's crew. Capnerhurst clubbed out three hits in four at-bats, including a home run while Wittner stroked three singles in three trips to the plate.

Also chipping in with more than one hit in the losing Chief effort were Don Dombey and Mike Scarpello. Dombey, besides cracking a single, sent a Western pitch over the leftfield fence.

Capnerhurst and his mates appeared to take control of the game in the fifth and sixth innings when they crossed the plate six times to take a 10-5 lead into the top of the seventh.

Bennett had taken over the pitching duties in the fifth after Western had scored its fifth run and he was breezing along until the seventh.

. "About all you can say about today is we showed up. This ballclub is going nowhere. Oh, we'll win our share of games, but we're still going nowhere." -

Salem managed to push across a run in the second on a double by Dave Haut and a single by Mike Cindrich, but that was as close as the Rocks were to ever get to the hot-hitting Chiefs.

Salem coach Brian Gilles

The turning point in the game, however, in Crissey's estimation, took

place in the third inning. Salem's Frank Meade doubled to start the inning, with Canton up, 6-1. But following Meade's hit, Dombey, playing center field, made a nice catch on a long fly ball and whipped the ball back into the infield, catching Meade too far off

Canton went on to post two runs in the fourth and five more in the fifth, sending 10 men to the plate, to put the game out

Capnerhurst wasn't the only Chief to get into the home run derby. Dombey, on consecutive trips to the plate in the fourth and fifth innings, cracked long roundtrippers, to go with a triple he'd smashed earlier in the game.

Then he gave up a home run, single, double and another home run, all with one out in the seventh, allowing the Warriors to tie the score at 10-10.

Battaglia came in to put out the fire and he immediately served up a gopher ball, putting Western out in front to stay.

Canton didn't go down, however, without a fight.

A double by Mark Landini and a single by Wittner combined with an intentional walk to Capnerhurst loaded the bases in the bottom of the seventh with one out, sending the Chief faithful to the edges of

But a pair of strike outs sent the Canton fans home disappointed.

Tim Collins wore the heroes' robes in the Chief victory over Stevenson. He stroked a single with one out and the bases loaded in the bottom of the seventh, scoring the tying and winning run.

Chief cindermen triumph

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company get back into WLAA action traveling to Farmington Harrison for a dual meet with the Hawks. _

Elijah Rogers paced the victorious Canton attack against Northville by a posting first in the 100-yard dash (10.5) and then combining with Mike Terlaak, Steve Grady and Dan Schacht for first in the mile relay (3:47.3).

In the field events, Tom Bowie triumphed in the long jump, Rich Place in the pole vault and Don Page in the discus.

Also taking first were Glenn Forgie in the mile, Kalph DiCosty in the two mile and the 440-yard relay foursome of Matt Santilli, Steve Light, Bowie and Jin Kim.

A performance Spitz said warranted some mention was the effort Bob Billings came up with in finishing second in the 330-yard low hurdles.

His time of 42.8 represented a personal best, and is a three second improvement from one week ago, indicative of Billings' desire to improve, Spitz added.

The way the balls were flying around the diamond Saturday in the split of the twinbill with Divine Child it looked like either the balls were juiced up or the team's had cork in their bats.

Anyway, Dave Haut got the nod in the opener, and he allowed six Falcons to cross the plate in five innings worth of work. He wound up taking the loss, but Berbert, who took over in the sixth, didn't help the Rock cause, giving up four runs.

Slavin continued his torrid hitting by belting out a home run and a single, while Madsen and Carlson both banged out triples and singles.

Gilles had a chance to insert everyone in the lineup in the triumph over Walled Lake Central Friday. Five Rock runners crossed the plate in the first inning and seven more paraded home in the third, to give Gilles the luxury of playing his entire

Barry McNamara took the hill for the Rocks and he breezed along, allowing all six runs on 11 hits, while striking out three in going all the way for the victory.

Slavin paced the potent Rock hitting attack with a triple and a double good for

"The kids came to play. We've been hitting the ball well, but the difference today was we got some pitching." — Canton Coach Fred Crissey

Divine Child grabbed the lead in the nightcap, scoring a pair of runs in the first inning, five more in the second and three in the third.

Gilles' crew, however, fought back with three runs in the third and fourth innings, before exploding for 13 in the fourth to put the game out of reach.

Last Wednesday Berberet started and went all the way for Salem and benefited from the Rocks' resurgance at the plate. And it's good Salem is banging the ball because he allowed six runs to cross the plate on 11 hits, while fanning five and walking two.

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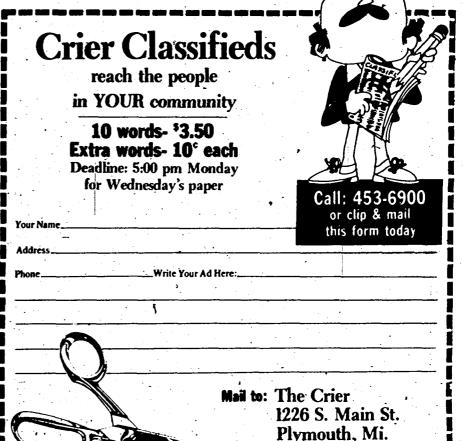
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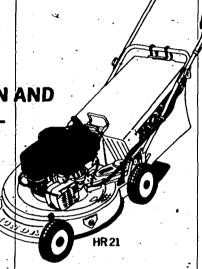
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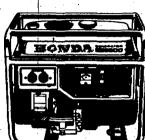
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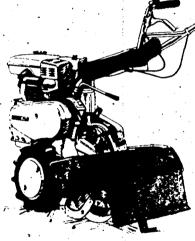
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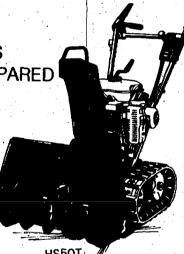
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