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Away we go!

Evan Currie, 6, and Shawn Currie, 5, enjoy a sled ride at Plymouth Township park following the most substantial snowfall this winter. (Crier photo by Chris Farha)

Voters may face 4 mills request

BY JOHN BRODERICK

Plymouth-Canton voters are likely to face a request for an additional four mills in June.

Members of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools pointed to the need for a millage proposal that would raise the district's levy to 41 mills over the next two years.

Although no formal action was taken during the workshop meeting, board members said that they felt

voters would not approve a waiver request of the Headlee Amendment if it appeared on the ballot. Headlee limits property tax increases to the inflation level.

Plymouth-Canton voters have already rejected three Headlee waiver requests.

Already on the ballot will be an eight mill renewal request. One board seat will also be up for grabs.

The board studied three options on Monday:

They can only seek the eight mill renewal, in which case the district will lose approximately \$3.3 million and operate with 32.22 mills; they can try a Headlee waiver, which if approved would give the district 37 mills for operation; or they can ask for four additional mills along with the renewal.

The last option would generate 26.22 for operation and \$3 million in excess revenues.

PLUS: The Crier's "Fun and Entertainment" section begins on pg. 13.

FOOT: The Fighters, of Canton, have quite a football tradition. See pg. 8 for details.

MOSH: Tom Moshimer, Salem's head football coach, was recently honored by his peers. See pg. 26.



ARSON

Force-Five sparks fire investigations

BY PAUL GARGARO

The more that's known about arsons, the more arsons seem to pop up.

It's a paradox, but that's the sentiment among fire officials in the Plymouth-Canton Community. Much of it has to do with the advent of Force-Five, a cooperative education and assistance group comprised of representatives from Plymouth city and township, Canton, and Northville township and city, and the knowledge gained through that program.

"Arsons seem to be on the rise, because firefighters have been better trained in fire investigation," said Canton Fire Captain Art Winkle. "The police and fire departments in the area have really gotten their act together and there are few cases left anymore where the origin of a fire can't be determined.

"But by the same token, arsons have dropped because the insurance industry put together their own investigative teams," added Winkle.

According to Canton police officer and fire investigator Bill Lenaghan, Canton, like Plymouth and Plymouth Township, uses a mixture of police and fire investigators to determine the cause and origin of fires.

Lenaghan and Winkle are one of three investigation teams in Canton.

While attention to training has increased the knowledge of fire investigators, it's still tough to nail the arsonist.

"Arson in itself is very easy to determine to the trained investigator, catching the arsonist is the hard part," said City of Plymouth Fire Chief Alan Matthews. "That's why interviews (of property owners, acquaintances, etc.) are probably the most important aspects of the investigation. Once you get a motive, you can narrow things down to revenge, fraud, self-

On the down side, Matthews said cooperation from witnesses is always a problem.

"Some people just don't want to become involved until a reward is laid in their face," added Matthews.

In the City of Plymouth, Matthews estimated the department's success with solving arson cases as a three or four on a scale of 10. In Plymouth Township, Fire Chief Larry Groth said his department has approximately the same success rate.

"Arson is relatively easy to prove, but somewhere along the line there has to be a suspect and he has to be placed at the scene of the crime," said Groth. "We need tips. People need to know that we're alive and not turning our backs on fire investigations."

Groth said that in the township, there are seven firefighters and two police officers trained in fire investigation by the Force-Five Program. Matthews also puts stock in the training his firefighters have received through the Force-Five and other programs.

35th District Court Judge James Garber has lectured as part of the Force-Five curriculum at Schoolcraft College in Livonia.

"Garber has addressed what we should be doing in the field as investigators and what we can expect when we come into his court," said Groth.

While training has certainly honed investigative skills, a number of notable area arson cases still remain open.

In the City of Plymouth, the 1985 blaze at the Classic Container at 350 S. Mill Street is still open. In 1986, the July blaze at the Lumber Mart

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Looks at survey idea

Canton mulls communications plan

BY KEN VOYLES

During a study session held last night the Canton Board of Trustees discussed a wide ranging community communications plan designed to increase the flow of information to township residents, especially on "sensitive issues."

The plan calls for a community survey, business and employe newsletters, a "community" newsletter, and a solid waste communications program.

Several marketing firms have submitted detailed proposals outlining how the township can put such a plan

into practice, said Supervisor Tom Yack.

A committee of board members will study the proposals for the purposes of bidding out the plan. The board does not make any formal decisions during study sessions.

Yack said the board will look at the proposals again during next Tuesday's (Feb. 14) regular meeting.

Yack said the survey would be a chance to provide "insight into residents' perceptions, attitudes, concerns, needs and beliefs." He added that the results might give

"direction" to future communication planning and activities.

Yack also thinks a "strong communication link between the public and their government" is needed in the form of a community newsletter. The newsletter would focus on a wide variety of topics, informing residents as to what is happening in the township.

The supervisor also said it was important to increase communication to residents on the environmental issues of the day, especially landfills, recycling and the future of the Wayne County Solid Waste Master Plan

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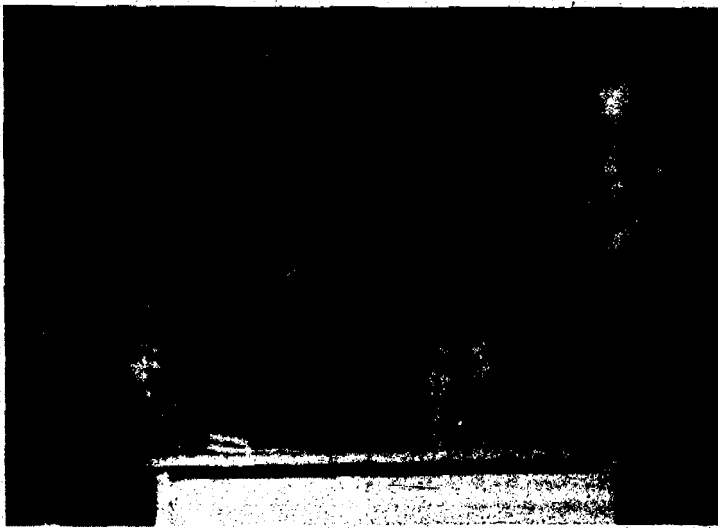
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Linda Kozminski, left, is honored during the Growth Works recognition night last week by Steve Harper, right, and Dale Yagala, center. Besides Kozminski, also honored were the late Rev. Fr. Kenneth MacKinnon, Maurice Breen and James and Marianne Eppley. Also during the ceremony, Harper announced a new program at Growth works. (Crier photo by Chris Farina)

Call it 'Canton Challenge'

BY KEN VOYLES

It's official. Well, tentatively official.

Canton's new sports/fitness festival, planned around Memorial Day this year, has been dubbed the "Canton Challenge" by a newly formed nine-member committee charged with organizing the activities.

The group, which includes John Schwartz, Cathy Johnson, Ed Rasmussen, Russ Courville, Wallace Baker, Phil LaJoy, Mike Gulkewicz, Norman Cepela and Don Voyles, met last week and will meet again

tomorrow night (Feb. 9) at 7 p.m. in the Administration Building.

During a "brainstorm" session last week the committee came up with the name "Canton Challenge." It was also issued a "charge" to work on organizing events for this year.

Committee members and township officials have said getting the festival off the ground this year revolves around the annual Memorial Day Soccer Tournament, which has become a major draw in the township.

Canton's Board of Trustees will vote next week on whether or not to hire a promotion company to help publicize the festival.

Arson arraignment set

BY PAUL GARGARO

Gary James Zukowski, 26, will stand trial for arson in connection with the Nov. 4 Heritage Square Apartments fire, which destroyed five apartments, damaged three others and sent Zukowski to the University of Michigan Burn Center for nearly one month.

The 18-apartment complex is located at 300 N. Mill Street in Plymouth.

At Friday's pre-trial, 35th District Court Judge John MacDonald ruled that Zukowski be bound over to Recorder's Court to stand trial.

A Feb. 17 arraignment has scheduled. A trial date has not yet been set.

Zukowski was arraigned before MacDonald last Monday and was released on a \$10,000 personal bond. The court entered a plea of not guilty on his behalf.

At Friday's pre-trial, expert witness

and fire investigator Sgt. Gary Lee Mihalek, a state police officer attached to the state fire marshall's office, testified that he found a twisted piece of flexible gas line, torn at both ends, on the floor of Zukowski's apartment during the investigation.

