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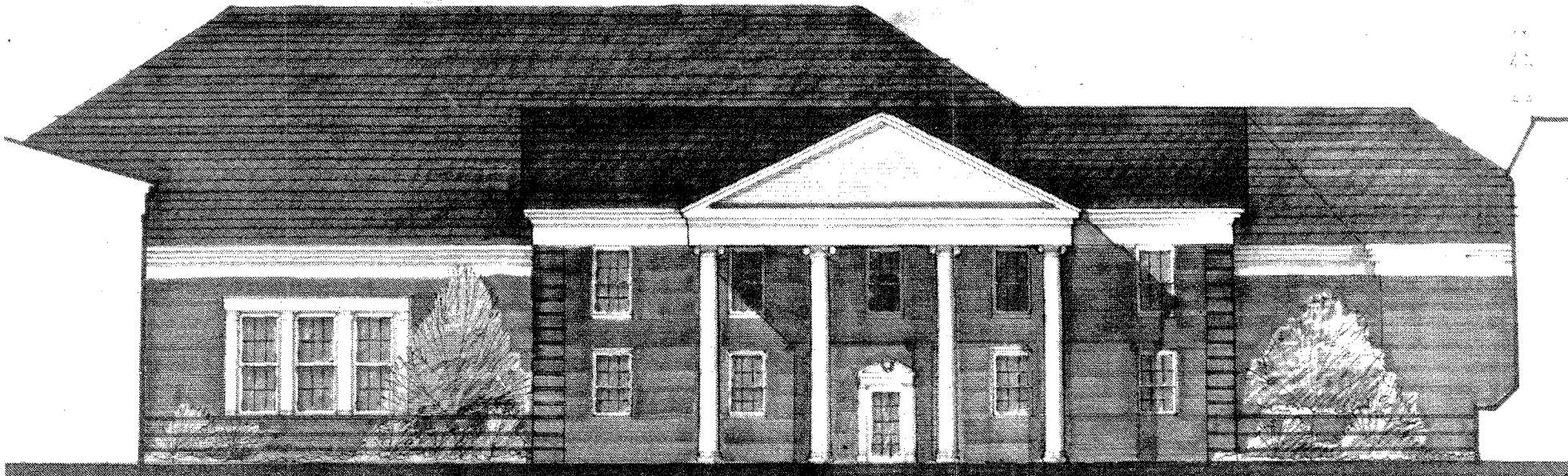
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The artists' drawings are in for the new Plymouth Community Library. Library officials want to know what you think. A public meeting of the Plymouth Community Library Board Building Committee is scheduled for Feb. 15 to discuss

the library construction project. The meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. in the City Commission chambers of Plymouth City Hall. (Sketch courtesy of the Plymouth District Library)

Accident claims life of Plymouth woman



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A traffic accident on Sheldon Road Friday claimed the life of a 25-year-old Plymouth woman and sent two others to the hospital, including Anita Wastier (right) who was treated and released. (Crier photos by Rob Kirkbride)



State of the Township

Community theater, community focus government in Canton's future

BY ROB KIRKBRIDE

Community focus government, the development of a community theater and the rebuilding of morality will be the main topics addressed by Canton Supervisor Tom Yack in his State of the Township speech at the Summit on the Park today at noon.

Yack will unveil plans to develop community focus government — similar to community policing.

"It will move services closer to the actual neighborhoods," he said during an interview Tuesday. "We will pilot the program in 1996 and if everything goes as planned, we'll implement it in 1997.

"It's an opportunity for staff members to become involved in the community."

Yack said plans are in the works to

design a theater for the community. "There is earnest planning for a theater," he said. "The plan is for a 400-450 seat community theater designed for local community theater and small performing groups.

"The board has made the commitment to fund part of the theater project."

Yack said there are other options for the remainder of the project funding, including a partnership with business or a local college or university.

Yack said he will also tackle community challenges during his speech.

"We need to think of what we can do to help turn the loss of morality standards around in our community," he said. "We've had a group meeting for a year that has tried to develop a

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Blues

Blues concert will showcase P-C Schools alumni

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Taxi service

Takeout Taxi opens local branch in Plymouth

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Big Boys

Canton, Salem face tough competition in tournament

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Plymouth-Canton Junior Baseball League & Girls Softball

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Pavilion fire suspects say it was accidental

BY BRIAN CORBETT

Two Plymouth residents have admitted to Plymouth Township Police that they were involved in the fire that destroyed the Plymouth Township Park pavilion Jan. 6.

"It's still under investigation," said Sgt. Steve Rapson. "We have talked to several people...and two out of the four (suspects) have admitted being at the pavilion and being involved."

Two suspects are juvenile, and two are adults, Rapson said. "They're saying it

was an accident," Rapson said.

Apparently, the \$5,000 reward offered by the Michigan Arson Task Force aided police in apprehending the suspects. "Some people came forward," said Rapson, "and told us that they heard these people are involved."

A fifth individual was at the scene earlier in the evening, Rapson said, but left before the fire got out of hand and engulfed the pavilion at approximately 2 a.m. "They picked up a recycled plastic

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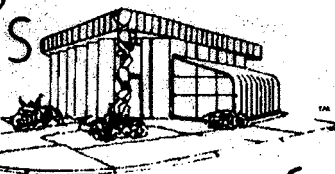
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Residents fight closing of York St. railroad crossing

Decision could cost City \$60,000

BY ROB KIRKBRIDE

Even though keeping the York Street railroad crossing open would cost the City of Plymouth approximately \$60,000, residents who live near the crossing feel the money would be well spent.

A small but vocal group of residents made their opinion known to the Plymouth City Commission Monday during a public hearing on whether to keep the York Street crossing open, or to close the crossing.

Under state order, the City must either pay half of the approximately \$120,000 needed to upgrade the crossing by adding gate arms and flashing warning lights. CSX would have to pay the other half of the upgrade. Or, the City could choose to close the crossing at virtually no cost. If the City chooses to close the crossing, CSX officials said they would install a rubberized crossing on either Mill or Starkweather streets. The rubberized crossing at Farmer Street cost the City approximately \$18,000.

Ed Draugelis, who is representing William Godfrey, the landlord of Fairlane Furniture Restorers and Rokay Floral, said the unknown cost involved if the City goes ahead with the closing could be greater than the \$60,000 cost.

Draugelis said that if the crossing is closed, the businesses affected will have suffered an indirect cost. "There will be some unknown costs," he said, "that the Commission will ultimately have to pay."

Susan Martin, who lives near the crossing, said she is concerned over the closing. "If you do close it," she said, "I'm concerned about the property value. Your just going to come down the street and just see these guard rails. That's not going to be the most desirable situation."

"(With the cost difference between the two choices) I don't know how we can convince you to keep it open."

Martin also said if there is an emergency, it will be more difficult for rescue crews to get to the affected areas.

Harvey Plas said the crossing is dangerous and should be closed.

"I think the whole set up is a safety hazard," said Plas. "People use York to

try and beat the trains."

Karen Gould, who lives on Holbrook, said her street would be adversely affected by the York Street closing. "If you decide to only close one (York Street), you might think it doesn't affect us, but it does," she said.

Joy Orlich said the crossing should remain the same. "Why is there no other option being offered to us?" she asked. "I don't really see what the endangerment

is. I'm the local person here. I don't think the state should tell me to do this."

Commissioner Doug Miller said the comments were helpful, because he initially thought the residents were for closing the crossing.

"I would like to see some additional review by the state," he said.

The City Commission will decide on whether or not to close the crossing at an upcoming meeting.

Services held today for accident victim

BY BRIAN CORBETT

A City of Plymouth resident was killed Friday afternoon in a horrific accident on Sheldon Road, just east of John Alden Road, between Ann Arbor Road and Ann Arbor Trail.

Jennifer Doyle, 25, died from her injuries Saturday at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor after the gold Mercury Tracer she was driving with her sister, Julie Jones, was nearly ripped in half

in a devastating collision with a red Dodge Caravan, driven by Canton resident Anita Wastier, said Plymouth Township Police Sgt. Jim Jarvis.

Jones, also 25 and a City of Plymouth resident, was listed in fair condition Monday at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital. Wastier, 51, was treated at St. Mary Hospital in Livonia and released, Jarvis said.

The accident occurred at 4:13 p.m., according to Jarvis. "The red Dodge Caravan was going south and the Tracer was traveling north," said Jarvis, "when the Tracer lost control, skidded sideways into oncoming traffic and was struck by the Caravan."

The impact of the two vehicles nearly split the Tracer in half, exposing the entire driver's side of the car to the pavement. Plymouth Township Police, City of Plymouth Police, Plymouth Community Fire Department and Huron Valley Ambulance were called to the scene, forcing Sheldon Road to be closed to traffic for more than two hours.

Jarvis said the investigation was ongoing, and that he was unsure if alcohol, speed or any other contributing factors were involved. "We're still in the process of talking to witnesses," he said, "and waiting for the toxicology report from the medical examiner."

A beer bottle was taken from the Tracer, but Jarvis didn't know if it had been recently consumed. "We don't know for sure yet," he said. "I don't know if it was sealed, opened or empty."

Jarvis also could not explain why hundreds of newspapers were scattered across the accident scene.

Services for Doyle will be held at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home at 11 a.m. today. Doyle, who was a 1988 Salem High School graduate, is survived by her husband, Joseph; mother, Julia Jones; sister, Julie Jones; brother, Frederick; and uncles, James and Sam Amar.

City will use schools' voting machines

BY ROB KIRKBRIDE

The Plymouth City Commission voted Monday to purchase new absentee ballot voting machines and accept machines donated to the City by the P-C School District.

Although City Clerk Linda Langmesser's first choice was to purchase new voting equipment with Plymouth Township and the P-C Schools, she said the used equipment will help the City get through the upcoming presidential primary and general election.

Commissioner Doug Miller asked how using the old equipment would help the City when purchasing new machines is imminent.

City Manager Steve Walters said competition between voting machine companies may actually drive prices down for next year. By waiting, the City will also be able to see how the new Unilect system works in Plymouth Township.

Langmesser said the school and existing City Shoup Voting Machines will be examined by technicians to weed out the bad equipment.

