

# Bennett elected Canton clerk, both bond issues fail

BY ROB KIRKBRIDE

Canton voters resoundingly elected Republican Terry Bennett as the new Canton Clerk — the road bond issue was defeated by just 48 votes, while the library improvement bond was soundly beaten. Bennett received a total of 3,128 votes — Democrat Kate Raven captured 1,984 of the ballots cast.

Bennett said she will do her best to serve the Canton voters. "One thing I

learned in this election is that you earn respect by giving it," she said.

Bennett said she is looking forward to getting started in the clerk's office — an office vacated when husband Loren Bennett won election to the state senate in November.

"I'd like to thank everyone who took the time to come out and vote for me," she said. "Kate Raven did a fine job on her campaign — she was a very worthy

opponent. Now it's time to get to work. I am planning on starting in the clerk's office on May 1. We will be very busy — there's a lot of work to be done."

It's back to the drawing board for Canton Trustees as the \$12 million road improvement bond issue was narrowly defeated, 2,637 to 2,685. The bond would have been used to supplement Wayne County funds to improve roads in Canton.

The \$8.9 million library expansion bond issue — which would have been used to build additions to and improve service at the existing Canton Library facility — was beaten 3,047 to 2,270.

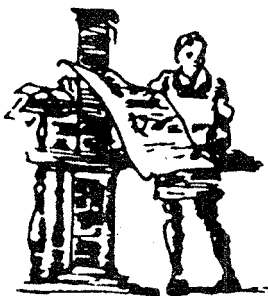
Absentee ballots again determined the winner, with approximately 3,000 votes cast previous to the election.

Heavy rain did not seem to be a factor, with nearly 16 per cent of the voters casting ballots.

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## Township Fire



A Tuesday morning blaze destroyed a Plymouth Township home, causing \$500,000 damage. See related story on page 2 (Crier photo by Rob Kirkbride)

## What is cable TV?

*Amendment to cable agreement looks to protect Canton, Twp. right-of-ways*

BY ROB KIRKBRIDE

Plymouth Township and Canton are legally between a rock and a hard place.

Both townships have passed the first reading of an amendment to the Multi-Channel Service Provider Regulatory Ordinance (cable ordinance), which will give them the power to regulate any company wishing to set up a cable television-type service.

The action by Plymouth Township and Canton came following Ameritech's announcement that they would set up a video dial tone system — a multiple

channel system sent over fiber optic telephone lines — in the community.

Several legal questions remain unanswered: What is the definition of "cable" television? and Does Ameritech have to negotiate for a service agreement under FCC regulations?

If Canton and Plymouth Township follow their current course of action and pass amendments to regulate the video dial tone system, Ameritech could sue the communities.

If they do not regulate Ameritech, they

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## PCAC scandal exposed

BY W. EDWARD WENDOVER

Scandal has rocked the Plymouth Community Arts Council (PCAC).

In a terse, two-sentence "news release," the PCAC yesterday said it had suffered misuse of its funds. The release named the PCAC treasurer Gerald E. Ash and said he had resigned his position. Ash, a Plymouth Township real estate agent, has been suspended as a Plymouth Auxiliary Policeman while the matter is being investigated. He had been mentioned as a potential Plymouth Township candidate. Ash said simply that "their (PCAC) release is their comment" and declined further comment, referring The Crier to his attorney Peggy Madden. She did not return calls. Karen Tripp, president of the arts council, declined to comment further on the news release, referring

inquiries to the PCAC's attorney, Eric Colthurst. He declined comment. The PCAC release said: "The PCAC has discovered a misuse of funds by Treasurer Gerald E. Ash. Mr. Ash has repaid the funds and has resigned his position with the Plymouth Community Arts Council."

Neither Tripp nor Colthurst would say whether any legal action was contemplated or whether any criminal complaint would be lodged. City of Plymouth Police Chief Robert Scoggins said that based on his discussions with the arts council representatives, he had suspended Ash as an auxiliary police officer on Friday pending an investigation.

The PCAC Board of Directors met Monday to discuss the matter, but no details of that meeting were released.

### Marathon

*Plymouth resident Doug Koch keeps on running*

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### Hair

*New salon keeps service in mind, customer is king*

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### Kicks

*Canton girls soccer team beats Harrison 8-0*

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# ABA president speaks to Plymouth Optimists

BY ALEX LUNDBERG

The law of the land, the U.S. Constitution, is under fire. The damages could be around for a long time.

That was the thrust of the speech given by George E. Bushnell, president of the American Bar Association (ABA), at the Monday meeting of the Plymouth Optimist Club.

Bushnell said the country is in a state of fear these days.

"The nation is in a period of disquietude, everyone is frightened," Bushnell said. "We are afraid of violence, of the economy, of those not like us, of those like us and we are afraid of ourselves."

"Because of that fear, attempts are being made to restrict access to the justice system," Bushnell said.

Bushnell said that the ABA has debated the issue and cannot understand why the congress is battling this fear by restricting access to the system. He said that all of his comments for the evening were non-partisan.

"30 years ago, the federal government set up a system to give legal assistance to peo-

ple living at the poverty level, 10 years later they formed the Legal Services Corp.," Bushnell said. "In 1993, there were 15 million people living at the poverty level or below, that number has probably increased."

Bushnell said that the Legal Services Corp. deals mainly with housing and domestic relations and domestic violence cases. In Wayne County alone, there were 1,400 cases of domestic violence reported. Nationally, there were 1.7 million cases.

According to Bushnell, less than 10 per cent of those cases came to court.

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## Rivers to hold hearing on Canton post office

A public hearing is being planned in Canton for Saturday from 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. to discuss the state of postal services in the community. The hearing, organized by Rep. Lynn Rivers' office, will be held in the Canton Administration Building (Board of Trustee meeting room).

As Canton's representative in Washington, Rivers hopes to receive input from residents regarding the state of postal service in Canton and use that information in the effort to secure a full-service post office for the community. More than 4,200 residents have already signed petitions demanding a post office in Canton since an effort began two years

ago led by the Essential Services Committee formed by Trustee Robert Shefferly and Supervisor Tom Yack.

The hearing is a first-of-its-kind opportunity for residents to share their opinions on postal services in Canton. The community is currently served by a small branch office in the Harvard Square shopping center. Carriers serve canton routes from the Westland and Wayne post offices.

Besides Rivers, a representative of the U.S. Postal Service's Detroit District is expected to be on hand for the public hearing with residents. Local Canton officials will also be present.

## Fire destroys Twp. home

BY ROB KIRKBRIDE

Fire ripped through a Plymouth Township home early Tuesday morning, causing an estimated \$500,000 worth of damage.

The Plymouth Community Fire Department responded to the fire at 8891 Northampton at 3:30 a.m. that apparently started in the garage.

Fire Chief Larry Groth said when the department arrived at the scene, flames from the garage roof reached 40 feet.


All eight occupants of the house escaped unharmed. The fire department also saved all three of the family cats.


"The house itself is a complete loss," Groth said. "Fortunately, everyone got out without being hurt."

Groth said teenage members of the family were watching videos when the smelled the smoke and saw the fire.

Although investigations are not complete, Groth said the cause of the fire may be electrically related.

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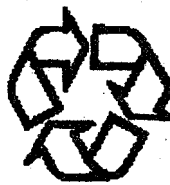
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**WHO:** are the members of Plymouth, Canton, and Northville Chambers of Commerce?  
 Answer: See pgs. 147-180 of **The '95 GUIDE!**

# Injunction filed against Canton police

## Public Safety Director Santomauro vows fight against 'frivolous lawsuit'

BY ALEX LUNDBERG

A Waterford man has filed for a preliminary injunction against members of the Canton Police Department alleging harassment and death threats in their pursuit of his brother.

The injunction, which was filed by

Eric Maloney in 6th Circuit Court in Oakland County, would restrain Canton Officers David Shriener and William Keppen from harassing, threatening, defaming and otherwise stalking Maloney, his wife and his mother who lives in Northville.

The case is scheduled to be heard in the 6th Circuit Court on April 26 at 8:30 a.m.

The incident follows the Canton police's pursuit of Maloney's brother Christopher, who is being sought for felony stalking and malicious destruction of property charges.

After moving to secure warrants against Maloney for aggravated stalking and MDOP, Wilson said they thought Chris Maloney might be staying with his mother in Northville. Upon staking out the house, the Canton officers came in contact with Chris's brother, Eric. Eric was later arrested that night by the City of Northville Police Department for obstruction of a police officer.

"(Eric) might feel that it is okay to terrorize people," Santomauro said. "But we are not going to have our officers intimidated."

According to Wilson, the Canton officers called the Waterford Police Department and asked them to take a look at Eric Maloney's home to see if Chris' car was there. When they reported that the car was there, they went to the house with a Waterford police officer.

According to Wilson, a search of the house (consented to by Maloney) by Canton and Waterford officers did not turn up Chris Maloney.

Maloney said after Canton police searched his house, Waterford Officer Mike Davis told Canton officers to stay out of Waterford and that if they were to come back to Maloney's home, Maloney could view their presence as a "lethal threat" and could respond with force.

Officer Davis said in a phone interview that he said nothing of the kind and said the Canton officers had informed the Waterford department before arriving in the city. Santomauro said that he has instructed Canton's attorneys to file a countersuit for a frivolous lawsuit.

"If we find that they are harboring him (Chris), we're going to criminally charge them," Santomauro said.

# Canton Center Road plan will improve safety, beauty

BY ROB KIRKBRIDE

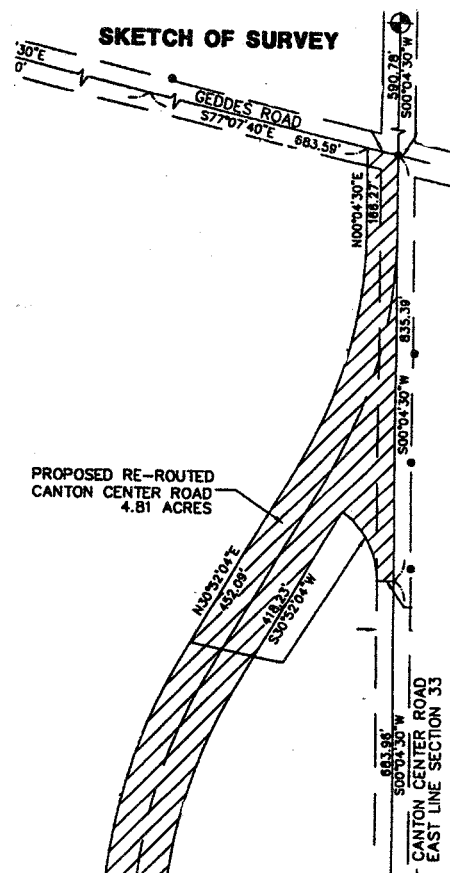
In an effort to improve the safety and beauty of the Canton Center Road — Michigan Avenue intersection in Canton, plans are being drawn up to re-align Canton Center Road and Belleville Road.

Canton Municipal Services Director Aaron Machnik said the project will improve Canton's roads. "Hopefully, for a very small investment we will receive two huge improvements," he said.

More than \$1 million of the \$1.31 million project is being funded using the Wayne County three year plan with federal funds. Canton's match is \$262,000.

Canton has contracted with Ayres, Lewis, Norris & May, Inc. to perform the design of the Canton Center Road realignment with Belleville Road. The original scope of the project included realigning Canton Center from Geddes to Michigan Avenue, performing some improvements at the intersection with Michigan Avenue and connecting old Canton Center into the new Canton Center. Since then, the scope of the project has changed to include improving the intersection of Canton Center and Geddes to provide room for turning movements and additional work on Belleville Road.

Machnik said the small piece of Canton Center Road that will be bypassed by the re-alignment will still have to be



maintained to serve the one house at the end of the road.

# Bar president addresses Plymouth Optimists

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"The corporation made the system work for people," Bushnell said. "Congress has decided to get rid of it."

Bushnell said that the dissolution of the corporation would keep people from having access to the legal system.

"This is a society of laws," Bushnell said. "Without law and the legal system, there is anarchy."

Bushnell detailed other efforts by the legislature to apparently chip away at the authority of the Constitution. Perhaps most disturbing of all of them, according to Bushnell, is the action being taken against the Fourth Amendment — protection against unreasonable search and seizure.

"Legislation has been introduced that would have the courts read in a good faith exception for an officer who breaks into your house to collect evidence," Bushnell said. "We fought a revolution over this, attempts are being made to get rid of a fundamental protection."

Bushnell said that the ABA is concerned with these attempts because the Constitution protects all and guarantees rights to all.

"Don't sit idly by, regardless of politics, whether you support or oppose these policies, only through discussion and debate can we come to solutions," Bushnell said. "We have to be able to talk to each other to come up with solutions to our problems."