Mihalek also testified that Zukowski stove had been allegedly moved "approximately 20 inches" from the wall.

The apartments' gas line runs along the ceiling of the complex and into each unit's stove range, Mihalek said.

In addition, Mihalek said inconsistent "patterns" were found on the apartment's linoleum floor.

"If you looked at it from above, it looked like a liquid," said Mihalek. "Someone intentionally put that flammable liquid down there to expedite the fire."

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Schools debate election

Headlee or millage?

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"I think asking for four mills for two years is appropriate. It is conservative, judicious, and gives us time to assess what the state (legislature) is going to do," said Roland Thomas, board secretary.

Dean Swartzweller, board vice president, said that asking voters for another Headlee waiver "would generate so much opposition, it would be astronomical."

But administrators, teachers and parents present at the meeting urged the board to consider going ahead with the Headlee waiver request.

"From a strictly financial standpoint, a Headlee waiver would be more beneficial to the schools," said Ray Hoedel, associate superintendent for business. "If you don't have the Headlee override, the compounding effects get worse in years to come."

Superintendent John M. Hoben said that although a Headlee override would be more financially beneficial to the district in the long run, "we work for the board, and will support their decision."

"Essentially I would like to see a Headlee waiver," he said. "It (the rollback effect) is just going to keep compounding. But I also understand the climate."

During an earlier agenda item at the workshop, the Community Researching Educational Workings (CREW) sub-committee on finance recommended that the board adopt a plan that would involve a coordinated campaign, to convince voters of the need to support a millage issue.

Ray Buckman, finance sub-committee chair said that such a campaign, called "I Care" has been successful in other parts of the country.

Parents and district employees

Lab results: man in chase was intoxicated

BY PAUL GARGARO

A report from the Michigan State Crime Lab revealed that the 26-year-old Walled Lake man injured during a car chase through Plymouth and Plymouth Township had a blood-alcohol content of .23.

By law, .10 is considered legally intoxicated.

Plymouth Township Police Chief Carl Berry said the crime lab's report was received on Friday, over a week after the man led township police the Jan. 25 low-speed chase, which resulted in two auto accidents.

According to police, both of the struck cars were occupied, but the none of the occupants were seriously injured. The Walled Lake man, who was driving a blue pickup truck, was transported to St. Mary Hospital in Livonia following the collision.

He was released from St. Mary's on Jan. 30.

Police said a warrant would be issued for his arrest.

present agreed that an all-out campaign is needed, to muster support for the possible ballot issue.

"Maintaining (present funding levels) doesn't seem to be enough for employees in the district," said Cindy Bastion, president of the Cafeteria Workers Association.

Margaritte Vollrath, president of the Plymouth-Canton Education Association, said that previous unsuccessful attempts to override Headlee failed because the campaigns were not comprehensive enough.

"This campaign must be community led, and staff supported. The climate is different — the community is ready to support this, and any millage increase," she said. "It must happen, and should begin with this 'I Care' program."

Debbie Drinkhahn, a parent of two children in the district, said that the board should try to educate voters about how the schools are financed.

"You can't give us numbers. You can't tell us we're going out-of-formula because we don't understand what that means," she said. "I think that is why the last millage failed."


Thomas said that the views presented at the meeting were that of a small group of people. "We've listened to a heck of a lot of people. This was a small group of employees — a segment of the community. We've got to listen to all segments, and make a rational judgement."

Either the proposal for additional millage, or a Headlee override request would allow the district to restore some of the \$5 million in cuts that were made for this school year, said officials. A four mill increase would raise just over \$3 million (after subtracting the loss of state membership aid), and a Headlee override would raise \$4.3 million in revenues.

The board is expected to adopt ballot language by April.

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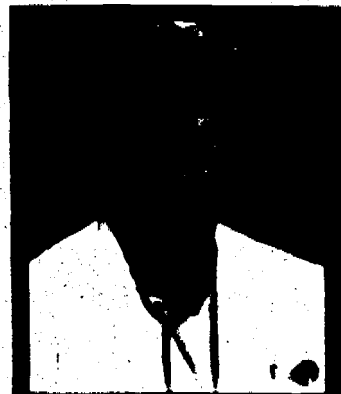
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Homebound library service considered

BY KEN VOYLES

The Friends of the Canton Public Library are investigating the idea of providing library services for Canton residents who may be "homebound" and unable to get to the new facility on Canton Center Road.

Joyce Matevia, the library's coordinator of the volunteer organization, said an informal survey is being undertaken to find out if a delivery service run by volunteers

should be started up.

"We want to see if there is a need," said Matevia. "We might run deliveries every three or four weeks. We're also looking at a list of books that might be of interest."

Matevia said any service would be offered only for those who could not get out of their home, including residents recovering from illness or accident, senior citizens, and handicapped residents.

The Friends of the Canton Public Library is a library support group which offers services not provided by the library, said Matevia. Currently there are about 80 members, but only 20 are active, she said.

"Apparently, the library tried it a few years ago. I'm not sure why it faded out though," Matevia said. "We're looking at it again to see if there is something we can do."

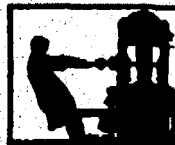
Matevia said Canton would be one

of the first libraries in the area to offer a homebound service. But she added, other libraries have tried it with some success.

The Northville Public Library currently offers a homebound service for residents of all ages. It has done so for more than five years.

The Plymouth Dunning-Hough Library has an "outreach" program to local nursing homes but does not currently offer direct service for homebound individuals.

NO. 5 THE COMMUNITY CENTER, FEBRUARY 8, 1989



Public notices

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Education of Plymouth-Canton Community Schools invites the submission of sealed bids on SANITARY REMOVAL of ASBESTOS in two buildings of the Plymouth - Canton Community Schools. Bids will be received until 2:00 p.m. on the 21st day of February, 1989 at the Board of Education Building, 454 South Harvey Street, Plymouth, Michigan at which time and place all bids will be publicly opened and read. Specifications and bid forms may be obtained at the Purchasing Office. The right to reject any and/or all bids is reserved. Any bid submitted will be binding for thirty days subsequent to the date of bid opening.

BOARD OF EDUCATION
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Roland Thomas, Secretary

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1989, AT 7:00 P.M. AT 1150 S. CANTON CENTER ROAD BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON TO CONSIDER A REQUEST FOR THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL LAND USE AS PROVIDED FOR IN SECTION 5.14 E. AND 1.5.03 A, 26.01 M. OF THE CANTON TOWNSHIP ZONING ORDINANCE.

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LOREN BENNETT
TOWNSHIP CLERK

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The Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) and the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U. S. EPA) Region V, hereby give notice that Wyckoff Steel, Inc. has submitted a closure plan for the surface impoundment at its facility located at 1000 General Drive in Plymouth, Michigan. The company processes cold drawn steel. Prior to October 1988, spent pickle liquor and non-contact cooling water resulting from the process were disposed in the surface impoundment. The waste is now sent off site for disposal. The company's closure plan describes the sampling and analysis procedures that will be used to determine the presence and extent of any contamination. All contaminated soils and materials identified at the site will be decontaminated, or removed and disposed in accordance with state and federal regulations.

In order for the MDNR to fulfill its obligation under 1979 P.A. 64, as amended, the Hazardous Waste Management Act, it must ensure that closure of currently regulated hazardous waste management units is performed in a manner that protects public health and the environment. The U.S. EPA, pursuant to the federal Hazardous and Solid Waste Amendments of 1984, must ensure that any releases of hazardous waste or hazardous waste constituents from current or past solid waste management units are also corrected (cleaned up) to the extent necessary to protect public health and the environment. Solid waste management units may include landfills, tanks, container storage areas, disposal wells, wastewater treatment units, waste transfer stations, waste recycling operations, and any other activity that is, or was ever, used to manage solid waste (including liquid or contained gaseous waste).

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The company's closure plan may be reviewed at the Department of Natural Resources, Waste Management Division Office located on the First Floor, South Ottawa Building in Lansing, Michigan (contact Ms. Kathleen Clancy at 517-373-2730); at the Waste Management Division District Office located at 505 W. Main Street in Northville, Michigan (contact Mr. Larry AuBuchon at 313-344-4670); and at the Plymouth Public Library located at 233 S. Main Street in Plymouth, Michigan (contact the Librarian at 313-453-0750).

