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## Main Street to be closed

# Ice fest grows

BY KEN VOYLES AND  
PAUL GARGARO

There is at least one sure sign that the annual Plymouth Ice Sculpture Spectacular (now just two weeks away) is getting bigger.

On Monday, City of Plymouth officials said they will close off part of Main Street during the two weekends of the festival.

"We're looking at that as a definite possibility right now," said Paul Sincock, assistant city manager. "There's a real safety concern and we have got to do something about it."

The administration announced the plan to the City Commission during that body's pre-commission meeting on Monday.

Sincock said the plan calls for temporarily closing Main Street between Penniman Avenue and Ann Arbor Trail on the Saturdays and Sundays of Jan. 7-8 and Jan. 14-15.

"There's been a problem in the past at those intersections (Main and Penniman and Main and Ann Arbor Trail)," Sincock said. "With the public and the cars, there's just too much of both."

An alternative two-way loop will be established from Church to Harvey to Wing to Deer to Union streets will be

## Crier closed

The office of The Plymouth-Canton Community Crier newspaper and COMMA, will be closed on Friday (Dec. 23) for the holidays, but will be open on Monday, the day after Christmas (Dec. 26).

The deadline for advertising in The Crier's PLUS "Growth" edition is today (Dec. 21). Proof ad deadline for the Dec. 28 edition of The Crier is Thursday (Dec. 22). The regular advertising deadline is Monday, Dec. 26.

The deadlines for news articles and "What's Happenings" is also on Thursday.

The Crier will be open for regular business hours on Dec. 30 and Jan. 2.

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maintained throughout both weekends Sincock said.

Sincock added that there will be access to the Amoco Station and the Mayflower Hotel during both weekends and access for local traffic to Forest Avenue.

In the past Sincock said the city has used as many as 10 or 12 people to work traffic control at major downtown intersections.

Along with the closing of Main Street, Penniman Avenue eastbound would probably be shutdown, said Sincock. But, he added, travelers would still be able to access westbound Penniman.

The decision to close Main Street rested mainly with the police Chief Richard Myers.

More than 500,000 people will attend the 7th annual festival this year, according to organizer Scott Lorenz. "That's if the weather is good," he said. Last year about the same number visited Plymouth during the ice show.

City Manager Henry Graper stated his concern, "It can be hazardous based on the number of people we've had in the past."

Lorenz said organizers (including city officials) are concentrating on making the event better this year. "We're not out for more people," Lorenz. "We want to really improve the event."

He added that the city's plan would "improve the flow" of people during the 10-day festival.

# City cop dismissed Monday

BY PAUL GARGARO

Jerry Vorva will no longer be walking the beat as a City of Plymouth Police officer.

Vorva, a 10-year veteran of the city police force, was dismissed on Monday as a result of comments made to The Crier in the Nov. 30 edition regarding alleged tickets quotas enforced by police administration.

Vorva, 36, was suspended with pay following publication of the article.

In that issue, Vorva said: "They've installed a ticket quota. They've taken away the officer's judgment in many situations. There's a pressure to write tickets where they're not necessarily warranted."

In that same issue, Plymouth Police Chief Richard Myers called the idea of ticket quotas "offensive." Myers has



## Let it snow

Rebecca Goldsmith, 8, of Duches in Canton, celebrates Tuesday after winning the township's annual Guaranteed White Christmas contest. Rebecca and her sister Sarah found the snow a real joy, even though it was raining yesterday. There were more than 600 entries in this year's 9th contest. (Crier photo by Chris Farina)

since declined to comment on ticket quotas and the Vorva controversy.

In a letter hand-delivered to Vorva just prior Monday's city commission meeting, Myers and City Manager Henry E. Graper outlined the reasons for Vorva's dismissal:

"The investigation centered upon remarks you made to citizens while issuing tickets on various dates in November, your violation of numerous directives and orders of this department and remarks of a similar nature which were given by you to the newspaper," wrote Myers. "Quite frankly, I must indicate that I am baffled by your behavior. You have again indicated a total lack of judgment, lack of respect for this Department, willful violation of

Departmental Rules and a disdain for how this department is perceived both internally and in the public's eye.

"You have flagrantly disobeyed departmental orders and have attempted to justify your actions by cloaking them as 'protected speech.' There are clearly limits on free speech and none of your actions involve free speech at all," added Myers.

The issue was not publicly discussed at the city commission meeting by Vorva, who was in attendance, or by any of the public officials or citizens.

Vorva later said he was not surprised by his dismissal and said he planned to file a grievance on Monday and appeal his case through union arbitration.

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# Celebrating Canton...

## Committee focuses on community 'feeling'

BY KEN VOYLES

"Please celebrate me home..."  
Some residents of Canton are trying to do just that by building a "feeling of community" in the township with the formation of a new Celebrate Canton Committee.

Put together following the August primary by then supervisor-elect Tom Yack, the committee has already sprung into action with plans for a dinner-dance and a publication touting the township.

"We want to have a good time and

celebrate this community," said committee member Cynthia Burgess. "There are things in Canton people can, and should, be proud of."

The "Celebrate Canton" dinner dance is planned for Jan. 14 at Fellows Creek Golf Club. The "casually elegant" affair features cocktails at 7 p.m., dinner at 7:30 p.m. and dancing to follow.

Tickets are \$25 per person. For further details call Burgess (981-0122) or Jim Gillig (459-1660).

Besides having fun, the dance will be

chance for residents to honor past and present elected officials (on both the board of trustees and library board), said Burgess. Future events will honor other township residents.

There has also been some talk of possibly starting a "volunteer hall of fame," said Burgess, who hopes the dance becomes an annual gathering.

The committee is also behind the publication of a 40-page "testimonial" book which will focus on different aspects of Canton and what makes it a unique community.

Future goals of the committee include promoting a more positive image of Canton and building a true feeling of community, said Burgess.



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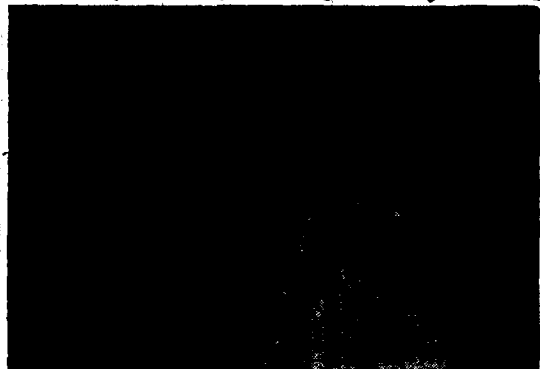
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### Seasons Greetings from the James Jabara Family



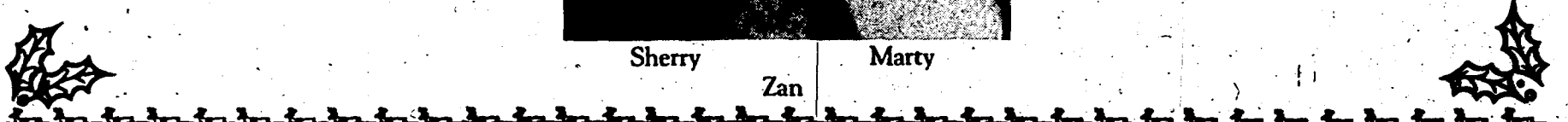
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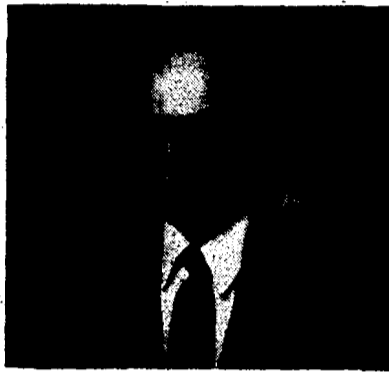


# Former chief passes away

BY JOHN BRODERICK

A former chief of police in the City of Plymouth and head of security for the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools passed away Friday at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor.

Col. Timothy Charles Ford, died of a heart attack, at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital at age 62.



**TIMOTHY FORD**

He was remembered by his friends and colleagues as a dedicated, hard-working professional, and also a warm and sensitive individual.

"Tim was a very sensitive and caring person," said Carl Berry, chief of police of Plymouth Township, who worked closely with Mr. Ford for many years. "During his time on the force he was highly involved in juvenile work. He was always interested in kids in the community."

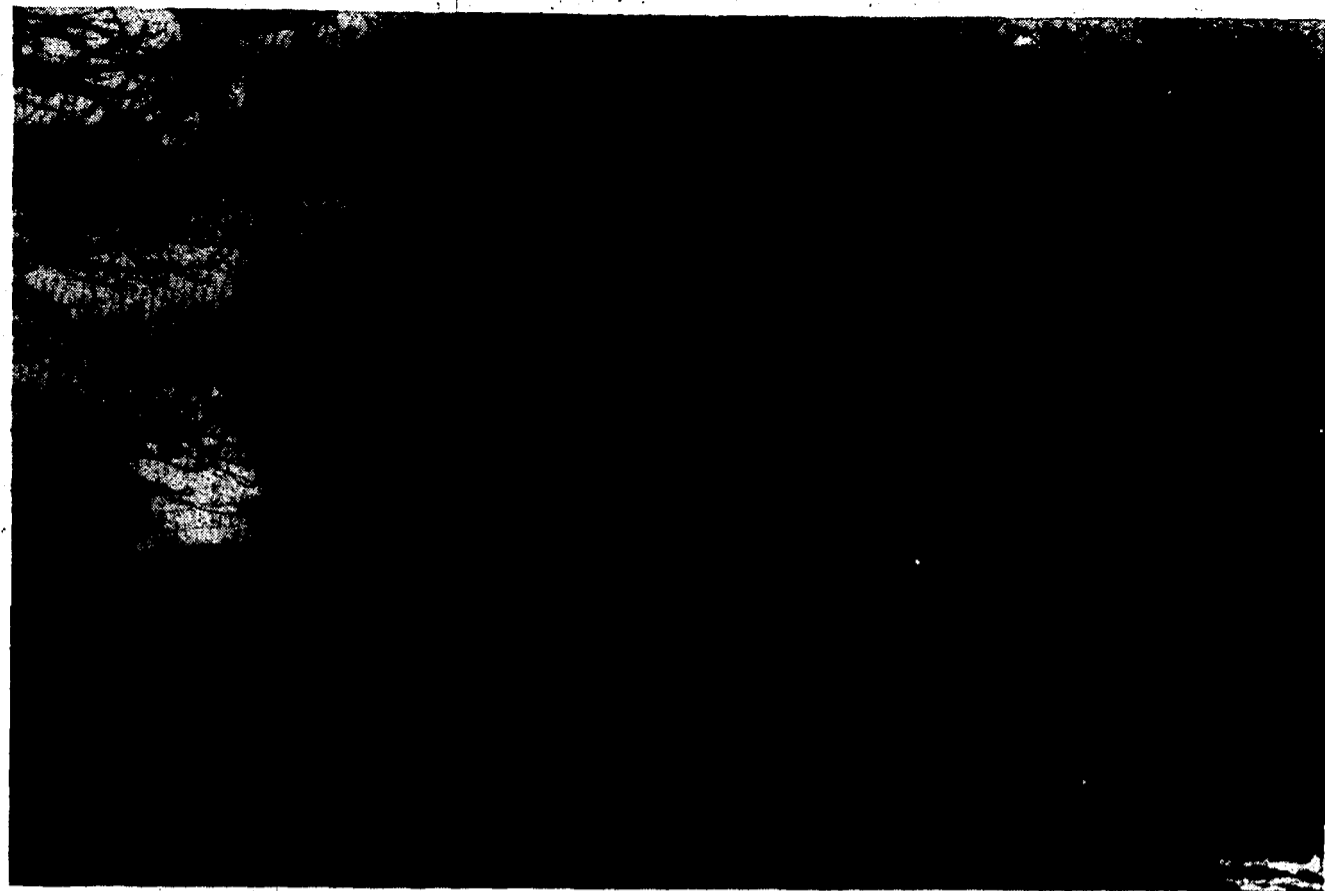
Norman Kee, assistant superintendent for personnel in the school district, was involved in the hiring of Mr. Ford to his recent position, from which he retired last year.

"We were very pleased to have him as our security chief," said Kee. "He brought a lot of professionalism to the position."

"Tim did a lot of teaching. He really liked to teach, and he carried that through as a chief," Berry said of Mr. Ford, who in recent years had taught criminal justice classes at a number of colleges, including the University of Detroit, Henry Ford Community College, Madonna College, and Schoolcraft College.

Mr. Ford was a member of the International Association of Chiefs of Police, the Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police, and past president of the Wayne County Chiefs of Police.

After receiving a bachelors degree in



## Ablaze

Plymouth Township firefighters battled this blazed for over five hours last Wednesday. Township Police Chief Larry Groth said the fire was probably electrically

related and started in the basement. Groth said the home, on Brookwood Drive, suffered "extensive smoke and heat damage." (Crier photo by Jason Bennett)

criminal justice from Wayne State University, Mr. Ford graduated Phi Beta Kappa at the University of Detroit with a master's degree in criminal justice.

Mr. Ford was a retired colonel in the U.S. Army who served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He also fought with the U.S. Army during the Korean conflict.

Mr. Ford was featured in the movie, "Word of Honor," which was filmed in Plymouth in 1980. He was pictured saluting during the "Star-Spangled Banner" at a mythical Fall Festival.

He is survived by his wife A. Lorraine, of Plymouth; daughters Kathleen Anteau, of Gibraltar, and Meaghan Sharpe, of Livonia; brother Daniel E., of the U.S. Virgin Islands; sister Margaret Pappas, of St. Clair Shores; seven grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services for Mr. Ford were held on Sunday at the Schrader Funeral Home in Plymouth with Col. George M. Marston officiating. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association of Michigan and the American Diabetes Association.



## Coming home

A doll comes home. Above, Dorothy McNamara holds a doll that was given to her as a Christmas present by Vera Causino of Los Angeles. Causino lived in the McNamara house on Plymouth's Penniman Avenue as a child. The 75-year-old doll was given to McNamara this week. (Crier photo by Chris Farina)

## Summer taxes considered

Canton residents will soon be paying summer taxes to the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools.

Last week the Canton Board of Trustees passed a resolution to proceed with negotiations with the school district to collect summer taxes.

The resolution came about after Canton Treasurer Gerald Brown urged the board to make the new move.

"We should probably be doing this," Brown told the board.

Brown added that summer collections would mean the addition of one clerk in his department to handle the expanded work load.

Parts of Canton also fall in the Wayne-Westland and Van Buren public school systems.

Brown suggested approaching those districts, which do not currently collect summer taxes, once negotiations with Plymouth-Canton schools are complete.



# Public notices

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON  
BOARD PROCEEDINGS  
MINUTES OF DECEMBER 13, 1988  
(PROPOSED)**

Motion by Brown, supported by Bennett, to go into a Closed Session at 6:00 p.m. regarding Personnel Matters with the Public Safety Department and to go into a Closed Session at 6:30 p.m. regarding Union Contract Negotiations with Dan Durack.

Ayes: Bennett, Brown, Kirchgatter, Preniczyk, Shefferly and Yack  
Absent: Whalen

Motion by Preniczyk, supported by Brown, to return to an Open Session at 7:04 p.m.

Ayes: Bennett, Brown, Kirchgatter, Preniczyk, Shefferly and Yack  
Absent: Whalen

Supervisor Yack called the meeting to order.

**ROLL CALL:**

Members Present: Bennett, Brown, Kirchgatter, Preniczyk, Shefferly and Yack  
Members Absent: Whalen

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF DECEMBER 6, 1988:**

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter, to approve the Minutes as presented.

