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Ready, steady, go...

The race was on early in Canton Saturday when the annual Easter Egg Hunt attracted lots of young and eager hunters, looking for goodies of all types. In this photo, some of the youngsters charge for the first goodies, scattered

throughout part of Griffin Park. Kids in Plymouth also got a chance to fill their baskets Saturday during the annual Jaycees Easter Egg Hunt in Plymouth Township Park. (Crier photo by Chris Farina)

Mysterious illness strikes at Salem

BY KEN VOYLES

Gastrointestinal illness struck more than 210 students and staff at Salem High last week prompting an investigation by the Wayne County Health Department.

Possible causes for the "acute" outbreak are being studied by the health department this week, said Dr. Donald Lawrenchuk, the department's medical director.

"I'm very confident we will be able to say with a fair amount of certainty what caused the outbreak sometime this week," Dr. Lawrenchuk said Monday. "If I could speculate I'd lean toward a viral disease."

Viral infections are less dangerous than bacterial diseases and there are usually no permanent side effects, he said.

Dr. Lawrenchuk said the infection

could have originated with either the food or water in Salem's cafeteria. He added, though, that the food handling procedures at Salem seemed "appropriate."

The cafeteria was closed on Thursday and only "pre-packaged" food was served, said Salem High Principal Gerald Ostoin, while health department teams interviewed staff and students, took samples (food and stool among others), and examined the Salem kitchen and water supply.

It was the worst outbreak of its kind at the school, said Ostoin.

"We just don't have any knowledge of what it might be yet," he said.

Most of those who reported ill on Wednesday night and Thursday morning showed symptoms of nausea, vomiting, chills, diarrhea, weakness and loss of appetite. Anyone with those signs should contact the Wayne County Health Department at 467-3325 or 467-3326.

"I was first alerted by the attendance office," said Ostoin. "There were 30 cases originally, then it jumped to 92."

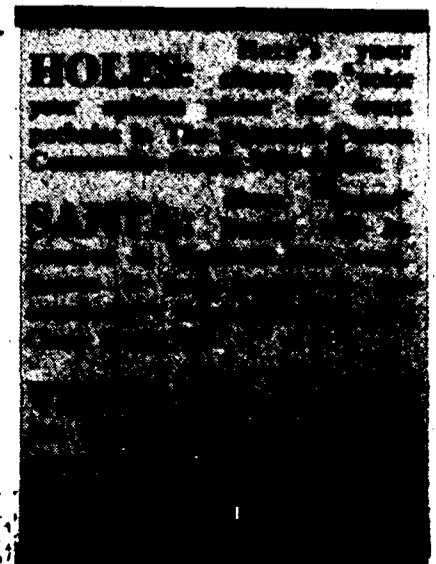
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Madness in Plymouth

Beware! Midnight Madness is coming to Plymouth and no shoppers will be spared the excitement of browsing through their favorite stores by the light of the moon.

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School district awaits word on shifting bond \$\$

BY KEN VOYLES

School officials in the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools are awaiting word from the Michigan Department of Education and the Attorney General's office on whether or not 1986 bond money can be shifted for a different use than that originally intended.

There is just over \$925,000 set aside for work on a board office, said Hoedel, who added that the Board of Education has not yet made a decision on what to do with the money.

The money might be used to help construct a new board building (and administrative offices) for the district, said Ray Hoedel, associate superintendent for business, if the Board of Education chooses to follow that option.

HMO meeting set in City

The City of Plymouth, the Plymouth Council on Aging and the Plymouth Township Seniors will host a special meeting — "Health Care Costs: Supplementary HMO Plans" — on Monday, April 11 at 1 p.m. in the Cultural Center.

The board has yet to decide how it will spend money already earmarked for the renovation of the current office on Harvey Street.

Speakers for the seminar include Attorney General Frank J. Kelley, Congressman Carl D. Pursell, State Senator R. Robert Geake, and Representative Gerald H. Law.

"We want to clarify that, in case the board chooses that option," said Hoedel. "We've had word from our attorney (Tom Nordberg, Lansing) but we're looking for something in writing."

Each speaker will cover a specific topic. Kelley will talk about the legality of HMO contracts; Pursell will discuss health care financing; Geake will look at tax relief for seniors; and Law will look at current health costs as well as insurance.

Hoedel said that Nordberg has been in touch with Dick Kelley, a top official with the Michigan Department of Education, who in turn has contacted the Attorney General's office.

Participants will also have a chance to ask questions.

"He's trying to get an opinion from the Attorney General," Hoedel said.


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City-drivers hospitalized after accident

Shortly after noon on Monday, a two-car collision at the unmarked intersection of Palmer and Evergreen streets sent two Plymouth residents to the hospital.

According to the city police report, a northbound vehicle on Evergreen was struck by a westbound Palmer vehicle.

An investigation of the scene and damage to the vehicles determined that both drivers contributed to the accident, said police.

Police said that the northbound Evergreen vehicle failed to yield to the westbound Palmer vehicle. Police also said that the damage to the westbound Palmer Street auto indicated it was travelling in excess of 25 miles per hour.

Elised Menchca, 58, who was in the Palmer Street car, was transferred to Garden City Osteopathic Hospital by the Plymouth Township Fire Department, said police.

Police said that Plymouth resident Amy Sanderson, 14, who was travelling in the same car, was transferred to the Oakwood Center in Canton.



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A helping hand

A pair of Plymouth residents were injured Monday when they collided at the intersection of Evergreen and Palmer. Both residents were taken to local hospitals for treatment. (Crier photo by Ken Voyles)

Rosser, Voyles fill dept. head spots

Two key department head positions have been filled by The Community Crier and its publishing company, COMMA.

Assuming the duties of managing editor is Ken Voyles, 29, the former special sections editor of The Newspaper with Its Heart in The Plymouth-Canton Community.

Voyles covered Plymouth City and Plymouth Township when he worked for The Crier in 1979-82. Following that he served as editor of the Schoolcraft College Globe, was a sports reporter for the Novi News and then the Spinal Column newspapers.

He was educated at Wayne State University, Schoolcraft College and Livonia Stevenson.

Since 1986, Voyles has been sports editor for The Community Crier and covered the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools. He assumed the special section editorship in December and has served as editor of the 1981, 1982 and the 1988 Guide to Plymouth-Canton-Northville.

"Since he first began covering our community nine years ago, Ken Voyles' abilities have grown and the staff is pleased to see a 'home-grown' success lead the day-to-day editorial charge," said Crier Editor and Publisher W. Edward Wendover.

"Our newspaper's aggressive reporting and opining will continue its award-winning tradition under Voyles," Wendover emphasized.

At the same time, Jayne Rosser, 30, has been appointed sales director of COMMA, the publishing house at 345 Fleet St. in Plymouth which is a subsidiary of the Plymouth-Canton Community Crier, inc.

For the past year, Rosser was advertising director of the community's newspaper. That service was climaxed by the recent record-setting advertising lineage seen in the 1988 Guide to Plymouth-Canton-Northville despite the flooding of the paper's ad department.

In her new capacity, Rosser will represent COMMA's clients in several states. Her responsibilities will include direct contact with advertising agencies, businesses and printing-color houses in New York, Chicago, Florida, Texas, Georgia and other major communications centers.

A Plymouth resident, Rosser joined The Community Crier as an advertising sales consultant in 1984. She is a graduate of Warwick University in Coventry, England, and a native of Wales.

Rosser was recently elected to a seat on the board of directors of The Community Crier-COMMA, publishing corporation.

"Jayne's enthusiasm has made her our front-running sales contact with southeast Michigan ad agencies and major clients," said Phyllis Redfern, general manager of the publishing company. "Moving from the newspaper leadership role to the COMMA, side of our operations will be a tremendous boost for our publishing clients."

"With our newly revamped COMMA, facilities, this sales leadership change will certainly mean increasing growth for the publishing house," Redfern said.



KEN VOYLES



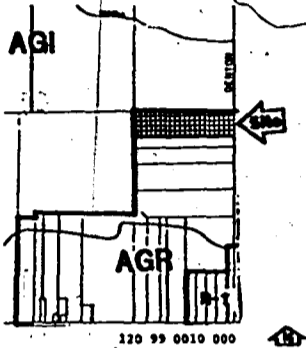
JAYNE ROSSER



Public notices

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CONSIDER REQUEST TO REZONE PARCEL 120 99 0010 000 FROM AGR-AGRICULTURAL RESIDENTIAL TO R-1 SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL. PROPERTY IS LOCATED ON THE EAST SIDE OF DENTON ROAD BETWEEN GEDDES AND PROCTOR ROADS.



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CONSIDER REQUEST TO REVISE THE MASTER LAND USE PLAN AS IT PERTAINS TO CANTON CENTER ROAD BETWEEN FORD ROAD AND CHERRY HILL ROAD.
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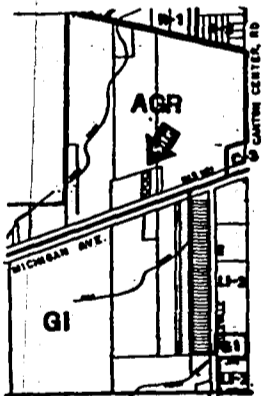
PUBLIC NOTICE

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON IS SEEKING BIDS FOR TELEPHONE SYSTEM CONSULTING SERVICES. SPECIFICATIONS FOR THIS BID MAY BE PICKED UP AT THE TOWNSHIP OFFICES AT 1150 S. CANTON CENTER ROAD, OR MAY BE OBTAINED BY CONTACTING THE TOWNSHIP FINANCE DEPARTMENT AT 397-1000. BIDS ARE DUE AT THE TOWNSHIP CLERK'S OFFICE BY 11:00 AM ON APRIL 21, 1988. THE TOWNSHIP RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY OR ALL BIDS.
LINDA CHUHRAN
TOWNSHIP CLERK

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CONSIDER REQUEST TO REZONE PARCEL 129 99 0006 000 FROM AGR-AGRICULTURAL RESIDENTIAL TO C-3 HIGHWAY ORIENTED COMMERCIAL. PARCEL IS LOCATED ON THE NORTH SIDE OF MICHIGAN AVENUE BETWEEN CANTON CENTER AND BECK ROADS.



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**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
BOARD PROCEEDINGS
MINUTES OF MARCH 22, 1988
(PROPOSED)**

A regular meeting of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Canton was held at 1150 South Canton Road on Tuesday, March 22, 1988.

The 6:30 Closed Meeting to discuss A. W. Lee Consent Judgement was cancelled. Supervisor Poole called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M., and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL:

Members Present: Bennett, Brown, Chuhran, Kirchgatter, Padget, Poole and Prenczky

STAFF PRESENT:

Barnett, Casari, Dingeldey, Gouin, Kopinski, Machnik, Nicholson, Santomauro and Spencer

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA:

Item No. 29, PURCHASE OF LAND AVAILABLE TO THE STATE FOR TAX SALE, was added.

Item No. 30, ORDER FOR ELECTION ENVELOPES, was added.

Item No. 31, MAIL HANDLING EQUIPMENT, was added.

Item No. 32, REFUND FOR WINGATE SPECIAL MEETING, was added.

Item No. 33, CLOSED SESSION REGARDING ACQUISITION OF LAND, was added.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter, to accept the Agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The last word, "invoice," in the last paragraph under PAYMENT OF BILLS was eliminated.

Motion by Kirchgatter, supported by Brown, to approve the Minutes as amended.

Ayes: Bennett, Brown, Chuhran, Kirchgatter, Padget and Prenczky

Abstain: Poole

PAYMENT OF BILLS:

Motion by Brown, supported by Bennett, to pay bills as presented.

Ayes: Bennett, Brown, Chuhran, Kirchgatter, Padget and Prenczky

Nays: Poole

EXPENDITURE RECAP:

GENERAL FUND (101)	\$120,293.14
FIRE FUND (206)	24,827.98
POLICE FUND (207)	101,475.02
GOLF COURSE (211)	221.38
REVENUE SHARING (249)	3,800.00
WATER AND SEWER (592)	255,474.61
BUILDING AUTHORITY (469)	233,551.02
AUTO THEFT GRANT (267)	746.38

Details are available at the Office of the Clerk.

CORRESPONDENCE:

In response to a letter from Pat Mills, Trustee Padget clarified the fact that the National Flag is permitted to fly at night with proper lighting.

Trustee Padget stated that all of the local newspapers should be eligible to qualify for the Township's bid specifications for official legal notices and publications.

The Canton Pom Pom Squad won First Place in the State of Michigan, and the Salem Pom Pom Squad ranked Third in the State of Michigan.

The State has denied the Township's request for a light at Ford Road and Lotz Road.

The Township will be meeting with the Department of Transportation regarding controlled traffic lights on Ford Road between I-275 and Canton Center Road.

Supervisor Poole briefed the Board on fire run cases by the Township's Fire Department, which did not pertain to fires.

March 31, 1988, is the last day for dog license renewals before the fee is raised.

Some residents have inquired about licensing cats, as they are rabbi carriers.

Chief Santomauro presented a synopsis for processing liquor licenses.

Tom Casari briefed the Board on the Canton Lake Study, 3/8 mile east of Beck Road, and south of Joy Road. The site is a 12 acre vacant parcel owned by the Plymouth-Canton Community School Board. The construction of the lake would have a significant impact on the 100 year flood plain downstream of the site. The amount of water stored will vary between 13.6 and 34 million gallons.

CITIZENS FORUM:

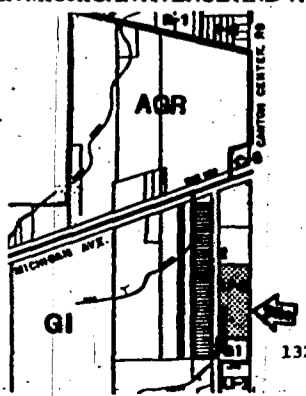
Resident, representing Pickwick Village Homeowners Association, discussed the Willow Creek flooding situation.

Resident, Edenbrook Estates, briefed the Board on standing water problems in the residents' side and back yards.

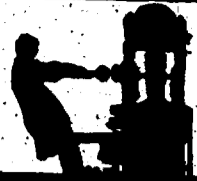
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CONSENT CALENDAR:

Motion by Bennett, supported by Preniczky, to approve the American Legion Poppy Sale. Motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL CALENDAR:

Supervisor Poole declared the Public Hearing open for the Haggerty Road, Phase II, Special Assessment District.

Supervisor Poole opened the Public Hearing for Item No. 2, Grant Application, MLTF and LWCF.

Item No 1 PUBLIC HEARING, HAGGERTY ROAD, PHASE II, SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT

Mr. Paciocco and Mr. Cook expressed an objection to the special assessment, which represented 22% of the frontage property owners. They are not against paving, but the section of Haggerty Road between Koppernick and Joy will be realigned. A new railroad crossing will be required. With the expense of all the projects, they believe that the Township, Federal Government, County and property owners should participate in the special assessment.

Mr. Nicholson stated since 20% of the property owners voiced their objections to the creation of the special assessment district, it would be necessary for 50% plus 1 of the property owners (benefit units) to take affirmative action in order to proceed with the proposal.

Clerk Chuhran received Notices of Objections from the following property owners opposing the special assessment: Jack Cook, CAP Department, Westland Industrial Park, and the National Concrete Product Company.

Mr. Donovan stated that his parcel, plus Toys R Us, exceeds 50% of the effected parcels who are in favor of the paving of Haggerty Road. Mr. Donovan believes that the County should participate in a portion of the paving, maybe 25%. He thinks that the property owners may participate in about 50% of the costs.

The representative from Toys R Us stated that they are in favor of the project and will support the project with their fair share. He believes the County should share in the expense of the project.

The Township Board previously agreed to participate in 25% of the paving improvements for Phase I. The Township may consider participating in 25% of Phase II, which would not include the storm drainage improvements servicing the private properties involved, but would include storm drainage improvements for the roadway.

Motion by Chuhran, support by Kirchgatter, to close the Public Hearing. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Preniczky, supported by Kirchgatter, to permit Staff to secure figures consistent with the figures suggested by Trustee Padgett; (1) an overall estimate that assures that the County is including the engineering at 9.5% of the total cost; talk to County representatives regarding the contention of them absorbing the 9.5%, (2) include a specified source of potential funding for the 25% element of the paving cost, (3) to work with both the County and the CSX Transportation System Representatives to produce a mechanism for additional funding for the Haggerty Road railroad intersection. Motion carried unanimously.

Supervisor Poole will arrange a meeting with the Wayne County Representatives, Trustee Padgett, Trustee Preniczky, Staff, Mr. Paciocco and Mr. Cook regarding the paving of Haggerty Road.

Item No 2 PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER SUBMISSION OF MICHIGAN LAND TRUST FUND (MLTF) AND LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND (LWCF).

There being no comments from the public, motion by Bennett, supported by Chuhran, to close the Public Hearing. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter, to adopt the Resolution (indicated below) included in the memorandum dated March 16, 1988. Funds to be taken from the 1989 General Fund Account. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION

MICHIGAN LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND MICHIGAN LAND TRUST FUND

Be it resolved by the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton;

WHEREAS, The Land and Water Conservation Fund grant program and the Michigan Land Trust grant program provide funding for select outdoor recreation projects on a matching basis, and

WHEREAS, The Michigan Department of Natural Resources does allow for a joint application to be submitted for consideration under these two programs, and

WHEREAS, The Charter Township of Canton desires to submit a preapplication for funds to construct four tennis courts in the Flodin Community Park, and

WHEREAS, The total cost of the development project is estimated to be \$110,000; \$55,000 of which would be required as match from the Township.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Trustees does hereby authorize the submission of a grant preapplication for consideration under the Land and Water Conservation program and the Michigan Land Trust Fund program, for the construction of four tennis courts in the Flodin Community Park. The Board of Trustees also agrees to undertake the project and provide a match of \$55,000 should the project be selected for funding.

Item No. 3 PUBLIC HEARING AND SECOND READING OF HISTORIC ORDINANCE

Supervisor Poole opened the Public Hearing.

There being no comments from the public, motion by Bennett, supported by Chuhran to close the Public Hearing. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Padgett, supported by Bennett, to adopt Historic District Ordinance 120.000 Charter Township of Canton, Michigan, to be effective upon publication. Motion carried unanimously.