The MDNR and the U.S. EPA must determine whether or not to approve the closure plan by April 10, 1989. Therefore, comments concerning the plan or prior or continuing releases must be received by the MDNR no later than March 27, 1989 to receive consideration.

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PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board will meet on Tuesday, the 14th day of February, 1989, at 7:00 p.m., Eastern Std. Time, at the Township Hall, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan to hear objections to the public improvements, and to the special assessment district therefor.

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Loren N. Bennett
Township Clerk

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

On Thursday, March 2, 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, first floor, of the Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road. All interested citizens are invited to attend and submit their views on the proposed FY 1989 block grant program. The funding level is approximately \$273,000. Written comments or requests for information should be submitted to:

Gerard Martin
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1150 S. CANTON CENTER ROAD
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Exercise your rights Citizen input is important

Downtown Plymouth is on the verge of a new look and city officials are asking for input.

A proposed new sign ordinance may very well change the complexion of the city's business district. And some would agree that it's a change that's long overdue.

For weeks, the planning commission, members of the city commission, and a few interested citizens have been researching the the new ordinance. They've come up with some good ideas and hope to put them in gear very soon.

However, suggested changes and additions to the planned ordinance keep trickling in, making the city commission's job hard to finish.

In an effort to move the ordinance towards completion, the city commission, along with

other interested parties, will hold an open discussion on the ordinance on Wednesday (Feb. 15) at 7:30 in the pre-commission chambers at City Hall.

The public is welcome and their input into the new ordinance is crucial. Written suggestions must be turned into City Hall by Friday.

Thus far, public interest has been dismal. In fact, only one citizen showed up to a planning commission public hearing on the ordinance. This is shameful.

Come down to City Hall on Wednesday and be heard or submit your written suggestions by Friday. Exercise your rights.

THE COMMUNITY CRIER

CBE newsletter like McCarthyism

EDITOR:

This evening I received a six page flyer from a neighbor entitled "Police and Occult Experts Agree With Citizens For Better Education" which appears to be written entirely by the leader of CBE, Diane Daskalakis.

I never thought I'd see this kind of reactionary McCarthyism this far north of the Bible-belt, but here it is in Plymouth where I've always assumed open-minded, reasonable (yet possibly a bit too conservative for my taste) people reside.

Ms. Daskalakis is well-known by

now in this area as a crusader for decency and "appropriate" education. Well I'm sure everyone is for that. But she is afraid certain books in our school's libraries, which include references to satanism and various controversial sexual topics (i.e. homosexuality, abortion, etc.), are corrupting our students.

Remember it is the unfamiliar that shocks us. Ms. Daskalakis obviously has led a sheltered life and could not have had as well-rounded an education as we now offer our area students.

If, as she professes, we "teach our children one set of values (at home)" then when confronted with a myriad of religious, sexual and ethical topics presented in the schools, peer groups (and the general world) they will respond in the manner you have taught is "appropriate."

Sheltering children from such information will only lead them to react out of fear, as Ms. Daskalakis has.

All I can say is . . . God save your kids, lady. I'm sure glad I'm not one.

MARK T. OPPAT

City should be up front about Vorva

What's the City of Plymouth got against Jerry Vorva?

According to the City Manager Henry Graper, lots.

But Vorva's personnel file -- as presented by Vorva to The Crier -- doesn't show it.

Graper complains that Vorva left out all the bad stuff when he brought his file to the newspaper office. When Vorva took Crier City Hall Snoop Paul Gargaro over to look at the file in person (and thus verify or end that charge), the police declined to let them see the file.

But the file was complete, said Police Commander Mike Gardner.

After Vorva was initially suspended -- but before he was fired -- Graper said it was because he had talked to The Crier about the ticket quota scandal that City Hall can't shake. Later, Graper said the firing was for a host of reasons.

What reasons?

Just because they don't like him?

"Can't say," said Graper, citing the Michigan

Freedom of Information exemption on employee privacy.

"But get him to sign a waiver and we can release the file," said Graper, predicting that Vorva

with Malice Toward None



wouldn't do it.

Vorva signed a notarized waiver.

"Can't release it," said Graper next, citing his paranoia that Vorva would sue the city for releasing the file to The Crier.

"But Vorva can release it," said Graper.

He did.

"He took out the bad stuff," said Graper.

And so forth, and so forth.

If the city's got enough of a case against a veteran police officer to justify fighting a major battle at taxpayers' expense, the public has a right to know what's up. So does Vorva.

Possibly, the city manager, the city's lawyer and Gargaro could sit down and discuss the matter.

Some insiders actually believe the city will win, but nothing released thus far by the city would seem to indicate that.



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In the margin

By Ken Voyles



The 35th District Court's "fine schedule" makes for fascinating reading.

Study it closely enough, and you might avoid some of the infractions listed below. Ignore it, and then go ahead and park illegally along Edward Hines Parkway. See what it gets you.

Armed with one of those schedules the other day I sat down alone for a few minutes to read it over. Boy, oh boy. Most of the parking fines are \$20-30, but "any parking Hines Park" tickets run a whopping \$205.

Now wait a minute, can that be right? You better believe it is.

Looking a little farther down at the trespassing violations and there's that number again. "Enter park after hours -- \$205." Or, "Swim w/o permission -- \$205."

Compared to the rest of this handy "schedule" those are pretty steep fines. Only the alcohol related violations equal that amount.

Wait. There's more.

It'll cost you \$60 for "interfering with pedestrians." Careless driving will get you an \$85 fine. Drag racing means an ominous "court case," as does reckless driving.

If you drive over a fire hose and get caught it will cost you \$50. And for a "passenger interfering with driver" you'll have to fork over another \$50.

Moped violations all run \$50, but failing to stop for a school bus will come to \$65. Driving on private property to avoid a signal is \$60, and even an "unsafe start/squeal tires" can cost you \$50.

Swimming upstream

by John Broderick



The heat is on again. On Mike Homes, that is.

Every year at about this time Homes, who is assistant superintendent for instruction in the Plymouth-Canton district, submits recommendations about what schools the district's kids should go to, so that they will all fit.

And every year there are disappointed, upset, irate, even angry, students and parents.

It's not an easy job.

And it's not easy to be bounced from one school to another, especially when you're in the third or fourth grade.

Parents from the Brookside neighborhood expressed their discontent at Monday's board of education meeting about not being notified of the possible boundary changes.

They learned through the newspapers, and rumors, that their kids may have to travel from south of Cherry Hill Road, to the north side of Five Mile Road -- over 10 miles away -- to Tanger School, sometime in the future.

School officials responded by saying that no decisions have been made yet. Board President David Arlley said, "there are a lot of options in that (the annual housing) report, and none have been decided upon yet."

It is true that formal recommendations have yet to be finalized.

But it is hardly true that there are a lot of options. Some kids will have to be moved, according to Homes, and the proposed solution is the way to move the smallest number.

Parents have been invited to read the housing report, and after wading through the mounds of charts and graphs and forecasts, it becomes clear that there are a few options: 1) move Brookside and Sunflower kids to Tanger next year, or 2) move Brookside and Sunflower kids to Tanger the year after. (Option three, actually, is to sit tight and hope the problem goes away.)

All the parents are asking, it seems, is to be involved in the decisions that will effect their kids -- which they have not been.

To hear directly from a school official something like, "we are looking at ways to relieve overcrowding in the district, and we may end up having to move your kids," would probably make the parents feel a bit better.

It is tough to leave a school where you have invested a lot of time and energy, but it's worse to hear about it through rumors, and read about it in the papers.

This problem is not over. Next year, and in subsequent years, kids and parents will hear disappointing news about boundary changes.

This tough process might be made easier for all involved if the district is more up front about the whole thing.

Telling parents and students about possible boundary changes, even before they are finalized, might make it easier for them to deal with -- and it might just make the heat on Mike Homes, the board, and the rest of the administration, a little less hot.

Plymouth Community Crier



City Awards Plaque to Margaret Downing

15 years of community journalism

The Community Crier celebrated its 15th birthday this week. Above is The Crier's first front page, which hit the streets Feb. 5, 1974. Publisher W. Edward Wendover said, "It seems like yesterday."

Replace officials, not police

EDITOR:

The citizens of Plymouth lost a good man four days before Christmas. Officer Vorva, a 10 year veteran of the Plymouth Police, was fired. He was fired for two reasons; 1. According to Chief Richard Meyers, he did not issue enough citations and 2. He evidently spoke openly to some citizens about the existence of some sort of quota system.