Ayes: Bennett, Brown, Kirchgatter, Preniczyk, Shefferly and Yack

**TREASURER'S REPORT/PAYMENT OF BILLS:**

Treasurer Brown stated that all tax bills have been mailed. If any resident has not received a tax bill, call the Treasurer's office at 397-1000.

Motion by Brown, supported by Kirchgatter, to pay the bills as received.

Ayes: Bennett, Brown, Kirchgatter, Preniczyk, Shefferly and Yack

**EXPENDITURE RECAP:**

GENERAL FUND (101)	\$217,922.78
FIRE FUND (206)	91,308.27
POLICE FUND (207)	110,090.82
GOLF COURSE (211)	2,099.13
WATER AND SEWER (592)	189,030.25
TRUST AND AGENCY (701)	6,366.000
HAGGERTY ROAD No. 1 (802)	17,696.25
HAGGERTY ROAD No. 3 (811)	36,390.50
STREET LIGHTING (861)	12,080.21
BUILDING AUTHORITY CONSTRUCTION (469)	169,391.18
AUTO THEFT GRANT (267)	2,911.53
WESTLAND STATE POLICE GRANT (289)	624.74
HAGGERTY (401)	14,623.70
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>870,535.36</b>

Details are available at the Office of the Clerk.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**1. REZONING PUBLIC HEARING — CONSIDER REQUEST BY MR. WHELAN TO REZONE PARCEL NUMBERS 134-02-0001-000 AND 134-02-0002-000 FROM R-2, SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL TO O-1, OFFICE. PROPERTY IS LOCATED AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF CANTON CENTER AND GEDDES ROADS.**

Supervisor Yack declared the Public Hearing open.

Mr. Elton LaFramboise, 3831 Canton Center Road, stated his objection to the proposal.

Resident, 45118 Geddes Road, expressed his concern regarding the Master Land Use Plan and the office designation for the 1/2 mile on the north side of Geddes Road.

Mr. Bill Grady, agent representing Mr. Whalen, stated that the property has been for sale as residential for three and one-half years, but he has not received any reasonable offers to purchase the property.

Supervisor Yack closed the Public Hearing.

Motion by Preniczyk, supported by Bennett, to adopt the Resolution denying the requested Whelan Rezoning from R-2, Residential to O-1 Office.

Ayes: Bennett, Brown, Kirchgatter, Preniczyk, Shefferly and Yack

**CONSENT CALENDAR:**

**ITEM No. 1 AWARD BID — SHELDON CENTER TREE PLANTING**

Motion by Preniczyk, supported by Bennett, to award the bid for planting trees in the Sheldon Center Road corridor in spring, 1989, to Crimboli Landscape Contractors, Inc. for approximately 225 Bradford Pear trees, 2 to 2 1/2 inch diameter trunks, at \$124.40 per tree, totaling \$27,990, planted and guaranteed for one year.

Ayes: Bennett, Brown, Kirchgatter, Preniczyk, Shefferly and Yack

**ITEM No. 2 INSURANCE PREMIUM — WAYNE COUNTY APPRAISAL**

Motion by Preniczyk, supported by Bennett, to approve payment to Wayne County Appraisal Company for half of the cost of general liability insurance required by our Contract, for the period 10/20/88 to 10/20/89, in the amount of \$1,258.50; to be paid from account No. 101-209-807-0000, Contracted Appraisal Fees.

Ayes: Bennett, Brown, Kirchgatter, Preniczyk, Shefferly, and Yack

**ITEM No. 3 ANNUAL AUDIT — PLANTE AND MORAN CONTRACT**

Motion by Preniczyk, supported by Bennett, to select Plante & Moran, CPA's to perform the 1988 annual financial audit of Canton Township records and authorize the Township Clerk to sign the engagement letter for this service.

Ayes: Bennett, Brown, Kirchgatter, Preniczyk, Shefferly and Yack

**ITEM No. 4 BUDGET AMENDMENT — ELECTED OFFICIAL'S SALARIES**

Motion by Preniczyk, supported by Bennett, to amend the General Fund budget for approved increases in the salary levels of the full time elected officials, as follows:

Increase Revenues:	
Revenues	\$2,450
Increase Expenditures:	
Supervisor's Office	850
Clerk's Office	800
Treasurer's Office	800
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,450</b>

This budget amendment increases the Supervisor's Office budget from \$89,850 to \$90,700, the Clerks' Office budget from \$173,763 to \$174,563, the Treasurer's Office budget from \$175,500 to \$176,300, and the General Fund budget from \$6,228,441 to \$6,230,891.00.

Ayes: Bennett, Brown, Kirchgatter, Preniczyk, Shefferly and Yack

**ITEM No. 5 CAPITAL OUTLAY EXPENDITURES — FEDERAL REVENUE SHARING**

Motion by Preniczyk, supported by Bennett, to approve purchase of the listed capital outlay equipment items, from Federal Revenue Sharing Fund Capital Outlay-Equipment account No. 249-265-977-0000.

Ayes: Bennett, Brown, Kirchgatter, Preniczyk, Shefferly and Yack

**ITEM No. 6 CAPITAL OUTLAY PURCHASES — BUILDING DEPARTMENT**

Motion by Preniczyk, supported by Bennett, to approve the purchase of 2 hand held portable radios at \$1,000 each and 4 mobile automatic radios at \$800 each, from Building Department capital outlay equipment account No. 101-371-977-0000.

Ayes: Bennett, Brown, Kirchgatter, Preniczyk, Shefferly and Yack

**ITEM No. 7 BUDGET AMENDMENT — BUILDING DEPARTMENT**

Motion by Preniczyk, supported by Bennett, to approve a budget amendment in the General Fund as follows:

Increase Revenues:	\$10,000
Increase Expenditures:	
Building Department	10,000

This budget amendment increases the Building Department budget from \$520,000 to \$530,000, and the General Fund budget from \$6,230,891 to \$6,240,891.

Ayes: Bennett, Brown, Kirchgatter, Preniczyk, Shefferly and Yack

**ITEM No. 8 BUDGET TRANSFER FROM CRIME PREVENTION TO CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT**

Motion by Preniczyk, supported by Bennett, to approve the transfer of funds (\$975.00) from Account No. 207-301-742-0000 (Crime Prevention) to Account No. 207-301-977-0000 (Capital Outlay) for the purchase of a Motorola Portable Radio, including batteries, antenna and charger.

Ayes: Bennett, Brown, Kirchgatter, Preniczyk, Shefferly and Yack

**ITEM No. 9 FINAL ACCEPTANCE OF WATER MAINS AND LATERALS DELETED FROM BOARD PROCEEDINGS NOVEMBER 15, 1988**

Motion by Preniczyk, supported by Bennett, to approve the following projects for use and maintenance:

1. Grand Central Station - 8 inch water main
2. First Baptist Church - 8 inch water main
3. Sunflower No. 6 Subdivision - 8 inch water main, 15 inch and 10 inch sanitary sewer laterals.
4. Koppernick/Ronda SAD Project - 8 inch water main and 10 inch sanitary sewer lateral

Ayes: Bennett, Brown, Kirchgatter, Preniczyk, Shefferly and Yack

**ITEM No. 10 ENFORCEMENT OF TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE No. 68**

Motion by Preniczyk, supported by Bennett, effective immediately, to allow enforcement on the shopping complex property at 7233 to 7399 Lilley Road, for no parking fire lane, stop sign, and all traffic and ordinance violations, in response to their request and in compliance with Local Ordinance No. 68.

Ayes: Bennett, Brown, Kirchgatter, Preniczyk, Shefferly and Yack

**GENERAL CALENDAR:**

**ITEM No. 1 PURCHASE OF NEW VEHICLES — BUILDING DEPARTMENT**

Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly, to authorize purchase of 4 new Chevrolet Caprice 4-door vehicles and 1 new utility mini-van through the Oakland County Cooperative Purchasing program at a cost of \$57,304.01.

Ayes: Bennett, Brown, Kirchgatter, Preniczyk, Shefferly and Yack

**ITEM No. 2 EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

Motion by Preniczyk, supported by Kirchgatter, to approve a contract with Catherine McAuley Health Care to provide an Employee Assistance Program to Canton Township for a period of one year at a cost of \$2.00 per month per covered employee, for a total approximate cost of \$4,152.00.

Ayes: Bennett, Brown, Kirchgatter, Preniczyk, Shefferly and Yack

**ITEM No. 3 RESOLUTION TO PROCEED WITH SHELDON SCHOOL PURCHASE**

Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly, to adopt the resolution approving the negotiations to purchase the Sheldon School located on Michigan Avenue for historic preservation.

Ayes: Bennett, Brown, Kirchgatter, Preniczyk, Shefferly and Yack

**ITEM No. 4 FINAL PLAT APPROVAL FOR LEXINGTON SQUARE, LOCATED AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SHELDON AND CHERRY HILL ROADS**

Motion by Kirchgatter, supported by Bennett, to grant Final Plat Approval to the Lexington Square Subdivision No. 1.

Amended motion by Kirchgatter, supported by Bennett, to grant Final Plat Approval to the Lexington Square Subdivision No. 1, and to waive the installation of the lot irons and monuments for a period not to exceed twenty years.

**Roll Call for amended motion:**

Ayes: Bennett, Brown, Kirchgatter, Preniczyk, and Yack

Nays: Shefferly

**ITEM No. 5 SITE PLAN EXTENSION FOR WESTFIELD APARTMENTS, LOCATED AT THE EAST SIDE OF HAGGERTY, BETWEEN PALMER AND CHERRY HILL ROADS**

Motion by Preniczyk, supported by Bennett, to adopt the resolution approving the Site Plan Extension for Westfield Apartments.

Ayes: Bennett, Brown, Kirchgatter, Preniczyk, and Yack

Nays: Shefferly

**ITEM No. 6 SITE PLAN EXTENSION FOR MICHIGAN BELL REMOTE EQUIPMENT ENCLOSURE LOCATED AT THE SOUTH SIDE OF WARREN ROAD, BETWEEN BECK AND CANTON CENTER ROADS**

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter, to adopt the resolution approving the site plan for the proposed MBT Remote Equipment Enclosure.

Ayes: Bennett, Brown, Kirchgatter, Preniczyk, Shefferly and Yack

**ITEM No. 7 FINAL PRELIMINARY PLAT APPROVAL FOR GREENBROOK SUBDIVISION No. 2, LOCATED SOUTH OF PALMER BETWEEN SHELDON AND CANTON CENTER ROADS**

Motion by Kirchgatter, supported by Preniczyk, to approve the resolution granting Final Preliminary Plat Approval for Greenbrook Subdivision No. 2.

Ayes: Bennett, Brown, Kirchgatter, Preniczyk, Shefferly and Yack

**ITEM No. 8 BID REVIEW — CHERRY HILL SCHOOL PRESERVATION PLAN**

Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to authorize the Historic Commission to award the Cherry Hill Overall Preservation Plan project to Quinn/Evans for a total contract amount of \$24,800.

Terri Bennett, Chairperson of the Historic Commission, briefed the Board on the qualifications of Quinn/Evans, who offered the most comprehensive Preservation Plan.

Ayes: Bennett, Brown, Kirchgatter, Preniczyk, Shefferly and Yack.

**ITEM No. 9 TAX BOARD OF REVIEW APPOINTMENTS**

Motion by Preniczyk, supported by Kirchgatter, to appoint Mr. John Blumenshine, Mr. Richard Palmer and Mr. Jerry Williams to the Canton Tax Board of Review for a term of two years. The terms will expire December 31, 1990.

Ayes: Bennett, Brown, Kirchgatter, Preniczyk, Shefferly and Yack

**ITEM No. 10 PLANNING COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS**

Motion by Preniczyk, supported by Bennett, to appoint Mr. John Burdziak to the Canton Planning Commission for a term of 3 years. The term will expire on December 31, 1991.

Ayes: Bennett, Brown, Kirchgatter, Preniczyk, Shefferly and Yack

Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly, to appoint Mr. Victor Gustafson to the Canton Planning Commission to complete the remainder of Robert Shefferly's term, which expires December 31, 1990.

## A court fixture

# Justice in P-C means Dunbar Davis



Dunbar Davis, ready to ride, shows how judges in the old days got around. (Crier photo)

BY PAUL GARGARO

When residents in Plymouth-Canton Community think of justice, the name Dunbar Davis comes to mind -- and it's not just because the 35th District Courthouse bears his name.

Indeed, it goes far beyond a name on a sign.

Davis has become a symbol, a bona fide celebrity in the communities he served for nearly 20 years and a man justifiably associated with the coalescence of the district court and the five communities it serves.

It wasn't until 1968 that Davis donned the robes as the 35th District magistrate and not until 1982 that he took his seat behind the bench of the courthouse on Plymouth Road, which serves the cities of Plymouth and Northville, as well as Northville, Canton, and Plymouth townships.

Things have come a long way since Davis first began work from behind the bench and they've come even further since he cracked his first law text at the University of Michigan Law School in the midst of the Great Depression.



"In 1938, (after graduating from law school), I took a job working construction. It was a matter of surviving. During the Depression, you just couldn't find find work with lawyers. The top of my class went to work for a law firm in New York City for \$5 a week," recalls Davis from his winter home in Ruskin, FL. It's mid-morning and the judge has just come in from a game of tennis. "I met a guy while I was working on the job at the Rouge Plant and he told me Plymouth needed a lawyer."

So much for Davis' career in construction. It was off to Plymouth for the Davis family to make a home and pursue a career.

"Once we came to Plymouth, we

stayed. When I was in law school, I had developed a friendship with a blind student named Nandino Perlongo and we went to work here together. He went on to become a municipal judge," says Davis.

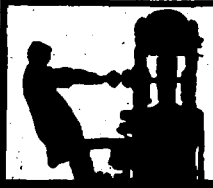
After years of practicing law, Davis was eventually elected judge. Holding court in Plymouth and Northville's city halls and even in a trailer next to Plymouth Township Hall, Davis was the judge in Plymouth, Canton, and Northville for nearly a decade.

Relief came in 1978 when James Garber was elected judge in the 35th District to serve with Davis. Garber headed south to concentrate on Canton cases and, according to Davis, played a crucial role in the formation of the central courthouse.

During his tenure, Davis says he saw a number of significant changes, not only in the communities of the 35th District, but also in the law itself.

"I think that one of the most important changes in criminal law was the

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**Ayes: Bennett, Brown, Kirchgatter, Preniczky, Shefferly and Yack**  
Motion by Bennett, supported by Preniczky, to appoint Catherine Johnson to the Canton Planning Commission for a term of 3 years. The term will expire December 31, 1991.

Motion by Kirchgatter, supported by Brown, to appoint Mr. Robert Shefferly as the Township Board's representative to the Canton Planning Commission. The term of office has no expiration date.

**Ayes: Bennett, Brown, Kirchgatter, Preniczky, Shefferly and Yack**

### ITEM No. 11 SUMMER TAXES

Motion by Brown, supported by Preniczky, to authorize the Treasurer to enter into negotiations with the Plymouth-Canton Schools, the Wayne Westland School District and the Van Buren School District for the collection of summer taxes.

Roll Call for the amended motion:

**Ayes: Bennett, Brown, Kirchgatter, Preniczky, Shefferly and Yack**

### ITEM No. 12 UPDATE CANTON MASTER WATER PLAN

Motion by Preniczky, supported by Brown, that Wade, Trim and Associates be retained to update Canton's Master Watermain Plan in accordance with their proposal dated June 20, 1988.

