

Yockey seeks 2 mill city tax hike

BY FRED DeLANO

Plymouth City Manager Fred L. Yockey estimates it will cost 12.5 per cent more to run the municipal government in the fiscal year beginning May 1 than it did during the past 12 months. Because of this, he asked the City Commission Monday sight to increase

Commission Monday night to increase the tax levy by two mills from \$15.95 per \$1,000 in state equalized assessed valuation to \$17.95.

The commission will hold special budget discussions at 7:30 tonight, and again on Monday, April 9 and Wednesday, April 11.

A public hearing is set for the evening of Monday, April 30 and under the terms of the city charter the final figures for 1979-1980 must be adopted no later than the first meeting in May. That will be held Monday, May 7.

"We have a very, very unusual year that affects our budget," Yockey said Monday in a prepared statement.

"First, there is at least a 10 per cent inflationary factor. In municipal government, everything is affected by inflation, i.e., rubbish collection, insurance, all purchases, employees' earnings and fringe benefits, street programs, building and parking lot repairs, etc." he said.

"We have seven per cent in the budget (according to President Carter's guidelines) for all employees. This amounts to \$106,500, not including the settlement that was reached for fire fighters for next year."

Yockey said the budget is based F

on these assumptions:

"We will maintain city services at the current level.

"Total compensation will not exceed seven per cent.

"We do not anticipate any increase in staff, nor do we anticipate any reduction in staff.

"The only major capital improvement that we are planning which will be partially funded by the General Fund is the expansion of city hall (pending the Michigan Supreme Court interpretation of the Headlee amendment.)

"Millage will have to be increased. "Community development block grant funds will be used wherever possible to relieve the strain on the city's General Fund. "We are, not planning to absorb any of our CETA employees. A decision in this area will be made once the Federal guidelines have been clarified. If it is necessary for us to absorb some of our CETA employees, the funds will come from the Contingency Fund.

"We anticipate that our surplus will be considerably lower than last year.

"The budget contemplates a DOUBLING of all the parking rates in the city."

Yockey added that even doubling all parking rates will leave parking income projections about \$7,000 short of the desired goal.

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Twp. weighs police levy, OKs charter

Already on record from their vote of last Thursday declaring intent favoring charter township designation, Plymouth Township trustees wrestled Tuesday night with two entwined measures: Police protection millage and the date on which to schedule an election for consideration of that levy.

The Township board was expected to begin deliberation of this combined set of circumstances in Township Hall last night.

First, decide what tax levy should be put on a special election ballot for police protection.

The Sheriff Department's price tag is \$277,000 for the service of nine officers nd two patrol cars in the first year, and before the board is a proposal to levy two mills for a five-year period to cover inflationary possibilities, since a mill of taxation in the township cur-

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CEP to stage musical

DAMN YANKEES. The Centennial Educational Park drama and music departments will present the musical "Damn Yankees" on April 5,6, and 7. With outstretched arms, players on the baseball team warm up to a musical number. For more on the show, turn to pg. 11. (Crier photo by Bill Bresler)



Schools to OK boundaries April 9

BY PATRICIA BARTOLD

No major alterations were made to proposed boundary changes at the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education workshop on Monday night.

However one change was adopted by the board. Students from Windemere II in Canton would attend Central Middle School rather than moving students from Windemere I as the boundary committee originally recommended, if the proposed changes are accepted by the board. The Board of Education will vote to adopt or reject the proposed changes at its next meeting on Monday, April 9. The meeting will be at board offices.

Canton clerks unionize

454 S. Harvey St. at 7:30 p.m.

Other highlights of proposed changes include:

*A total of 62 middle school kids would switch to Central Middle School next year. Students from Windemere II, Sunflower III, Forest Trails, Mayfair, and Hampton Court would be changed.

*Middle school boundary changes would be effective for one year only, but elementary boundary changes would be stable to for at least two and possibly three years, said the boundary

Canton Township's 27 clerical employes voted to unionize Monday. Sixteen of the group voted for the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employes (AFSCME), and nine cast ballots for no union at all.

If no protests are filed against the voting procedure within five days, AFSCME will contact the township administration to start contract negotiations, said Mike Gorman, township finance director.

Poor pay, and inconsistent and uncertain policies on such things as promotion and grievances were listed by some clerks as reasons for union representation.

One other union received two votes, Police Officers Association of Michigan. The only other union on the ballot, the Teamsters, received no ballots.

*A total of 347 elementary school kids would change schools under proposed changes, which were the same as those originally recommended on Feb.

*Pioneer Middle School would stay on the extended school year (ESY) calendar.

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•Hulsing Elementary School would adopt an ESY calendar next fall.

After the workshop, Board President Tom Yack said there was a good chance the proposed boundary recommendations would be adopted by the board next Monday. JOHN CZUBAJ Fund taps Czubaj

Gene Kornegay, President of the Plymouth Community Fund Board of Directors, announced the appointment of this year's fund drive chairman, John F. Czubaj (Shoe-By).

. Czubaj's local community involvement includes four years in solicitation in the Plymouth Community Fund drives, and two years in Junior Achievement solicitation. John has also been a member of the Plymouth Chamber of Commerce for the last four years.



Most Canton home building complaints resolved

BY CHAS CHILD

Canton's campaign against shoddy home building in the township was wrapped up Monday night, with homeowners, township officials, and builders agreeing that most complaints had been resolved.

The special meeting of the Board of Trustees ended a series of three such meetings in the last three months to hear complaints against builders, and to assess their progress in solving them.

"The builders have been very cooperative," said Supervisor Noel Culbert, summing up the results of the campaign. Of the 83 complaints investigated

Following reprimand

1-day bus 'strike' hits school kids

BY PATRICIA BARTOLD The school bus yard was quiet on Friday morning. There were no grinding engines churning to a start, no. purring sounds as motors warmed up, and no drivers climbing behind wheels to pick up and deliver more than 11,800 students to classes in Plymouth-Canton schools.

Instead, after hearing that bus drivers hadn't reported to work, parents quickly organized neighborhood car pools to deliver kids to school-

School officials said, even though buses hadn't run on Friday, 74.7 per cent of the students came to school. By Monday, buses were running on schedule

"Yellow flu" struck only two days after a driver was suspended following an argument with an elementary school principal. Some drivers, who asked not to be identified, said the principal hadn't supported the driver after she had been forced to return to school with a bus load of unruly students:

The bus driver apparently used obscene language and spoke in a loud and rude way' said school officials.

The suspended driver was not idenified by either school officials or bus drivers.

On Monday, the driver filed a formal grievance against school officials who suspended her, said Alice Hornstead, secretary of the bus drivers association.

"The driver had to return to that" bus load of kids and face them," said, one driver. "You just can't drive a zoo" like that," added another, saying that bus drivers need support from both school officials and parents in handling discipline problems on the buses.

"Discipline on the buses is always problem," said Norm Kee, assistant

by a special builder task force_set-up____of_complaints-at-Township-Hall; andthree months ago to handle problems, 70 have been closed, according to Jerry Bodenmiller, township representative on the force.

Moreover, a number of procedures were implemented to handle future complaints, said Bodenmiller in a letter to the board.

These include: a complaint procedure form for the township building department; a walk-through list for the builders to insure all possible defects are examined before the home is occupied; a homeowner sign-off sheet provided by the builder to the township; an open file

regular task force meetings on the last Wednesday of every month at 9:30 a.m. at Township Hall.

Builder Dick Roser, chairman of the task force, said that although "one problem is too many . . . in the last three years, 3,000 building permits have been issued in Canton. So it's a small percentage of the total that have been problems."

A number of residents at the meeting said their houses still had defects like a leaking basement, warped floor, and faulty fireplace.

They admitted, though, that they

had not followed the township's building-complaint procedures.

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"These unfinished complaints didn't come under the task force, so we can't blame the task force," said Trustee Z Robert Greenstein. "I urge everyone to submit any complaints they have to the township and the task force."

Although the monthly meetings on the $\overline{\underline{A}}$ matter are over, Culbert said that the administration will continue to review the situation. The outstanding complaints 2 were referred by the board to the town- E ship building department for further A action.

CANTON FIREMEN carry a badly burned couch out of the mobile home of Gary Gluck in the Sherwood Mobile Park, 41275 Michigan Ave. No one was home during the smoky blaze

that totalled the home. "The cause was accidental, but we're still investigating just what it was," said Fire Chief Mel Paulun. (Crier photo by Chas Child.)

Are school buses overcrowded

BY PATRICIA BARTOLD

Are school buses overcrowded in Plymouth-Canton? Some parents think so. They've seen kids standing up in bus aisles instead of sitting down on seats as buses move through traffic; they've heard rumors that kids smoke pot or cigarets on buses; they've seen slit seats or vandalized bus windows.

Some buses may appear to be overcrowded; but aren't, said Ray Hoedel, assistant superintendent for business. He explained: Each large bus can seat 66 students, which means that three kids must sit on one seat. Some students, particularly at high schools and middle schools, prefer to stand rather than crowd three to a seat.

According to state law, the district can carry up to a 10 per cent overload which raises its capacity to 72 students. Furthermore, Hoedel cited statistics which showed the number of students who rode buses to school on Dec. 5, 1978. They included the following ranges: 61 to 71 students to high 6 schools; 64 to 71 to middle schools; and, 68 to 83 students to

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elementary schools. Hoedel said the bus with 83 elementary students has split the load between different routes to reduce the number on the bus.

School officials say the number of students riding the buses varies from day to day and that poses problems in designing routes. "Some rainy days parents drive kids to school instead" of waiting for buses," said Robert Houghton, transportation director.

Houghton asked: "What happens when three new kids move to a subdivision and the bus is full: Either we have to squeeze them in or assign a new bus to the route," he said.

Meanwhile, in a move to cut back on the district's budget. the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education tabled a proposal to buy 10 large buses and three mini-buses last Monday night.

The proposal will be considered again at its next meeting on April 9 at 7:30 p.m. at board offices. (454 S. Harvey St.) Currently school buses transport about 11,800 of the 16,100 students attending school in the district.



Conton Trustee Lynne Goldsmith has a great opportunity for him, and both announced she will resign from the our families live on the West Coast," Canton Board of Trustees.

A trustee since 1976, Goldsmith will "I'll be leav ing in

said Lynne either one or th

superintendent for employe relations. He called Friday's action by drivers "an illegal work stoppage," although drivers denied that. Kee said bus drivers who reported sick on Friday would be

docked pay for one day, On . Thursday, make, when school officials heard of Friday's planned. "yellow flu," they sent Western Union telegrams to about 90 drivers saying that such action could possibly be cause for further disciplinary action. The telegrams cost about \$1,800, said Kea. About 80 per cent of the drivers called in sick on Fuday About 10 minithus derivers, who ante handissipped studentil, to knop outlide the detrior reported for work as dual said fee

be moving with her husband Jeffrey to Chatsworth, California, Her term, which is scheduled to last until November; 1980; will be filled by the remaining members of the board.

"My biggest regret is not being able to fill my term," she said, "And leaving with so many important decisions to be made in the township.

"For example, I want the farmland preservation program to be accomplished fairly and expeditiously. And the new zoning ordinance is not completed 'y≹t∵"

Juffrey, pastor of Canton's Geneval United Presbyterian Churchy has been with, a subwo of Los Angeles. It's

months, depending on the house arrangements," she said. -4.1

"I hope that the person who replaces me is not identified with any political camp," said Lynne, who is known for her independent outlook on township affairs. There are too many splits in the township between; say, the board of trustees and the Planning Commission," she said. "The new trustee should work on more cooperation

"I'm sad about leaving. It takes along time to build up good working relationships," The Goldsmiths moved to Canton six and one-half years ago. They live on : namock burn with their children, Inni-6 Y. fer and Spott Se 18.

Township to fight city with charter status

The Plymouth Township Board of ò Trustees made its united stance on the charter township issue clear in a position statement issued on behalf of the full board last Thursday. It was prepared by Trustee Gerald Law who read it to the audience at the special meeting in which the board voted unanimously 2 to move toward charter status.

This is the complete prepared state-**WUNITY** ment:

"It is the opinion of the Plymouth Township Board that township form of government is the most responsive and the least expensive form of government; that in order to preserve this form of local government it is now necessary to incorporate as a charter township.-

'It is necessary because of the

continual annexation requests by the City of Plymouth which would deprive Plymouth Township of choice land and valuable tax base.

"The township has always been responsive to desires of the majority of the people by keeping taxes at a minimum. Although a charter township is authorized to levy up to five mills without voter approval, the recently adopted Headlee amendment would prohibit any tax increase without a vote of the citizens of Plymouth Township.

"Plymouth Township deserves to have a degree of security concerning its borders so that the best areas of the township will not be pirated away by neighboring cities. The constant threat and fear of annexation must be removed

from the minds of the township government and residents so proper development may commence.

"The danger is very clear and simple: When annexation can deprive Plymouth Township of its choice portions, not only is the long range planning thwarted, but with the loss of tax base the township's ability to supply needed services is removed. Thus, our future as a successful community will be destroyed.

"The damage done by 'strip annexation' is obvious to everyone who looks at a Wayne County map and sees areas like Westland and Dearborn Heights trying to give services to an almost impossible area to economically and practically service because of irregular boundaries.

"This type of situation should never be allowed to happen in Plymouth Township, and charter township status is the way to prevent this from occurring. "It is not the intent of the Plymouth

Township board to stifle the growth of

neighboring cities, but merely to ensure certain justifiable protectionism against forced annexation.

"Advantages other than annexation protection of charter townships over general law townships are as follows:

Township Board must publish all ordinances of the township in booklet form at least once every ten (10) years for distribution to the public.

"The Township Board shall conduct an annual audit of the accounts of the township.

Quarterly, financial statements shall be submitted to the Township Board by the township treasurer, comparing actual expenditures for the quarter with those budgeted.

"Ordinance licensing contractors for solid waste disposal (rubbish pickup) requires adoption by the Township Board.

"Township Board is required to provide or contract for police protection."

Parents can hear teachers

Parents of high school students are invited to parent-teacher conferences at Centon High School on Thursday, April 5 from 6:39 to 10 p.m. All teachers from both Salem and Canton high schools will be on hand to meet with the patents of their students.