HISTORIC DISTRICT ORDINANCE 120.000 CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, MICHIGAN

An Ordinance to provide for the establishment of Historic Sites and Districts; to provide for the acquisition of land and structures for preservation purposes; to provide for preservation of Historic Sites and Districts; to provide for the appointment of an Historic District Commission and the qualifications and duties thereof; to provide for the maintenance of publically owned Sites and Districts; to provide for the designation of Historic Sites and Districts; to provide for the designation of Historic Sites and Districts; to provide for the procedure for obtaining certificates of appropriateness and the review thereof; to provide for the procedure for obtaining certificates of economic hardship; to provide for the procedure for Township assisted projects; to provide for the enforcement thereof to provide for the ordinary maintenance exceptions and variances; to provide for the appeal process; to provide for the severability of this Ordinance and the preservation of all pending action; to provide for the repeal of all conflicting ordinances; to provide for the effective date thereof.

THE TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ORDAINS:

120.000 -- SECTION I: PURPOSE

Preservation and rehabilitation of historic sites and districts is declared to be a public purpose, and the Township of Canton may regulate the construction, reconstruction, alteration, repair, relocation and demolition of historic structures within the boundaries of the Township of Canton. Pursuant to the provisions of Act 169 of the Public Acts of 1970, as amended, being MCL 399.201, et seq., the purposes of this Chapter are to:

- (a) Safeguard the heritage of the Charter Township of Canton by preserving areas in the Township which reflect elements of its cultural, social, spiritual, economic, political, educational, engineering or architectural history;
- (b) Stabilize and improve property values in such areas;
- (c) Foster civic beauty and community pride;

(d) Strengthen the local economy; and

(e) Promote the use of historic sites and districts for the education, pleasure and welfare of the citizens of the Township of Canton, County of Wayne, State of Michigan, and United States of America.

120.002 -- SECTION II: DEFINITIONS

As used in this chapter:

- (a) Alterations: mean any act or process that changes one or more of the exterior architectural features of a structure, including but not limited to, the erection, construction, reconstruction, or relocation of any structure.
- (b) Board: means the Board of Trustees.
- (c) Certificate of Appropriateness: means a certificate issued by the Commission indicating its approval of plans for work.
- (d) Certificate of Economic Hardship: means a certificate issued by the Commission authorizing work even though a Certificate of Appropriateness has previously been denied.
- (e) Commission: means the Historic District Commission.
- (f) Construction: means the act of adding an addition to an existing structure or the erection of a new principal or accessory structure on a lot or property.
- (g) Demolition: shall include "demolition by neglect" which shall mean neglect in the maintenance, repair, or security of a site or structure, resulting in any of the following conditions:
 - (1) The deterioration of exterior walls or other vertical supports; roofs; horizontal members; exterior chimneys; exterior plaster or mortar; or
 - (2) The ineffective weatherproofing of exterior walls, roofs, and foundations, including broken windows and doors; or
 - (3) The serious deterioration of any exterior architectural feature or significant landscape feature which in the judgment of the Commission produces a detrimental effect upon the character of the site or district.
- (h) Department: means the Department of Community and Economic Development.
- (i) Exterior Architectural Features: means the architectural character and general composition of the exterior of a structure, including but not limited to the kind, color, and texture of the building material and the type, design, and character of all windows, doors, light fixtures, signs, and appurtenant elements.
- (j) Historic District: means a district designated by the Board for the purposes of this chapter. An Historic District may include an area or group of areas, site(s), or structure(s), and need not have contiguous boundaries. An Historic District may include significant landscape features (including trees or other plant life), surface textures, and street furniture located thereon. An Historic District be either publicly or privately owned.
- (k) Historic Site: means a site designated by the Board for the purposes of this chapter. An Historic Site may include an area, or structure, and significant landscape features (including trees or other plant life), surface textures, and street furniture located thereon. An Historic Site may be either publicly or privately owned.
- (l) Maintenance: means any repair not defined as work.
- (m) Owner: means the person, partnership, corporation, public agency, or other legal entity listed as owner on the records of the County Register of Deeds, including land contract purchasers.
- (n) Potential Historic District or Site: means a site or district which has been placed by the Commission on a list of sites and districts which appear to meet the criteria for designation as an Historic Site or District but has not been recommended for designation by the Commission.
- (o) Preservation: means the protection, conservation, rehabilitation, renovation or reconstruction of Historic Sites or Districts so as to maintain compatibility with an original style and character.
- (p) Proposed Historic District or Site: A site or district which has been recommended for designation as an Historic Site or District by the Commission, but not yet considered by the Board.
- (q) Rehabilitation: means the process of returning a property to a state of utility, through repair or alteration, which makes possible an efficient contemporary use while preserving those portions and features of the property which are significant to its historic, architectural and cultural values.
- (r) Relocation: means the removal of a structure from its site to another site.
- (s) Repair: means any change that is not construction, relocation or alteration.
- (t) Structure: means anything constructed or erected, the use of which requires permanent or temporary location on or in the ground including, but without limiting the generality of the foregoing: buildings, fences, walls, gazebos, advertising signs, billboards, backstops, driveways, sidewalks, radio and television antennae, including supporting towers, and swimming pools.
- (u) Work: means any demolition, excavation, new construction or erection of a structure or significant landscape feature. Work also includes any removal of an architectural or significant landscape feature, as well as reconstruction, alteration, a change of surface treatment, a change of color by painting or some other means, or any demolition of a structure, a portion thereof, or significant landscape feature.

120.003 -- SECTION III: HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

(a) CREATION:

To execute the purposes of this Chapter, the Canton Historic District Commission is created.

(b) MEMBERSHIP AND TERMS:

The Commission consists of seven (7) members who are residents of the Township. The term of office is three (3) years and the terms shall be staggered. Appointments shall be made by the Supervisor subject to the approval of the Board. Of the members first appointed, two shall be appointed for one (1) year, two shall be appointed for two (2) years, and three shall be appointed for three (3) years. A member shall hold office until a successor is appointed. A member may be reappointed. Terms shall expire on March 31st. A vacancy shall be filled for the unexpired term by the Board within ninety (90) days. Members of the Commission serve without compensation, and shall be removable for cause by the Board.

(c) QUALIFICATIONS:

All Commission members shall have a demonstrated interest, competence, or knowledge in historic preservation. At least one member shall be a licensed architect. At least one member shall be an historian or architectural historian. To the extent possible, the remaining members shall have experience in the disciplines of architecture, history, architectural history, planning, archeology, urban planning, American studies, American civilization, cultural geography, cultural anthropology, and other historic preservation related disciplines. If there are additional vacancies on the Commission after appointing persons with such experience, appointments shall be made from among persons who have backgrounds in development, law, business, real estate, government, banking, finance, and community organization, or who simply have the demonstrated interest, competence, or knowledge in historic preservation that is required.

(d) RULES:

- (1) The Commission shall elect from its membership a Chair, Vice-Chair and Secretary at the first meeting each year. The Chair shall preside over the Commission and have the right to vote. The Vice-Chair shall preside in the absence of the Chair. The Secretary shall keep an accurate record of the proceedings of the Commission.
- (2) The Commission shall meet at least quarterly and at the call of the Chair, Secretary or two (2) members of the Commission.
- (3) A majority of the Commission shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of its business. The Commission shall adopt rules for the transaction of its business which shall provide for the time and place of holding meetings. All meetings of the Commission shall be public, and any person shall be entitled to appear and be heard on any matter being considered by the Commission.

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(4) The Commission shall keep a record, which shall be open to public view, of its resolutions, proceedings, and actions. The concurring affirmative vote of four (4) members shall constitute approval of plans before it for review, or for the adoption of any resolution, motion or other action of the Commission. The Commission shall submit an annual report of its activities to the Board.

(5) No member of the Commission shall vote on any matter that may materially or apparently affect the property, income, or business interest of that member.

(c) STAFF:

The Commission shall be provided with reasonable staff assistance, upon the request of the Commission. The Commission may delegate to the staff such responsibility and authority as it determines will be appropriate to carry out routine activities. The Commission also may utilize the services of volunteer consultants and paid consultants, within the limits of available funding.

(f) BUDGET:

There shall be appropriated in the annual budget a sum of money for historic preservation for or in connection with:

(1) The preparation of surveys.

(2) The preservation of Historic Sites or Districts.

(3) The acquisition by purchase or condemnation of property (s), structure (s), easement (s) or other rights. The Commission shall make recommendations to the Board concerning such acquisitions.

(4) Staff support.

(5) Training for all staff and public officials responsible for the implementation of this Charter, especially to provide technical knowledge of the principles, practicality and cost of historic preservation.

(6) Programs of assistance to property owners, including but not limited to education, consultation, research assistance and assistance in locating contractors offering unique services required in historic preservation work.

(7) Programs to recognize property owners' historic preservation achievements, including but not limited to the award of certificates or plaques for display by property owners.

(8) Other activities taken in accordance with the provisions of this Chapter.

120.004 - SECTION IV: POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE COMMISSION

The Commission shall have the following powers and duties:

(1) To adopt its own procedural regulations.

(2) To conduct an ongoing survey (using the Michigan Historical Site Survey forms as a guide) to identify properties, structures, and areas that exemplify the cultural, social, spiritual, economic, political, educational, engineering or architectural history of the nation, state, county or township.

(3) To maintain a current listing of potential Historic Sites and Districts and a belief statement of significance for each. The listing shall be made available to the Department for consideration relative to the Master Plan.

(4) To investigate and recommend to the Board the adoption of ordinances designating areas as "Historic".

(5) To keep a register of all designated Historic Sites and Districts, including all information required for each designation.

(6) To determine an appropriate system of markers, and to confer recognition upon the owners of Historic Sites or Districts by means of certificates, plaques, or markers.

(7) To nominate Historic Sites and Districts to the State and National Register of Historic Places, and to review and comment on any nominations submitted to the Commission.

(8) To advise and assist owners of property on physical and financial aspects of preservation.

(9) To inform and educate the citizens of Canton concerning the historic and architectural heritage of the Township by publishing appropriate maps, newsletters, brochures, and pamphlets, and by holding programs and seminars.

(10) To review applications for work affecting proposed or designated Historic Sites or Districts and issue or deny Certificates of Appropriateness.

(11) To consider applications for Certificates of Economic Hardship that would allow the performance of work for which a Certificate of Appropriateness has been denied.

(12) To develop specific guidelines for work within Historic Sites and Districts, including documentation requirements.

(13) To review proposed zoning amendments, applications for special use permits, or applications for zoning variances that affect proposed or designated Historic Sites or Districts. The Director of the Department shall send applications for special use or zoning variations to the Commission and Planning Commission for comment prior to the date of the hearing by the Zoning Board of Appeals.

(14) To administer on behalf of the township any property or full or partial interest in real property, including easements, that the township may have or accept as a gift or otherwise, upon authorization and approval by the Board.

(15) To accept and administer on behalf of the township such gifts, grants, and money as may be appropriate for the purposes of this chapter. Such funds may be administered in accordance with the Charter of the Township, but a separate accounting shall be made of them and a copy of such accounting given to the Commission at least quarterly.

(16) To call upon available staff members as well as other experts for technical advice.

(17) To testify before all boards and commissions on any matter affecting historically and architecturally significant property, structures, and areas.

(18) To investigate and recommend incentive programs to encourage historic preservation.

(19) To review all Township licensed or funded physical development projects affecting designated or proposed Historic Sites or Districts, or which may have demonstrable effects on designated or proposed Historic Sites or Districts.

(20) To oversee periodic inspections of all designated Historic Sites and Districts for violations of this Chapter, and to request that the Building Department require the correction of the violations.

(21) To develop a preservation component in the Master Plan of the Township of Canton and to recommend it to the Planning Commission and to the Board.

(22) To periodically review the Zoning Ordinance and to recommend to the Planning Commission and the Board any amendments appropriate for the protection and continued use of Historic Sites and Districts.

(23) To undertake any other action or activity necessary or appropriate to the implementation of its powers duties or to implementation of the purpose of this chapter.

120.005 - SECTION V: PROCEDURE FOR DESIGNATION OF HISTORIC SITES AND DISTRICTS

(a) NOMINATION:

(1) Nominations shall be made to the Commission on a form prepared by it and may be submitted by a member of the Commission, the owner, or any other person or organization. A copy of the completed form shall also be filed with the Department.

(2) Nominations for individual sites must have the written consent of the owners. Nominations for a Historic District must have consent of at least one of the owners within the district, but the district shall not be designated if 51 percent or more of the owners within the district object in writing to designation. Consent shall be indicated by signature on the nomination form.

(b) CRITERIA FOR CONSIDERATION OF NOMINATION

The Commission shall, upon such investigations as it deems necessary, make a determination as to whether a nominated property, structures or area meets one or more of the following criteria:

(1) Its character, interest, or value as part of the development, heritage, or cultural characteristics of the community, county, state, or country.

(2) Its location as a site of a significant local, county, state, or national event.

(3) Its identification with a person or persons who significantly contributed to the development of the community, county, state or country.

(4) Its embodiment of distinguishing characteristics of an architectural style valuable for the study of a period, type, method of construction, or use of indigenous materials.

(5) Its identification as the work of a master builder, designer, architect, or landscape architect whose individual work has influenced the development of the community, county, state, or country.

(6) Its embodiment of architectural features (detailing, materials, or craftsmanship) that render it architecturally or structurally significant or innovative.

(7) Its unique location or singular physical characteristics that make it an established or familiar visual feature.

(8) Its character as a particularly fine or unique example of a utilitarian structure, including, but not limited to commercial structures, with a high level of integrity or architectural significance.

(9) Its suitability for preservation or restoration.

Any structure, property, or area that meets one or more of the above criteria shall also have sufficient integrity of location, design, materials, and workmanship to make it worthy of preservation or rehabilitation.

(c) REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION OF COMMISSION:

The Commission shall within forty-three (43) days from receipt of a completed nomination in proper form adopt by resolution a recommendation that the nominated property, structure or area does or does not meet the criteria for designation. The recommendation shall be accompanied by a report to the Planning Commission and Board containing the following information:

(1) Explanation of the significance or lack of significance of the nominated Historic Site or District as it relates to the criteria for designation.

(2) Explanation of the integrity or lack of integrity of the nominated Historic Site or District.

(3) The significant exterior architectural features of the structures within the nominated Historic Site or District that should be protected.

(4) The relationship of the nominated Historic Site or District to the ongoing effort of the Commission to identify and nominate all potential areas and structures that meet the criteria for designation.

(5) A map showing the location and the boundaries of the nominated Historic Site or District.

(6) Documentation showing ownership and consent of present owner.

(d) REVIEW AND REPORT OF DEPARTMENT

The Department shall within twenty two (22) days from receipt of the Commission's Report and Recommendation, prepare a report as to the effect of designation. In its review, the Department shall consider such matters as the relationship between the establishment of the proposed Historic Site or District and the Master Plan; the effects on adjacent properties; the practical budgetary effects on Township resources; and the legal implications for the owners, residents, and the Township.

(e) NOTIFICATION OF NOMINATION HEARING

The Board shall schedule a public hearing on the nomination to be held within twenty-nine (29) days following receipt of the reports and recommendations from the Commission and Department. Notice of the date, time, place, and purpose of the public hearing and a copy of the completed nomination form shall be sent by regular mail to the owner (s) and to the nominators, as well as to property owners within three hundred (300) feet of the premises in question, as well as the occupants or building managers within (300) feet of the premises. The public hearing shall be held no sooner than seven (7), nor more than twenty-one (21) calendar days from the time the notice is mailed. Notice shall also be published in a newspaper having general circulation in the township. The notice shall state the street address and legal description or boundaries of a nominated Historic Site or District.

(f) PUBLIC HEARING:

Oral or written testimony concerning the significance of the nominated Historic Site or District shall be taken at the public hearing from any person concerning the nomination. The Commission and Department may present expert testimony or present its own evidence regarding the compliance of the nominated Historic Site or District with the criteria for consideration of a nomination. The owner of any nominated Site or District or of any property within a nominated District shall be allowed reasonable opportunity to present all relevant evidence and shall be afforded the right of representation by counsel and a reasonable opportunity to cross-examine all witnesses. The hearing shall be closed upon completion of the testimony.

(g) ACTION BY BOARD:

Within twenty-nine (29) days following the close of the public hearing, the Board shall either reject the recommendation by resolution or designate the Historic Site or District by an ordinance.

The Clerk shall provide written notification of the action of the Board by regular mail to the nominator, and the owner (s) of the nominated Site or District or of all property within a nominated Historic Site or District. The notice shall include a copy of the designation ordinance or resolution passed by the Board and shall be sent within eight (8) days of the Board action. A copy of each designation ordinance shall be sent to the Commission, the Building Department, and the Department.

(i) THE DESIGNATION ORDINANCE:

Upon designation, the Historic Site or District shall be classified as a "District H-Historic." The official zoning map of the township shall be amended to show the location of the district.

(j) AMENDMENT AND RESCISSION OF DESIGNATION:

Designation may be amended or rescinded upon petition to the Commission and compliance with the same procedure and according to the same criteria for designation.

120.006 SECTION VI: CERTIFICATES OF APPROPRIATENESS

(a) REQUIREMENT:

A Certificate of Appropriateness shall be required before any work is commenced within a proposed or designated Historic Site or District. Applicants may be required to submit plans, drawings, elevations, specifications, and other information as may be necessary to make decisions.

(b) APPLICATION:

Every application for a Certificate of Appropriateness, including the accompanying plans and specifications, affecting the exterior architectural features of a designated Historic Site or District shall be forwarded by the Building Department to the Commission within eight (8) days following receipt of the application by the Building Department. The Building Department shall not issue a permit until a Certificate of Appropriateness has been issued by the Commission. Any applicant may request a meeting with the Commission before the application is sent by the Building Department to the Commission or during the review of the application. Application for review of work not requiring a building permit for which a Certificate of Appropriateness is required shall be made on a form prepared by the Commission.

(c) REVIEW:

The Commission shall consider the completed application at its next regular meeting, unless the applicant agrees to a later date. The Commission may establish a subcommittee of five of its

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members to review routine applications for a Certificate of Appropriateness when delay to the next regular meeting would create an unnecessary inconvenience to the applicant. A Certificate of Appropriateness may be issued prior to the next regular meeting upon the signatures of four of the members of the subcommittee. The Commission may confer with the applicant, the Building Department and staff of the Department.