According to Bushnell, the ABA has 370,000 members (less



ABA President George Bushnell stressed the continuing importance of the U.S. Constitution to the Plymouth Optimist Club Monday. (Crier photo by Alex Lundberg).

than half of all the licensed lawyers in the country) is dedicated to serving the public, the profession and the justice system.

# Agenda

## THIS WEEK

- The Rudolph-Libbe Canton Economic Club is hosting Garry C. Faja, CEO of St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, who will be speaking about health care reform today at noon at St. John Neumann Church.
- Candidates for the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education and Schoolcraft College Board of Trustees have been invited to attend the Community Democratic Club Thursday at Uncle Frank's Coney Island in Plymouth at 7 p.m. The special guest speaker will be Rep. Lynn Rivers and the public is invited.

## THE WEEKEND

- Rep. Lynn Rivers has planned a public hearing Saturday from 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. to discuss the Canton post office. Representatives from the post office and local officials will be on hand to answer questions.

## NEXT WEEK

- The Canton and Salem girls golf teams face off Monday at 3 p.m. at Fellows Creek South Course.
- The Canton Board of Trustees meet Tuesday at 7 p.m.
- The Plymouth Township Board of Trustees meet Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.

## UPCOMING

- The last day to register to vote in the June 12, 1995 school election will be Monday, May 15, 1995.

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# Postal pride

*Plymouth Post Office locations will hold open house next week to show off facilities, thank customers for support, make public aware of postal workings*

BY ALEX LUNDBERG

How much do you know about the mail?

Probably not more than your carrier's name. But do you know what happens after you drop your mail into a box on the way into work?

No? Then here's your chance to find out.

The Plymouth Post Offices, both the one in downtown Plymouth and the Beck Road office, will be holding open houses from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on April 28.

According to Customer Service Supervisor Dave Mullen, the open house will give the post office a chance to show off its operations.

"We're going to be offering tours and giving out information," Mullen said. "It gives people a chance to see the employees in action, to see us as we work during the day."

Mullen said the post office has done open houses before and plans to try to make it an annual event.

"We get to show off our operation," Mullen said. "More and more offices across the country are doing it now."

Part of the tour at the Penniman office will be a discussion of the building's history. Built in 1935, the office was given additions in the 1950's and 60's.

"The open houses give people a better understanding of our service and the process of delivering the mail and what happens when a letter gets dropped off," Mullen said.

"We're trying to become more customer friendly. We're trying to become a part of the

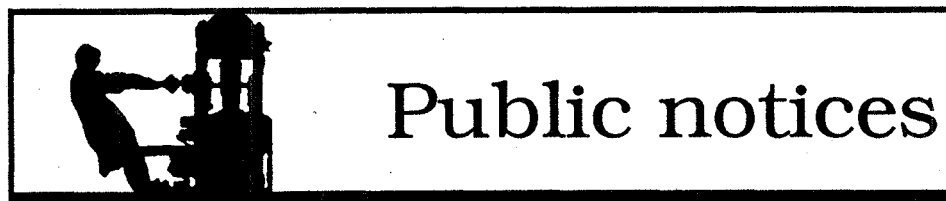
community rather than another federal agency."

The one-story brick building was completed in 1936, with a rear addition put on in 1958. When building was complete, the post office moved its operations to the site, which used to be across the street in the Penniman-Allen theater building.

The mural in the lobby, "Plymouth Trail," was a commissioned piece by Carlos Lopez. Lopez was hired using funds from the Work Progress Administration (WPA) which hired 500 unemployed artists to decorate some 1,900 buildings.

The post office is considered a historic structure because of its place in local architectural history and its continued use by the community.

The open house will also serve as the kick-off of the West Suburban Stamp Club's 26th Annual show. The show will be at Central Middle School and will run from April 29 through April 30. Those wishing to take group tours of the offices on April 28 should call ahead (453-6110) to make reservations. Refreshments will be served at both offices.



CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES - SPECIAL MEETING  
TUESDAY, APRIL 11, 1995

Supervisor Keen-McCarthy called the meeting to order at 7:34 and led in the pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. All members were present except Mr. Griffith who was excused.

Mrs. Massengill moved to approve the agenda as submitted for the April 11, 1995, Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees. Supported by Mrs. Brooks. Ayes all.

Mrs. Massengill moved to approve the First Reading of Ordinance No. C-95-04 amending Chapter 74 of the Charter Township of Plymouth Code by adding section 74.279 Requirements for Unfranchised Multi-Channel Service Providers and Section 74.296 A. Alternate Users Charge. Supported by Ms. Arnold. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

It was moved by Ms. Arnold and supported by Mrs. Mueller to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 p.m. Ayes all.

Marilyn Massengill, Clerk  
Charter Township of Plymouth

Kathleen Keen-McCarthy, Supervisor  
Charter Township of Plymouth

The foregoing is a synopsis of the minutes of the Board of Trustees held on April 11, 1995. The full text is available in the Clerk's Office for perusal. They will be submitted for Board approval at the next regular meeting on April 25, 1995.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH  
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Supervisor Keen-McCarthy called the meeting to order at 7:33 and led in the pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. All members were present except Mr. Griffith who was excused.

Mrs. Massengill moved to approve the agenda as submitted for the April 4, 1995, Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees. Supported by Mrs. Brooks. Ayes all.

Supervisor Keen-McCarthy opened the public hearing at 8:20 p.m. Mrs. Kathy Williams stated her concerns if the SMART bus no longer serviced the Plymouth area and requested the "opt out" from the Wayne County Transit Authority provision not be utilized. The public hearing was closed at 8:25 p.m.

Mrs. Brooks moved that Plymouth Township "opt out" of the Wayne County Transit Authority (S.M.A.R.T.) Millage Proposal known as Resolution No. 95-04-04-14. Supported by Ms. Arnold. The entire resolution is incorporated into the official minutes on file in the Clerk's Office.

Roll call:

Ayes: Arnold, Curmi, Mueller, Brooks, Massengill, Keen-McCarthy

Nays: None.

Absent: Griffith

Resolution declared adopted.

It was moved by Mr. Curmi and supported by Mrs. Brooks to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m. Ayes all.

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## Bill Keefer, former Trading Post owner, died Sunday

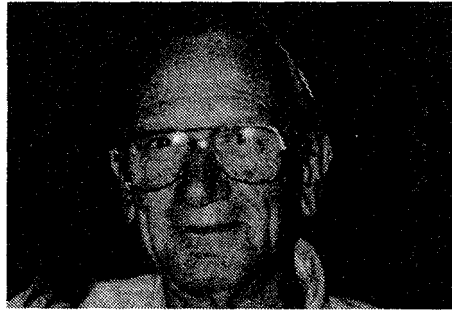
BY W. EDWARD WENDOVER

Services will be held tomorrow for Bill Keefer, longtime owner of The Trading Post and town's only tow boat captain.

An avid outdoorsman, Keefer was a motivator for the bike trail through Hines Park. He also was an airplane pilot, captained his tow boat named "Orval" on the Ohio River, and spent much time at his cottage on Bois Blanc Island. Keefer died Sunday at age 69.

Services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday at Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with Sanford Burr officiating. Burial will follow at Riverside Cemetery. Visitation will be held today from 1 to 5 p.m. and from 7 to 9 p.m. He is survived by: his daughters, Gloria Keefer, of Ann Arbor, and Lois Meade, of Plymouth; his son, William Keefer, of Livonia; five grandchildren, Kimberly, Kathryn, William, Andrea and Kristen; and his sister, Ruth Haab.

Lois Meade recalled her father's first location for the Trading Post in a building along the railroad tracks where the



Plymouth Landing parking lot is now located. "Every time a train went by, the basketballs would fall off the shelves." Meade recalled her father's days flying a P6 trainer and B25s for the U.S. Army Air Corps. "He was very proud of his military service," she said. "Lately he'd been spending a lot of time with the grandchildren."

Dave Cook, who worked for Keefer while in high school and eventually bought the Trading Post, said, "Bill certainly taught me the business. He forced me into buying my first share of stock."

## Schoolcraft chairperson arrested for drunken driving

The chairperson of the Schoolcraft College board was arrested early on the morning on April 6 for operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol.

According to Canton Police reports, Plymouth resident Steve Ragan was driving eastbound on Michigan Avenue early in the morning on April 6 when he was spotted swerving in and out of his lane by a Canton police officer.

After pulling Ragan over and giving him a field sobriety test, the officer took

him to the station where Ragan was tested with a breathalyzer and registered a blood/alcohol content of .14.

The legal blood/alcohol limit for driving in Michigan is .10. Ragan was released on \$100 bond.

"(The fact that) Schoolcraft is paying off its bond and is completely debt-free is more newsworthy," Ragan said. "I take the issue very seriously. I am very embarrassed and disappointed that I allowed this to happen."

## Nankin faces funding cuts, Canton responds with credits

BY ROB KIRKBRIDE

The Canton Board of Trustees has set up a two month safety net for the Nankin Transit Commission in response to SMART's threats to cut funding.

The board voted to authorize Canton's Chief Financial Officer John Spencer to go to Nankin with the equivalent of two months worth of tax credits that would be used to keep the transit system afloat assuming SMART withholds funding on municipal credits.

Ralph Shufeldt, chairperson of the Nankin Transit Commission's board of directors said it appears that Nankin will receive funding through July 1.

"(The tax credits) are a wonderful gesture," he said.

SMART has threatened to cut funding to Nankin if the upcoming multi-county vote on the Wayne County Transit Authority fails. Canton has opted out of the vote.

The 1995 SMART subsidy of Nankin is \$471,965. Canton's local subsidy is \$44,500.

Canton Supervisor Tom Yack said he is not sure what opting out or a failure to pass the authority will do to Nankin fund-

ing.

"The SMART issue is so fluid right now," he said. "We're not sure what it will do to Canton."

"As SMART takes away (funding), we would give those (tax credits) as replacements. That would get us through two months — past the deadline and the votes."

Yack called the tax credits a safety net in case SMART decided to put the squeeze on Nankin and cut off service.

The Nankin Transit Commission is comprised of the communities of Canton, Westland, Garden City, Inkster and Wayne.

Canton ridership has fallen from 15,715 passengers in 1992 to 8,437 in 1994 according to a document prepared for Canton by Richard Fernandez, director of Nankin Transit Commission.

Shufeldt said Canton has formed a transportation study committee. "We are looking at alternatives to Nankin," he said, "although we don't know if there are any."

"We want to make sure everyone who depends on Nankin will continue to be served."

## Twp., Canton struggle with cable regulation ordinance

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could be sued by the cable company.

Tim Cronin, legal council for Plymouth Township and Canton in cable negotiations, said this same scenario is being played out across the nation.

"From Omnicom's prospective," he said, "they have property rights over the system. Ameritech believes they are not held to the same standards."

Marcia Sayles, community relations director for Ameritech, said there is a difference between video dial tone and cable television.

"Ameritech has a statewide agreement to provide service," she said. "We do not

fall under the cable act and don't have to pay franchise fees.

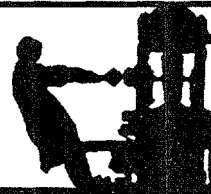
"We have the legal authority to provide dial tone service to our customers."

By regulating the video dial tone service, Plymouth Township and Canton are attempting to protect their utility line right-of-ways, although their legal ability to do so has not been determined. As a city, Plymouth already has control of their utility line right-of-ways.

The U.S. Congress is expected to take up the Telecommunications Act in the next several weeks where these issues will be sorted out and the law should become a little clearer.

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40th annual  
Plymouth  
Fall Festival?  
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**WHERE:** is Canton's  
Downtown?  
Answer: See pgs. 28-30  
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## Public notices

### NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools is requesting proposals for a GROUP LONG TERM DISABILITY INSURANCE PROGRAM. Interested and qualified companies may obtain information and proposal forms by telephoning (313) 416-4834 — Personnel Department—during regular business hours. Proposals are due on or before 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 9, 1995.

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Susan E. Davis, Secretary  
Board of Education  
Plymouth-Canton Community Schools

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### CITY OF PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN NOTICE TO CANDIDATES

Pursuant to the General Election Laws of the State of Michigan, all persons desiring to qualify as candidates in the City Primary Election of The City of Plymouth, to be held on Tuesday, August 8, 1995 for the offices of:

### CITY COMMISSIONER FOR THE CITY OF PLYMOUTH FOUR VACANCIES (4) (present terms to expire on 11/95)

are hereby notified that "Nominating Petitions" for such offices are available at the Office of the City Clerk, and must be filed with the Clerk or Deputy Clerk at the City Hall, 201 S. Main Street, Plymouth, not later than Tuesday, May 16th, 1995 at 4:00 p.m.