The main gym in the Phase III wing of Canton High School will be filled with about 200 teachers, fined up in alphabetical order, Each teacher will have a table and chairs arranged for an individual

Church mike stolen

A microphone was stolen from the pulpit of Full Gospel Church, 291 Spring St. in Plymouth, between last Wednesday and Saturday, police report.

It was worth about \$100, police said.

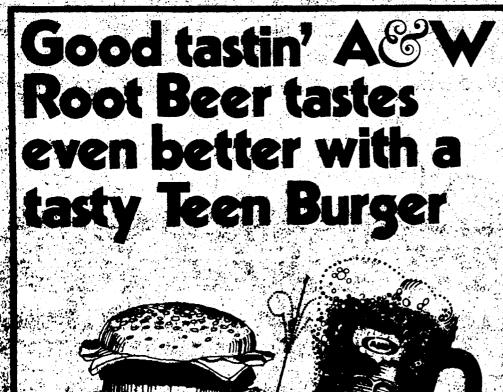
talk with parents.

To avoid traffic and parking problems parents are asked to come in two groups. Those whose names start with N through Z should attend from 6:80 to 8 p.m. if possible, while those from A through M should try to some from 8:30 to 10 p.m. These are guidelines for parent,

convenience only Bocause the entire staff of both high schools will be on hand in one place, parents can confer with all of their son's or daughter's teachers in a short time.

Parents should bring their student's latest report card with them for their parent-teacher discussions. No, appointments are necessary.

Invitations to the parent-teacher conference evening are being sent to the parents of over 4,500 students. Interested observers are also welcome.



Lt. Berry chosen No. 2 man in Plymouth police

Lt. Carl Beny of the Plymouth Police Department was appointed as the force's inspector by Chief Tim Ford Monday

A 16-year veteran of the department, Berry has filled the position held by Rod Cannon, who recently accepted the police chief's job at Northville.

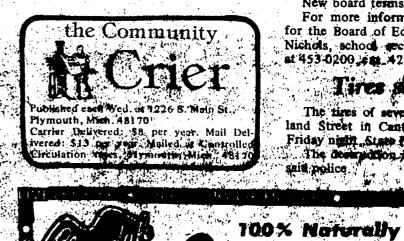
As inspector, the No. 2 job on the force, Berry will run the day-to-day operations of the department, said Ford.

Swartzwelter joins race

Earl D. Swartzwelter, 45, of Plymouth Township has joined the race as a candidate for the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education.

James L. Sinclair of Plymouth Township and Tom Yack of Canton have already announced that they are candidates. The race will be decided on June 11 at the polls.

By Monday, 14 petitions had been taken out. Swartzwelter and Sinclair are the only two who have returned petitions, however Yack said he would



run' for re-election earlier. He is currently president of the board.

The deadline for returning petitions for the two expiring board seats is Monday, April 9 at 4 p.m.

In addition to filing a petition with 54 certified signatures, each candidate must also be: a registered woter living in the Plymouth-Canton school district; at least 18 years old; a Michigan resident for at least 30 days; and, a citizen of the U.S. Candidates do not need to own property.

New board terms will begin on July 1. For more information about running for the Board of Education, call Bernice Nichols, school ecretary for elections, ********* A

Tires stand

The times of seven case on N. Umberland Street in Canton were slashed late Friday night State Folios report ...

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Ford Road could yet be made into boulevard

BY CHAS CHILD .

There's still a chance to transform a portion of Canton's Ford Road into a boulevard, the Board of Trustees learned last Tuesday.

Although the previous administration of Supervisor Harold Stein had recommended against a boulevard on a portion of Ford, the state Department of Transportation is still seeking direction from Canton officials on how to improve the street from Sheldon to Haggerty, said citizen Tom Gamache.

The DOT is considering three proposals for the Sheldon Haggerty stretch: five lanes; seven lanes; and a boulevard, he said.

According to a DOT engineer, Bill Schins, Ford between Canton Center and Sheldon will be widened to five lanes this summer. It was on this stretch that Stein and the previous board of trustees, had recommended against a boulevard.

"Since this length will not have a boulevard, making the Sheldon-Haggerty stretch of Ford a boulevard is not as advantageous," said Schins. "But it is still being considered."

Despite the pared down possibilities, the board of trustees last Tuesday voted unanimously to urge the DOT to build a boulevard where possible.

"I would like a resolution strongly. supporting a boulevard," said Trustee Robert: Greenstein, "I would even offer township funds to maintain the median strip."

"There are two main advantages of a bouleward." said Gamache, who is president: of Nottingham Forest Civic Association: "First, it's safer, and second," it's esthetically pleasing:"

How wide should the strip be? For safety. Gamache said that it should be

at least the width of one traffic lane. "Boulevards allow cars which are turning left onto Ford to cross one lane of traffic at a time," he said. "This is especially important in icy or snowy weather."

The median strip could be as wide as 30 or 40 feet; but one the size of Michigan Avenue's - 80 feet - is not necessary, he said.

Although the DOT won't make its final decision on how to improve Ford until next year, Gamache said it is important-for local officials to start planning for it now.

"Since a boulevard may require more right-of-way, site plans for new construc-

tion along the road that are being approved now must include extra space." he said.

Gamache, who became interested in the boulevard a year and one-half ago, had few kind words for former Supervisor Stein.

"We had the opportunity to put a boulevard on all of Ford," said Gamache. "And Stein said he supported a boulevard during the public hearings on the Canton Center-Sheldon stretch. But just before the DOT's deadline, he put it on the board's agenda without prior notice, and a resolution supporting seven lanes without a boulevard was adopted.

"Stein said at that time that a boulevard would delay widening of the whole road," he said. "But actually it would only have delayed widening of the stretch under construction – between Canton Center and Sheldon.

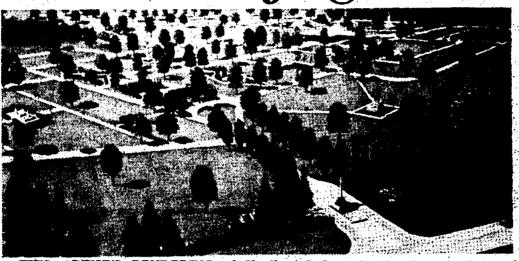
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"If the board had supported a boulevard a year ago, the whole project would have been completed at the same time in the early 1980's.

"Canton has a lot of things going for $\frac{1}{2}$ it - the sign ordinance, master land use $\frac{1}{2}$. plan, the berm ordinance - and the boulevard concept is consistent with these things," said Gamache.

Canton cemetery pledges corrections State studying Knollwood funds



THIS ARTIST'S RENDERING of Knolwood Cemetery in Canton adoms a pamphilet saying the cemetery's perpetual care trust funds were "irrevocable" and run in accordance with state laws. The State of Michigan Cemetery Commission is currently pondering what action will be taken about deficiencies found in Knollwood's trust funda

BY W. EDWARD WENDOVER

The owner of a Canton cemetery said he would do "whatever is necessary" to make up shortages in stateaudited trust funds and to continue making current payments into those funds as required by law.

At a hearing before the State of Michigan Cemetery Commission Thursday, Sam Tocco, owner of Knollwood Cemetery on Ridge Road south of Ford Road, said "I've been loaning cash money to the cemetery to operate " Tocco testified at a hearing called by. the cemetery commission to investigate. alleged shortages in the cemetery's merchandise trust fund and endowed care fund totalling some \$132,017 between Oct. 1, 1974 and Aug. 31, 1977

State law requires that cemeteries under jurisdiction of the state main-Cent. on pg: 28





Students, parents in middle of school bus hassle





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EDITOR:

I am saying to the writer of the editorial about Beth Maggio's dog (who was killed by a car): If she was thinking about this, why don't cats have leashes? I think it's not fair to the people who own dogs. I think cats should follow the same rules because cats run free and bother dogs and other people. If you don't put them on a leash, they will probably get hit like Beth's dog. AMY BING

Child's play by Chas Child

Canton suffers from voter turnover

Canton Trustee Lynne Goldsmith's upcoming move to California illustrates a problem certainly not unique to Canton, but a malaise, nevertheless.

It's been figured that the average American moves once every five years. We're a mobile society, and a suburban bedroom community like Canton is especially hard hit by a high turnover of residents.

This means that a new crowd of voters unfamiliar to Canton are moving in constantly.

Not that new blood isn't welcome, but new residents are naturally not as interested in township affairs as those who have been around for a number of years. Also, people don't tend to get involved if they expect to move in a couple of years.

The high turnover probably was one factor in the defeat of the farm

Like prizefighters flexing their muscles before a championship bout, both bus drivers and administrators seemed anxious to show off last week.

Bus drivers staged a wildcat strike on Friday, refusing to come to work after one driver was suspended for two days following an exchange of harsh words with an elementary school principal.

To avert the walkout, administrators made a last plea to drivers by sending telegrams on Thursday night urging them to report to work.

Both parties need to answer some questions: Why didn't bus drivers file a grievance procedure as their contract requires instead of walking out? On the other hand, how can administrators justify spending almost \$1,800 for telegrams when the district is already operating out of a deficit?

At least administrators could have pared down the wordy telegrams so that the message didn't exceed the 15-word, \$4.95 minimum order accepted by Western Union.

Interesting postures, since contract negotiations will begin sometime this spring between bus drivers and school administrators.

Both sides were anxious to show they weren't about to be pushed around. But who was considering students and parents, caught in the middle of the spat?

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community opinions

Bus drivers 'childlike'

EDITOR:

This letter is to express my concern about the bus driver situation which occurred last Friday.

I feel that such juvenile actions like these should not have been made but settled in a mature and adult-like manner, rather than at the expense of those persons indirectly involved.

If today's adults make these kinds of thoughtless decisions then what can be expected to happen when their children become adults?

On Friday my heart was in my throat and tears in my eyes when I saw our schools' principal standing out on Ann arbor Road directing traffic which was picking up students.

I feel the bus drivers of our community should seriously consider the childlike judgements they have made, and hope that this episode will be thought of as a learning experience, so that in the future this will never reoccur.

NAME WITHHELD BY REQUEST Pioneer Middle School student

Don't like neighbors? Move!

EDITOR:

In reply to Charlene Cruz's letter regarding Brookside Village and "the people who are all talk and no action." I quite agree with her.

At the first meeting at Field Elementary with Mr. Miller about the boundary changes she recognized herself as spokesperson for the subdivision, stating petitions would be sent around the subdivision.

I for one, and all of my neighbors never saw this petition. Nor was anyone informed of any so-called meetings

taking place within the subdivision. So, Mrs. Cruz, quit feeling sorry for yourself. How do you expect support when no one knows what's going on? As far as I am concerned we never saw any of your so-called "action."

You may have tried, I give you credit for that; but, let's say I didn't see any real effort. And, in response to your last paragraph about "concerned parents in this subdivision, you stink," my answer is if you don't like your neighbors, move!

PAT FOLSOM



millage request in November. Township officials figured that it would take anywhere from seven to 10 years for taxpayers to see a return on their tax investment.

Some day, Canton will have a relatively stable population. Meanwhile, the township will have to suffer low voter turnouts, apathy, and loss of scarce political leadership. * * * * *

Canton's new rock hall, Center Stage, may have brought a lot of music into town, but it left one thing behind: union labor.

The management of the hall, Brass Ring of Plymouth, has hired non-union stage hands to set up for shows, operate lights, etc.

"It's a bitter pill," said Warren Wilson, business representative of the Detroit Stage Employes, Local 38. "Brass Ring is breaking faith with a fairly good relationship. "When you work constantly with a firm, and they turn to you and say, "To hell with you, buddy,' it hurts."

The difference in pay between union workers and non-union is \$10.50 per hour and about \$5.50, said Wilson.

As if we needed another sign that the Age of Aquarius was over :...

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Member

Twp. charter gains new, unusual support

"I always was against it before, but after what I've heard here tonight I'm for it."

Frank Millington said this to the Plymouth Township Board of Trustees, a governmental body on which he himself had previously served two terms as a consistent force of conservatism.

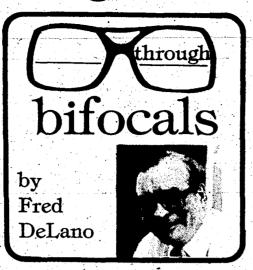
Conservative towards any tax millage, Frank said Thursday evening in one sentence toward the end of a trustees' special meeting that he would support unequivocably the move to gain charter status for his township.

Since then, I have encountered him again and he has made another point plain. Not only will Frank support the charter movement as a property owner and voter, but he's willing to go even further and donate funds toward an educational campaign aimed at convincing others of the township that this is the right step to take.

Frank made up his mind after hearing the pros and cons Thursday, the clincher being evidence that because of the Headlee amendment to the state constitution there can be no increase in township tax millage without a vote of the people even though previously constituted charter townships could go to five mills.

Little did Richard Headlee realize last year that one of the results of his organization's campaign would be a drive to bring on a change in Plymouth Township's form of government just as spring

community opinions



was blooming - and with Frank Millington right there in the front lines!

But wait; Millington has a cohort you might never guess.

It's another of the old guard, the "Emperor" himself, former supervisor John D. McEwen.

With Jack, the reasoning is the same as in Frank's mind and the minds of all members of the present township board: Offset annexation attempts by the City of Plymouth through a resolution that will give Plymouth Township charter status instead of remaining in the general law category, but only as long as the tax bite can be controlled. He agrees the answer is in Headlee.

A groundswell of supporting opinion for charter status may become overpowering.

Two hours before the special meeting most spectators were thought to be antagonistic. Finally, after discussion had been completed, those in the

audience who supported adoption of a charter resolution were asked to stand just as an impromptu poll.

The margin was at least 3 to 1 to move ahead, and moments later the board voted 7-0 to do just that, as you've already read elsewhere in these pages.

If it is surprising to find Millington and McEwen in the corner of charter proponents, it is no less interesting to note once again the truth in that old adage that politics make strange bedfellows.

