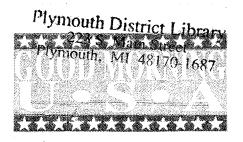
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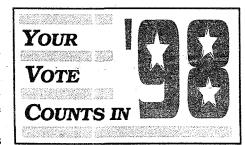
BY BRYON MARTIN

Monday is the last day Michigan residents can register to vote and still be eligible to cast ballots in the state's Aug. 4 primary election.

Voter turnout at primaries is usually less than that at other elections, according to P-C-N clerks, despite the primary's power to shape November ballots.

Run-offs will occur in five elections affecting The Plymouth-Canton-Northville Community. Canton has a 2-mill road increase on the slate, Plymouth Township has three

The Township seeks a .5-mill tax increase



for shared recreation programs with The City of Plymouth, a 2.5 – 3-mill increase for police

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P-C-N fireworks

Northville expects crowds

BY CHIARA CANNELLA

The Northville Community is making room for company this July 4.

In light of the cancellation of the Plymouth Community fireworks, the Celebrate Northville planning committee is expecting a much bigger crowd at their fireworks show Saturday, according to Northville Township Department of Public Safety spokesperson

The Plymouth-Canton Jaycees have sponsored fireworks at Massey field for years, but were unable to secure a location for a display Saturday.

Plymouth display dropped

BY SCOTT SPIELMAN

With additional time to prepare, Jaycees president Tim Fedewa said next year's fireworks will be bigger and better than ever.

This year's display, however, has fallen

Plymouth fireworks are normally launched from Riverside Cemetery but the space wasn't available this year, Fedewa

The Jaycees then searched for an alternative spot and found space they could hopefully use in Hines Park. The site appealed to the Jaycees because of its

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Tomorrow will mark the one-year anniversary of the fire that leveled the 35th District Courthouse. Much like the downed powerlines that started the fire, court employes have kept their energy longer than some might have expected. The staff has faced a whirlwind of rebuilding efforts in the past year (Crier photo by R. Alwood, Jr.).

The 35th District Court fire:

A year after the ashes

BY SCOTT SPIELMAN

It will be a time of sharing memories, gripes and praise when 35th District Court staff gets together tomorrow to commemorate the one year anniversary of the destruction of the Dunbar Davis Hall of Justice.

The building was destroyed by fire after a severe thunderstorm July 2. The following year hit staffers with a whirlwind of another kind: rebuilding. And as they went through the chaos of operating a busy court from locations as far away as Redford and Romulus, none lost their sense of humor.

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Twp. police seek arrest of former Whaler

BY SCOTT GOODWIN

Nearly three months after he broke an Compuware Sports Arena, a former

face arrest for felonious assault.

Plymouth Township Police should opponent's face in a slashing incident at know within the week if Wayne County prosecutors will grant the warrant they Plymouth Whaler hockey player may seek against Jesse Boulerice, whose

convulsing on the ice in an April 17

The warrant is the latest in an esculating series of developments

attack left a Guelph Storm player stemming from the April 17 incident. Boulerice has already been banned by the Ontario Hockey League for one year and suspended by the American Hockey

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Pattern emerges in bogus traffic stop case

Tipster tells Twp. police man who posed as officer in June assault on 3 women tried a stop in May, too

BY BRYON MARTIN

When a man sexually assaulted three women while impersonating a police officer in Plymouth Township last month, it and two female passengers were headed may not have been the first time he tried to do so.

After the incident was reported in local newspapers and on a Metro Detroit television station last week, a Livonia woman called Plymouth Township Police to say she had been involved in a similar incident in May.

According to Det. David Hayes, there's a striking resemblance between the two events. "Everything sounded the same, began walking toward the woman's car.

except for the description of the guy," he But something was weird.

The Livonia woman told Hayes that she west on Schoolcraft Road, between Eckles and Haggerty, around 2 a.m. Friday, May 15, when a truck pulled up behind them and flashed its headlights.

When a red light similar to those kept in unmarked police cars began flashing on the truck's dashboard, the woman thought she was being stopped by the police, according to Hayes. She pulled to the side of the road.

A man then got out of the truck and

"She felt like it wasn't right," Hayes said. "As he was walking up to her, she

The man did not follow.

Nearly one month to the day later, three women traveling westbound on the same stretch of Schoolcraft were pulled over by a man in truck around 3:30 a.m.

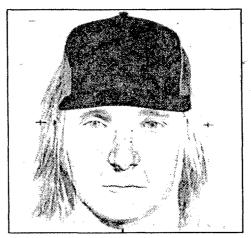
That man also flashed his headlights and a red light on his dashboard to get the women to stop

Once they did, however, they did not flee. The man, dressed in a blue polo shirt and black baseball cap, behaved as a police officer would according to reports.

He asked the driver for her license and registration. He also asked her to step out of the car and, as he frisked her, patted down her breasts and private areas, according to reports. He had both passengers step out one at a time and fondled them, too.

Although the women who were assaulted described a man shorter than the suspect the Livonia woman described. Hayes says the other similarities suggest a connection. "We've got a (pattern)," he

Hayes also offered a checklist motorists can follow if they suspect they're in the midst of a bogus traffic stop:



POLICE COMPOSITE

- Most police cars will have red and blue overhead lights that flash back and forth. On semi-marked cars, the lights will be in
- · Police officers will be dressed in full uniform and are required by law to present identification upon request.

Police usually do not make traffic stops while driving unmarked cars, or while in plain clothes Hayes said.

"If it's late at night and your gut tells you something isn't right, drive at the speed limit to a well-lit area so you can see who's pulling you over," he said. "And don't be afraid to ask for identification."

Twp. Walgreens stalled

Property owners seek rezoning for bigger store

for the northwest corner of Sheldon and Joy roads has been postponed while owners of the property work to submit a new rezoning request, according to Shirley Barney, Plymouth Township planner.

The request had been on last week's agenda for the Plymouth Township Planning Commission meeting, but was pulled because the owners, John and Margaret

A new Walgreens Drug Store proposed Beams, wanted a more extensive rezoning.

The original request called for a rezoning of their property from office/service use to a neighborhood shopping district. Because they had not applied for site plan approval, Barney said she didn't know how large the proposed drug store would be.

According to their attorney Donald Morgan, the Beems hope to resubmit their request within the next few months.



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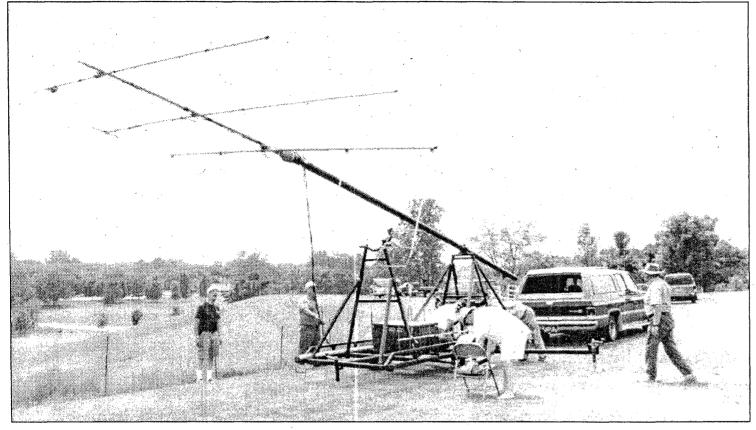
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The blame game

Twp. resident soaks in bureaucratic mire between schools, gov't

BY SCOTT GOODWIN

One raindrop falls in the ball field behind Pioneer Middle School.

As it rolls along the earth it joins other raindrops to form a trickle. Eventually, because of the way the land behind Pioneer is engineered,

that trickle makes its way into a ditch at the back of the field, flushing through a culvert in the corner of the property. The water flows away from the school into a wooded wetland where it is supposed to be drained by natural processes.

Voters' success, support sought in Law's bills

Former opponent says legislation is 'a chance to score'

BY BRYON MARTIN

A pair of bills introduced by incumbent State House candidate Gerry Law could improve two things in Plymouth-Canton: voters' proficiency with new balloting systems; and the representitive's chances at winning the August primary.

The bills, now in a House committee, would ammend State Election laws by extending the deadline for challenging the validity of an election, and forcing precincts to make a single worker repsonsible for offering voting instructions to every voter at the polls.

"Current law requires the precinct board to ask each voter if they want voting instructions. Assigning this task to a specific board member is not stipulated," Law said. "I think it should be."

The inspiration for the bills, Law says,

was Plymouth-Canton Community Schools' 1997 bond election, in which 716 ballots were "lost" when voters miscast them.

Jerry Vorva, who is suing the schools over those lost votes, says he believes Law's intent is to save votes — his own.

"Gerry is a shrewd politician," Vorva said. "He knows how to count. Some of his support has been eroded so he's shoring up his other votes."

Vorva himself is a former state representitive who lost races against Law as an incumbent in 1994, and as a challenger in 1996. He is not currently running for office.

The bills, Vorva says, are simply reiterations of established state law, pieces of legislation designed more to win votes in an

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Where the water goes from there, and whose responsibility it is, however, has become a matter of speculation and debate between one Canton resident, The Plymouth-Canton School District and Plymouth Township.

Both the Township and the school district claim there is no reason to alter the landscape; the natural drainage area is working the way it was designed to.

Michael Cywinski, whose house backs up to the wetland, disagrees. The water drains from the ball field, seeps into the earth and must be pumped away by his and his neighbors' sump pumps, he said. The area has become merely a damp lowland perfect for breeding mosquitoes.

The Township and the school district argue Cywinski's claims are unsubstantiated. In a letter sent to Cywinski from the school district June 10, they explain that because no Township ordinances are being violated, the schools will not reroute the drainage.

Either way, the case paints a picture of what can happen when a citizen is caught between two bureaucracies playing the blame game.

On one side, there is the school district, the source of the water. On the other, there is Plymouth Township, who claims they really have nothing to do with the drainage mess.

A few months ago, Cywinski went before the Township Board of Trustees after the culvert that flushes the school's water clogged, flooding Cywinski's and his neighbors' backyards.

Agenda

THIS WEEK

- Today, "Chautauqua Express" will play a free concert of kids' music at noon in Kellogg Park, downtown Plymouth, or under The Gathering in the event of rain. Presented by the Plymouth Community Arts Council, 734-414-4ART.
- Tomorrow, Canton's summer concert series continues with Bobby Lewis & The Crackerjack Band in Heritage Park. Call 734-397-5801 for other acts.

THIS WEEKEND

- Friday, government offices in Canton and the Plymouths will be closed in observation Independence Day.
- Saturday, Good Morning U.S.A, Plymouth's July Fourth Parade, will begin at 7:30 a.m. in front of City Hall, 201 Main Street.
- Saturday, Northville's July Fourth Parade will begin at 10 a.m. in downtown Northville.

NEXT WEEK

- Monday is the last day to register to vote in the Aug. 4 Primary election.
- Tuesday, Canton's Board of Trustees meets at 7 p.m. in the first-floor meeting room, Canton Administration Building 1150 S. Canton Center Road.