(d) DETERMINATION:

The Commission shall review the application for a Certificate of Appropriateness and issue or deny the Certificate of Appropriateness within forty-three (43) days of receipt of the application. Written notice of the approval or denial of the application for a Certificate of Appropriateness shall be provided the applicant and the Building Department within eight (8) days following the determination and shall be accompanied by a Certificate of Appropriateness in the case of an approval. The Commission shall determine:

- (1) Whether the proposed work will be appropriate for the Historic Site or District, in which case the Commission will issue a Certificate of Appropriateness.
- (2) Whether the proposed work will be inappropriate for the Historic Site or District, but is without substantial detriment to the public welfare and without substantial derogation from the intents and purposes of this Chapter, and where denial of the application will result in undue financial hardship to the applicant, in which case the Commission may, in lieu of a Certificate of Appropriateness, issue a Notice to Proceed.
- (3) Whether the proposed work will be inappropriate for the Historic Site of District, in which case the Commission will issue a denial.

(e) DENIAL:

A denial of a Certificate of Appropriateness shall be accompanied by a statement of the reasons for the denial. The Commission shall make recommendation to the applicant concerning changes, if any, in the proposed work that would cause the Commission to reconsider its denial and shall confer with the applicant and attempt to resolve as quickly as possible the differences between the applicant and the Commission. The applicant may resubmit an amended application or reapply for a permit that takes into consideration the recommendations of the Commission.

(f) STANDARDS FOR REVIEW:

In considering an application for Certificate of Appropriateness, the Commission shall be guided by the Standards for Rehabilitation prepared by the United States Secretary of the Interior, which are as follows:

- (1) Every reasonable effort shall be made to provide a compatible use for a property that requires minimal alteration of the structure and its environment, or to use a property for its originally intended purpose.
- (2) The distinguishing original qualities or character of a structure and its environment shall not be destroyed. The removal or alteration of any historic material or distinctive architectural feature should be avoided when possible.
- (3) All structures and sites shall be recognized as products of their own time. Alterations that have no historical basis and that seek to create an earlier appearance shall be discouraged.
- (4) Changes that may have taken place in the course of time are evidence of the history and development of a building, structure, or site and its environment. These changes may have acquired significance in their own right, and this significance shall be recognized and respected.
- (5) Distinctive stylistic features or examples of skilled craftsmanship that characterize a structure or site shall be treated with sensitivity.
- (6) Deteriorated architectural features shall be repaired rather than replaced, wherever possible. In the event replacement is necessary, the new material should match the material being replaced in composition, design, color, texture, and other visual qualities. Repair or replacement of missing architectural features should be based on accurate duplication of features, substantiated by historical, physical, or pictorial evidence, rather than on conjectural designs or the availability of different architectural elements from other buildings or structures.
- (7) The surface cleaning of structures shall be undertaken with the gentlest means possible. Sandblasting and other cleaning methods that will damage the historic building materials shall not be undertaken.
- (8) Every reasonable effort shall be made to protect and preserve archaeological resources affected by, or adjacent to, any project.
- (9) Contemporary design for alterations and additions to existing properties shall not be discouraged when such alterations and additions do not destroy significant historical, architectural, or cultural material, and such design is compatible with the size, scale, color, material, and character of the property, neighborhood, or environment.
- (10) Wherever possible, new additions or alterations to structures shall be done in such a manner that if such additions or alterations were to be removed in the future, the essential form and integrity of the structure would be unimpaired.

(g) EMERGENCY APPROVAL:

If it is determined by the Building Official that work is immediately necessary for the protection of public health and safety, the Building Official may issue a building permit for the necessary work and then immediately notify the Commission of that action.

(h) REQUIRED APPROVAL:

Pursuant to Michigan Public Act No. 169 of 1970, as amended, an application for repair or alteration affecting the exterior appearance of an historic structure, or for its relocation or demolition, shall be approved by the Commission if any of the following conditions prevail and if, in the opinion of the Commission, the proposed change will materially improve or correct these conditions:

- (1) The structure constitutes a hazard to the safety of the public or the occupants.
- (2) The structure is a deterrent to a major improvement program which will be of substantial benefit to the community. Substantial benefit shall be found only if the improvement program includes adequate funding commitments and is otherwise feasible.
- (3) Retention of the structure would cause undue financial hardship to the owner. Undue financial hardship shall be found only if the owner has made all reasonable efforts to avoid financial hardship, including sale of the structure, for a period of one (1) year minimum.
- (4) Retention of the structure would not be in the interest of the majority of the community.

(i) FAILURE OF COMMISSION TO ACT:

The failure of the Commission to approve or disapprove of work plans within forty three (43) days from the receipt of a completed application for the building permit, unless otherwise mutually agreed upon by the applicant and the Commission, shall be deemed to constitute approval and the Building Department shall proceed to process the application without a Certificate of Appropriateness from the Commission.

(j) INSPECTION OF WORK:

After the Certificate of Appropriateness has been issued to the applicant the Building Official or a representative shall inspect the work approved by such Certificate, in accordance with the procedures established by the Building Department.

(k) DEMOLITION OR RELOCATION OF HISTORIC STRUCTURES:

The demolition or relocation of structures designated as Historic shall be discouraged. The Commission shall not issue a Certificate of Approval for demolition except when deemed a hazard to public health or safety by a responsible public agency, but may issue such a Certificate for relocating such a structure. When a building is relocated, every effort shall be made to reestablish its historic orientation and general environment.

(l) NOTICE TO HISTORICAL SOCIETY

If the Commission approves plans for demolition, it shall notify the Canton Historical Society so that body may consult with the owner about obtaining anything of historic significance from the property.

120.007 SECTION VII: CERTIFICATE OF ECONOMIC HARDSHIP

(a) APPLICATIONS:

Application for a Certificate of Economic Hardship shall be made by the owner on a form prepared by the Commission. The Commission shall schedule a public hearing concerning the application and provide notice in the same manner as in Section V (e) of this Chapter, and any person may testify at the hearing concerning economic hardship in the same manner as provided by Section V (f) of this ordinance.

(b) FACTORS:

The Commission may solicit expert testimony or require that the applicant for a Certificate of Economic Hardship make submissions concerning any or all of the following information before it makes a determination on the application.

- (1) Estimate of the cost of the proposed construction, alteration, demolition, or relocation and an estimate of any additional cost that would be incurred to comply with the recommendations of the Commission for changes necessary for the issuance of Certificate of Appropriateness.
- (2) A report from a licensed engineer or architect with experience in rehabilitation as to the structural soundness of any structures on the property and their suitability for rehabilitation.
- (3) Estimated market value of the property in its current condition; after completion of the proposed construction, alteration, demolition, or relocation; after any changes recommended by the Commission; and, in the case of a proposed demolition, after renovation of the existing property for continued use.
- (4) In the case of a proposed demolition, an estimate from an architect, developer, real estate consultant, appraiser, or other real estate professional experience in rehabilitation, as to the economic feasibility of rehabilitation or reuse of the existing structure on the property.
- (5) Amount paid for the property, the date of purchase, and the party from whom purchased, including a description of the relationship, if any, between the owner of record or applicant and the person from whom the property was purchased, and any terms of financing between the seller and buyer.
- (6) If the property is income-producing, the annual gross income from the property for the previous two years, itemized operating and maintenance expenses for the previous two years; and depreciation deduction and annual cash flow before and after debt service, if any, during the same period.
- (7) Remaining balance on any mortgage or other financing secured by the property and annual debt service, if any, for the previous two years.
- (8) All appraisals obtained within the previous two years by the owner or applicant in connection with the purchase, financing, or ownership of the property.
- (9) Any listing of the property for sale or rent, price asked and offers received, if any, within the previous two years.
- (10) Assessed value of the property according to the two most recent assessments.
- (11) Real estate taxes for the previous two years.
- (12) Form of ownership or operation of the property, whether sole proprietorship, for-profit, or not-for-profit corporation, limited partnership, joint venture, or other.
- (13) Any other information, including the income tax bracket of the owner, applicant, or principal investors in the property, considered necessary by the Commission to a determination as to whether the property does yield or may yield a reasonable return to the owners.

(c) DETERMINATION:

The Commission shall review all the evidence and information required of an applicant for a Certificate of Economic Hardship and make a determination within forty-three (43) days of receipt of the application whether the denial of a Certificate of Appropriateness has deprived, or will deprive, the owner of the property of reasonable use of, or economic return on, the property. Written notice of the determination shall be provided in the same manner as required by Section V (g) of the Chapter.

120.008 SECTION VIII: TOWNSHIP-ASSISTED PROJECTS

(a) NOTICE TO COMMISSION:

The head of any Township agency having direct or indirect jurisdiction over a proposed Township or Township-assisted physical development project and the head of any Township agency or authority or corporation established by the Township having power to finance, authorize or contract for any physical development shall, prior to authorization or approval, take into account the effect of the proposed project on any designated or proposed Historic Site or District. If the proposed project is within or immediately adjacent to a designated or proposed Historic Site or District, the responsible agency or authority or corporation shall so advise the Commission for information on the proposed project.

(b) COMMISSION REVIEW AND REPORT:

The Commission shall determine the demonstrable effects of the proposed project and report same to the Board within sixty-four (64) days of being advised of the proposed project by the responsible agency, authority or corporation. Nothing in this section shall be construed to require a delay or interruption in project activities pending completion of the Commission's review and report. However, nothing in this section shall be construed to diminish the rights and powers held by the Board with respect to such project activities.

(c) STANDARD OF REVIEW:

A Township financed, licensed, permitted, authorized or contracted physical development project shall be considered to have a demonstrable effect on a designated or proposed Historic Site or District when any condition of the project creates a change, beneficial or adverse, in the quality of the historic, architectural, archaeological, social, or cultural character that qualified the property for designation as an Historic Site or District or may qualify the property for designation as an Historic Site or District. Generally, adverse effects occur under conditions which include:

- (1) Destruction or alteration of all or part of a property.
- (2) Isolation from or alteration of its surrounding environment.
- (3) Introduction of visual, audible, or atmospheric elements that are out of character with the property and its setting.
- (4) Transfer or sale of a Township-owned property without adequate conditions or restrictions regarding preservation, maintenance, or use.
- (5) Neglect of property resulting in its deterioration or destruction.

120.009 SECTION IX: ENFORCEMENT:

(a) COMMISSION PETITION:

If it is determined by the Commission that a structure in an Historic Site or District is being demolished by neglect, the Commission, on its own initiative, and to insure that the structure(s) shall be preserved and protected in consonance with the purposes of this Chapter, may file a petition with the Department requesting that the Building Official require the correction of defects or necessary repairs of the structure(s). After notice to the property owner (s) and an opportunity for a hearing before a disinterested hearing officer, the Building Official may cause the necessary corrections or repairs to be made. The cost, if not paid promptly by the property owner (s), to be reported to the Board of Assessors for levy as a special assessment against the property.

(b) COMPLAINT:

In addition to other enforcement rights created by this Chapter, the requirements of an Historic



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Schools need community input

Now that voters on The Plymouth-Canton Community have let their voices be heard, the long process of reshaping the school district's financial picture can begin.

The full ramifications of the millage increase rejection are not yet clear, nor are the numbers available on the Headlee Amendment rollback, but one thing seems certain -- students in the district will feel the pinch.

Already facing a shortfall of \$2 million in state pupil aid, the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools district, can also expect a millage rollback thanks to the Headlee law.

The amount remains unclear at this date (somewhere around \$2-3 million), forcing district administrators and the Board of Education to play a slow and painful guessing game.

Still, it's not that hard to guess where district spending will be reduced -- in certified staff, textbooks, major (and minor) maintenance, transportation and a myriad of essential and not so essential services and programs.

The district can forget about "maintaining" current programs. It's become obvious that some of those programs will have to be curtailed if not eliminated.

Specific spending cuts or reductions are already on the drawing board. It even looks like Lowell Middle School may be shut down and the

new Hoben Elementary School "mothballed" for another year.

Whether the cuts are great or small in any given area, it is important that public input be sought.

Voters who rejected the millage ballot, critics of the school district, school supporters and other taxpayers, should all make their voices heard one more time while the Board of Education continues its budget deliberations.

Constructive input can only help give the board a better handle on what the community thinks should be saved and what it thinks should be eliminated or reduced.

Budget cuts are never easy and that is especially true in Plymouth-Canton where school district spending is stretched to the limit already.

Residents have grown accustomed to the high quality of education here, and district officials have grown accustomed to offering the kind of programs to support quality education.

It now seems like the community may need to readjust its own expectations and be prepared to accept a lesser standard.

But standards are not always built wholly on the almighty dollar. Since the foundation seems to be already in place, it may be just a matter of shifting the sand so that everything settles evenly.

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'Haunted house' loses lustre

What's next for the much publicized Haunted House of Plymouth?

Jack Wilcox's monument to disrepair will once again come under the scrutiny of city inspectors, so that Wilcox can lease up to five of the house's apartments out to tenants.

No date has yet been scheduled for this round of inspections, although he and City Hall say they're discussing the scheduling.

The Wilcox house was last inspected in 1985. Following another inspection over eight years ago, Wilcox was issued a certified letter in September, 1980 citing peeling paint violations.

In the letter from former Chief Building Inspector Edgar A. Talbot, the proprietor (Wilcox) of 676 Penniman Ave. was told to "Remove all peeling paint from exposed exterior wood around entire building and coat with a suitable wood preservative so as to adequately cover."

The last detail

by Paul Gargaro



What will this inspection demand?

Will he have to repaint, touch up trim, or replace fixtures? It's tough to tell, but it's a safe bet of a year's supply of home improvement materials that inspectors will have a thing or two to say regarding improvements to the house.

Renting out apartments leads one to wonder what Wilcox's plans are for the future of the house.

Has the plan for developing condos at the site fallen through the cracks? According to Wilcox, the status of the house remains unchanged -- whatever that means.

"The status is the same," said Wilcox. "I can't do anything until I know the direction that we're going to go."

Hmmm...

The community, which hosts many festivals beneath the peeling paint, looks forward to the day when that elusive 'direction' is nailed down.

Two major housing projects were proposed for the location -- a senior citizen project and a high-rise condominium -- but neither materialized.

Wilcox's vacillation needs to stop. The future of the Haunted House of Plymouth hangs in the balance.



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Two of the most potholed roads in the Plymouth-Canton Community. Above, Napier Road at Ford Road (in Canton),



and right, Riverside Drive in Plymouth Township. (Crier photo by Chris Farina)

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Community opinions

Vote in August

Cantonites get crack at ordinance

New language may be incorporated into Canton's Merit Ordinance to permit the hiring of a superintendent, and township voters will get a chance to approve or disapprove that language in August.

The proposed ballot has already been sent to Wayne County for approval and was recently unanimously approved by the Canton Board of Trustees.

It would not be an advisory question as originally considered by Canton's Board of Trustees, but a complicated change in the ordinance, which still must be approved by township residents.

The change would permit the hiring of a superintendent to oversee the day to day operations in the township. The township supervisor would be relegated to a more purely decorative role. The supervisor would still have a vote on the board, but running daily operations would be taken out of his or

In the margin

By Ken Voyles

her hands.

The actual proposal would "allow for the hiring of a superintendent by a majority vote of the Township Board to perform certain duties previously performed by the supervisor."

The proposed change would also provide a revised method for appointing and disciplining classified employees of the township.

The resolution approved last week to put the proposal on the ballot said the action was "in the best interest of the Charter Township of Canton."

The amendment would allow a superintendent to perform "all of the

duties and responsibilities prescribed for the supervisor."

In the hectic political twilight that is Canton, the ordinance seems harmless enough on the surface, but looking closer reveals what might be a troubling situation for some.

It's common knowledge Supervisor Jim Poole is against the plan. It's also common knowledge that the trustees have their heart set on gaining control of government in Canton and thereby put the supervisor in his place.

That alone is enough to increase tension to a level where it would be difficult to form a good working

relationship.

Despite recommendations that the township board amend the ordinance before implementing the superintendent form of government, there apparently isn't a clear legal precedent.

The township attorney made that clear in a document dated Feb. 12. The legal experts also suggested making the amendments to the merit ordinance and bringing those before the residents.

It really is a complicated mess, one that the higher ups in Canton have failed to completely explain to the public.

Proponents of the change have said the amendments could help eliminate some of the confusion over the issue. If that's the case, well and good, but if not then maybe someone should tell those folks down in Canton to stop their infighting and get on with the business of running the township.

Come August, voters may have the final say in that.

Plymouth resident praises cop's effort, kindness

EDITOR:

On Wednesday, March 23, at the Community Medical Center, a young lady, a pharmaceutical representative, exited her car and dropped her keys just as she closed the door. The other set of keys was with her husband which

was in Toledo. She told the Medical Assistants of her plight and I called the Plymouth City Police. Officer Rick Webster responded to the call. Officer Webster demonstrated the qualities of a police officer that was impressive to the young lady and to me. He worked constantly for a long time trying to

unlock the door and had a lot of patience.

The lady, told me that her city wouldn't have even answered such a call and she was very much impressed with the Plymouth Police Department and would always remember the

kindness shown her by Officer Rick Webster.

The young lady left in her unlocked car but wanted me to convey to the citizens of Plymouth the courtesy of Officer Rick Webster and the Plymouth City Police Department.
JEAN L. MORROW

Many 'thanks' go to Lorenz

EDITOR:

We of the Mayflower - Lo. Gambler Ladies' Auxiliary to the V.F.W. Post 6695, of Plymouth, wish to thank Ralph Lorenz and the Mayflower Hotel, the Cozy Cafe, Tangerine Beauty Salon, and The Community

Crier for their gracious help in making our Fashion Show a success.

We also appreciate the help of the people in the Plymouth Community for their patronage of our Fashion Show.

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Geer is appreciative

EDITOR:

We would like to publicly express our gratitude to the administration, staff and students at Livonia Middle School for their recent support of the Geer School pencil sale. A total of \$426 was raised for the restoration of Geer. Over 1,700 pencils were purchased over a four day period.

A special thanks to the top three classes! Ms. Storey's and Ms. Meredith's seventh grade homerooms and Ms. Springman's sixth grade homeroom. Domino's #1110 on Joy Road donated a pizza party for the

winning homeroom - Ms. Storey's group of students. We appreciate the arrangements made by Greg Everson, assistant manager and owner Eric Everson.