The new optical scanning absentee ballot machines will replace the City's card reading machines, which are currently in disrepair.

Suspects say fire was accident

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bench," Rapson said, "and threw it on to the fire they had going in the fireplace."

The plastic quickly escalated the fire, Rapson said, "and they got scared and ran."

The structure was virtually destroyed in the fire, and was razed Jan. 8. Rapson was unsure what charges will be brought

against the individuals. "We're not quite sure yet," he said.

"We'll talk with the prosecutor and find out what they recommend, probably sometime this week."

The township Board of Trustees said they will award a bid for construction in March, with a tentative completion date for a new pavilion set for July 1-Aug. 1.

Agenda

THIS WEEK

- Canton takes on Salem tomorrow in volleyball. The game is set for 6 p.m. in the Canton High School gymnasium.
- Canton Supervisor Tom Yack will give his State of the Township address at noon today at the Summit on the Park.
- The Canton Newcomers Club meets tonight at 7 p.m. in the Sunflower Subdivision Clubhouse. Canton Treasurer Elaine Kirchgatter is the featured speaker.

NEXT WEEK

- The second program in the Plymouth Poets winter series is set for Feb. 15 at the Plymouth Coffee Bean Company at 7:30 p.m. The program is entitled, "The Voice of Women Poets" and will feature Detroit poet, Sharon Smith-Knight. Smith-Knight is famous for her honest, heart-felt, and often erotic poems about the struggle women experience in relationships with men. Along with Smith-Knight will be novelist Kathy Koja, Heather Bottorff and Gail Waldstein.

NEXT WEEK

- The Canton Board of Trustees meets Tuesday at 7 p.m. at Canton Township Hall.

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Yack outlines future in State of Township

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plan to show our youth as an asset."

During his speech, Yack will also discuss:

- Developments over the past year, including the Summit on the Park and Pheasant Run;

- a "quality of life" project to determine what exactly is valued in the community;

- the Recreation Task Force and the possible building of a ice arena and/or soccer fields in the community;

- and state unfunded mandates.

Plymouth Rotary Club announces Rotary International's Kid's Poster Contest

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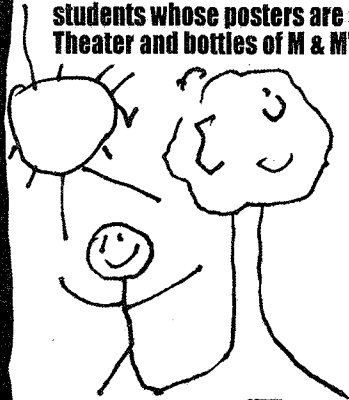
To participate: Submit a poster by 5:00 p.m., February 14, 1996, to Plymouth Rotary Members-Mike Richardson at the Plymouth Twp. Police Department or Linda Langmesser at Plymouth City Hall. (one entry per student)

Materials: The children are only limited by their imaginations and a sheet of paper or rollable poster board no larger than 36 inch by 24 inches.

Local Prizes: 1. Plymouth Rotary Club will award prizes to 20 of the students whose posters are selected for final judging. (Tickets to the Penn Theater and bottles of M & M's™) 2. Our club will submit one poster judged best over-all, to represent Plymouth Rotary in the World-wide Contest.

Grand Prize Winner: The world-wide Winner will receive a special prize-A trip to Calgary, Canada, Rotary International Convention for the child and their parents in June 1996.

***Attach a copy of this letter to the back of your poster with your Name, Address, Phone Number, Grade and School.**



And they're off!

Simulcasting begins today at Downs

BY BRIAN CORBETT

Finally — simulcasting will begin today at Northville Downs.

"We're anxious," said Director of Operations Lou Carlo, "and ready to get going."

Northville Downs will open at 11:30 a.m.

The Horse Racing Law of 1995, which was two years in the making, was signed by Gov. John Engler last month, permitting Michigan's horse racing venues to have unlimited simulcasting. Northville Downs had tentatively planned to begin simulcasting Jan. 19, and then Feb. 2, but it was delayed by a court case and building preparations.

Now that the court case with the Michigan Harness Horseman's Association (MHHA) has been settled, and audio and video equipment have been installed, Northville Downs is ready to go. Carlo said he didn't know what kind of crowd to expect. "I wouldn't venture a guess," he said.

Office of the Racing Commissioner Secretary Kenn Christopher said if the success of simulcasting at Ladbroke DRC, which handled \$118,000 Saturday, is any indication, Northville Downs can expect a good crowd. "Everyone got excited once Ladbroke got going," Christopher said.

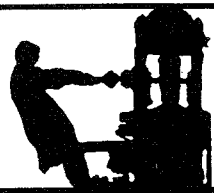
The upbeat atmosphere is a welcome change of pace at Northville Downs, which has suffered low attendance since the opening of Casino Windsor more than two years

ago. In addition to the financial hardships, Northville Downs recently endured a legal struggle with the MHHA.

Last month, the MHHA filed suit against the Office of the Racing Commissioner, the Michigan Pari-Mutuel Harness Association (MPHA) and Northville Downs claiming it was still under contract with the race track, which had signed a deal with the MPHA. The MHHA also claimed Northville Downs was operating illegally without a contract with a certified horseman's group., since State Racing Commissioner Nelson Westrin had not approved the MPHA. Westrin later denied The MPHA's application for registration and certification as a certified horseman's organization. "From what I understand," said Christopher, "they (MPHA) were lacking such things as an office, by laws, they didn't have insurance."

Westrin released a report that listed 10 reasons why he denied the MPHA approval, including no office, no telephone number and a lack of credible evidence to support claims it can supply an adequate amount of horses for racing. "I really don't want to comment on that," Carlo said about Westrin's ruling. "That scene will play out over the next year. We're just really trying to get simulcasting going. I may have signed a contract with MPHA, but they did some major cleansing of the MHHA. They scored some major points."

Northville Downs is under contract with MHHA for three years.



Public notices

LEGAL NOTICE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH

DOG LICENSES

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE beginning January 1, 1996, Dog Licenses are available for \$5.00.

Dog licenses are available in the Treasurer's Office, at the Township Hall 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, Michigan. Telephone (313)453-3840. Office Hours are 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Tags are also available through the mail or by using two Drop Boxes. Tags will be returned by mail.

To obtain a license, you must show proof of a current rabies vaccination.

The above is in accordance with the Charter Township of Plymouth Dog Ordinance.

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Mary A. Brooks, Treasurer

CITY OF PLYMOUTH CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH LEGAL NOTICE

CLOSE OF REGISTRATION FOR PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY

PLEASE NOTE that Tuesday, February 20, 1996, is the last date to register for the Presidential Primary to be held on Tuesday, March 19, 1996. Registration for City electors will be taken at the Office of the Clerk, 201 South Main Street in Plymouth; Registration for Township electors at the Office of the Township Clerk, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, or for either at any Secretary of State Office. The phone number of the City Clerk is (313)453-1234 X 234; that of the Township Clerk is (313)453-3840 X 224. The offices of both Clerk's are open from 8:00 a.m., to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. If a resident is unable to register during the time the Clerks' offices are open a call to the respective Clerk's Office can set up a convenient time for the resident.

Linda Langmesser, CMC
Clerk, City of Plymouth

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Clerk, Charter Township of Plymouth

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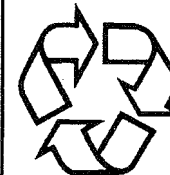
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Community deaths

Former owner of Ross Greenhouse dead at 92

Past president and member of Kiwanis of Plymouth

Miller L. Ross, a longtime member of Kiwanis of Plymouth and owner of Ross Greenhouse, died last Wednesday.

Ross, 92, was buried at Oakland Hills Memorial Gardens in Novi after services at the Phillips Funeral Home.

It was March 7, 1903 when Ross was born to Charles Robert and Sarah Miner Lobdell in Miami, FL. He lived there for six years until moving to Michigan and residing in South Lyon and, for his adult life, Plymouth. Ross

was owner of Ross Greenhouse on Ann Arbor Road between Joy and Ridge roads, and was a grower for Nielsen's Greenhouse in Ann Arbor from 1958 to 1968. Ross was past president and member of the Kiwanis of Plymouth for more than 35 years. He was deeply loved by his family, friends and neighbors.

Ross is survived by two children, Elizabeth M. "Betsy" (Vernon) Soden of Ann Arbor and Beverly J. Dildine of Lombard, IL; three grandchildren and four great grandchildren; half brother, Robert L.; and half sister, Marilyn C. Fleming. Ross was preceded in death by his first wife, Margaret (Asman) in 1957.

Memorial contributions to the Arbor Hospice, 3810 Packard Rd., Ste. 200, Ann Arbor, MI 48109 are suggested.

Thomas W. Hayes, 55, custom painter

Thomas W. Hayes, a Detroit resident, died Jan. 27.

He is survived by two daughters; son, Tom W. Johnson of Canton and three other sons.

Services were held at the L.J. Griffin Funeral Home in Canton with Rev. Jerry A. Yarnell officiating. Burial was at Parkview Memorial Cemetery in Livonia.

Mildred Faye Wilcox, 57, homemaker

Mildred Faye Wilcox, a Canton resident, died Jan. 28, 1996.

She is survived by her mother; daughter, Vicki L. (James) Shotton-Blomquist of Canton; three sons; one sister; one brother; and seven grandchildren.

Nette S. Walker, 95, homemaker

Nette S. Walker, a Canton resident, died Feb. 4, 1996.

She is survived by her niece, Susan Davis of Canton and three other nieces; one step daughter; two step grandchildren; and many grand and great grandniece and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband.

Services will be held at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home Saturday at 11 a.m.

Virginia Luella Gibson, 75, nurse

Virginia Luella Gibson, a Plymouth Township resident, died Feb. 3, 1996.

She is survived by one daughter; one son; five grandchildren; and one sister.

Services were held at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with Dr. Dean Klump officiating. Burial will be at Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth.

Obituaries

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

MAURO BARGAS

Mauro Bargas, a Plymouth resident, died Jan. 25, 1996, at the age of 95.