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Linda J. Langmesser, CMC  
City Clerk



# Friends & neighbors

## Neighbors in the news

At the State Solo and Ensemble Festival at EMU 25 Plymouth Canton Educational Park Band members participated and won First Division ratings for outstanding performances. The winners are: Ben Greanya, George Hester, Rusty Shedd, Liza Robertson, Stephanie Ludwig, Nicole Gabriault, Mike Wrobel, Amy Sonanatine, Amber Kilgore, Paul Edwards, Luarel Kuxhaus, Stacie Ludwig, Probhat Bhama, Matt Bright, Katie McClain, Jessie Williams, Adam Thurtell, Afia Ofori-Mensa, David Hester, Ben Collins, Kevin Borowski, Jennifer Schnoes, Jason Quay, Amy Norgren and Laura Norgren.

Congresswoman Lynn Rivers will host a town meeting on Thursday, April 27 from 7-9 p.m. at the Little Theater in Canton High School. The meeting will be an open forum in which attendees will be free to discuss any of the issues being debated before Congress with the Congresswoman. For more information, please call (313) 741-4210 or (313) 722-1411.

Dr. Mary Fritz has been selected Woman of Distinction by Delta Kappa Gamma. On Tuesday, May 2 at Fox Hills Country Club, Fritz will be honored with a dinner. The honor is betowed by the Plymouth-Canton chapter of the international Delta Kappa Gamma Society just once every two years to a woman who has shown outstanding leadership in the educational field. Fritz is currently the director of the Head Start and Plymouth-Canton Chapter 1 programs, and president of the Woman's Club of Plymouth. Friends of Fritz who like to attend the dinner can contact Pattee Rupert at Field School for more information.

The New Morning School exceeded their fundraising goal by \$11,000 to finish with a total of \$96,000 at the school's annual auction on April 1.

Michael McDonald, 11, participated in the Lawrence Technological University/Detroit News Spelling Bee. McDonald, who is in fifth grade at Miller Elementary School in Canton, was knocked out in round five by the word "morigeration."

## Marathon man, again

*Doug Koch is back in marathon form, this time to battle leukemia in Mayor's Midnight Run in Alaska*

BY BRIAN CORBETT

Plymouth resident Doug Koch thought his running days were over. He had run in Plymouth's Father's Day run, the Detroit Free Press Marathon and the Ann Arbor-Dexter race.

He thought he was on top of the world when he ran in the New York City Marathon in 1990.

Now rekindling his running spirit, Koch is almost traveling to the top of the world to run another race.

On June 17, Koch will run in the Mayor's Midnight Run Marathon in Anchorage, AK.

"I've been running for quite a few years," Koch said. "Marathon running is a different level of running. I've done three. I sort of thought I wouldn't do it again. Then this thing came along for leukemia and I decided, well, maybe I'll do it again."

Koch must raise \$3,500 to be eligible for the event. He still is far short of that requirement.

Last year, the society's Michigan chapter raised \$53,000 via 25 runners who participated in the San Francisco Marathon. "It's nothing personal, other than a good reason and a good cause," Koch said.

Though still taking donations, Koch is preparing like he is assured of a trip to Alaska.

He has been running 10 miles each

day for the 26 mile race but said he is behind schedule because of temperamental weather in the last few weeks. "I hope to be up to 20 miles a day before the race," Koch said.

"Then you taper off so you don't hurt yourself."

Just as he welcomes donations to his cause, Koch welcomes people to join him on his training runs which offer little incentive compared to his race memories of the New York City Marathon. "You can't run for time, but it's a kick running with 25,000 people," Koch said.

He competed in his first marathon in 1987 after years of running as a form of exercise.

"15, 16, 17 years ago it was sort of a health thing," he said. "I can run and keep in shape, and all it takes is a good pair of shoes and will power."

His job at Lawrence Technological University as associate provost and teaching in the college of management infringed on the time he devoted to running, and consequently the dust settled on his Asics shoes.

"It's kind of a happy medium," Koch said of his teaching and provost positions. "I interact with just about everyone on campus."

Anyone interested in making donations or joining Koch on his training runs can contact him by calling 810-204-2404 or 453-7864.



Doug Koch will be taking to the streets of Anchorage, AK, on June 17. (Crier photo by B. King)

## Strike up the chorus

*Plymouth Community Chorus to perform major concert*

BY BRIAN CORBETT

The glorious voices of the 130 member Plymouth Community Chorus (PCC) will float through the air of the Salem High School auditorium next weekend.

"Six-hundred people have attended our concerts," said Len Kovacheff, publicity co-chairperson for the PCC. "They've gone very well. We've done very well. The last concert was a sellout. Hopefully, we'll do the same this time."

The concerts are planned for Saturday, April 19 at 8 p.m. and Sunday, April 20 at 4 p.m.

The program features songs from an earlier era, such as "Aura Lee"; "Sentimental Journey"; "Strike Up the Band" and "When the Saints Go Marching In." The 25-song set list is hand picked by director Michael Gross.

"He has an incredible knack for that," Kovacheff said of the song selection. "When you pick songs for a program, you have to pace it — some fast, some slow. Then you have to have songs with titles that fit into the program. He knows so much about the songs and music. We're really fortunate to have a person of that character."

The Spring Concert is one of two major concerts that the PCC puts on each year, the other performance is at Christmas time. In addition it participates in various community functions, such as Plymouth's Fall Festival. Also, the chorus awards several musical

scholarships each year and contributes a portion of its concert receipts to such charities as the Salvation Army and the Plymouth Hospice.

Kovacheff, who saw a concert and was so impressed he decided to audition, said the good will of the PCC is genuine. Said Kovacheff: "We have a fairly large group, it's like a family. It's fun to be with it. We enjoy it."

With 130 members, the PCC is one the biggest local singing troupes. "It's quite large actually," said Kovacheff, "considering the Mormon Tabernacle Choir has about 220. We've been as high as 145. It's a lot of people to get into a room."

Though in its 21st year, Kovacheff said that the Spring Concert will be everything but repetitive.

"We decorate the stage different every time," he said. "We have a different soloist every time." And if that is not enough, Kovacheff said, you can't beat the affordability. "We don't charge much," he said. "You get a lot of entertainment for not much money."

Tickets are \$8 for adults and \$6 for senior citizens and students. Tickets can be purchased at: Dearborn Music, 42679 Ford Rd., Canton; Evola Music, 215 W. Ann Arbor Rd., Plymouth; and at Sideways, 505 Forest, Plymouth.

Call 455-4080 for ticket, compact disc and cassette information.



# Streetscape '95 Under Construction

Downtown Plymouth

## CONSTRUCTION BEGINS MAY 1ST


Streetscape '95 will start out May 1st, 1995, with the removal of the planter boxes and the milling of Main Street & Forest Avenue will run through May 5th. Next Main Street will be closed and detour signs put up and they will begin demolition May 8th - 12th. This will be followed by installation of new walks, brick pavers, boulevard, relocation of the clock, new curbs, crosswalks, irrigation in landscaping. May 15th - July 7th



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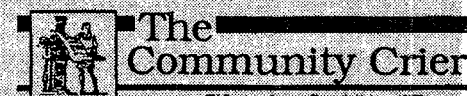
## CRIER READERS

Watch for this information and photo page each week in The Community Crier during the entire Streetscape '95 construction period. We will keep you updated on the progress, (or lack of it), with photos and information on what and where in your downtown work is being done— Also, you will be able to check out all the construction sales which local businesses will be running during the renovation.

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# Getting down to business

## Neighbors in business

The vibrant colors of paintings come alive at **Art Encore**, 42865 Five Mile Rd. Traditional, modern, southwest, whimsical, wildlife and golf art are all available at the area's newest art gallery.

The **Canton Chamber of Commerce** will be awarding two beautification awards to large and small businesses this summer. All businesses are encouraged to spruce up their property for this award given in August. For more information on this call 453-4040. The Canton Chamber of Commerce announces that they will be awarding two \$500 scholarships for business students enrolled at any Michigan college or university. The Chamber will offering these scholarships in cooperation with the **Canton Community Foundation**. The Foundation's number is 981-3002.

**State Senator Loren Bennett and County Commissioner Bruce Patterson** will be the speakers at the Canton Chamber of Commerce and Canton Township's Third Thursday Update. The event will be held tomorrow at **Palermo's Restaurant**, 44938 Ford Rd. at 7:30 a.m.

Canton's **Target store**, 43670 Ford Rd., took part in the Helping Hugs program with Hersey. Helping Hugs provides paramedics with plush toys that they can give to children in emergency situations. This is the fourth consecutive year that Target has been involved. Every time a Target guest bought a Hershey product, a donation was made to Helping Hugs.

The **Plymouth Symphony Orchestra (PSO)** is conducting its annual sustaining fund drive. For more information of to make a donation call the Symphony office at 451-2112. This is the PSO's 50th anniversary year.

**Freudenberg-NOK** of Plymouth was chosen as one of the 39 suppliers to receive Saturn Corporation's 1994 Outstanding Achievement Award for exceptional performance in the areas of quality, service and price. Freudenberg-NOK was also chosen for exemplary 1994 performance as one of 80 suppliers which are honored by Saturn Corporation and presented with Saturn's 1994 Quality Recognition Award for meeting stringent criteria for quality.

## Hair apparent

*Downtown Plymouth hair salon pampers clients with one-hour appointments for the 'personable' touch*

BY BRIAN CORBETT

At Uptown Hair Studio, 838 Penniman in Plymouth, owner Kim Steffani is a cut above her competition.

"Most salons are all about money," said Steffani. "I love cutting hair. So I answer only to my clients, and that's the way it should be. I schedule a hour for each appointment, so it's very personable."

Steffani opened her new location on Penniman last month after spending a year at her Main Street location. "I outgrew it. I only had one station," she said. "I built up my client base and moved here."

It is the high point of a childhood dream Steffani had. "I always wanted to become a make up artist," she said. "So I took a lot of art classes in high school, and my counselor said, 'You can only become a make up artist by being a cosmetologist.' So I went around to Hudsons and Jacobsons and asked, 'How do you do make up?' I found out there really isn't a school. So I got really frustrated. Hair is so easy for me. It's an art."

Steffani designed the interior of the Uptown Hair Studio by herself, decorating her salon with a soothing color of green, stylish wicker furniture and a stone fireplace. "It's like a home setting so it doesn't look so much like a salon," she said. "Most (customers) say it's relaxing, it's calm. They think it's beautiful. Everybody loves the color, men and women. Everybody seems to be happy here."

During the hour long hair cutting ritual



**Uptown Hair Studio, located in Downtown Plymouth, serves all types of clients — from housewives to professionals — with a personal touch that larger salons don't offer. (Crier photo by Brian Corbett)**

with each customer, Steffani welcomes warm conversation and suggestions from housewives to professionals. "I like when people come and have an idea what they want to it with it, instead of those people who just say; 'I don't care,'" Steffani said. "I try to not let my customer know me personally too much at first because I want them to like what I'm doing. I'm their counselor too. You know the saying: 'Only your hair dresser knows.'"

Cutting hair professionally for six years and "fooling around" since she was 12 has paid its dividends for Steffani. She is a young business owner for her age, she will turn 25 this month, and customers are lining up at Uptown Hair

Studio. Steffani often works 12 hours each day, and she needs help besides her one part time employee. "I need some good professional, full time people," she said.

She added that she is very meticulous in her selection process in order to prevent a high turnover rate. "You go to a lot of these places and they say, 'Oh, this person isn't here any more.' A lot of people hop around," Steffani said.

Currently a Canton resident, Steffani hopes to move in a closer proximity to her salon.

"I love Plymouth," she said. "I'm infatuated with Plymouth. It's the best little town around here."

## Auction to benefit Canton playscape

BY BRIAN CORBETT

A 1995 Ford Explorer with XLT trim, four-wheel drive and all-terrain tires could be your's if the ticket number is right.

Blackwell Ford, 41001 Plymouth Rd., has donated a sparkling charcoal gray Explorer for an auction that will benefit the Canton Playscape, a community built playground structure.

The fundraising idea was developed by Lee Bittinger of Re/Max Crossroads, who will be volunteering his time with hundreds of others June 7-11 at Heritage Park to help build the Playscape.

"I had done that before for a family that needed some help. Actually, in Allen Park," said Bittinger. "It's a good way to generate money. We needed a lot of money in a short period of time. It gives people a chance to win a decent prize. The odds, with at most 2,000 tickets sold, are pretty good."

Currently, Bittinger estimated, 300 to 400 tickets have been sold. "We're squeezed for time," he said. "The auction is June 1."

A minimum of 600 tickets must be sold for the Explorer to be sold. If that number is not reached the prize will be \$10,000. "You can buy as many tickets as you want," said Bittinger. Tickets are \$50, and the Explorer's sticker price is \$27,100; so

the money could be well spent considering the popularity of Explorers. "It's a real neat machine," said Bittinger. "It's got all the luxury pickings."