I point to the fact that also in the forefront of charter advocates is that oldtimer of township political wars, a man who often has been an adversary of both McEwen and Millington, Trustee Maurice Breen. An ex-supervisor as well as a former member of the planning commission, Maurice never was a cardcarrying member of Township Hall's power clique led in the old days by McEwen, Elizabeth Holmes and Helen

Richardson. But the stakes now are too great for petty differences. City Hall is the common enemy and from this has been born a unity on which not even Jimmy the Greek would have ventured odds years ago.

It also was Breen Thursday who took the lead in letting the public know that he and all other board members stand ready to speak to every group that wants 'em concerning the charter issue. There will be many questions in the minds of many residents.

If you are one of them, now is the time to invite one of the board to meet with your organization, or just a circle of friends, and get down to the basics. No such request will be turned down. One more comment, and it's about the

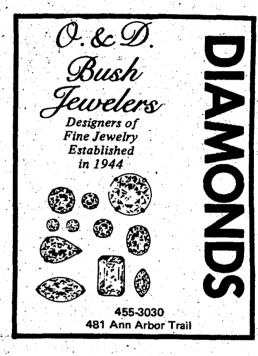
city-township relationship.

There is no fight, and never has been. between the PEOPLE of the township and the PEOPLE of the city. They work 9 side by side on dozens of worthy community projects every year, do business together, go to church together, and share a thousand common concerns with nary a thought about place of residence.

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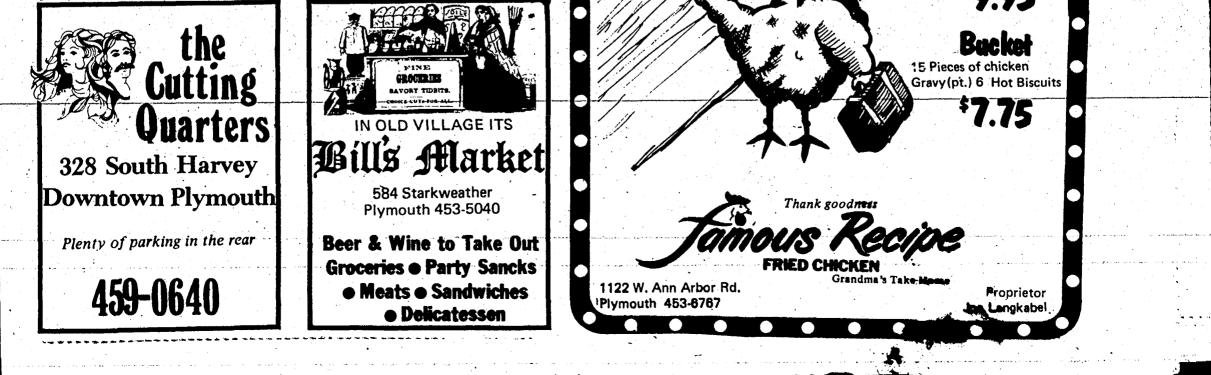
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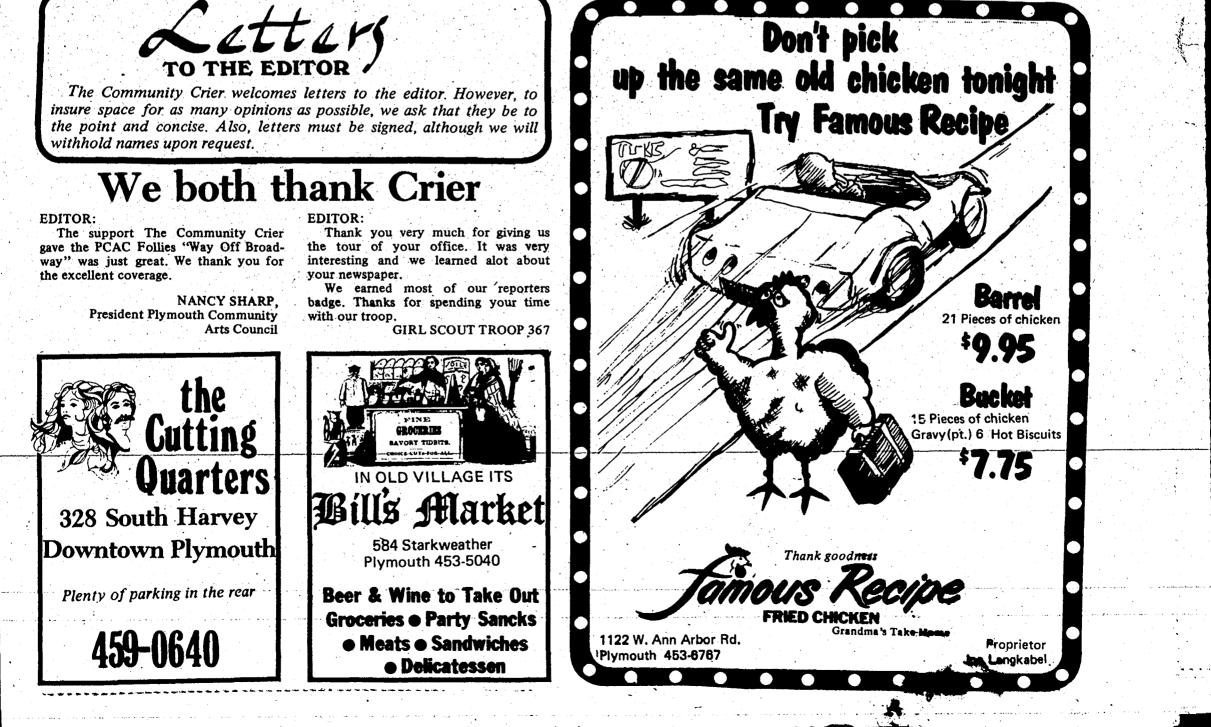
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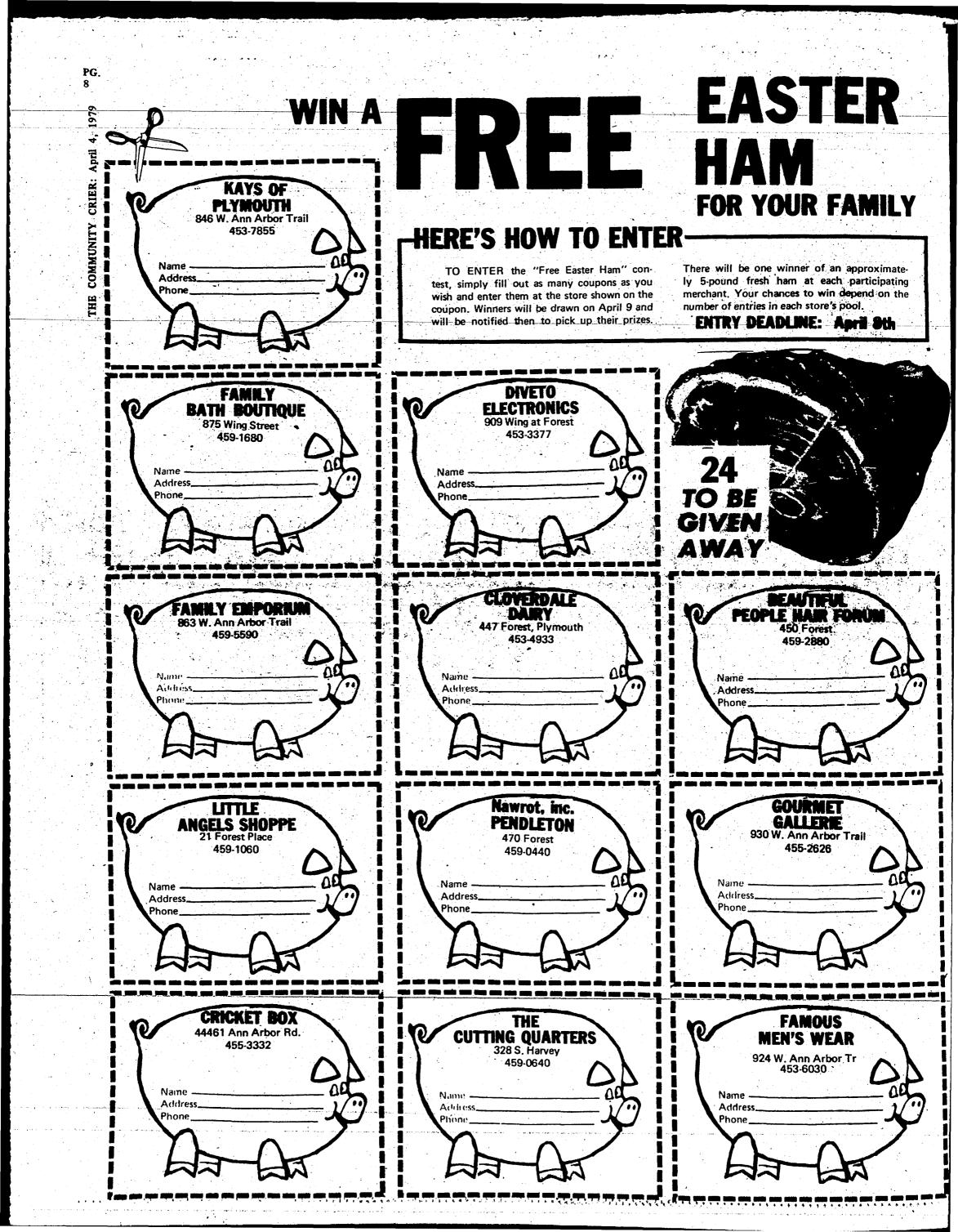




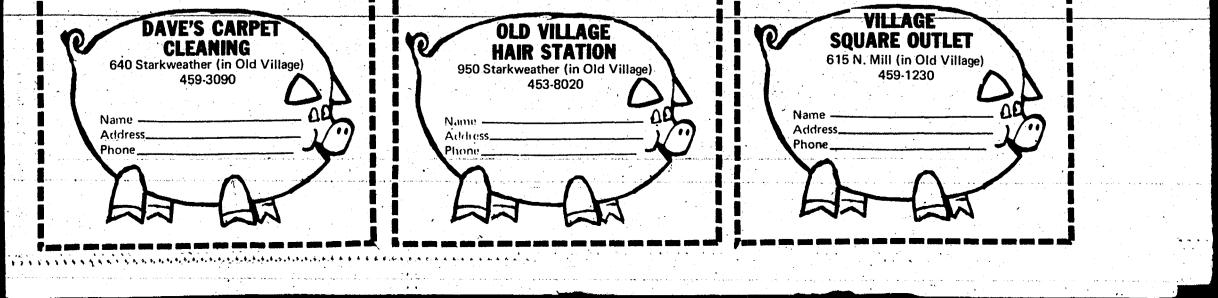


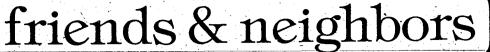














PUSH-UPS. As part of a creative movement program currently being tried Smith Elementary School, Todd at

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Saven tries some push-ups with other fourth-graders. (Crier photo by Bill Bresler.)

CEP band travels west

The CEP Symphony Band will perform during the eleventh annual spring conference on wind and percussion music Western Michigan University on at



Canton's band will perform at 1 p.m. The band is directed by James R. Griffith.

Fitness for life stresses little competition

BY PATRICIA BARTOLD Sweat lined the fourth-graders' brow as their legs pumped up and down rhythmically while jumping rope. Others netted the basketball through the hoop without keeping score. Some, with knees bent and hands behind their heads, counted situps.

Kids aren't competing against each other in this gym class at Smith Elementary School. There's no yelling, no feet stamping, no cheering voices.

Instead the kids compete against themselves. They aim to develop a fitness program for life.

"I want the kids to feel good when they get out of gym class," said teacher Tom Pallas. He comes to Smith twice a week from Northville to help teachers develop movement education programs. "Sports don't need to pit two teams

against each other and rely on individuals star," said Pallas. "Movement to education hopes to make kids aware of their bodies and how to keep them in good shape."

Pallas works with Linda Kowalczyk, also from the Northville school district. About 30 teachers from Smith and Hulsing elementary schools get advice from Pallas and Kowalczyk about teaching movement and body awareness.

The movement program is not limited to gym classes. Teachers are urged to set aside fitness areas in classrooms, and to emphasize nutrition in the classroom. To feel good, you have to eat properly, said Lois Stuart, kindergarten teacher at Hulsing Elementary School.

Also cardiologist Dr. Joseph Arends recently spoke to teachers at Smith about the prevention of heart disease.

After all, kids who start jogging today may keep it up for the rest of their lives, said Pallas.



CREATIVE MOVEMENT doesn't stress athletics. Instead students try various skills at their own paces. Here Jennifer Hammer, a fourth-grader at Smith, tries rope climbing. (Crier photo by Bill Bresler)

Plymouth Church Your Guide to Local Churches **First United** of the Nazarene Come Worship With Us 41550 E. Ann Arbor Tr. 453-1525 Carl R. Allen, Pastor Samuel F. Stout Central Sunday School 9:45 a.m. **Baptist Temple** Sunday Services 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Midweek Service (Wed.) 7 p.m. 670 Church St. School 455-7711 or 455-HELP Dr. Stan Jenkins, Pastor Faith Sunday School 10 a.m. Community Church Sunday Services 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. The Colony Bible Wed. Bible Study 7 p.m. Active Youth, Bus Ministry Dixboro Meeting in Pioneer **Fellowship** Middle School 46081 Ann Arbor Rd. **United Methodist** (The Wesleyan Church The Salvation Army **Rev. Darryl Bell**

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Musical show 'Damn Yankees' opens Thursday

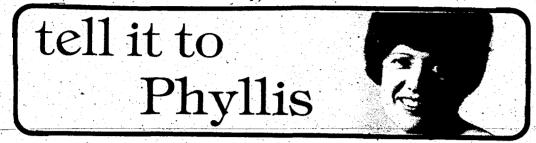
BY PATRICIA BARTOLD Even though the prices of sugar, bread, and car repairs have skyrocketed - you can still find an evening of family entertainment in Plymouth for only 50 cents more than it cost nine years ago

Where? The Centennial Educational Park drama and music students will debut in "Damn Yankees" on Thursday,

April 5. The price of one adult ticket, which has risen only 50 cents since 1970. is only \$2.50 in advance and \$3 at the door. Director and teacher Gloria Logan calls that "quite a bargain."

About 150 students from Canton and, Salem high schools will sing, dance, and play instruments for the show.