Mr. Bargas came to Plymouth in 1994 from Allen Park. Mr. Bargas was born in the Philippines Jan. 5, 1901. He served in the U.S. Navy from 1942 to 1945. Mr. Bargas owned Mauro's Barber Shop at Fort and Livernois streets in Detroit for 20 years. Mr. Bargas was a barber.

Mr. Bargas is survived by his wife, Thelma (Showalter); nephew, Jim Wells of Plymouth; and several brothers and sisters survive living in the Philippines.

Private services were held at the Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home in Plymouth. Mr. Bargas was cremated.

RICHARD GLYN WILLIAMS, SR.

Richard Glyn Williams, president of Hanlo Gages and Engineering Co. in Plymouth, died of heart failure at work Jan. 29, 1996, at the age 55. He was a resident of Plymouth, Novi and Brighton.

Mr. Williams was a loving and devoted husband of Barbara (Hornbrook), father of Richard Jr. and Michael of Plymouth and Brighton. He was preceded in death by his parents, Hugh and Elsie; brother, Douglas; and sister, Alice. Mr. Williams was the beloved uncle of Bob Garbacz Jr., Gene Allen, Dawn Maus, Georgia, Jamie and Jimbo Hornbrook whom he enjoyed and loved dearly. He was a very special friend to his in-laws, James and

Eleanor; Sherry Hornbrook; Cynthia and Bill Ferguson; Peggy and Ralph Mulligan; and Jim and Becky Hornbrook, whom he considered his family also. Mr. Williams was an accomplished trap shooter. He shot at Multi-Lakes, L.C.C.C. Whitmore Lake and Birmingham gun clubs, and many other clubs where he was awarded many trophies and awards. Mr. Williams was an accomplished hunter and loved the outdoors. Mr. Williams was a successful businessman, and a member of the Masonic Lodge. But most of all he was successful in making friends, making people laugh and feel good about themselves. Mr. Williams will be sorely missed.

A memorial service for Mr. Williams was held at the Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home in Plymouth. Memorial contributions may be made to Cleveland Clinic Foundation, 9500 Euclid Ave., Cleveland, OH 44195, or charity of choice.

JENNIFER ANN DOYLE

Jennifer Ann Doyle, a Plymouth resident, died Feb. 3, 1996, at the age of 25. Mrs. Doyle is survived by her husband, Joseph E. of Plymouth; mother, Julia A. Jones; brother, Frederick of San Deigo, CA; sister, Julie Jones of Plymouth; and uncles, James Amar of Plymouth and Sam Amar of Sacramento, CA. Mrs. Doyle was preceded in death by her father, Frederick.

Mrs. Doyle was a homemaker. She lived her whole life in the Plymouth community. Mrs. Doyle was recently elected precinct delegate for the Republican Party. She graduated from Plymouth Salem High School in 1988. Mrs. Doyle loved ceramics and reading.

Services for Mrs. Doyle are scheduled for 11 a.m. today at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with Pastor Jerry Yarnell officiating. Burial will be at Parkview Cemetery in Livonia. Memorials to charity of choice are appreciated.



Friends & neighbors

Neighbors in the news

Damon Collier and Jenna McWilliams of Canton and Eric Arnold, Kristen McFall, Jane Seidelman and Chad Zevalkink of Plymouth were named to the fall dean's list at Grand Valley State University. The students have maintained a 3.5 grade point average.

Navy Seaman Recruit Dale B. Anderson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Anderson of Canton, recently completed U.S. Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, IL. He is a 1995 graduate of Canton High School.

WSDP, 88.1 FM, will begin airing "Soundings," today at 5 p.m. The show, produced by the National Humanities Center, is a weekly half-hour program featuring poets, scholars, authors and commentators.

Lisa Bares, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Charles Bares of Plymouth, was named to the dean's list at Kalamazoo College for the fall quarter.

Plymouth resident Allen Lock has received the 1996-97 Ameritech Community College Scholarship. Lock is studying engineering at Schoolcraft College.

Richard Branham, Deborah Hodges, Paul Jackson, Paul Johnson, Anthony Maura and Nancy O'Keefe from Canton and Jean Bologna and Matthew Lee of Plymouth were named to the Academic Achievement List at Siena Heights College. Brian Drummond of Canton and Cristine Ervin and Michelle Mandell of Plymouth were named to the Siena Heights' dean's list.

Matthew Myhrum of Plymouth was named to the dean's list at University of Evansville. He is the son of Carvel and Bonnie Myhrum.

Marine Pvt. Mark Forbear, son of Lynn and Mark Forbear Sr. of Plymouth, recently completed basic training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, SC. He is a 1995 graduate of Canton High School.

Tim Ferguson, Field Elementary School plant engineer, who has worked in the P-C School District for 12, received the Extra Miler Award from the board of education.

Kind of blue

Concert to benefit Plymouth-Canton high school band members

BY ROB KIRKBRIDE

Welcome back!

The PCEP Marching Band Boosters are holding the John Blackwell Ford First Annual Mid-Winter Night Blues Recital Sunday at the Plymouth Cultural Center to showcase former Salem and Canton students.

Although music will fill the air Sunday, the concert is far more important than listening to great tunes.

The concert will also be held to develop a scholarship fund for the music programs at Canton and Salem.

This year, money for the scholarships came from donations made by local businesses. Next year, the money raised from Sunday's concert will be used to supplement the scholarship fund.

Bill Joyner, who is helping to organize the scholarship program and concert, said the idea was launched to enhance and enrich the band students during the summer break.

"The band camps that the students go to cost anywhere from \$400 to \$600," he said. "Although the \$100 scholarships might not seem like a lot, they'll go a long way for the students."

More than 80 applications were received for the scholarship. 15 students were chosen. They include: Elizabeth Roberson, Ross Huff, Russ LaForte, Sandy Metz, Christopher Blossom, Karen Lenz, Aaron Shemon, Katie McClain, Heather Shaft, Lisa Garcia, Erin Hunt, Lisa Reissenweber, Jesse Williams, Greg O'Neill and Laura Mortiere.

The panel that chose the scholarship winners included scholarship project chairperson Sharon Shemon, Karen Ludwig and Jay Berckley. They chose the winners based on their experience in music, either through the music department at the high schools, through community involvement or through private lessons.

In addition to the \$100 scholarships, one student will receive a \$500 award. The Plymouth Community Arts Council (PCAC) will present an additional \$250 toward two scholarships.

It is hoped, said Joyner, that the scholarship program and concert will increase interest in the music programs at the high schools.

"There are lots of kids who leave (our schools), go away and no one ever gets to see them perform again," said Joyner.

One of those students is Berckley, who has taken what he learned in high school and built on it at the University of Michigan, becoming a popular saxophone player. Berckley will showcase the Mid-Winter Blues Recital Sunday along with Rob Myers and Susie Bozell.

"We plan on this becoming an annual mid-winter program," said Marching Band Booster President Sandy Keesey. "We will provide the scholarships this year and have seed money set aside for the continuation of the program next year."

"With so many gifted and talented students graduating from our music program, we have long searched for a way to bring them back to the community to showcase them. This project accomplishes both goals of scholarship and showcase."

Joyner said tickets for the event are limited, but some are still available.

"There are so many people who enjoy our community bands every year," he said. "We wanted to have a venue to bring them (former students) back in."

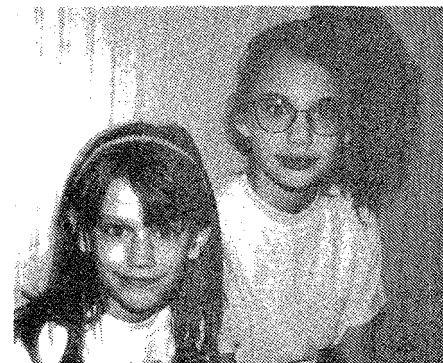
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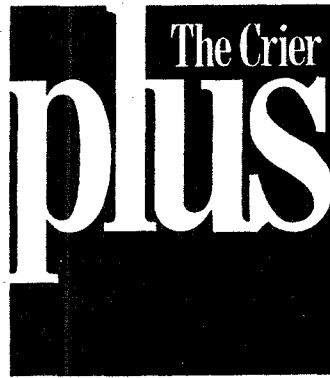
Joyner said the event would not be possible without the support of the community. Scholarships were sponsored by: Blackwell Ford, Judge John MacDonald, Community Federal Credit Union, Congresswoman Lynn Rivers, Wayne County Commissioner Bruce Patterson, Judge Ron Lowe, Phyllis Wordhouse Financial Planning, Plymouth Township Trustee K.C. Mueller, Arnoldt Williams Music, Community Democratic Club, Molly Maid, Jack Demmer Ford, State Rep. Deborah Whyman, Continental Cable and Laura Lynch.

Astonishing actors



(above, left to right) Scott Gizicki of Detroit as Slezzy, the greedy landlord, and Parker Plague of Canton, who is playing Jack, practice their acting for the Players Guild of Dearborn performance of "Jack — the Musical," which is based on the "Jack and the Beanstalk" tale. (above-right, left to right) Lauracindy Plague will star as Velma, while her brother will play the lead. (right, left to right) Jilissa Hoglen is part of the chorus and her sister, Andrea, will play the hen. Both are from Plymouth.





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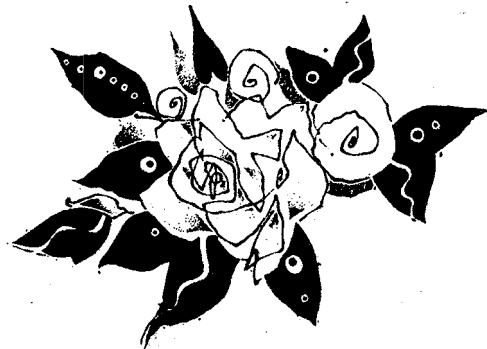
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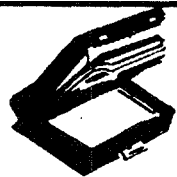
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The Canton Chamber of Commerce announced the grand opening ceremony of the new McDonald's Playplace, 45510 Michigan Ave. at Canton Center, on Thursday at 5 p.m. The chamber hosts these ribbon-cutting ceremonies for new businesses to introduce the business to the community. Chamber and Canton officials will perform the ceremony to congratulate long-time Canton business owners **Al and Rosie Fellhauer**. The Fellhauer's own nine other McDonald's restaurants, two of which are in Canton.