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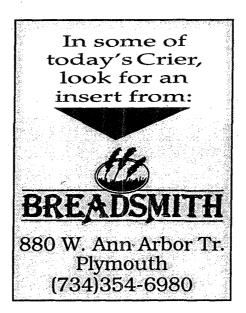
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Canton Center Road to slow, narrow in July

One of Canton's prime western arterial roadways is scheduled to receive a major face lift in July.

Canton Center Road, from Cherry Hill to Ford, will be widened from two lanes to five, according to Canton engi-

Two-way traffic will be maintained during the majority of the reconstruction through the use of a temporary road. However, speed limits will be reduced and residents traveling the area can expect construction delays.

The project is expected to be complete by Thanksgiving.

The existing roadway will be removed and a new five-lane road will be constructed, providing two lanes for traffic flow both north and south, as well as a dedicated left turn lane.

As part of the upgrade, a new traffic light will be installed at the Canton Center-Cherry Hill intersection.

The new signal will allow left turn movements in all directions. A traffic signal will also be installed at Canton Center and Saltz roads.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH BOARD OF TRUSTEES - REGULAR MEETING TUESDAY, JUNE 23, 1998

Supervisor Keen-McCarthy called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., and led in the Pledge of Allegiance to

Clerk Massengill moved to approve the agenda for the June 23, 1998, Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees, as submitted. Seconded by Trustee Arnold. Ayes all.

Clerk Massengill moved to approve the Consent Agenda for the June 23, Regular Board of Trustees Meeting as submitted. Seconded by Trustee Arnold. Ayes all.

Mr. Jerry Trumpka expressed his disappointment in the Board's 7-0 decision to hire Bill Joyner to author and distribute informational literature regarding the millage proposals that will appear on the August 4, ballot without going out for bids. He expected that there would have been some "no" votes or abstentions. He felt here was a conflict of interest with Mr. Joyner because he was co-chair of the "Say Yes to Plymouth Township" Campaign. He stated that there are many individuals, with writing talents, living in the community and demanded the board terminate the appointment and take bids from non-bias writers. He asked that the Board be specific on how the recreation programs will be administered, who will be running the programs and how the funds are going to be spent and to be just as specific on the Police and Fire proposal

Mr. Roger Kehrier inquired as to how large of a police department is being considered. He suggested that the Township consider hiring on a part-time basis, individuals who have just graduated from law enforcement, as other communities do. He encouraged the Board to look at residency requirements and to research grant bers of a Township Board are required to vote on all issues that come before them, unless it concerns a finan-

Mr. Michael Cywinski stated that he had received a response from the school district concerning his complaint of water running off Pioneer Middle School property and negatively impacting several lots in Trillium Woods Subdivision. Mr. Bailey stated that he had met on site with the Building and Grounds Superintendent of the school district and discussed the potential of adding a manhole or catch basin over an existing sewer. He informed the school district they would not be violating any Township ordinances if they chose to install a and the number that will be added. He was informed that presently there are 26 officers and if the millage manhole. Mr. Cywinski felt that since the letter from the school district states they are in compliance with all passes, and additional 4 will be hired, and within 2-4 years another 4, for a total of 34 police officers. Township requirements, that they intend to do nothing about the problem and asked for continued assistance from the Township.

Supervisor Keen-McCarthy opened the public hearing at 7:52 p.m. concerning the Community Development Block Grant Floodplain & Wetlands Protection. Hearing no comments, the public hearing was closed at 7:53 Marilyn Massengill, CMC

Since no adverse impacts were identified, a motion is not necessary.

Trustee Mueller moved to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. C-97-02, amending Chapter 24, of the Charter Township of Plymouth, Code of Ordinances, which adopts the B.O.C.A. 1996 National Fire Prevention Code. Seconded by Clerk Massengill. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

sengill moved that July 21, 1998, be set for Public Hearing for the proposed establishment of an Industrial Development District for Parcel 3-E in Metro West Beck Road II. Seconded by Treasurer

Trustee Curmi moved to approve the contract between Wayne County and the Charter Township of Plymouth for the Community Development Block Grant Program 1998 fiscal year as presented and authorize the Supervisor to sign the contract. Seconded by Trustee Arnold. Ayes all.

Trustee Curmi moved to approve Change Order No. 2 (Final) reducing the final contract amount by \$2,335.00 to \$59,364 for the Beck Road Watermain and authorize the Clerk and Supervisor to execute same. Seconded by Treasurer Edwards. Ayes all.

Trustee Arnold moved to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. C-98-08 amending the Charter Township of Plymouth Code of Ordinance, Chapter 60, Uniform Traffic Code, by adding Section 5.16a regarding the possession and transport of alcohol in a motor vehicle by a person less than 21 years of age. Seconded by Clerk Massengill. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

Trustee Curmi requested an update on the Beck Road/railroad crossing/Halyard Dr. traffic light. Mr. James Anulewicz stated that the light has been approved. A final resolution was negotiated between the Department of Transportation, Railroad section, and Wayne County.

cial interest in which the board member would benefit.

Supervisor Keen-McCarthy gave a status report on the latest meeting in Judge Fieken's court room concerning the Inter-County Drainage District.

Mr. Roger Kehrier stated he had not received an answer to the number of Pol;ice officers presently on staff

Clerk Massengill moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:22 p.m. Seconded by Trustee Arnold. Ayes all. Motion

Clerk, Charter Township of Plymouth

Kathleen Keen-McCarthy, Supervisor Charter Township of Plymouth

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Twp: 'It comes down to who's going to pay for it'

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"They told me it wasn't their problem," Cywinski said. "They told me that the school district would have to take care of it."

So Cywinski took his claim to the school district. "They told me they would have to know what the Township would approve," he

Like a ping-pong ball, Cywinski was paddled back and forth between boards, each hesitant to claim responsibility.

Finally, after weeks of Cywinski's persistence, Township Engineer Michael Bailey met with school officials, including Ken Jacobs, director of Maintenance and Operations, to discuss possible solutions.

A manhole could be dug in the culvert, Bailey told them, dumping water into the drainage line below. Doing so would be within Township ordinances and could probably be done for about \$3,000-\$4,000, he said.

Since then, Bailey and the Township have distanced themselves from the situation, claiming the solution was out of their hands.

"It's not a matter for the Township," Bailey said. "It's an issue between Mr. Cywinski and the school district.

'What it really comes down to is who's going to pay for it," he said.

Township Supervisor Kathleen Keen McCarthy said although the Township continues to keep tabs on the situation, they can't pressure the school district into altering the

"We don't have any jurisdiction over them," she said.

The school district says they are within Township water run-off requirements and 'consider the project complete and will not be taking any further measures," according to the letter sent to Cywinski.

"We did follow up on it," Jacobs said. "We took a look at the situation and determined we've done pretty much all that we can."

The school district repaired the culvert last month to keep it from clogging and forcing

flood waters into neighboring backyards, Jacobs said.

His letter says that because the drainage area is designated a wetland, hence regulated by the DNR, "the water (must) be left in a natural state and cannot be altered or channeled to any man-made drain."

But according to Andrew Hartz, land and water analyst for the DNR, "the diversion of upland draining is not something that requires a permit." In other words, the school district could drop a manhole to divert the water draining from their property without approval from the DNR.

Hartz did recommend, however, that any water diversion be looked at carefully. "There is a possibility that doing so would dry the wetland area out, although not for several vears," he said.

The wetland area sits on property owned by the Church of the Nazarene, but according to Bailey, the church has agreed to comply with whatever the school district mandates.

Also of contention is whether or not the water should be diverted because of pollution problems.

"Everybody is concerned about pollution in the Rouge River because of run-off," said Keen McCarthy. "This (natural drainage area) keeps the water from running into the Rouge."

So the question becomes, do you drain one way, or do you drain another?

"It's kind of a damned if you do, damned if you don't," Keen McCarthy said.

For Cywinski, it's only he and his neighbors that are being damned.

"It's all going to the same spot," he said. "I'm pumping all this water that shouldn't be pumped out. All I'm asking is that they address that."

oting law 'is already clear'

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election year than to protect voters at the

"I think the law is already clear. Just because he sponsored these bills doesn't mean school districts will obey." Vorva said. "They don't now."

But logically, the bills should be right up Vorva's alley: he attributes the schools' 716 lost votes to, among other things, faulty voting equipment. He has also charged the Secretary of State with failure to adequately test the Unilect voting system that the schools use before approving them for use in elections.

If Law's bills pass, it could be seen as a vindication of the principals on which Vorva has built his legal battle with the schools.

"I think that what he is doing is proving

me right, but he's doing it because he's had enough phone calls from people who are (angry) about this, or has enough polling data that shows support for the bills, Vorva said. "The fact that some good is going to come from this is clouded by the fact that Law is disingenuous. He sees an opportunity to score."

And score he must, says Vorva. Law may be favored over K.C. Mueller in the bid for the Republican nomination as 21st State House candidate, but he has lost support from a large group; educators.

Mueller, in the meantime, lists endorsements from former School Board members Dean Swartzwelder, Jack Farrow, Esther Hulsing and Carol Davis on her campaing literature.

With his public school support waning, Vorva says, Law needs to win votes else-

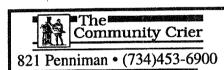
Based on the bills' appeal, he said, senior citizens are a likely source.

And although Vorva says he dislikes this kind of politicking, when you strip away the bills' election-year value they might still achieve change.

"Is it good legislation? Yes. Is it timely? Yes. Will voting improve because of it," Vorva asked. "Probably."



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Close of registration for the primary election on Tuesday, August 4, 1998 will be Monday, July 6, 1998.

Registration for city electors will be taken at the Office of the City Clerk, 201 S. Main Street in the City of Plymouth, or at any Secretary of State Office.

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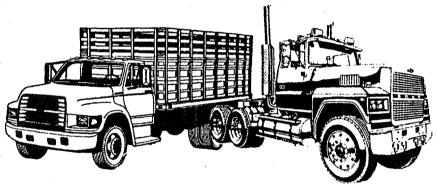
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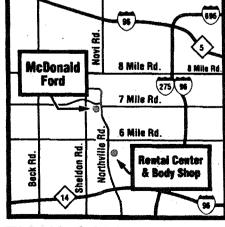


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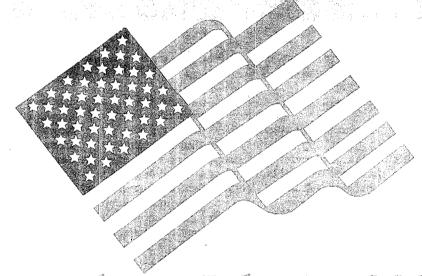
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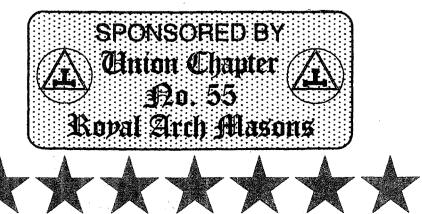
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Mill Race Historical Village: 11:00 am to 4:00 pm. Traditional Fourth of July events. Located on Griswold, north of Main Street. Re-enactors, puppet show, children's games, face painting, magicians, historical docents, weavers, the Stu Rockafellow Amateur Radio Society special event short-wave radio station, pet adoptions & more.