**Ayes: Bennett, Brown, Kirchgatter, Preniczky, Shefferly and Yack**

### ITEM No. 13 TOWNSHIP BUILDING ASSESSMENT STUDY

Motion by Kirchgatter, supported by Preniczky, that Osler Milling be commissioned to perform a Building Assessment Study of Township Hall. The fee will be based on a time and material basis with the cost not to exceed \$8,500.

Amended motion by Kirchgatter, supported by Preniczky, to waive the bidding procedure, and that Osler Milling be commissioned to perform a Building Assessment Study of Township Hall. The fee will be based on a time and material basis with the cost not to exceed \$8,500.

Roll call on the amended motion:

**Ayes: Bennett, Brown, Kirchgatter, Preniczky, Shefferly and Yack**

### ITEM No. 14 REQUEST FOR GRANT APPLICATION FROM THE PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT

Motion by Kirchgatter, supported by Preniczky, that the Canton Board of Trustees support the request of a grant from the State of Michigan, per Public Act 305 for the purpose of Arson Control Prevention; whereas the conversion of a vehicle for arson control purposes would be for the enhancement of public safety for the community. Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees approve the submittal of said application.

**Ayes: Bennett, Brown, Kirchgatter, Preniczky, Shefferly and Yack**

### ITEM No. 15 APPEAL OF JUDGEMENT

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter, that the Canton Township Board of Trustees hereby authorize the appeal of the Judgement in the case of Pearsall, et al v. Durack to the Wayne County Circuit Court. Further, Canton Township accepts responsibility of the Judgement, including costs and interest, should the appeal be unsuccessful.

**Ayes: Bennett, Brown, Kirchgatter, Preniczky, Shefferly and Yack**

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter, to adjourn at 8:45 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Loren N. Bennett  
Administrative Township Clerk

The above is a synopsis of the actions taken at the Meeting of the Board of Trustees on December 13, 1988. The full text of the approved minutes will be available following the next meeting of the Board, December 27, 1988.

### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

On Thursday, January 12, 1989, at 7:30 p.m., the Canton Community Development Block Grant Advisory Council will conduct a public hearing on the Community Development Block Grant Program in the main meeting hall of the Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road. All interested citizens are invited to attend and submit their views on the FY 1989 block grant program and the reprogramming of FY 1986 and FY 1987 block grant funds. Written comments or requests for information should be submitted to:

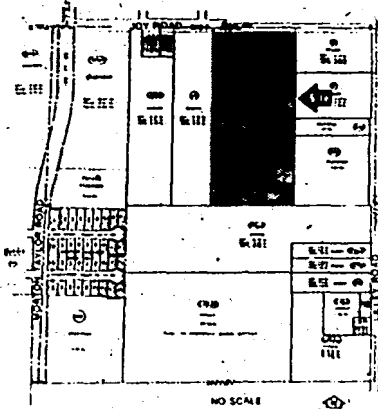
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### CANTON TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN.

THE REQUEST BEING TO REZONE PARCEL 71-006-99-0005-000 FROM R-4, SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL TO RM-1, MULTIPLE FAMILY. PROPERTY IS LOCATED ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF JOY ROAD BETWEEN MORTON TAYLOR ROAD AND LILLEY ROAD.



The hearing will be held during the Planning Commission meeting of January 9, 1989, which begins at 7:30 p.m. Eastern Standard Time at the Township Administration Building, 1150 South Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan.

This notice is provided pursuant to the requirements of Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton.

Richard Kirchgatter, Chairman  
Planning Commission

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# Community opinions

## The Community Crier



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*Happy  
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Comma,  
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Wow. Another year has nearly passed and again we have to wonder where did it go?

And now with the year's passing, there comes the time for holiday and celebration. The air is colder but the people seem gentler and warmer.

We can only rejoice and celebrate together as a people, and as a community.

So let us celebrate the coming of the New Year. And enjoy the Christmas season. It truly is a time for reflection and glory.

THE COMMUNITY CRIER



The Crier, COMMA, family. (Crier photo by Chris Farina)

## Residents should support memorial

Kellogg Park is on the brink of receiving a tremendous addition to its already scenic environs.

Plans to erect a granite memorial to those Plymouth area residents who gave their lives in the Vietnam and Korean conflicts are well underway.

Thanks to the efforts of the Plymouth Vietnam Veterans Association (PVVA) and the cooperation City Hall, the planned memorial may be unveiled in the park as early as July 4 next year.

While the entire project seems headed in the

right direction, it still could use the support of citizens in the community.

The PVVA is currently looking for the names of Plymouth area residents killed in Korea. In addition the organization is also looking for donations to help cover the estimated project cost (\$6,000).

Donations for the memorial may be sent to: Plymouth Vietnam Veterans Association, Inc. -- P.O. Box 292 Plymouth, MI 48170.

Take time out to remember those who gave their lives for this country. Support the memorial effort.

THE COMMUNITY CRIER



# Community opinions

*As freedom's guardian*

## Kudos to Crier

EDITOR:

The Dec. 7 issue of The Community Crier, contains several exceptional stories and readers' comments that should make everyone in the community feel gratified.

The Crier is to be commended as the guardian of our most precious freedoms -- the right to know the facts -- for publishing the story about Officer Jerry Vorva.

Although I heartily support The Crier's right to report the story, I find it hard to believe that under Police Chief Richard Myers such a policy as "ticket quota" is tolerable. Let us hope that Officer Vorva is not punished unjustly because he is right in saying the "the number of tickets a

police officer writes is no way to measure how well he does his job."

On the opinion page, Annette J. Remsburg's letter deserves plaudits. She states so eloquently the problem that the Plymouth-Canton schools face. As long as there are citizens like Mrs. Remsburg who are willing to step forward in the interest of what is best for all of us -- both children and adults -- we can all take pride in being a part of such a community.

Too bad Mrs. Daskalakis cannot keep her personal beliefs from detracting from how she wishes to see schools in The Plymouth-Canton Community improve, for she does have some excellent ideas that need implementing.

PAUL NASTOFF

## Free speech must always be protected

In a letter notifying Plymouth Police Officer Jerry Vorva of his dismissal and signed by both City Manager Henry E. Graper and Plymouth Police Chief Richard Myers it read: "There are clearly limits on free speech."

This is fundamentally wrong and cuts against the very grain that we, as Americans, have valued for the last two centuries.

In fact, free speech is a First Amendment right protected by the United States Constitution, the same Constitution that Myers swore to protect and uphold when he took office.

For the city administration to trample this sacred right is to impose a form of tyranny, however dramatic that may sound, on every man and woman employed by City Hall.

As acting president of the Plymouth Police Officers Association, Vorva's comments regarding alleged ticket quotas were not out of line.

Statements regarding administrative policy in the work place and made by representative of labor are valid and routine.

By the same token, the administration has the right and prerogative to deny Vorva's allegations. However, they did not have the right to terminate his job solely for making comments. (If there are other reasons the City has not stated them specifically.)

THE COMMUNITY CRIER

## Thanks for returning scene

EDITOR:

Our family says THANK YOU for returning our nativity scene animals. After our letter in last week's Crier, they mysteriously reappeared on our

lawn Saturday morning.

The spirit of Christmas has returned to the Brookwood neighborhood!

THE HARWOOD FAMILY

## Why is there discontent on City police force?

EDITOR:

Why is one of our own, Police Officer Jerry Vorva, on suspension? Why was he reprimanded for not writing enough tickets, then suspended for writing tickets and giving his opinion to the people of Plymouth?

Jerry Vorva has always been a respected member of this community. I fail to understand how a man who served this community for 10 years, since the age of 26, a Plymouth home owner, liked by so many could warrant being in so much trouble. I have seen letters. I have seen allegations.

I've known Jerry Vorva to borrow a ladder from the fire dept. to place a bird back into a tree in the park. Police Officer Vorva has come to my aide when someone or somebody has sprayed water and beat up a neighborhood boy just walking with some of his friends. He's been told he is too much of a nice guy. "You have to be a P----

he's told by another officer. Parents, I ask you, which one of these men would you want responsible for our young adult community.

Jerry developed a heart condition a few years back. It was when he was working so much overtime. The Plymouth Police also covered the Township. The city said they would hire eight more Policemen. They never did.

Why does the city sign a contract with police department officers and then break the contract continually resulting in litigation costing the city numerous dollars in legal fees? Concerned citizens of Plymouth, the action of our appointed and elected officials might not be for your best interests.

Do we have people who are complacent and comfortable in their positions while every home owner and property owner continues to pay the bill? Remember, the City Commission is elected to represent you; the city manager, a paid official who serves the City Commission.

If you agree with me write to your City Commission ONLY for an investigation into this affair. They claim they have an open door policy. Look for new faces in the next election. If you wish to stay, and want the best for ALL in this community attend the city meetings. Find out what is going on. Are your tax dollars being abused and wasted? Why is there so much discontent and unrest in the Police Department?

Write now before it is too late and he is gone and we have lost a good policeman, community servant, and friend.

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# Community opinions

## Party declaration necessary for fair primaries

EDITOR:

Ken Voyles' Dec. 7 column on our restored presidential primary prompts me to write with these details:

Given Michigan's long tradition of ticket-splitting and political "independents," the displeasure expressed by Mr. Voyles and many others about the party preference declaration now required by law is understandable. But it was the only way to change a system of caucus-chosen national delegates that people in both parties and many editorial writers had declared to be undemocratic and undesirable.

Michigan's presidential primary was reinstated in 1972 and used by both parties through 1976. National rules of the Democratic Party were then deemed to have precedence over state law; and since the Democrats' rules require that only "Democrats" can participate in their delegate-selection process, the Democrats took themselves out of our "open" presidential primary in 1980. The Republicans, not wanting to spend public money on an exercise that served only one party, took themselves out the primary in 1983, and shortly thereafter the legislature abolished the primary.

### In the margin

By Ken Voyles



Dear Canton:

A strategic plan has been suggested for the township, one which no doubt carries special significance to Canton, its people, and its nature as a community.

Though the plan strikes a sound chord and seems like an idea whose time has come, a little further thinking is in order (even of the abstract kind).

All great strategic plans have hinged on a foundation. That foundation is simply a tactical way of doing things which is great, if not greater, than any convoluted understanding of strategy.

To build a better community calls for a wider vision than many can grasp, but at the same time narrowing in on specific issues or problems which confront us every day.

Therein lies the rub. To be good at both facing the forest and the trees is simply too much for one person. Still a community effort, with a broad base and a grass roots approach, might be possible.

That is as long as there is a foundation on which to build. And I think there is.

The township has become fine tuned in many ways. Some departments excell in working out a citizen's minor complaint. Others take it upon themselves to have vision as well as the means to work on the every day reality that dreams sometimes don't account for.

Yes, there are many problems to be resolved, problems on the giant scale (water, sewage, waste refuse, among a few) and others so minute as to not concern even the most interested resident.

But, to change Canton in four years under the umbrella of a "plan" may not be possible. Still a thinking man would have to say there is a true need

for a fully functioning master guidance system, a koda by which to enter the 21st Century.

Starting at the bottom and working up through the system is one way.

There is always that base need to enforce a tactical plan and perform the best services possible for residents. And running a township machine is no easy task.

In the long run Canton may best run a smooth course, with rewards for the entire community, only by balancing a strategic plan with the more realistic duties at the tactical level.

Any approach to major change will bring with it the curses of some and the hurrahs of a few.

Pulling Canton into its own future has got to be up to the leaders and the people. They are the "strategic" element of any strategic plan.

At the same time the effort should not entail the sacrifice of any tactical advantages already won during the township's century-plus years as a community.

With help and realistic forecasting the cold hollow ring of the words "four-year plan" could take on the warmth of cherry wood burning in the fire.

Yes, calling for a plan seems technocratic, cold, harsh, reality.

But I'm saying look deeper. Look between the letters -- a strategic plan can only happen when all the elements of this township are fully embraced.

A community can't run all by itself, especially one the size of Canton. It could be better guided, though. Guided by a purpose to develop Canton as a community, one that can flex with the times and grow into the future.

If nothing else this plan seems a noteworthy idea. I make note of it.

A Cantonophile

For 1988, both parties were dissatisfied with the caucus systems they had necessarily set up to select national delegates. However, the Democrats' national rules still had the "Democrats only" clause, so the only way to get agreement and two-party participation in the Michigan primary was to require the declaration of Party preference.

Thirty-five other states have registration by party, so Michigan hardly stands alone in this respect. And if you don't want to vote in the primary, you don't have to declare a Party.

I would welcome your readers' additional comments on this topic.

GERALD H. LAW  
STATE REPRESENTATIVE  
36TH DISTRICT

### The last detail

by Paul Gargaro



Look sharp Plymouth! You're on T.V.

No kidding. Plymouth's a prime time player, setting the backdrop for two of Highland Appliances most recent commercials.

The first slot features a docile street scene. Look closely and you should be able to recognize it as Blunk Street.

And to think, you were just on that street two day ago!!

This particular commercial, which is currently running, features a sad family turning over their broken down T.V. set to some other appliance repair outfit. The truck drives off, leaving the family alone and desperate in the middle of Blunk.

In the second commercial, downtown Plymouth sets the stage for a series of feats by a masterful Highland salesman. Be on the look out for Dell's Shoes, a manhole cover in front of the Penn Theatre, and pair a suspicious

women cloaked as senior citizens (the word on the street is that they may actually be Kathy Swarthout and Carol Bierbaum, employees at the Tonquish Creek Manor for seniors).

The seedier shots in that same commercial were filmed in Pontiac. Assistant City Manager Paul Sincock said the film crew was disappointed that Plymouth lacked dark, dingy alleys.

You can't have it all.

To make this happy, pat-ourselves-on-the-back story even better is that the film crew, Lunapeer Productions, used the talents of hometown boys Daniel Nalepka and Bill Lapka. Nalepka's mom Mary works in the Plymouth Township treasurer's office.

And, of course, we all should know where Highland Appliance makes its home.

So go home and watch some T.V. Who knows, maybe you'll recognize a tree or a familiar curb.

## Take that Diane

EDITOR:

As a tax-paying senior citizen of the Plymouth-Canton Community schools, I am deeply disturbed by the erroneous attacks leveled by the spokesperson (Diane Daskalakis) for the Citizens for Better Education, a christian activist group (CBE).

I would appreciate the following information (with proof):

1. Names of schools, teachers and books that allegedly teach our children witchcraft satanism, homosexuality, and promiscuous behavior.

2. (A) Produce a full list of your membership of the 2,300(?)

(B) How many members are past and or potential school board candidates? Please include any and all public servants.

3. Is your group (cult) closed to non-Christian or any minorities?

I read into your charges, motives that I believe the citizenry will surely see. By using fear, false information, and political avarice, you fully intend to destructively undermine, distate, and control the board, thus the educational system.

Throughout the ages, cultures have been persuaded by self appointed Messiahs, into believing their opinionated interpretation of events, theories, and social ideas.

Lastly -- I am sure there are literally thousands of parents in this country, that wish their children had been made aware of the dangers, and pitfalls of this kind of thinking.

RAY BUCKMAN  
CREW MEMBER



# How noisy is Howmet?

BY PAUL GARGARO

When it comes to noise production, the Howmet Corporation, on Ann Arbor Road in Plymouth Township, is on a par with its neighbors.

At least that's the determination of sound specialist Richard A. Kolano, of Kolano and Saha Engineers, Inc., who was hired by Plymouth Township to monitor sound levels at Howmet following complaints from the plant's neighbors to the east.

Howmet's Plymouth Alloy Division manufactures aircraft parts.