The community support of our project is greatly appreciated. Additional fundraisers have been planned for the benefit for the Geer Restoration. News will be coming soon on these events.

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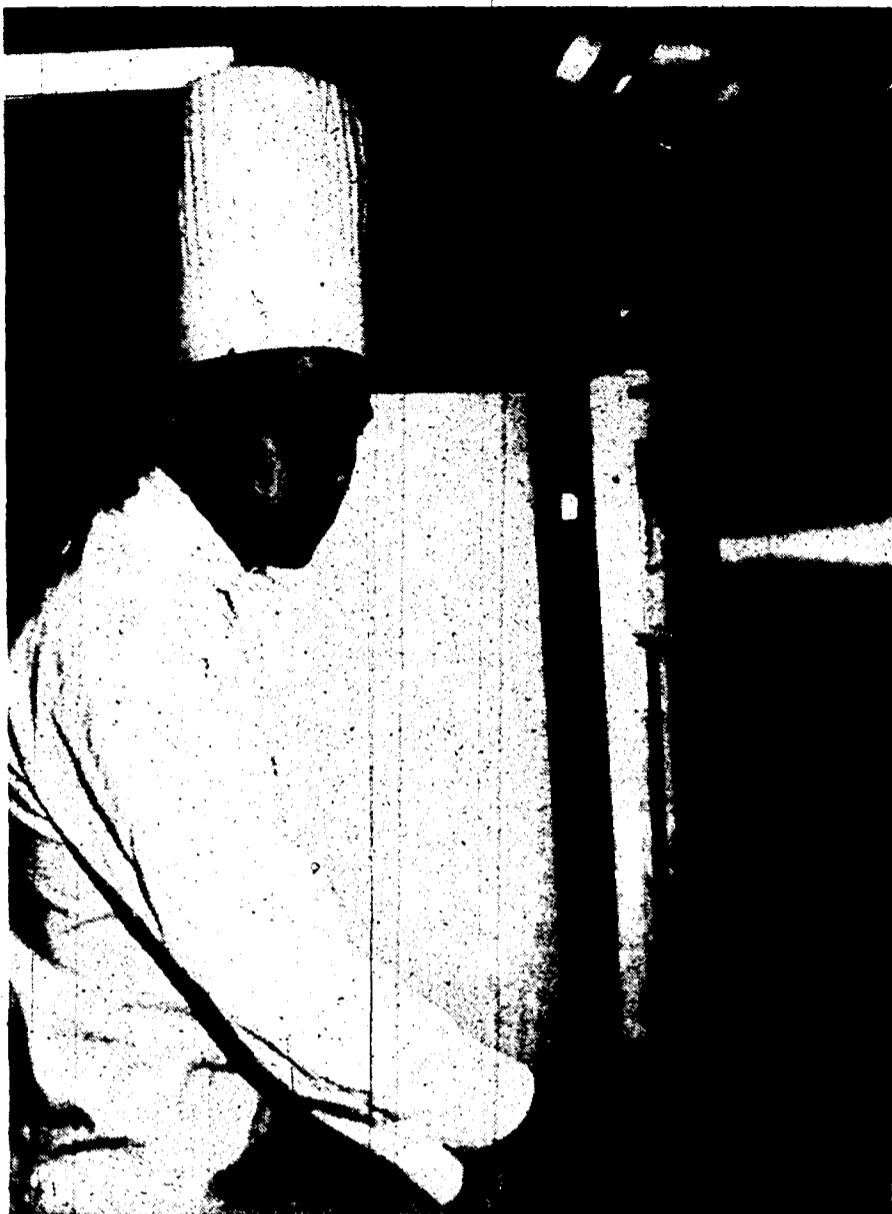
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Friends & Neighbors



James Bair, of Plymouth Township, recently showed off his cooking skills winning the college category of the 15th Annual Hospitality Industry Culinary Arts Salon. (Crier photo by Chris Farina)

Twp. resident cooks his way to excellence

BY PAUL GARGARO

Things are cookin' for Plymouth Township resident James Bair, Jr.

Last Sunday, Bair showed what a pinch of elbow grease and a measure of desire could do by capturing the best of show in the college category during the 15th annual Hospitality Industry Culinary Arts Salon at Oakland Community College.

A fourth-semester cooking student at OCC, Bair impressed the judges with an artistic display of pates, galantines, terrines, and decorated eggs.

Originally from Pittsburg, Bair started cooking in a vocational school program, which he enrolled in to cut down on the number of hours spent in the high school classroom.

Moving to Plymouth Township, Bair continued to study the culinary arts and attributes much of his inspiration to Salem teacher Carie Gary, who helped him land a job in the kitchen at the Round Table in Plymouth.

Bair has also worked under the Master Chef at Southfield's Golden Mushroom.

In the future, the 19-year-old Bair hopes to be a certified chef by the time he turns 26. He's currently accumulating points toward his certification with food shows, work in restaurants, and public service.

While Bair loves to cook, he is quick to admit that it does have its drawbacks.

"There's a lot of pressure and stress working in a kitchen," said Bair. "Doing this as a profession is a lot different than doing it at home. Even if you're doing your best cooking, you're getting screamed at constantly."

For Bair, last Sunday was his first major competition, but he plans on entering a bigger competition in Chicago this May.

Meanwhile, at home, mom still does the cooking and that's okay with Bair.

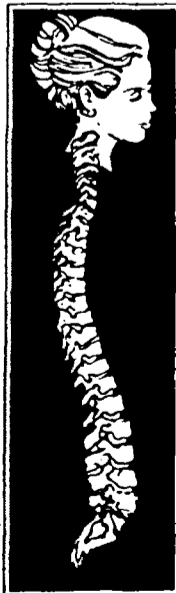
Ness, the champ

Dawn Ness, of Northville, and representing The Oral Majority Toastmasters Club of Plymouth, won the 1988 Area 14 Championship for her evaluation speech from a field of nine club champions in Wayne and Oakland Counties.

Ness will compete in the Division C Contest of Toastmasters International District 28 at the Mayflower Hotel in Plymouth on April 30 against five other area champions.

Marc Sullivan, of the Toastmasters, said the members of the group hope Ness can live up her nickname "The Untouchable."

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Tell it to Phyllis

By Phyllis Redfern



Many thoughts drifted through my mind Sunday night as I drove back from Lansing. For one thing, I was glad it was raining and not snowing. It was one of those nights that wouldn't do much good to be in a hurry. The traffic was bumper to bumper, sailing along at about 45 m.p.h. It was windy but not raining that hard.

Since there wasn't much I could do about it, I decided to just go with the flow. All I had to do was find a good station on the radio, relax and simply drive along with the traffic. Just as I was beginning to relax, some jerk behind me decided to ride my bumper with his bright lights on. Excuse me, but I don't happen to enjoy zooming along at 45 m.p.h. on a freeway anymore than anyone else. With both lanes filled with cars, I don't know what the inconsiderate jerk wanted me to do, but since I was in the right hand lane, he could have at least tried to go around.

After about 10 minutes, the car next to me (they must have had to endure some of the brightness) slowed and let bright lights go in front of them. They proceeded to return the favor until our friend found the dimmer switch.

It was Easter and I'm sure everyone was tired and wanted to get home. I wasn't excited about having to drive an extra 10 or 15 minutes longer either; but since there wasn't any choice why make everyone around you miserable? Those dumb lights didn't do much for my eyes or my mood.

After the bright lights were out of my eyes, it wasn't a bad drive. The drive over in the morning was fun (the kid and I had a chance to talk about a lot of things.) In fact, it was a nice holiday weekend. I enjoyed having the kids and their friends around decorating eggs and playing cards.

It wasn't worth letting one inconsiderate driver try to spoil a special weekend. However, I have to admit I had visions of driving a James Bond car where I could push a button and a special gun would appear on the back of my car and blast those stupid bright lights.



Area students named to the Academic Achievement List at Siena Heights College in Adrian are: Jean Bologna of Appletree in Plymouth; and Dan Wilson (4.0) of Brookview Court; Marilyn Konchel (4.0) of Wagon Wheel; and Anthony Darryl James of Honeycomb Circle in Canton



Lisa Maggio, daughter of Richard and Kathleen Maggio of Concord in Plymouth, was one of 60 M.S.U. students included in the 1988 edition of "Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities."



Kevin Fielman of Plymouth was named to the Dean's List at the University of South Carolina. He is a junior majoring in Marine Science.



Airman Jennifer Varana, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Varana of Montfort in Canton, graduated from Air Force basic Training at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas. She is a 1987 graduate of Salem High School.



Congressman Carl D. Pursell nominated the following students to military academies: Christopher Finerty of Leicester (Air Force Academy at Colorado Springs); and John Shevlin of Arrowhead Court (Naval Academy at Annapolis).

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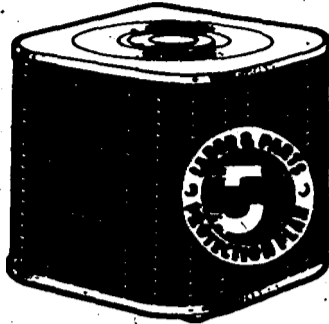
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LEGION BUSINESS MTG

The American Legion, Passage-Gayde Post 391 will hold its business meeting on April 14 at 173 N. Main St. at 7:30 p.m. For information call Commander Van Boven at 453-7629. Veterans who are in need of assistance are encouraged to call.

STUDENT RECITAL

A student recital featuring music department students at Madonna College will be held on Sunday, April 10 at 3:30 p.m. in Kresge Hall. The recital is free and open to the public. For information call 591-5177.

ANNUAL SPRING CONCERT

The Madonna College Choral will present its annual Spring Concert on April 24 at 7:30 p.m. in Kresge Hall. The choral is composed of Madonna music students and community volunteers. The concert is open to the public, free of charge. For details call 591-5097.

PIONEERS SENIOR CLUB

The Pioneers Senior Club of Canton meets every Friday at 12:30 p.m. at the Canton Recreation Center on Michigan Avenue. New members are welcome. Call 397-1000, ext. 278 for further information.

STORYTIME REGISTRATION

Storytime registration for May at the Dunning-Hough Library will be held April 28 at 10 a.m. for preschoolers and April 26 at 10 a.m. for toddlers. The first sessions begin May 3 and 5. Call 453-0750 for details.

SPRING ELM SPRAYING

Beginning the week of April 11, the City of Plymouth Department of Public Works will begin spring spraying of city Elm trees. Residents are asked to keep their vehicles off the streets for at least two weeks. Spraying will take place from 4-9 a.m. Call 453-1234 for further information.

TAX ASSISTANCE SESSION

The final tax assistance sessions before the April 15 filing deadline is set for Saturday, April 9 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Canton Public Library. Representatives from the Internal Revenue Service will help with individual tax returns on a first come, first serve basis. Call 397-0999 to make a reservation.

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING

Catherine McAuley Health Center will offer free blood pressure screenings from 3-5 p.m. on April 25 in the Arbor Health Building in Plymouth. For more information call 455-1908.

ART DISPLAY

The Collector's Shop in the City of Plymouth is displaying paintings by members of the Three Cities Art Club. Currently on display are works by Joan Baker and Jean Bologna. Okema Lee and Florence Hirschmann will follow in April.

PARENT SUPPORT GROUP

The Parent Support Group of the Steppingstone Center for the Potentially Gifted Children will meet at 7:30 p.m. on April 24 for a round table discussion on self-esteem. Admission is \$3 per person or \$5 per couple. Call Kiyo Morse at 455-4343 for information.

ANTIQUe APPRAISINg

DuMouchelle Galleries will be appraising antique items at the Plymouth Historical Museum on April 20 from 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. There is a limit of four hand carried items per person, with a \$4 charge per item. Call 455-8940 for details or to set up an appointment.

BETHANY SUPPORT GROUP

Bethany Plymouth-Canton is a Support Group for the Divorced, Separated and the Widowed. It will meet on April 16 at 8 p.m. in St. Kenneths. There is a \$3 charge. The speaker is Lois Wolfe-Morgan on people management. Call 421-1708.

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 The American Red Cross Bloodmobile will be at the Metropolitan 7th Day Adventist Church in Plymouth on April 11 from 3-9 p.m. and at the St. John Episcopal Church in Plymouth on April 18 from 2-8 p.m. Call 522-2059 for an appointment on April 11 and call 459-0127 for an appointment on April 18. The Bloodmobile will also be at the Plymouth Elks on April 20. Call 459-2206 for an appointment.

CARDIAC REHAB GROUP
 The Cardiac Rehabilitation Spouse Support Group will meet at 7 p.m. on April 26 in the Arbor Health Building in Plymouth. Families and friends of those who have heart problems are welcome. Call 455-1908.

CHILD CARE OPEN HOUSE
 The Schoolcraft College Child Care Center is hosting an Open House on April 11 from 7-9 p.m. Tours of the center will be provided and refreshments served. Parents with questions should call 591-6400, ext. 365.

HEALTH SCREENINGS FOR KIDS
 Routine pediatric hearing, vision and blood pressure screenings will be offered by the University of Michigan M-CARE Health Center on April 8 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Children aged four and up can receive the free medical screenings. Call 459-0820 to make a reservation.

RUNNING A SMALL BUSINESS
 The Wayne State University School of Business is offering a free workshop in Plymouth on Thursday, April 7 at 7 p.m. on "How to Start or Run a Small Business." Call 577-4354 to make a reservation.

SPRING SHOW AND SALE
 The Annual Spring Judged Show and Sale of the Three Cities Art Club will be held at the Gallery (269 N. Main St.) on April 9-10. Hours are 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Saturday and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Sunday. Admission is free. There will be door prizes and a raffle (for a painting). Call 455-7263.

SPRING GARAGE SALE
 The Annual Spring Garage Sale is set for April 30 in the Plymouth Gathering. The annual event is sponsored by the Plymouth-Canton Civitans. Donation items are still needed. Call 425-2935, 459-4609, 453-8341 or 453-7569.

SENIORS OPEN HOUSE
 The Senior Citizens Current Events Group of Plymouth and Canton will host an Open House for any seniors interested in participating in the group on Friday, April 15 at 3 p.m. The group meets every Friday from 1-4 p.m. in the Plymouth Cultural Center.

MEALS ON WHEELS
 The Meals on Wheels Program has recently expanded its services in Plymouth. Call Louise at 453-9703, at Tonquish Creek Manor, between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m., for information.

ANNUAL RUMMAGE SALE
 The Our Lady of Good Counsel annual Rummage Sale is set for Thursday, April 6 in the school gym. The sale runs from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. There is a bag sale at 4 p.m. also. Donations of usable items accepted at the gym on April 4-5 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

SOFTBALL OPENINGS AVAILABLE
 Canton's Parks and Recreation Dept. still has openings in its mens and womens softball leagues. Interested teams should call 397-5110 for registration and entry fee information.

WEST CELEBRATES 25TH
 On April 22 from 7-9 p.m. West Middle School will host an open house and program welcoming back all former students, teachers, parents, employees and other residents. The program is to celebrate the school's 25th anniversary.

SPRING FARM PROGRAM
 The Plymouth District Library invites children ages six to 10 to attend a Spring Farm Program on Tuesday April 19 from 4:30-5:30 p.m. Program features farm stories, slides, songs and more. Registration begins April 11 and runs to April 16. To register, or for information, call 453-0750.

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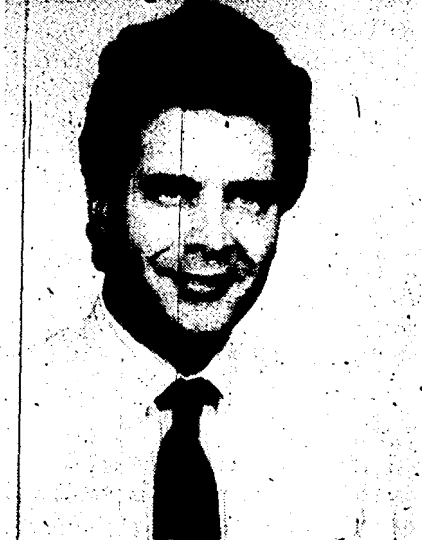
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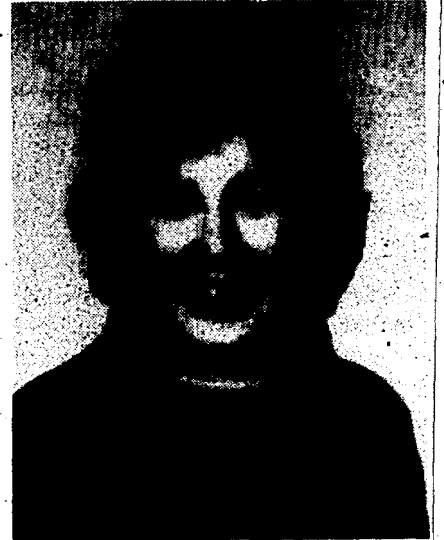
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Four elected to Credit Union Board

The results of the Community Federal Credit Union's annual Board of Directors election were announced recently at the Credit Union's Annual Meeting.

The local credit center is located at 500 S. Harvey in Plymouth.

Elected to three year terms were Bill Demray, of Northville, Phyllis Redfern, of Canton, Dan Herriman and Tish Reese, of Plymouth.

Also serving on the Community Federal's Board are Mary Beth Leininger, Don Skinner, and Ron Griffith, of Plymouth; Ron Carlson and Ken Gruebel, of Canton; and John Genitti and James

Roth, of Northville.

Serving as officers on the board are Dan Herriman, president; Ron Griffith, vice-president; and Ron Carlson, secretary-treasurer.

Community Federal serves more than 25,000 members throughout Plymouth, Canton, Northville and the counties of Otsego and Montmorency. The Credit Union Board of Directors are nominated and elected by members of the Credit Union.



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WSU to host workshop

The Wayne State University School of Business will host a free workshop in Plymouth on "How to Start or Run a Small Business."

The seminar, set for Thursday (April 7), will be held at the Plymouth Hilton. The program begins at 7 p.m.

The two-hour session is open to the public. Call 577-4354 to make a reservation.

The workshop will cover such items as the 10 hottest business for 1988, how to slash your taxes, the 20 biggest pitfalls of starting and running a small business, and how to start on very little cash.