The story revolves around Joe Boyd, who sells his soul to the devil to become



"Let's go fly a kite, up to the chimney top. Come on, let's go fly a kite."

Tis the season for flying kites, riding bikes, jumping rope, and critical cases of spring fever. It's so hard on a body to be inside working, while the mind is outside enjoying the warm, spring breeze.

It's a great feeling of achievement to watch your kite glide toward the clouds, with a beautiful, blue sky in the background. It's a feeling that part of you is free to fly through the air.

As your mind and kite drift lazily through the sky, it's a rude awakening to realize that the kite is no longer flying freely, but is caught on the neighbor's chimney. Working the string free from the bricks on the chimney is no easy task, but at last freedom is won.

You feel so good (even younger) when you get out and ride bikes and jump rope. It's great exercise, but you feel so bad the next day when your legs hurt so much you can hardly crawl out of bed, let alone try to walk.

If you haven't had a chance to get out and play catch with the kids yet this year, by all means try it. Don't worry about being a little rusty and out of practice, the running trying to catch those wild throws, is good for you - especially when you're knee deep in mud.

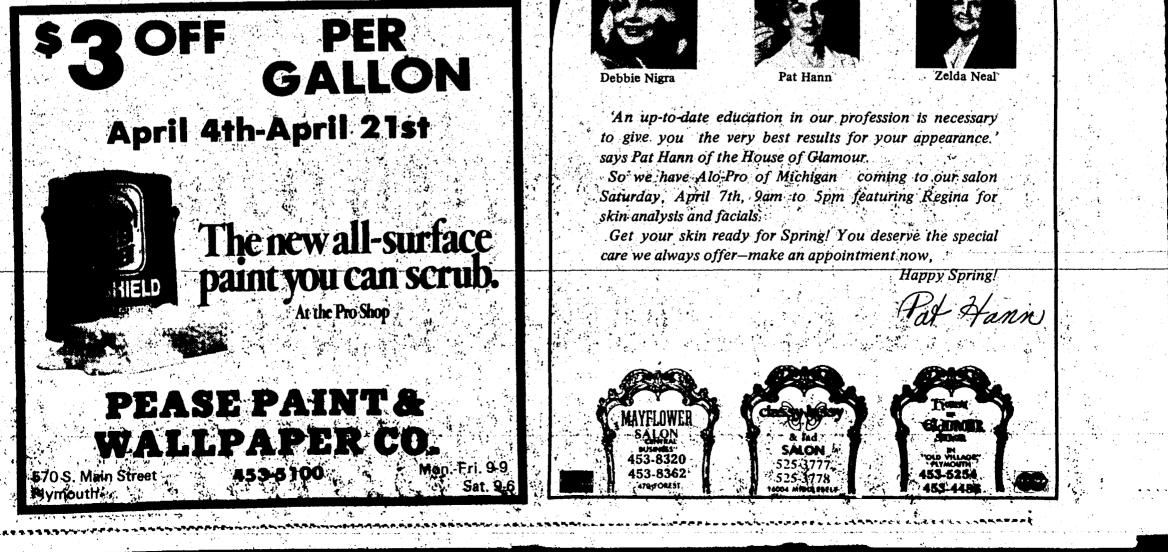
It's the time of year when robins, crocuses, and buds on the trees start appearing. If you look close enough, green things are beginning to grow in the garden - mostly weeds, but at least they're green.

Spring is also the season for colds and flu. Nothing is harder than trying to comfort a feverish child, who is complaining that the bones is his stomach hurt. Mothers can make most aches and pains feel better, but I'm afraid I flunked the course when it came to stomach bones.

It looks like spring is finally here. Come on, I'll race you to the park - I want the swing in the middle.

Mark Turner, son of Mayor Tom Turner and his wife June of Plymouth recently received a masters degree in science and engineering from the University of Michigan. Mark received his bachelors degree from Alma College and is currently employed by Ford Motor Company.

Dr. William Ross talked to students in the vocational program at Canton High School last week. He described the family doctor in osteopathic medicine and what they do.



a-star-baseball-player.-He-has-secondthoughts after he realizes that he wants his wife, Meg, back.

Mike Davis plays the role of Joe Boyd while Pat Collins is Joe Hardy. Lili Leclair portrays Meg and the devil, Mr. Applegate, is played by Kurt Schubert.

The principle roles are supported by a lively cast of baseball players, dancers, neighbors, and news reporters. The musical numbers are performed by the CEP orchestra, which is conducted by Carl Battishill.

Other principle roles are portrayed by Bill Heiney as Benny Van Buren; April Lewis as Gloria Thorpe; and, Janet Davies as Lola, the devil's accomplice.

The vocal director is Nancy Uffner, and the master electrician is Jim Kaiser.

Brian arrives!

Weighing in at eight pounds, seven and one-half ounces, Brian Clifford Williams was born on March 23 at 10:04 a.m. at St. Joseph's Hospital in Ann Arbor.

He is the son of Kay and John Williams of Canton and will join Christopher, six, and Kendra, two and onehalf, at home.

All three are teachers at the Park. The show will start on April 5 and

continue on April 6 and 7. All shows 3 will be a 8 p.m. at the Salem High School Auditorium.

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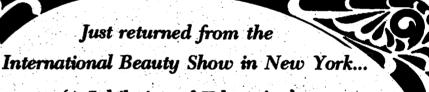
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Tickets can be purchased at the high 9 schools or from any member of the cast or crew.





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'A Jubilation of Education'





Soup's on at Field Elementary School

BY PATRICIA BARTOLD Say SOUP and visions of chicken gumbo or alphabet linger in your mind. Say SOUP to a schoolchild and Robert



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Plymouth-Canton is for cookie lovers

GIRL SCOUT COOKIES (AND CALORIES) are here. Here the Girl Scout cookie shipment arrived and was unloaded in Doris Rorabasher's garage. She is the Girl Scout cookie chairman. Chow down, cookie lovers. (Crier photo by Bill Bresler.)



Newton Peck's character swiftly comes into the mind's eye.

Soup is Peck's best friend and the main character of a series of children's books. "Why is Soup called Soup?" Peck asked his audience of 600 kids at Field Elementary School on Friday afternoon. Almost every hand in the house shot up.

Peck's 50-minute talk was laced with proverbs, jokes, piano playing, and warnings to students with waning attention spans. "Hush or I'll break your pencil," he warned one girl wearing blue. She did. As the noise level increased. Peck deftly tamed the kids down.

During a quiet moment he said. "Being poor has nothing to do with money. It means having an empty heart and soul," the cowboy-booted author told the still audience.

Mini-mites take up hockey

Plymouth Parks and Recreation Department announces the beginning of a Mini-Mite Hockey Lesson Program. Any child interested in playing hoskey. between the ages of three and one fail to eight years old are eligible for the program.

The four one-hour sessions will start April 7 and end on May 5, with no class. Easter weekend. All classes will 'take place at the-Cultural Center with the fee for the class being \$12 for school district residents and \$18 for non-resident students. Rental skates will be available at 50 cents per session. Deadline for registration is Wednesday, April

Then during a noisy moment, he encouraged the howls and laughter as he described bullies. "His kneecap was so big that it looked like the hubcap on your dad's car. Why it even said FORD on the inside," Peck told the giggling students.

But, facing bullies is a necessary task. he said. "If you don't do something that you're afraid of everyday, then you'll turn to jello," he said. The kids listened.

Threaded throughout his anecdotes were hints for young authors to follow. "Write about what you know," he told them. He illustrated that rule with an example. "I wrote a poem about a cat who threw up on my shoulder because I had a cat who did just that," he said, in a matter-of-fact style.

"Above all," he said, "Don't just tell your stories. Write pictures with words that live and breathe," he told them encouragingly.

Peck seems to follow that rule. After although Luther doesn't create the image of a struggling, funny kid in your saind, the name Sail' sure does.

Cheerleader try outs

Tryouts for next yest's Salem High, School cheerlanding squall will be on Saturday, April 7. Junior varsity cheerleaders will try out at 9:30 a.m. and varsity cheerleaders will audition at 1 p.m. at the Salem High School gym. Eighth and ninth graders are eligible to try out for the junior varsity squad. and 10th and 11th graders can tryout for the varsity cheerleaders. Persons interested in tryouts can practice from April 2.6 from 6-7:30 p.m. at the Salem High



what's happening

PRESBYTERIAN BREAKFAST

The White Breakfast of the First United Presbyterian Church of Plymouth will be held on Maundy Thursday, April 12 at 9:30 a.m. in the church. Tickets for "The Church Alive in Asia" and breakfast are on sale at \$3. They're available at the church office, 701 Church Street, from Circle chairpersons, or by calling 453-5478.

THREE CITIES ART CLUB

The Three Cities Art Club will meet at 8 p.m. on April 11 in the basement of the Plymouth Community Credit Union at 500 S. Harvey in Plymouth. Glen Cutright will give a leather-tooling demonstration.

SPROUTING SPRING LUNCHEON

The Christian Women's Club will meet for a "Sprouting Spring Luncheon" on Thursday, April 12 at the Mayflower Meeting House from noon to 2 p.m. For nursury or luncheon reservations call Dorothy Mowery at 420-0472 or Jo Cone at 477-3825 by Thursday, April 5.

BREASTFEEDING

"The Art of Breastfeeding and Overcoming Difficulties" will be the topic at the next meeting of the Plymouth LaLeche League, to be held at the home of Lynne Stollsteimer, 11469 Brownell, Plymouth, on Tuesday, April 10 at 9:30 a.m. For more information, please call Dee Stoddard, 459-2796, or Patty Cincotta, 455-3249.

ACADEMICALLY TALENTED

The Plymouth-Canton Association for the Academically Talented will meet on Wednesday, April 11 at Pioneer Middle School Cafetorium. A panel discussion by TAG teachers in the Plymouth-Canton schools will be presented. The meeting begins at 7:30 p.m., with coffee at 7. Anyone interested is welcome.

SINGERS NEEDED

The Canton Township Parks and Recreation Department would like to hear from those individuals interested in forming a Canton Community Chorus. Please contact 397-1000, ext. 212, if interested. There will be an organizational meeting as soon as enough interest is shown. The chorus will also need a piano player.

INDIAN HERITAGE CENTER

The Indian Heritage Center is sponsoring a trip to the annual Ann Arbor Pow-wow on Saturday, April 7. All Indian students in the Plymouth-Canton schools and their parents are invited. The group will depart Central Middle School at 1:45 p.m. There is no charge. For more information, call 453-8220.

THE GREAT LAND GRAB

Derek VanOsenbruggen will speak to the Plymouth Historical Society at the Historical Museum on Thursday, April 5 at 7:30 p.m. He will give an illustrated lecture on Dutch land reclamation.

JAYCEE JELLY WEEKS

Plymouth Jaycees will sell jelly on April 6 and 13 from 6 to 8 p.m. and April 7 and 14 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Great Scott and K-Mart Stores and on Maia Street and Ann Arbor Trail. Donations will be used to help fund medical expenses for Joe Crissey. Contributions can be sent for Joe in care of the Jaycees at P.O. Box 279, Plymouth, Michigan 48170.

BUNNY ARRIVES VIA HELICOPTER

The Easter bunny will arrive by helicopter on Saturday, April 7 at the CEP field at the corner of Joy and Canton Center roads. The party, sponsored by the Canton Jaycettes, is open to kids eight and under. Wear play clothes and boots. It starts at 2 p.m.

CANTON NEWCOMERS BOARD MEETING

Canton Newcomers will meet for a board meeting on April 11 at 7:30 p.m. For more information call her at 453-5015.

INTERNATIONAL DELIGHT DINNER

Canton Newcomers will host an international dinner on April 4 at Pioneer Middle School at 7 p.m Bring a dish for 12 plus the recipe. For information call Kathy Freece at 981-2027.

CIVITAN ELECTION

A business meeting and election for the Plymouth Civitan Club will be held on April 5 at 7 p.m. For more information call 459-0022.

LAKE POINTE HOMEOWNERS

Fun night for the Lake Point Homeowners Association will be on Saturday. April from 8 p.m. to midnight at the Livonia YMCA. Play tennis, racquetball, volleyball. For more information call Nancy Grawes at 420-2053 or John O'Reilly at 420-2058. WOMAN'S CLUB OF PLYMOUTH

Past presidents of the Woman's Club of Plymouth will gather with current members during a luncheon meeting on Friday, April 6 at 12:30 p.m. at St. John's Episcopal Church.

PLYMOUTH NEWCOMERS

The April luncheon for the Plymouth Newcomers will be on Thursday, April 5 at noon at the Spaghetti Co. in Wonderland. For reservations call Kathy at 459-4019. A PLANTER DEMONSTRATION

Members of the Apple Run Branch of the Woman's National Farm and Garden Association will meet on April 10 at Fiegel School. The meeting, featuring a demonstration on planters, will begin at 7:30 p.m.

YMOUTH FARM AND GARDEN

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Geneva celebrates five years PG.

Geneva United Presbyterian Church will celebrate its fifth anniversary on Sunday, April 8, with special commemorative services at 9:30 and 11 a.m.

The Canton Township church, located at 5835 Sheldon Rd. held its first worship service in December, 1972 in Pioneer Middle School. Geneva was formally organized on Palm Sunday, April 7, 1974. With fewer than 25 people attending the first service, the membership has climbed to 400 adult members.

Rocks at regionals

Fourteen members of the Salem Forensic Team qualified for regional competition during district competition on Thursday, March 29. The team is coached by Pat Barry.

Anna Chitalis, a sophomore, captured first place in serious interpretation for the ninth and 10th grade division. Seniors Sue Sharp, Gina Massaro, Jay Finch, Kitty Underwood and, sophomore Dave Campbell all took first places.

Second places were awarded to: seniors, Chris Koepke, Davis Corliss, and Sharon Roberts; juniors, Patty Mestar, and Mary Bologna; and, sophomore, Kim Mendenhall. Senior Jill Harper placed third in story-telling.

Six win Optimists oratory

Six winners were recently chosen by the Plymouth Optimists in its annual oratorical contest for girls and boys.

First place winners were Mary Cleveland from West Middle School and Ken. Breen from Pioneer Middle School. Mary Beth Scallen from Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic School and Peter Melotte from Pioneer Middle School were the second-place winners.