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Although Takeout Taxi has served The Plymouth-Canton-Northville Community for quite a while, this is the first time a local office will serve the area. (Crier photo by Brian Corbett)

'Taxi' service arrives in community (Takeout Taxi, that is)

BY BRIAN CORBETT
Plymouth-Canton residents will have no problem hailing this local taxi.

Takeout Taxi recently opened a delivery office in Plymouth. "Instead of offering everything out of one office," said Franchise Owner **Mike Jablonski**, referring to the Livonia outlet, "we wanted to offer an office that will better service the market. We wanted to become a place in the marketplace. We didn't feel we were doing that (in Livonia)."

The Plymouth location will allow Takeout Taxi to become a better local business, **Jablonski** said, by becoming more familiar with their customers in The Plymouth-Canton Community. "Now we have an office that worries just about Plymouth-Canton," said **Jablonski**, who resides in Canton.

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—MIKE JABLONSKI

restaurants on their menu has allowed Takeout Taxi to prosper since its creation two years ago. "We have great restaurants," said **Jablonski**. "It's a great concept. It allows people to choose. Before it was just pizza delivery. Now they can order Chinese. Now they can order Mexican, or ribs."

Jablonski, along with Managing Partners **Jim Krieider** and **Angie Church**, and Principal Owner **John Bauman**, assemble a new menu every three months — or as they see necessary. "We try to get the best restaurants in each market," said **Jablonski**.

The Plymouth-Canton menu includes **Damon's**, **Mr. B's**, **Macaroni Grill**, **Cooker**, **Canton China**, **Mexican Fiesta**

and **Lee's Chicken**. Also, Takeout Taxi is now open for lunch from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Thursday, until reopening from 4-9:30 p.m. for dinner; delivery runs an hour later on Friday and Saturday.

"Jablonski hopes the business' latest creation — catering — will be as

successful as delivery, which will soon be expanding into West Bloomfield and the Down River area. "We can cater many people, from 50 to 1000," said **Jablonski**.

"When you're looking through a catering menu, you don't know who's making the food. At least with this, you know it's the best restaurants in town."

One day's notice is required, but service is guaranteed. **Jablonski** said once you've called the Plymouth location at 207-3663 and had the pleasure of a restaurant meal delivered to your doorstep, you'll want to have the experience again and again. "We have tremendous repeat business," said **Jablonski**.

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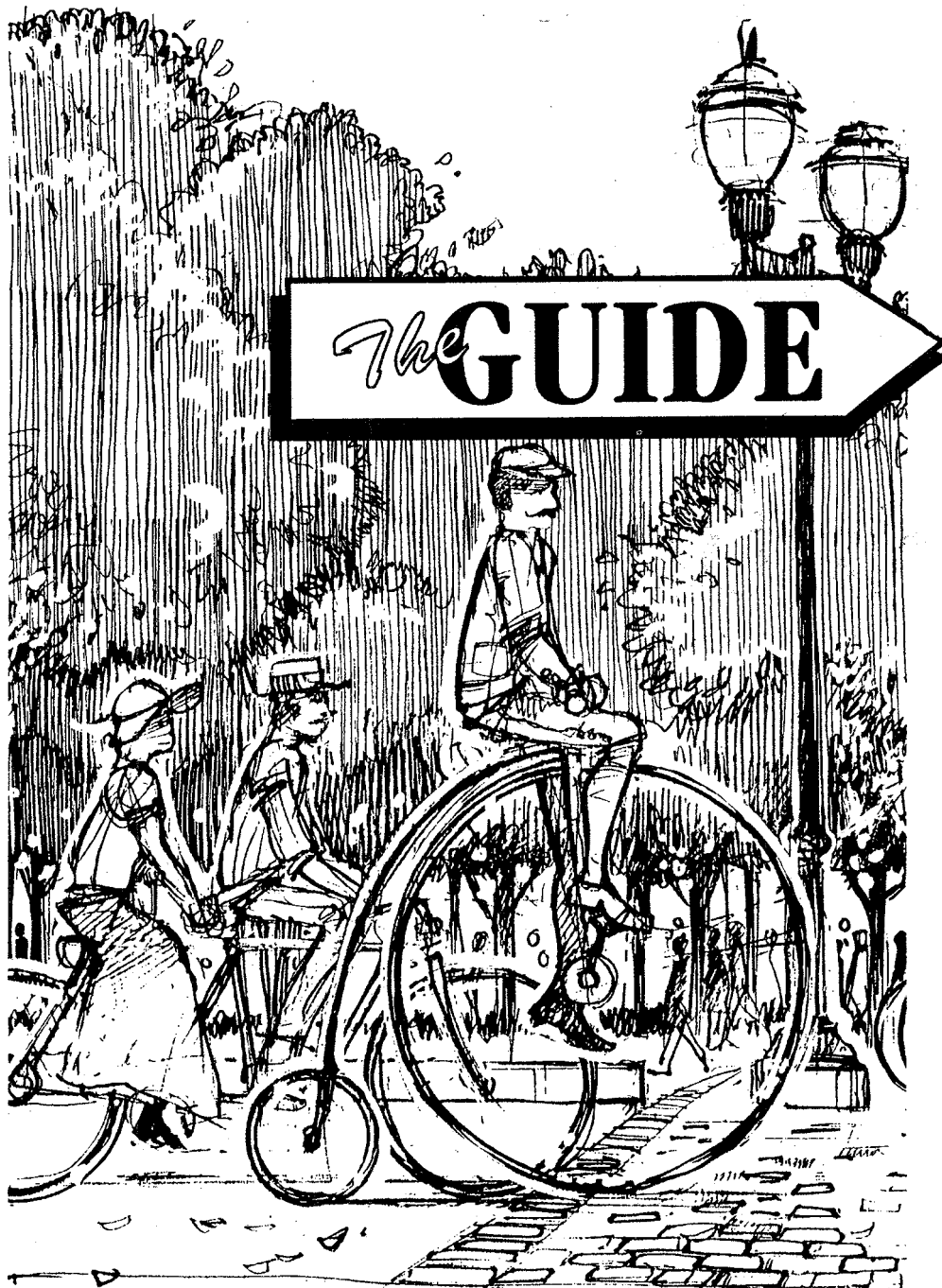
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Subdivision road paving cause problems for Twp. Ann Arbor Road revamp project

BY JANET ARMSTRONG

What started off as little more than a few college students' ideas several years ago, may soon become a reality for the residents and business owners in the Ann Arbor Road Corridor.

Plymouth Township and City of Plymouth officials have been working full steam to get the recommendations for improvements underway, said Jim Anulewicz, Plymouth Township director of Public Services.

"It's been a long process," said Anulewicz. "It started when we brought in some university students. We gave them an overview of existing conditions and they went from there."

Anulewicz said that the township then brought in a team of professionals for a one-day analysis of the students' information.

"They analyzed the corridor and then made specific recommendations to us," he said. "The number one thing is that they recommend we proceed with the joint zoning district."

Anulewicz said that the joint zoning district, where the City and the Township would develop a uniform set of zoning regulations, is essential for that area.

"There has to be recognition, and I think there is, that an interface is needed," said Anulewicz. "We have to arrive at a joint plan of action. This is going to be a very beneficial action."

Why is the joint zoning district so important?

"There are some real highlights to that area," said Anulewicz. "But there are also some areas that are in real trouble. They need to be fixed immediately."

"I relate it with this story: 'You have a small spot of cancer on your arm — you don't want to do it — it'll be painful — but if you don't remove it that cancer will spread'."

According to Anulewicz, one of the major problems is along Ann Arbor Road between Main Street and Sheldon Road.

"For a community to be successful, you need to have at least 300 feet of frontage depth," he said. "We have between 150 and 200 feet now."

A joint meeting between both the township and City planning commissions is currently being planned to discuss the matter.

Anulewicz said he hopes the residents and business owners in the area will become involved in the process.

"We're in the process — a draft was produced and given to the (Plymouth) Chamber of Commerce for their input," he said. "We want to arrive at an environment that is esthetically pleasing, recognizes the standards of the community and at the same time, is an asset to area business owners."

According to Fran Toney, executive director of the chamber, the process is moving along well.

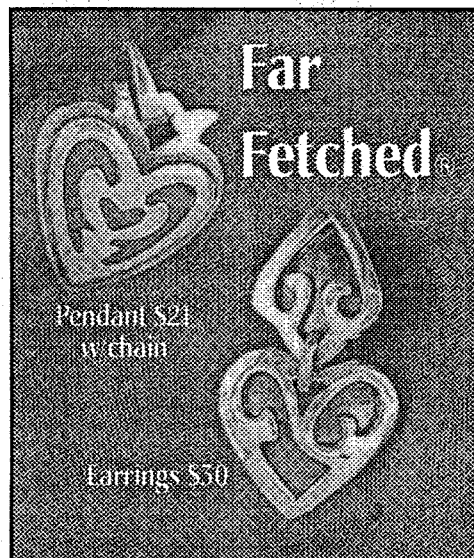
"The process is coming along really nicely," said Toney. "The ordinance (joint zoning district) has already been drafted."

"The excitement has been watching the transformation. I was told that this is the first time in the state that two separate entities have come together to make one ordinance."

Anulewicz said that the ordinance will be implemented as soon as the public hearing and the boards (both City and township) have discussed and approved the plan. "We'll proceed with the adoption as soon as possible," said Anulewicz.

Township residents of the corridor may find that some of the corridor changes that will affect them may include the paving of several of the residential streets surrounded by Ann Arbor Road, Main Street, Joy and Sheldon roads, as well as several closures of those streets.

"One of the reasons we're looking at the closures is we feel a struggle with cut-through traffic to Joy Road (and vice versa) right now," said Anulewicz. "If we block that off it will cut down that cut-through traffic."