Despite barely being able to stock Explorers regularly to keep up with demand, Blackwell Ford did not hesitate to become involved. "I know the (sales manager Len Gossman), he's a nice guy," said Bittinger. "He was pretty up on the idea. He, myself and John Blackwell, Jr. kind of mapped out the idea. I did a little survey to see who'd buy the tickets."

Alpha Graphics of Canton printed the tickets. "If we sell all the tickets we can raise better than (\$60,000.) I think we can raise \$50,000 to \$60,000. That's a nice chunk of change."

Bittinger is also raising money through local businesses by selling major parts of the Playscape, such as, the haunted castle maze. Contributors will then have their name placed on a plaque on the piece they purchased. "We need as many volunteers as possible," said Bittinger. "If they called me, I'd be glad to take down their name."

Anyone who wishes to purchase an auction ticket for the Explorer or any business that wants to contribute monetarily can call Bittinger at 453-8700.



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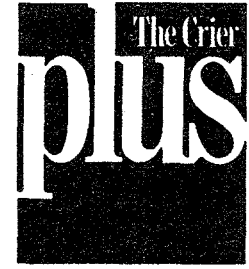
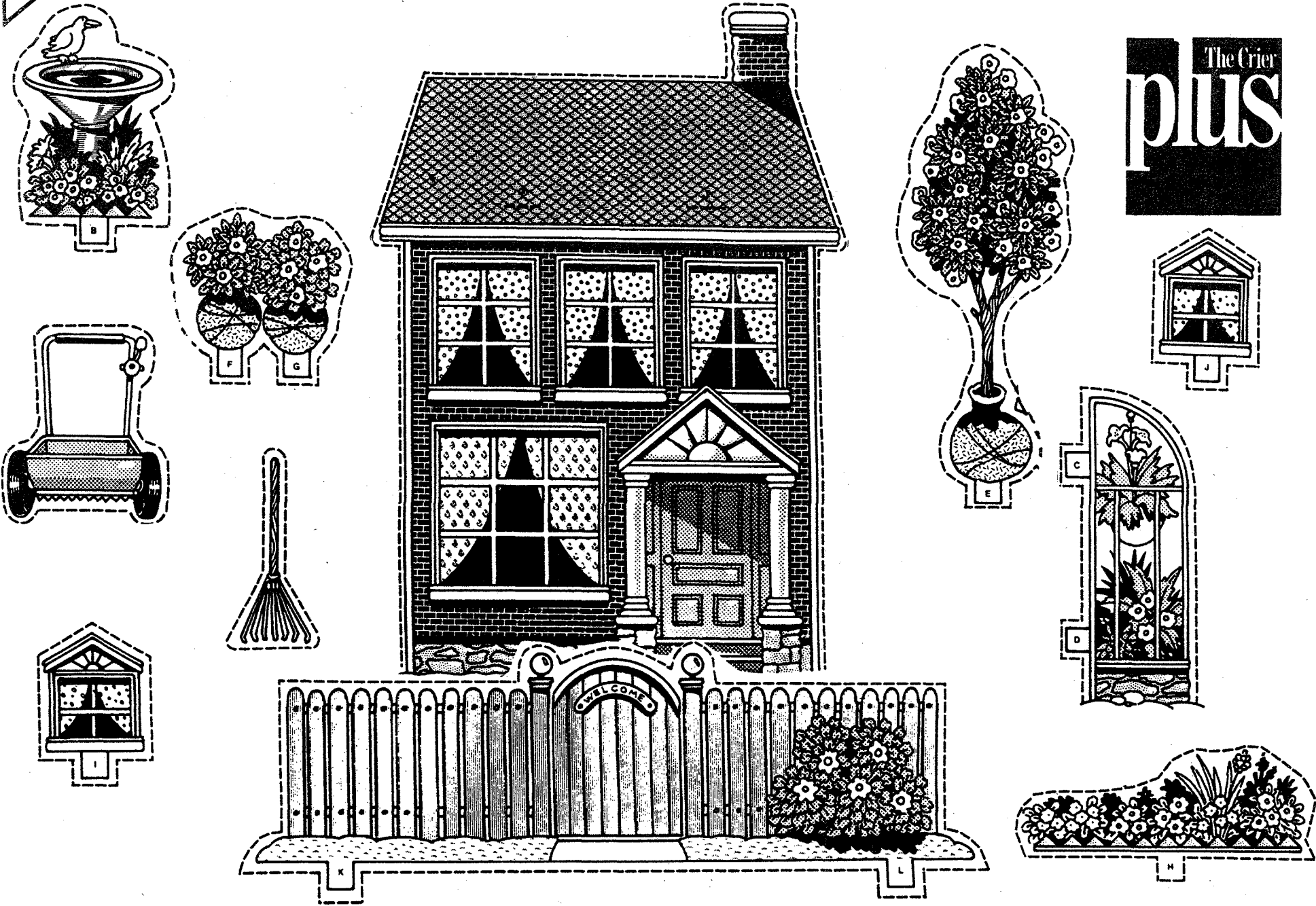
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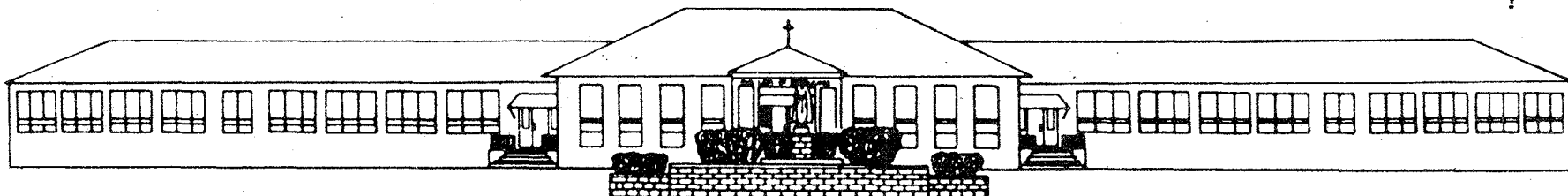
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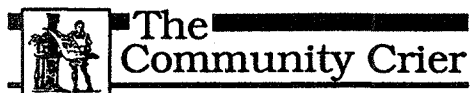
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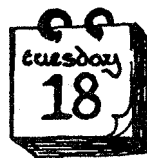
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The Community Crier staff will choose an outstanding act of kindness and present a \$50.00 reward to the kind person, and \$25 each to the runners-up. So if you know somebody who deserves a reward, let us know. Who knows, maybe together we can help start new habits. We need to receive your nominations by May 5.

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**FIFE AND DRUM REUNION**

The Plymouth Fife and Drum Corps is planning their 25th anniversary and are looking for former members to participate. Former members and their families should contact the corps at 981-3688.

**P-C JR. CIVITAN MS WALK**

The Plymouth-Canton Jr. Civitan club will be taking part in the Multiple Sclerosis walk, six miles, to benefit Doug Buchanan on April 23. Checks should be made payable to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society. To help with pledges, write the Plymouth-Canton Jr. Civitans, c/o Elaine Staley, 8245 Honeytree Blvd. #542, Canton, MI, 48187.

**TINY TOTS PRESCHOOL**

The Salvation Army's Tiny Tots preschool program is currently taking applications for the 1995-96 school year. Children who were four years old on Dec. 1, 1994 are eligible for the classes. For more information, call Peggy at 453-5464.

**FITNESS FACTORY**

The City of Plymouth Parks and Recreation department will hold aerobics classes weekly. There are low-impact and body sculpting classes offered. For more information and fee information, call Kathi at (810) 349-7928.

**BREASTFEEDING CLASSES**

The University of Michigan Health Center will offer a class taught by registered nurses in the basics of breastfeeding from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. on May 1. The fee for the class is \$15, payable at the door. For more information and to register, call (313) 998-6497.

**SMOKE STOPPERS**

The McAuley health building will hold a continuing stop-smoking clinic with a free assessment. Patch users are welcome. For more information, call Pat Harris at 712-4141.

**NURSES CLUB**

The St. John Neumann Church Nurses Club will host a speaker from Community Hospice Services at 7 p.m. on April 24 at the church. For more information, call Mary Sidick at 981-1817.

**RUMMAGE SALE**

The Ladies Guild of Our Lady of Good Counsel will hold a rummage sale in the school gym from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on April 20. This year's sale will not feature clothing. For more information, call 453-7337.

**DISABILITY FITNESS CLASSES**

The Plymouth-Canton Educational Park is looking for used fitness equipment (steppers, fitness tapes, stationary bikes, treadmills) for a new fitness program for students with disabilities. For more information and to make a donation, call David Gerlach at 416-7708.

**JAYCEE FOURTH OF JULY PARADE**

The Plymouth-Canton Jaycees are looking for community businesses to help support their 1995 Fourth of July parade. Donations can be mailed to the Jaycees at PO Box 700123 Plymouth, MI, 48170-0942. For more information, call the Jaycees at 453-8407.

**4 ON 4 BEACH VOLLEYBALL**

The Plymouth Community YMCA will be holding a 4 on 4 beach volleyball tournament. Fee for full members is \$15, \$20 for program members, \$28 for non-members. Sign-up ends at 2 p.m. June 30. For more information and to register, call the YMCA at 453-2904.

**CLASS OF 1990 FIVE-YEAR REUNION**

The Salem and Canton High School classes of 1990 will hold their five-year reunion on June 19 at Burton Manor in Livonia. For more information, call Reunions Made Easy at (810) 380-6100.

**RETIRED AND SENIOR VOLUNTEER PROGRAM**

The Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) is looking for volunteers in the Canton area to help children needing tutoring with basic math and reading skills. Training is free. For more information, call Joy Graves at 883-2100 ext. 368.

**YMCA VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

The YMCA is seeking volunteers for the 16th Annual run, clerical, babysitters, and program assistant. For more information, call the YMCA at 453-2904.

**20-YEAR HIGH SCHOOL REUNION**

The 20-year high school reunion of the Plymouth Canton and Plymouth Salem classes of 1975 will be held on Oct. 7 at the Holiday Inn - Livonia West. Call to update your address For more information, call Robin at 459-6950 or Mark at 459-9896.

**LIVING TRUST/NURSING HOME SEMINARS**

The City of Plymouth and the Northville Senior Center will host financial expert Paul LeDuc who will explain the advantages of a living trust from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Plymouth Cultural Center on May 1. LeDuc will also speak on the Catastrophic Care Act of 1990 from 1 to 3 p.m. on May 10 at the Cultural Center. Both seminars will be open to the public and free of charge. For more information, call 455-6623.

**ADOPT-A-MAGAZINE**

The Plymouth District Library is looking for individuals, businesses and community groups to donate the cost of a magazine subscription to one of the over 300 periodicals the library keeps in stock. The sponsor's name will appear on the label and the donation is federal and state tax deductible. For more information, call the library at 453-0750.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

United Home Health Services in Canton is looking for volunteers for companionship, telephone reassurance and conducting phone surveys with the ill, disabled and elderly. For more information, call Diana at 981-8820.

**CLOTHING BANK**

The Clothing Bank will be open to distribute donations of clothing to families in need on Tuesdays only from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and from 1 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. during the school year. To make an appointment or for more information, call 416-6179.

**STU ROCKAFELLOW AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY**

The Stu Rockafellow Amateur Radio Society will hold their regular monthly meeting at 7 p.m. on the third Tuesday of the month on the second floor of the Plymouth City Hall. For more information, call 455-7652.

**LADIES GOLF LEAGUES**

Ladies golf leagues are now forming at Oasis Golf Center for spring and summer of 1995. Space is limited. For more information, call 420-4653.

**PCAC ART RENTAL GALLERY**

The Plymouth Community Arts Council will hold a sale before moving to their new location this spring. The gallery on the 2nd floor of the Plymouth District Library will be open from 10 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays only, for more information, call Therese at 459-6896.

**KIWANIS \$1,000 RAFFLE**

The Kiwanis Breakfast Club of Plymouth will conduct its second annual \$1,000 a month raffle for \$100 a ticket to win \$1,000 a month for every month of 1995. Winners will be placed back in the pool for future drawings. For more information, call 453-7091.



## What's Happening

To list your group's event in this calendar, send or deliver the notice IN WRITING to: The Crier, 821 Penniman Ave., Plymouth, MI 48170. Information received BY NOON FRIDAY will be used for Wednesday's calendar (space permitting).

### VIETNAM VETERAN'S ART CONTEST

The Plymouth-Canton Vietnam Veterans of America is holding an art contest "Celebrating the End of the Vietnam War," for original art for cash prizes. The deadline for the contest is April 26. For more information, call Greg Huddas at 453-5020.