The workshop will also include all of the latest tax law changes.

Business people

Keim Group, Ltd., has inducted 350 agents into the Earl Keim Million Dollar Club. Agents sold at least \$1 million of residential real estate in 1987 to be eligible for membership.

The new members were recently honored at a luncheon at the Fairlane Club in Dearborn.

The Keim Group, Ltd. has close to 100 real estate offices throughout Michigan and Florida. A subsidiary of

the Mt. Clemens-based Central Holding Company, Keim had a sales volume of \$1.1 billion over the past year.

The following agents from Earl Keim Realty-South, Inc., located in Plymouth, were among those inducted into the Earl Keim Million Dollar Club: Roger Davis, Diane Keeskes, Rose Houle, Jeannine Dunn, Phillip Stapleton, Doug Mason, and George Breck.

Plymouth resident, Henry C. Seavitt was appointed as a vice president of corporate services by Manufacturers National Bank of Detroit.

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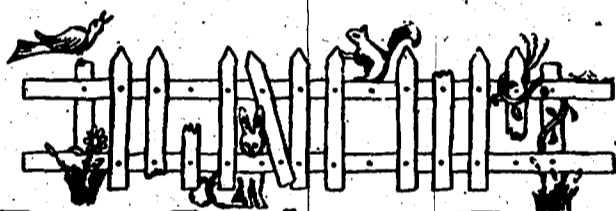
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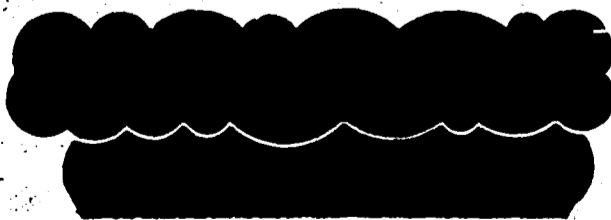
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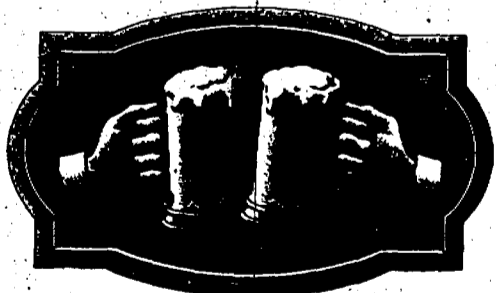
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'Santa' Reaves honored by friends

BY KEN VOYLES

Gene "Santa" Reaves, a longtime Canton resident and famous local Santa Claus, will be honored next Wednesday in the City of Westland.

That Wednesday (April 13) will be proclaimed Gene "Santa" Reaves Day. There will be a reception for Reaves from noon to 12:30 p.m. in the Willow Creek Apartments Clubhouse.

Westland Mayor Charles T. Griffin will present Reaves, 86, with a proclamation and honor him for having chosen the city as his new home.

There will also be a film and musical program on Reaves' illustrious career



GENE REAVES

as Santa followed by refreshments. Supporters who would like to make their Gene "Santa" Reaves Christmas Fund donation can do so at the party.

"We are proud he has chosen our community for his home," said Griffin.

Reaves, who lived in Canton since the early 1960s before recently moving to Westland, was the first Hudson's Thanksgiving Day Parade Santa. He played that part for nine years.

At one point during his career Reaves made an appearance on the old T.V. show "To Tell the Truth."

But mostly Reaves has been known

for his giving spirit and his willingness to help those less fortunate than himself.

Fred McMurray, a longtime friend of Reaves, called him a "very unique human being."

"The guy's heart has been in giving all of his life," McMurray added.

Besides his own projects, Reaves has also been active in the Goodfellows, the Foster Grandparent programs, and providing the needy with Christmas cheer.

And, for fun, ask him about his autograph collection sometime.

Health testing offered

Project Health-O-Rama runs April 5-29 at a variety of locations throughout southeastern Michigan, including in The Plymouth-Canton Community.

The annual health project provides a wide range of free testing for residents, including height and weight, vision, glaucoma, and blood pressure.

Counseling and referral services are also available along with colorectal cancer screening kits, and a blood panel kit.

All of the tests are conducted by health professionals and results are kept confidential.

Testing will be held at St. John Neumann Church in Canton on April 7 from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. and at the Henry Ford Medical Center-Plymouth on April 23 from 8 a.m. to noon.

Also, in Canton, testing is available on April 10 at the Henry Ford Medical Center-Canton. That testing runs from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

For further information call the project hotline at 424-8600.

Fisher sentenced to life

Charles Fisher, the 47-year-old Canton resident found guilty of smothering his wife Ella Marie with duct tape recently, was sentenced on Friday.

Fisher, a scientist and former Fullbright professor, was sentenced to life imprisonment without the possibility of parole for first degree murder.

Fisher claimed that his wife was killed by unidentified intruders who also tied him up in his Canton home. Two weeks ago he was found guilty of the crime in Wayne County Circuit Court.

Fisher's attorneys have said they plan to appeal the decision.

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Places to be

Art club ready for spring show and sale

The Annual Spring Judged Show and Sale of the Three Cities Art Club will be held at the Gallery, 269 N. Main St. on Saturday and Sunday, April 9-10.

Hours are 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Saturday and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Sunday.

Marilyn Finkel, professor of art history and chairperson of the Art Department of Oakland Community College, will judge the show.

Door prizes will be given away and a painting by one of the artists will be raffled off. Admission to the show and sale is free.

Among the club members who will have their works on display

are Wallace Bilyeau, Jean Bologna, Jane Clinton, Andrea DeZell, Kay Fill, Florence Hirschmann, Dorothy Koliba, Okema Lee, Betty Manthey, Lucille McKenzie and Jean Ritchey, all of Plymouth. Nicanor Lopez and Yolanda Menchaca, of Canton, will also have works on display.

Call 455-7263 for further details.

Student Laureate winners to be honored, published

Young authors from the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools will be honored at the 1987 Laureate Award Night on April 20.

The awards will be presented to outstanding young authors at Field Elementary School beginning at 7 p.m.

The Laureate awards are given to those authors whose work has been submitted for review by teachers and judged according to a criteria of excellence.

Winning efforts will be published in "Laureate Anthology -- Our Best in 1987."

The following students will be honored:

Medal winners (primary division) include Derek Rafalski and Rebecca Knight from Field, and Albert Hamood from Allen Elementary.

A special award for narrative poetry will be presented to Kelli Knight from Field, in addition to special recognition for a poem written by Jason Dwarzski.

Medal winners (intermediate division) include David Knight from Field, Amber Lancaster from Farrand Elementary and Derek Clemens from Allen.

Marie Wilson from Allen will receive a special award for an alphabet book.

Laureate runners-up include Kelly Boyd, Paul Koppin, Melanie Van Hoek, Lucas Woodcock, Piyush

Bharti, Cara Stillings and Jason Summers.

Honorable mentions include: Curt Davidon, Erin Vaquera, David Rosseau, Katherine Garard, Andrea Tripp, Ben Davidson, Lisa Soash, Harry Lee and Kelly Proctor.

PCAC looks ahead to fest

Members of the Plymouth Community Arts Council (PCAC) are knee deep in preparations for the group's annual Arts Award Festival to be held on May 3 at Salem High.

The evening is set aside to honor students who have been chosen as current winners of the various awards given out each year by the PCAC.

An honors band (60 students) and an honors chorus (71 students) will perform that night as well.

Co-Chairpersons Dotty Magee and Judy Lewis said all community friends of the PCAC are invited to attend the first ever awards festival.

For questions call the PCAC at 455-5260. The group is a non-profit organization promoting and serving the arts since 1969.

Garage sale coming

Clean out that basement, attic and garage and get ready for the annual Spring Garage Sale sponsored by the Plymouth-Canton Civitans.

The sale is set for April 30 in the Plymouth Gathering. All profits from the project will go for local community efforts including to help seniors citizens, group homes, Special Olympics and many others.

Donations are still needed for the annual event. Call 425-2935, 459-4609, 453-8341 or 453-7569. Articles will be picked up. (No

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Engagements & Weddings

Langkabel, Cole to marry

Ruth F. Langkabel, of Plymouth, will wed Terry E. Cole in June of 1988.

The bride is the daughter of Leigh A. Langkabel, a life-time Plymouth resident, and the late Ruth E. Langkabel. She graduated from Salem High School in 1982 and is currently employed at AT&T Communication in Plymouth.

The groom is the son of Henrietta Cole, of Belleville, and Gerald Cole, of Taylor. He graduated from Belleville High School in 1978 and is employed with Miesel Sysco Corp. in Canton.



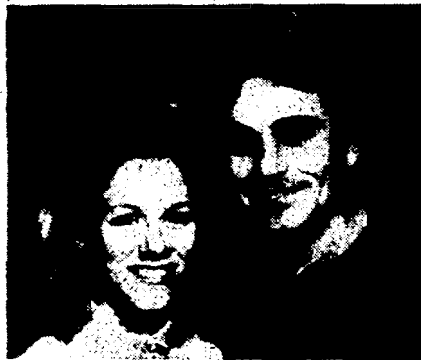
LANGKABEL-COLE

Janiga and Lee to wed

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Janiga, of Canton, announce the engagement of their daughter Patricia to Brian Lee, of Plymouth.

Lee is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Lee Jr.

Both Janiga and Lee are graduates of Canton High School. Janiga is presently a senior at Eastern Michigan University. A June wedding is planned.



JANIGA-LEE

Sturdy and Halpin marry

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Sturdy Jr., of Plymouth, announce the marriage of their daughter Jill Marie to John Halpin, son of Mrs. James Halpin, of Detroit. The marriage was held on Feb. 5.

The bride is a 1984 graduate of Salem High School. She will graduate from Wayne State University in May with a degree in history and journalism, and will enter law school in the fall. She is currently employed as a reporter for the News-Herald newspapers.

The groom graduated from St. Mary's of Redford in 1981. He will graduate in May from Wayne State with a degree in advertising-marketing. He currently is employed as a newspaper advertising representative.



STURDY-HALPIN



Community births

Let's welcome Renee

Renee Marie Wendland was born on Feb. 12 weighing 8 lbs. and 9 ozs.

Renee is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Steven Wendland, of Plymouth. She is the new baby sister of Philip Steven, 13 months.

The proud grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Duaine Uekert, of Oconomowoc, WI, and Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Wendland, of Plymouth. Renee's great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Wendland, of Plymouth, and Mrs. Lydia Uekert, of Edgar, WI.



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Community Deaths

Stormont, Mason member

Noble A. Stormont, 88, of Spring Arbor, died March 13 in Jackson. Services were held on March 16 at the Wetherby Funeral Home with the Rev. Paul Hoffman of Trinity Lutheran Church officiating.

Originally from Plymouth, Mr. Stormont was a member of the Masonic Lodge in Plymouth, the Plymouth Lions Club and the American Chemists Society. He worked for Foote and Jinks Confectionary Company and retired from the Northville Laboratory.

Survivors include: wife Rena M., of Spring Arbor; son John, of Chicago, nephew James Stormont, of Grass Lake; sister-in-law Lena Messersmith, of Dade City, FL; and several great-nieces and nephews.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Michigan Eye Bank through the Plymouth Lions Club.

Schmidt, top tumbler

Eric Donald Schmidt, 17, of Hoffman Estates, IL, died March 28 in Lake County, IL. Services were held April 2 at the Schrader Funeral Home with Rev. Fr. Leonard Partensky and Rev. Douglas K. Olsen officiating. A memorial service will be held at St. John's United Church of Christ at 3 p.m. in Pallatine, IL on April 10.

Formerly of Plymouth, Eric was a junior at Hoffman Estates High School and a top tumbler at the junior varsity team level.

Survivors include: parents Larry and Lynn Schmidt, of Pallatine, IL, and Tom and Georgia Ford, of Hoffman Estates, IL; brothers Michael, Steven, and Loren; sister Colleen; and grandparents Donald and Diane Schmidt, of Ypsilanti, and Susan Garmus, of Westland.

Burial was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Southfield.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Gymnastics Club of Hoffman Estates High School, Hoffman Estates, IL.

Straub, C & O worker

Richard J. Straub, 79, of Huntington Woods, died March 25 in Warren. Memorial services were held March 28 at St. John's Episcopal Church in Royal Oak with Rev. Robert G. Eidson officiating.

Mr. Straub worked for the C & O Railroad for 46 years as a claims agent. He retired in 1969. A long-time resident of Plymouth, Mr. Straub lived on Ann Street and was a member of the Plymouth Rock Lodge No. 47 F. & A.M.. He moved from Plymouth in 1969.

Survivors include: wife Beulah, of Huntington Woods; sons Phillip, of Boise, ID, and Robert, of Livonia; daughter Sandra Morgan, of Cadillac; sisters Margie Kisabeth, of Lansing, and Florence Rowland, of Mesa, AZ; brothers Louis, of Speedway, IN, and George, of Grand Rapids.

Burial was in South Lyon Cemetery. Local arrangements were made by the Schrader Funeral Home.

Memorial contributions can be made to St. John's Episcopal Church in Royal Oak.

Guffey, from Alabama

Clyde W. Guffey, 74, of Van Buren Township, died March 25 in Van Buren Township. Services were held March 27 at the Schrader Funeral Home under the auspices of the American Legion Myron H. Beals Post No. 32.

Mr. Guffey was born in Alabama.

Survivors include: sisters Laura Faulkner, of Plymouth, and Lue Nunley, of Tennessee; and brother Charlie Guffey, of Dearborn Heights.

Interment was in Fort Custer National Cemetery in Battle Creek.

Vanderveen, a homemaker

Esther F. Vanderveen, 61, of Plymouth, died March 27 in Superior Township. Services were held March 30 at the Lambert-Vermeulen Funeral Home with Rev. Robert S. Shank, Jr., of St. John's Episcopal Church, officiating.

Mrs. Vanderveen was a homemaker.

Survivors include: husband Donald L., of Plymouth; sons Terry, of East Lansing, and Bruce, of Milford; sisters Evelyn, of Okemos, and Viola, of Ypsilanti; brothers Eugene and Dale, of Ypsilanti, and Robert, of Milan; and grandchildren Michele, Benjamin, Jonathan, and Samuel.

Interment was in Riverside Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Catherine McCauley Health Center -- P.O. Box 992, Ann Arbor, 48106 -- for clinical research for Vascular Critical Care.

Prescott, a homemaker

Jacqueline G. Prescott, 50, of Canton, died March 26 in Livonia. Services were held March 28 at St. Richard Church with the Rev. William A. Immel officiating. Mrs. Prescott was a homemaker.

Survivors include: mother Florence Mattson, of Houghton; daughter Cheri Hiltunen, of Canton; son Mark Hiltunen, of Westland; sisters Janet LePage, Patricia Monticello, and Judith Bennett; brother Robert Moon; and grandchildren Michael and Christopher Hiltunen.

Local arrangements were made by the Vermeulen Funeral Home in Westland.

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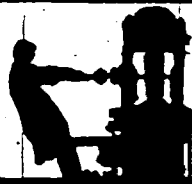
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<p>CHRIST OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH 14175 Farmington Road Livonia 522-6830 Luther A. Werth, Pastor Sunday Services 7:30 am, 8:30 am and 11:00 am Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 9:45 am Nursery available</p>	<p>GENEVA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA) 5835 Sheldon Rd., Canton 459-0013 Worship Service & Church School Sunday 9:00 am and 11:00 am Kenneth F. Gruebel, Pastor</p>
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<p>PLYMOUTH BAPTIST CHURCH 42021 Ann Arbor Trail, 453-5534 Sunday School 9:45 am Sunday Morning Worship Service 11:00 am Sunday Evening Service 6:00 pm Wednesday Night Family Night 7:30 pm Pastor Philip Fitch 531-8456 Bible Oriented Ministry</p>	





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Site or District may be enforced upon the complaint of any property owner or association of property owners within the district.

(c) PENALTY:

Any person, corporation, partnership or any other legal entity who shall violate or fail to comply with any of the provisions of this Ordinance or any of the regulations adopted in pursuance thereof, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof may be fined not more than Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars or imprisoned not more than ninety (90) days, or both, in the discretion of the Court.

(d) ACTIONS:

The Commission may request any appropriate action or proceeding to enjoin, correct, or abate any violation of this Chapter.

120.010 SECTION X: FEES

The Commission may establish an appropriate system of processing fees for the review of nominations, Certificates of Appropriateness, and Certificates of Economic Hardship.

120.011 SECTION XI: ORDINARY MAINTENANCE

Nothing in this Chapter shall be construed to prevent ordinary maintenance or sale of any structure within any Historic District or Site. Ordinary maintenance shall mean any maintenance or repair not defined as work herein.

120.012 SECTION XII: YARD VARIANCES

Due to conditions of design and construction in Historic Sites or Districts, it is in the public interest to retain the District's appearance by making variances to normal requirements. Where such variances will not adversely affect neighboring properties, the Commission may recommend to the Zoning Board of Appeals that a variance from a standard requirement be granted.

120.013 SECTION XIII: APPEALS

Any person or persons jointly or severally aggrieved by a decision of the Commission may, within twenty-nine (29) days after the Building Official has disapproved an application for a permit upon recommendation of the Commission, appeal to the Board by written petition; and the Board shall hear all pertinent evidence and shall affirm the decision, unless it finds such decision to be without basis in law or of unsupported by the evidence.

120.014 SECTION XIV: SEVERABILITY

If any particular section of this Chapter is declared to be unconstitutional or void, only that particular section is affected, and all other sections of this Chapter shall remain in full force and effect.

120.015 SECTION XV: REPEAL

All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect. Ordinance No. 92, dated September 6, 1979, is hereby repealed.

120.016 SECTION XVI: SAVINGS CLAUSE

The repeal provided herein shall not abrogate or affect any offense or act committed or done, or any penalty or forfeiture incurred, or any pending litigation or prosecution of any right established or occurring prior to the effective date of this Ordinance.

120.017 SECTION XVII: EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance, as amended, shall take full force and effect upon publication.

Item No. 4 PUBLIC HEARING ON GILMAR P.A. 198 TAX ABATEMENT

Supervisor Poole opened the Public Hearing.