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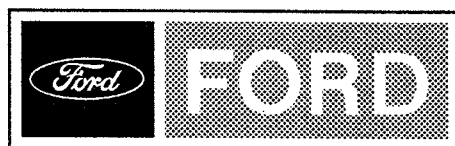
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Mother seeks charges against daughter in theft

BY BRIAN CORBETT

Plymouth Township Police have arrested four individuals in connection with a Jan. 25 home invasion in Westbriar subdivision, located in the southwestern part of the township.

According to police, Plymouth Township resident Jennifer Archbold, 17; Wixom resident Glen Melow, 21; Northville resident Aaron Sieoff, 23; and Plymouth resident Steven Berg, 20, were arraigned on charges of second degree home invasion, and receiving and conceding stolen property.

The suspects are accused of stealing approximately \$2,000 in items from Archbold's mother's house. The combined charges could send the suspects to jail for 20 years, in addition to a \$3,000 fine. The suspects will appear in 35th District Court Friday.

The incident occurred between 7:30 a.m. and 3:20 p.m. When Archbold's mother returned home, she noticed the family safe

was missing, Rapson said. "The daughter, who was living at home," Rapson said, "was also nowhere to be found."

Archbold's mother soon noticed credit cards, alcohol, a cam corder, watch, a gold ring and some family portrait books were also missing, Rapson said. While police were taking the report, "the complainant received a phone call from JC Penny," said Rapson. "The Westland Mall police were asking if the daughter had permission to use her credit card at JC Penny. The mother said, 'No'."

Rapson said Westland Mall security held Archbold until police arrived. "Then in interviewing with her," said Rapson, "she admitted being part of the home invasion with the three other suspects. We brought them in for an interview and arrested them."

Rapson said all of the stolen items were recovered. Despite the relationship between the complainant and Archbold, Rapson said, Archbold will face charges. "She wants equal punishment," Rapson said.

City puts teeth into ordinance enforcement

BY ROB KIRKBRIDE

Ordinance violators beware.

The Plymouth City Commission passed the first reading of a municipal civil infractions ordinance, which will give the City the power to criminally enforce ordinances.

Although the City will add teeth to its ordinance enforcement power, City Building Official Jim Penn said they hope they won't have to use it.

"The procedure will stay the same," he said. "Two notices will be given before a violation is issued."

Penn said the cost of breaking a City ordinance will also deter violators. The first violation is \$50; the second is \$250; and the third is \$500. "This will really help us with sign enforcement," he said. "It will allow us to get the repeat offenders — the ones who

are just skirting the law."

City Attorney Donald Morgan said the system will allow for three alternatives. One is to write a misdemeanor ticket (the current situation). Another course of action would be to issue a violation notice and a third would be to issue a citation. Morgan said the rights of the accused would remain under the municipal civil infractions ordinance. "This ordinance provides for effective enforcement," he said, "and still allows for the rights (of those charged)."

One of the main differences under the municipal civil infractions ordinance would be to give district court judges the power to issue an injunction. "In the past, this has been a difficult procedure," said Morgan. "Now, a local district court judge can issue and monitor injunctions."

Suspect arraigned in PCEP bomb scare

BRIAN CORBETT

If the bomb threats at the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park (PCEP) Jan. 26 were intended as a prank, the suspects aren't laughing anymore.

David Scott Sowers, an 18-year-old Canton resident, was arraigned Monday at the 35th District Court for the charge of malicious use of the telephone to make threats, i.e. bomb threats. Judge John MacDonald set the bond at \$5,000. Sowers was then taken to the Dickerson Facility, Wayne County's newest jail, in Hamtramck. Canton Police are also questioning another individual in connection with approximately 15 phone calls placed to the PCEP that forced students to be evacuated for more than 20 minutes as an extensive search was performed by police, PCEP security, administrators and custodians. Michigan State Police were also called for assistance.

"We will be seeking charges shortly,"

said Officer Lew Stevens.

"We plan to prosecute these individuals under the full extent of the law," said Ken Jacobs, area coordinator for PCEP security.

Stevens said the suspect was over 17, and will be charged as an adult, but he did not know the suspect's residency or intent. "I have no idea," Stevens said.

Sowers and the other suspect face 90-day misdemeanor sentences for their actions, Stevens said. The suspects were caught after PCEP security received a tip. "Someone told high school security," said Stevens, "someone told them a name."

"The individuals were identified as a result of an extensive investigation," said Jacobs, "that included the cooperative efforts of the Canton Township Police, school officials and the district's sophisticated phone system."

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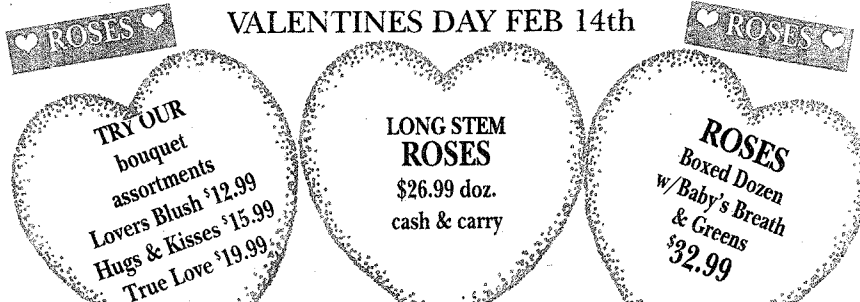
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Currently has entry level positions available through the Senior Community Service Employment Program. Positions are currently available in non-profit and governmental agencies. Individuals must meet some guidelines. For more information, call 1-800-815-1112.

PLYMOUTH ROTARY CLUB POSTER CONTEST

Theme: "How to make the world a better place?" Grades 1-3. Poster must be submitted to Linda Langmesser at City Hall or Mike Richardson at the Plymouth Township Police Department by 5 p.m. Feb. 14. Poster must be on a sheet of paper or rollable poster board no larger than 36 inches by 24 inches. Include name, address, phone number, grade and school. Twenty winners will receive tickets to Penn Theatre and a bottle of M & M's. One poster will be submitted for a trip to Calgary, Canada in the worldwide competition.

PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL ON AGING MEETING

Monday at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer St., at 2 p.m. Presentations on Abraham Lincoln and prescription medicines for seniors. For more information, call Phyliss at 453-1234, ext. 236.

NEW MOTHER'S GROUP FORMING

A group for mothers of school-aged children in The Plymouth-Canton Community is forming. Biweekly meetings at members' homes to discuss child rearing and other issues. First meeting is Friday at 10 a.m.. For more information, call Kathy at 455-8336.

M.O.M GROUP MEETING

Friday at the First Presbyterian Church, 201 Church St. in Plymouth, from 9:30-11:30 a.m. Topic: Beth Stewart from the Plymouth Historical Museum. For more information, call Catherine at 420-4380 or Cathy at 451-8245.

PLYMOUTH ROTARY CLUB/RONNA ROMNEY

Ronna Romney will address the Rotary Club at Friday's meeting at noon. For more information, call (313) 453-6879.

DETROIT HANDBELL ENSEMBLE CONCERT

At the Plymouth First United Methodist Church, 45201 N. Territorial Rd., at 6 p.m. Feb. 18. There will be something for every musical taste. A free offering will be taken. There will be a reception following the concert.

THE PLYMOUTH YMCA ANNUAL MEETING

Feb. 21 at 7:30 p.m. at the YMCA office at 248 Union St.

ANNUAL V.F.W. #6695 LADIES AUXILIARY BOWLATHON

At Plaza Lanes, 42001 E. Ann Arbor Rd., Saturday at 12 noon. Proceeds will go to the American Diabetes Association and the American Heart Association. Pledges and all bowlers welcome. For more information, call 728-7619 or 459-2394.

THE PLYMOUTH-CANTON JUNIOR BASEBALL LEAGUE

Registration begins Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Also, register Feb. 17 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and March 13 from 7-9 p.m. at the Canton High School cafeteria, ages seven to 15 for boys and ages seven to 16 for girls. Fees vary from \$55 to \$65 per player. Family plan available for \$140. Birth certificate required. Playing age as of July 31, 1996. Adult help is needed. Call 453-2040 or 455-1402 for baseball and 455-3422 for softball.

PLYMOUTH BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL WOMEN'S CLUB

The club is offering two scholarships for women who live in the City or township, are a single head of household; have financial need, high school or GED diploma; and be accepted to or attending school. Apply throughout the year. Awards based need. For more information, call 453-4845.

NORTHVILLE REUNION

A Northville reunion in Florida Feb. 16 at 11 a.m. in Sebring, FL at the Holiday Inn. \$12.50 per person. For more information, call Douglas at (491) 482-2865 or Connie at (407) 334-3715.

PLYMOUTH DISTRICT LIBRARY WRITER'S CLUB

The second and fourth Thursday of every month from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Writers of all experience levels are welcome. For more information, call 416-0418

CLOTHING BANK

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

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.

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.

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.

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.

SMOKERS' RIGHTS MEETING

People supportive of smokers' rights can meet on the third Monday of every month at 7 p.m. at Denny's. For more information, call Marc at 455-1635.

U-W ALUMNI CLUB FUNDRAISER

The University of Wisconsin Alumni Club is raising scholarship funds for Michigan students attending U-W by selling Entertainment books, which contain hundreds of two-for-one and 50 per cent discounts to a variety of activities. For more information, call Chuck at 454-5749.

PLYMOUTH PARKS AND REC

Lunch hour open skate at the Culture Center, 525 Farmer St. Fees are reduced from regular open skate fees. Mondays: 12 noon to 1:20 p.m.; Wednesdays: 11:30 a.m. to 1:20 p.m.; Fridays: 11:50 a.m. to 12:50 p.m. \$2 for City resident or full time worker in the City (please bring pay stub). \$2.50 non resident. Fifty cents skate rental. For more information, call 455-6623.

CANTON PARKS AND REC

The Recreation Center on the corner of Michigan Avenue and Sheldon Road will be available for community group and individual rental through April. Canton groups and residents only. For more information, call 397-5110.

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. Amateur radio classes will be held Wednesdays from 7-9 p.m. at the Plymouth Township Hall. For more information, call 454-4061.