Now, I do understand how an officer who does not issue a certain number of citations might be accused of not doing his job. But what number of citations is required? The only one who seems to know the major number is Chief Meyers. Officer Vorva asked how many he had to write, other officers asked the same question but no one received an answer. They were told that each month the three officers issuing the lowest number of citations would be called in and told they would have to do better or words to that effect. It does not take a genius to figure out that the number will pyramid rather fast.

Chief Meyers also claims that Officer Vorva does not enjoy First Amendment rights of free speech, thus his second "crime" of enforming citizens of the quota policy.

Really Chief Meyers? Did Officer Vorva lie? Maybe the problem is that you and some others at city hall as well as the majority of the city commission just do not want the citizens to be too informed about what goes on in and around city hall.

Well, Chief Meyers, as a citizen of Plymouth, what can I do to make certain I retain good police officers to help protect me? Should I break speed laws, drive in a reckless manner to help boost citations, tell me?!

Now I understand the city is trying to hire replacements for officer Vorva and another officer who resigned.

Tell me something: Why would anyone want to work for a city that treats you the way Plymouth officials do? I think a couple of department heads, a city manager, and a few commissioners need replacing, not our police officers.

BOB KROEGER

Thanks friends and neighbors

EDITOR:

To all my friends, neighbors and the Federated Church of Salem, who have been so kind to me and my family during Doris Marshall's illness and at the time of her passing, I would like to express my sincere thanks and gratitude.

CHARLES L. MARSHALL
RAYMOND SMITH



Friends & Neighbors

Like father, like sons

The Fichtners: Canton's football family

BY JANET ARMSTRONG

It's every man's dream to see his children carry on where he left off. Ross Fichtner is no exception.

Fichtner began a family football legacy in 1957 as quarterback and defensive back for the Purdue Boilermakers.

In 1960 his standout college career led to a career in pro football as a Cleveland Brown and two Pro Bowls.

A Plymouth Township resident since 1985, Fichtner had eight memorable years with the Browns before being traded to the New Orleans Saints, where he played only one year.

Fichtner said he will never forget his nine years in the National Football League (NFL) and the players that surrounded him.

"I would say that winning the World Championship (against the Baltimore Colts) in 1964 was the most memorable part of my career," said Fichtner. "The best player that ever played in the NFL while I was a player or a coach was Jim Brown (a Cleveland teammate of Fichtner's).

"He was the best player by far that I ever saw," he added.

Fichtner's detachment from the NFL didn't last long and by the mid-1970s he was back in the game as a coach.

His coaching career began with the Chicago Bears. And before leaving the game for good in 1984, he had coached with the Green Bay Packers and with the Minnesota Vikings.

The Fichtner name, however, can still be seen on the back of football jerseys and coaching rosters.

Like their father, sons Randy and Rusty Fichtner have made football a major part of their life.

Randy, 25, was the first of the two boys to make his mark in the game.

Following in his father's footsteps, Randy decided to play college football at Purdue as a defensive back.

During his junior year with the Boilermakers, Randy suffered a career-ending injury when he broke a vertebrae in his neck.

With playing out of the question, Randy decided to make the jump to coaching.

Fichtner began his coaching career with the Boilermakers, where he coached for two-and-a-half years before a head coaching change sent him to the University of Michigan.

After two years coaching for the Wolverines, Fichtner moved to the west coast to take over as quarterback coach for the University of Southern California Trojans.

Rusty Fichtner, 19, spent the summer before his senior year in high school visiting his brother Randy at Purdue. While visiting, he had the chance to meet players for the Boilermakers like Jim Everett.

Fichtner said he was very comfortable with the Purdue football program and that would make the



Father Ross, right and son Rusty Fichtner stand surrounded by game balls that attest to the family's success in football. (Crier photo by Chris Farina)

high school to college adjustment easy when he, like his brother and father, put on the black and gold of Purdue.

"I had grown up with it in my mind that I would play for Purdue," said Rusty. "But the year I was getting recruited by Purdue was when the coaching change was going on."

Fichtner said the coaching change at Purdue, his brother moving to U of M, the academics, and a chance to play under Bo Schembechler were all factors in his decision to play for the Wolverines.

Rusty is a sophomore in school, but has freshman eligibility on the field due to being redshirted his first year.

Fichtner, who was recruited by U of M as an outside linebacker, had played inside linebacker through out his high school career. So the adjustment from inside to outside was not an easy one for Rusty.

Rusty finally got a chance to move back to inside linebacker when J.J. Grant was injured late in the season, and according to Fichtner he jumped at the chance.

"In practice after J.J. got hurt they

asked if anyone wanted to move to inside linebacker, I was the first one with my hand up," said Fichtner.

Although he did not play his freshman year, Fichtner still practiced and that caused tension between coach Randy and Rusty.

"We did not get along," said Fichtner. "It seemed like he was being tougher on me than anyone else."

"Now, since he isn't coaching here anymore I can see he was just doing what was best for me," he added.

When it was known that USC would meet U of M in the Rose Bowl Randy began his spree of practical jokes against his brother.

"After Randy knew that they were going to play against us in the Rose Bowl, he had Rodney Peete (stand-out quarterback for the Trojans) call and leave a message on my answering machine," said Fichtner. "Rodney said we better buckle down because the Trojans were coming at us."

Rusty added that while in Pasadena

preparing for the game, he mysteriously received an autographed picture of Peete with the following inscription: "The Trojans are coming. The Trojans are coming."

Below that was Peete's autograph.

With all joking aside the competition between brothers could have created some problems.

For instance, which side would Ross Fichtner sit on during the game?

"I stood on the Michigan side lines most of the game," said Ross, who said he hoped both would do well.

According to Rusty, the rivalry on the gridiron didn't drive a wedge between him and his brother.

"The only thing he said to me in California was 'good game' and 'I'll see at home (his father's house in Plymouth) next week,'" said Rusty. "But once we were all home everything was back to normal."

As for the game's outcome, Rusty said he didn't feel at all bad about beating up on his brother's Trojans.

"Better him than me," said Rusty.

Rusty said he is looking forward to next season, not only at because the brothers could again face each other in Pasadena, but also because he stands a good chance at getting more playing time.

The Fichtners aren't sure how long their football legacy will last, but Rusty said he is hoping it will include a successful career at Michigan and possibly a shot at a pro career.

Is Rusty the end of the pigskin line? Not quite. Ross' 3-year-old son may one day fill the proud shoes of the 7000th Fichtner.

Local authors awarded

Two local writers were among six writers recently honored in a Schoolcraft College writing competition sponsored by college's literary magazine The MacGuffin.

Honored were A.T. Stackable, of Canton, with a second place for her story, "Session Obsession" and Nicole Manly, of Plymouth, with a third place for her poem "Her."

Tell it to Phyllis

By Phyllis Redfern



Having a kid home for the weekend is fun; having a kid come down with the flu while he's home isn't fun.

No matter how old a kid is, when he is sick his mom worries. When he was little he wanted to be held and comforted when he didn't feel well. Although he can be just as ornery now as when he was younger, he doesn't want anyone to even look at him.

He said something to the effect of wanting to die in peace without me trying to ask stupid questions or trying to take his temperature. The voice coming out of the lump of five or six blankets said it didn't have a temperature because it was freezing and questioned why I didn't turn the heat up again.

After spending most of the night listening to him get up every 15 minutes, I was exhausted. When he finally went to sleep and I didn't hear him move or cough for more than an hour, I started to worry that maybe he wasn't breathing. After all he had complained about his chest hurting and having trouble breathing because he was congested.

There wasn't a sound coming from his room. Fortunately I came to my senses before I had the energy to go in and wake him up to see if he was breathing. Checking on him when he was little was one thing, something told me I would be putting myself in a life threatening situation if I woke him up now.

It wasn't long before I heard him roll over so I knew he was breathing. Finally it was my turn to go to sleep.

I thought moms were supposed to be able to quit worrying about some of these things when kids got older. It seems like the older they get you just keep adding to the list of things to worry about, you don't get a chance to subtract from it.

I think this is just one more of those things that come under the heading of "Things Never Told You About Being a Mom." I suppose it wouldn't have mattered if anyone had tried to tell us -- we wouldn't have believed them anyway.