Kolano delivered the results of his November study on Tuesday. Kolano's report determined that Howmet is no greater a noise source than Ann Arbor

Road traffic, air traffic, the Spartan Store truck warehouse, or the adjacent railroad.

Howmet neighbor Maria Matthews disagreed with the findings in Kolano's study, which was conducted July 26 through Aug. 5.

Matthews told the board of trustees that part of the study was conducted during a week long, scheduled Howmet shutdown.

Kolano, however, assured the board that the shutdown was factored into the final results of the study.

Trustees moved to continue working with Kolano to revise and update the township's current noise ordinance, which uses a frequency band established in 1971.

# Kitti named schools 'Extra Miler'

Canton High School secretary Elizabeth "Betty" Kitti was named the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools "Extra Miler" last week.

Kitti, a secretary to area coordinator Kenneth Jacobs at Canton, began

working for the school district in 1973 as a substitute educational aide. In 1974 she was appointed to her present position.

Both of Kitti's two sons graduated from the district.

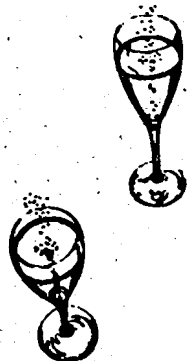
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# Students face busing change in January

BY JOHN BRODERICK

Thirty-three kids will have to leave a bit earlier for school than they're used to come Jan. 9.

But at least they won't have to wait for a bus.

Students in the vicinity of Five Mile and Bradner roads, will have to walk to Farrand Elementary, as their temporary bus service is being discontinued, according to Dale Goby, director of transportation and safety for the Plymouth-Canton Community

Schools district.

The students were "temporarily bused, because of construction going on in the Plymouth Crossing subdivision," Goby said. "Now sidewalks are complete, and the area is safe for them to walk."

School transportation regulations say that students living within a mile and a half of the school they attend are not eligible for bus service (with the exception students in Kindergarten through second grades for whom the

rule is one mile).

The affected students live within this distance Farrand, according to Goby.

The discontinuation of service "makes that area consistent with other areas in the district," he said.

One parent with two students affected by the change raised questions about the safety of the move.

"I understand the formula, and we definitely live within a mile of the school," he said. "But part of the area where the kids will have to walk is a

dirt road with no sidewalks, and a ditch on each side."

The district wide safety committee looks into, and recommends exceptions on such matters to the administration and the school board. The committee decided last year that students would be bused temporarily, until construction in the subdivision was complete, said Goby.

Parents were notified in a letter in August that bus service would end at this time.



## Friends & Neighbors

# Pounding away at the world, drums

BY JOHN BRODERICK

Jim Predhomme likes playing drums. In fact, you might say he loves playing drums.

When the University of Michigan (U-M) Marching Band takes the field on Jan. 2, at the 100th Tournament of Roses, residents might see Predhomme doing what he does best.

Predhomme joined the band three years ago. Now he is the lead snare drum player, co-snare drum instructor, and writer of a good part of the drum music for the band's weekly shows.

An engineering major, Predhomme's quick flight to the drum line's leadership, made many music majors wonder, "who is this guy, and where did he come from?"

Well, he comes from Plymouth. And that may have something to do with his success.

Predhomme started playing drums in Central Middle School, and soon joined the drum line of the Plymouth Fife and Drum Corps.

In addition to his responsibilities with the U-M band, Predhomme is an instructor with the Fife and Drum Corps, and assists the drum instructor of the nationally recognized Centennial Educational Park (CEP) Marching Band.

A busy schedule? Well, that's not all.

Somehow, Predhomme finds time to study industrial engineering at Michigan and to teach lessons. And to play in a rock band. And to manage an apartment complex in exchange for a break on the rent for his Ann Arbor apartment. And...well isn't that enough?

"I didn't come here for music," Predhomme said, "but it has become the biggest part of my education. You learn to set goals, and do the best you can in everything you do."

"In my classes I can get by with C's without any effort," he added. "But in band you always have to be at your best. It's a lot of work, but also a lot of fun."

"It's a real challenge to see what you're capable of."

Predhomme went to the Rose Bowl two years ago, and the Hall of Fame

Bowl last year. But this year's trip may very well be the high point of his marching career.

"The bowl is really the big payoff. And this year being the 100th anniversary of the Tournament of Roses, it will be an especially big deal."

How will Predhomme spend his time after the marching band season ends? Studying perhaps, or relaxing a bit?

"I also play in the pep band at the basketball games. That's really great, because I can actually see the games," he said. "For football, we're right

behind the team, and can't see a thing. For basketball, I have a court side seat."

Predhomme expects to graduate about this time next year.

"I'm looking forward to just practicing," he said. "I've been squeezing in practice time between all of my commitments for years. It'll be nice to just have time to play."

"I'd really like to make music my career, but it's nice to have an engineering degree to fall back on."

But there's no time to think about

the distant future right now.

The band hasn't even seen the music yet that it will be playing for the Rose Bowl. They'll see it for the first time on Dec. 27, and begin learning the marching drill for the five songs they will perform.

"I don't think it (the music) has been chosen yet," Predhomme said. "Which means I'll probably be writing drum parts on Christmas Day!"

Merry Christmas, Jim Predhomme. And happy new year in California.



Jim Predhomme, a Plymouth resident, will take to the field with the U-M Marching Band during the Rose

Bowl. Predhomme first hit the drums while a student at Central Middle School. (Crier photo by Chris Farina)

# Tell it to Phyllis

By Phyllis Redfern



Christmas is a time for memories. Remember the year you found a special toy under the tree, or the year Grandma and Grandpa spent the holidays at your house, or how about the year you were snowed in?

Last year was one of those special years for me. It was the first year I had to adjust to both kids being away at school, so having them both home for the holidays was great. We had fun just being together and mixing with their friends and mine.

Celebrating with my mom, brothers and their families is always fun. Last year was extra special because the cousins who lived near us when we were growing up joined in the festivities.

Knowing that we were all going to be together at Mom's the day after Christmas made planning for the holidays even more exciting than normal. I don't think there are words to describe my feeling when I found out my aunt and uncle had driven up from Florida to surprise everyone. It was like old times, we were all going to celebrate together like we used to.

It was fantastic. We had a great time talking about Christmas' past and some of the fun things we had done as kids. Our kids and parents also enjoyed learning about some of the things that had happened back in the days when we were teenagers.

For many of us, some of our best holiday memories go back to the days when we were children. I can remember a Santa Claus parade at night when we lived in Traverse City. I have no idea how old I was, but I remember it was snowing. I got to talk to Santa after the parade and he told me if I was good I might get a doll for Christmas.

I have probably never been as good as I was the week before Christmas. I tried so hard to do things to please Santa and it paid off. Christmas morning under the tree was the most beautiful doll with red hair.

I couldn't wait to get dresses and run next door to show my best friend, Judy, what Santa had given me. She was as excited as I was since Santa had given her a doll with blond hair.

Memories are fun to fall back on. As you celebrate the holiday this year, I hope it is filled with special memories that will last for years to come.

**MERRY CHRISTMAS!**

Kristine Glasgow, daughter of Ron Glasgow of Harvey in Plymouth, entered the U.S. Air Force's Delayed Enlistment Program. She will enter the Regular Air Force in June.

Cadet Steven Rehn, son of Robert Rehn of Cavilier in Canton and Darlyne Rehn of Mulberry, Fla. received practical work in military leadership at the U.S. Army ROTC advanced camp, Fort Bragg. He is a student at The Citadel, Charleston, S.C.

Andrew Clark, son of Marie Clark of Orhan in Canton, and Edward Clark of Arizona, has been promoted in the U.S. Air Force to senior airman. He is a 1985 graduate of Canton High School.

Army Pvt. 1st Class Billy McFarland, son of Billy and Linnie McFarland of Saltz Road in Canton, has arrived for duty in West Germany. He is a 1987 graduate of Canton High School.

Cadet Christopher Finerty, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Finerty of Leicester in Plymouth, has been officially accepted into the U.S Air Force Academy's Cadet Wing as a member of the class of 1992.

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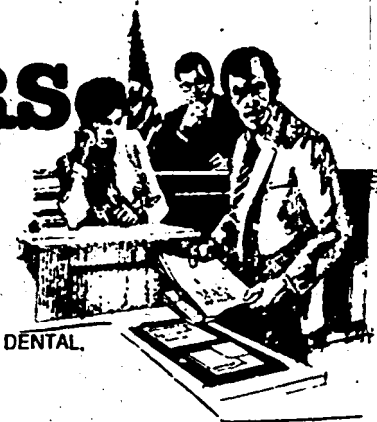
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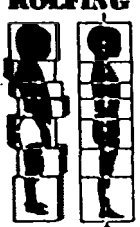
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**Wednesday 18**

**SENIORS POTLUCK LUNCH**  
 All senior citizens are invited to the monthly potluck luncheon at noon on Jan. 2 in the Fellowship Hall, First United Methodist Church on North Territorial in Plymouth. Please bring food dish to pass and table service. Slide lecture by Helen Gilbert on "Chief Tonquish and Other Indians of the Early Plymouth Area." Call 453-0321 for further details.

**LEARN TO SKI PROGRAM**  
 Canton's Parks and Recreation offers two "Learn to Ski" sessions in January (Jan. 9, 16 and Jan. 23, 30) at Riverview Highlands Ski Area. Open to adults and juniors (both beginner and intermediate). Cost is \$35, or \$25 with own equipment. Call 397-5110 for further information.

**WILCOX LAKE OPEN**  
 Wilcox Lake along the Middle Rouge section of the Edward Hines Parkway will be open for skating this winter, according to Wayne County officials. Skaters will be able to use the warming shelter as well, seven days a week, from daylight to dusk.

**MITTEN TREE**  
 The Mitten Tree, a longstanding Plymouth Christmas charity, is sponsored by the Plymouth Goodfellows and Hank Berhoff. It is located in Forest Place Mall in front of The Put Up-on Shoppe. Donations of mittens, hats, scarves are needed for needy children and adults.

**NOTED THEOLOGIAN COMING**  
 Noted theologian, writer and speaker, the Rev. Peter Marshall, will come to Plymouth for a visit on Feb. 12-15. He will speak at special services held at the First United Methodist Church of Plymouth. Call 459-1669 for further information.

**TEEN SKI TRIP**  
 The Canton Parks and Recreation department is sponsoring a teen ski trip to Alpine Valley Ski Area on Jan. 6. Cost is \$12 or \$18 without equipment. Bus leaves Canton Administration Building at 5 p.m.; returns at 12:15 a.m. All fees must be paid upon registration and space is limited. Call 397-5110.

**CIVITANS ESSAY CONTEST**  
 Entries are now being accepted for the annual Civitans Essay Writing Contest for all high school students in the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools. The first prize is \$125. Entries accepted until March 15, 1989. For details call the English Department at Canton High (451-6600). The topic: "What Should the Government Policy Be in Regard to the Aged?"

**PERSONAL WELLNESS SEMINARS**  
 Madonna College will offer a series of Personal Wellness Seminars during the college's winter term. The first session is Feb 7. Cost is \$10 per session, or \$55 for all six sessions. For information call 591-5188.

**S'CRAFT WINTER SIGN-UP**  
 Schoolcraft College's winter walk-in registration will continue on Jan. 3-4 and Jan. 5. The semester starts on Jan. 9. For additional information call 462-4426.

**LIBRARY STORYTIMES**  
 Storytimes for January at the Dunning-Hough Library will be as follows: Parent-Toddler, ages two to three and a half at 10 a.m. and 11 a.m. on Thursdays beginning Jan. 12; Preschool, ages three and a half to five at 10 a.m. and 11 a.m. on Tuesdays beginning Jan. 10. Parent must remain in the library. Registration is limited. Call the library at 453-0750.

**TAG PROGRAM**  
 The Plymouth-Canton Community Schools will be accepting parent nominations for the district's Talented and Gifted Program (TAG) for 1989-90 school year beginning on Jan. 9. Nomination forms available at all elementary schools from Jan. 9-20. There will be a TAG information night on Jan. 12 at 7 p.m. at Canton Little Theatre. Call Jim Burt at 451-6500.

# What's happening

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### ARTS RECEPTION PLANNED

The Plymouth Community Arts Council (PCAC) will host the opening reception of the Michigan Art '89 exhibition on Jan. 4 from 7-9 p.m. in Growth Works in downtown Plymouth. The exhibit, open free to the public, runs from Jan. 5-15, in conjunction with the 7th Annual Plymouth Ice Sculpture Spectacular. Hours are 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Monday through Thursday; 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday; and noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday. Call 455-5260.

### EARTHQUAKE RELIEF

Thousands of homeless are crying out for help in the devastated lands of Armenia. Residents can help them during this holiday season by calling the Armenia Earthquake Fund at 559-5200.

### MERRY MERRY CHRISTMAS

This Sunday is Christmas Day! A Very Merry Christmas to everyone in The Plymouth-Canton Community. And a Happy New Year.

### CHRISTMAS SERVICES

The Detroit Laestadian Congregation will hold Christmas Day Services at 6 p.m. Speakers will be Donald Lahti and Brian Hillstrom. Call 451-0500 for details.

### PLYMOUTH HISTORICAL MUSEUM

The Plymouth Historical Museum will be open Dec. 19-23 and Dec. 27-30 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. during the holidays. Special exhibits on dollhouses, miniatures and antique toys. Admission is \$1 for adults, 50 cents for kids 12-17 and 25 cents for youths 11 or younger. Call 455-8940.

### TOASTMASTERS CLUB MTG

The Oral Majority Toastmasters Club will host its next regular dinner meeting in the banquet room of Denny's on Ann Arbor Road at I-275. Begins at 5:45 p.m. For reservations or information call Phyllis a 455-1635.

### CANTON PUBLIC LIBRARY

The new Canton Public Library is open from 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday and Saturday. It is also open from noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday during the school year. Call 397-0999, or stop by the new library.

### START THE YEAR OFF RIGHT

The University of Michigan Medical Center is offering medically approved maternity fitness classes at the M-Care Health Center in Northville beginning on Jan. 9. Call 936-5186 for more information and class fees.

### COLLECTION OF TOYS

The Lawrence Scripps Wilkinson Collection of Toys will be on display from Jan. 8-30 at Madonna College's Exhibit Gallery. It is open to the public, free of charge. For information call Professor Ralph Glenn at 591-5102.

### P-C LALECHE LEAGUE

Mothers interested in information about breastfeeding are welcome to attend the next meeting of the Plymouth-Canton La Leche League on Dec. 27 at 7 p.m. in the Dunning-Hough Library in the City of Plymouth. For further information call 464-9714.

### WINTER SURVIVAL CAMP

The Living Science Foundation will host a Winter Survival Camp on Dec. 28-30 at the Northville Community Center. The three-day camp runs \$40 per day or \$100 for all three days. For information call 349-0203.

### NEW YEARS EVE GALA

A New Years Eve Gala is planned for Dec. 31 from 8 p.m. to 2 a.m. by the Mayflower-Lt. Gamble VFW Post 6695 at 1426 S. Mill in Plymouth. Catered dinner, cash bar, live music, party favorites. Cost is \$16 per person. Reservations by Dec. 26. Call 981-1231.

### ADULT STUTTERING GROUP

An Adult Stuttering Therapy Group is being formed by the Dept. of Speech Pathology at the Oakwood Canton Health Center in Canton. The group meets on Wednesday evening from 5:30-6:30 p.m. For details call 459-7030.

### HAM RADIO GROUP

The Stu Rockafellow Amateur Radio Society meets at the City of Plymouth City Hall once a month on the third Tuesday of each month. Meetings begin at 7:30 p.m. Call Dick Hill at 453-8123 for further details.