The two runners-up were Julie Lindawood from Central Middle School and Brian Decker from West Middle School,

A total of 17 middle school students competed for the awards. The girls spoke at a dinner meeting of the club on Monday, March 5 and the boys competed on Monday, March 19. Both groups presented speeches on the topic "In my youth I see."



Special Geneva programs include a 🚍 food pantry and toy and clothing collection for needy families, a joint mission project with the West Tokyo Union Church of Japan, special projects for Z local and national charities and the promotion of recycling of cans and $\overline{\mathbf{Z}}$ newspapers.

Goldsmith, who has been Geneva's. only minister, assumed his duties in Q September, 1972. He previously served five years as associate pastor for Northbrook Presbyterian Church in Birming-ham. He and his wife, Lynne, recently announced plans to move to California, E where he will take over the duties as A pastor of St. Johns Presbyterian Church in May.

Church buys land

The People's Church in Canton recently bought 8.43 acres of land on the south side of Ford Road west of Canton Center Road for a church building.

Since construction will not begin immediately, the People's Church will continue to meet at Canton High School at 10 a.m. on Sundays.

People's Church is part of the Reformed Church in America, a protestant denomination. The Rev. Harvey Heneveld is the pastor.

The Plymouth Branch of the Woman's National Farm and Garden Association will meet on April 9 at noon at the Buddy Chance home.

RUMMAGE SALE

There will be a rummage sale, sponsored by Mayflower Auxiliary No. 6695 V.F.W. at the VFW Hall, 1426 S. Mill St., Plymouth on Saturday, April 7 from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. Everybody's welcome.

HULSING KINDERGARTENERS

Hulsing Elementary School will hold early registration for upcoming kindergarten pupils from 9:30 to 11 a.m. and from 1:30 to 3 p.m. on Wednesday, April 4. To enterkindergarten, pupils must be five years old by Dec. 1. Proof of birthdate is required. Parents who cannot register their children on April 4 should make other arrangements through the school office, 459-6280. A kindergarten round-up will be held later in the

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The Tonquish Creek Indian Guide's Federation is sponsoring a bowling tournament on April 7 at Plaza Lanes at 11:30 a.m. For information, call Roland Jenkins at 459-3573.

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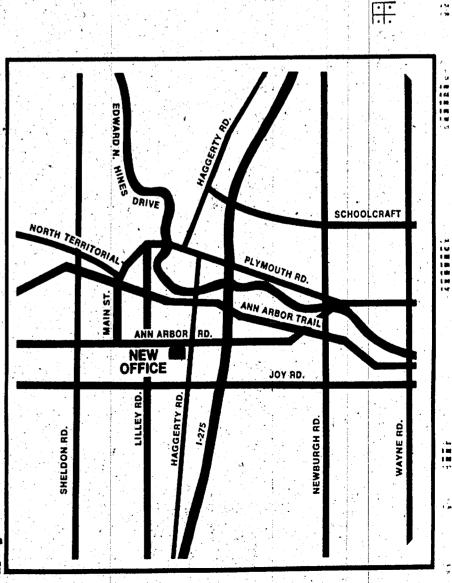
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+ Special Crier PullOUT + 1979 Spring Sports Previews Salem chugging for first track title

BY E. DALE LEE

Nobody can say the Salem High track team lacks drive and determination - Coach Gary Balconi has had his Rocks running and lifting weights three days a week since Thanksgiving and has taken a core group of 12 to 18 performers to 15 indoor track meets since the fall.

The training program isn't something that I make mandatory," Balconi said. 'I just supervise those people that are interested."

As for the off-season competition, Balconi says that has come about in the form of a club.

"We call it the Barraga Track Club," he explained. "We named it after Walt White, a guy who runs for Eastern Michigan University now. We've been at EMU; Michigan, Macomb Community College and Jackson Community College, among others."

Balconi faces the mammoth task of replacing 27 lettermen lost from 1978. But his group of 90-plus athletes could improve on last season's third-place showing in the Suburban Eight league meet, he says.

"We've had a big loss in personnel from last year," Balconi offered. "But we'll give Edsel Ford and Dearborn a run for their money."

The Rocks are counting heavily on senior Dennis Ogden. The fifth-year Salem coach plans to use Ogden as the club's top pole vaulter and to run a leg on the mile relay team.

Ogden will act as co-captain of the Rocks with seniors Greg Stevens, Kris Kappler, and Rich Hanschu.

Stevens will run the 100- and 220yard dashes while Kappler specializes in the 440 and Hanschu checks in as the team's top long jumper.

The 10.3 time recorded by Stevens in the 100-yard dash last season is twotenths of a second away from a Salem record set in 1969 by Ed LaRoche. Balconi believes Stevens has an excellent shot at breaking the mark.

As for Hanschu, Balconi is hoping for an improvement of last campaign's fifth and 1977's third place finishes he's recorded in the league meets.

As for the relay teams, Balconi says he'll use mostly sprinters for the 440 and 880 events. For the mile relay and others he'll use 220-yard dashers and distance runners.

Backing up Ogden at the pole vault position is senior Jack Wellman, whose best clearance is 12 feet, six inches. He'll also help put in the sprinting events, Balconi says.

Three unknown quantities are fighting for high jump posts. Senior Howard Monk, junior Rob Neu, and freshman Scott Fuller are all in their first year of competition.

Hanschu leads the 120 high hurdlers. Junior Phil Anderson and sophomore brother Rob Hanschu also will compete on the varsity level, there.



Rock runners ready to deal:

"There's a battle going on for the 330yard low hurdles," Balconi offered. "These guys going for us have about the same abilities."

The threesome Balconi was referring to are senior Greg Stafford, Anderson, and sophomore Steve Shaffer.

Stevens' spot in the 100- and 220yard dashes has been secured, but five runners are vying for the two remaining varsity positions.

Senior Dave MacKenzie, juniors Craig Stack and Greg Lipka, and sophomores Jim Spooner and Bob Pittaway comprise Balconi's talent pool for the open slots. Lipka is coming off a knee injury suffered during wrestling season and has weak ligaments, Balconi said.

Behind Kappler at the 440-yard dash is senior Lance Willsey and freshman Pat Tortorra.

Losing two-time defending Suburban Eight league champ Bob Dasher tc graduation is going to hurt the discus position, Balconi explained. He did express optimism that his replacement can do the job though.

"John Froozan is going to lead our shot and discus events," Balconi stated. "I think he can do the job."

The younger Hanschu and senior Dave Casler back up junior Froozan at the discus spot while Dan Smith (a senior) and Silvio Vano (Another senior) back him up at the shotput slot.

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READY, SET, GO!: Salem High co-captains (left to right) Craig Stevens, Dennis Ogden, Rich Hanschu, and Kris Kappler are raring to go.

> team it's probably my distance runners," Balconi explained. "Most are returning from last year - I think Scott Dunsen has done a fine job as my assistant." Seniors Dave Truesdel and Kevin Warra head up the Rocks' half-mile runners. "These guys will be our leaders among the distance runners," Balconi said.

Five runners are competing for individual spots on the one- and two-mile positions; senior Dave Rubadue, juniors Paul Hess, Jeff Haertel, and Todd Curtiss, and sophomore Chris Whittaker.

See The Crier's spring sports schedule pages for the Rocks' calendar of meets for 1979.

Chief runners seek elusive first (dual meet) victory

BY E. DALE LEE

The Canton High boys' track program receives a shot in the arm this spring with a pair of new coaches and a "mildly seasoned" core of 42 runners.

"Yeah, I guess you can call us a mildly seasoned bunch of runners," new Coach Mike Spitz explained. "But if I'm gonna do the job I have to find a leader."

Spitz says this week sometime his club will elect captain(s) for the season. He's counting on newly hired assistant coach Tim Fox of Ann Arbor to help him

tremendously. Fox and Spitz expect one thing from every Chief runner this year. "We're looking for consistency," Spitz explained. "We want them to be at practice and complete their workouts. The weather conditions haven't allowed us to put in very much of a consistent effort so far."

A problem Spitz is worried about is the poor condition of the rubberized track.

(a junior), Phil Simon (a junior), and Rich Fleischer (a senior) lead the quartermiler (440) pack.

Fleischer, McGlinn, and junior John Tarr will run the 220-yard dash.

Tarr and senior Dave Deseaulte are prepping for competition in the 100-yard dash. Tarr, Simon, and junior George Trudell lead the long jumpers. Trudell is coming off a football knee injury. Spitz says.

Dave Talaga, Randy Lee, and McGlinn will all high jump for Canton this campaign. Lee missed 1978 with a bad back, Spitz explained, saying that he has a good shot at the top position.

But McGlinn does it all, according to his coach.

"If you let Dan do what he wants to do he would do everything," Spitz said. "But I just can't let him."



starting area is worn down to the asphalt base," he explained. "The starting blocks slide and that causes some unstable footing. And the rubber is two or three inches thick!"

Junior Dave Spitz and sophomore Mike Talaga will head up the distance runners. They compete in the one- and two-mile runs.

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Senior Jerry Van Berkel leads the high and low hurdlers ahead of junior Larry Bigelow. Spitz says the third varsity performer there will be decided tomorrow in a run-off.

Van Berkel is also the top discus man. He's backed up by senior Gary Brown, who puts the shot with three other seniors: Greg Mallare, Joel Mallare, and Alan Olzsewski. The Chiefs' season opens April 9 at Redford Thurston.

Photos by Bill Bresler

CANTON KEYS: senior runners Rich Fleischer and Dan McGlinn prepare for next Wednesday's opener against Redford Thurston High.

Recovering from 3-9 campaign Canton girls' track set

BY PATTY RADZIK Canton High first-year girls' track Coach Randy Gorham has plenty of high hurdles ahead of him this season.

Replacing Ken Zornes, Gorham's first jump will be to improve the Chiefs' 1978 3-9 record.

"It will be a rebuilding year," Gorham said. Only Four girls return. and the remaining members are new to the sport. Coming back to run are Geri Schufeldt, Kathy Brophi, Sue Coole and Brenda Bigalow.

Gorham must find someone to replace senior Kelly Heaton. A school record holder in the shotput (33'8"), Heaton broke her ankle during volleyball season and is unable to compete for Canton in track. "It'll put a big damper on our field play," Gorham stated.

Bad weather has kept the girls inside, restricting their workouts on the asphalt surface. If the cold and rain continues, the Chiefs will face a serious problem: being unfamiliar with the track.

Just returning from a lengthy stay in the hospital for a collapsed lung, Gorham will seek a boost from assistant coach John Dunn.

Canton opens its season April 12 against Westland John Glenn. The Chiefs will try to improve on last year's fourth place finish in the Western Six league meet May 30 at Northville High.

Chief golfers 'teed up'

BY PATTY RADZIK

The greens, the tees, and the fairways better look out come April 24. On that day, marching down from the first tee on the Hilltop Golf Course will be the Canton High girls' golf team.

Headed by second-year Coach Ann Buie, the girls plan on avoiding all roughs and traps en route to bettering last year's 5-2 won-lost record.

Senior captain Kathy Anderson will be a likely candidate for the number one spot on the squad, a position she filled last season.

Other Canton returnees include senior Janice McGolone and sophomores Peggy

Vissor, Kim Massey, Karen Mullen Jenny Desatell and Cindy Sochaki. Only one new member has joined the Chiefs: 10th-grader Debbie Nurmi.

The Canton schedule has grown enormously due to the addition of some Dearborn teams. Having played only four matches last season, an increase of 14 games has been set.

The Chiefs placed second in the Central Five league meet in Ypsilanti last year.

Saline, a two-time victor over Canton last season, will be the Canton's toughest opponent, when the putts start sinking in late April.



GERI SCHUFELDT

Creamed(?) turkey for school's Easter dinner



At long last spring has arrived. The cooks at Field Elementary will perk up those jaded palates with an "Outside Lunch" on Thursday. Lunchmeat with cheese sandwiches, carrots and celery sticks, fruit and cookies taste mighty good accompanied by blue skies and warm breezes.

It's Super Thursday at Hulsing when Super Chicken hits those plates.

Central Middle serves homemade chili on Monday. Homemade? How about schoolmade? At any rate, watch out for the mystery bonus treat.

Lots of schools are serving an Easter dinner this week. Most of the schools will serve turkey or roust chicken. Except for West Middle. Their Easter dinner is ah, er . . creamed turkey.

APRIL 9 TO APRIL 13 ALL LUNCHES WITH MILK Menus subject to change.

ALLEN MONDAY

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DAY Hamburger, hot stable. pickle

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WEDNESDAY Meat gravy over mashed potatoes; hot roll, fruit. THURSDAY

Hot dog, catsup, mustard, hot vegetable. FRIDAY No school, Easter vacation.

ERIKSSON MONDAY Vegetable beef soup, peanutbutter sandwich, fruit cup, toll bar. TUESDAY

Maustoni and cheese, hot roll, vegetable, fruit cup. WEDNESDAY

Gowlash, tossed salad, hot roll, fruit cup



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THURSDAY Hot dog in a bun with relishes, vegetable, fruit cup, cake.

FRIDAY Good Friday, ½ day of school.

> FARRAND MONDAY

Peanut butter & jelly sandwich, homemade chicken noodle soup, fruit, cake. TUESDAY

Hamburger on bun, catsup or mustard, pickle slices, tater tots, fruit, cake. WEDNESDAY

Spaghetti w/meat sauce, french bread, green beans, fruit, cake. THURSDAY

Hot dog on bun, catsup or mustard, corn, applesauce, cookie. FRIDAY

No school, Good Friday.

FIEGEL

MONDAY catsup, soup, fruit cobbler. Hot dogs with TUESDAY

Pat's Pizza Burgers, vegetables, fruif, cookie. WEDNESDAY Country steak a la Silber, mashed potatoes

with gravy, hot roll, vegetables, fresh orange quarters. THURSDAY

Tacos with taco salad, buttered corn, fruit, cake. FRIDAY

No school.

FIELD MONDAY Taco, vegetable, bread, butter, fruit.

TUESDAY Hamburger on bun, vegetable, fruit, Easter Cake.