Special Events Amateur Radio Station: The Stu Rockafellow Amateur Radio Society will be operating at Mill Race Historical Village from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. The station will contact radio enthusiasts from around the country and the world from this location

Community Park, on the west side of Beck Road between 5 and 6 Mile Roads. The Schoolcraft Community Wind Ensemble, a 70 piece orchestra, performing an evening of patriotic music including *The 1812 Overture* and the music of John Philip Sousa. Directed by Dr. Jim Nissen.

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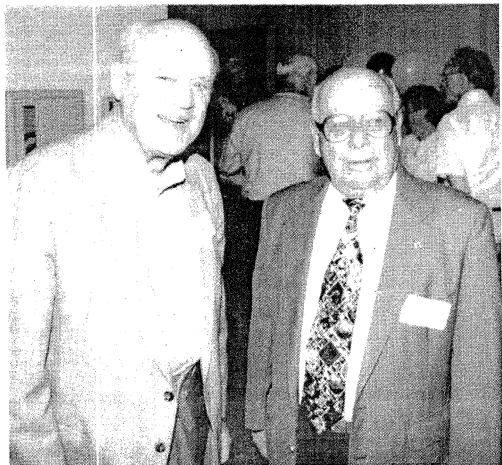
The following students from Canton were named to the Dean's List at Eastern Michigan University: Brian Smith, Jennifer Smith, Kelly Smith, Nicole Sobota, Scott Stoops, Debbie Sullivan, Carrie Swanson, Monica Synowiec, Jaime Tache, Stacy Tchorzynski, Charles TenBroeck III, Robert Theakston, Karen Tokarz, Jennifer Tomlinson, Quynh Truong, Mark Turnquist, Julie Vanderhoff, Eden Voss, Adam Wade, Jennifer Weigand, Sandra Weir, Kathleen White, Deanette Wieczorek, Jeffry Worth, Kimberly Wren, Corey Wurtzbacher, Jennifer Zelazny, and Maryam Ziglari. From Plymouth: Christianne Delores, Julie Antoun, Laurie Atkinson, Ellen August, Donald Bain, Kimberly Balcom, Leonard Baron, Jr, Brooke Benner, Judith Bogdon, Stacy Britt, Kimberly Burke, Stephanie Cionca, Colleen Cronin, Kathleen Currier, Melanie Davis, Jill Dennison, Marlene Erxleben, Julie Fenrich, Patrick Gallagher, Lauri Gaylord, Heather Gentry, Karen Giles, Tara Griffith, Lars Gustafson, Elaine Holman, Daniel House, Blythe Jahr, Kevin Jaskolski, Linda Kochenek, LeAnn Lauer, Cynthia Lehnis, Sharon Leo, William Lincoln, Jr, Linda Linder, Jennifer Lock, Rachel Luedtke, Amy Morris, Catherine Mueller, Jessica Nehring, Benjamin Nelson, Robert Opatrny, Thomas Palmer, Jennifer Parviainen, Kari Plesco, Loriance Potochick, Sandra Raymond, Janice Reissenweber, Michael Rozennboom, Stephen Schafer, Jacqueline Setlak, Daniel Sharp, Sarah Sheehan, Craig Sielaff, Deborah Smith, Melissa Smokovitz, Marc Sowden, Toni Spear, Christina Stansell, Michael Stansell, Jennifer Stockwell, Lynn Temske, Amy Tobbits, Cynthia Ulrich, Jean Walsh, Scoot Walter, Jessica Wheelock, Christina White, Heather Wood, and Jessica Young.

Shannon L. Wirth, daughter of Carol A. Wirth of Canton, has graduated with honors from the Thomas M. Cooley Law School in Lansing.

Wirth graduated Magna Cum Laude, was on the Dean's List and the honor roll and was given the honor of a teaching position at the college.

Together again





50 Year Reunion...

Members of the Plymouth High School Class of 1948 turned out in mass Saturday to celebrate their 50 year High School Reunion at Fox Hills Country Club (Above).

The Reunion began at 1 p.m. with a tour of the old Plymouth High School, which is now Central Middle School. A tour of the Plymouth Historical Museum, including the recently added Lincoln exhibit, followed and the celebration ended with an open house at Torb and Delores Guenther's home. Also making an appearance at the reunion were Eddier Bender (below, left) and Melvin Blunk (below right), the class of '48's teachers at Plymouth High. (Crier photos by R. Alwood, Jr.)

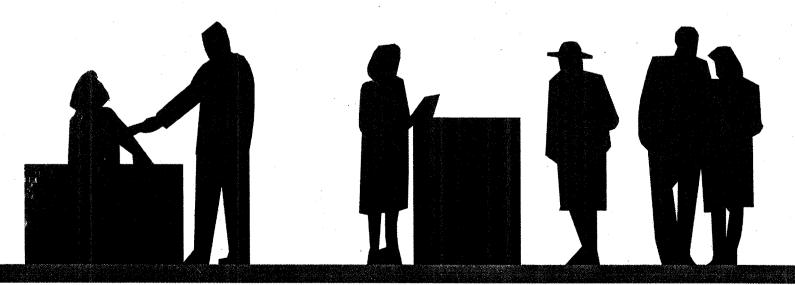
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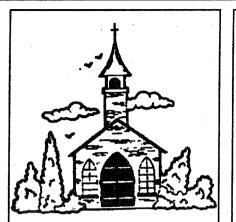




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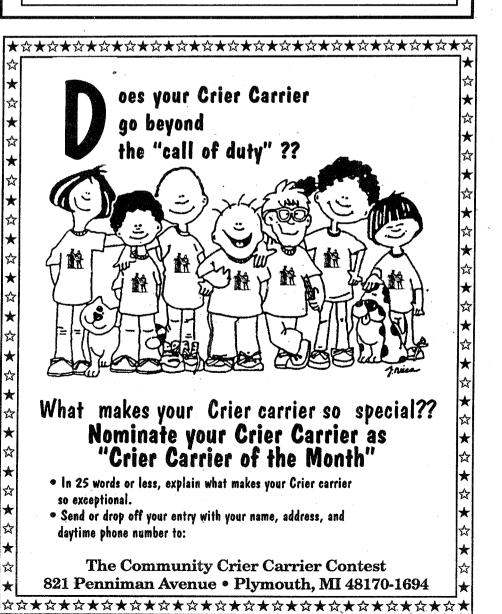
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Groups

NEW MORNING SCHOOL

The New Morning School has openings in their Discovery Days Classes running **July 6-10**. Math Art will help students to explore the connection between math and art and meets Monday-Friday 9 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Have You Hugged A Cricket Today will explore insects and other invertebrates from 11 a.m.-12:30p.m. For more information on these classes or to register call the school at 420-3331 between 7 a.m. and 12 p.m.

PLYMOUTH-CANTON CIVITAN MEETING

P-C Civitan Club holds their monthly dinner meeting, on the third **Thursday** of each month, 6:30 p.m. at Water Club Bar & Grill. Call Barb Kobiela, 464-1129.

HEART CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

The heart cancer support group meets the second and fourth **Monday** of each month, 7pm, at Northville's Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church. Call 422-1826.

GOD'S GOLDEN GIRLS

Christ the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church invites women over 50 to join "God's Golden Girls." Meet third Friday of each month, noon. Free lunch with reservation. Call Pattie, 981-0286

CANTON REPUBLICAN CLUB

Canton Republican Club meets on the third Thursday of each month at Cherry Hill School at 7 p.m. Call Melissa McLaughlin, 495-0304.

PLYMOUTH YMCA "Y" KIDS

For children ages 3-5. Openings for afternoon sessions. Age 3 meets Tuesday and Thursday, ages 4-5 meets Monday, Wednesday, Friday. Call YMCA, 453-2904.

PLYMOUTH ORATORIO SOCIETY

Society invites interested singers to join this year's performances, including Brahms' Liebeslieder Waltzes and the Duruflé Requiem. Practices held weekly. No audition necessary. Call Clark or Karen Chapin, 453-4765.

VILLAGE POTTERS GUILD

Guild is dedicated to advancement, education of ceramic arts; 25 members share space, equipment for pottery production. Classes each semester. Call 207-8807.

PLYMOUTH OPTIMIST CLUB MEETINGS

First, third Monday of month, 6:30 p.m. Mayflower Hotel. Includes dinner and speaker. Call Felix Rotter, 453-2375.

60+ CLUB

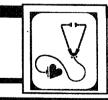
Meet every first Monday of month, noon, First United Methodist Church, 45201 N. Territorial Rd. Bring a dish to pass. Call Lola Schueder, 453-7999.

NEW! PIONEER CLUB FOR CHILDREN

The Pioneer Club provides a good learning experience and fun skill building activities. Clubs from 6:45-8:30 p.m. at Trinity Presbyterian Church. 459-9550.

PLYMOUTH DISTRICT LIBRARY WRITER'S CLUB

Second and fourth Thursday of every month from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Writers of all experience levels are welcome. Call 416-0418.



Health

SUICIDE LOSS PROGRAM

Arbor Hospice offers a group for adults who have experienced a loss through suicide. The group meets at Risen Christ Lutheran Church in Plymouth on the first and third Monday evening of each month from 7-8:30 p.m. For more information call 734-662-5999 or 248-348-4980.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HANDBOOKS

40-page handbook contains current domestic violence laws, women's rights, community resources list, and more, in Arabic. Pick-up copies at Arab-American and Chaldean Council, Arab Community Center for Economic and Social Services, Wayne County prosecutor's office and department of public health clinic in Dearborn. English, Spanish

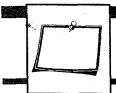


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Watermark in Concert... Utilizing music, drama, amd puppetry, the young adult group Watermark will be in Canton on Sunday, July 12 at 7 p.m. St. Michael Lutheran Church at 7000 N. Sheldon Road invites the general public to come see the concert. A freewill offering will be taken. Call (734) 459-3333 for more information.



Events

THIRD ANNUAL BARGAIN BAZAAR

The Northville Central Business Association announces the Third Annual Bargain Bazaar on Saturday, August 1, from 9a.m.-5p.m. on Main and Center Streets in historic downtown Northville. Booths are available now. Call Lorie Wyant at 248-349-3537 for details.

FARM BREAKFAST

An all you can eat breakfast serving pancakes, scrambled eggs, hash browns, ham, orange juice, tea, and coffee will be sponsered by Union Chapter No. 55 Royal Arch Masons on Saturday, July 4 at the Northville Masonic Center on 106 E. Main in Northville. The breakfast will start at 7 a.m. and last until parade time. Cost is \$4.00 for adults and \$2.00 for children 12 and under.