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# Canton Center to re-open this week

BY KEN VOYLES

It looks like part of Canton Center Road will re-open to north and south traffic this week.

The roadway was shutdown more than nine weeks ago when Wayne County contracted to make repairs to the bridge culverts on Canton Center Road just south of Ford Road and south of the Canton Administration Building.

"We've got our fingers crossed that the north end will re-open this week," said Aaron Machnik, chief building official with the Canton's Building Department. "We've been in touch with the county, which has spoken to the contractor to try and hurry things up.

"It seems the contractor has been a little slower than what had been anticipated," Machnik added.

One Wayne County official said the road would definitely re-open this week. The same official did not comment on the work delay which extended the closing until this week.

Machnik said his office has received "quite a few" complaints about the road being closed for so long. He said

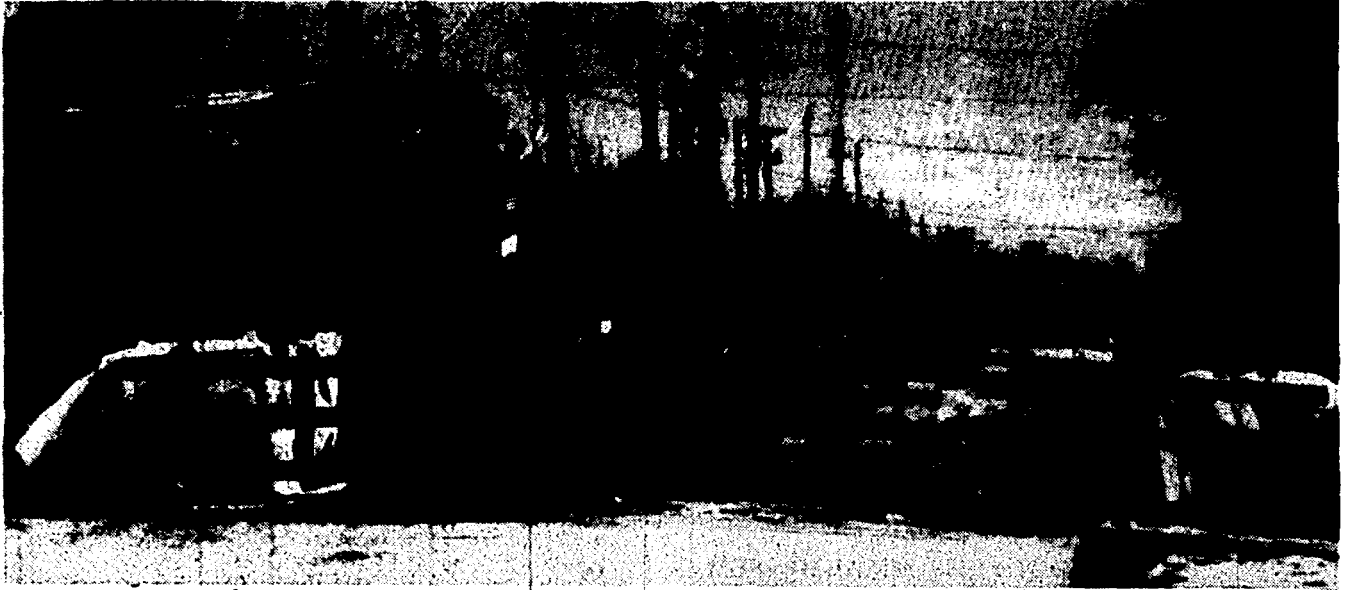
residents were concerned that the road was supposed to be closed for only five or six weeks.

"The police and fire departments are getting antsy about it also," Machnik said.

Police and fire units have faced longer response times with the road being closed, said Machnik. Canton's No. 1 Fire Station is located at Cherry Hill and Canton Center roads and the main police station is in the Ad-

ministration Building on Canton Center Road.

Residents trying to use the road for north or south bound travel have had to detour to either Sheldon Road or Beck Road to get around the closing.



This is Canton Center Road looking south from past Ford Road as it looked on Monday. Wayne County

officials said the road would re-open this week. (Crier photo by Chris Farina)



## Getting down to business

### Woman's idea turns into a TWIN

BY KEN VOYLES

Call it the "strength of weak ties."

That's what Susan Cameron refers to as those business contacts who help make life on the road much more palpable for a salesperson.

Cameron, a 54-year-old resident of the City of Plymouth, formed an organization known as TWIN, or the Traveling Women's Information Network, more than six months ago.

The organization is designed to strengthen contacts among business women who have to travel for a living.

"It came about from my experiences on the road," said Cameron. "The isolation you experience can be terrible."

Cameron said the organization helps women make business and social

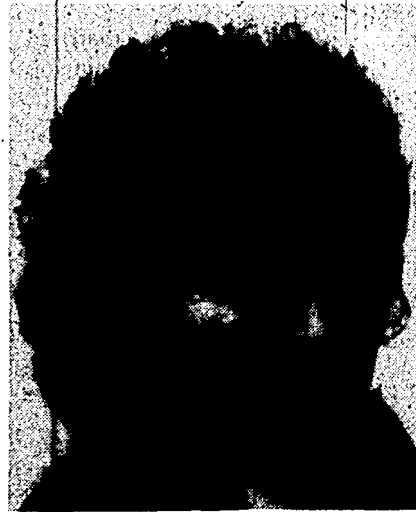
contacts while on the road.

"I talk to a lot of women who can't take it (traveling) and don't last very long. This is support that might help them," she said. "I think the safety factor underlies the whole program."

The TWIN network provides women with unlimited access to a database to connect them with other traveling women throughout the United States. They are connected by toll-free telephone number. Annual membership runs \$45.

There are currently 112 members, mostly in Michigan, but Cameron expects 1,000 members by the end of 1989 and nearly 2,000 by 1990. She also plans to market the program in nearly 22 states.

"People who join obviously like it,"



SUSAN CAMERON

she said. "It may not be really helpful until a little down the road when we have members all over."

Cameron said there is a real need for this kind of service now that women are taking a more prominent place in the workforce.

"I think it's very exciting," she said. "It's unusual and it's needed."

Cameron, who said she did have some fun while working 11 states as a sales representative, saw the network as a way to switch fields.

A former teacher at Ohio State University and Syracuse University in New York, Cameron moved to Plymouth nearly two years ago when

she left the academic world to join a computer disc company. She became a regional sales manager which demanded constant travel through 11 states.

"I got to talking to people, especially women, and it seemed like there was a pretty obvious need for this," Cameron said. "No-one else is doing anything like it."

In fact Cameron's efforts were recently highlighted in a Newsweek article.

With her academic background it comes as no surprise that Cameron has done reams of research on women in business, especially those that are forced by circumstances to travel. And she considers herself a sociologist.

But Cameron comes from a background of entrepreneur. Her father ran his own business and both her brother and sister still run their own outfits.

Way back in eighth grade, though, Cameron had plans to become a college dean. Although definitely headed in that direction, Cameron now looks to the business world for inspiration.

"I miss college now and then," she said, "especially the research aspects of teaching."

Besides the data network, TWIN will soon offer business travel seminars, said Cameron, as well as other workshops directed toward the business world.

### Business People

Michael J. Plotzke, CPA, has been named vice president-finance and corporate development at Plastipak Packaging Inc. and Absopure Water Company Inc. in Plymouth.

Plastipak manufactures blow-molded plastic containers for household goods and the beverage industry. Absopure is a regional bottler and distributor of a variety of waters to supermarket, retailers, businesses and homes.

Straight Inc. in Plymouth recently announced the appointment of Teresa J. Demorest as admissions counselor. A graduate of Michigan State University, Demorest holds a degree in family-adolescent therapy and chemical dependency. Before coming to Straight, she was a family counselor and probation officer in Jackson.

Straight is a non-profit drug and alcohol treatment center for adolescents.

## To Armenian disaster

# Listening in...

BY KEN VOYLES

The devastating earthquake may have struck more than 4,000 miles away in the Soviet Union's Armenia, but for Plymouth resident Dick Hill it might as well be just around the corner.

Hill, a member of the Stu Rockafellow Amateur Radio club, has been monitoring the radio airwaves ever since the earthquake struck two weeks ago.

"As long as the frequencies and airwave conditions are right I've monitored most of the time," said

Hill, who has a ham radio set-up in his home on Adams Street in the city. "I'm just following the action right now. My interest in ham radios is public service and that's what this is all about."

Hill added, "I just want to assist wherever I can."

The city resident has been following the "action" through a network of ham operators stretching from Moscow to London and New York. Much of the data coming out of the Soviet Union is concerning casualty figures and the urgent need for medical supplies.

Hill also said that inquiries are going in to the Soviet Union about people who may have been in the earthquake area.

"Most of the news coming out is coming over the amateur radio operator in Moscow," Hill said. "They're really trying to coordinate medical efforts."

Like most ham operators Hill is standing by to offer any assistance, but unless it is directly requested he has stayed off the air.

"You just listen, unless you can offer some sort of assistance," said Hill, who has the capacity to pass on "health and welfare" messages about certain individuals who may be in the Soviet Union. "I don't know any Armenians in this community, but I'm here if they need to get word out."

He added, "A lot of inquiries have been going in but nothing's been coming out yet."

Hill also said that like other ham operators he can act as a "relay" to extend the reach of the radio network.

For Hill it's his way of extending a helping hand. Not bad considering that help reaches across thousands of miles.

## Art show reception planned

Start out 1989 with creativity and inspiration by attending the Jan. 4 opening reception of "Michigan Art '89."

Sponsored by Michigan National Bank and programmed by the Plymouth Community Arts Council (PCAC), the opening reception of the second annual statewide competition will begin at 7 p.m. on that Wednesday, Jan. 4.

During the reception, held at Growth Works on Main Street, cash awards will be presented to nine artist for special recognition.

The actual exhibit will be open with free admission to the public on Jan. 5-15, the same dates as the 7th Annual Plymouth Ice Sculpture Spectacular. The exhibit will also be held at Growth Works.

Hours for the exhibit are 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Monday through Thursday; 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday; and noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday.

For further details call the PCAC at 455-5260.

## Commissioners appointed

New members were selected for Canton's Planning Commission at last week's regular meeting of the township board of trustees.

Victor Gustafson, John Burdziak and Catherine Johnson were all appointed at the most recent gathering of the township board.

Gustafson will complete the remainder of Robert Shefferly's term on the commission. Shefferly won a seat on the township board during the Nov. 8 general election.

Shefferly will, however, remain on the commission as the board's representative. Shefferly replaces Loren Bennett, the new township clerk, as board representative.

Burdziak is a former member of the township's Zoning Board of Appeals. Johnson was originally appointed to the Planning Commission in January of this year.

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# Community Deaths

## Smith, hardware founder

Ruby M. Smith, 79, of Plymouth Township, died Dec. 11, in Canton. Services were held Dec. 14 at the Schrader Funeral Home with the Rev. John N. Grenfell, Jr. officiating.

Mrs. Smith was a homemaker and co-founder of the S & W Hardware Store in Plymouth. A member of the First United Methodist Church, she came to the Plymouth community in 1937, from Marine City, MI.

Survivors include: sons W. Dean, of West Bloomfield, Brian C., of Ann Arbor, Frederick A., and Warren L. Jr. both of Plymouth; daughter Joyce L. Peterson, of Plymouth; 10 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Internment was in Riverside Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial contributions may be made to the First United Methodist Church of Plymouth, or the American Heart Association.

## Griffore, a homemaker

Emily H. Griffore, 75, died Dec. 8, at her home in Canton. Services were held Dec. 10, at St. Michael Lutheran Church in Canton, with Pastors Jerry Yarnell and Drex Morton officiating.

Mrs. Griffore was a homemaker, originally from Saginaw.

Survivors include: husband Howard J. Griffore, of Canton; sons Howard J. Jr., of Redford, Albert J., of Northville, David T., of Farmington, and Stephen, of Holland, MI; brother Walter Nagel, of Saginaw; sisters Helen Raleigh, of Saginaw, Esther Nichols, of California; 10 grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

Internment was in Glen Eden Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Michael Lutheran Church.

Arrangements by Lambert-Vermeulen Funeral Home.

## Barron, art teacher

Marjorie A. Barron, 79, of Northville, died Dec. 11, in Durand, MI. Services were held Dec. 15 at the Schrader Funeral Home, with the Rev. Kenneth F. Gruebel officiating.

Mrs. Barron had been a teacher and art coordinator in the Wayne County and Livonia Public Schools for 40 years. She received degrees from Eastern Michigan University, Wayne State University, and studied art education at the University of Michigan. She lived in Northville Township for 33 years.

Survivors include: son Lynn Becker, of Byron, MI; sisters Millie Blackford, of Plymouth, Louise Baughman of Interlochen, MI; brother Vernon Peck, of Canton; four grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

Internment was in Riverside Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society.

## Keeth, Burroughs employe

Vivian G. Keeth, 82, of Plymouth, died Dec. 13, in Superior Township. Services were held Dec. 17, at the Lambert-Vermeulen Funeral Home, with Stanley Jenkins of the Central Baptist Church officiating.

Mr. Keeth worked in production control for the Burroughs Corporation.

Survivors include: wife Verne E., of Plymouth; sons Keeth V., of Georgia, Donald, of Whitmore Lake, James D., of Garden City, and Michael J., of Plymouth; daughter Leslyn A. Young, of Westland; and 16 grandchildren.

Local arrangements were by Lambert-Vermeulen Funeral Home.

## Maynard, of Plymouth

Don Maynard, 67, of Plymouth, died Dec. 9, in Farmington Hills. Services were held Dec. 13, at the Schrader Funeral Home, with Pastor Lawson Robinson, and Pastor Headly Thweatt officiating.

Survivors include: son Michael, of Huntington, WV; brothers Elzie, of Ohio, Dors, of Florida; sisters Polly Sheppard, of West Virginia, Ruby Rendolph, of Livonia, and Ethel Spaulding and Edythe D. Staley, both of Plymouth.

Internment was in Knollwood Cemetery, Canton.

## Chickering, former teacher

Geraldine J. Chickering, 83, of Plymouth, died Dec. 11, in Plymouth. Services were held Dec. 15 at the United Methodist Church of Plymouth, with the Rev. Sally F. Baumer, officiating.

Mrs. Chickering was a teacher. She came to Plymouth from Dearborn Hights.

Survivors include: son Gerald, of Garden City; daughter Laurene Vigi, of Plymouth; grandchildren Glenn and Cynthia Chickering, and Allison Vigi.

Local arrangements were made by Schrader Funeral Home, Inc.

## Conedera, Ford engineer

Edo A. Conedera, 67, of Canton, died Dec. 9, in Canton. Services were held Dec. 12, at the Schrader Funeral Home, with David E. Thomas officiating.

Known to his friends as "Conny," Mr. Conedera was an engineer at the Ford Motor Company for 20 years, was a member of the Plymouth Elks Lodge, and had served in World War II. He came to Canton in 1965 from Detroit.

Survivors include: son Dana, of Virginia Beach, VA; daughters Enes of Portland, ME, and Donna Strang, of Canton; grandchildren Dawn Ann, Kelly, and Catlin Star Conedera, Teresa and Alan Strang, Devon and Stefan Henegar, and Issac Hillson.

Internment was in Glen Eden Cemetery, Livonia.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association.

## Jackson, Stahl employe

Lloyd J. Jackson, 66, of Plymouth, died Dec. 10, in Detroit. Services were held Dec. 13 at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, with the Rev. Fr. Richard Peretto officiating.