### TOWN MEETING

U.S. Rep. Lynn Rivers will host a town meeting at the Little Theatre at Canton High School from 7 to 9 p.m. on April 27. The meeting will be for residents to talk about any issues before the Congress. For more information, call either 741-4210 or 722-1411.

### "SUSIE'S DANCE"

Our Lady of Providence center in Northville will hold a "Susie's Dance" fundraiser at 6 p.m. on April 29 at Laurel Manor in Livonia. There will be a raffle and a silent auction. Cost is \$50 per person. For more information, call the Center at 453-1300.

### PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS

The Plymouth District Library will hold registration for preschool programs for children two to three and a half years of age at 10 a.m. on April 24. For more information about this and other programs, call the library at 453-3501.

### MEET OTHER MOTHERS

Meet Other Mothers will hold a group meeting from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. on April 28. There will be a speaker on travel tips. For more information, call Toni at 453-6134.

### ANTIQUe APPRAISAL CLINIC

The Plymouth Historical Museum will hold an antique appraisal clinic with Ernest DuMochelle and members of his staff from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on April 25 at the museum. The cost is \$6 per item for an oral appraisal, \$10 for a written appraisal. Bring up to eight hand-held items only. For more information, call the museum at 455-8940.

### THE NORTHVILLE PLAYERS

The Northville Players will present the play "The Importance of Being Earnest" at 8 p.m. on April 21, 22, 28 and 29 at the American Legion Hall in Northville. Tickets are \$7, a dinner theatre package is also available for Saturday night performances. Reservations are required for the dinner performances. For more information, call 453-0891.

### MOTHERS OF TWINS CLUB

The Plymouth-Canton Mothers of Twins Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. on April 24. New members are welcome. For more information, call Shelly at 326-1466.

### MASSAGE THERAPY

The William M. Perrett Lodge #524 F. & A.M. will host a massage therapy demonstration from 7 to 9 p.m. on April 20 at the Masonic Lodge, 730 Penniman Ave.

### 1995 SENIOR PARTY

The organizers of the Canton and Salem High School 1995 senior party need help with this year's party. Food: Pat — 459-3816, Blackjack: Ed — 455-3391, Chaperones: Diane — 459-9190, Decorating: Dale — 397-8090.

### ENTERTAINMENT '95 BOOKS

The Plymouth Optimist Club will be selling Entertainment 1995 books good for dining, events and other services in Michigan. Price is \$40 hand delivered, all proceeds go to children's causes in southeast Michigan. For more information, call Ken Fisher at 728-7619 or Bill Von Glahn at 453-8253.

### PLYMOUTH REPUBLICAN CLUB

The Plymouth Republican Club hold their regular meetings on the fourth Thursday of the month at the Water Club Grill at 6 p.m. For more information, call Carl Berry at 420-0782.

### C.H.A.D.D. MEETING

C.H.A.D.D. of Northwest Wayne County (an attention-based disorder parent's organization) meets on the first Thursday of each month at the Livonia Civic Center Library. For more information about the group and the meeting, call Roberta Zarea at 344-8216.

### WSDP FUNDRAISER

WSDP 88.1 FM, the student-run radio station, will hold their annual radio auction from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. on May 13. Items auctioned off will come from local businesses. For more information, call Bill Keith at 416-7732.

### CANTON REPUBLICAN CLUB

The Canton Republican Club, which meets on the third Thursday of each month, will be meeting at Cherry Hill School at 7 p.m. For more information, call Melissa McLaughlin at 495-0304.

### PREMARITAL HEALTH EDUCATION CERTIFICATE CLASSES

The Wedding Chapel on Main Street will be offering counseling on transmission and prevention of AIDS and other sexually transmitted diseases. The classes are open to the public and will run every month this year. For information about the classes and dates and times, call the Wedding Chapel at 455-4800.

### GOD'S GOLDEN GIRLS

Christ the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church invites women over 50 to join "God's Golden Girls." The organization meets the third Friday of each month, at noon. Lunch is free but reservations are a must. For more information, call Pattie at 981-0286.

### PLYMOUTH-CANTON CIVITAN MEETING

The Plymouth-Canton Civitan club will hold their monthly dinner meeting on the third Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Water Club Bar & Grill. For more information, call Margaret at 455-6989.

### PLYMOUTH OPTIMIST CLUB

The Plymouth Optimist Club meets every first and third Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m. in the Mayflower Hotel. Meetings include dinner and a speaker. For further information contact Felix Rotter at 453-2375.

### TUESDAY NIGHT LIVE

Horizon Counseling Centre and Associates will be hosting a series of free seminars on the second Tuesday of every month. For more information about the series, call the Horizon Counseling at 451-7577.

### PLYMOUTH-CANTON JAYCEES

The Plymouth-Canton Jaycees hold monthly meetings on the fourth Thursday of each month at the Plymouth Cultural Center. The meetings begin at 7:30 p.m. For more information, call the Jaycee Hotline at 453-8407.

### INTERPRETERS NEEDED

United Home Health Services of Canton are looking for volunteers who are fluent in a foreign language to interpret for the ill, disabled or elderly. There are also needs for drivers, telephone reassurance and conducting patient surveys. For more information, call 981-8820.

### JUBILEE RAFFLE

Our Lady of Good Counsel Church will hold their "Jubilee Raffle" for a chance at winning \$1,000 in one of 12 weekly drawings. Tickets, \$100 apiece, may be purchased at the parish office. For more information, call the parish office at 453-0326.

### D.A.R. MEETING

The Sarah Ann Cochrane Chapter of the DAR will meet at 6:30 p.m. on April 24 at the Plymouth Historical Museum. The program will be the Continental Congress 1995. For more information, call either 455-9427 or 453-1774.

### PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY CHORUS

The Plymouth Community Chorus will perform its 20th Spring Concert at 8 p.m. on April 29 4 p.m. on April 30 at Salem High School. Tickets are \$8 for adults, \$6 for seniors and students. For more information, call 455-4080.



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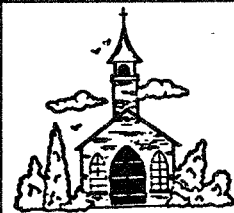
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# Community deaths

**Norman T. Druce, 75, entrepreneur**

Norman T. Druce, a former director for the Montgomery County Center for the mentally impaired in Texas from Plymouth, died April 8, 1995, at the age of 75.

He is survived by his son; James (Cynthia) and two other sons, daughter; Suzanne Coon, one sister, seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Services were arranged by the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

**Frank L. Radloff, 81, electrician**

Frank L. Radloff, an electrician for 50 years from Plymouth, died April, 1995, at the age of 81.

He is survived by his wife; Ellen, one daughter, one sister and two grandchildren.

Services were held at the Schrader-Howell Funeral home.

**Josephine Jaquinto, 79, homemaker**

Josephine Jaquinto, a homemaker from Plymouth, died April 5, 1995, at the age of 79.

She is survived by her daughter, three sisters, one brother and two grandchildren.

Services were held at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home. Entombment was at Mt. Hope Cemetery.

**Elizabeth Fair, 86, homemaker**

Elizabeth Fair, a homemaker formerly from Plymouth, died April 11, 1995, at the age of 86.

She is survived by a daughter and two grandchildren.

Services, arranged by the Bennett Funeral Home, were held at the River Road Presbyterian Church in Richmond, Va.

**Douglas A. Logan, Jr., 38, deputy county clerk**

Douglas A. Logan, Jr., a deputy county clerk in Texas from Canton, died April 10, 1995, at the age of 38.

He is survived by his sister; Eleanor Redner and two other sisters, three brothers and his father.

Services were held at the Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home. Burial was at Perry Mount Park Cemetery.

**Dorothy B. Price, 85, homemaker**

Dorothy B. Price, a homemaker from Ypsilanti, died April 9, 1995, at the age of 85.

She is survived by her brother; Phillip Wooliver, and one daughter.

Services, arranged by the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, were held at the First Presbyterian Church.

**Dolores B. Gillen, 86, homemaker**

Dolores B. Gillen, a homemaker from Northville, died April 3, 1995, at the age of 86.

She is survived by two sons, two sisters, nine grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Services, arranged by the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, were held at the St. Kenneth Catholic Church. Burial was at St. Boniface Cemetery, Chicago Il.

**Kenneth A. Feldman, 44, carpet installer**

Kenneth A. Feldman, a carpet installer for New York Carpet World formerly from Plymouth, died April 10, 1995, at the age of 44.

He is survived by a daughter, two sons, his parents, two sisters, his grandmother and a granddaughter.

Services were arranged by the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

**Patricia J. Kozak, 56, homemaker**

Patricia J. Kozak, a homemaker from Wixom, died April 11, 1995, at the age of 56.

She is survived by her husband, daughter; Lynne Marie (Steven), granddaughters;

Jessica and Ashley, four step-children, one step-grandchild, three brothers and two sisters.

Services were held at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home. Burial was at Parkview Memorial Cemetery.

**Willard F. Thompson, 93, electrician**

Willard F. Thompson, an electrician with the Ford Motor Co. for 28 years from Plymouth, died April 11, 1995, at the age of 93.

He is survived by his wife; Juanita, sons; Willard, David and A. Eddy (Lois), four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Services were held at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home. Burial was at Salem-Walker Cemetery.

**Vlade G. Dimovski, 55, assembly worker**

Vlade G. Dimovski, an assembly worker for General Motors from Canton, died April 10, 1995, at the age of 55.

He is survived by his wife; Nickolina, sons; Bob (Kathy) and one other son, one brother, two sisters, and two grandchildren.

Services, arranged by the Pawlus Funeral Home, were held at the St. Clement's Macedonian Church. Burial was at Grand Lawn Cemetery.

**Leo V. Causley, 75, GM employee**

Leo V. Causley, a retired General Motors Hydramatic employee, died April 14, 1995, at the age of 75.

He is survived by his son; Shanon and one other son, and two grandchildren.

Services were held at the Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home. Burial was at Knollwood Memorial Park.

## Obituaries

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

**Stanley Baloh**

Stanley Baloh, a tailor from Livonia, died April 7, 1995, at the age of 86.

Mr. Baloh came to the Livonia community from Dearborn in 1966. He was a tailor for over 60 years, the owner of the Baloh Tailor and Cleaners in Dearborn for over 30 years. He also worked as a supervisor of men's and women's alterations at Montgomery Ward's.

Mr. Baloh was a member of the St. Theodore Catholic Church, the Livonia Elks since 1966, a 70-year member of the S.N.P.J., a member of the Dearborn Moose Lodge #1620 for over 50 years, a senior member of the Button Box Accordion Club and a member of the Slovene-American Club.

Mr. Baloh is survived by his daughter; Donna (William) Keough, son; Bruce (Barbara), grandchildren; Shawn Keough, Shane Keough, Bruce Jacob and Brandy, and several nieces and nephews.

Services, arranged by the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, were held at St. Theodore Catholic Church with the Rev. Fr. Gerard J. Cupple officiating. Burial was at Parkview Memorial Cemetery.

Memorial contributions can be made to St. Mary Hospital, the Westland Humane Society, Zarja or in the form of mass offerings.

**Robert Allen Gross**

Beloved husband of Mary Jean (nee Kubany). Dear son of Doris Gross. Dear brother of Alva (Aldon) Holk, Ellen Gross and Frederick Gross. Dear brother-in-law of Charlene Gross and Nancy (Henry) Greenspan. Brother of Richard Gross. Dear uncle of Lynne, Lisa, Linda, Diane and Ronald. Dear great-uncle of Richard and Aldon.

He was born on Dec. 21, 1937, in Highland Park and died April 12, 1995 in Plymouth. Mr. Gross served in the U.S. Navy aboard the Franklin D. Roosevelt aircraft carrier. He was a graduate of Eastern Michigan University.

Mr. Gross retired from the Detroit Diesel Corp. in 1993 as the manager of Administration Systems.

Services were held at the Fred Wood Funeral Home with the Bishop Milton R. Reisen of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. Burial was at Acacia Park Cemetery.

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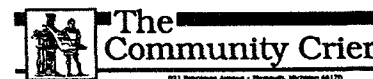
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## Canton site of 'Live Scan' fingerprint system

BY ROB KIRKBRIDE

Local law enforcement agencies will soon have a powerful new crime fighting tool.

Canton has been approved as a "Live Scan" computerized imaging fingerprint system. As a host site, Canton, along with surrounding communities would use the system.

Live Scan is a system in which fingerprints are scanned directly from the subject's hand, along with descriptive information entered by an operator, and are automatically telecommunicated to the Michigan State Police Central Records system in Lansing.

Presently, fingerprints are submitted by mail to Central Records in Lansing for identification, classification and entry into the system.

The Live Scan System will allow immediate identification if a person has been previously fingerprinted. The scan can then be checked for a match with open criminal cases when the subject's prints are on file.