WEDNESDAY Lasagna, vegetable, garlic tos

THURSDAY OUTSIDE LUNCH

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Good Friday + % day of school, no hinch served.

HULSING

MONDAY Corn dog, catsup, mustard, bread, butter cheese stick, buttered vegetable, sliced peaches frosted cake. TUESDAY Happy Joe on bun, buttered corn, jello, fruit

cup. WEDNESDAY

Beef & gravy, mashed potatoes, hot buttered bread, pudding, apple sauce. THURSDAY

Hulsing Super Chicken, tater tots, hot roll, butter, mixed fruit cup, cookie. FRIDAY

No school - Good Friday.

ISBISTER

MONDAY sandwich. Tomato souo. toasted cheese crackers, fruit cup, chocolate cake. TUESDAY

Hamburger on a bun, spinach or beets, fruit cup, peanuts.

WEDNESDAY Oven fried chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, french bread, fruit, jello, cake.

THURSDAY Hot dog in a bun, french fries, fruit cup, cookie.

FRIDAY 1/2 day of school, no lunch, Good Friday.

> MILLER MONDAY

Hamburger Kurt on a bun with relishes, Christina's crispy french fries, Roby's mixed fruit. Kyle's kooky cookie TUESDAY

Put a little crunch in your lunch with taco's kernel corn, hot rolls, Easter treat. with meat, cheese and lettuce, corny David, THURSDAY crunchy bread sticks, Adam witn Trimmings, Trench -T**T1CS** WEDNESDAY fruit or juice, spice bars. Patrick's pizza with cheese, green beans, Cheri's FRIDAY cherry gelatin, No school. THURSDAY Jiffy Jeff's grilled cheese, Tho's tomato soup, CANTON-SALEM HIGH Ghadir pears, ice cream. MONDAY FRIDAY Hamburger gravy, mashed potatoes, vege-3 day, no lunch. table, fruit. TUESDAY SMITH Sloppy joe on bun, vegetable, fruit. WEDNESDAY MONDAY No lunches, school p.m. only. Fried chicken, mashed potatées, gravy, sweet TUESDAY potatoes, biscuit, honey, cranberry sauce. Hamburger on bun, mustard or catsup, tater THURSDAY tots, peaches, cookie. Hamburger on bun, hot dog on bun, beans, WEDNESDAY fruit. Turkey, mashed potatoes and gravy, hot roll FRIDAY and jetty, pears, ice cream Good Friday, no school. THURSDAY Hot dog on bun, mustard or catsup, french ALA CARTE ITEMS: Soup, sandwiches, frics, applesauce. hamburgers, hot dogs, pizza, french fries.

Good Friday, no school.

STARKWEATHER MONDAY Beef hash, buttered rolls, french style green beans or cooked spinach, applesauce. TUESDAY

Lasagna, broccoli, pineapple or pears, french bread. WEDNESDAY

Turkey, mashed potatoes, buttered squash, cranberry jello, cookie. THURSDAY

Chili dogs, raw vegetable sticks, fruit cocktail, tapioca pudding. FRIDAY

No school, Good Friday. TANGER MONDAY

Not listed. TUESDAY Spaghetti, bread stix, hot buttered corn, apple-

WEDNESDAY

sauce.

No school.

Easter Dinner Oven fried chicken, mashed potatoes, chilled sliced peaches, green jello, hot cross buns. THURSDAY Pizza, confetti salad, chilled pincapple, vanilla pudding. FRIDAY

CENTRAL MIDDLE MONDAY

Homemade chili or beef 'n' noodle soup, peanut butter sandwich, choice of fruits, bonus treat.

TUESDAY Baked chicken 'n' mashed potatoes 'n' gravy, roll 'n' butter, fruity gelatin, cookies." WEDNESDAY

Ravioli w/cheese crust, buttered bread, choice. of fruits, cookie.

THURSDAY Tacos w/lettuce 'n' cheese, choice of fruits, cookie: FRIDAY

No school, Easter vacation

EAST MIDDLE

MONDAY Hot dog or chill dog, buttered corn, peaches, peanutbutter cookic.

TUESDAY Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, gravy, roll, butter, fruit.

WEDNESDAY Tacos w/meat, lettuce, cheese, baked beans, applesauce, cookie.

THURSDAY Hamburger or cheeseburger, french fries, applesauce, brownie bar.

FRIDAY No school, Good Friday.

PIONEER-GALLIMORE .

MONDAY Sloppy joe on a bun, tri-taters, fruit, cookie. TUESDAY

Hamburger or chocseburger, chips, buttered vegetable, fruit, cookie.

WEDNESDAY Spaghetti with meat and cheese, home made butter, buttered vegetable, fruit. THURSDAY roll and

Pizzaburgers, buttored vegetable, fruit, cookie. FRIDAY

1/2 day session, Good Friday.

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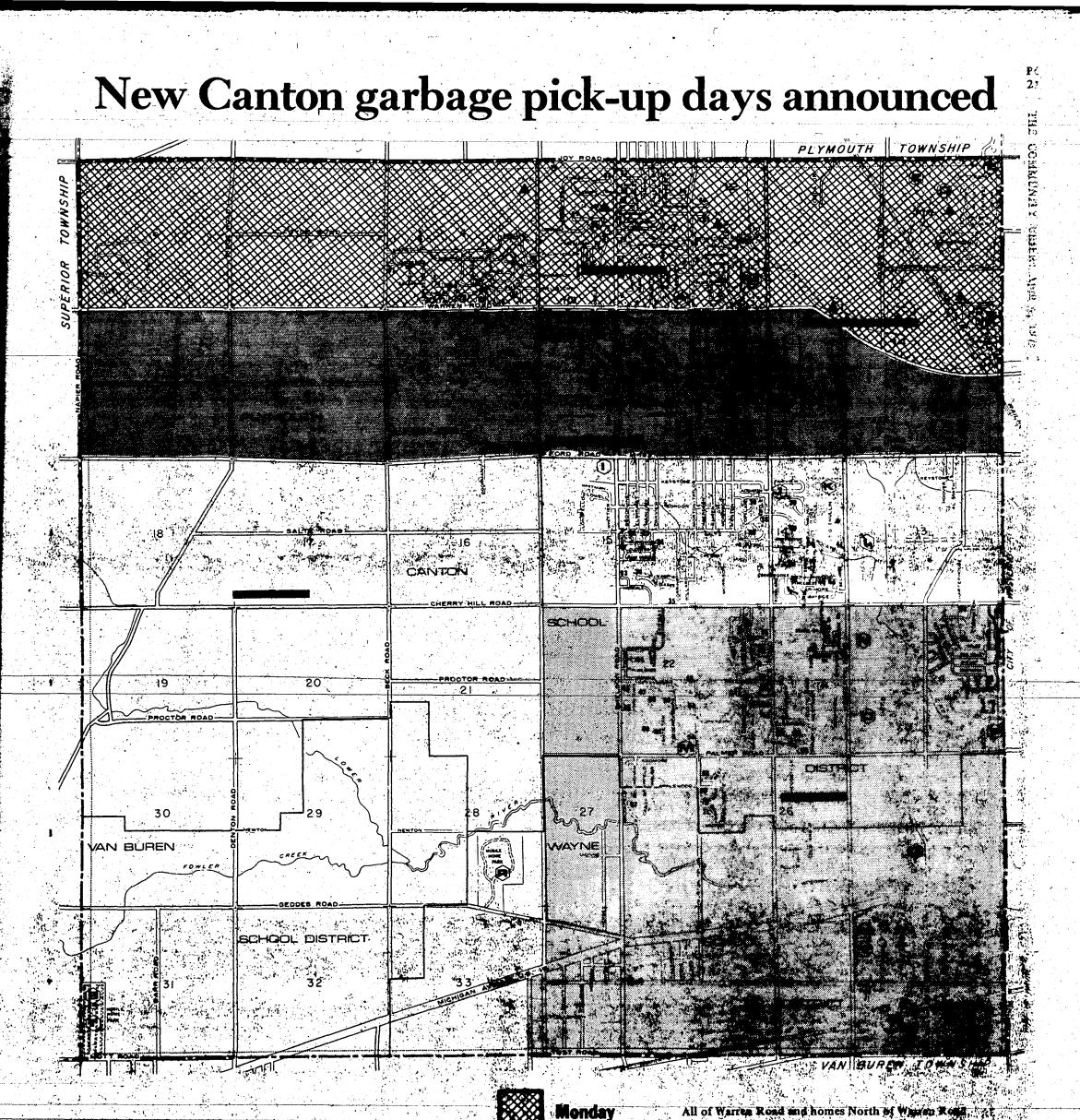
WEST MONDAY

Spaghetti with meat, green beans, peaches or applesauce, hot biscuits TUESDAY

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Easter Dinner Creamed turkey, mashed potatoes, whole

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Garbage in Canton. Township will be picked up on different days due to a change in refuse firms. The new schedule (see map) will start April 16. Canton Re-cycling, the new company, will pick up all trash on the specified days, eliminating the need for the former collector's "special pick-up" program, Canton officials said.

Also, Canton residents now have free dumping privileges at the dump located on Lilley Road south of Michigan Avenue. However, a registration card for this must be obtained in advance at Township Hall.

Canton Re-cycling's phone number is 455-1030.

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All of Warren Road and homes North of Warren Road

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Miscellaneous.

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All of Ford Roads and homes North M Ford Raind to Warren Road.

All of Cherry Hill Road and homes North to Foul Road; all of Canton Center Road South of Ford Road and the area West of Canton Center Road and South of Four Road.

Thursday

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Vednesday

The South East 1/4 of the Township, all of the area South of Cherry Hill east of Canton Center Road.







FACE-OFF. Ready to drop the puck in a benefit hockey game between Michigan State Police troopers and Wayne County sheriffs recently are, left to right, 35th District Judge Dunbar Davis, State Police Lt. William Tomczyk, and Wayne County Sheriff William Lucas. The troopers won, 8-2, at the Plymouth Cultural Center. Proceeds of the game went to the Plymouth-Canton Junior Hockey Association. (Crier photo by Bill Bresler)

Twp. stalls building plan

Objections by residents of the neighborhood have stalled a tentative plan by Plymouth Township to construct a special building on the near west side of the township for exclusive use of the water and sewer department.

Scheduled site for a structure costiing \$300,000 or more was to have been the triangular piece of land within the confines of Ann Arbor Trail and Powell and Beck Roads. It is owned by the township, as is Hilltop Golf Club, lying immediately to the north.

The industrial nature of the facility and the traffic it would attract drew complaints from homeowner groups.

Twp. steps up meetings

Under a stepped up meeting pace approved last week, the Board of Trustees of Plymouth Township has 23 regular sessions remaining in 1979. It was agreed to meet on the first, second and fourth Tuesday of each month except for July, August, November and December when adjustments will be made because of holidays

and vacations. Starting time of all sessions has been advanced to 7:30 p.m., the meeting site being in the recently purchased Teledyne Building next to the old township hall on Ann Arbor Road just east of Lilley.

During the remainder of 1979 regular meetings have been scheduled for the following dates:

April 10 and 24; May 1, 8 and 22; June 5, 12 and 26; July 10 and 24; Aug. 14 and 28; Sept. 4, 11 and 25; Oct. 2, 9 and 23; Nov. 6, 13 and 27; Dec. 4 and 18.

Amazing Savings on

As a result, the Board of Trustees has tabled its authorization for the Southfield architectural firm of Michael A. Boggio Associates to come up with specific design and costs of the facility.

Boggio asked a fee of \$2,000 "for the development of an approved conceptual design package, which will include schematic site plans and floor plans." At one time, it was thought the triangle might be suitable for a new township hall, but that plan died as did speculation that it could be used for the location of another fire station.

The water and sewer department presently is housed in a secondary structure behind township hall in the northeast quadrant of Ann Arbor Road and Lilly. Department head Tony Hollis says it is totally inadequate for housing necessary personnel and equipment, and on that score he finds little disagreement among trustees.

Adding to the crowded conditions is the fact that the general township government also uses the building for the storage of voting machines and other equipment.

To relieve this condition and give the water and sewer department a proper home of its own, Supervisor Thomas Notebaert said he is redirecting attention toward the possibility of remodeling and enlarging this building.



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Plymouth Lions set White Cane drive

The Lions Club of Plymouth will sponsor its annual White Cane Drive on Friday, April 20, in the shopping centers and on street corners in the City of Plymouth and Plymouth Township.

Club members have slated the drive during white cane week, according to an official proclamation of Governor William Milliken and will represent 31 years the Plymouth Lions Club has participated in this worthy cause.

The proceeds from your donation will be used to continue the support of the following major Lions Club projects: leader dogs for the blind; Michigan Eye Bank; glasses and eye examinations, and hearing aids and examinations for any needy child or adult in the Plymouth community area; Girl Scouts; Boy Scouts; Penrickton Center for Blind Children; Welcome Home for the Blind; Salvation Army; van to local YMCA for transporting senior citizens; construction of bridges at the Plymouth Centennial Park; Plymouth Symphony; new trash receptacles in downtown Plymouth and, other projects in the community.

This year, as in past years, the Lions Club is requesting used eye glasses which may be dropped off with any Lion member. These glasses, in any condition, 4 are remade usable, and forwarded all over the world.

Charles Hoitash and Dennis Siegner, are chairperson and co-chairperson of this year's drive.



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How do you legislate 'taste' in sign ordinance ?

BY CHAS CHILD

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> Lawmakers have long wrestled with a vexing problem: How to legislate taste. And this is the crux of the Canton Board of Trustee's struggle to write a new sign ordinance.

> As the board reviews the draft of a new law recently approved by the Planning Commission, there seems to be as many definitions of what sign looks good as there are signs.

> And one influential trustee, Robert Greenstein, said that the planning commission's proposal for business signs, which took more than a year to hammer out, is 'unacceptable.''

A commission's business sign proposal, which Greenstein terms the "big issue" of the ordinance, would permit free-

standing signs with a maximum of 50 square feet. Also, they could not exceed 15 feet in heigth, and could not be within 10 feet of a firm's property line.

"Unless we can come up with some alternative, I would favor no free-standing ground signs at all," said Greenstein.