There being no comments from the public, motion by Bennett, supported by Brown, to close the Public Hearing. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Brown, supported by Bennett, to adopt the following Resolution concerning Gil-Mar Manufacturing for an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate as received:

Ayes: Bennett, Brown, Kirchgatter, Padget and Preniczky

Nays: Chuhran and Poole

Resolution Approving Application of Gil-Mar Manufacturing Company for an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate for an Industrial Facility

WHEREAS, pursuant to P.A. 198 of 1974, M.C.L. 207.551 et seq., after a duly noticed public hearing held on May 3, 1983, this Board by resolution established the Northeast Canton Industrial Development District; and WHEREAS, Gil-Mar Manufacturing Company has filed an application for an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate with respect to a new facility to be acquired and installed within Industrial Development; and

WHEREAS, before acting on said application, the Board of Trustees held a hearing on March 22, 1988, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, at 7:00 P.M. at which hearing the applicant, the Assessor and a representative of the affected taxing units were given written notice and were afforded an opportunity to be heard on said application; and

WHEREAS, construction of the facility and installation of new machinery and equipment had not begun earlier than six (6) months before February 17, 1988, the date of acceptance of the application for the Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate; and

WHEREAS, completion of the facility is calculated to and will at the time of issuance of the certificate have the reasonable likelihood to retain, create or prevent the loss of employment in Canton Township; and

WHEREAS, the aggregate SEV. of real and personal property exempt from ad valorem taxes within Township, after granting this certificate, will not exceed 5% of an amount equal to the sum of the SEV of the unit, plus the SEV of personal and real property thus exempted.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton that:

1. The board finds and determines that the granting of the Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate considered together with the aggregate amount of certificates previously granted and currently in force under Act No. 198 of the Public Acts of 1974 and Act No. 255 of the Public Acts of 1978, shall not have the effect of substantially impeding the operation of the Township, or impairing the financial soundness of a taxing unit which levies ad valorem property taxes in the Township.

2. The application of Gil-Mar Manufacturing Company for an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate with respect to a new facility to be acquired and installed on the following described parcel of real property situated within the Northeast Industrial Development District to wit: See attached Exhibit A

be and the same is hereby approved.

3. The Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate when issued shall be and remain in force and effect for a period of twelve years after completion.

Item, No. 5 PUBLIC HEARING HAMILTON MERLOT ENTERPRISES TRANSFER OF LIQUOR LICENSE SDD ANDSDM.

Supervisor Poole opened Public Hearing.

There being no comments from the public, motion by Chuhran, supported by Kirchgatter, to close the Public Hearing. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Brown, supported by Kirchgatter, to recommend denial, based on R 436.1105, Paragraph 5 of the liquor Control Commission's qualifications under Item (2) The Commission shall consider the following factors in determining whether an applicant may be issued a license:

(a) The applicant's management experience in the alcoholic liquor business, (b) The applicant's general management experience, and (c) The applicant's general business reputation. Motion carried unanimously.

Item No. 6 PUBLIC HEARING RANCORP CORPORATION TRANSFER OF LIQUOR LICENSE FROM SUNSHINE FOOD STORES.

Supervisor Poole opened the Public Hearing.

There being no comments from the public, motion by Padget, supported by Bennett, to close the Public Hearing. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Chuhran, to recommend denial of the transfer of license until the 10 requirements of the Canton Fire Prevention Bureau are addressed. Motion carried unanimously.

Supervisor Poole announced a five-minute break at 9:16 P.M.

Item No. 7 REQUEST FOR LEGAL SERVICES, OPINIONS AND REPRESENTATION BY ELECTED OFFICIALS.

Motion by Padget, supported by Bennett, that the Township Board adopt in concept the limitation of legal fees for extra ordinary legal services, and that the policy and resolution presented to the Board March 22, 1988, be forwarded to the Township Attorney for his review and redraft into the appropriate language for the Board to consider adoption at the nearest possible future meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Item No. 8 ATTORNEY'S BILL

Motion by Padget, supported by Bennett, to remove the Attorney's bill from the table of the March 8, 1988, Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

The following court decision was entered for the record:

Technical Professional and Officeworkers Association of Michigan (TPOAM) as Township of Canton and Linda Chuhran, Township Clerk, in Her Official Capacity as Clerk, only, jointly and severally, Wayne County Circuit Court 88-800610 AW-- Judge Cynthia D. Stephens - Order maintaining Status Quo Ante: ruled that Elaine Weiss should be issued a payroll check from the Public Safety-Fire Department budget, Account Number 206-336-705-0000.

The issue in this case was not whether Elaine Weiss should be paid, but from what department. It was the Clerk's position that the payroll check should be issued from the Public Safety - Fire Department Account. The Township's position was that the check should be drawn on the Clerk's account.

Judge Stephens ruling (Order Maintaining Status Quo Ante) was in accord with the Clerk's position. This case was dismissed with prejudice on February 25, 1988. The legal fees incurred by the Clerk in this case were sustained by the Clerk in the defense of her office and was done in good faith. Subsequently, an agreement was reached between the TPOAM and the Township, wherein Elaine Weiss was transferred permanently to the Public Safety/Fire Department effective February 3, 1988, pursuant to the Township Board's motion of February 2, 1988.

Motion by Chuhran, supported by Brown, to approve payment of attorney fees for O'Dea and Jannik in the amount of \$1,531.25 for legal services in the lawsuit of TPOAM versus Chuhran and the Charter Township of Canton.

Ayes: Brown, Chuhran, Padget and Preniczky

Nays: Bennett, Kirchgatter and Poole

Motion passed 4-3.

Item No. 9 MERIT ORDINANCE REVISION

Motion by Padget, supported by Bennett, to adopt the following Resolution provided by the Township Attorney, adding the following Revision Ordinance No. 85 on the August 2, 1988, Primary Election Ballot:

Ayes: Bennett, Brown, Kirchgatter, Padget, Poole and Preniczky

Nays: Chuhran

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, THE Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton having duly considered the merits of adopting the proposed amendments to Ordinance No. 85 and submitting the amendments for approval by Township Electors; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton finds that the following action is in the best interest of the Charter Township of Canton.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the amendment to Ordinance no. 85 of the Ordinances of the Charter Township of Canton is hereby adopted subject to the approval by a majority of the Township Electors voting thereon at the August 2, 1988, primary election; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Township Clerk is hereby directed to prepare and post the appropriate public notices and perform all other statutory duties and responsibilities of the Clerk in a timely manner to effectuate the submission of these amendments for consideration by the Township Electors at the August 2, 1988, election.

ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE MERIT SYSTEM ORDINANCE, CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ORDINANCE NO. 85, WHICH PROVIDES THE MEANS TO RECRUIT, SELECT, DEVELOP AND MAINTAIN AN EFFECTIVE AND RESPONSIVE TOWNSHIP GOVERNMENT WORK FORCE; THE AMENDMENT PROVIDES THAT A SUPERINTENDENT SHALL PERFORM ALL OF THE DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES PRESCRIBED FOR THE SUPERVISOR WHENEVER A SUPERINTENDENT HAS BEEN APPOINTED; PROVIDES THE METHOD FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF CLASSIFIED MERIT SYSTEM EMPLOYEES; PROVIDES THE METHOD OF DISCIPLINING CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES; REPEALS ANY ORDINANCE OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT WITH THE ORDINANCE; PROVIDES FOR THE SEVERABILITY OF THE ORDINANCE AND THE PRESERVATION OF ALL RIGHTS ESTABLISHED PRIOR TO THE EFFECTIVE DATE; PRESCRIBES THE MANNER OF ADOPTION OF THE ORDINANCE AND ITS EFFECTIVE DATE.

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ORDAINS:

Section 1. Section 5, Ordinance 85 of the Ordinances of the Charter Township of Canton is hereby amended to provide:

Sec. 5. CLASSIFIED AND UNCLASSIFIED SERVICE. The Merit System of Personnel Administration of the Township is hereby divided into the unclassified and classified services as hereinafter defined.

(a) The unclassified service shall include officers elected by popular vote and persons appointed to fill vacancies in such elective offices; one assistant each for the Supervisor or Superintendent, Clerk and Treasurer; members of Boards and Commissions; persons employed to make or conduct a temporary or special inquiry, investigation or examination on behalf of the Township Board, a committee thereof or the Township Supervisor; persons engaged on an independent contractor basis; temporary employees; and the Township Superintendent, should one be appointed.

(b) The classified service shall comprise all positions not specifically included by this Ordinance in the unclassified service.

Section 2. Section 10, Ordinance 85 of the Ordinances of the Charter Township of Canton is hereby amended to provide:

Section 10. CERTIFICATION OF CANDIDATES. Whenever a position in the competitive classified merit system is to be filled, the appropriate Department Head shall notify the Commission of that fact, and the Commission shall certify the names and addresses of the three (3) candidates standing highest on the eligibility list for the class or grade to which the position belongs.

(a) In the case of the Department Head position, the Township Superintendent, or being no Township Superintendent, the Township Supervisor shall, with a majority vote of four (4)

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members of the Township Board, forthwith appoint one of the three persons so certified to the position.

(b) In the case of an employee reporting to a Department Head, that Department Head shall, with the approval of the Township Superintendent, or being no Township Superintendent, the Township Supervisor, forthwith appoint one of the three persons so certified to the position.

The appointment shall be for a probationary period to be fixed by the rules of the Commission, but not to exceed one (1) year. At or before the expiration of the probationary period, the appointing authority by presenting specific reasons for such action in writing to the Commission, may discharge a probational appointee, or, with approval of the Commission, transfer him/her to another department. If not discharged prior to the expiration of the period of probation and if no complaint has been made as to the service rendered, the appointment shall be deemed complete.

Section 3. Section 11, Ordinance 85 of the Ordinances of the Charter Township of Canton is hereby amended to provide:

Sec. 11. Emergency Hiring. To prevent the stoppage of business or to meet extraordinary conditions or emergencies, the Township Superintendent, or being no Township Superintendent, the Township Supervisor, with the approval of the Commission may make temporary appointments not to exceed sixty (60) days, and only until regular appointment under the provisions of this Ordinance can be made. Any emergency appointment made under this section may, with the approval of the Commission, be extended for a period to be determined by the commission. Any person appointed under this section shall not be entitled to the protection of the due process standards set forth in Section 13 and 14 of this Ordinance until such person is regularly appointed under the provisions of this Ordinance.

Section 4. Section 13, Ordinance 85 of the Ordinances of the Charter Township of Canton is hereby amended to provide:

Sec. 13: Discipline. Any employee in the classified merit system may be discharged, suspended or reduced in rank or compensation for cause by the employee's Department Head, or in the case of a Department Head level employee, by the Township Superintendent, or being no Township Superintendent, by the Township Supervisor, after expiration of his/her probationary period by an order in writing, stating specifically the reasons therefor. The order shall be filed with the Commission and copy thereof shall be furnished to the person to be discharged, suspended or reduced. The employee may reply in writing to the order within five (5) days from the date of its filing with the Commission. Any employee in the classified service discharged, suspended or reduced in rank or compensation, within ten (10) days after presentation to him/her of the order of discharge, suspension or reduction, may appeal to the Commission. The Commission, within two (2) weeks from the filing of the appeal, shall commence the hearing thereon, and shall thereupon, fully hear and determine the matter, and either affirm, modify or revoke such order.

The appellant shall be entitled to appear personally, produce evidence, and to have counsel and a public hearing. The finding and decision of the Commission shall be certified to the employee's Department Head and shall forthwith be enforced and followed him/her, but under no condition shall the employee be discharged or suspended from the payroll or reduced in rank or compensation until the finding and decision of the Commission is so certified.

Section 5. Repeal. Any and all other Ordinances or parts of Ordinances of the Charter Township of Canton which are in conflict herewith, are hereby repealed. The balance of Ordinance 85, except as herein amended, shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 6. Severability. This Ordinance and each section, provision or part thereof are hereby declared to be severable, and should any portion hereof be adjudged invalid or unenforceable by a Court of competent jurisdiction, such adjudication shall not affect the remainder of this Ordinance.

Section 7. Preservation. The repeal provided for herein shall not abrogate or affect any offense or act committed or done, or any penalty or forfeiture incurred, or any pending litigation or prosecution of any right established, or occurring prior to the effective date.

Section 8. Manner of Adoption and Effective Date. Upon the adoption of this Ordinance by a majority vote of the members elect of the Township Board, and the subsequent approval by a majority of the Township Electors voting thereon at an election to be called by resolution of the Township Board, and upon the publication of this Ordinance in accordance with the provisions of state law, the provisions of this Ordinance shall become effective.

Motion by Padget, supported by Bennett, to adopt the following Proposal with the addition of the word "for," after the word, "Allow" in item No. 1. Motion carried unanimously.

A PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON MERIT SYSTEM ORDINANCE, ORDINANCE NO. 85.

The Proposal would:

1. Allow for the hiring of a Superintendent by a majority vote of the Township Board to perform certain duties previously performed by the Supervisor; and
2. Provide for the adoption of a revised method of appointing and disciplining classified employees of the Township.

SHOULD THE PROPOSAL BE ADOPTED?

YES

NO

Mr. Shufelt, resident, discussed the interviews for the superintendent position and the issue of the superintendent form of government.

Item No. 10 (Was discussed after Item No. 11)

Item No. 11 CONSIDER MOTOR MALL SITE PLAN REVISION

Mr. Nicholson - Staff and the Planning Commission recommend approval with the following contingencies:

1. The square retention pond should be replaced with an elongated version along the creek. The design of this pond will be dealt with the engineering reviews.
2. A landscaped berm or a 6' high screen wall must be placed at the rear property line to screen the adjacent residential property. The applicant may wish to request a variance from the ZBA on this item.

Mr. Tkacz, developer - Does not have any problems with the contingencies, as long as the contingencies do not affect the permits from the DNR.

It was suggested that on the south side of the retention pond, to provide landscaping with 6 to 8 foot austrian pines planted in 2 offsetting rows to act as a buffer from the residential area. Mr. Nicholson will work with the representatives of the DNR to incorporate the suggested landscaping on the south side of the property. Mr. Tkacz agreed to provide the necessary landscaping allowed by the DNR.

Motion by Kirchgatter, supported by Bennett, to approve the Canton Motor Mall Site Plan Revision, contingent upon the two items in Staff's memorandum, dated March 17, 1988, and contingent upon the landscaping, and contingent upon a variance from the berm being granted by the ZBA. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board requested a copy of the final plan after discussion with the DNR.

CANTON MOTOR MALL SITE PLAN REVISION

WHEREAS, the petitioner is requesting approval for revisions to an approved site plan for an auto sales facility on Ford Road between Lilley and Haggerty Roads;
WHEREAS, the plan is in substantial conformance with Zoning Ordinance Provisions with the exception of the items listed in the Staff review;

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission unanimously recommended approval of the revisions;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton approves the site plan contingent on resolution of the Staff concerns, the landscaping and the variance from the ZBA.

Motion by Brown, supported by Chuhran, to extend the meeting past 11:00. Motion carried unanimously.

Item No. 10 CONSIDER REZONING A PORTION OF CANTON INTERNATIONAL COMMERCE PARK

Motion by Kirchgatter, supported by Brown, to approve the requested rezoning to G-1 to LI-2 as follows:

Ayes: Bennett, Brown, Kirchgatter, Padget, Poole and Prenczky
Nays: Chuhran

CANTON INTERNATIONAL COMMERCE PARK REZONING

WHEREAS, petitioner is requesting the rezoning to G-1, General Industrial of the specified 6.9 acres at the western border of Canton International Commerce Park, and
WHEREAS, the Township Planning Commission and the Wayne County Planning Commission recommend approval;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton approve the request rezoning to G-1, General Industrial from LI-2 Light Industrial.

Item No. 12 CANTON PLACE SENIOR COMPLEX SITE PLAN EXTENSION

Motion by Brown, supported by Chuhran, to approve an extension of the site plan for Canton Place for a one year period of time from this date forward. Motion carried unanimously.

Item No. 13 ROUGE RESCUE 1988 SITE SPONSORSHIP

Motion by Prenczky, supported by Kirchgatter, to adopt the following resolution: Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE FRIENDS OF THE ROUGE AND ROUGE RESCUE '88

WHEREAS, the Rouge River watershed basin is home to over 1.5 million citizens in Wayne, Oakland, and Washtenaw counties of the State of Michigan representing 11 percent of the State's population; and

WHEREAS, the Rouge River is a major natural feature of the region providing recreational opportunities, fish and wildlife habitat, flood relief, water for industrial uses, and a transportation route for the freighters of the Great Lakes; and

WHEREAS, Rouge River Basin has been designated a Class A area of concern in the Great Lakes Basin by the International Joint Commission; and

WHEREAS, the water quality of the Rouge River is extremely poor, thereby posing a health and safety problem and limits enjoyment of this resource by the public; and

WHEREAS, on July 19, 1985, the Water Resources Commission of the State of Michigan, by Resolution, declared the Rouge River an extremely valuable resource; found the current condition deplorable; and committed to do all in its power to restore the Rouge River to a condition where its full potential can be realized; and

WHEREAS, the Friends of the Rouge, is a public interest, citizen-based organization dedicated to restoring and preserving the Rouge River through public education and citizen cleanup; and

WHEREAS, June 4, 1988, has been identified as "Rouge Rescue '88" Day, and annual event of river cleanup and fanfare along the Rouge River.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Charter Township of Canton supports the Friends of the Rouge in their efforts to restore the Rouge River; and Rouge Rescue '88, a day in which public attention is focused on cleanup and recreational potential of the Rouge River.

Item No. 14 CONSIDER CONTRACT FOR LAWN AND CEMETERY MAINTENANCE

Motion by Brown, supported by Prenczky, to award the bid in the amount of \$15,289.30 for the seven sites for one year to 4M Lawn Nursery and Lawn Company, Inc. Motion carried unanimously.

Item No. 15 RESOLUTION HONORING GENE "SANTA" REEVES

Motion by Padget, supported by Bennett, to adopt the following Resolution honoring Gene Reeves.

Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Gene "Santa" Reeves, during his many years as a Canton Township resident, did much to promote Canton

WHEREAS, Gene's love for young children and his desire to bring joy into their lives, has resulted in him portraying "Santa" for the past fifty years, including being the first Santa in the J.L. Hudson Thanksgiving Day Parade in 1937.