MILL RACE HISTORICAL VILLAGE

The Mill Race Historical Village in Northville will be hosting traditional July 4 events from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. There will be re-enactors, puppet shows, children's games, face painting, magicians, weavers, histoprical docents, pet adoptions and more. Located on Griswold, north of Main Street.

FIREWORKS

Browning Ferris Industries will be having a firworks display at there Arbor Hills Facility at Six Mile and Napier Road on July 4 starting at dusk.

CHICKEN BARBECUE

VFW Post #6695 and Ladies Auxiliary will be having a July 4 Chicken Barbecue at 1426 S. Mill Street in Plymouth from noon until 5 p.m.Cost is \$6.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children 5 and under. Carry out service available, public welcome. Call 459-6700 for more information.



Volunteer

PLYMOUTH UNITED WAY

The 1998 campaign is in need of individuals who wil work with a team of local executives calling on businesses, prrofession, and industrial accoutns soliciting donations for human service agencies in the community. The time commitment is minimal yet very rewarding. Call (734) 453-6879 for information.

NATIONAL ARCHERY TOURNAMENT

Canton Township is looking for volunteers to assist at the National Archery Tournament August 2-7. Assorted positions available. To volunteer call Kathleen Salla at 313-397-6450.





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

CANTON CINEMA 6
734-981-1900; "Godzilla"
"Mulan" "The Perfect Murder"
"The Truman Show" "X-Files" "Out of Sight"

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

COFFEE STUDIO

734-416-9288; Wed.: Open Mic Night.

CROWS NEST

734-459-4020; Thur.-Sat.: Live Piano Bar Music with Gail Deeter-Gerhardt.

ERNESTO'S

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

GENITTI'S HOLE IN THE WALL 248-349-0522; Live Interactive Dinner Theater: "I Do...I Think."

KARL'S COUNTRY CABIN 734-455-8450; Thurs.:Live Blues: Witchdoctors.

MARQUIS THEATRE

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

MR. B'S PLYMOUTH

734-459-4190; Sat.:Live music

PENN THEATRE

734-453-0870; Now playing: "Titanic."

PLYMOUTH COFFEE BEAN

734-454-0178; Sat.: Open Mic

STATION 885 RESTAURANT

734-459-0885; Wed. - Thurs.: Live music with Wally Gibson; Fri.-Sat. Wally Gibson and Angelo Primo.

WEST SIDE SINGLES

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

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

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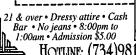
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Getting down to business

Neighbors in business

Sweeping Beauties Housekeeping, Inc has moved into a new office located on Canton Center Road south of Joy Road in Canton.

The company has cleaned more than 68,400 home along the I-275 corridor since its inception in October, 1986, and has grown from a single employe to 26.

For more information, call Sweeping Beauties at (734) 453-7880.

Plymouth-based environmental and engineering consulting firm Techna Corporation has expanded into western Michigan by opening an office in Kalamazoo.

Techna Corporation was founded in 1986 as an environmental consulting and engineering services firm employing scientists, engineers and other professionals. The company has completed more than 2,000 projects in more than 15 states.

McDonald's of Canton, owned by Al and Rosie Fellhauer, has donated four complete sets of 12 Teenie Beanie Babies to Canton organizations to help them raise funds.

The collectibles were donated to the Canton Senior Center, St. Joseph Mercy Health System and to the Salem High School Quiz Bowl team.

Lisa Sultana-Bogacki has joined the staff of MEDHEALTH Systems Corporation in Plymouth as an office assistant.

She will provide support to the corporate director of marketing and communications, Marketing Assistant and other members of the Marketing and Guest Relations Staff in all areas of marketing for the Plymouth facility.

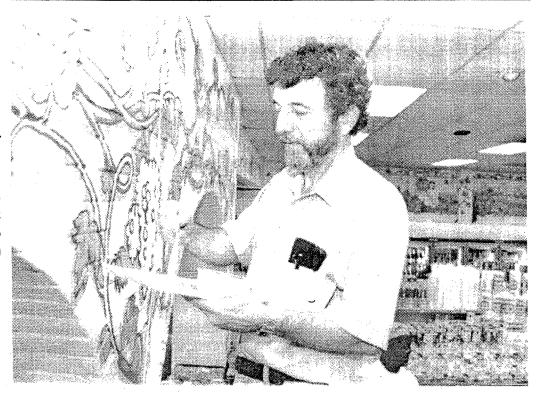
'Managing the Home Building Process,' a 16-hour weekend course, will be offered by Oakland Builders Institute July 18 and 25 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Quality Inn of Plymouth.

The seminar is for those who want to subcontract the construction of their own home or be more informed when working with a contractor. Cost of the seminar is \$185 and includes two course textbooks.

Register by July 10 by sending a \$25 deposit to Oakland Builders Institute at 1277 Dutton Road, Rochester Hills, MI 483306. For More information call 1-800-940-2014.

A new Look...

Hamtramck artist Dennis Orlowski is giving a festive touch to Maria's Bakery at Cherry Hill and Haggerty roads in Canton. Orlowski, a graduate of Cooley High School, is also an art teacher there and has painted murals throughout the Detroit Metro Area. (Crier photo by R. Alwood, Jr.)



Gardner White comes to Canton

Location, existing building among draws for Michigan furniture store

BY SCOTT SPIELMAN

The last of Canton's 'big box' developments has a new owner and tenant Gardner White Furniture.

The furniture company has purchased and intends to remodel the interior of the former Jumbo Sports building on Ford Road just east of I-275.

That remodeling, which will cost about \$1 million, will take a few months but Gardner White won't let it slow them down. They plan to open for business July

16, according to Barb Tronstein, vice- shoppers will be able to take advantage of president.

'It's been a lot of hard work, but we're moving ahead very quickly," Tronstein said. "With the renovation, we're totally redoing the interior of the building. We'll be setting up different galleries to showcase product lines. You won't even be able to recognize it when we're

Renovations will be underway when the store is open for business, but

pre-grand-opening sales, according to Tronstein.

Gardner White is a Michigan owned and operated business which sold its first chair in 1912. The firm has operated under the same management since 1959 and has five locations throughout Metro Detroit, according to Tronstein.

Other locations include stores in Taylor, Waterford and Warren. The Canton location is the chain's westernmost location, Tronstein said.

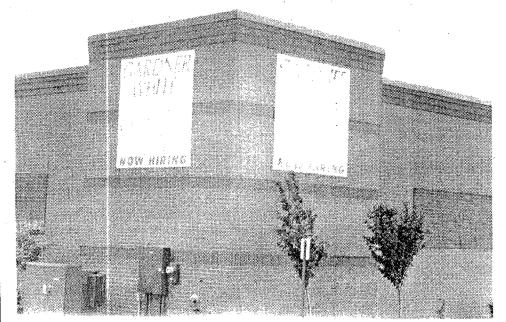
"It's an area of the city not currently serviced by another location," Tronstein said. "It's also a growing area that we'd like to service. We think there are a lot of consumers who would appreciate our high quality products."

That, coupled with the building's proximity to the freeway were the deciding factors for locating the store in Canton, Tronstein said.

Of course, having a pre-built facility didn't hurt either, she said.

"It cuts down the time it takes to get up and running," she said. "The building is only a few years old and it's in excellent structural condition."

Tronstein said the store will employ between 50-70 when it is fully staffed. Although recent hiring fairs have filled a majority of the positions, many staff members are still needed, she said. Anyone wanting to apply can stop by the store between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. or fax a resume to (734) 844-3189.



Gardner White Furniture has purchased the former Jumbo Sports building and intends to open July 16. About \$1 million in interior renovations are scheduled for the building. (Crier photo by R. Alwood, Jr.)

Little pinch from loss of court money

After the first year of not receiving court revenues, the effects look pretty minimal in the 35th District Court's

The court generates its operating money through the payment of tickets and fines. Those revenues have averaged about \$3.5 million since 1995, according to court documents.

Normally, there's money left over. Excess revenues are dispersed back to the communities based on the percentage of case loads which originated there.

percentage of case loads, received about \$600,000 in excess funds from the court in 1995 and 1996. The City of Northville, has the smallest percentage and received about \$50,000.

Since the storm-related fire leveled the Dunbar Davis Hall of Justice July 2, none of the five communities have gotten back any funds, according to Plymouth City Manager Steve Walters.

The lack of those funds have had a varying effect on the communities. Funds flowing from the court into Canton go into according to Supervisor Tom Yack.

"It's hard to say where they would've gone to" he said.

Likewise court revenues go into the City of Plymouth's general fund, according to Walters. The City normally receives about \$120,000 in returned revenues from the

In Northville and Plymouth townships, however, the court funds help support police services.

"That was revenue that paid for police services, and now it's gone," said For example, Canton has the highest the Township's general operating fund, Plymouth Township Supervisor Kathleen

Keen McCarthy. "Somehow you've got to make up for that either by taking funds from something else, or cutting back on

The Court Advisory Board is expected to vote July 8 on whether to allow the court to withhold revenues to defray rebuild costs or begin dispersing them back to the communities, according to Court Administrator Kerry Erdman.

Erdman said it was up to the communities to determine how much, if any, of the funds will be held aside for rebuilding the new courthouse.

courthouse to last until 2020

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It was evident in the T-shirts worn by barbecue chefs at Plymouth's Fall Festival chicken dinner two months later which read: Smokin' Like the Courthouse. Later, "35th District Court World Tour" shirts were printed up, which listed the dates and locations court was held until they moved into a temporary structure.

And it is also evident in the type of celebration originally planned for tomorrow:

"Being the ecologically sensitive people we are, we thought it might be ozone day or something, so we decided to just have a luncheon," said Kerry Erdman, 35th District Court administrator.

That sense of humor and professionalism has faced some obstacles along the way; obstacles that were overcome with what can be described only as grace under pressure.

Severe weather rolled through Metro Detroit early in the evening Wednesday, July 2. While tornadoes tore through Hamtramck and Detroit, the effects in P-C-N were mostly downed trees and wires. At about 6 p.m., one such wire lay on an evestrough on the courthouse roof. As the fire department waited for Detroit Edison to shut down power to the wire, temperatures in the building continued to climb as the wire charged the building with electricity and eventually sparked the fire that consumed it.

Firefighters from the Plymouths, Canton and Northville Township were called to help fight the blaze, but were hampered by the presence of the downed wires. The power lines formed an electric barricade around the east side of the building, leaving firefighters to fight the blaze from above.

Detroit Edison workers arrived at about 9:45 p.m. to cut wires and allow firefighters access to the east side of the building. By then it was too late to save the courthouse.

The aftermath

The first challenge staffers faced was simply finding a place to work.

"It certainly was a strain on all of us." said Chief Judge John MacDonald. "It wasn't something that anyone was prepared 1 11 1 1 C .