The present sign ordinance bans all free-standing business signs. It was passed when Greenstein held the supervisor's chair (1974-76). All free-standing business signs in the township were erected before his administration.

Trying to persuade the board of

trustees to permit at least some form of business sign are many Canton merchants, including Chamber of Commerce President Frank McMurray.

"Business does not want big, ugly signs," said McMurray. "But it's a consensus of a lot of people that if you incorporate the sign with a building's landscaping and the design of the building, it can look good.

"You can create a visual presentation, which is what professional architects get paid a lot of money for," he said.

McMurray added that the visual pollution Greenstein fears is unlikely in Canton. Most of the commercial land along Ford Road, for example, is comprised of large tracts, he said. "This would dilute the impact of signs."

The planning commission's proposal was prepared in logical manner, said McMurray, who is also a member of the commission. "First, we didn't want them too close to the road, so that's why we set them back 10 feet from the property line. And we thought they shouldn't be higher than a regular building, which is how we decided on the 15-foot height limit.

"Since we wanted it above the berm (four feet high), we thought it should start at six feet. That leaves nine feet between top and bottom. And within that space we thought a six-by-eight foot sign seemed natural. So that's how we came up with the 50-square-foot maximum," he said.

What alternative to this does Greenstein propose? A very low profile sign, perhaps two or two and one-half feet tall placed on the berm is one idea, he said.

"What I propose is to sit down with businessmen and a sign builder and see if we can come up with a design, said Greenstein. "We should be practical about this." Part of the whole sign question is a "moral problem," Greenstein added. "Business and industry have run this country for 200 years. I don't want to see this happen in Canton.

The board of trustees reviewed parts of the sign ordinance at a special meeting on Thursday, and will tackle the free-standing business sign issue at an upcoming meeting.

However, no date has been set for another special meeting to discuss the ordinance.



VISUAL POLLUTION OR BUSINESS IDENTIFICATION? The future of signs along Ford Road in Canton is being debated by the Board of Trustees. Many businessmen hope to overturn the current ban on free-standing ground signs, while a number of trustees fear a landscape littered with signs. Above is the north side of Ford Road looking east from Canton Center Road. (Crier photo by Bill Bresler.)

Aged program scrutinized

A program offering services to aged in the Plymouth-Canton Community is being investigated by state officials for possible mismanagement.

Operated by Janet Luce, the program is being probed for allegedly mingling funds with money of the YMCA, which is also run by Luce, said Jackie Borden of the Michigan Office of Services to the Aging.

Pro-library forces stump Borden also said that her office is looking into complaints that Luce charged a fee for the program's services when they should have been free.

Luce denied that she had either charged seniors for the services, or that the aging funds had been mingled with YMCA money. "Our work is perfect. I have no fear of an investigation," she said.

"We are also looking into whether the program was ever monitored by the regional Area Agency on Aging (AAA) in Detroit," said Borden.

The director of Detroit's AAA, Fred Ferris, has been requested to supply a copy of the grant request and other information regarding the operation of Luce's aging program, she said. <u>"It's not a formal investigation, but</u> there appears to be some discrepancies," Borden said. "For example, the census data on how many senior she claims for her communities seem to be wrong." The \$21,000 grant provides homechore services to seniors over the age of 60 who are unable to clean their house, for example. Starting in September, 1978, it will last one year.



SUMMER EMPLOYMENT

OPPORTUNITIES cooks - waitresses - counter clerks - general clubhouse help - outside maintenance persons

If you want your kids' feet to look their best-



in-Canton

To discuss the May 9 millage vote to fund a library for Canton, persons from the Canton library committee will be appearing at the following: Wednesday, April 4, Chamber Board mtg. - 8 a.m.; Newcomers - Pioneer -7:30 p.m.

Thursday, April 5, Miller Elem. – PTO – 9:30 a.m.; A.A.U.W. – 8 p.m.; Pioneer Middle – PTO – 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 6, Century Farms Homeowners.

If you have any questions or if your group would like a presentation on the proposed library, call 981-1805.

Central bands to play

The Beginning, Intermediate, Advanced, and Stage bands from Central Middle School will perform in concert on Wednesday, April 11 at Salem High School at 7:30 p.m.

Police needed for safe twp. boundaries

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rently carries a yield of about \$214,000. While this would appear to give township government an undue financial cushion, Supervisor Thomas Notebaert said the full millage would not be levied in any year it was not needed.

Second, try to find a date agreeable with the Election Scheduling Committee of the Wayne County Board of Commissioners when the police millage question can be submitted all by itself to Plymouth Township voters.

Charter township status was recognized as a board goal by a resolution passed unanimously by the trustees-Thursday.

In putting it across, advocates stressed

legal positions which say that no township now in the process of changing from general law to charter status can levy extra taxation beyond present limits without a vote of the people. This, they claim, is inherent in the provisions of the Headlee amendment to the state constitution which was adopted last November.

Foremost legal opinion backing this stand was from John A. Bauckham, legal counsel for the Michigan Townships Association.

However, a provision for some degree of police protection beyond the zero mark which Plymouth Township now provides is essential for charter townships which also want boundary protection.

A recently passed state bill gives charter townships, that have police protection from annexation.

Any opponents of the resolution adopted Thursday committing the township to eventual charter status have 61 days to file petitions of protest, according to township clerk Esther Hulsing.

She said that the resolution adopted March 29 would reach the legal 60-day restriction Monday, May 28. However, that will be Memorial Day and thus petitions could still be filed May 29, said Hulsing.

It will take 551 valid signatures to force the township to call an election on the question of affirming or negating by popular vote the board's resolution of charter intent, said the clerk.

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If petitions are filed no later than H May 29, then an election separate to the police protection measure will be in the Q works.

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If they are not filed, the township bard could act the next day to put its sition officially on the law-books and board could act the next day to put its. position officially on the law books and make Plymouth a charter township.

"The Headlee amendment makes it G plain we can't raise taxes without a vote of the people," said Breen. "This means all negative aspects to charter status have been eliminated. There are no minuses, a mothing but pluses. The question of an E automatic tax increase isn't even here any more."

A standing vote of taxpayers at the Thursday session indicated at least a 3-1 majority for charter status.

Our Friday

Flower Feature, lixed Spring

Bouquet

Fresh flowers on Friday can make your weekend blossom. Stop in today and pick up a colorful, specially-priced bouquet

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MERCHANTS TO RAISE FUNDS. Kicking off the drive to help the Ann Arbor Burn Center, John Flodin, Canton Township clerk, cuts the ribbon before merchants from Harvard Source. The store owners hope to raise \$2.590 for the center over the next six months. (Crier photo by Bill Bresler.)

community deaths

Dunlap

Lovila J. Dunlap, 77, of Plymouth Township, died on March 22 at Hendry Convalescent Center. Funeral services were held on March 25 at Schrader Funeral Home with Lt. William Harfoot officiating. Burial was at Oak Hill Cemetery.

She is survived by her son, Vernon J. Dunlap of Hico, West Virginia; brother, Earl D. Jordan of Ankney, Iowa; sister, Grace Jewell of Riviera, Arizona; and, five grandchildren.

Mrs. Dunlap was a homemaker.

William J. Dale, 79, of Northville, died on March 28 at St. Mary HospiFla. Funeral services were held on March 31 at Schrader Funeral Home with Ruth Kindred as the reader. Burial was at Riverside Cemetery.

She is survived by her daughter, Irene Hunter of Plymouth; sisters, Belle Swanson of Chicago, Nellie Maxwell of Chicago; two grandchildren; and, five great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Hale was a homemaker.

Gutzwiller

Connie Beatrice Gutzwiller, of Plymouth, died on March 28 here. Funeral services were held on March 31 at Schrader Funeral Home with The Rev. Fr. Robert S. Shank, Jr. officiating. Burial was at Riverside Cemetery. She is survived by James, her husband.

Mrs. Gutzwiller was a homemaker.



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HANDY HINT

Before serving wine, it is best to find out which should be chilled and which should be served at room temperature to bring out the full bouquet.

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tal - in-Livonia - Funeral services were held_on_March_30_at_Schrader_Funeral Home with The Rev. Frank Lyman officiating. Burial was at Parkview Memorial Gardens.

He is survived by his son, Eric Dale of Grosse Pointe Farms; daughters, Marceline Hourigan of Plymouth, Dorothy Coseo of Redford; 1'1 grandchildren; and, three great-grandchildren. Mr. Dale worked as a superintendent of transportation. Memorial contributions can be made to Father Solanus Guild.

Hale

Mae Marie Hale, 89, of Plymouth died on March 25 at Boynton Beach,

Cumming

Louise Cumming, 86, of Plymouth Township, died on March 31 here. Funeral services were on April 4 at Schrader Funeral Home with The Rev. Philip Rodgers Magee officiating. Services started at 1 p.m. Burial was at Parkview Memorial Cemetery.

She is survived by her sons, John of Plymouth, Bruce of Dearborn; sisters, Margaret Jameison of Hamilton, Ontario, Agnes Garioch of Scotland; brothers, Donald, Bill, Harold, David Hepburn, all of Scotland; seven grandchildren; and, 11 great-grandchildren. Mrs. Cumming was a homemaker. She lived in Detroit for 50 years before moving to Plymouth six years ago.



EMU loses; Thomann to stay

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BY E. DALE LEE

Fred Thomann, the head basketball coach at Salem High the past six years, was one of six final candidates of 75 applicants for the Eastern Michigan University coaching job, The Crier has learned.

Thomann had to be a little disappointed Monday when EMU Athletic



FRED THOMANN



Director Alex Agase announced that University of Michigan assistant coach Jim Boyce had been handed the Hurons' reigns for the next two years.

"I realize how hard it is to make the transition from high school to college," Thomann said. "I don't foresee going for any other jobs in the near future."

Thomann went for the post because of the prestige associated with being a college coach - not for the money. In fact, he would have taken a pay cut there.

"You have to consider a step up of this calibre when it comes your way," he said before learning of EMU's selection. "I'll be very reluctant to leave a community as great as this one if I get chosen for the job."

Thomann's 136-24 won-lost record in six Salem High coaching years and a state Class B championship at Willow Run weren't impressive enough for EMU, apparently. Boyce compiled a 62-15 high school won-lost record at Detroit Northwestern and has been an assistant at the universities of Detroit and Michigan since 1973 with a stint at Detroit Kettering High along the way.

The four other finalists, The Crier has learned, were: Michigan State University assistant coach Bill Berry; Bloomfield Lahser High Coach Nick Conti; Ann Arbor Huron High Coach Harold Simons; and Hillsdale College Coach Bill Morse.

Thomann is glad to stay with Salem.

"I think that my ideas are sound," he offered. "I believe I have a feeling for the game – I don't feel bad about not getting the job."

Hanschu has field day in loss to Ann Arbor Huron

Salem High track and field Coach Gary Balconi says he was "pleasantly surprised" with yesterday's meet at Ann Arbor Huron High, despite the 79-53 setback.

"Our weak spots stood out," he said. "But we scored in some places where I didn't expect to - and Rich Hanschu had an excellent first day."

Running before a scout from Wayne State University in Detroit, Hanschu scored a first in the 120-yard high hurdles with a :15.1 timing, beating a 1978 Class A champ – Huron's Jeff Herendon.

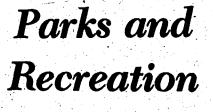
Hanschu then registered a secondplace final in the long jump by leaping 19 feet, four inches.

He finished the day with a thirdplace in the 220-yard dash (a :23.2 time).

First-year trackmen Rob Neu and Howard Monk celebrated their first varsity outings in the high jump by cashing in first-place (five feet, 10 inches) and second-place (five feet, eight inches) honors.

Rock two-milers Paul Hess and Jeff Haertel finished one-two with times of 10:24 and 10:30 respectively. Haertel was second in the mile run (4:34.2). to a second-place finish in the 440-yard dash (:57.0) and co-captain Kris Kappler grabbed a third with a :57.8 showing.

Wellman scored a third with a pole vault of 10 feet.



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The city sponsored Inter-City Parks and Recreation basketball Tournament for 13-to-15 year old boys gave Plymouth's entry, the Wolverines, a secondplace finish last week.

The Wolves edged Allen Park in the opening round by a 54-50 decision before dumping Dearborn in semifinal action, 62-52. The Plymouth contingent fell in the finals to Inkster, 76-70.

Roseville and Livonia also entered



while Dave Rubadue captured a third with a 4:47.5 timing.

John Froozan took first-places in the discus and shotput events. His discus toss was an outstanding 128 feet, six inches while his shotput throw was a decent 42 feet, one inch.

The Salem 440-yard relay team of Craig Stack, Greg Lipka, Dave Argonis, and Jack Wellman was awarded a firstplace finish with a :47.5 timing after Ann Arbor Huron's team was disqualified for botching the bataan transfer.

Greg Stevens captured a second in the 100-yard dash (:10.7) and Lipka copped third in the event with a :10.9 finish. Rock freshman Pat Tortorra coasted Plymouth Parks and Recreation Department announces the beginning of a Mini-Mite Hockey Lesson Program. Any child interested in playing hockey between the ages of 3 1/2 to 8 years old are eligible for the program.

The four one-hour sessions will start April 7 and end on May 5, with no class Easter weekend. All classes will take place at the Cultural Center. The fee is \$12 for school district residents and \$18 for non-resident students. Rental skates will be available at 50 cents per session. Deadline for registration is Friday, April 6.



Why are grown-ups ruining little league?

This has been a whirlwind week for sports happenings in the community. First, the Plymouth-Canton Junior Baseball League is readying itself for a possible legal tussle with a pair of irate managers.

A man who managed an "A" League team (nine and 10 year old boys) last season and wasn't given an "F" League club (13-14 year old boys) this year has threatened to go to court, according to "F" League Director Barb Smith. She added that another manager has threatened legal action in an effort to transfer his son to another team.

Jeanne Goodrich, part of the league's hierarchy, and Smith, won't release the names of the managers because they don't believe actual court proceedings will take place. The top man, Jim Schols, says he doesn't know the names at this time.

Why can't the kids just play baseball and have a good time? Isn't it silly that anyone would take little league baseball so seriously that they'd be willing to go to court for it? Are the managers of today so enthralled with winning that they'd pay any price for it?