WHEREAS, Gene has also been active in the Goodfellows, the Foster Grandparent programs and countless other activities

WHEREAS, Gene "Santa" Reeves will be celebrating his 86th birthday this year

WHEREAS, The City of Westland, Gene's new place of residence, is honoring his outstanding accomplishments by proclaiming April 13, 1988, Gene "Santa" Reeves Day.

THEREFORE, NOW BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Charter Township of Canton Board of Trustees, recognizing the outstanding achievements of Gene "Santa" Reeves, do hereby concur with the City of Westland's designation of April 13, 1988, as Gene "Santa" Reeves Day and offer our sincere congratulations for a most deserved honor.

Item No. 16 APPROVAL OF CDBG PROGRAM ALLOCATIONS FOR FY 1988 AND 1986

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter, to adopt the following Resolution: Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION

BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON

WHEREAS, it is the duty of the Board of Trustees to review and adopt the annual Community Development Block Grant program for submission to the County and the Department of Housing and Urban Development, as well as to review and adopt all proposed modifications to prior year block grant programs, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees is assisted in its duties by the Canton Community Development Block Grant Advisory Council, which solicits and reviews project proposals and makes project and project funding recommendations to the Board of Trustees, and

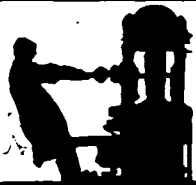
WHEREAS, the Canton Community Development Block Grant Advisory Council, after diligent study and a duly noticed public hearing, has adopted and submitted its project and funding level recommendations for Fiscal Year 1988, attached; along with recommendations for the reprogramming of excess Fiscal Year 1986 housing rehabilitation funds, also attached;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton adopt the proposed FY 1988 Community Development Block Grant program and the proposed modifications to the FY 1986 program, and authorize and direct submission of such program and program modifications to the County and the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

FY 1988
SIDEWALKS
HOME MEAL DELIVERER/DRIVER

\$110,000
4,000

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TENNIS COURTS, GRIFFIN PARK	50,000
HOMESHARE	1,225
CANTON COMMONS DAY CAMP	20,000
SALVATION ARMY CLEARING HOUSE	20,000
FIRST STEP	9,500
ADMINISTRATION	23,500
HOUSING REHAB	45,075
TOTAL:	\$263,300

FY 1986 REPROGRAMMING EXCESS HOUSING REHABILITATION FUNDS

LAND ACQUISITION	\$75,000
HOME MEAL DELIVERER/DRIVER	2,500

Item No. 17 CONSIDER FILLING VACANCY ON CDBG ADVISORY COUNCIL
Motion by Kirchgatter, supported by Bennett, to adopt the following Resolution. Motion carried unanimously.

APPOINTMENT OF CDBG ADVISORY COUNCIL MEMBER

WHEREAS, the Canton Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Advisory Council is responsible for the devising and oversight of the Canton CDBG program for each fiscal year, and WHEREAS, a vacancy exists on said Council, and WHEREAS, the Supervisor has appointed Cheryl Creighton to the Council based on Ms. Creighton's ample qualifications to serve on that body;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton confirms the appointment of Cheryl Creighton to the Canton CDBG Advisory Council for the lawful term of that appointment.

Item No. 18 CONSIDER CONSULTANT SERVICES FOR PREPARATION OF REVISED BASE MAP

Motion by Padgett, supported by Chuhran, to authorize the CED Department to award the revision of the base map to Wade, Trim and Associates at a cost not to exceed \$2,000.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Item No. 19 RUBBISH DISPOSAL PRICE INCREASE

Motion by Preniczky, supported by Brown, to approve the price increase of \$.20 per residential unit per month, effective April 1, 1988, to help able Canton Recycling to cope with the latest landfill increases. Motion carried unanimously.

Item No. 20 BUDGET AMENDMENT RUBBISH COLLECTION

Motion by Preniczky, supported by Padgett, to approve the following budget amendment: Motion carried unanimously.

INCREASE EXPENDITURES:		
Appropriation from Fund Balance	101-000-699-0000	\$22,000
INCREASE EXPENDITURES:		
Contractual Serv. - Rubbish Collection	101-521-821-0000	22,000

This budget amendment increases the Sanitation budget from \$683,000 to \$705,000, and the General Fund Budget from \$5,501,424 to \$5,523,424.

Item No. 21 BUDGET AMENDMENT - EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

Motion by Padgett, supported by Bennett, to approve the following budget amendments. Motion carried unanimously.

INCREASE REVENUES:		
Appropriation from Fund Balance	101-000-699-0000	\$ 2,000
INCREASE EXPENDITURES:		
Utilities	101-426-920-0000	500
Repairs and Maintenance	101-426-930-0000	500
Capital Outlay	101-426-970-0000	1,000

This budget amendment increases the General Fund Budget from \$5,499,424 to \$5,501,424.

Item No. 22 PURCHASE OF FIRE DEPARTMENT AMBULANCE

Motion by Brown, supported by Kirchgatter, to purchase (1) 1988 Chevrolet (454) Wheeled Coach Type One Modular Ambulance from RSVP for a total expenditure of \$60,000.00 (sixty thousand dollars). The monies will be taken from the Fire Department's capital outlay account No. 206-336-977-0000. Motion carried unanimously.

Item No. 23 ADDITIONAL ENGINEERING FEE, LILLEY AND PALMER ROADS INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS.

Motion by Padgett, supported by Kirchgatter, that an additional \$5,500 be appropriated for the design of the Lilley Road/Palmer Road intersection. With this appropriation the total design fee for the Lilley Road paving project is not to exceed \$27,500. Motion carried unanimously.

Item No. 24 CONSIDER BOILER EXPENDITURE

Motion by Brown, supported by Bennett, to pay J. A. Marbel Co. \$3,100.00 to extend the chimney on the Administration Building. Motion carried unanimously.

Item No. 25 CONSIDER BIDS RECEIVED FOR 1988 TREE PLANTING PROGRAM

Motion by Padgett, supported by Bennett, that the 1988 Tree Planting Program be awarded to Dave Steinkopf in the amount of \$15,015.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Item No. 26 UNIFORM RENTAL CONTRACT

Motion by Padgett, supported by Kirchgatter, to authorize entering into a contract with Central Quality Uniform Company for a period of twenty-four months, at a cost not to exceed \$7,820.80 per year. This expenditure will be divided between three departments, and the accounts which will be used are: Building, 101-265-722; Police 207-301-828 and DPW 592-441-722. Motion carried unanimously.

Item No. 27 LOTZ ROAD PAVING DESIGN

Motion by Preniczky, supported by Bennett, to approve a Not-To-Exceed amount of \$5,000.00 for the Engineering work necessary to redesign Lotz Road, as it passes through the golf course.
Ayes: Bennett, Kirchgatter, Padgett, Poole and Preniczky
Nays: Brown and Chuhran

Item No. 28 ROADS

Motion by Preniczky, supported by Bennett, to adopt the following Resolution regarding Sheldon Road, which commits \$225,000 as our share, minus the engineering fees already expended. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Sheldon Road in the Township of Canton, Wayne County, Michigan is a County road under the jurisdiction of Wayne County; and WHEREAS, the Wayne County Department of Public Services is proposing a project to reconstruct and pave Sheldon Road, an existing gravel road, from Palmer to Michigan; and WHEREAS, the total construction cost for reconstructing and paving Sheldon Road from Palmer to Michigan has been estimated at \$450,000, with the Township's share being estimated at \$225,000 minus engineering fees;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE Canton Township Board of Trustees does on this 22 day of March, 1988, take this means to express its desire to join with Wayne County in proceeding with a project to reconstruct and pave Sheldon Road from Palmer to

Michigan, and furthermore, does hereby approve and authorize payment of the Township's share of 50 percent of the final construction cost (estimated at \$225,000) in the manner set forth in the Wayne County Internal Resurfacing Program Guidelines, dated January 29, 1988.
Motion by Preniczky, supported by Bennett, to adopt the following Resolution regarding Lilley Road, with our participation estimated at \$263,000, minus the engineering fees that have been expended. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Lilley Road in the Township of Canton, Wayne County, Michigan is a County road under the jurisdiction of Wayne County; and WHEREAS, the Wayne County Department of Public Services is proposing a project to reconstruct and pave Lilley Road, an existing gravel road, from Palmer to Michigan; and WHEREAS, the total construction cost for reconstructing and paving Lilley Road from Palmer to Michigan has been estimated at \$526,000, with the Township's share being estimated at \$263,000, minus engineering fees;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Canton Township Board of Trustees does on this 22nd day of March, 1988, take this means to express its desire to join with Wayne County in proceeding with a project to reconstruct and pave Lilley Road from Palmer to Michigan, and furthermore, does hereby approve and authorize payment of the Township's share of 50 percent of the final construction cost (estimated at \$263,000) in the manner set forth in the Wayne County Internal Resurfacing Program Guidelines, dated January 29, 1988.
Motion by Preniczky, supported by Bennett, to adopt the following Resolution regarding Lotz Road, with our participation estimated at \$308,000, minus engineering fees already expended, and based on the participation of certain property owners fronting Lotz Road. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Lotz Road in the Township of Canton, Wayne County, Michigan is a County road under the jurisdiction of Wayne County; and WHEREAS, the Wayne County Department of Public Services is proposing a project to reconstruct and pave Lotz Road, an existing gravel road, from Palmer to Michigan; and WHEREAS, the total construction cost for reconstructing and paving Lotz Road from Palmer to Michigan has been estimated at \$616,000, with the Township's share being estimated at \$308,000, minus engineering fees, based on the participation of certain property owners fronting Lotz Road;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Canton Township Board of Trustees does on this 22nd day of March, 1988, take this means to express its desire to join with Wayne County in proceeding with a project to reconstruct and pave Lotz Road from Palmer to Michigan, and furthermore, does hereby approve and authorize payment of the Township's share of 50 percent of the final construction cost (estimated at \$308,000) in the manner set forth in the Wayne County Internal Resurfacing Program Guidelines, dated January 29, 1988.

Item No. 29 PURCHASE OF LAND AVAILABLE TO THE STATE FOR TAX SALE

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter, to adopt the following Resolution acquiring the land from the DNR, which is outlined below:
Ayes: Bennett, Brown, Kirchgatter, Padgett, Poole and Preniczky
Nays: Chuhran

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED BY: The Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan, County of Wayne.
WHEREAS, Act 223, P.A. 1909, as last amended by Act 196, P.A. 1970 provides for the conveyance of State-owned tax-reverted lands to municipal units for public purposes, and WHEREAS, such lands are under the jurisdiction of the State of Michigan, Department of Natural Resources and are available for acquisition under the provisions of the above mentioned act.
Section 28
That part of the SW 1/4 of Sec. 28 described as beginning at S 1/4 corner of Sec. 28 and proceeding thus W along S line of said section 350 feet, thus N 375 feet, thus W 106 feet, thus N 2273.70 feet to the E and W 1/4 line of Sec. 28, thus E. along said line 455 feet to the center 1/4 corner of Sec. 28, thus S. along the N and S 1/4 line of said section 2649 feet to the point of beginning. Parcel Number 111 990011 000.
That part of the SE 1/4 of Sec. 28 and the NE 1/4 of Sec. 33 described as beginning at the center 1/4 corner of Sec. 28 and proceeding thus N 88 degrees 30' E along the E and W 1/4 line of said section 380.65 feet, thus S 1 degree 30' E 2727.12 feet to the centerline of Geddes Road, thus N 79 degrees 30' W along said centerline 389 feet to the S 1/4 corner of Sec. 28, thus N 1 degree 30' W along the N and S 1/4 line of said section 2647.92 feet to the point of beginning. Parcel Number 112 990001 000.
WHEREAS, the Charter Township of Canton desires to acquire said lands for purposes of development of recreational parkland.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Charter Township of Canton is authorized to make application to the State of Michigan, Department of Natural Resources, Lands Division for conveyance of said land to the Charter Township of Canton for a nominal fee as set by the Natural Resources Commission, and
FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the Charter Township of Canton shall set up necessary procedures and controls to provide for the proper distribution of funds arising from the subsequent sale of the acquired property in conformity with the above mentioned acts.

Item No. 30 ORDER FOR ELECTION ENVELOPES

Motion by Chuhran, supported by Kirchgatter, to approve the election stationery expense in the amount of \$3,143.60 from Stylecraft Printing, located in Canton; funds to be expended from the Election Budget No. 101-191-900-0000. Motion carried unanimously.

Item No. 31 MAIL HANDLING EQUIPMENT

Discussion followed regarding the necessity of purchasing mail handling equipment in the amount of \$595. The Board will discuss this item further at the next Board Meeting.

Item No. 32 REFUND FOR WINGATE SPECIAL MEETING

Motion by Padgett, supported by Chuhran, to approve the requested refund for the proposed special Planning Commission meeting, which did not have a quorum, and was to be held on January 4, 1988. Motion carried unanimously.

Item No. 33 CLOSED SESSION REGARDING ACQUISITION OF LAND

Motion by Brown, supported by Bennett, to go into Closed Session at 12:00 p.m. to discuss the Acquisition of Land. Motion carried unanimously.
Motion by Bennett, supported by Brown, to return to Open Session. Motion carried unanimously.
Motion by Brown, supported by Kirchgatter, to adjourn at 12:12 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Linda Chuhran
Administrative Township Clerk

School Board ratifies labor contracts

BY KEN VOYLES

The Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Board of Education last week ratified labor contracts for education aides (now known as paraprofessionals), cafeteria employes, administrators, custodial and maintenance personnel and licensed technicians.

All five contracts run through the 1989-90 school year, expiring in June

1990. Each group received an extension of a previous contract, except the aides, who have been without a contract since last summer.

"A lot of long, difficult negotiations went into these contracts," said Board Trustee E.J. McClendon. "It portends better relations with these groups in the future."

The terms of the paraprofessional's contract includes raises from six to

seven per cent over the next two years as well as a fuller health package. The group will also get dental health coverage under the new agreement, said Norman Kee, assistant superintendent for employe relations.

"Basically all the groups will be getting the same as the teachers," Kee said. "The salary increases range from six to seven per cent for each of the two years."

Kee said all of the groups also won "slight improvements" in the basic fringe benefits package but that there was very little language change in any of the new agreements.

Kee said contracts still need to be negotiated for two groups - transportation workers and the secretaries. The transportation workers have been

without a contract since last June. The secretary's contract expires this June.

"The board made a commitment to these groups and they followed through on it," Kee said of the ratification last week.

Walters honored

The International Childbirth Education Association (ICEA) recently recognized Johanne Walters as an ICEA Certified Childbirth Educator.

Walters currently offers childbirth preparation classes and labor support in The Plymouth-Canton Community.

To earn the recognition, Walters completed the Teacher Certification Program sponsored by the ICEA.

Flashing warning lights to be installed at Holbrook

BY PAUL GARGARO

Safety additions to the CSX railroad crossing at Holbrook in the City of Plymouth are planned for the near future and, if all goes as expected, the work should be done without much damage to the city's pocketbook.

City commissioners passed a resolution on Monday to enter into an agreement with the Department of Transportation for federal assistance to install flashing warning lights and gates at the crossing. The work will be done in conjunction with the CSX railroad and comes as the result of an order from the Railroad Safety Section of the Department of Transportation.

City Engineer Ken West said that the law requires that cost of the gates and signals be split evenly between the city

and the railroad.

The total cost of the project, including contingencies is \$153,850.

The city, however, has taken the option of applying for federal funding which would cover 90 per cent of the cost leaving the city to cover the remaining 10 percent, or \$15,385.

As part of the agreement, the railroad would then be obligated to conduct the actual installation.

West said that the federal funds, which pass through the state, are available to complete the installation in compliance with the order from the Department of Transportation.

The agreement asks that the city pay its share of the cost when they sign.

West also indicated that plan preparation and approach work has already been completed.

Medical screenings for kids

Routine pediatric hearing, vision, and blood pressure screenings will be offered for children by the University of Michigan Plymouth M-CARE Health Center on Friday, April 8.

The screenings, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., will be held in the M-CARE Health Center at 9398 Lilley Rd. Any child, aged four years and up, can receive free medical screenings conducted by Ruth Strang, M.D., Pediatrician and Carolyn Walborn, PNP, Pediatric Nurse Practitioner.

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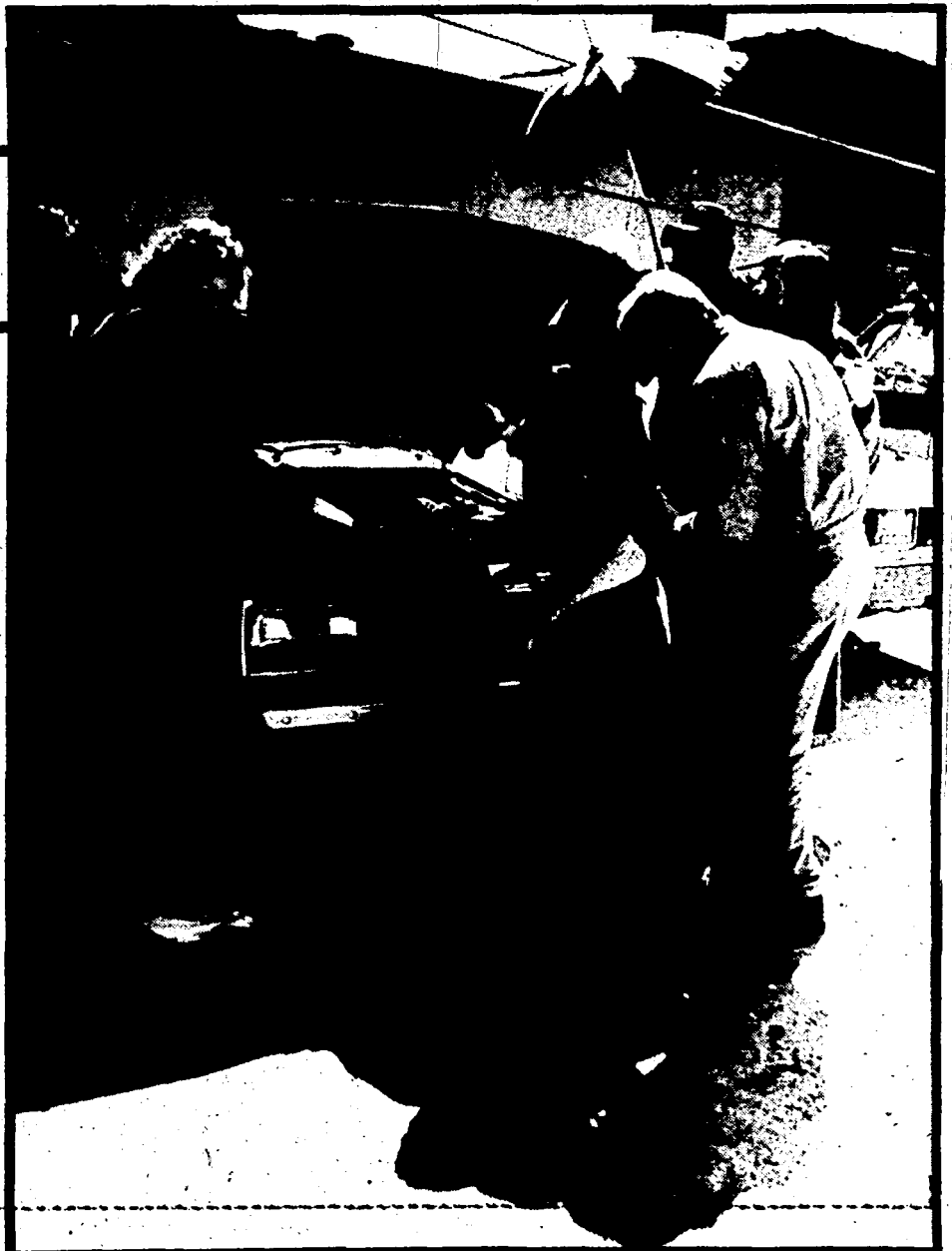
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Sports

Canton baseball looks for improvement

BY CHRIS FARINA

By the time the Canton High boys varsity baseball team is ready to start its season, the squad should be sun tanned and ready to go.