Your Guide to Worship

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43065 Joy Road, Canton
(313)455-0022

Sunday School for All Ages 9:45 am
Sunday Services 11:00 am, 6:00 pm

Wednesday

Bible Study & Clubs 7:00 pm
Plymouth Christian Academy

(313) 459-3505

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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).

Upcoming...

PLYMOUTH DISTRICT LIBRARY VALENTINE'S DAY

"Love Your Pet", sponsored by the Animal Welfare Society of Southeastern Michigan, Tuesday at 7 p.m., registration began yesterday. Children must be age six or older. For more information, call 453-0750.

ST. PATRICK'S BENEFIT DINNER/DANCE

A benefit for Community Hospice Services. March 9 at the Msgr. Alex J. Brunett Activity Center, 17500 Farmington Rd., Livonia. For more information, call Maureen or Lori at 522-4244.

VALENTINE U.S.O STYLE DANCE

Feb. 17 at 6:30 p.m. at the Loyal #735 Union Hall, 48055 Michigan Ave., Canton. Dinner at 7:30 p.m. \$25 per person. Music by Dale Williams. For more information, call 483-4030. Proceeds go toward C-47 incident repair fund.

TEDDY BEAR TEA

At the Plymouth Historical Museum Feb. 17 from 12-2 p.m., featuring Teddy Bear author, Cynthia Holt Cummings, who has written "The Christmas Bears." Tea sandwiches, fruit, sweets and other surprises will be served. \$10 for adults and \$7 for children. For reservations, call 455-8940.

VALENTINE'S DAY DANCE

St. John Neumann's Singles Group, located on Warren Avenue between Sheldon and Canton Center roads, is having a Valentine's Day Dance Saturday from 8 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Dance, pizza, pop, raffle, tickets, prizes and music by James Dunn BYOB. No jeans please. \$8 admission. For more information, call Pat at (313) 277-6083 or Marilyn at (313) 591-9269.

SPRING ARTS AND CRAFTS SHOW

Hosted by the City of Plymouth Parks and Recreation Department at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer St., March 22-23 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and March 24 from 12-5 p.m. 65 crafters. Free admission and parking. For more information, call 455-6620.

BABYSITTING CLASS

The Plymouth District Library is offering a seven-week program of training for ages 11 to 15. A certificate will be awarded to those meeting attendance requirements, but CPR is not included. Registration begins today at 9:30 a.m. The group will meet Wednesdays, Feb. 14 through March 27 at 7 p.m. at the library. For more information, call 453-0750.

FREE TAX ASSISTANCE FOR SENIORS

The tax aide program sponsored by AARP is entirely free. From Feb. 1 to April 15 at the Summit on the Park, the Cultural Center and the Northville Senior Center. Home visits are available. Appointments are a must. In Canton, call 397-5444; In Plymouth, call 455-6620; In Northville, call (810) 349-4140.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

Friday at the newly renovated St. John's Seminary, time and communication between spouses will be discussed. There will be six more meetings this year. For more information, call 882-5959.

Schools...

CANTON/SALEM SENIOR CLASS PARTY

Committees need help in preplanning stages to provide a festive atmosphere on graduation night for students in a safe and controlled environment. Business are urged to donate. Parents are urged to volunteer. Call Steering Committee members Pam Capaldi at 455-3869 or Andi Schmiedel at 397-6936.

GREENHILLS SCHOOL BENEFIT AUCTION

At Fox Hills Country Club in Plymouth Township, Feb. 29 and March 2 (main auction.) \$80 per person, includes dinner. Fifteen students from The Plymouth-Canton Community attend Greenhills. The auction will benefit the school's financial aid and enrichment programs. For more information, call 995-5172.

PLYMOUTH HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1971 REUNION

The 25th class reunion will be held at the Summit in Canton Aug. 31. For more information, call Marilyn Miller Smith at (810) 486-6060 or (810) 437-8517.

VOCAL SCHOLARSHIPS

Sponsored by the Plymouth Community Chorus; one \$800 scholarship will be awarded to a graduating senior, and two \$400 scholarships to sixth-11 graders. The deadline to apply is March 1. For more information, call 533-4796.

WSDP RADIO CONTEST

Open to all ages. The theme is "Radio." Writing may be in story, essay, or poem form, fiction or non-fiction. Entries will be judged on originality and creativity. The winner will receive an alarm clock and will be invited to help produce and broadcast their entry on WSDP. Writers should include name, address and phone number and send entry to: Radio Writing Contest, WSDP Radio, 46181 Joy Rd., Canton, MI 48187, no later than today.

NEW MORNING SCHOOL

Registrations are being accepted for the winter sessions of Me & My Shadow classes, an introductory preschool class. Ages two to four. Music, activities, art, snack and story time. Monday sessions started Monday. Friday sessions start Friday. For more information, call 420-3331.

WSDP, 88.1-FM REUNION

WSDP, the student-operated station of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools is planning its 25th anniversary reunion for 1997. Former staff members are asked to send their current addresses to the station at 46181, Joy Rd. Canton, MI 48187 or call 416-7732.

P-C HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI DIRECTORY

Will include names of current alumni all over the country, from Salem, Canton and Plymouth high schools. Current names and addresses needed. To update, call 1-800-659-7995, fax 1-800-238-8332, mail Bernard C. Harris Publishing Company, Inc. ATTN: Richard Bradley, 313 E. Anderson Ln., Ste. 300 Austin TX 78752.

CLASS OF 1976/SALEM HIGH SCHOOL

Will be held Aug. 10, 1996 at the Novi Hilton. Class Reunions Plus, P.O. Box 806010, St. Clair Shores, MI 48080-6010. Call 886-0770.

OVERSEAS STUDY

Youths ages 16-18 have an opportunity to spend a year abroad learning culture and language of another country. No application fee. Travel Aug. 1996 to July 1997. 22 foreign countries. For more information, call (313) 453-6879

PCEP NEEDS FITNESS EQUIPMENT

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.



OPEN HOUSE NEW MORNING SCHOOL

Sunday, February 11, 2:00 – 5:00^{PM}

This Sunday the students at New Morning School will transform the building into a student museum. Each child from **kindergarten through grade 8** will display a subject they have been studying. Topics range from whales, trains, and lizards, to American heroes, the Civil War, and Greek myths. Students will be available to explain their topics.

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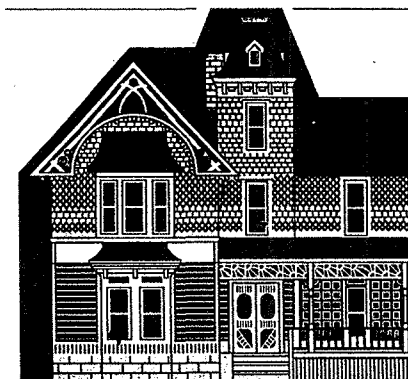
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given me a long time ago. Can you believe I
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Curiosities

MARTHA DAVIS "'tis bitter cold," Let us rejoice that you are getting better in a warmer clime.

ED-I LOVE MY NEW PHONE!

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The Auto Show Mystery Man remains a mystery.

JACK AND GERRY, Have you checked the big ten basketball standings lately?

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Geneva, thank you for checking up on me, I'm really okay--Maura

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JOSH-GREAT REPORT CARD! Keep up the good work!! Auntie

Daddy-Glad to see you recovering so well! Love, Boo Boo.

Jim Manzo--50? Really??

Sanderson's Thanks for the great meal! L & B

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Sports

Sports shorts

The Salem and Canton wrestling squads took part in the 16-team Observerland Invitational in Garden City last Saturday and put in a good showing.

Salem finished third with 162 points behind Catholic Central in first with 250 points and Stevenson in second with 192 points. Canton was 12th with 41 points.

The Rocks placed eight wrestlers while missing their chance to crown three champions in different weight classes.

At 119 lbs. Eric Coburn lost in the finals in overtime and finished second. At 135 lbs. James Greene finished in fourth. At 140 lbs. Dan Hamlin lost 3-1 in the finals and finished second. At 145 lbs. Dave Popeney came in sixth. At 152 lbs. Jeremy Breithaupt finished third while Craig Van Camp was fourth at 160 lbs. Teono Wilson lost in the finals and came in second at 171 lbs. At 189 lbs. Clayton Walker was second after losing 7-4 in the finals.

Canton had two wrestlers end up placing. Tom Keeling began the day seeded sixth, but upended the second and third seeds to get to the finals before losing at 145 lbs. Heavyweight Doug Cooper had, according to Canton coach Ernie Krumm, "the exact opposite day as Tom." Cooper has been wrestling good all year but had an off day while finishing in fourth place.

Canton and Salem finished 2-3 in the division.

Ron Hunter of Canton's basketball team is being recognized as one of the finest basketball players in the country through his selection as a candidate for the 1996 McDonald's All-American High School basketball team. He is one of 1,500 prep basketball standouts in the nation nominated by a group of nationally prominent basketball experts. Hunter's in the running to be among the 20 players chosen to the team. The game will be held on March 31 on CBS at 2 p.m.

Canton Parks and Recreation will be holding softball informational meetings for men's, women's, and co-ed 1996 slow-pitch leagues on Saturday, Feb. 24 at the Summit on the Park Community Center. The men's meeting will be at 10 a.m., the co-ed meeting will be at 10:30 a.m., and the women's meeting will be at 11 a.m. Topics to be discussed are entry fees, registration dates and times, contract and roster requirements, and residency requirements. Call 397-5110 for more information.

BY MATT HUCAL

For those not familiar with gymnastic scoring, anything over a 130 team score is considered very good. In the annual Canton Invitational last Saturday, 13 of the 19 competing finished with more than 130, and 17 of the 19 finished over 120.

That should show the stiff competition facing the Canton and Salem girls gymnastics team as the Chiefs went on to place third with 141.20 points and the Rocks were 10th with 133.80 points.

Winning the whole tournament was Rochester Adams with a 141.95 and coming after them was Northville with a 141.50. The 0.8 difference in first, second, and third place shows the quality of it.

CANTON

The Canton squad has received a major boost since the arrival of Katey Gilles. She is what has moved Canton from having a chance at the state title to a major contender.