With their building gone, it was clear that the 35th District Court would need someplace to set up, and fast. They needed a place to hold court until a replacement courthouse could be completed. A committee was formed and, headed by retired Judge Jim Garber, worked to determine the best location for both the permanent and temporary courthouses.

From the start, it looked increasingly like new courthouse would be rebuilt on old site.

When the court committee decided to lease modular portable buildings from GE Portables and set them up in the Unisys parking lot across from the old site, they had also decided to rebuild the courthouse in the footprint of the old.

"I think we made most of the right decisions," MacDonald said.

The Site

"If I had to do all over again I would have done it entirely differently," said Canton Supervisor Tom Yack.

Many of the decisions that went into keeping the site no longer apply to the \$7.2 million plan proposed by Coquilliard, Dundon, Peterson and Argenta, the courthouse's architects, Yack said.

Such considerations as using land the court already owned, building on the existing foundation and avoiding excess site improvements all factored into saving court dollars, Yack said.

The proposed building won't fit on the existing footprint, and will require additional sitework, Yack said.

"When you have to move quickly you need to make decisions based on incomplete information," Yack said. "I think we should have had more options.'

Yack said that although he would have liked to look at other sites between Five Mile and Warren roads, the court's current location has the benefit of being centrally located within the district's five communities.

The Building

When court officials began thinking about a new building, they wanted something that would meet their needs until the year 2020.

At about 45,000 square feet, the proposed three-story courthouse will cost about \$7.2

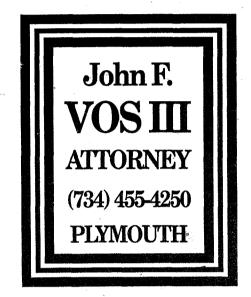
million to build

With three full courtrooms and an unfinished magistrate courtroom, the building will meet the court's immediate needs, but possibly not as long as officials had hoped.

'We think this is a workable courthouse, but we can't attach a flag to it to say it's good until the year 2020," Judge Ron Lowe said when the plan was chosen by the Court Advisory board in late April.

The courthouse will provide some added security features, such as secured parking for judges and police vehicles. With an all-brick

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It fits!...Plymouth Township Police Sgt. Denny Wilson helps Cameron McMartin try on SWAT equipment Sunday during the Township's Public Safety Fair (Crier photo by R. Alwood, Jr.)

Canton firefighters need help helping family

BY SCOTT SPIELMAN

It's every family's worst nightmare: to be awakened in the middle of the night by the fire alarm, smell smoke and see the flicker of

When Canton's Steve Kelly and Vicky Heaney woke early June 19 to find a fire in their mobile home, they barely had time to grab their two year old daughter and their

"They escaped with only the clothes on their back," said Lt. Jim Davison of the Canton Fire Department.

The fire, which appeared to have started near the mobile home's air conditioning unit, spread quickly and totally consumed the structure, according to Davison. The family was left with nothing.

That's when the other side of the Canton Fire Department came in. The Canton Firefighter Foundation (CFF) donated \$500 to the family to cover the immediate expenses of finding a place to stay. The funds were proceeds from the previous night's spaghetti dinner at the Liberty Fest.

"We hadn't even gone to the bank yet," Davison said.

The foundation, which raises funds for local charities and families in need, has donated an additional \$1,500 to the family. but more is needed, Davison said.

With insurance funds falling short, the couple was left without a place to live, and CFF is calling to the community to help,

"We're just trying to get them the basic necessities," he said. "The big thing we can do is can a roof over their head."

Davison said anyone wanting to make a donation can drop funds off at Canton's Fire Station #1 at Cherry Hill and Canton Center roads in care of the Canton Firefighters Foundation. Checks can be made out to CFF

A donation site has also been set up at Canton's Summit on the Park for shoes, clothing and other items, according to Deb Bilbrey-Honsowetz, manager. People interested in donating can bring clothing to the Summit or call 397-5110 to ask for

Anyone knowing someone who would be willing to rent a home or apartment to the couple can reach Davison at (734) 981-1113.

Liquor license grab under City revision

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eventually finding out

- Steve Walters

what the rules are.

strategy based on

BY BRYON MARTIN

By yesterday afternoon, all five downtown Plymouth restaurants with applications pending in Lansing for special liquor licenses were to have filed new letters of intent at City

The deadline had been set by Plymouth's Downtown Development Authority, which will pick one applicant as its favorite in case the state offers the City only one more license.

The DDA decided such preparations were a good idea in light of conversations with the state's Liquor Control Commission (LCC).

Last year the LCC began to accept applications for 50 liquor licenses specially created for downtown development districts. understanding then was that licenses would be awarded on a first-come, first-

served basis, according to City Manager Steve Walters. Now that doesn't seem to be the

"We're revising our strategy based on eventually finding out what the rules are," he said. "There's a slow process of approval. And they also seem to be spreading out the licenses.

Plymouth has had as many as eight applications under consideration at the capital. The City's first and only license was awarded to Dinersty in December.

DDA Director Steve Guile says since that award, Plymouth's pile of applications have been skipped over to give other communities

Unless Plymouth expresses a prioritize order for their applications, he said, the LCC will continue to pass Plymouth by as the

licenses disappear.

Choosing a favorite might be, "a way to decrease the log jam at the LCC level," according to Guile.

Preference will be given to "the project with the most overall positive impact on downtown," Walters said. Monetary investment, the creation of jobs and drawing power for downtown will factor in to the decision.

The Penniman Deli, Café Giverny and Uncle Franks are restaurants who have

> E.G. Nicks and Tom's Oyster Bar are renovating locations in the City, but may not want to finnish without the liquor license each has said crucial operations.

Having applicants Plymouth City Manager re-submit letters of intent

> opportunity to describe the nature of each project and its impact downtown, Walters said.

The letters were also a way to slip from the political knot of having to pick one business as an official City favorite.

'We let them rank themselves," Guile

Once the DDA chooses from the five, though, it will recommend that application to the City Commission for endorsement. Then, the DDA hopes, the City will get at least one more license.

Walters said the City could have forwarded applications in order last year, but didn't because it "got the rules way into the

'We could have gone through this kind of evaluation process last July if we had known," he said.

About 20 per cent vote

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and fire services, and a transfer of sewer service fees from their water to their tax bills resulting in a 1.56-mill increase.

Unless residents are have registered to vote with either a Secretary of State branch or their local clerk's office, they won't be able to vote

In the election's biggest legislative contest, Thaddeus McCotter, Deborah Whyman and Jim Ryan will square off for the Republican party's nomination as 9th State Senate candidate. Marc Susselman and Carol Poenisch will vie for the Democratic nod.

In the 20th State House seat, Republican K.C. Mueller is looking to steal the spot on the November ballot incumbent Gerry Law wants to hold.

In the 21st State House, Bruce Patterson and Patricia Fatyma face each other for the G.O.P. ticket.

The Wayne County Commission's 11th District will find Democrats John Sullivan, Fred Bolden, Tom Hartnett and David Parrott

James McCosky has withdrawn from the race against fellow Democrat Dennis Shrewsbury for the Wayne County Commission's 10th District.

Endorsements for these races and for the Township millage issues will appear in the Wednesday, July 29 issue of The Community

Voter turnout in the Plymouths in the two previous primaries hovered around 20 per cent, topping out in 1992 at 34 per cent, according to the City and Township clerks.



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'I think we have a good case here'

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League, whom he was expected to play for next season, until Nov. 15.

"This is something we knew might happen," said Whalers' Coach Peter DeBoer. "We certainly didn't condone his action, but Jesse was a member of our organization for three years. We are still going to support him."

The alleged assault occurred during game four of the conference semi-finals,

the Whalers' final game of the season. did not play the remainder of the season. After some pushing and shoving behind the Guelph net, Boulerice faced Long, turned the stick to its heel, and smashed Long in the middle of the face.

Play was stopped for 20 minutes as trainers and paramedics treated the injured player. Witness reports said Long had stopped breathing while he lay unconscious on the ice.

Long suffered two facial fractures, a blood clot and a severe concussion, and He said he decided to file charges earlier this month after watching the incident on

Township police used the OHL video in their investigation, according to Jarvis, and décided the incident was severe enough to seek the warrant.

"It's up to the prosecutor," Jarvis said, "but I think we have a good case here."

If Wayne County Prosecuters grant the warrant, Boulerice's lawyer will be

notified and Boulerice will be expected to turn himself in, Jarvis said.

If Boulerice is charged with felonious assault he could face up to four years in prison, Jarvis said. If the charge is felonious assault with intent to do great bodily harm, the sentence could jump to 10 years.

"A lot of incidents that happen on ice are taken care of by the hockey organizations," Jarvis said. "But this one was a little more severe."



Obituaries

For more information on listing a paid obituary notice in The Crier, contact your funeral director, or call (734) 453-6900.

JOHN A. HOEN

John A. Hoen, a Plymouth Township resident, died June 26, 1998 at the

Mr. Hoen was born June 30, 1919 in Black Rock, NY. He was a freight claim manager for 25 years with New York Central Railroad, and a selfemployed salesman for 25 years. He came to the Plymouth Community in 1993 from Dearborn Heights, MI. He was a member of Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church in Plymouth. He served in the armed services during WWII. He was a member of 4th Degree Knights of Columbus— Patrick O'Kelly Council No. 3860; V.F.W. Post 5112, DEarborn; Divine Child Dad's Club, Dearborn; Past Commander, Catholic War Veterans Post 1540—Dearborn; American Legion Post 8, Dearborn; and Amvets Post 4, Dearborn.

He is survived by his wife, Eileen M. of Plymouth; daughters, Patricia (Tom) Ziober of Livonia, Kathleen (Philip) Adams of Livonia, Jean (Gary) Hampton of Canton; sons, Michael (Tricia) Hoen of West Bloomfield, Timothy (Cindy Kerr) Hoen of Canton, Robert (Katherine) Hoen of Livonia, Dennis (Bonnie) Hoen of Dearborn Heights; Kevin (Debra) Hoen of Minnesota, James (Tracy) Hoen of Royal Oak; 24 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Services were held at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church in Plymouth with the Rev. Fr. Kevin P. O'Brien officiating. Burial was at St. Hedwig Cemetery in Dearborn Heights. Local arrangements were made by the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home in Plymouth. Memorial contributions can be given to K of C Patrick O'Kelly Council, Dearborn, MI; or Angela Hospice, Livonia, MI.

HELEN C. EADY

Helen C. Eady, a Westland resident, died June 24, 1998 at the age of 70. Mrs. Eady was born May 3, 1928 in Detroit. She retired from Michigan National Bank in Southfield where she was a collections agent. She came to the Westland community 10 years ago from Detroit.

She is survived by her son, Thomas H. (April) Eady, Jr of Livonia; daughter, Cheryl L. (Matt Johnson) Eady of Westland; grandchildren, Dean Mitchell of Livonia, Ashlee Gordon of Livonia, Tyler Gordon of Livonia; brother, Donald (Irene) Kaczmarek of Shelby Township, MI; and sister, Dolores (Dan) Arini of Orlando, FL.