Zukowski examination

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During the cross-examination, Zukowski's lawyer Shirley Saltzman questioned whether the floor samples taken from the apartment contained identifiable fire accelerants.

Mihalek said identifiable accelerants were not found by the state police lab.

Although Mihalek maintained that the pipe had been cut, Saltzman's questioning led him to agree that gas leaking from the pipe could have possibly been ignited by a lit cigarette and caused the explosion.

Zukowski's friend, David L. Geelhood, also took the witness stand and testified that he had been with the defendant on Nov. 4.

Geelhood said Zukowski had complained of a headache and a stomach ache that day. Regardless, he said he didn't notice anything "unusual" and didn't smell any gas in the room when he left at approximately 2:30 p.m.

The fire started shortly after the 4 p.m. explosion.

However, Geelhood said he remembers experiencing headaches while visiting Zukowski and faulty electricity and shower equipment in the

apartment.

Former Heritage Square neighbor John Meadows testified that he heard a "deep, big explosion" on Nov. 4. He said he saw the wall to Zukowski's apartment collapse and Zukowski leave the building.

"There is no testimony to indicate or establish a motive for the fire. No testimony to indicate the fire had been intentionally set," said Saltzman in her closing statement. "I think there are certain omissions in Sgt. Mihalek's testimony that do not allow for a probable cause. The testimony only indicates that he was there and had a headache and did not feel good."

In his closing statement, prosecutor Jim Wyse reiterated Mihalek's testimony.

"It's highly unusual for a pipe (flexible gas line) to be severed in two places," said Wyse. "There are also indications that the burn patterns of some kind of substance were used."

Zukowski did not testify during the proceedings.

MacDonald said the arson charge carries a maximum sentence of 20 years.

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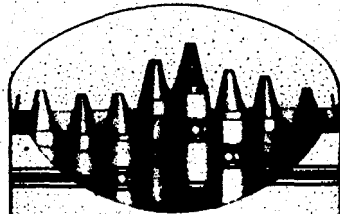
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SPECIAL MEETING

The Canton Board of Trustees and the Canton Planning Commission will hold
a joint meeting on Feb. 11 at 9 a.m. at Fellows Creek Golf Course. Call 397-1000
for details.

KIWANIS TRAVELOGUE

The next Plymouth Kiwanis Travelogue will be held at 8 p.m. at Salem High
School tonight (Feb. 8). Tickets are \$3.50 at the door. Topic centers on travels
across South America.

CEP EVENING ORIENTATION

Centennial Educational Park (CEP) is hosting evening orientation sessions for
incoming ninth and 10th grade students for the 1989-90 school year. Both Salem
and Canton orientations held on Feb. 15 from 7-9 p.m. Staff will be available to
make questions. Call 451-6600 for further information.

NEW BIBLE STUDY

A new Bible Study program called "Stress: Burden or Blessing," will begin at
Risen Christ Lutheran Church on Feb. 9 at 7:30 p.m. Offered for six weeks. Call
453-5252 to register.

MYSTERY OF THE HOLY MASS

"The Mystery of the Holy Mass," a 300-year-old drama will be presented on
Feb. 10 at 7:30 p.m. in Our Lady of Good Counsel Church of Plymouth. Ad-
mission is \$5 donation. Tickets can be purchased in advance for \$4 from the
rectory office. For further information call 453-0326.

POOR MAN'S DINNER

The Fr. Victor J. Renaud Knights of Columbus Council 3292 will present their
"Poor-Man's Dinner," a benefit for the Pope John XXIII Hospitality House for
Children with Cancer, on Feb. 18 at 5 p.m. Tickets are \$4 adults and \$2 children
12 and under. For information call Steve Socha at 451-0087.

EASTER TRADITIONS WORKSHOP

Polish paper cutting, egg decorating, Polish embroidery, and Polish cultural
classes offered by Polish Centennial Dancers PNA Lodge 3240. For more in-
formation call Linda at 522-3777 or Joanne at 464-1263.

EDUCATIONAL SOFTWARE FAIR

The Plymouth-Canton Association for the Academically Talented will host an
educational software fair on Feb. 14. The meeting is open to the public and will
be held in the Central Middle School cafeteria from 7-9 p.m. There is no ad-
mission. For more information call 459-3760 or 397-5873.

FRIENDS OF CANTON LIBRARY

The Friends of the Canton Public Library, a volunteer organization, is in-
vestigating the possibility of providing homebound library services to Canton
residents. If you have the need, they want to know. Call 397-0999.

NEW MORNING AUCTION

New Morning School will host its 13th annual auction on March 18 at 6 p.m. in
the Hellenic Cultural Center in Westland. Tickets are \$35 per person and include
hors d'oeuvres, open bar and dessert table. For information or to get tickets call
420-0331.

MEET OTHER MOTHERS

MOM (Meet Other Mothers) next group meeting will be Feb. 10 at First
Presbyterian Church in Plymouth. Starts at 9:30 a.m. MOM is a support group
for mothers. Childcare for a small fee. For details call Kim at 459-7465 or Mary
Ellen at 348-8057.

SPRING CRAFT SHOWCASE

The Spring Craft Showcase, sponsored by the Madonna College Alumni
Association, will be held on March 18 from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the College
Activities Center. More than 85 artisans. Admission is \$1, children under 12 get
in free. For information call 591-5126.

ALUMNI NOMINATIONS

Schoolcraft College is seeking nominations for the college's annual
Distinguished Alumni Award. Nomination forms available in the Institutional
Advancement Office. For information or a form call 462-4417.

MUSIC CLUB PERFORMANCE

Schoolcraft College's Music Club is hosting a performance by pianists Yong Hi
Moon and Dal Uk Lee on Feb. 15 at 1:30 p.m. in the Liberal Arts Theatre. Open
to the public. No admission. Call 462-4435 for additional information.

LIVING HISTORY AT LOWELL

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PARENT DISCUSSION NIGHT

New Morning School will host a Parent Discussion Night on Feb. 14 for families interested in learning about fall enrollment. A slide presentation will be followed by classroom discussion with teachers. Call 420-0331 for further meeting information.

CHOLESTEROL TESTS

Cholesterol testing, sponsored by the University of Michigan Medical Center will be held at Plymouth M-CARE Health Center on Feb. 9 from 3-7 p.m. No reservations are required. Call 936-9613 for details.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

There will be a blood drive at the Plymouth Masonic Temple on Feb. 11 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sponsored by the American Red Cross and the Tyrian 500 F&AM. There will also be an open house for the public to learn more about Michigan Masonry. For further information call Bill Heller at 459-2374 or 592-7889.

TAX INFORMATION SEMINAR

There will be a free tax information seminar on Feb. 9 at the Dunning-Hough Library in Plymouth. Starts at 7 p.m. Call 453-0750 for further details.

BUILDING AUTHORITY MEETING

There will be a meeting of the City of Plymouth Municipal Building Authority on Feb. 16 at 7:30 p.m. in the conference room of the city manager's office. Call 453-1234 for information.

CIVITANS ESSAY CONTEST

March 15 is the essay submission deadline for the annual Plymouth-Canton Civitan Citizenship Essay Contest, sponsored by the Civitans along with the Salem and Canton high's English Departments. First prize is \$125, while second is \$75 and third is \$50. For further information call Mary Baxter at 451-6600, ext. 344.

TUTOR TRAINING

The Community Literacy Council is sponsoring a special tutor training workshop for volunteers interested in helping teach English to adults and children from other countries. Training is on Feb. 13 and 15 at Starkweather Center. All materials and training are free. Call Sharon Srean at 451-6555.

GRADUATE STUDIES OPEN HOUSE

A graduate studies open house will be held at Madonna College on March 1 at 7:30 p.m. in Kresge Hall. The public is invited to meet with faculty and students. For information call 591-5049.

CHILDREN'S VALENTINES PARTY

A Children's Valentine's Party for children ages three to 12 will be held Feb. 11 at 10 a.m. in the Canton Recreation Center. To make a reservation call the Canton Parks and Recreation Department. Call 397-5110 for further details.

YMCA ANNUAL MEETING

The Plymouth Community Family YMCA will hold its annual meeting on Feb. 13 at 7 p.m. in the YMCA's administrative offices, 248 Union, Plymouth. Call 453-2904 for further details.

ADULT POLISH DANCING

Beginning polka, intermediate, performing folk dancing or aerobics is offered for adults by the Polish Centennial Dancers PNA-Lodge 3240. For information call Linda at 522-3777 or Joanne at 464-1263.