The Canton Board of Trustees approved purchase of the system last week. Canton's share of the \$60,000 system is \$15,000. Canton is permitted to charge a fee to nearby police agencies to use the service.

## Floor tiles?



The Pugh's, owners of sideways on Forest Avenue in Plymouth are building their house from the ground up — sort of. Construction workers lay flooring on the roof of the popular gift shop that will be the base of the second story of the building. A loft apartment will comprise the second floor. (Crier photo by Rob Kirkbride)

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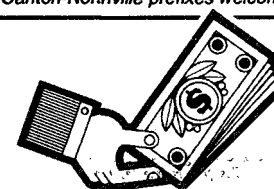
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## Curiosities

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JEN OYLIUVOE YOU ALWAYS MAKE ME HAPPY MAT

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Thanks Tom and Joy for a great Easter dinner.

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Thanks Rich for the help with the car-

Was that Grandma Ginger with rabbit ears on, Sat. night.

THUMPER- Heard about your "hare" raising experience. Hasn't everybody? P & G

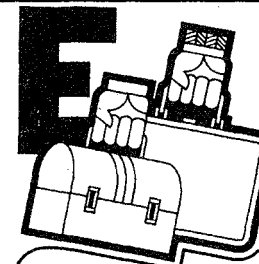
Holly- Hop, Hop, Hop, Flop.

Jeni is taking Choo-Choo under her wing. Look out Plymouth!

Watch next weeks paper for the results of our "Best of" Poll.

Rebecca will probably speak with a Southern Drawl when she gets back next week-

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# Sports

## Sports shorts

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The Plymouth Parks and Recreation Department is seeking minority and other qualified applicants for Hockey Scorekeepers for the Spring Hockey League. Apply in person at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer, or contact the Parks and Recreation Department at 455-6623. Games are held weeknights and weekends. \$6 per game/hour.

The Plymouth Parks and Recreation Department will be offering the following day trips for any interested adult: Windsor Casino Trip, Gramma Rose's Dinnertainment, Holland MI, Emerald Empress Luncheon Cruise and Turkeyville's Dinner Theater. For more information call 455-6620.

MedHealth Fitness & Wellness Center in Plymouth is pleased to announce that it will once again be offering a free summer student athletic program. This program is offered to area high school students who have entered at least their sophomore year and who are interested in a career in any medical field. The program begins in mid-June and meets twice per week for eight weeks. Applications can be sent to local athletic directors. Any further information can be obtained by calling 459-1800.

Adult softball team registrations are still available through Canton Parks and Recreation. Men's: \$270 per team. Womens: \$350 per team. Coed: \$350 per team. Call 397-5110 for more information.

The Thursday Morning Golf Group is a small league at Hilltop Golf Course at Beck Road and Ann Arbor Trail. The group plays nine holes from April 13 to Aug. 24. If interested in stress free golf, call Joan at 455-9496 or come to a meeting tomorrow at 9:30 a.m. at Hilltop.

## Clipped

*Canton girl's soccer knocks Harrison Hawks out of the sky in 8-0 pounding, Chiefs now above .500*

BY BRIAN CORBETT

The Harrison Hawks were cut down in flight by the Canton soccer team last Wednesday, 8-0. "It didn't come easy," said coach Don Smith. "We needed a lot of hard work. We still do." With the victory the Chiefs improved their record to

3-2.

Senior goalie Sarah Warnke recorded a shutout, but faced only one shot. "These games don't do her much good," said Smith.

Scoring was spread equally around the roster as Canton had Harrison reeling the

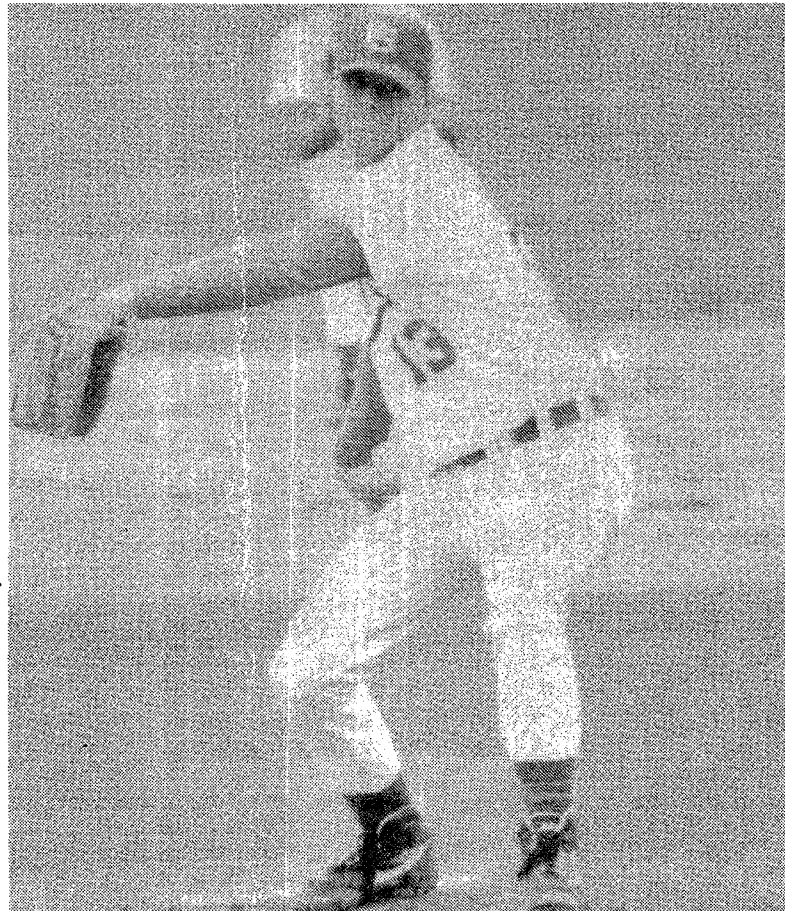
entire game.

Forward Mellissa Tomei had two goals and an assist to lead all scorers. Mellisa Marzoff put in two goals as did Dawn Kuntz. Emily Meier and Jenny Prabiainer added goals. Jessica Bradley,

Please see pg. 20

## Rain delay

Salem pitcher Ted Bently gets ready for the wind up and release. Unfortunately for Bentley and the Rocks the game was called because of the bad weather. Many other springs sports at Canton and Salem are also suffering because of Mother Nature. (Crier photo by Carly Grisius)



## Gaming commission says no to video gaming, Gov's decision to come in May

BY BRIAN CORBETT

The Michigan Gaming Commission dealt a serious blow to future of Northville Downs last week by recommending to Gov. John Engler that Video Gaming Terminals (VGT's) not be allowed into any of Michigan's nine horse racing facilities.

"It did surprise me because we had gone up before the Gaming Commission, and we filled the place with supporters. And we thought we made a good presentation," said Margaret Zayti, executive manager of Northville Downs.

VGT's are 19-inch color video machines that allow gamblers to play poker, blackjack and keno-style games while watching simulcasts of horse races. Proponents of VGT's maintain that the machines would introduce racing to a new audience, permitting horse racing to compete equally with casinos.

Casino Windsor and Native-American run casinos — in addition to the popularity of the state lottery — have pushed Michigan horse racing to the brink of extinction. If the race tracks close over 42,000 individuals will lose their jobs. Also, \$260 million in state revenue would be lost along with funding for breeding programs, feed farms, 4-H programs and county fairs. "I don't think they understand our relationship with the Department

of Agriculture," Zayti said about the Michigan Gaming Commission.

The final decision will be made by Engler "sometime in May," Zayti said. Gene Capuzzi, assistant operations director of Northville Downs, surmised last week that if horse racing is not allowed to use VGT's; Northville Downs will go out of business. Zayti was unwilling to commit to such a bleak outcome but did say, "There'll have to be some consideration given to race tracks on the amount of money given to the state. If they take away our business then they better reduce our commissions. We need fair competition."

Until next month reveals Engler's decision, Zayti will bombard him with lobbying in favor of VGT's. "We had a meeting," she said. "We're going to be writing letters to the governor stating our position." Zayti will also step up her public awareness campaign. She said: "The most important thing is to get the message to people what race tracks do for the horse industry."

If VGT's lose their battle for legality and, as Capuzzi fears, Northville Downs closes, the city will lose its biggest taxpayer. "The City of Northville has lived with us for 50 years," Zayti said. "We've been more than a neighbor to them."

# Below par

## Canton golf falls to Northville in first outing of season 235-276, coach still upbeat about U of M outing Friday

BY BRIAN CORBETT

It was hostile weather last Wednesday, but the Canton golf team played through — one of only four sporting events to be played out of the 11 scheduled.

"Well with baseball there's nothing you can do if home plate is underwater," said coach Dan Riggs. "But in golf you can go out there hit and then go hide under an umbrella."

Unfortunately for the Chiefs, their determination and dedication was not rewarded with a victory.

Canton fell to the Northville Mustangs in their first outing of the season, 235-276. The Chiefs first scheduled match against Franklin on Monday, April 10 was snowed out.

Junior Anne Alioto led Canton with a 65 score. "She'll bring that score down,"

said Riggs, adding that Alioto has been hampered by a sore ankle. Junior Kim Stafford was close behind with a 67. "Anne and Kim are about where they should be to start out the year," Riggs said of his two junior co-captains.

Rounding out Canton's top four were Jenny Wilson and Sandra Pazalo. Wilson posted a 69 while Pazalo was six strokes behind with a 75.

On the Northville side, Monica Parasa led all golfers on the par 36 course with a 56 score. Teammate Lindsay Casterline scored 57. Emily Baldwin and Kyla Mille both scored 61 to finish off Northville's impressive 235 score. "Northville's a good solid team," said Riggs. "Those four have been there four years."

The match was played in terrible con-

ditions. The wind was blowing as a cold rain fell sporadically, and the course was drenched. "The weather's got to get better," Riggs said. "It was mostly slogging around out there, but I wanted to get it in."

Despite taking a loss their first time out, Riggs remained upbeat. "They were disappointed," he said. "I told them to keep their chins up. I'm not worried about it. I'm sure the scores will come down."

Next up for the Chiefs is the U-M Invitational this Friday. "There's a ton of schools," Riggs said. "We've been waiting for this."

The Chiefs return to Fellows Creek's south course this Monday for a match versus cross-campus rival Salem. Tee time is 3 p.m.

# WSDP to broadcast soccer for first time, looking forward to May auction

BY BRIAN CORBETT

In the spirit of broadcasting greats Bob Ufer and Bruce Martyn; WSDP, 88.1 FM brings the The Plymouth-Canton Community a grand assortment of sports and entertainment.

"I'm really excited about having a radio station at the high school," said station manager Bill Keith. "It provides hands-on experience for the students."

During the 1994-95 school year, WSDP has carried football and basketball. Currently, baseball and softball are being broadcast. "This year were adding soccer. It's the first time we've done soccer," said Keith, a 1990 MSU graduate who worked at East Lansing's 89 FM-Impact. "I think there's a renewed interest in soccer with the World Cup."

For the past five years the Michigan Association of Broadcasters has selected a WSDP student as Best High School Sportscaster. "I think it's because we broadcast so many games; we've developed a reputation," Keith said. "Over the past five years we've had really good broadcasters. We've been real fortunate to have students that dedicated. That's been a real nice honor."

In order to get on the air, students must first audition for the staff, then take a class covering federal laws and station policies. An examination is the final step to becoming a third class operator. Students can then shoot their voice over a 200-watt signal while doing play-by-play, color commentary or spinning records.

It is a chance to become immortalized in the ears and imaginative eyes of local listeners. Just like Canton seniors John Tims and Kevin Carlson, and Canton sophomore John Kreger did while working the five-overtime basketball thriller between

Canton and Salem on Jan. 13. "Oh my, was that a game," said Keith. "We'd been in overtime before, but after the first overtime the announcers were just psyched to be there. They were overwhelmed. They were excited... Sometimes they were screaming too loud, you probably couldn't understand them."

When WSDP, also known as "The Escape", is not covering sporting events they are filling the airwaves with distinct musical programs. "Our format is pretty eclectic," Keith said. "We're pretty much alternative rock with more of a push to underground music." Some of the speciality programming includes blues and jazz shows, a classical music show and spoken word poetry. "It's a wide variety. Things you don't usually hear on the radio. We're going to add more this summer," Keith said. "We try to be as different form what you hear on the radio... People have responded pretty positively. We've developed a following."

If WSDP is to continue to serve their listeners with the high quality it has turned out since 1972 — it needs help. On Saturday, May 13 from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. the station will hold a fundraising auction over the air. "We'll have items up for bid from all around the Plymouth-Canton area," Keith said.