Arrangements were made by and services were held at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home in Plymouth with Pastor Craig Fox officiating. Burial was at Glen Eden Cemetery in Livonia. Memorial contributions can be given to Hospice of Southeastern Michigan; 16250 Northland Drive, Southfield, MI 48075.

Community deaths

ANASTASIA S. (BARTOL) MAZUR

Anastasia S. (Bartol) Mazur, a Plymouth Township resident, died June 24, 1998 at the age of 86.

Mrs. Mazur was born Dec. 21, 1911 in Wilkes-Barre, PA. She worked at Jeanettes Bridal Shop where she was a seamstress doing the fancy work on the gowns. She came to Plymouth Township 10 years ago from Dearborn Heights. She was a member of Our Lady of Good Counsel Church and the Tonquish Creek Senior Citizen Group. She loved to sew and do needlepoint.

She is survived by her daughter, Louise M. Symanow of Plymouth; son, Robert (Kay) Bartol of Silver Springs, MD; grandchildren, David (Carolyn) Symanow of Plymouth, Daniel (Marie) Symanow of Canton, Deborah (David) Bulmer of Plymouth, Douglas Symanow of Plymouth; seven great-grandchildren; three brothers; and two sisters. She is preceded in death by her son-in-law, George Symanow.

Services were held at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church in Plymouth. Burial was at St. Hedwig Cemetery in Dearborn Heights. Local arrangements were made by the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home in Plymouth. Memorial contributions can be given to the American Heart Association of Michigan.

ARVID E. BURDEN

Arvid E. Burden, a Plymouth resident, died June 28, 1998 at the age of

Mr. Burden was born Nov. 20, 1912 in Plymouth. He worked for the University of Michigan Maintenance and Grounds Department, retiring in April 1978 after 19 years of service. Prior to working at U of M, he worked at Daisy Air Rifle Co, in Plymouth. He was a life-long Plymouth resident. He was a member of Calvary Baptist Church (Charter member) since 1934. He was the church clerk for 30 years. He was also an elder and taught Sunday school and duplicated tapes of the services. He and his wife, Adeline were married for more tha 53 years.

He is survived by his wife, Adeline of Plymouth; and daughters, Allison Foster of Garden City; Arviline (Douglas) Earley of Jenison. He is preceded in death by his brother-in-law, Michigan Foster; and brother,

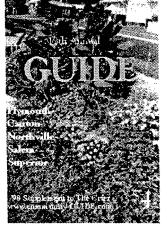
Services were held at Calvary Baptist Church, 43065 Joy Road, with Roland F. DeRenzo officiating. Burial was at United Memorial Gardens in Superior Township. Local Arrangements were made by the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home in Plymouth. Memorial contributions can be given to the Calvary Baptist Church Mission Fund.

Buddy Joe Bazzell, 62, Machinist for Ford Motor Co. for 20 years Buddy Joe Bazzell, a Canton resident, died June 23, 1998.

He is survived by his wife of 42 years, Beverly Bazzell; one son; two daughters;; his father; two brothers; two sisters; and six grandchildren. Arrangements were made by and services held at the McCabe Funeral Home

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Dear Martha, et. al.



By Geneva Guenther

The service honoring Mae Lundin was the most beautiful I have ever attended. Every moment was a tribute to the lady. It has never seemed appropriate to me before to sing at a funeral but this occasion seemed different. It was almost a celebration for a lady who epitomized love - love of family, love of people, love of Church. It was right to sing her favorite hymns in a place where she was a moving force. Her minister's message gave credence to Mae's belief and reflected her strength that she shared with those who were needful.

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During Mae's service, friends and family took part in giving tributes to her as wife, mother, friend and believer. Her spirit was so strong that you could almost feel her arms around you saying "Loose me and let me go. You will be fine. I go on to greater things."

Finally a beautiful tribute in

Finally a beautiful tribute in song, "The Lord's Prayer", was sung by one of her friends, then a blessing by her minister. All I could think of was - mourners we, not for Mae, but for ourselves

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IF YOU HAVE BEEN WONDERING what the hauntingly beautiful music was that Earl Lundin rendered at Mae's funeral, I have too. Whatever it was, it certainly was a lovely tribute and superbly played by Earl. Clique - Happy Cruising! Drink a Miami

Vice for us. Love, Kathy & Randy.

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Cruisers - I hope our week goes by much slower than the year since we started planning it.

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Maura - Hope you had a great birthday & vacation

I went to a bookstore and asked the saleswoman, "where's the self-help section?" She said if she told me, it would defeat the

purpose.

Ed & Sally - Welcome back - When's the gourmet dinner?

John & Diane - You still owe me & Lynn dinner. But thanks for your deceiving help Sat. THE MUSIC THAT EARL LUNDIN PLAYED ON HIS VIOLIN WAS: Meditation from Thais by Massenet.

GERRY, GERRY, where are you? Pete - Congrats on your new job(s)! -Linda

Curiosities

I have enough T-shirts that I can wear a different one every day for the next 2 months. Some I can even wear in public

Rhonda picks fine times to take vacations. (You missed it, again!)

Mom & Dad K. - Only 3 more classes to go! Karls did a great job Sat. A great place for a great party.

Wear sunglasses if you come across Lisa's right hand.

J-Money did a great job at 24 Karat. (Spin-J-Spin!)

Thanks to everyone. Jack the altar boy Kenn - Happy Summer Solstice. (the nonpagans censored me!) Linda

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Legal actions vs. Detroit Edison, insurer pending

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traditional colonial design, the building will blend in well with the character of Plymouth. Where they are now

The courthouse received preliminary approval from Plymouth City Planning Commission last month, according to Erdman. The plan goes before the Zoning Board of Appeals tomorrow to determine if the proposed building is too tall for the location, he said.

The project should go out for bids in August, and initial phases of construction could begin as early as September or October, according to MacDonald.

Questions unanswered

With the project about two months behind schedule, it is likely that the new courthouse won't be ready when leases on the temporary units and the land they rest on are up.

What's not known is exactly how much of a gap in time there'll be, and what options the court will pursue, according to Lowe.

"It's really too early to cross that bridge," Lowe said. "Nobody knows for sure what the building schedule will be. We'll be able to examine that better after the bidding process."

The land the temporary courthouse rests on is for sale, and it's uncertain if Unisys win still own the property when the lease is up in September. That could mean another phase of negotiations with a different

landowner, Lowe said.

"The one benefit we have is that this time we know it's coming," he said. "We'll have enough time to make some arrangements."

The financial aspects of rebuilding are yet to be decided, as well. The new courthouse will be funded through a combination of insurance funds and bonding revenues. Excess court revenues, normally redistributed to the district's communities, may be withheld to fund part of the courthouse, according to Erdman.

The court was insured through Michigan Municipal Risk Management Association (MMRMA) for \$3.4 million. The City of Plymouth also insured the building with the Par Group for \$1.9 million.

While MMRMA has paid almost all of their \$3.4 million to the court, the Par Group has yet to disperse any funds, according to Dave Rogers, an attorney with Draugelis & Ashton. Rogers is representing MMRMA in one of two lawsuits filed this week.

Under the lawsuit, MMRMA will ask that the Par Group meet their obligations, Rogers said.

"Technically, they haven't denied the claim, they simply haven't paid anything yet," he said. "We're just asking for them to contribute according to their written agreement."

up in September. That could mean another phase of negotiations with a different A second suit will be filed in the near future by MMRMA against Detroit Edison,

according to Ed Draugelis. Draugelis declined to comment on the specifics of the suit because the final draft of the complaint was not finished, nor his client notified, he said.

The outcome of these suits is important because it will tell court officials how much they have for a new building, and how much they have to finance, Rogers said.

"The court authority needs to know how much funds they have available so they can make plans," he said.

Lowe said he is hopeful that the situation will be resolved quickly.

"The bonding process is still a little ways away," he said. "There's a belief that

according to Ed Draugelis. Draugelis we'll know how much money we'll need by declined to comment on the specifics of the then."

Looking back

While court officials look forward to the end of their long rebuilding process, one fact becomes certain about the journey so far

"I can't say enough about the staff and other people who stepped up to help out," Lowe said. "They were tremendous in the way they all pulled together."

"We're definitely heading in the right direction," MacDonald said. "Now we can concentrate on looking forward and putting the unpleasant memories of starting over behind us."

Twp.'s picnic Sat.

Looking for something to do this Fourth of July after the parade?

Saturday, Plymouth Township will host its second annual Township Picnic at Township Park, from 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Families can come out for a summer afternoon of food, fun and games.

Hot dogs, chips and soda will all be available for a nickel (reduced from last year's hefty \$.25 price). Proceeds will benefit the Kiwanis Club.

"It's all about bringing the community MacDonald's Happy Meal."

together," says Township Treasurer Ron Edwards, who is helping to organize the picnic. "It's just a good old-fashioned picnic."

This year's agenda includes: volleyball, horseshoes, balloons, frisbees, foam footballs and a fishing contest, and other outdoor activities

"At last year's fishing contest one kid caught a 14-inch bass with a piece of corn," Edwards said. "He won a fishing pole and a MacDonald's Happy Meal."

6,000 expected in N'ville

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So many residents who won't be at Massey this year are expected to join the crowd at BFI.

The Department of Public Safety says it can handle the bigger crowds, according to Pigeon. There should be plenty of parking and room for everyone.

Pigeon estimates 2,000-3,000 people have attnded the fireworks in past years. That number may double this year, she says.

Plymouth fireworks usually draw approximately 15,000 people to parks and common areas, says Paul Sincock, Plymouth Municipal Services director.

Northville Township's entire public safety force will be on duty that night, Pigeon says.

The department will have a command post at BFI, the site of the display. Most officers will direct traffic and parking unless a problems arises.

Pigeon says officials encourage spectators who will be at the Northville Community Park for the pre-fireworks concert to stay

there for the fireworks, instead of trying to drive to BFI. The view from there is great, she says

The Zambelli Fireworks Company will present the display again this year, according to Celebrate Northville committe member Ken Woodside. They also do the Detroit-Windsor Freedom Festival fireworks display.

Woodside says Zambelli did a great job last year, and that he is looking forward to another amazing show.

Zambelli usually includes some of the really fancy shapes, says Woodside, the same type used in large shows like Detroit's.

The fireworks display is the biggest expense the Celebrate Northville organization faces all year according to Woodside.

"We rely on sponsors to bring it all together," he says, noting that all members of the organizing committee are volunteers.

The Northville fireworks display will begin at dusk at Browning Ferris Industries at Six Mile and Napier roads. Parking on-site. The rain date is July 5 or 6. Call (810) 808-3566 for more information.

'We'll be back next year'

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proximity to the old location, Fedewa said.

"When Independence Fireworks scouted out the site, they determined it wouldn't be be suitable," Fedewa said.

The Jaycees then scrapped the idea and

are already beginning to plan for next year, Fedewa said.