SQUARE DANCE BENEFIT

The Mayflower Lt. Gamble Post 6695 and Auxiliary Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) will sponsor a benefit square dance on Feb. 18 at the VFW Hall on Mill Street in Plymouth. The fundraiser is to help sponsor a veteran to compete in the Veterans Wheelchair Olympics this summer.

AMERICAN RED CROSS

The American Red Cross will be at the Plymouth Temple on Feb. 11 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and at Schoolcraft College on Feb. 28 from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. as part of regular blood donation drives. Call Bill Heller at 459-2374 for information on the Plymouth Temple drive and call Kaby Rayby at 462-4400 for information on the Schoolcraft College drive.

CONFERENCE OF WESTERN WAYNE

The next meeting of the Conference of Western Wayne is set for Feb. 10 at 9:30 a.m. in the City of Northville City Hall. Discussion of 9-1-1, the solid waste ad hoc committee and state court funding. For information call 525-8690.

VALENTINE'S DINNER DANCE

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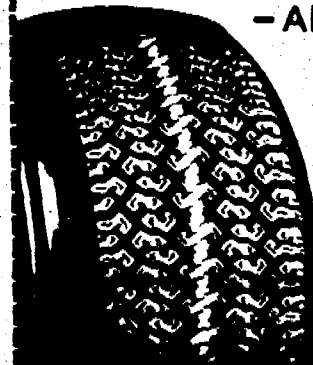
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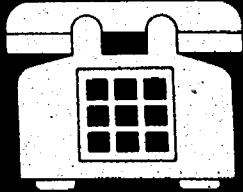
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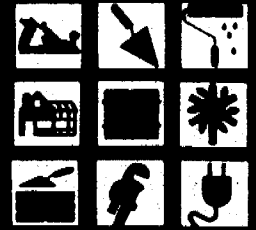
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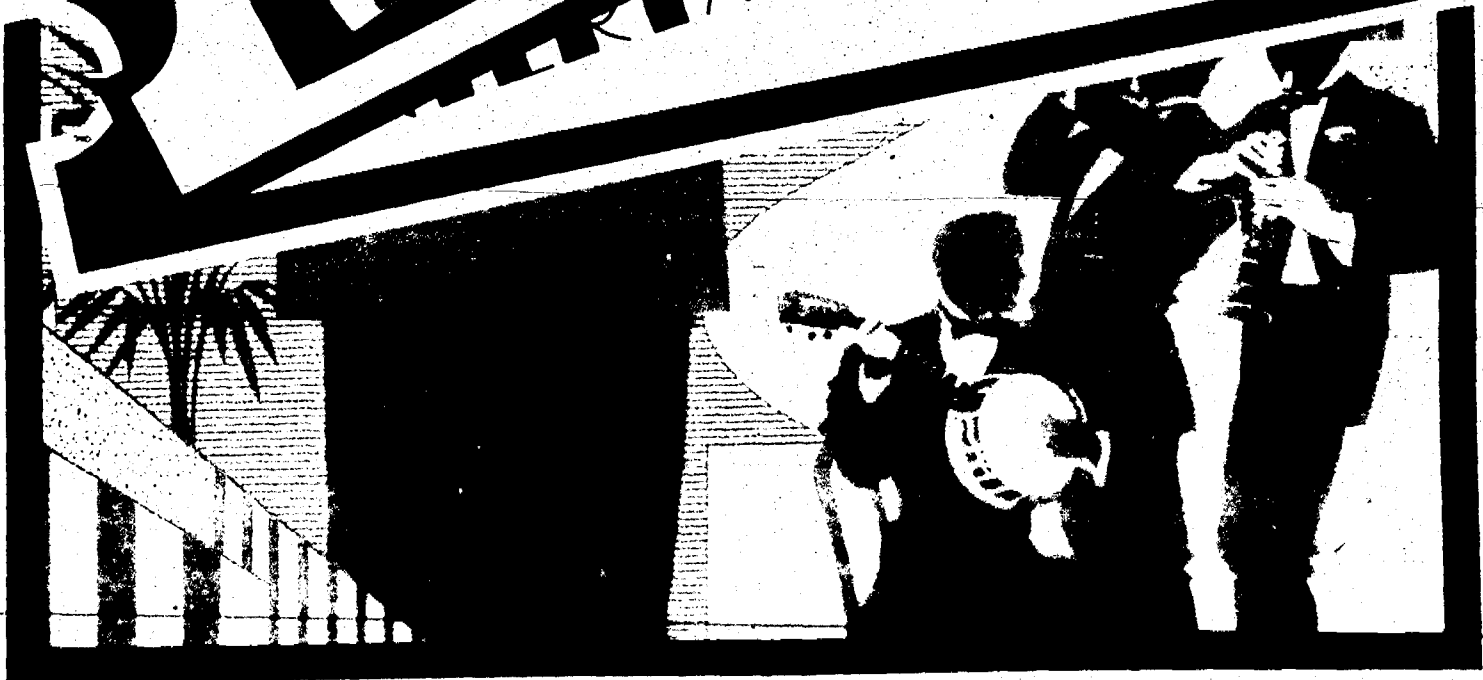
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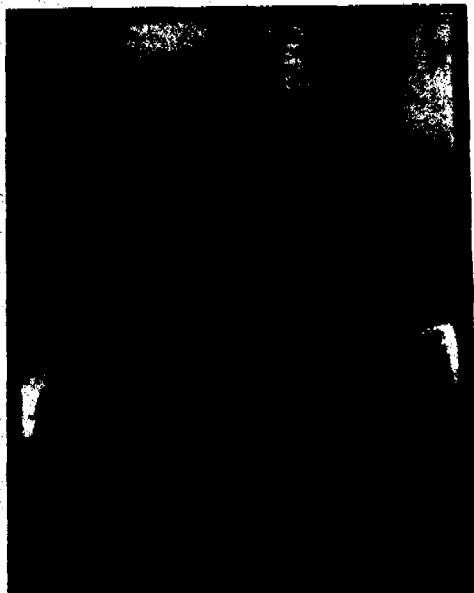
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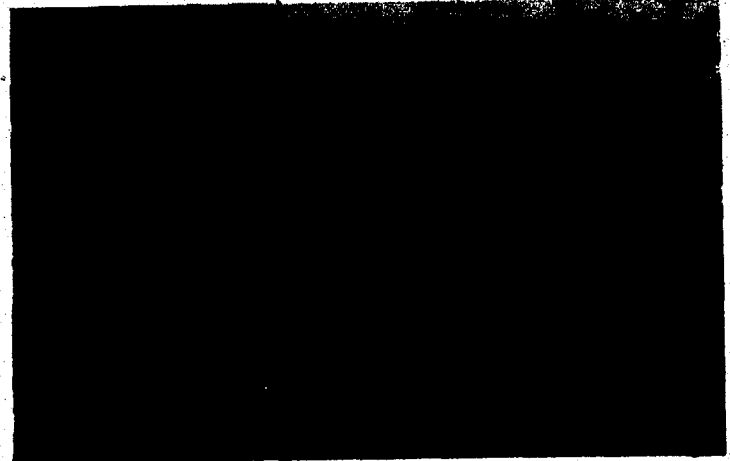
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Whether it's planes, trains or automobiles, hobbyists are turning to radio controlled equipment, and rediscovering model trains. (Crier photo by Chris Farina)

Hobbies:

Take a train, fly a plane

BY ROBIN LAKE

Whether age six or 60, kids of all ages enjoy a variety of hobbies ranging from the more traditional model trains to those ultra-modern radio controlled cars and trucks.

According to Bob Reckinger, owner of Plymouth Yard Hobbies in Plymouth's Old Village, sales of model trains are higher now than since the early 1950s.

To Reckinger that may indicate a comeback.

"Last year was a banner year for train sales," said Reckinger. "This year we've seen an increase of about 55 per cent"

Reckinger finds that his best customers are fathers who are bringing out their old trains and buying new additions for them to give to their children. However, the store owner still sees many long time collectors who continue to come in and buy for themselves.

Lionel trains remain the most popular models, said Reckinger. A collector set can run \$600-700. A large gauge train may run well over \$1,000, while a simpler starter set can run \$20-30.

Another popular hobby, particularly during the winter months, is model building. Antique cars, planes, ships, and hot rods are among the many popular models available to build.