Listeners will be able to call in and purchase the items. All the money raised will go straight to WSDP for purchasing a digital audio work station. "It allows for a lot of different capabilities," Keith said.

WSDP's goal is \$4,000; but Keith does not expect to raise that amount of money in one day. "We're hoping to get some grants," he said. "We're really excited." WSDP is owned and operated by the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools. The station number is 416-7732.

# Canton soccer beats Harrison, 8-0

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Amencie Crayton, Elisa Elisaesper, Julie Magewski all had one assist.

Defensemen Kristie Drinkhahn and Kelly West, when tested, squelched any Harrison attack. "The defense didn't get a whole lot of work back there," Smith said.

Marzoff started the onslaught with a header in the game's 12th minute. Two minutes later Marzoff blew the ball past Harrison's goalie for another score. "We pretty much controlled play," Smith said. "We could pretty much do anything."

With his team leading 6-0 entering the second half, Smith began practicing plays that will be important during close games against more competitive teams. "We tried crosses and things," he said. "We tried to score on headers."

Several substitutes got into the contest as the Chiefs added two more goals while continuing the Hawks scoring drought. Smith said that while it was good to practice passing and heading the ball, it is not the same as a high-paced game when those plays really count.

"It's kind of a hard game to get a lot

things done," Smith said. "The tempo is increased in a better ball game than when it's 8-0.

The win lifted the Chiefs above the .500 mark.

"The two teams we lost to are top-ranked teams. Against Troy we were in the ball game, we just couldn't score," Smith said of the 2-0 loss. "We're about where we should be."

The only disappointment of the day was the nasty weather. "I just kept them running," Smith said. "I think I was colder than they were."

## On deck

### SALEM BASEBALL

Salem is at Southgate Anderson this Saturday for a doubleheader beginning at 11 a.m. On Monday, the Rocks travel to Walled Lake Western. Game time is 4 p.m.

### SALEM SOFTBALL

Monday's game is at home versus Walled Lake Central at 4 p.m. Tuesday is a doubleheader at home at 3:30 p.m. versus Ann Arbor Pioneer.

### SALEM GIRLS GOLF

Fore. Salem faces arch rival Canton at 3 p.m. on Monday on the south course of Fellows Creek.

### SALEM BOYS TENNIS

Acc. The Rocks are at home on Monday against North Farmington at 4 p.m.

### SALEM GIRLS TRACK

On your mark. Get set. Go. The next meet for the Rocks is the Lady Chiefs Relays at home at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday.

### SALEM BOYS TRACK

Salem's neat meet is on Thursday, April 27 at John Glenn at 3:30 p.m..

### SALEM GIRLS SOCCER

The Rocks have a home game against North Farmington on Monday at 7 p.m.

### CANTON BASEBALL

Canton takes on Northville on the road this Monday at 4 p.m.

### CANTON BOYS TENNIS

On Monday, the Chiefs play Farmington on the road at 4 p.m.

### CANTON GIRLS TRACK

Canton hosts the Spring Break Invitational at 3:30 p.m. today. The Chiefs host the Lady Chiefs Relays on Saturday at 9:30 a.m.

### CANTON SOFTBALL

On Saturday, Canton will take part in the Flint Carmen Tournament. Monday is a conference game versus Northville at home at 4 p.m.

### CANTON GIRLS SOCCER

The defending WLAA champs will take on Adrian at home at 1 p.m. on Saturday. Monday is a road game versus Farmington at 4 p.m.

### CANTON GIRLS GOLF

The next golf outing is Monday at home versus Salem at 3 p.m.

### CANTON BOYS TRACK

The next track meet is at home on Thursday, April 27 at 5:30 p.m. versus Northville.





# Community opinions

## Let's make a deal

*Did voters approve library millage assuming new building would be on current site? Who knows, but some early proponents have changed their tune*

Did voters give the Plymouth Library Board permission to move the library to another site?

"Yes," is the technical answer.

"No," is the political answer.

When voters approved the new bond issue last Fall, how many of them did so because they were swayed by the Library Bond Committee's campaign promise to keep the existing library facade? That implies building a new library on the existing site.

But at the same time voters were approving the millage, they were also electing a new library board and another member was appointed later.

Those board members said, let's re-evaluate all possible locations for the library.

Then the pending deal on the Wilcox House property fell through, and, now that property is of prime interest to the library board for a couple reasons.

First, it's large enough for future expansion if the library grows.

Secondly, it eliminates the need and expense of housing the library in temporary quarters during demolition and construction.

## With malice toward none

By W. Edward WENDOVER



But, did the voters agree with that idea when they approved the bond? Some of the key campaigners for the library millage are now saying they don't agree with relocating the library. One major issue, they say, is the possible development of the Wilcox site by adding tax-paying residents. Will the library board answer the question in a technical way or a political way? Stay tuned.

## The Community Crier is your independent voice

What's so important about an independent, weekly newspaper? Maybe everything for a community such as the Plymouth-Canton one.

Our community here has always had the benefit of its own weekly newspaper. Many of those aspects of community wealth you enjoy as a resident here, and are proud of, were either originated by or supported by some weekly editor or publisher in this area's past.

You need only stop by the entrance door of the Mayflower Hotel's dining room to realize the importance the old Plymouth Mail had on colonializing downtown Plymouth. There, embedded in a plaque, is a newspaper story about the hotel and the newspaper leading the way toward making Plymouth unique

from its surrounding city-villages.

The loss endemic when a little weekly newspaper is bought out by a large, metropolitan conglomerate is the loss of the local editor-publisher.

These fellows (sometimes women) are often characters, sometimes loved, sometimes not. They always live in the community. They always feel they are doing the most determined thing for the community.

While you may not always agree with them on certain issues, their bottom line is a growing community, you can count on that.

With the industrialization-conglomeration of suburban weekly newspapers, many honorable and distinguished old weekly newspapers

## Native Son

By Randy Eaton



have disappeared. A few contrary holdouts still exist.

Your Community Crier is one of them.

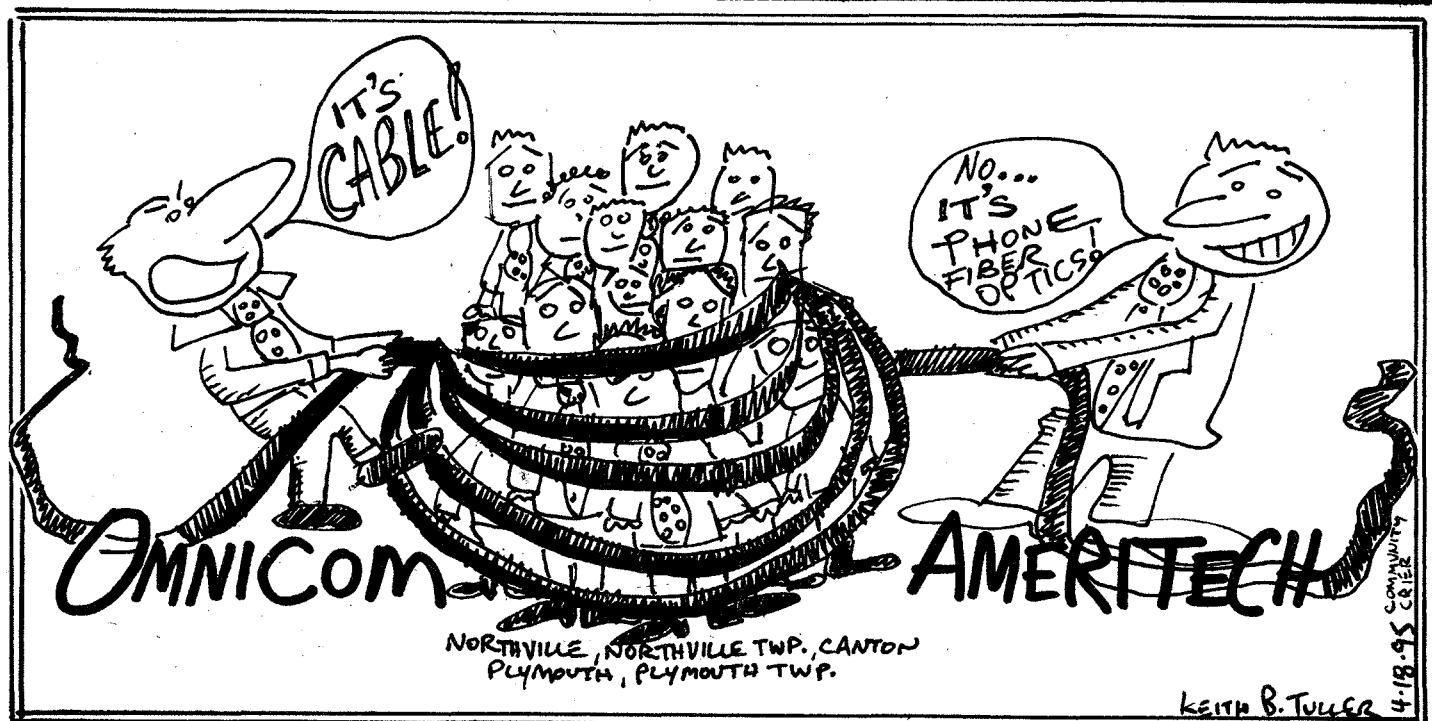
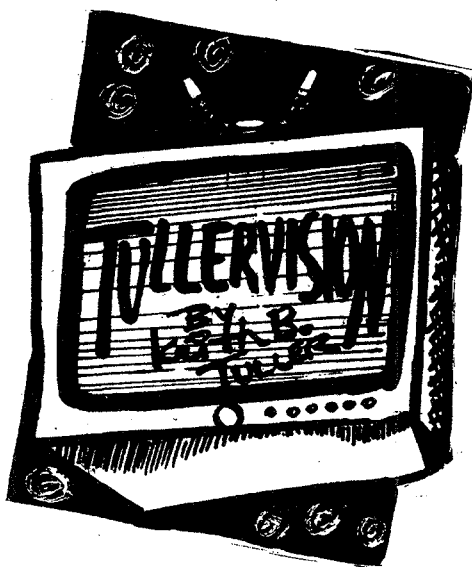
Where else could a character like myself share old memories with you? Where else can you place an inexpensive classified ad only your neighbors will read? Who else hawks the community from a neighbor and fellow property owner's point of view?

Weekly newspapering is a tough

business anywhere.

The cost of newsprint has sky rocketed. The competition for advertising dollars is fierce. Not everyone cares if there's an independent weekly newspaper here or not.

I think you should. The alternative is a loss of community independence. This area's independent weekly newspapers played a major role in causing this community to be the desirably unique place it is.





# Community opinions

## Streetscape underway, one element ill-conceived

Three cheers for the beginning of the Plymouth Streetscape project! Possibly the largest construction undertaking in the city's history, the streetscape is making its way from the drawing board to the street — with just one problem.

Designers of the upcoming Plymouth Streetscape project should reconsider the center

island planned for Ann Arbor Trail at Forest Avenue.

It is one of the few elements of the long-awaited project that was ill-conceived.

Ann Arbor Trail is simply too narrow for the island.

The Plymouth Downtown Development Authority scaled back the original plan, which

called for a larger island at Forest Avenue. The plan was not scaled back enough.

Trucks and other delivery vehicles need to be able to turn down the one-way street.

The Ann Arbor Trail center island will do nothing for the streetscape plan except cause traffic congestion and parking problems.

THE COMMUNITY CRIER

## Police should be able to put out simple car fire

EDITOR:

I believe the Plymouth Police need to take a refresher course in basic safety procedures. They were ill prepared to handle a car fire on Starkweather near Liberty at 1:30 p.m., Saturday, March 25.

I came upon the fire before police arrived and stopped to see what had

happened. The flames were low and contained to the engine area.

When two police cars arrived, only one car blocked traffic from passing through. The other parked opposite the burning car on the opposite side of the street, and not at the other end of the block to prevent oncoming cars.

Then the officers tried to put out the small fire with a fire extinguisher from one of the police cars.

Either it did not work, or the officers couldn't use it properly so they put it away. When firefighters arrived five minutes later, the whole car was in flames and smoke covered the entire

neighborhood. They put the fire out very efficiently.

But why weren't the police equipped to handle a simple emergency like that? Police are always the first on the scene and should be able to handle basic emergencies.

CLARE POST

## Expired auto tab does not deserve \$80 ticket

EDITOR:

While driving home from work late at night the evening of March 23, I was pulled over by a Plymouth Township police officer and given a whopping \$80 ticket. Was I speeding? Did I fail to stop at a light, the railroad crossing or a stop sign? Was I driving recklessly? Was I "under the influence?" Nope. I was driving with an expired license tab.