"First we have to find a site, lock it down and get all the official clearances," he said. "But we'll be back next year, and better than ever."



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Sports shorts

Plymouth resident Julie Angell has completed her third year on Princeton University's basketball team, and has received a bevy of awards for her past year efforts.

Angell was honored with the Kim Curry Award for team spirit, the Most Improved Player Award, and the Herbert W. Hobler Award '44, given to the woman "who through her positive attitude, sportsmanship, and consistent effort to improve her skills, contributes most to the team."

Julie was also named one of the team captains for her upcoming senior campaign.

Princeton finished second behind Harvard for the Ivy League title this past season, and will again be a contender for the 98-99 playing year.

Julie is studying English at Princeton, and has been a contributing writer to campus newspaper, The Princetonian.

The Canton Chamber of Commerce will host their annual golf classic Friday, August 14 at Fellows Creek Golf Course beginning at 8:30

The format will be a best ball scramble, four persons per team.

The costs are \$150 per person or \$500 per foursome, and includes 18 holes with a cart, continental breakfast, lunch at the turn, beverages on the course, buffet dinner, door prizes, goodie bags, contest awards and a raffle.

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Sports

Nashville sings Legwand's tune

Expansion team puts future in the hands of Whalers' star

NHL DRAFT

BY PETE KRUPSKY

Last summer Plymouth Whalers centerman Dave Legwand was a talented player

out of Grosse Pointe Woods hoping to find his niche with a new team and a new league.

What a difference à year makes.

Legwand capped a storybook season

Saturday at the National Hockey League's Entry Draft in Buffalo when the expansion Nashville Predators took him second over-

"It's an honor to be Nashville's firstever draft pick," Legwand said. "It's going to an honor to play for them, a new city and new team. And the fans are just unbelievable."

Also drafted Saturday were Whalers defenseman Kevin Holdridge (Novi), taken in the third round (70th overall) by the Carolina Hurricanes, and former Whaler Andy Burnham, now with Windsor, who was taken in the 4th round (95th overall) by the New York Islanders.

The impact of the Canadian Hockey League was evident in this draft, with 53 of their players taken through the first three rounds. Of the 258 players selected in the entire NHL Entry Draft, 127 came from the CHL.

The early spotlight shone on Rimouski's Vincent Lecavalier and Legwand, clearly the two best players in this draft. As expected, Tampa Bay selected Lecavalier with the first overall pick. Nashville, picking third, wanted Legwand badly.

Legwand was all set to go to the San Jose Sharks, who picked second. But after taking scorer Patrick Marleau with the second overall pick last year, San Jose was eyeing a defenseman. That set the deal in motion, completed just five minutes before Legwand's selection.

Predators' general manager David Poile worked out a trade with San Jose, moving up when he traded Nashville's third and 29th overall pick for the Sharks' second and 84th pick.

After combing through the National Hockey League's unprotected lists to select 26 players the day before in the expansion draft, Poile felt he needed a game-breaker.

"When I walked up there (after being selected) I was so surprised that he could



Dave Legwand draped in both a new Nashville Predators jersey and a cheerful glow, stands before reporters Saturday afternoon in Buffalo. A lot of this type of focus will be placed on the young centerman over the next few years. (Photo courtesy of John Canini)

much confidence in me to be trading two picks for me," Legwand said.

"Only time will tell, but it feels real good today," Poile said. "I don't want to use term 'franchise player' loosely. But I think based on potential, on what he's accomplished this past year (55 goals with 51 assists in 59 games), Lecavalier and Legwand certainly looked like they were odds-on favorites to turn into the top players in this draft.

"Having said that, we know things change over time," Polie said. "But Legwand's getting bigger. He's getting stronger. He can skate like the wind and he can score. That's exactly what we need. We didn't get that in the expansion draft. I think the most goals (of the players selected) somebody got was 19. On the surface, Dave Legwand has the potential to be much better than that."

Poile was asked if he was nervous about taking a guy who literally came out of nowhere last year to become one of the

pull off a trade like that and he had that Canadian Hockey League's premier play-

"I'm not nervous at all," Poile said. "We see in this business that players develop physically and mentally and have success at all different ages. We drafted a whole bunch of guys yesterday who we hope have breakthrough years at 24 or 25 or maybe even in their 30s."

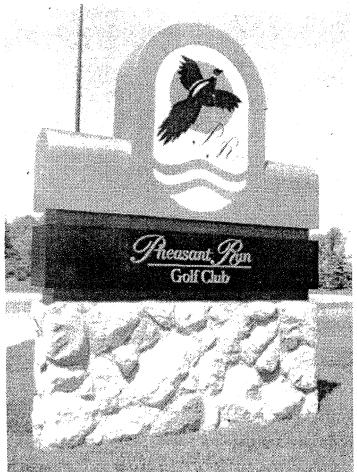
"The fact is that David Legwand did it, he was everything (Ontario Hockey League's Rookie of the Year, Most Valuable Player and the Canadian Hockey league's Most Valuable Player). It's there. Go talk to the players he played against. I don't think they would suggest he was a flash in the pan. This guy was not an easy guy to play against.

"We think he's for real, " he said. "We are very, very happy."

As talented as Legwand is, the thing that sets him apart is his work ethic. Go to the rink on game nights and you'll see him there before anyone else. Go to the rink on

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Pheasant Run to add 9 more



One of the premier golf courses in the area, Pheasant Run is now looking to be one of the most extensive. Look for another nine holes in the spring of 2000. (Crier photo by Scott Goodwin)

Arthur Hills will design extra holes BY SCOTT GOODWIN

Pretty soon you'll be able to make another turn.

Canton Township-owned Pheasant Run Golf Course is planning nine more holes of championship play to bring their total to 27. Construction could begin as early as this fall on the new holes, and is expected to be complete in the Spring of 2000, according Dave Horstman, golf professional at Pheasant Run.

Renowned course-designer Arthur Hills will design the extra nine, Horstman said, just as he had the first 18.

Most of the holes will be located west of the course across Beck Road. So that each course of nine holes begins and ends at the clubhouse, current hole number 17 will be the starting hole for the new nine, Horstman said.

In terms of design, the new nine holes will be "more similar to the (current) back nine," said Horstman. "Everything will be a little wider.

"We want to keep it in line with the original design. That's why we're bringing in Arthur Miller," he said. "You won't be able to tell we added extra holes. We'll keep things flowing."

Last week, the Canton Board of Trustees approved an interfund loan of \$200,000 to cover "up front" costs of the nine hole expansion. The interfund loan is expected to be repaid when bonds are sold to finance the project.

The extra nine holes should ease some of the overcrowding that has plagued the course since it opened several years ago.

"We just can't handle the play we have now," Horstman said. "This should let us take all the players we have to turn back."

Horstman also said the expansion should open the doors for more tournaments and leagues.

"There are a number of possibilities with this," he said.

Holdridge a keeper in the Karmanos Clan

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practice days and you'll find him on the ice before anyone else, trying little tricks with the puck on his stick. Check him out on off-days and he's coaching young kids at the Grosse Pointe Community Center.

"That's just something I do in practice," Legwand said. "I go out 15 minutes before everyone and shoot some pucks around from, say, the goal line or whatever just to try to make it. It's just something I like to do. I like to get on the ice early and I always stay out there late."

Legwand plans a little time off this summer. But then it's back to work in preparation for another season.

"I'm going to try to work on my hands," Legwand said. "I'll be stick handling golf balls in the driveway, ball hockey and all that kind of thing."

Teams select players for various reasons. In selecting Holdridge, Carolina took a steady stay-at-home defensemen who has the ability to move up on the play. NHL defensemen with that kind of talent can stick around a long time.

Holdridge (4 goals with 15 assists and 106 penalty minutes in 61 games) brings intelligence to the rink every night, along with the ability to adapt to different situations smoothly. He's developed a bit of a

the head of some of the OHL's top

At the start of last season, Holdridge was paired with Luc Rioux. The duo proved to be the Whalers' most effective defensive pairing early in the season. Rioux was traded at midseason to Windsor for Paul Mara, one of the best offensive defensemen in the OHL. Holdridge changed his game efficiently

• I don't want to use the term 'franchise player' loosely.

> - David Poile San Jose Sharks General Manager

to mesh with Mara. By the end of the season, Mara and Holdridge were often paired against the opposition's top lines and did an excellent job in the playoffs, shutting down Sarnia's Jon Sim and Belleville's Joel Trottier.

of those players," Holdridge said. "I really enjoyed playing with Luc. I I talked to David today and I won't formean streak and had the ability to get into learned a lot from Paul in practice by get it for the rest of my life."

asking questions, but it really didn't make a difference to me who I was playing with."

Holdridge has played within the Compuware system for a long time and is happy to be moving to the Hurricanes.

"Mr. (Peter) Karmanos (Whalers and Hurricanes owner) runs a quality, quality organization," Holdridge said. "It's outstanding to be drafted by a group of people that I know."

Ironically, Legwand and Holdridge are best friends. Hang around the Whalers and you'll find them sitting in the stands before a game, taping sticks and sharing a laugh. Go on the road with the Whalers and you'll find them strolling through a mall in Sault Ste. Marie or Erie. Stroll around the stands at the Compuware Sports Arena and you'll find Dave and Carol Legwand and Mike and Barb Holdridge sitting together.

Legwand and Holdridge roomed together in Buffalo and were able to enjoy the biggest moment in their respective hockey careers together.

"We're best friends," Holdridge explained. "Today's a dream come true. David's pretty ecstatic and so am I. We "It was outstanding playing with both really aren't going to know what hit us until a couple of days down the road. So

Sports shorts

City of Plymouth Parks and Recreation softball standings thru June 25:

Men's Blue Division: Varsity Ford, 7-0; Rusty Nail, 8-1; Ford UAW Local 845, 5-3; Ancor, 6-4; Disposable Heroes, 3-5; Johnson Controls, 1-8; D & D Video Transfer of Livonia, 1-9.

Men's White Division: Card-it, 5-2; Roush Wheels, 4-2; Davey Tree, 6-3; Zena Comp, 5-3; Capital -Communications Services, 5-4; Soil & Materials Engineers, 3-6; Plymouth Stamping, 0-8.

Men's Modified: Portland Building, 6-2: Insurance Exchange, 6-2, Ticona Corp, 3-5; Canton Sports, 1-7.

Plymouth-Canton Women's: The Shark Club of Canton, 7-1: N.W.C., 6-2; Lora's Bar and Grill, 2-4; Buddy's, 2-5; Jamie's, 1-5.

Plymouth-Canton Co-ed: St. Michael, 8-0; Security Hardware Group, 6-1; Go Blue, 3-1; Plymouth Canton Jaycees, 5-2; Roman Forum, 4-2; Crusaders, 3-4; The Lumber Co., 3-6; Risen Christ, 2-5; Mr. B's, 2-5; Swingers, dropped out of league.