"Model building is affordable and a good way for families to spend quality time together," said Dan Grinde, owner of One Stop Hobbies in Livonia.

Radio controlled cars and trucks are hot right now, according to Grinde, whose store specializes in such items. "Sales for radio controlled and trucks have skyrocketed. I don't think it's even peaked yet," he said.

Radio controlled planes, trains and automobiles range from \$115-250 and by today's standards are both durable and sophisticated, said Grinde. Some can travel up to 150 miles per hour, or, with the trucks, pull more than 350 pounds.

Grinde recommends residents buy radio controlled cars and trucks from a shop which can order spare parts or they may find them hard to replace if broken.

The recent popularity of radio controlled cars and trucks have led the North American Radio Controlled Truck Organization to hold their first truck pull this May in Plymouth. The event is expected to attract truck and car owners from Canada, Ohio, Indiana, and Kentucky.

Model rockets and radio controlled airplanes are also currently climbing the popularity charts, and model boats should be popular again come spring, Grinde said.

There's even a local group of radio controlled enthusiasts — the Flying Pilgrims — who use a field in Canton to host an air show every year.

Interactive videos bring arcade into the home

BY KEN VOYLES

The newest generation of interactive home video games is making it possible for people to enjoy the experiences of a high quality video game (the kind one usually only finds in an arcade) without ever leaving the comfort of the family room.

The recent craze in home video games -- those that don't have to be hooked to a computer keyboard -- began last fall and centered on the Nintendo Entertainment Systems.

But home video games have been around a lot longer.

The first games were introduced by Atari and Odyssey about eight or nine years ago, but those systems lacked high quality graphics and other special effects.

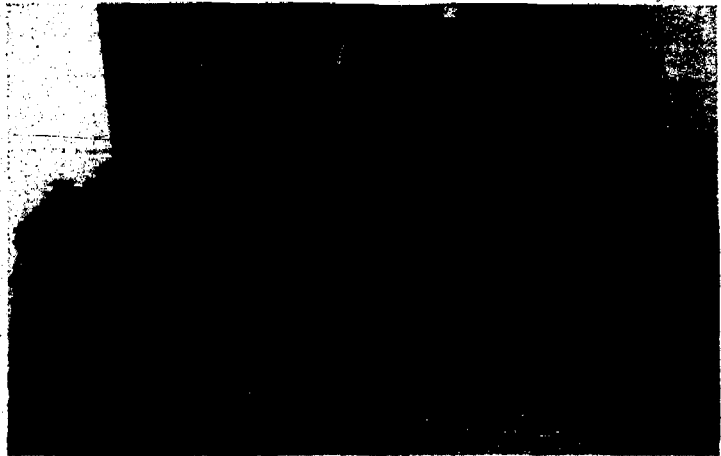
Next to the new generation of computer games, home video games lost a lot of their luster for consumers. Until Nintendo, that is.

"There's a renewed interest in home video games," said Nancy Hill, owner of Stage and Screen Video in the City of Plymouth, which regularly rents Nintendo game cartridges. "There are just so many reasons Nintendo is popular. The sound effects are great and the graphics are very good. And you don't have to have a computer to play it."

The Nintendo system hooks into just about any television set and allows for one to six players. There are basic kits, action kits (with "zapper" guns) and "power pads." Besides good graphics, the systems also use three-dimensional effects whenever possible.

"In some cases these games are better than the arcade games," Hill said. "One game has a memory chip so if you stop you can save it right where you were at. It's great."

Hill said Nintendo is designed for all ages, from three years old to senior citizens. "It's a challenge for everyone," she said. "There are different levels, from kids stuff to adult games."



Home entertainment systems are regaining in popularity among those families that play together. (Crier photo by Chris Farina)

Hill said one of her customers -- a doctor -- gets a new game cartridge on a Tuesday night and then spends his day off locked away playing it.

"These games put the arcade right in the home," Hill said. "They can be expensive, but they are really interactive and that's the best part."

Most Nintendo cartridges run from \$30-\$45, while the basic set-up systems range from \$150-\$300. Among the more popular games are "Super Mario Brothers II," "Zelda II," and "Anticipation." Nintendo offers adventure games, war games, word games and a wide range of other selections.