Mr. Jackson worked at Stahl Manufacturing for 16 years, and at the Schrader Funeral Home for the past several years. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II, and was a member of Our Lady of Good Counsel Church. He came to the Plymouth community in 1980, from Northville.

Survivors include: wife Nancy, of Plymouth; daughter Karen Roberts, of Westland; sisters Ruth, of Waterford, Ann, of Kalamazoo, and Helen, of Denver; brother Tom, of Arkansas; and grandchildren Todd and April Roberts, of Westland.

Internment was in Rural Hill Cemetery, Northville.

Memorial contributions may be given to the family.

## Bennett, company manager

Robert S. Bennett, 84, of Plymouth, died Dec. 15, in Ann Arbor. Services were held Dec. 19, at the First United Methodist Church of Plymouth, with the Rev. John N. Grenfell Jr. officiating.

Mr. Bennett, until 1942, worked as a superintendent of a CCC camp for the U.S. Forestry Service. He retired in 1973 from Kinnely & Sisman Packaging Co., where he was employed for 20 years, most recently as the superintendent.

Mr. Bennett was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Plymouth, a member of the AARP, and the Colony Farms Condominium Association.

Survivors include: daughters Carolyn L., of St. Clair Shores, Corin L., of Lansing, and Connie Heidt, of Plymouth; brothers Carl, of Chicago and Thomas, of Iron Mountain; sister Hildur, of Crystal Falls, MI; six grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to the First United Methodist Church Organ Fund.

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Fifth in 3 weeks

## Another robbery

There was yet another armed robbery in Canton Sunday night, according to Canton Police.

It was the fifth such robbery in the past three weeks in the township, said David Boljesic, Canton's police spokesperson.

Police said two black males entered the Star Stop Party Store at 11:20 p.m. Sunday night and walked to the coolers where they donned black ski masks.

At that point the suspects walked over to the clerk and demanded money from the cash register. Police said one of the suspects was armed with a blue steel semi-automatic handgun.

The pair fled with approximately

\$400, said Boljesic.

The armed suspect was described at six foot, 180 pounds, aged 25-30, with long finger nails, "big eyes" and a deep voice. He was seen carrying the handgun. The other suspect was described as six foot, 180 pounds, aged 25-30, wearing a leather coat and black jeans.

Police said they did not have a description on an automobile. They are continuing the investigation.

"There is a definitely tendency for armed robberies to increase around the holidays," said Boljesic. "There's this perception that more money is floating around at stores."

## New head of security hired by P-C Schools

James P. Collins, of Canton, has been named security supervisor for the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools district.

The district's board of education voted Monday night to hire the longtime police officer, and current detective lieutenant with the Michigan State Police, after a long selection period.

He will fill the position left vacant at the end of the last school year (1987-88) when former City of Plymouth

police Chief Timothy Ford retired from the post. Ford passed away on Friday.

The post of security supervisor has been vacant since the start of the new school year. The entails running Centennial Educational Park (CEP) as well as coordinating security at other district schools.

Collins brings a long list of experience to the position, including 25 years with the State Police, 16 of those years as a detective.

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# Ice Spectacular shapes up for Jan. 5-15

BY KEN VOYLES

Last year's Plymouth Ice Sculpture Spectacular was the best one ever, according to organizer Scott Lorenz, who is already waist deep in preparations for this year's 7th annual affair.

The 10-day event, with a theme of "YMCA and The American Family," is slated to be held Jan. 5-15 in downtown Plymouth, mostly around Kellogg Park.

"Last year was the best," Lorenz said. "We're concentrating on making it an even better event this year." Nearly 500,000 visitors viewed the ice show last year, he said.

He added, "But I think this year could be even better."

Some of the highlights of this year's festival include:

A new open three-person, five-block competition on Jan. 13 at 7 p.m.; the student chefs competition on Jan. 7; the professional chefs competition on Jan. 14 at 9 a.m.; and the Plymouth Winter Antique Show, held in the Cultural Center in conjunction with the festival.

Nearly 400 tons of ice will be used by carvers during the 10-day event, and visitors can expect more than 400 individual sculptures to take shape throughout the park and along the city's downtown streets.

Lorenz highlighted some of the sculptures, mentioning a giant American flag in the fountain of Kellogg Park, along with dinosaur carvings and many of the Disney characters.

Carvers are expected from a variety of high schools, including those in Plymouth-Canton and Livonia. Junior colleges like Schoolcraft College and Oakland Community College will also send teams to the show. Other carvers are expected from places as far away as California, Illinois, Pennsylvania, Missouri and Ontario.

Plymouth's Old Village will also probably get into the act more this year than ever before, said Lorenz. Besides offering a carriage service and a shuttle to downtown on the city's doubledecker bus, Old Village may also become a site for some sculptures, said Lorenz.

Good, cold weather is always a concern for the show's organizers, but Lorenz said he is one who doesn't worry about that aspect of the festival until several days beforehand.

"I'm not even going to worry about that before Jan. 1," he said. "I hope it's too cold. We can deal with that."

The Plymouth Chamber of Commerce is also working with local businesses to extend their hours to midnight or even later on Saturday, Jan. 7, said Lorenz.



## Places to be

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The Wayne County Park System, including the Middle Rouge portion of the Edward Hines Parkway, will remain open during the winter while offering a variety of activities to county residents.

The decision to stay open was announced by Wayne County Executive Edward McNamara recently.

"One of my major objectives has been to improve the usefulness and accessibility of our park area," McNamara said.

Residents will be able to ice skate on Wilcox Lake and use the Wilcox warming shelter during the winter months. Both the lake and shelter will also be open for "unsupervised" activity, seven days a week from daylight to dusk.

There will also be cross country skiing at Elizabeth Park and the Warren Valley Golf Course.

Call 561-1040 for further details on cross country skiing. Or call 261-1990 for other information on the county parks.

## Skiing made easy

Get out the skis and take to the slopes.

If you don't know how to ski try the "Learn To Ski" program sponsored by Canton's Parks and Recreation Department.

There are two sessions slated for January (Jan. 9 and 16 and Jan. 23 and 30). They are open to adults (16 and older) and junior skiers (eight to 15).

The lessons will be held at the Riverview Highlands Ski Area. The cost is \$35 per person and includes four

lessons (two each week), four lift tickets and four equipment rentals. The cost is only \$25 for those with their own equipment.

The lessons will be offered for both beginners and intermediate skiers. Skiers will have to provide their own transportation to Riverview.

To register go to the Canton Parks and Recreation at the township Administration Building on Canton Center Road.

For further information call 397-5110.

## P-C TAG nominations

The Plymouth-Canton Community Schools will be accepting parent nominations for the district's Talented and Gifted Program (TAG) for the 1989-90 school year beginning on Jan. 9.

If a resident has a child who exhibits exceptional ability and will be in the third grade or above that resident should consider requesting an assessment.

Nomination forms are available at all elementary schools from Jan. 9-20.

Further information about the program and the screening process will be included in the nomination packet.

Also, there will be a TAG program Information Night at the Canton High Little Theatre on Jan. 12 at 7 p.m.

Call Jim Burt, principal at Allen Elementary School (451-6500) for further details.

## Church plans services

The First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth will have three Christmas Eve services this Saturday.

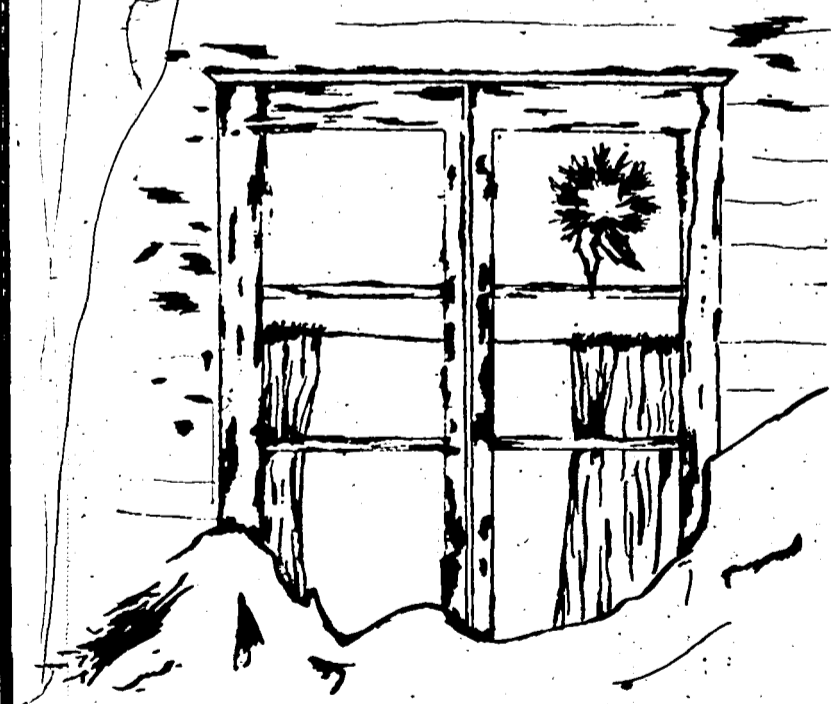
A family service at 5 p.m. will feature all three youth choirs. At 8 p.m., there will be a Candlelight Communion Service, with music by the Agape Singers. At 11 p.m., there will be a Festival Candlelight Service, with music by the Chancel Choir.

Phillip Magee, senior minister, will present an original story, "The Green Wreath with the Red Bow," at the 8 and 11 p.m. services.

There will also be one service on Christmas Day (Sunday) at 10 a.m.

First Presbyterian is located at the corner of Main and Church streets.

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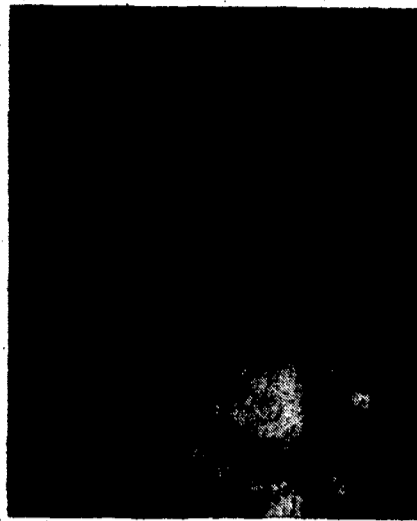
## Rogers, Ford married in Flint

William and Poca Rogers, of Flint, are proud to announce the Aug. 13 marriage of their daughter Ellen M. to Scott R. Ford, son of Jack and Donna Ford, of Canton.

The new bride is a graduate of David Lipscomb College in Nashville, TN. The groom graduates this month from David Lipscomb with a degree in accounting.

The bride's maids were Leigh Perkins, of El Cajon, CA, Kay Parker, of Shelbyville, TN, and Karen Robb, of Grand Blanc. The assistants were Amber Evenson and Michelle Johnson. The matron of honor was the bride's sister Minta Everson, of Birmingham, AL. The flower girl was Audrey Everson.

The groomsmen were Paul Rogers, of Flint, James Johnson, of Westland,



ROGERS — FORD

and Jodie Wilson, of Morehead, KY. The bestman was the groom's brother Jack Ford, of Nashville. Austen Everson served as the ringbearer.

The service was performed by the bride's father and brother, Philip Rogers at the Church of Christ in Flint.

Following a honeymoon in northern Michigan, the couple moved to Nashville.

## Burt, Meade exchange autumn vows

Lori Ann Burt and Gerald Edward Meade exchanged vows Sept. 3 at the First Presbyterian Church in Goshen, IN.

The bride's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Burt, of Goshen, IN. The groom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Edward Meade, of Farmington Hills.

The new bride is a graduate of the University of Indiana and is an account specialist for Computer Decissions Inc. in Ohio. The groom is director of service for Sunshine Honda/Suzuki/Hyundai in Middleburg Heights, OH.

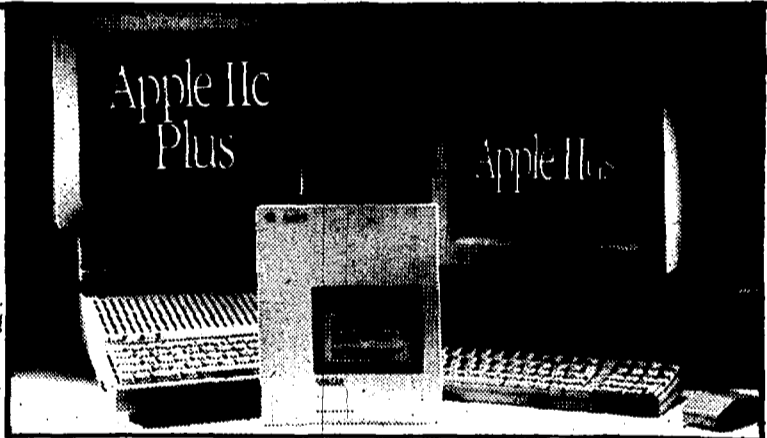
The bridesmaids were Karen Nicholls, of Anderson, IN, and Elizabeth Hamilton, of Indianapolis. The matron of honor was the bride's sister Peggy Burt, of Dallas.

The groomsmen were brother Michael Meade, of Ann Arbor, and Keith Bradley, of Novi. The best man was brother John Meade, of Westland.



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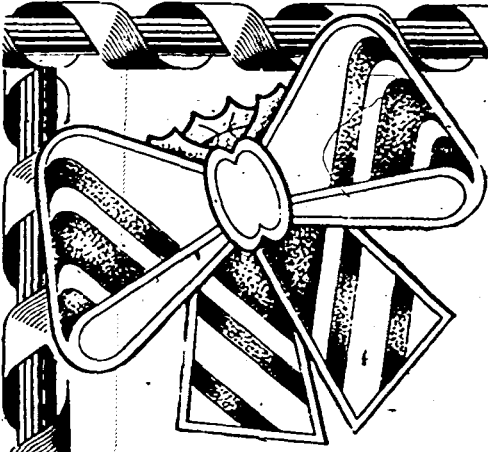
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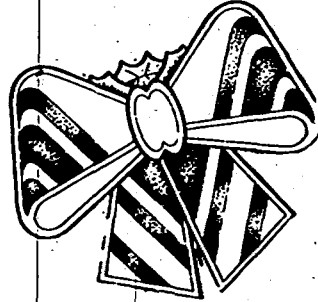
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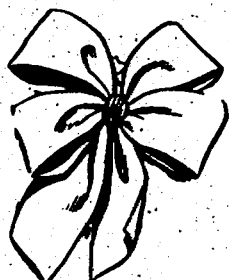
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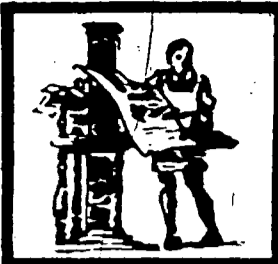
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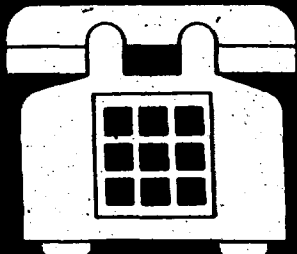
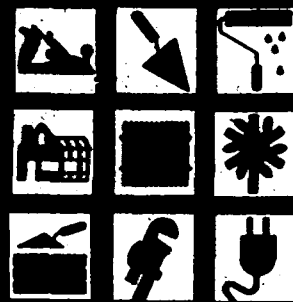
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# Chiefs tankers cruise in relays

BY JANET ARMSTRONG

Depth, it all came down to the depth of the team, according to Canton swim coach Hooker Wellman.