I've raised some serious moral questions here - and I believe it's necessary to do so. Shouldn't little league be a "fun" experience for the kids? Is going to court a realistic way to combat the differences a manager has with the league leaders? Is is right to make every inning of every game do-or-die as is done by misguided managers? I think not.

This type of mess honestly repulses me. Little league baseball is a game for young kids - not a war for a trophy. In high school the situation is different. There is pressure to win - but not a whole heck of a lot. In college there's tremendous pressure for a winning program. But little league baseball?...

I've applied for a managing position in the "F" League. I won't go to court if I don't get a spot. If I get one I'll just let the kids play ball and we'll do our best. That's all I think a little league manager should ask.

You don't know how close you came to losing Salem High basketball Coach Fred Thomann this week, Plymouth. He was one of the final six candidates for the open post at Eastern Michigan University - that is, before Monday's announcement that Jim Boyce from the University of Michigan was given the nod.

If Thomann did leave this community would have felt a deep loss -- this was obvious to me at the Rocks' banquet last Thursday evening.

As Thomann handed 'out compliments left and right to his players, his assistants, his father, the boosters, and the honored guests, I could see that Plymouth is in love with this man.

The soft-spoken Thomann confirmed to me afterwards his desire for the EMU position. He also said he'd hate to go if given the job.

Fred Thomann has given this community a lot. I think we're the winners in this happenstance - EMU blew their chance.

It appears that Dave Gaines is talking himself out of his job at the University of Detroit so that position may become available soon. Don't look for Thomann to leave, even though one of his former college teammates at Michigan State (Bill Berry) has a clean shot at the job.

"I don't want to work in an inter-city environment," Thomann explained. "I'm not going to go around applying for jobs just because they're open."

EMU Invitational meet Rock tracksters slip

Saturday's Eastern Michigan Invitational in Ypsilanti kicked off the 1979 schoolboy track campaign for Salem High and a field of 80 teams. Unfortunately for the Rocks, they were among some 30 teams who failed to register a single point in the competition.

Fifteen Salem performers competed Saturday in 10 events. There are 90plus athletes on Coach Gary Balconi's club this year.

Seniors Dave Truesdel, Kevin Waara, and Dennis Ogden combined with junior Paul Hess for an 8:31 timing in the twomile relay.

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Hit, Pitch, and Run

baseball registration

due April 30

If you're between nine and 12 years old, can pitch and hit a baseball and run 90 feet, you have a chance to become a national champion in Major League Baseball's official youth program, Pitch, Hit & Run. Local Competition will be June 9 at Massey Field.

Pre-Registration must be made at the local Burger King Restaurant by April 30.

Each youngster competes in three categories: pitching at a target, hitting for distance and running the base path for speed.

In pitching, each competitor is allowed three throws into a target 46 feet away. Each successful pitch is worth 50 points. In-hitting, each-youngster-gets-three swings (fair or foul), with the longest fair fly counted towards the total point score at one point per foot.

In the running event, a youngster runs the Major League distance of 90 feet from home plate to first base with his or her score determined on a point chart based upon time.

All managers in the Plymouth-Canton Junior Baseball League are requested to attend a Manager's Clinic April 11 at 7 p.m. in the Central Middle School gymnasium. Canton High baseball Coach Fred Crissey will demonstrate plays and discuss the league's rules at the gathering.

The PCJBL also announces the appointments of two key positions. Dennis Schultz has been tapped for the "A" League Directorship while Norm Kenzel will supervise the league's umpiring crews.

Many boys and girls are on the circuit's waiting list; 1,859 kids are all set for the season, said Jim Schols, the loop's top spokesman.



Stevens, Rich Hanschu, Ogden, and Q Truesdel pulled in a 3:55.8 final in the two-mile sprint medley relay.

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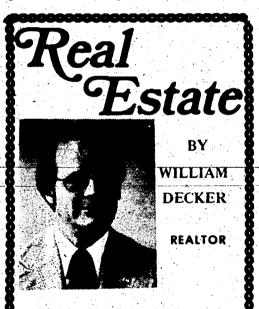
Seniors Kris Kappler, Dave Rubadue, and Waara teamed with junior Jeff Hartel for an 11:43 finish in the two and a half \mathbf{Z}

mile distance medley relay competition. Junior Craig Stack and seniors Stevens, Hanschu, and Dave MacKenzie snatched a 1:43.6 timing in the 880 relay event? while Truesdel, Kappler, senior Lance Willsey and freshman Pat Tortorra combined for a 3:53 final in the mile^F relay.

Hess topped his previous best time in the mile-run with a 4:43 showing. Sophomore Chris Whittaker competed in the two-mile run.

Hanschu pulled off an :08.1 timing in the 60-yard high hurdles preliminaries before elimination in the semifinals. His semis finish was one-tenth of a second faster than his opening effort. Stevens ran to an :06.9 final in the 60-yard dash in preliminary competition. Junior shotputter John Froozan tossed the ball 45 feet, eight feet behind the winner.

Saturday the Rocks travel to East Lansing for the Spartan Relays at Michigan State University.



HOUSE VALUE VS LOT VALUE

What is the proper relationship between the cost of a lot and the value of the house on it? This question concerned building economists more in the past than it does now. Old rules of thumb have lost much of their meaning. It used to be said that land should represent about one-sixth of the home's purchase price. Then it moved up to onefifth and is now, approaching onefourth. And it will change again as the cost of land continues to rise.

Nevertheless, the land value versus house value ratio cannot be totally dismissed because it does, to some extent, affect the resale value of the property. And resale value determines the ease or difficulty you'll encounter in securing a-mortgage In-this-light,-it-may-not-make a-greatdeal of difference if you put an inexpensive house on an expensive lot, but it could be a mistake to have too much house for the land.



Plymouth, you don't know how lucky you are to have this kind of man coaching your kids. Next time you see him, let him know how much you appreciate the job he's doing. I'm sure that's not too much to ask.

Not far back this corner reported of a Downriver school that attempted to enter the Suburban Eight League and was refused admittance, despite the league's need of another team (Redford Union dropped out). Taylor Kennedy probably won't bother applying again but The Crier has learned that a school in the Great Lakes Eight Association - Dearborn Fordson - might consider switching circuits.

A perrenial titlist in almost every Great Lakes Eight sport, the Tractors are an ideal institution for the Sub-8: the talent is good enough to whip every school in the Sub-8 and the Great Lakes Eight is beginning to weaken. Schools in that loop are losing students and the talent is diluted.

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Mike Spitz returns as track coach after a year's hiatus



MIKE SPITZ

Mike Spitz has finally found a home. The recently reappointed Canton High boys' track coach headed the program in 1977 before switching to Redford Bishop Borgess last year to coach that school's girls' team.

And now he's back to try and garner the Chiefs' first dual meet victory since Canton's inception.

'I'm going to center my energy into making my people attain self-improvement," Spitz said. "What I

hope will motivate us (his team) will be the individual successes we can attain. Track lets you have a loose team bond - not like a football game where one position is always do-or-die."

Spitz believes his job is to give his players a sense of achievement rather than to put pressure on them to win.

'It's up to me to make them strive for more and more," he explained. "But the crowd makes a big difference in how well he performs. These are just high school kids. At this level a heavy burden shouldn't be placed upon them."

In addition to the previous experience stated earlier, Spitz coached Canton's cross country team in 1976 and 1977. In 1975 and 1976 he was an assistant to Fred Thomann at Salem High for the girls' team there.

But don't get the idea that Spitz isn't familiar with the area - he graduated. from the old Plymouth High School in 1971 before running track and cross country at Eastern Michigan University as a freshman and a sophomore. He tried his luck at Boston University and Michigan State University before coming back for his degree at EMU. Spitz is an active member of the 70-

member Great Lakes AAU Track Club.

'Tis the season

Firemen give tornado tips

Plymouth and Canton fire departments are ready for the tornado seasons. More than 400 teamhdoes have struck Michigan alnos 1950, resulting in 227 deaths, so residents of the community

should remember these instructions during the tornado season: When this area is under a Tornado

Watch, it means that weather conditions are favorable to produce tornadoes. Stay alert and informed by keeping your radio or TV on and listen for the signal from the roof siren in your area.

There are many ways that you will receive a Tornado Warning, which means

City taxes rising!

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fund budget is \$3,123,560.

Yockey proposes that the levy of 17.95 mills (\$17.95 per \$1,000) be divided in this manner: 13.488 mills for operations, 1.678 mills for refuse disposal and 2.784 mills for debt levy.

The special designation of specified millage to cover refuse collection became allowable under state law in the early '70s and first was built into Plymouth's

to bar photographs, the cemetery comrevenue for the year at \$1,893,145. they have to alert their community. The balance of needed funds will come Do not call them for information during mission heard from Barney White, publica Tornado Watch or Warning. You will information director for the commerce from licenses, permits, federal grants, state-shared revenue, district court, parkjust tie up their emergency phone system. department, who said that the state's ing fines and similar sources, he said. Stay alert - watch weather conditions. Open Meetings Act would allow for photographs during such hearings. Styka told the commission it should SAM LERMAN M.D. rule on the matter and, at Periman's request, closed the hearing to photo-Diplomate American Board of Family Practice graphs after finding from Bresler that he needed no further pictures. **Canton Professional Park** The first witness-called in the hear-8552 Canton Center Road ing was Robert Larsen, an account of these things." Canton, Michigan 48187 examiner for the cemetery commission. DAY OR NIGHT He testified that he discovered the alleged shortages when he audited the

a twister has been sighted: AM radio, television, and a three- to five-minute blast of the roof sirens. This means take cover immediately

In your Home: A basement offers the greatest safety. Seek shelter under sturdy furniture if possible. In homes without basements, take cover in the center of the house on the lowest floor in a small room such as a closet or bathroom. Keep some windows open but stay away from them.

In a Mobile Home: Go to a prearranged substantial shelter. If no shelter exists, lie flat in a nearby ditch or depression and hold on to something on the ground. Always take shelter up wind from the mobile home. Do not remain in the mobile home.

In a vehicle: Travel at right angles to the tornado's path. If there is not time to drive away from it, get out of the vehicle into a basement, ditch, or ravine, up wind from the vehicle.

At work or school: Follow advance plans to move to interior hallways or small rooms on the lowest level. Avoid areas with glass and wide freespan roofs.

In open country: Get into a sturdy building if possible or lie flat in a nearby ditch or depression and hold onto somematerials.

recommend its discontinuance. Yockey estimates property tax ment and ask them what provisions While it was considering the request



PRESENTING KNOLLWOOD' CEMETERY'S CASE before the State of Michigan Cemetery Commission in Lansing Thursday were (from left): Gary Eppolito, manager of the cemetery; Sam Tocco, owner; and Elliott Perlman, attorney. After this photograph was taken, Perlman objected to the commission which then banned Crier Photo Editor Bill Bresler from taking further pictures, Officials of the commission and the Michigan Dept. of Commerce had earlier given permission to take photos at the hearing. Photographs and television coverage of similar department hearings are permitted. (Crier photo by Bill Bresler.)

Cemetery funds short

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tain certain percentage of their memorial and vault sales and of perpetual care payments made "in advance of need." in trust funds. Knollwood's manager, Gary Eppolito, said such regulations discriminate against new cemeteries. After a similar investigation conducted by the state into alleged earlier trust fund shortages, the cemetery commission rescinded Knollwood's license but found that action stalled by an injunction issued in Wayne County Circuit Court while the case wends its way through the court docket. Knollwood is appealing that earlier commission license suspension and asked for the injunction until the case can be heard. On Thursday, Knollwood's attorney, Elliott R. Perlman, argued at the start of the hearing that the earlier injunction barred the cemetery commission from taking further action against Knollwood.

"This hearing is in violation of that injunction," Periman said.

But the cemetery commission, upon advice from Assistant Michigan Attorney General Ron Styka, rejected Perlman's contention and proceeded with the hearing.

At this point during the proceeding, Periman objected to photographs being taken by Crier Photo Editor Bill Bresler.

Earlier, during the cemetery commission meeting, state public relations personnel had been taking photographs and had advised The Crier that photographs would be permitted during the hearing. (The state's Public Service Commission, another agency of the Michigan Dept. of Commerce, like the cemetery commission, allows photo-

Knollwood books. He said he also found that the cemetery records were not properly categorized and that stock owned by Tocco, said to have been pledged to the endowed care trust fund, was not so pledged and was overstated in value,

Perlman questioned Larsen about his personal background and objected to his testimony on the financial matters because he was not an "expert" on such financial matters.

Under cross examination, Perlman asked Larsen, who also investigates consumer complaints against Michigan cemeteries, whether Knollwood had received any such complaints.

"Not an abnormal number of complaints," Larsen said. "Maybe even less." He said there had not been any recent complaints that he was aware of.

Tocco testified next and revealed that he had assigned some \$75,000 worth of real estate and \$47,643 in cash to the delinquent trust funds.

Asked if the cemetery was in financial trouble, Tocco said, "No, it's not in bad shape. It's in better shape than it ever was."

Eppolito testified next that the funds were deficient according to the law. But, he said, merchandise was being delivered at the cemetery and that Knollwood had "transferred money from (the trust) funds to other uses, but had not taken any money out of the corporation."

In summary, Perlman said Tocco, whom he described as "a produce peddler." had "inherited something that was not being adequately run.

"Mr. Tocco is complying with the municipal budget under the administrathing on the ground. Make sure you are graphs and television coverage of its law now and attempting to deal in good up wind from any vehicle or loose tion of then city manager Norman hearings.) faith." The Knollwood attorney argued Gaffney. Yockey never has seen fit to "We're not here to pander to the against the commission rescinding Knoll-Call your local police or fire departpress_or_the_public,". Perlman_argued. wood's license and placing the cemetery in receivership. "The public's best inter est, the state's best interest are that present ownership and management continue in this operation." Styka summarized that the "testimony very clearly establishes the law has been violated," and therefore the "commission does have authority to suspend or reject the license," He noted the recent attempts by Tocco to correct the fund shortages but "I point out the lateness of some The cemetery commission did not rule on the matter and is waiting for updated financial information from the cemetery before acting.



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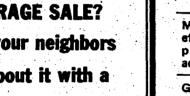
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