Ondeck

Registration ends tomorrow for the Co-ed Sand Volleyball Leagues opening up in Canton for this summer. Games will be played at the Heritage Park sand volleyball courts on Tuesdays or Wednesdays at 6, 7, or 8 p.m. beginning July 7 through August 19.

Format is four-person teams (eight player team limit). All levels of play accepted. Six teams max per league. There are no residency requirements.

The City of Plymouth Parks and Recreation Summer Park Program has begun.

Every week, now through July 31, programs will be held at area parks. Activities include swimming, bowling, mini golf, and field trips.

Call (734) 455-6620 to find out which park is closest to you.



Community opinions

Proposed Twp. millage:

Joyner, at his best, couldn't convince

Despite the fact that the Plymouth Township Board of Trustees is so obviously convinced that Bill Joyner has some overwhelming writing ability, I, as a taxpayer, find it hard to believe that none of the many Township employes, to whom we already pay goodly sums, can write well enough to explain the upcoming tax proposals to the potential voters. After all, the Township can't legally pay to persuade us to vote for the proposals and should make the writing much easier.

I think the Board should save the many thousands of dollars they voted to pay Joyner as they may need them if, and when, the voters don't go along with this latest attempt to get in the taxpayers' pockets.

Even Joyner, at his best, could not convince me to vote for the proposed increase in fire and police millage. One need

that we obviously don't need more personnel. I doubt, however, that anything the Township puts out will contain these facts:

only look at the facts to reach a conclusion undertaking, except two of them got paid for a full day, they took a Township car and, most importantly, that left only two officers to handle all policing of the Township for

f two officers are adequate to handle an entire shift, why are we being asked to hire more? So the local restaurants will flourish? So we can continue to empire build?

- three Township police cars at a local restaurant (along with two Canton cars), leaving no one patrolling.
- Our supervisor and our police chief allowed four officers to attend a funeral in Traverse City for a slain officer. A laudable

• At certain times, there are no less than the entire day. (When was the last time your employer paid you and transported you to the funeral of a person you didn't know?)

• One of two available cars is on stationary radar duty on M-14, the domain of the State Police, leaving one car to patrol

• If you subtract the number of car fires from the fire run total for a year, the number of fire runs does not exceed that handled by a good volunteer fire

If those who are supposedly making the decisions in our Township, and who are making a lot of money to make those decisions, believe that two officers are adequate to handle the entire shift, why are we now being asked to hire more?

So the local restaurants will flourish? So we can continue to empire build?

I will be waiting with bated breath to receive my slick, professionally designed literature from the Township telling me why I should be happy to shell out more of my hard-earned money so that those in control can throw it to the four winds.

How about you? STEPHEN BOAK

INCOMING

Twp. has left important things unsaid

Millage proposals always seem to leave some important things unsaid.

For instance they never seem to mention that besides the millage increase, they generally boost assessments right after and can do so without voter approval each year.

The rationale for the requested funds is "growth." Unless I'm mistaken, growth increases the tax base as every new residence or business pays taxes, and I'm sure the tax on a residence or business is much greater than that of vacant land.

I believe millage increases are unnecessary, unless a community has "no growth." Assessment increases keep pace with inflation (my property value is going up faster than inflation, isn't yours?) and the added tax base from "growth" should keep up with the demand to expand services such as police, fire and recreation. I have reservations as to the amount of money being sought and the intended uses of that money.

First, take the .5 mills for recreation. It levied to pay our obligation to the Western doesn't sound like a lot, only \$4.20 per month for the owner of a \$200,000 home over the next 20 years. It will add up to more than \$12.3 million to "replace the hockey boards and glass at the Cultural center" and to "add volley ball courts and upgrade tennis courts at Central Middle school.'

Townships Utility Authority. My current amount is fixed. It is the same every quarter - \$15.69 -- and it never goes up. I don't think that would be the case if it were hidden in my property tax bill.

Also we would pay disproportionate amounts because it would be tied to our

Yes, I know that Plymouth Township's property tax is one of the lowest around. But I don't think we should let that be the sole reason for raising our taxes.

I think that before the taxpayers put up an assessments. additional \$12 million there should be specific projects and a plan for that money.

Next, take the WTUA proposal This one

Last, take the Police/Fire/ Communication proposal. I had to read this one a couple of times to determine why it troubled me so

\$3,709,604.00 in the first year alone to hire

additional full time staff "emergency dispatchers." They don't say how many, so I guessed four.

Then I added "four police officers and three fire fighters" for a total of 11. Here is the math: \$3,709,604.00/11=\$337,236.72 each. Even if you add a couple of squad cars, overtime and benefits this sounds steep.

What do you think? Yes, I know that Plymouth Township's property tax is one of the lowest around. But I don't think we should let that be our sole reason for raising

RICHARD FOWLER Plymouth Township

hen did we elect Republicans in the Twp.?

EDITOR:

Did we elect Republicans to the Township government?

Four new taxes — oops! three there is more than enough to cover most of the new buildings. This is a township, not a city. Our millage will be near Livonia's taxes and will support The City of

Plymouth's recreation program.

Are our local elected officials of Plymouth Township on the right track? The Township's share of the State's recreation bond issue went to construct the Cultural Center, and we are treated as outsiders when it comes to fests,

These officials are talking about building

new Township offices in the west.

Better use of the land would be a green belt. Where are the green belts of the '70s? We are probably still paying for the remodeling and acquisition of the buildings at our present site in the center of our densest population (near the largest number of taxpayers) the east side paid for every thing

the Township has done for the last 30 years, the very population that paid for the west side development (reduced from acre zoning to quarter acre, or less, for "cheaper" housing).

Have the Township Trustees studied how Canton, without extra millage, developed their remarkable recreation program?

JOHN SULLIVAN



Community opinions

Good Morning Incumbents

Fred Hill likes to promote Good Morning U.S.A. as "the state's first July 4 parade."

In a way, he's right.

Plymouth's parade will begin its route down Main Street at 7:30 a.m., earlier than any other in the state. This year will be the event's second as Good Morning U.S.A., a revamp of the July 4 parade the Jaycees had put on for years.

In truth, revamp falls short of describing what Hill has done for the parade. Good Morning U.S.A. is clearly a new event altogether, one exciting enough to bring crowds downtown hours before they had in years past.

The parade's old lineup had been drawing fewer and fewer spectators. There wasn't much of interest to watch, some said, "just cars and politicians."

Hill stepped in and went to work.

year, spectators saw more floats, heard more music and found more of interest in the parade. The red, white and blue had returned to Plymouth's July 4 parade.

But the Independence Day buzz comes from more than just the bombers flying overhead. Good Morning U.S.A. was created with vision, the same vision that sees Plymouth as the unique City it is. No place else is quite like Plymouth, and it deserves community events that reflect its singularity.

This is why it is disappointing that Hill has chosen to follow a precedent set by others when he has a chance to lead yet again.

Among the entries in this year's parade will be seven political figures from The Plymouth-Canton-Northville Community; all are incumbents

Although this is an election year, Hill has barred challengers from marching in the And when the parade hit the streets last parade. Gov. John Engler will be there. A few



judges, too. But challengers will not.

Hill says his decision is based on a consensus among 50 other parades that invite only seated politicians to join in.

What this does is reinforce the already hefty advantage of incumbency in winning elections. Challengers are aced out again.

If Hill had chosen to let all of P-C-N's legislative hopefuls march, or had he eliminated all politicians, it would not only have been fair, but visionary, unique.

It would have been another way Good Morning U.S.A. could have been first, not

THE COMMUNITY CRIER

Tips on judicial candidates

As you are aware, the electorate rarely obtains any meaningful information regarding candidates for judicial positions. Much of this can be attributed to the Code of Judicial Conduct, which prohibits a judicial candidate from discussing his or her conduct in office, other than that they will faithfully adhere to their responsibilities.

Nevertheless, as a practicing attorney in this state, I feel it important that the citizens be generally informed regarding the positive attributes necessary to serve in a judicial

Many judicial candidates are labeled "conservative" or "liberal," but those labels do not necessarily coincide with the political meanings usually given those terms. Instead, a "conservative" judge is one who interprets the law as written by the legislators of this

law so that they fit into the judge's own personal views as to what the law should be. This conservative judicial philosophy is one premised upon the notion that the people elect representatives and senators to write, debate

lurge your readers to pay careful attention. This often overlooked part of the ballot is critically important

and pass laws; they elect judges to apply and enforce the laws.

A "liberal" judicial candidate adheres to state, and who will not interpret the written the opposite notion; rather than feeling

compelled to follow the law as written, a liberal judge follows the written law only until he/she disagrees with the result in a particular case. When this occurs, the liberal judge diverts from the written law to reach a result he/she desires, and the law as passed is in essence vetoed by one judge.

It is my belief that we in Michigan are better served by a conservative judiciary, as they will apply the law as written by those elected to write the laws. If the laws turn out to be "bad laws," then our representatives can collectively decide to change or repeal them. That job should not be in the hands of a single, or even a few, judges.

I would urge your readers to pay careful consideration when voting for judges at all levels this election year. This often overlooked part of the ballot is critically important.

LITA MASINI POPKE

Thanks from CEP Quiz Bowl coach

CEP's academic Quiz Bowl teams returned from Disney World last week, finishing seventh out of 45 teams at the Panasonic Academic National Championship. The teams who played represented the best team from each competing state and territory, and the tournament was won by an all-star team from Maryland.

I and all of the team members who participated in this unique experience would like to say a special thanks to the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools, Panasonic, the School Board of Polk County, FL, the parents of team members, The Community Crier and especially Visteon and the Plymouth Rotary Foundation.

Through the generous contributions of Plymouth Rotary and

Visteon, with its new headquarters in Plymouth, the students' tournament expenses for the six-day trip were fully paid.

Academic Quiz Bowl is an opportunity for students to demonstrate knowledge in a variety of subjects: math, science, social studies, art history, music, literature and languages by competing against other schools. It is a rigorous exercise in learning and thinking, and both Salem and Canton high schools have been fortunate in the last few years to have competitive teams at both the state and national levels.

Again, from all of the participants and myself, many thanks to everyone who helped make this experience possible.

WILLIAM S. BEAMAN

Quiz Bowl coach

Community



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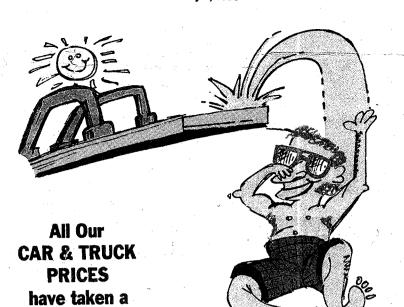
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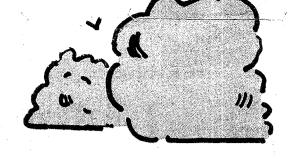


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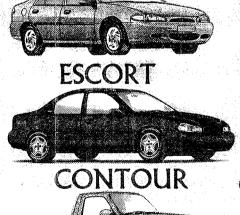
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