Last Wednesday, the Chiefs knocked off the second-ranked team in the state — Hartland — by a score that missed the school record by 0.04. It was a great win for coach John Cunningham's team.

"We were up for the Hartland meet. Everyone was enthusiastic and having fun," Cunningham said.

Unfortunately, the same amount of energy wasn't there for the Chiefs on Saturday. For example, although falls are expected on the beam, nobody fell on Wednesday but two people fell on Saturday.

In the all around Gilles finished second in division one with a 36.90. In division two Brie Wall was fourth with a 35.15, Brooke Larson was 11th with a 34.25, and Kim Nowak was 12th with a 33.95.

On the beam in division one Gilles was eighth with an 8.85. In division two Nowak was 17th with an 8.35, Wall was 19th with an 8.20, and Beth Muylaert was 36th with a 7.45.

On the bars in division one Gilles was fourth with a 9.20. In division two Wall was seventh with an 8.70, Nicole Vaagenes was 15th with an 8.45, Nowak was 21st with an

Canton's Katey Gilles: She's Baaaack!

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Canton's Katey Gilles' return to high school gymnastics has made an immediate impact. She finished second Saturday. (Crier photo by R. Alwood Jr.)

8.05, and Larson was 36th with a 7.50.

On the vault in division one Gilles was first with a 9.40. In division two Wall was second with a 9.10, Larson was sev-

enth with an 8.95, and Nowak was 15th with an 8.65.

On the floor in division one Gilles was second with a 9.45. In division two Wall was second with a 9.15, Nowak was fourth with an 8.90, Larson was eighth with an 8.85, and Holly Graham was 34th with an 8.10.

"This tournament was our second best performance of the year," Cunningham said. "There was a great field competing and I just told the girls to go out there and do their best."

Canton is now 8-0 in dual meets, 4-0 in the league, and ranked fourth in the state.

SALEM

Pam Yockey's squad was coming off a long week in which they traveled to Farmington on January 29, then their B team went to Grosse Ile, and finished off at Canton last Saturday.

"There was competition at Canton, it was great to see," Yockey said. "Some of the girls weren't feeling well, but I thought we did well on the floor and vault."

In the all around in division one Kristen Kosik was 15th with a 34.60 and Brooke Kilby was 21st with a 33.10 and in division two Zoe Yockey was third with a 35.55.

On the vault in division one Kilby was 20th with a 7.90 and Kosik was 21st with a 7.60. In division two Yockey was 13th with a 8.55, Danielle Puchalt was 40th with a 7.40, and Mandy Morano was 46th with a 7.15.

On the bar in division one Kosik was 14th with an 8.65 and Kilby was 20th with an 8.45. In division two Yockey was second with an 8.90, Kristan Los was 50th with a 6.80 and Janine Schmedding was 56th with a 5.90.

On the vault in division one Kosik was ninth with a 9.05 and Kilby was 22nd with an 8.35. In division two Yockey was fourth with a 9.0 and Schmedding was 40th with an 8.10.

On the floor in division one Kilby was 19th with an 8.40. In division two Yockey was third with a 9.10, Puchalt was 27th with an 8.25, and Los was 47th with a 7.60.

The Rocks have some tough meets coming up as they face Hartland this Tuesday and then Canton on Wednesday.

Sports

Playin' with the Bigboys

Rocks and Chiefs face tough volleyball competition

BY MATT HUCAL

Prestigious tournaments attract prestigious teams.

That's exactly what happened last Saturday when both the Salem and Canton volleyball teams took part in the Schoolcraft Invitational. With a field of 28 teams — many being state ranked — the Rocks made it to the quarterfinals before being knocked out by Grand Rapids South Christian. The Chiefs overcame a few hurdles along the way, but were unable to get out of the pool play.

SALEM

Salem began the day looking at a pool including Harper Woods Regina, Midland, Walled Lake Central, and Woodhaven.

In their first match of pool play the Rocks handled Regina pretty easily 15-1, 15-5. They next played Midland and won 15-10, 15-7.

It was then on to face division rival Central. Salem was beaten 10-15, 12-15,

but the Rocks might be able to avenge that loss at home this Monday during league play.

Woodhaven was their final victim during pool play, 15-5, 15-11, before it was time to rank for after pool play. The Rocks were seeded second along with Ladywood in another pool.

The Ladywood match was an unusual one for Salem as they won the first game 15-9, then according to Salem co-coach Allie Suffety, they just "layed down and died." Salem was beaten 1-15 in the second game before regathering themselves and winning a close 15-13 game and advancing to the quarterfinals. The quarterfinal against South Christian was lost 10-15, 5-15.

The Rocks individually had a strong day from Shellye Sills with 54 kills, 22 digs, 7 aces, and five solo blocks. Karissa Socia contributed 41 kills, 19 digs, and seven aces while Nicole Van Hees had 16 kills and five solo blocks. Amanda

Abraham had 15 kills and nine solo blocks and Jenny Trott had eight kills, 38 digs and six aces.

The serve specialists on the team — Kim Sheldon and Karen Springsteen — gave the team an error-free performance as Sheldon served 37 times with seven aces and Springsteen served 33 times with six aces. Sheldon also added 13 kills and 39 digs and Springsteen added 54 assists.

Salem played Franklin Monday and take on Canton tonight as they're trying to keep their streak of 29 straight league wins alive while adding to a 27-6-2 record.

"We're playing outstanding, but we'll only go as far as this team wants to take us," Suffety said.

CANTON

Canton started last Saturday knowing they'd be without their big middle hitter — Beth Ostach — as she was gone on family business, and without setter Anne Alioto, who was out with a sprained ankle. But little did they know that one of their top players, Jessica Orleman, would wake up with a 101 degree temperature. She tried playing for a while before coach Steve Anderson had her sit out.

So the Chiefs played their first game against Grosse Ile and won 15-7, 15-2. They then played the fourth ranked team in the state in East Kentwood and took them as far as they could before losing 15-17, 15-17. They then split with the ninth ranked team in the state, Marion, 15-13, 8-15. Canton's day ended after their fourth match, a loss to Stevenson 15-13, 15-8.

The individual contributors for Canton included Orleman, before she stopped playing, with 15 kills in two and a half matches. Stephanie Chefan had 12 kills, Courtney Welles had 20 assists playing for Alioto, and Amber Welles played through a hand injury and gave out 26 assists.

Back row players Kristie Drinkhahn and Nikki Kovachavich had 27 and 21 digs, respectively. Those who usually don't get much playing time but helped out last weekend were Brandi Bernard, Jenny Sikora, Donna Logsdon, Jessica Bradley, and Meghan Weller.

"I'm ecstatic over what we did with those players out by beating a perennial power East Kentwood and Marion," Anderson said.

"I think we're more focused to reach our goal of finishing first or second in the division."

Canton takes on Salem tonight.

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Sports

Tale of two teams

Canton rebounds, Salem slips as basketball season nears crunch time

BY MATT HUCAL

CANTON

Showing the inner drive and strength that brings out the qualities of a good team, the Canton basketball team has won two straight games with their best player on the sideline.

Ron Hunter sprained his ankle on January 26 in the beginning of the second half in a game against Northville. The Chiefs lost their first game of the year that night, but since then they've defeated North Farmington last Tuesday and Harrison last Friday, 54-45, both without Hunter.

Against Harrison, the Chiefs (12-1 overall, 6-1 in league play) collided with a team previously unbeaten in the division.

Canton coach Dan Young thinks his team has performed great considering that they have won without a 20-point scorer and all around good player in the lineup.

"I'm real proud of the kids," Young said. "They've all stepped it up and are playing excellent."

Last Friday Harrison kept the game close throughout and brought it to a three-point game with three minutes left. But the Chiefs shut them down on defense and made some big shots down the stretch. Young's team mixed their low turnover total of 11 with a strong rebounding performance.

Mark Bray led the Chiefs in scoring with 18 points and Nick Hurley had 13 points.

Some good news coming out of Canton is that junior forward Rob Johnson has begun

"We just came out real flat and were really cold shooting. We dug ourselves in too big a hole early on. We'll just try to get out of this tailspin."

—SALEM COACH BOB BRODIE "

rehabilitation on an injured knee, and, if it goes well, he is expected to return by the league or state tournament.

The Chiefs play Franklin this Friday.

SALEM

The Salem basketball team seems to be digging a pretty deep hole for themselves lately, and if they don't turn things around they may become buried in it.

Riding on a five game losing streak before yesterday's game against Franklin; they play Farmington on Friday.

And talk about digging holes, Salem must have rented a back-hoe for their game against

Stevenson last Friday. They ended up losing 52-47, but the final score doesn't even come close to indicating the first quarter. The Rocks fell behind 16-2 after the first quarter. That right, 16-2.

But to their credit, Salem came back hard and outscored Stevenson by two points in the second quarter, and both teams scored the same amount in the third. The fourth quarter was the exact opposite of the first for the Rocks.

Stevenson was held to only one basket in the final quarter, including eight free throws. But holding them wasn't enough, and Stevenson pulled off the win.

"We just came out real flat and were really cold shooting. We dug ourselves in too big a hole early on," Salem coach Bob Brodie said. "We'll just try to get out of this tailspin."

Andres Lopez led the Rocks in scoring with 15 points.

Magic top PCJBA girls 'B' league hoops race

These are the Plymouth Canton Junior Basketball Association (PCJBA) standings for the week of Feb. 3.

Girls "B" League.

PASS now free for cable subscribers

Residents in The Plymouth-Canton-Northville Community have a special PASS to regional sports unlike any other Metro Detroit cable television subscribers.

For the first time in the history of PASS Sports' 12-year history, the station is being delivered to customers as part of Continental Cablevision's satellite service, which carries such channels as CNN, TNT and MTV. "By adding PASS Sports to our Satellite Service," said Continental Cablevision Senior Vice President John Ridall, "Continental subscribers in our newly acquired system serving Plymouth, Canton and Northville will no longer pay an additional monthly fee for PASS Sports."

PASS Sports General Manager Jeff Genthner said the station is committed to repositioning to similar satellite tiers on all cable systems throughout Detroit.