The Canton boys swim squad beat out 11 other teams to win the Western Lakes Relay Saturday at the Salem pool.

It took the Chiefs one first place, two second places, and host of other contributions to beat out the rest of the league.

Canton's closest competition came from cross-campus rival Salem who

trailed the Chiefs in the final standings 230-213.

The Chiefs only first place finish came in the 200-yard backstroke relay, which set a new Western Lakes Relay record.

Jim Hartnett, Steve Geddes, Scott Swartzwelter and Bryce Anderson chipped in for that new record of 1:49.64.

The Chiefs, who are 0-1 on the season, earned their two second place finishes in the 400-yard individual medley relay, and the crescendo relay.

Hartnett, Dave Nive, Anderson, and Jeff Holman cruised to a second place finish in the individual medley with a time of 4:00.26.

While Steve Werst, Drew Lang, Geddes, and Mike Helmstetter swam to a second and a time of 4:38.18 in the crescendo relay.

Wellman said he was very pleased with the team's win on Saturday.

"It (the win) shows that we have good depth, and that helped us in the long run," said Wellman. "We've got to work on our front line people," said

Wellman.

He added, that Salem has a strong front line but needs to improve its depth.

Wellman also said he was particularly pleased with some of the individual Chiefs swimmers.

"Anderson had a really good meet for us," said Wellman. "For that matter so did Geddes and Holman."

Canton now faces Farmington on Thursday at Farmington the meet starts at 7 p.m.



## Sports

### Aches, pain, and inexperience

# Canton's wrestling woes continue

BY JANET ARMSTRONG

Injuries and lack of experience are still playing a major role in the Canton Wrestling squad's season, said first year coach Ray Kossakowski.

"We're just plugging holes right now (substituting J.V. into the varsity lineup)," said Kossakowski. "And (lack of) experience is still hurting us."

The Chiefs are 0-2 on the season.

Canton fell victim to Livonia Churchill on Thursday, 38-33.

"In both losses we were in it until our inexperience showed," said Kossakowski.

According to the coach, it's the heavier weight divisions where the Chiefs are hurting most.

The Chiefs also competed in the John Glenn Invitational on Saturday and fared well.

Canton had five wrestlers place in the meet, three of whom were in the top four.

Liam Rentz garnered a third place at 135 lbs.; Michael Golchuk (145 lbs.) took a fourth; and Nick Purzer (152 lbs.) also took a fourth in the tourney.

Kossakowski said Jim Yack (140 lbs.) and Rudy Cervantes (152 lbs.) also did well in the meet, but were unable to place in the top five.

In Thursday's meet Canton had six wrestlers win their matches and one tie.

Jason Fortin (103 lbs.) led the way with a win, pinning his opponent 56 seconds into the match.

At 119 lbs., Scott Swartzinski wrestled to a tie, while Rentz (140 lbs.) beat his opponent on points, 11-2.

Golchuk (145 lbs.) was also a winner for the Chiefs, beating his opponent,



### Whump !!

11-8. Purzer (152 lbs.) won his match after pinning his opponent.

Rounding out Canton's wins were Mark Meszaros (171 lbs.) winning on a

Canton's Liam Rentz gets a close-up view of the mat during a recent Chief's wrestling match. Injuries have plagued Canton this season. (Crier photo by Chris Farina).

16 second pin, and Mike Kelly (275 lbs.) who won his match by default.

According to Kossakowski this will be Canton's toughest week of competition, having wrestled Salem

yesterday and Northville tomorrow at home.

The Northville meet starts at 6:30 p.m.



## Rocks still on top

# Salem dribblers take two, remain perfect

BY RITA DERBIN

The Rocks are still undefeated and off to a fast start early in their basketball season.

Thursday Salem downed Walled Lake Central, 93-53, and on Tuesday defeated Monroe, 79-58.

After those two wins the Rocks are 4-0 overall and 1-0 in league play.

In Thursday's contest, Jeff Elliott, who is nine of 16 from three point range this season, led all scorers with 24 points in three quarter. Included in Elliott's totals were 15 first quarter points and four three-pointers.

Jeff Jagacki was also in double figures with 10 points.

The most impressive feature in the game according to coach Bob Brodie was that his team shot 100 percent from the floor in the first quarter while taking a 32-12 lead.

"Everyone played and everyone scored," said Brodie. "It was a well-rounded effort."



Salem tanker Ron Orris makes waves. (Crier photo by Chris Farina)

## Salem tankers sunk by Canton in relays

BY RITA DERBIN

Home pool advantage did not work to Salem's advantage on Saturday when the Rocks hosted the Western Lakes Relays.

Rival Canton edged out Salem, 230-213, for first place. North Farmington (198 points), Westland John Glenn (181 points), and Livonia Stevenson (177 points) rounded out the top five.

For the Rocks, the 400-yard freestyle relay of Mike Hill, Ron Orris, Fred Seidelman and Rick Steshetz (3:22.01), and the crescendo relay of Steve Wells, Hill, Seidelman and Orris (4:21.6) won their events setting meet records in the process.

The 200-yard medley relay of Chris Butzlaff, Mark Erickson, Albert Sneath, and Chris Caloia came in second with a time of 1:51.13; the 200-yard backstroke relay of Butzlaff, Kurt Wittoff, Brett Petruskey, and Eric Bunch (1:58.4) came in third; and the 400-yard medley relay of Sean Fitz-

gerald, Erickson, Sneath and Caloia came in fourth.

Also for the Rocks, the 200-yard butterfly relay of Mike Axford, Craig Wilsher, Chris Vanderweele and Rob Shimmel (1:55.54) and the 400-yard individual medley relay team of Bunch, Shimmel, Steshetz, and Fitzgerald (4:12.3) had fifth place finishes.

Divers Pat McManaman and Derrick Glencer came in seventh with 336.5 points. The 200-yard breaststroke relay of Dave Gackenbach, Dave Keppen, Jeremy Cionca, and Matt Wisniewski (2:13.7) also finished in seventh.

"We were glad to host the relays," said coach Chuck Olson. "A lot of time went into setting everything up."

"There were good swims by everybody," added Olson. "The five guys on the two record breaking relays swam well and there were many other good swims by individuals."

The Rocks will host Farmington Harrison tomorrow night at 7 p.m.

In the game, Craig Marshall added nine assists and Jake Baker pulled down six rebounds.

In Tuesday's win against Monroe, Elliott again led Salem with 19 points and also had eight assists. Baker added 15 points while Jeff Gold and Jagacki chipped in 10 apiece.

Marshall was the star of the game, though, according to Brodie.

He had nine points for the game and tied a school record with seven steals.

"I'm very happy with the team's defense," Brodie said. "We've had a lot of steals and have held our opponents under 60 points, which is impressive now that we have three-point baskets."

"The team is having fun and the chemistry is good right now," Brodie added. "When you win everybody is happy. Hopefully we'll continue."

Last night the Rocks played Canton and their next game will be at home on Jan. 3 against Ypsilanti.

## PCJBA races tighten in winter campaign

In the Girls A League of the Plymouth-Canton Junior Basketball Association (PCJBA), the Lakers and the Celtics are deadlocked in first place with 5-3 records.

They are followed up by the Suns (4-4); and the Kings (2-6).

In recent action, the Lakers nipped the Celtics, 25-21, and the Suns blitzed the Kings, 45-19.

In the American Division of the Boys A League, the Rockets remain in control with a commanding 9-0 record. They are followed by the Suns (7-2); the Celtics, the Spurs, and the Kings, all 3-6; and the Lakers (2-7).

In the National Division, the Pistons also remain undefeated with a dominating 9-0 record. They are followed by the Bulls (7-2); the Jazz (5-4); the Bucks (3-6); the Knicks (2-7); and the Nets (1-8).

In action over the weekend, the Pistons crushed the Bucks, 78-44; the Jazz thumped the Bulls, 71-53; the

Suns burned the Lakers, 77-44; the Knicks knocked the Nets, 63-54; the Rockets blasted the Kings, 72-54; and the Celtics kicked the Spurs, 66-43.

In the American Division of the Boys B League, the Nets, Lakers, and the Sonics, remain flawless at 3-0. They are followed by the Spurs (2-1); Knicks (1-2); and the 76ers, Rockets, and Kings, all 0-3.

In the National Division, the Celtics and the Bulls share the top slot with 3-0 records. They are followed by the Jazz and the Pacers, both 2-1; the Hawks and the Bulls, both 1-2; and the Suns and the Pistons, both 0-3.

Over the weekend, the Sonics bounced the Knicks, 44-37; the Spurs tamed the 76ers, 54-26; the Pacers stalled the Pistons, 40-28; the Bulls silenced the Jazz, 38-36; the Lakers swamped the Kings, 49-33; the Nets tangled the Rockets, 39-35; the Bucks set the Suns, 54-32; and the Celtics edged the Suns, 25-21.

### Even record

## Chief's stomp W.L. Western

BY JANET ARMSTRONG

Senior Brian Paupore led the Canton boys hoop squad to victory on Friday, scoring almost half of the Chiefs overall points.

The Chiefs beat Walled Lake Western, 68-50, to bring their season record to 2-2 overall. Western is 0-4 on the season.

Paupore has been one of the scoring leaders for Canton this season. He racked up 26 points in last week's loss to Ann Arbor Huron.

In addition to Paupore's 29 points Friday night, Senior guard Troy Waldron, another one of Canton's main scorers, had 13 points.

Also in double digits for Canton on Friday was Mike Sulak with 10 points.

The Chiefs lead rebounder on the night was Paupore with eight. Canton played Salem yesterday at Canton and will come back from Christmas vacation to take on South Lyon at home Jan. 3.

*Face struggle Lansing*

# Rock grapplers take two of three



BY RITA DERBIN

Busy was the word last week for the Salem wrestling team.

The Rocks participated in three meets and won two of them.

On Saturday, Salem traveled to the Lansing Eastern Invitational and finished eighth of 17.

Finishing ahead of the Rocks were Bedford, Detroit Catholic Central, Lansing Sexton, Eaton Rapids, Mount Pleasant, Holt, and East Lansing.

"The tournament had at least eight or nine top-teams in the state," said coach Ron Krueger. "And we beat some of them."

"I'm pleased with our performance," the coach added. "We had injuries and sickness and still did well."

With only nine members of the team participating, all the Rocks made it to the final round before the medal round and five boys made it into the medal round.

Craig Richardson (112 lbs.) finished fourth; Ed Barlage (140 lbs.) finished third; Steve Burlison (160 lbs.) finished fifth; and Brian Burlison (171 lbs.) finished third.

"Everyone did well and I'm happy with the team's play," said

Krueger. "But the big surprise of the invitational was Peter Israel's performance at 152 lbs." Israel finished in fifth place by winning four of five matches.

On Thursday the Rocks won a dual meet over North Farmington, 51-21.

Winning for Salem on Thursday were: Matt Konenski (110 lbs.); Richardson (112 lbs.), who pinned his opponent in 35 sec.; Julian Sell (125 lbs.); and Mike Shumate (130 lbs.) by a 7-6 decision.

Also winning were: Miller (135 lbs.); Barlage (140 lbs.); Israel (152 lbs.); Steve Burlison (160 lbs.), who pinned his opponent in eight seconds; and Brian Burlison (171 lbs.).

The Rocks also won on Tuesday against Northville, 54-18.

Winners were: Konenski (103 lbs.); Richardson (112 lbs.); Ken Stopa (119 lbs.), by a 7-1 decision; Sell (125 lbs.); Shumate (130 lbs.), by 7-6 decision; and Miller (135 lbs.).

Also winning were: Barlage (140 lbs.); Israel (152 lbs.); Steve Burlison (160 lbs.) and Brian Burlison (171 lbs.).

The Rocks had a dual meet against Canton last night and will travel to Farmington tomorrow for a 6:30 p.m. meet.

## Deadlocked

Ty McCall does his best to get a grip on his opponent during a recent meet. (Crier photo by Chris Farina)



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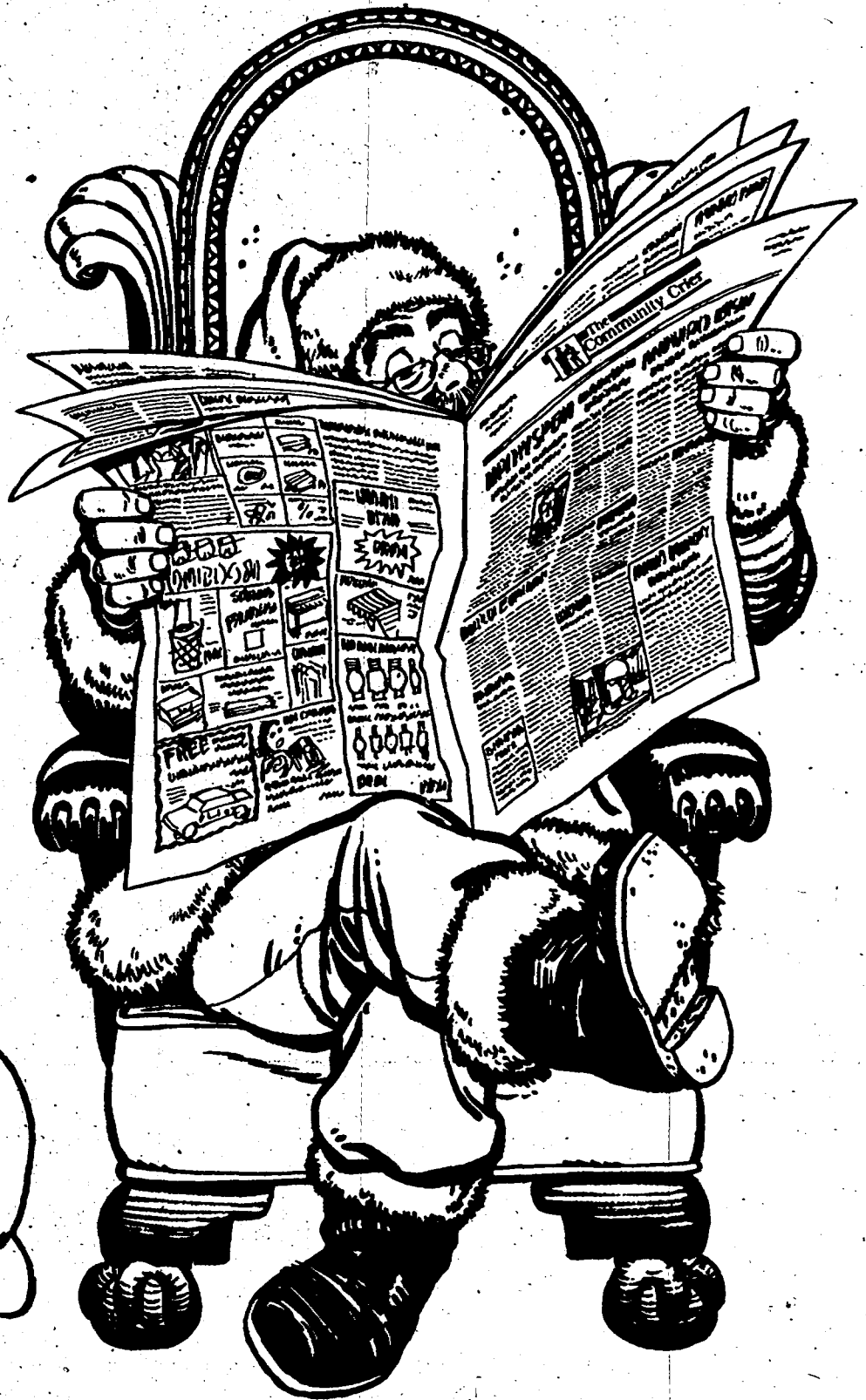
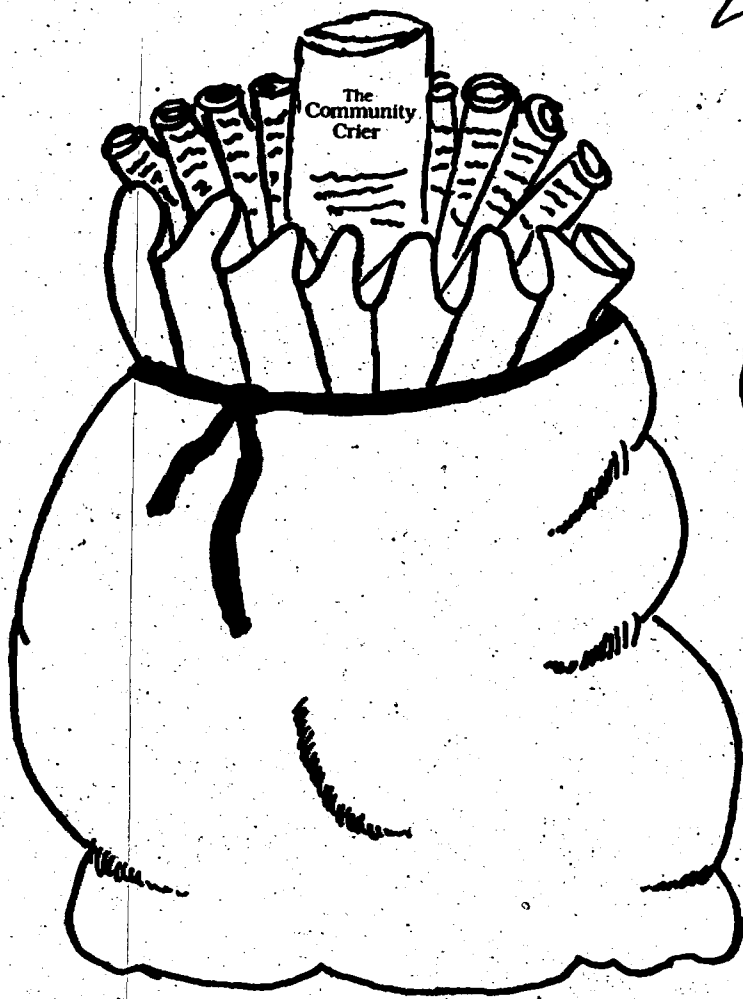
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## Here's Santa ...