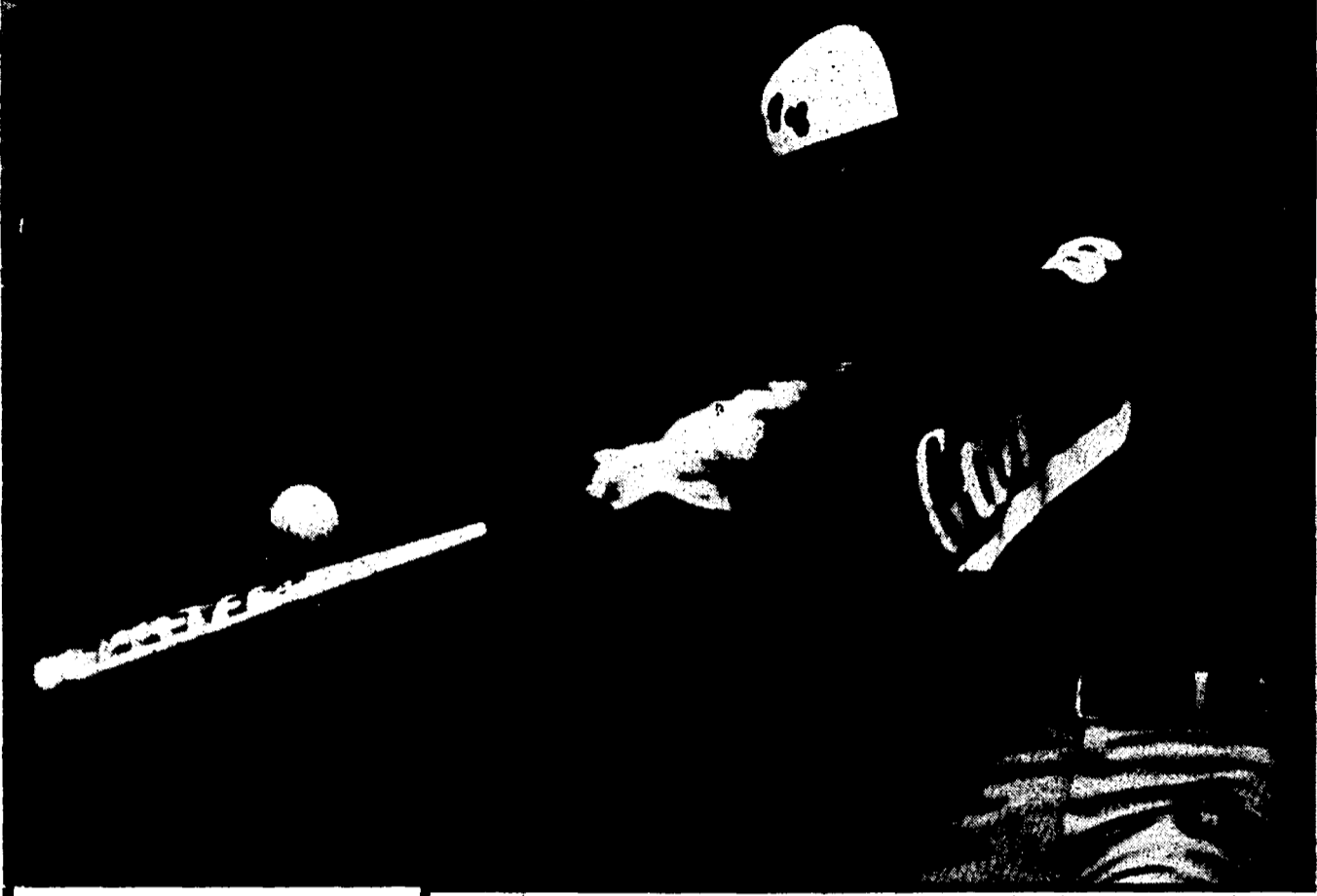
The Chiefs will spend the rest of this week in spring training at a camp in Cocoa Beach, FL, called Cocoa Expo. The camp was designed for northern colleges and high schools.

Canton has five seniors coming back this year. All have lettered on the team for two years.

Kevin Larned and Ed Bardelli are both middle infielders. Scott Browne and Joel Riggs will both assume outfield positions for Canton, while Chris Kennedy will be on the mound and work as a designated hitter.

Other starters this year will include Micheal Culver, the only Canton player ever to letter as a freshman, on first base; Mike Sulan, who won five games last year as a 15-year-old sophomore; Derek Humphries, who will be seeing infield duty; and Jeff

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Canton baseball player Ed Bardelli takes a few practice cuts last week while the Chiefs worked out before the upcoming start of the season. (Crier photo by Chris Farina)

Salem baseball squad loaded with pitching

BY CHRIS FARINA

The Salem High boys varsity baseball team will be more than ready come the first game of the season. Going into this season as defending district champions from last year the Rocks remain confident.

Returning to the mound duties this

Bennett pitches at Alma

Pitcher Mark Bennett, of Canton, is a member of this year's varsity baseball team at Alma College. The squad is the defending champions of the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association.

Bennett, a senior majoring in business administration with an emphasis in finance, played varsity hardball for Fred Crissey while at Canton High School. He is the son of Daniel and Sharon Bennett, of Canton.

year for Salem will be Todd Marion, who was one of the top 20 players in the state last year. Marion has already earned a scholarship from the University of Michigan.

"If you have the pitching you can do well," said Salem coach John Gravlin.

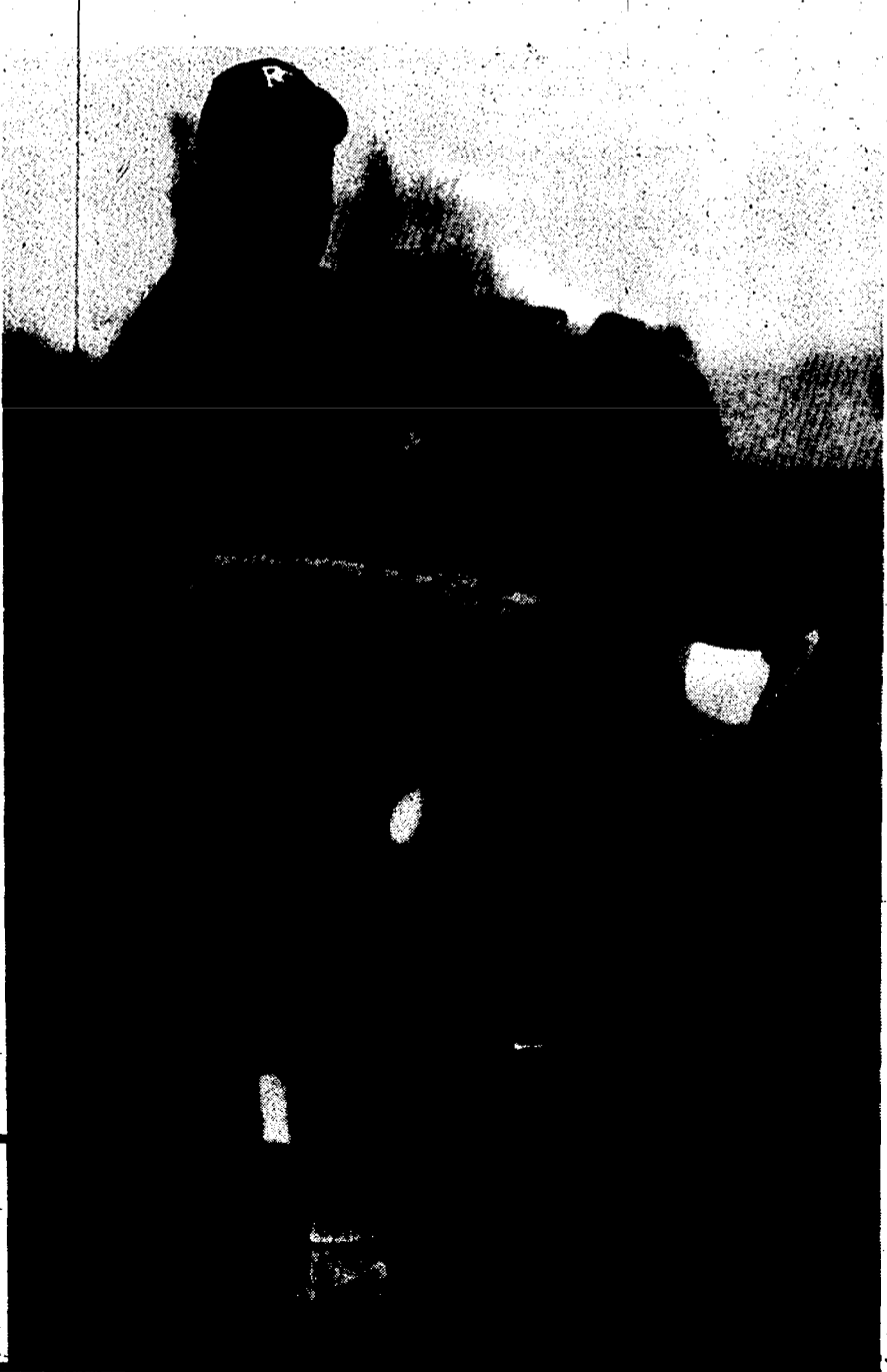
The Rocks will also field Fidel Cashero, Dan Boyle and Bobby Files to help out on the mound.

Chris Michalek and Jerry Heath, who both played last year as juniors, will share the catching chores.

"We were loaded with juniors last year and we knew they would be ready to play this year," Gravlin said.

Salem is currently working on the

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Salem pitcher Fidel Cashero works out last week in preparation for the spring 1988 season. (Crier photo by Chris Farina)

Salem baseball studies fundamentals

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fundamentals of baseball, said Gravlin, in order to be more sound when the season opens.

"There are so many fundamentals needed to play the game properly," he said.

The Rocks have been taking advantage of practice time since March first starting indoors.

No captains have been named for this year's team, and Gravlin said he may not name any, and leave the captain responsibilities up to the seniors on the team.

Also, no starting lineup has been decided. That is what Gravlin will be deciding as the team practices this week and next.

"There are too many question marks at this time," said Gravlin.

Salem will open at home against Northville on Friday, April 15. Game time is set for 4 p.m.



In there

Although still a little wet last week, Salem's baseball squad took to the diamond for some practice under real conditions. Here, Denny Hanson (sliding) is tagged by

Chris Michalek during a team scrimmage. (Crier photo by Chris Farina)

Hoop honors earned by Canton, Salem

BY MARTY TUNGATE

The 1987-88 boys basketball season has come to an end, and the all-conference and all-division teams have been named.

Not one basketball player from Canton or Salem was named to this year's All Western Lakes Activities

Association (WLAA) conference squad.

Canton, however placed two of its team members on the All-Western Division team.

Senior Mitch Fyke and senior tri-captain Roger Trice were named to the All-Western Division squad.

Salem put one of its team members

among the all-Lakes Division squad, as Senior co-captain Keith Smith was named to the honor.

The Chiefs and the Rocks also had members of their teams named as honorable mentions to their respected divisions.

Canton seniors Jeff Anulewicz, Brad

Carey, Matt Littleton and junior Brian Paupore were named as honorable mentions to the All-Western Division team.

The Rocks had three players named as honorable mentions to the All-Lakes Division squad. They were seniors M.J. Ewald, Todd Marion and junior Jeff Elliott.

Special Olympic bowlers to compete in tourney

The Plymouth-Canton Community Special Olympic bowlers will compete in the annual Wayne County Bowling Tournament on April 16.

In preparation for the tournament, the local league has been practicing for 15 weeks at Plaza Lanes in Plymouth,

thanks to the Plymouth-Canton Civitans.

The 38 bowlers who will participate in the event include:

Julie Abraham, Gerald Batke, Marc Bocketti, Sean Bowers, Mary Brennan, Carol Burdziak, Gary Chmielewski,

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The bowlers are coached by Irene Park with help from Tony and Agnes Miskolci, Charles Miskolci, Rico Sardelli, Pam Orehek, Debbie Sullivan, Donna Marquardt, Barb Shermetaro, Sheryl West and Marsha Walzak.

Canton hopes for consistency

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Kugelmann, who will field and do some pitching.

Canton coach Fred Crissy hopes his squad is "consistent" this year with his returning nucleus.

"The mark of excellency is consistency," said Crissy. He said he hopes the squad can win at least 20 games this year. Not only does he want his team to be competitive, but 20 wins this year will give Crissy 300 wins in his career as the Canton baseball mentor.

Crissy has a definite coaching philosophy he likes to follow when going into a new year.

"You have to allow the kids to set goals they would like to have," Crissy said. "Kids are the first name of the game. If you don't have apple seeds you can't make apple pie."

Canton kicks off its 1988 season away against Western Lakes Activities Association (WLAA) for Livonia Stevenson on Friday, April 15.

Salem track team races at MSU

The Salem High boys track team took nine tracksters to the Spartan Relays at Michigan State University Saturday, and they all did well, according to coach Gary Balconi.

"We had fine performances from everybody. They all matched last year's best performance," Balconi said.

Individually, Salem placed Doug Vergari fourth in the two mile run, and Jay Blaylock, eighth in the shotput.

Salem's two mile relay team finished fourth in the final heat of 14 relay quartets. The team included Mike Beretta, Bob Anzivino, Brendon Masterson and Vergari.

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Dale & Andrea -- Had a great time Friday. Thanks Claudia & Gary too!

Anne Golf Section is Coming April 20th. Watch for it! (THEN maybe you'll come & visit me!) Big Sister

Renee, Miss you already! Your P.P.P.

MIKE TINIK is older now.

Gary gets an A+ in Easter Egg Decorating.

Ron, don't you know it's not nice to skunk the Easter Bunny.

JESSICA eats lamb pasta (Fonte d' Amore style) for Easter.

I did much better, now if I could just stop!

Throw out an anchor!

No more RTB'ers. Sorry, mate. H

JIM J -- life can be disHEARTening! Get better soon.

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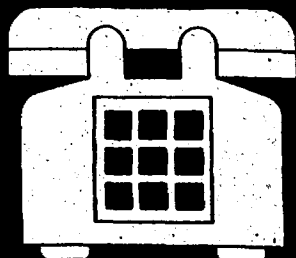
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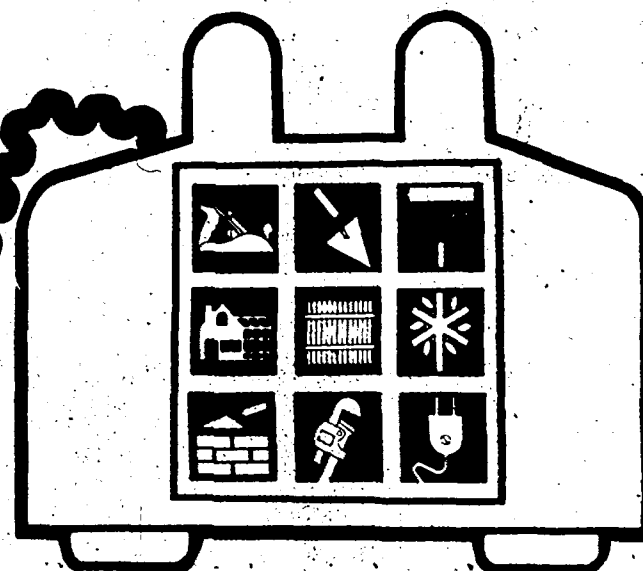
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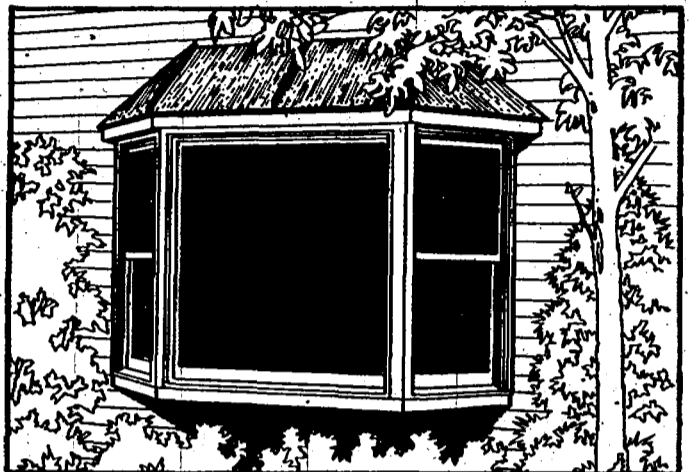
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