Magic 7-0; Celtics 5-2; Kings 3-4; Pistons 3-4; Bulls 2-5; Lakers 1-6.

SCORES: Magic 31 - Bulls 13; Pistons 36 - Kings 24; Celtics 30 - Lakers 12.

Boys "B" League.

American: Pistons 6-1; Bulls 5-2; Sonics 4-3; Nets 3-4; Hawks 3-4; Magic 2-5; Kings 1-6; Bucks 1-6.

National: Knicks 7-0; Jazz 7-0; Spurs 5-2; Pacers 3-4; Lakers 3-4; Rockets 3-4; 76ers 2-5; Celtics 1-6.

SCORES: Knicks 48 - Pistons 41; Lakers 60 - Hawks 47; 76ers 56 - Kings 42; Pacers 32 - Magic 30; Rockets 50 - Nets 41; Jazz 43 - Bulls 29; Spurs 49 - Sonics 33; Bucks 29 - Celtics 28.

Boys "AA" League.

American: Knicks 4-1; Pistons 4-1; 76ers 4-1; Bucks 3-2; Magic 3-2; Lakers 1-4; Jazz 1-4; Nets 0-5.

National: Kings 5-0; Celtics 3-2; Pacers 3-2; Bulls 2-3; Rockets 2-3; Sonics 2-3; Hawks 2-3; Spurs 1-4.

SCORES: 76ers 90 - Sonics 85; Pacers 86 - Jazz 79; Hawks 87 - Nets 79; Spurs 96 - Lakers 85; Knicks 84 - Bulls 80; Kings 75 - Bucks 73; Celtics 80 - Magic 68; Pistons 78 - Rockets 51.

Girls "AA" League.

Bulls 1-0; Pistons 1-0; Lakers 0-2.

SCORES: Bulls 65 - Lakers 56; Pistons 43 - Lakers 41.

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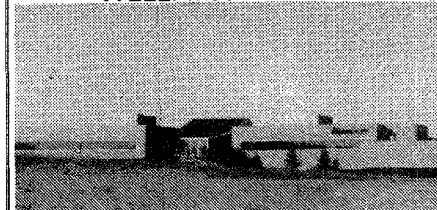
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Community opinions

Canton retail growth deserves careful consideration

Much has been said about growth in Canton. In fact, growth issues in Canton have been followed and analyzed closely.

Little has been said about Canton's retail growth, but the topic deserves study and discussion.

Can Canton's infrastructure support additional retail? Will Canton's residents tolerate the added traffic and noise? Where will the line be drawn?

Although the addition of a Super K-Mart, the possible expansion of Kroger into a new store at the corner of Ford and Canton Center roads and a Sears major expansion in the former F&M building will adversely affect some residents in neighboring communities, it will add to Canton's retail base.

Canton officials have a tough job ahead of them. They must balance the draw of new retail centers with the demands of the residents of the community.

The decisions made by Canton's leaders will affect many generations. If the proper path is followed, Canton will have a proportional blend of retail and residential development. If the wrong path is followed, the effects could be devastating. Examples of poor planning line the Ford Road corridor.

The time is now to plan for the future of Canton's retail development. If Canton residents force the township to adopt a "pull up the drawbridge" philosophy, they will only hurt all consumers — and job-seekers.

In general, Canton's retail base is showing positive growth and signs of better community service.

THE COMMUNITY CRIER

Deer-car accidents can be avoided

Let's face it — driving an automobile can be dangerous. Drivers face obstacles every day.

But in Canton, drivers are facing an additional threat.

Deer populations have risen in the area — so has the human population. This mixture can be dangerous for drivers.

As the roads continue to swell with more and more cars, and as western roads like Beck and Warren see more paving, drivers need to make sure to watch out for deer.

A deer-car accident is no laughing matter. Striking a deer can cause serious damage to cars — and can cause serious injury accidents.

Drivers need to remember to keep alert — especially during sunrise and sunset — the time when deer are most active.

THE COMMUNITY CRIER

Community Editorials

School should have released students following bomb threat

EDITOR:

I am a senior at Canton High School. This letter is in regards to the bomb threats at PCEP on Jan. 26.

I'm sure most people don't care anymore, but shouldn't we consider what could have happened? I cannot believe that we sat in a building that could have had a bomb in it for two hours!

The first call came in at 7:44 a.m. At that point, administration was aware that there could be a bomb in the school. But still we sat, totally unaware. Mr. Ostoin said that we were evacuated a couple of minutes before 9 a.m., when the alleged bomb was supposed to go off.

First of all, mine and at least three other classes didn't get out of the school until almost 10 minutes after 9 a.m. I remember looking at my watch.

Second, if a person was crazy enough to put a bomb in a building filled with students and was waiting for it to go off, do you believe that he or she would tell anyone the exact time it was

supposed to go off? This person obviously has some sort of mental problem. Do you believe everything people say? They leave us sitting in a building that could have exploded, after we stood out in the cold, some of us for more than 20 minutes. Let me say, it was pretty cold out there.

I think we should have been sent home. I am not saying this just because I am a slacker teenager, looking for a reason to get out of school.

Mine and 4,500 other students lives were in danger! And I wish that our parents had been notified in some way. At least they would have pressured the school to send us home, which would have been the safer and smarter way to handle it.

So I ask you, oh knowledgeable administrators, what will happen next time, when it's for real, and 4,500 students get hurt or even die?

Will you be sorry that you didn't send us home, like a smart person would do? What will you do then?

LISA YOUNT

Write a letter to the editor. Your opinion counts!

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Community opinions

The brightest 'star'

Dorothy Sarah Green Modrack was strong, intelligent

EDITOR'S NOTE: This was written by Geneva Guenther about her sister, Dorothy Sarah Green Modrack, who died Jan. 18. A memorial service is scheduled for 1 p.m., Feb. 11 at Birmingham Unitarian Church in Bloomfield Hills. In addition to her husband Charles, Mrs. Modrack is survived by: four children, Charles Jr. of Bloomfield Hills, Christine of Farmington, Leslie of Minneapolis and Matthew of Lapeer; and six grandchildren.

A little girl sat on her father's lap, held tightly in his arms. A winter blizzard blew and howled around the corners of a small frame house. It was night, and although the lights were on, it was scary. Confusion and strange noises ran rampant through the little girl's world, and she was afraid. Suddenly, a cry was heard, and her dad stood up and whirled her around. "It's a baby," he cried, (and it isn't even Christmas, she thought to herself).

Presently, Dr. Jener, the family physician, came from the bedroom upstairs and announced, "You have a baby sister, and here's the suitcase I brought her in."

I don't recall that I had ever been aware of babies until that moment. When I saw my sister, I was enthralled, she was so beautiful. I

Remembering

By Geneva Guenther



remember standing outside on the front porch steps ostensibly clearing the snow with a very large broom, but really to tell passers-by about the wonderful miracle that had happened last night during the blizzard. I had a brand new baby sister who had arrived complete with a name, DOROTHY SARAH GREEN, after our paternal grandmother.

From the moment of her arrival, she was a "star," as far as I was concerned, and continued to be one in everything she did — school, marriage, motherhood, her teaching career, her church, and being a grandmother. She excelled in everything she did, except possibly knitting, and it gave me great pleasure to correct her mistakes.

She taught school with love and creativity. No one in her second grade classes will forget how to count in French, or how to make and fly kites. Nor will they forget the opening game of baseball, when she turned her room into Tiger Stadium, where they ate hot dogs and kept score.

Ernie Harwell and the Tigers were her passion.

Her students won't forget either their trips to the Detroit Institute of Arts, where they were welcomed as visitors in contrast to other classes.

She was forthright: No sitting in the background. She always stood up to be counted.

Once, when she found herself trapped in an auditorium full of people where the speaker was not too concerned about facts, she stood up and said, "Don't you speak for me," and walked out.

Three times she went with her daughters to Washington, D.C. and marched in the Equal Rights Rally. Her basic philosophy was "...be first to speak in a situation and organize the group on such a high level, they will be ashamed of their petty differences."

This, in essence, is a small picture of a personality, Dorothy Sarah Green Modrack, by one completely prejudiced, her sister, Geneva Guenther.

Board faces swim opt out sinkhole

Since I've began covering the Plymouth-Canton School Board meetings last summer, hundreds of issues have been on the agenda.

There was the controversial swim class test out option.

The purchase of voting equipment.

The controversial swim class test out option.

The enrollment and facilities report.

The controversial swim class test out option.

The fantastic MEAP scores.

The controversial swim class test out option.

The Long Range Planning Committee.

And scheduled for Monday night? You bet. The controversial swim class test out option.

It is sure to surface during the school board's discussion about high school physical educational requirements, which may be eliminated from the graduation curriculum.

It would be a huge mistake to eliminate physical education as a graduation requirement, and it would be no less damaging to the curriculum at the Plymouth-Canton Education Park to eliminate the swimming class.

Young people need their exercise. They need to realize the importance of their health. In shape youngsters have more confidence and are less prone to stress than their out-

Truth is Tough

By Brian Corbett



of shape peers. And one of the best all-around body activities is swimming, which is more than a gym class — it's a safety class. There's no another state in this country where swimming is more important. Water sports and leisure are part of this state's lifestyle.

In addition to possibly saving lives, knowing how to swim will provide hours of fun each summer — it's a lot better than playing in the sand.

So the test out option, instituted in 1994 to give students more choices in their physical education requirement, didn't work. Why not make swimming part of whatever physical educational class a student selects. If a student enrolls in volleyball for a semester, pull them off the court for a month and throw them into the pool.

Don't grade them, but inform them.

Health and safety is just as important as math and science.

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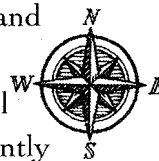
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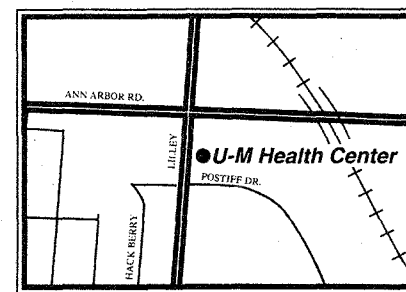
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