It is true that my birthday falls on March 8. It is true that the Secretary of State was quite prompt, even if I was not, to send me an opportunity to tab by mail. And I meant to buy the tab before my birthday. I meant to buy it on my birthday and several other days as well. But both daughters were home from university for spring break, two different weeks, since each goes to a different school. I also had a serious medical test on my mind. I forgot. I guess I deserve to be punished, to serve as a lesson to other would be scofflaws.

I would have preferred a friendly, firm reminder. I take this sort of thing rather seriously. I would have taken the officer's advice to heart and gotten the deed done.

Actually, I did get the tab the very next day, so some might argue that the officer did his job correctly and that I behaved responsibly at last.

What intrigues me, however, is the lingering sense that the Plymouth Township police actively pursue revenue-makers on that particular stretch of Sheldon Road. After all, I am a 51 year old woman. I do not have a purple punk hairdo or pierced body parts — my wallet doesn't count even though it bleeds. I wasn't blasting rap music out the windows or belching billows of exhaust. I was driving the speed limit, going home from a tiring night's work with a co-worker and friend.

I saw the very bright lights in the rear-view mirror and wondered at the fools who drive with their brights on blinding fellow drivers. Obviously my license was being called in, and, viola! My tardy tab was discovered. Why an officer would "make" a dowdy woman driving a dowdy little car at the dowdy, but legal, speed limit is beyond me. Unless, of course, experience has taught the troops to mine the motherload, so to speak.

A younger co-worker told me she too had received a tab ticket about a year ago on the same stretch of road. The only difference was, she had purchased her tab and put it in the glove compartment, meaning to affix it after she had properly cleaned the space where it was mounted. (If you knew her, you'd understand). When she was pulled over and produced the tab, the officer said, "Well, it won't do much good in the glove compartment now, will it?" He gave her a ticket as well.

Are the Plymouth Township police keeping the streets safe or just trying to keep "foreigners" off their streets at night?

When the officer pulled me over, he asked for my driver's license and car registration, which I gave him. He then asked for my home phone number and social security number. I didn't want to give him either of those numbers, but I did.

After he presented me with the ticket, I asked how much, approximately, the ticket would cost. He couldn't remember exactly, he said. Well, I guess not. I would have been embarrassed to say, "Eighty dollars," too.

I went to the Plymouth Township Police Department a few days later to inquire as to why the officer had asked for my home phone number and social security number. The officer at the window was mildly huffy. He informed me that they had a right to ask for "certain kinds of information." I agreed that they had the right to ask for my driver's license, car registration, and proof of insurance. What I wanted to know was what they

were doing with my phone number and social security number.

"Well," the officer said, "we have a new system and use that information to do a background check on you."

"I don't care if you check my background," I told him, "but if there is ever a next time, I'm telling you up front, I will not give you my phone number or my social security number."

The officer seemed offended. "I don't know why you would mind giving us that information," he said.

I did not point out that legally, I don't have to give him or anyone else extraneous information and, as an officer, he should know that. I did not say that to him, because I am far too mature to point it out, that it was apparently okay if they bent the rules, but not me.

Finally I said, "Try to understand this reason: I will not give you the information because I am really ticked." I could tell he thought I was just a crack-pot middle-aged woman. He got half of it right anyway.

Here is a lesson: When your tabs need to be replaced, do it on or before your birthday; there is no grace or grace period either. You can and will be ticketed if caught in Plymouth Township. You do not have to give extraneous, personal information to anyone, including a police officer, just because they ask for it. And lastly, find a new route home if your current one takes you through Plymouth Township on Sheldon Road at or near Ann Arbor Trail at night.

MARILYN RICKARD

## Historic site should be saved

EDITOR:

What on earth are we leaving for our children? Replacing any sound structure and rebuilding in its place, puts a great demand on our national resources. To even think of demolishing the Wilcox House, recently restored, would be a complete waste.

Trees would bite the dust, debris

would be put into landfills and another piece of Plymouth history would be lost. When Plymouth did not have an historic district, many of its treasures were lost to progress and profit.

Let's try to preserve our history and environment for future generations rather than desecrate it!

REX HARVEY

## Donate items to museum

EDITOR:

Last summer I donated my husband's Daisy Company baseball uniform to the Plymouth Historical Museum.

When it was so gratefully accepted, it occurred to me that many Plymouth attics harbor other relics that are part of the town's past.

It was an important contribution Daisy

gave to this community and one that Cass Hough really loved.

He sponsored and personally participated in the baseball teams, the girls softball teams, etc.

It would be a nice addition to the Daisy historical display if we could locate photos and other relics.

LOIS JENSEN



# Community opinions

## Scarecrow

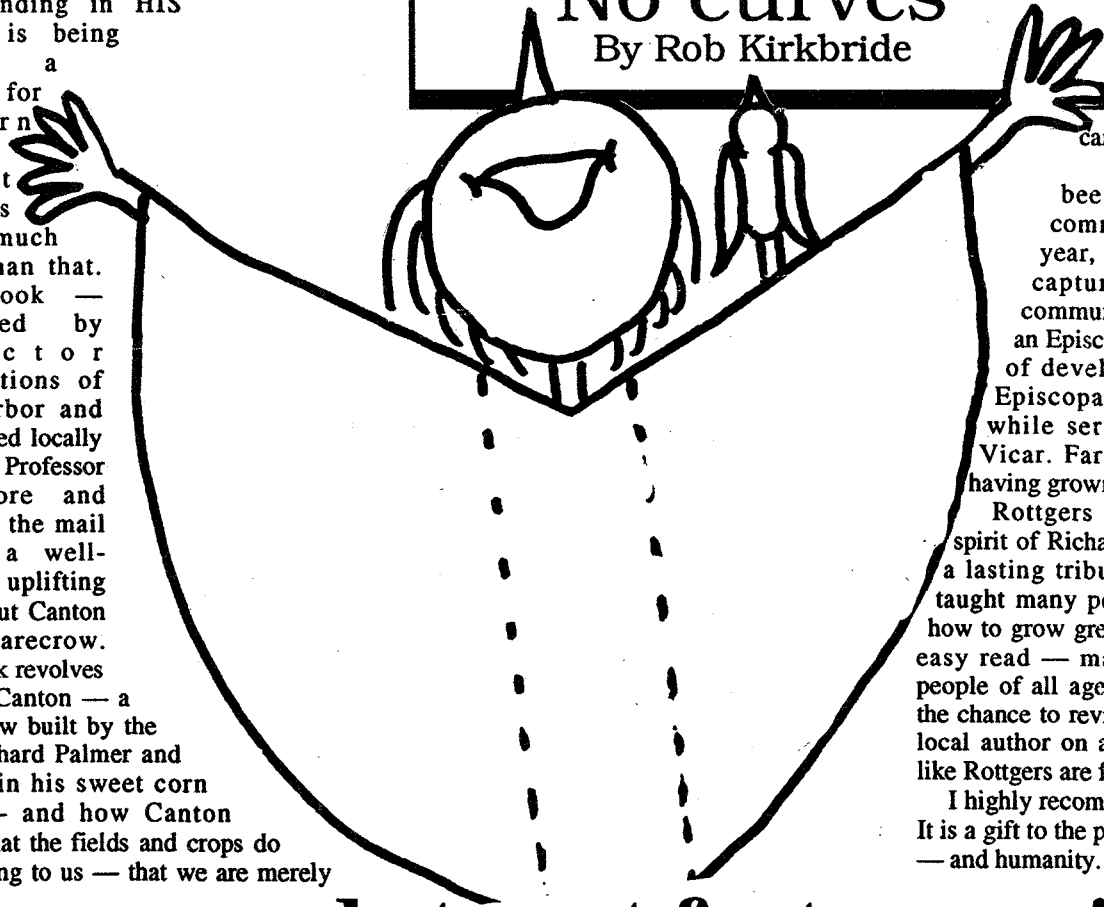
Locally-written book teaches about life, Canton history

Rev. Steven Rottgers has truly given the Canton community a gift. Rottgers recently-released book, "Outstanding in HIS Field" is being called a parable for modern times.

But it's much, much more than that. The book — published by Proctor Publications of Ann Arbor and distributed locally at Little Professor Bookstore and through the mail — is a well-written, uplifting tale about Canton the Scarecrow. The book revolves around Canton — a scarecrow built by the late Richard Palmer and placed in his sweet corn field — and how Canton learns that the fields and crops do not belong to us — that we are merely



**No curves**  
By Rob Kirkbride



caretakers.

Although he has only been a member of the community for less than a year, Rottgers has certainly captured the spirit of the community in his book. He is an Episcopal priest with the task of developing the All Saints Episcopal Mission in Canton, while serving as its founding Vicar. Farming is in his blood, having grown up in Kentucky.

Rottgers has also captured the spirit of Richard Palmer. The book is a lasting tribute to the farmer who taught many people much more than how to grow great corn. The book is an easy read — making it accessible to people of all ages. It's not often I have the chance to review a book written by a local author on a local subject. Writers like Rottgers are few and far between.

I highly recommend reading this book. It is a gift to the people of our community — and humanity.

## Vorva needs to get facts on millage

EDITOR:

Mr. Vorva's comment that the school board needs someone who "thinks as clearly" as he does concerns me. His vow to "work vigorously against the enhancement millage" doesn't seem very "clear thinking" to me.

As an active participant in my children's education, I am active as a classroom volunteer and in a few committees at the elementary and high school levels. I participated in the process for hiring the new superintendent, and attended all the interviews of those candidates. I am on the new interview teams at the middle school and at PCEP. I attend Parent Forums at PCEP and school board meetings regularly and hear many district committees present valuable information and facts about our schools.

To my recollection, I have never seen Mr. Vorva at any of these activities, which makes me wonder where and from whom he receives the information by which he bases his decisions about the schools.

"Punishing" the school board by defeating a millage is, in my opinion, a narrow minded decision. I think Dr. Little and the school board are working very

hard to clearly outline where the money will be spent.

Please, Mr. Vorva, and all the voters in the Plymouth-Canton district — learn

## PCEP must continue academic quiz bowl

EDITOR:

I am writing to you in hopes you will print my letter to bring something of importance to the attention of all parents of upcoming future PCEP high school students and to all the local businesses in the Plymouth-Canton area. I am angry and saddened to learn that because of the lack of funds, after the end of the school year June '95 the Academic Quiz Bowl program will be eliminated at the high schools.

What positive outlet are the academically-intelligent, scholarly students supposed to use as a challenging experience to improve their skills and have the opportunity to compete with other scholarly students of local and national high schools?

Even though my son will be

all you can about the schools — get informed and involved — BEFORE you vote!

PATRICIA WONG

graduating this June, I am glad he has had the opportunity to have been involved with this program since ninth grade and has had the pleasure of working with and knowing Mr. Scott Beaman as coach of the Quiz Bowl team.

Please, parents and businesses of the area, help by contacting the high school or Scott Beaman to find a way to continue funding and supporting this program by raising the money they will need in the fall of '95 so the Quiz Bowl programs will not be eliminated.

Academically bright students need a positive, challenging outlet to put their minds to work — let's give them the opportunity and support they need, after all these are the "minds of the Next Generation."

MARY TIBURZI

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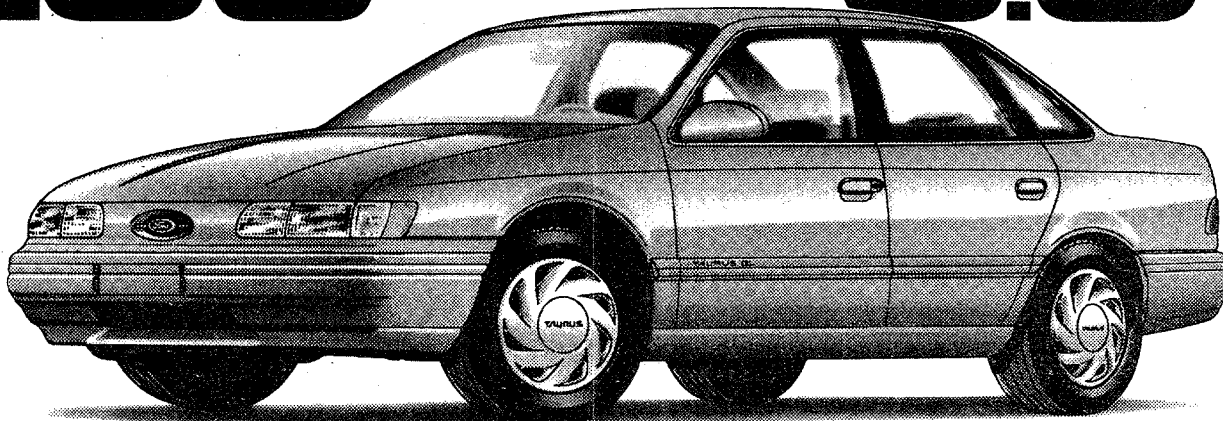
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