Santa Claus took a train ride Saturday. Well, actually he just came to Plymouth on a CSX train so that he could talk to local kiddies and find out what they want for Christmas. (Crier photo by Ken Voyles)

## Winter taxes due

Winter taxes can be paid in Plymouth Township during the Christmas and New Year holidays.

Office hours will be Dec. 20-22, 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Dec. 27-29, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. In addition, bills can be paid

on Dec. 30 at Comerica Bank sites on Arbor and Lilley roads or in Lakepointe on Wilcox Road.

Plymouth Township Hall will be closed on Dec. 23, 26, 30, and 2.

# Davis 'secure' with current court

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Miranda Decision and it has taken quite some time for the full impact of that to be reached," says Davis. "There were also some major decisions regarding search and seizure. But also, I think that over the years people have become more concerned for the rights of victims. People have become more oriented to the law enforcement side of things."

Despite the legal undulations during Davis' career, the judge may best be known for his grass roots sense of justice.

"One time I had a young fellow come in who had been charged with making excessive noise (he had been picked up for squealing his tires in town)," Davis recalls. "He told me that he wasn't trying to do it, but that his car was such that he couldn't help it. So we took a break and I went out and drove the car, but I couldn't get those tires to squeal."

Davis remembers another case when a steward at the mental institution on Seven Mile Road had been charged with hitting a patient with a broom stick.

"I asked him just how hard he had hit the patient. He said it was only a tap so I made him show me with a law book. Well, I bent over and he gave me quite a whap," says Davis.

Davis' earthy knack for reaching a verdict served as a landmark in the community, but now the 35th District Court handles one of the state's busier

dockets and time doesn't always allow for a impromptu, Davis-style case reconstruction.

Regardless, Davis said he feels secure with the current state of affairs at the Dunbar Davis Hall of Justice.

"The growth of the communities with an increase in population and businesses and the arrival of the

# Symphony hits stride

BY W. EDWARD WENDOVER

The Plymouth Symphony hit a high note Saturday.

Along with Opera Light, the musicians offered their annual Christmas concert -- this year, "Amahl and the Night Visitors."

This brief opera for children features the tale of the Three Kings who, while following the Christmas Star, rest one night with a poor crippled shepherd boy and his mother.

Music -- both vocal and instrumental -- was wonderful.

The Detroit-area opera company and the Plymouth Symphony showed fine musical performances.

Acting -- the casting was perfect, their roles came alive.

But there were two sour notes to the Christmas concert.

First, the lighting. Technical support can destroy an otherwise fine performance. In this case, the lighting seemed five lines late and it noticeably detracted from the staging.

Worse yet was the audience.

Oh, it was enthusiastic enough -- the comic lines got laughs -- but it was too small. Considering that such a Saturday night before Christmas was an excellent time to take children to a light Christmas opera, the size of the house must have been as disappointing to the symphony as it was to those who



did show up.

The Plymouth-Canton Community has a unique gem in the Plymouth Symphony; it was a shame that so few community residents took advantage of it Saturday.

Next time this can be changed.

The Feb. 18 performance of the Plymouth Symphony will be its "Choral Spectacular."

## Spa & Tub missing \$\$\$

Spa and Tub World at 865 Wing Street reported \$3,199 in property missing from its downtown Plymouth location.

Police said the complainant (business owner) reported the incident last week. The owner told police there were no visible signs of forced entry.

The owner said Spa and Tub World was closed on Wednesday, said police.

# Vorva faces city's wrath

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"I'm disappointed and disheartened. When they called me in for the suspension I knew this was going to happen," said Vorva. "The real travesty is that the taxpayers will have to pay \$1000s because their (the city police department) position is indefensible.

"They wanted to get rid of me because I'm honest and they know with me around they run the risk of me talking about their behavior. There was nothing wrong with your (The Crier's) questions and nothing wrong with my answers," added Vorva.

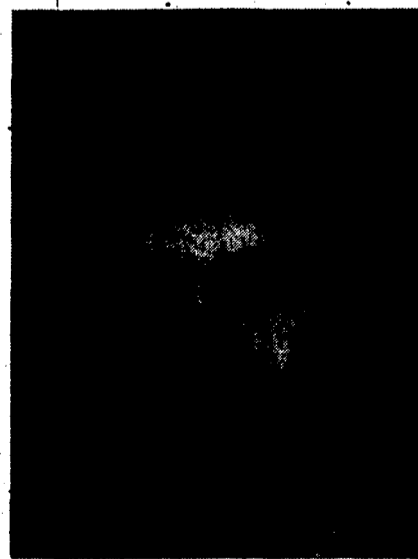
Vorva said he is also confident with his current arbitration involving his April suspension for what he said were medical reasons. In that case, Vorva is suing for back pay and benefits and the removal of the suspension from his record.

Mel Meck, recently elected president of the Plymouth Police Officers Association, said the union sympathizes with Vorva.

freeways has certainly contributed to an increase in crime and the number of cases," says Davis. "In our 35th District, the court is excellent. We have two fine judges (Garber and John MacDonald). Garber and the advisory board used good foresight and made provisions for a third courtroom downstairs if that ever becomes

necessary. It's always a little discouraging to see things going so disgustingly well without me."

**EDITOR'S NOTE** — This is the final story in The Crier series on the 35th District Court.



JERRY VORVA

"The union's position is that Vorva was unjustifiably released and we'll

take this up through the proper union channels," said Meck. "We're confident he'll get his job back. In the long run, it'll cost taxpayers money.

"This is the same thing the Police Officers Association of Michigan won in Redford Township against the same firm the city has (Risk Management)," Meck added.

Myers defended his "no comment" position in a written statement delivered Monday.

"As a matter of policy, the Plymouth Police Department does not comment or reveal the nature of internal investigations. The policy serves to shield the department's employees collectively from unproven allegations, vindictive attacks from disgruntled persons, and inaccurate assessments of their action," said Myers.

City Manager Henry Graper would not comment on Vorva's release.

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MICHELLE WILSON: It's been one-thirty-second of a page in life. Happy birthday! - Ed (Beauregard liked the cake.)

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JIM ARMSTRONG IS home from California for 6 days from the 21st - 27th. Welcome Back!

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Rich is always the first one to read all of the Curios.

BrightEyes: Merry X-mas and Happy 1989!!! - DarkEyes

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Bobby LaRiche - I've had a rotten week. I hope yours was better & nice things happened to you. Keep smiling!

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CONGRATULATIONS DEB REDFERN on great grades! - Jessica & Ed.

"DAD is this Christmas play about A Mall and Night Shoppers?" - Jessica at Plymouth Symphony's 'Amahl and the Night Visitors.'

MERRY CHRISTMAS to all my friends at The Crier. - Karen Prieskorn.

What kind of wax does Ed use on his kitchen floor?

Thanks Shawn & Charlie for a wonderful night in the country!!! K.C. & Roy

Bobby LaRiche: Clue number 2: the one time we met was on August 23, 1986. Do you remember the place?

Bocho is a Spartan and a Hoosier. Two down and Tar Heel, Boilermaker and Wolverine to go. Congratulations! Mom & Dad.

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Red - can it be we're done shopping? Blue

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HoneyBunny: Four days left 'til Christmas - I think we should start shopping now!! - JamBunny

Hope Santa is good to all the Crierites. The Editors.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Relax and enjoy. Renew family relationships. Don't let your working atmosphere bring down your spirits. Do for yourself.

This is it - time to celebrate another year's passing!

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Happy holidays to the Voyles clan. Ken

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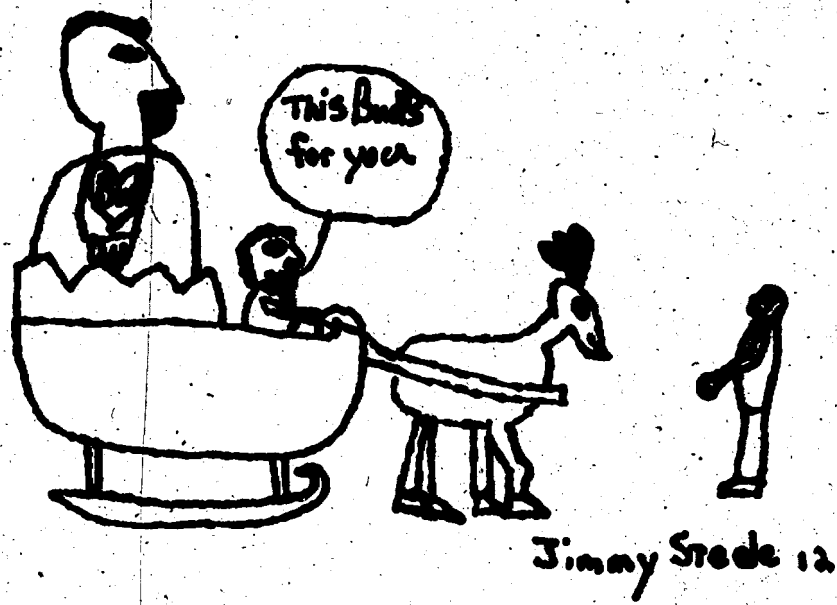
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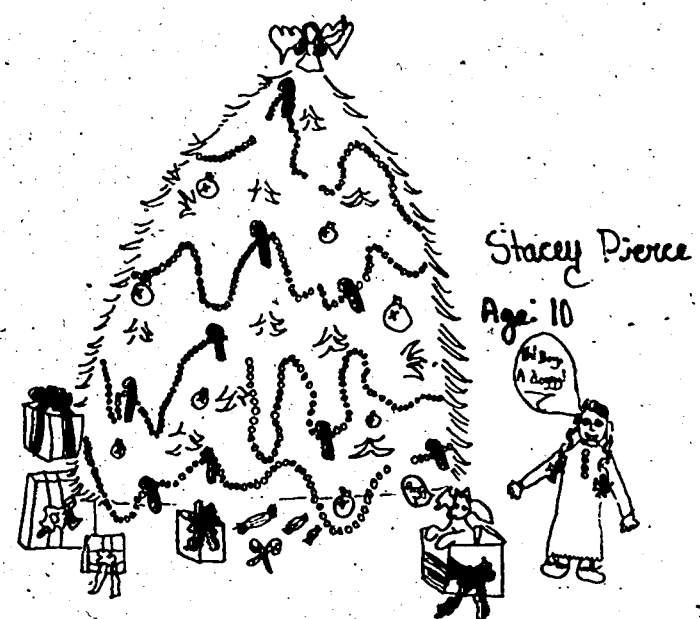
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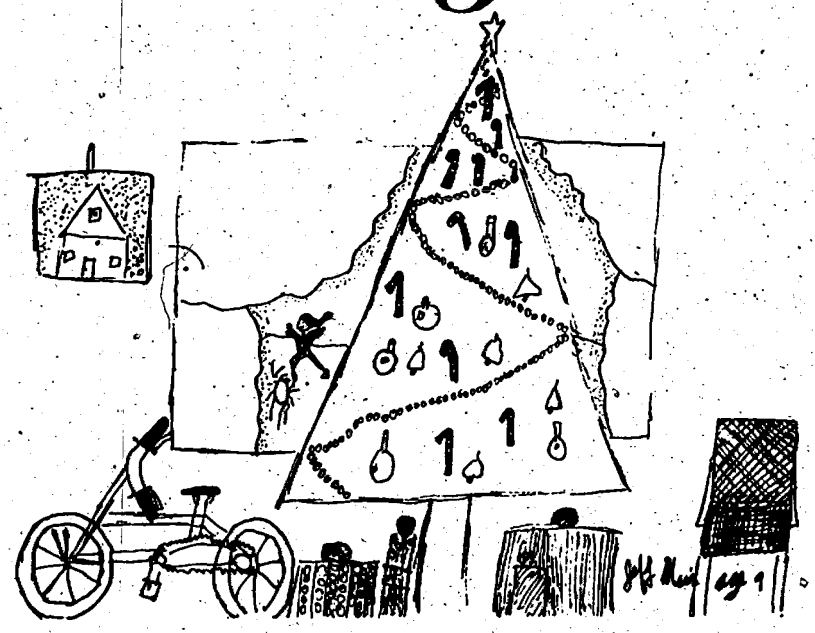
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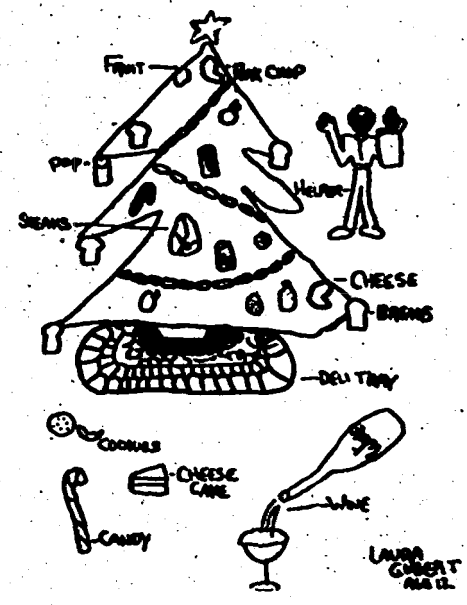
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