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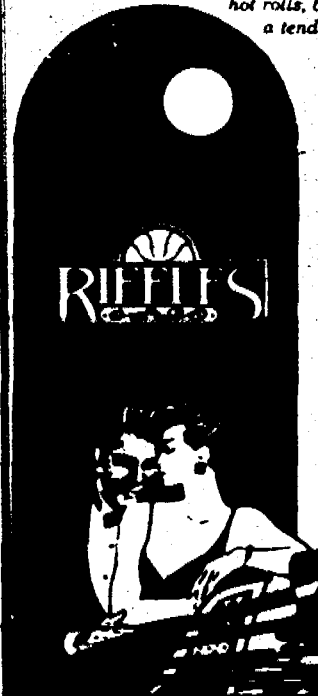
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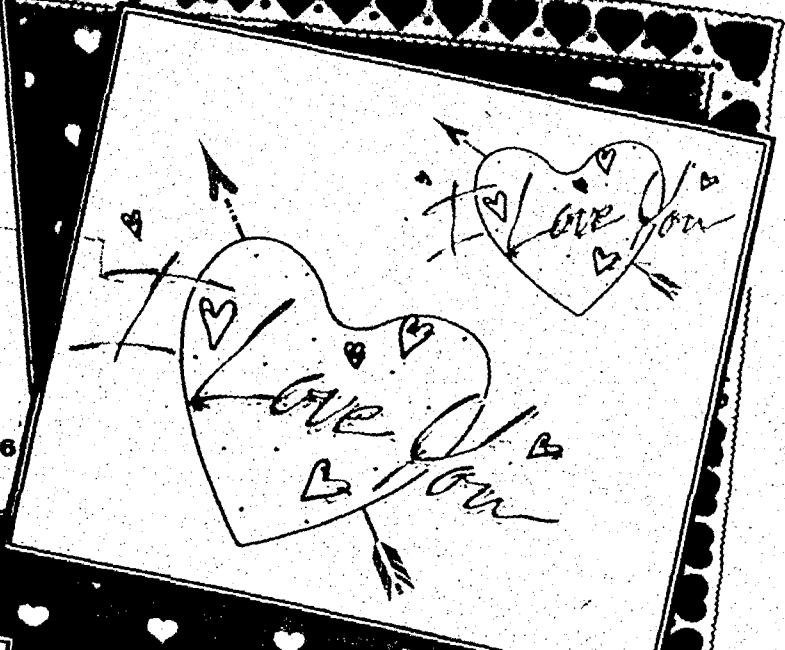
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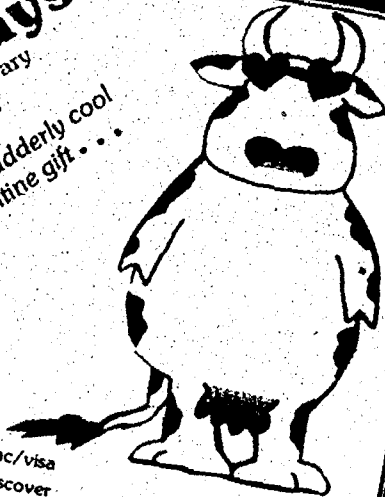
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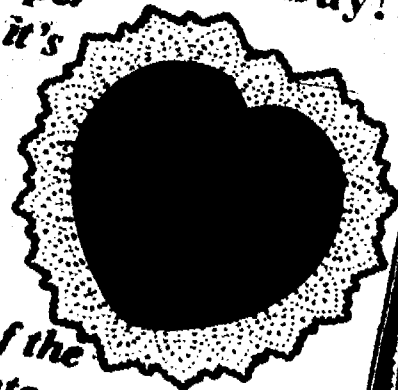
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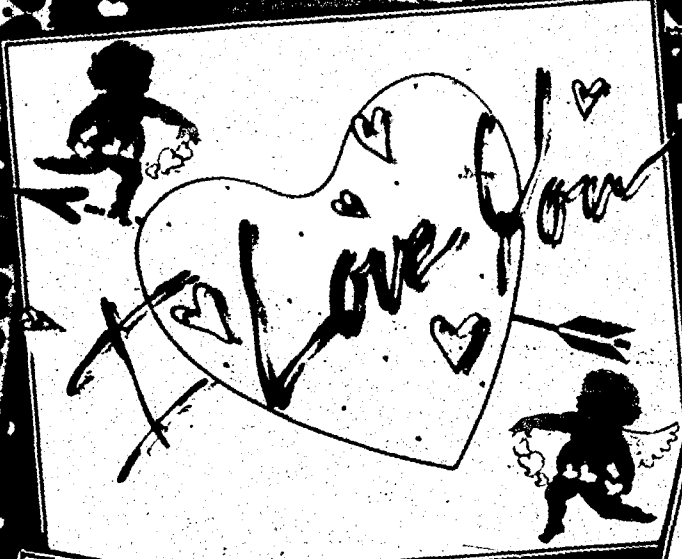
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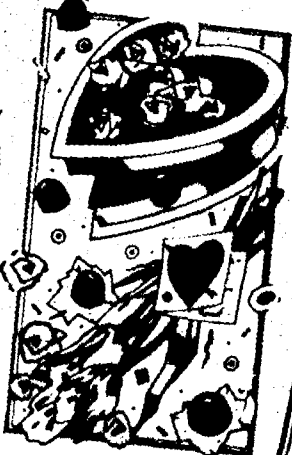
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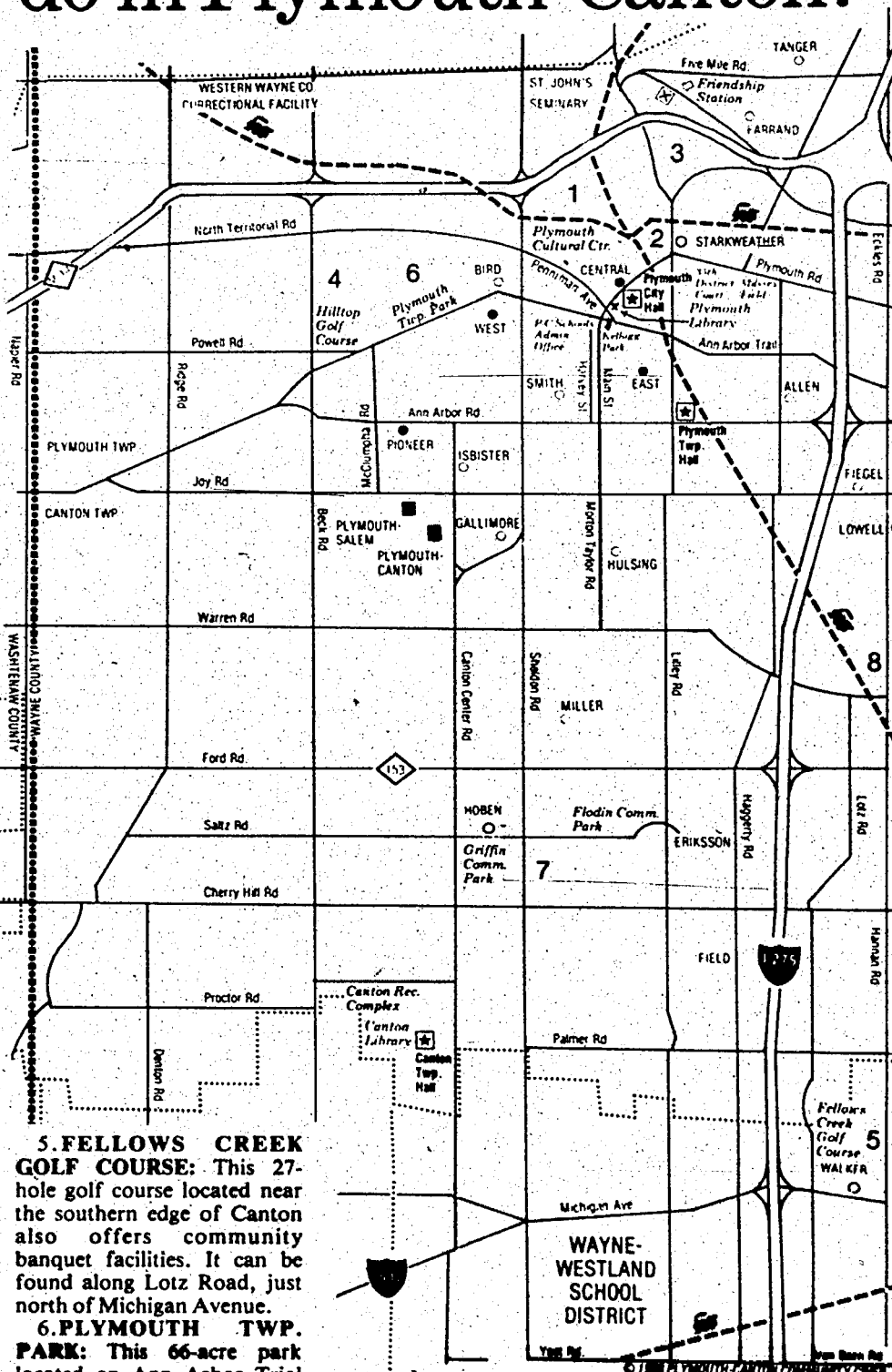
Things to do in Plymouth-Canton:

1. PLYMOUTH CULTURAL CENTER: Besides nearly year round ice skating, the Cultural Center is the locale for a wide variety of leisure classes, many of which are offered through the Plymouth Parks and Recreation Department. Also, the Plymouth-Canton Hockey Association plays most of its home games in the arena, and there are annual ice skating shows put on by the Plymouth Figure Skating Club. The center also offers lecture rooms and has a banquet hall for weddings or other parties.

2. LIBERTY STREET: Here's a place to look back on Plymouth's history and at the same time have some fun hunting through half a dozen antique shops. The section of Liberty between Starkweather and Mill streets retains its historic atmosphere and houses the various antique shops. The stores themselves offer a very eclectic mesh of antiques, ranging in age from the 1950s back to the 1850s. Liberty Street is also the logical place from which to start any tour of Plymouth's underrated Old Village.

3. HINES PARK-WILCOX LAKE: Edward Hines Drive cuts through the northern sections of Plymouth and Plymouth Township and offers a year round haven for picnickers, cross country skiers, bikers, joggers, ice skaters and anyone who just wants to get away from the hustle and bustle of city life. Wilcox Lake is a great place to enjoy a cold, clear day on the ice during winter. Fishermen also enjoy Phoenix Lake farther to the north (in the winter as well as summer). For the more adventuresome there is a place along the drive (we're not saying exactly where) which is known as "Heartbreak Ridge." Along it, one can discover carved into the trees a strange but fascinating array of lover's initials dating as far back as the 1930s.

4. HILLTOP GOLF COURSE: This 27-hole golf course cuts through some rolling hills along the western edge of Plymouth Township. It is located at Powell Road just off of Ann Arbor Trail.



5. FELLOWS CREEK GOLF COURSE: This 27-hole golf course located near the southern edge of Canton also offers community banquet facilities. It can be found along Lotz Road, just north of Michigan Avenue.

6. PLYMOUTH TWP. PARK: This 66-acre park located on Ann Arbor Trail near McClumpha Road includes park shelters, picnic areas, swings, horseshoe pits, baseball diamonds and the Peter Rockwell "monster" play sculptures for the kiddies. It is just one of three parks in the township.

7. GRIFFIN PARK: This park, located between Sheldon and Canton Center roads north of Cherry Hill includes softball and baseball

diamonds, soccer fields, picnic areas, tennis courts and a basketball court. Besides Griffin, Canton also features Flodin Park on Saltz Road, the Canton Recreation Center on Michigan Avenue and the Canton Recreation Complex on Proctor Road behind the Township Administration Building.

8. WILLIAM P. HOLLIDAY PARK: Inside this 500-acre park preserve are 12 miles of hiking trails that are offered through guided field trips. The Holliday Wildlife Preserve is unique to western Wayne County. Part of it cuts through eastern Canton near Koppernick Road.

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Volleyball on a court Wallyball?

BY JOHN BRODERICK

Imagine playing a game of volleyball -- and never having to chase the ball. While this idea may seem far out -- it is far from impossible.

The name of the game is wallyball -- volleyball inside an enclosed space, the size of a racquetball court.

Wallyball came to Canton in 1981, according to Marvin Stadwick, manager of the Rose Shores Racquet Club in Canton.

"A man named Joe Garcia was the originator of Wallyball, in California. He brought the game here to Michigan," Stadwick said.

Now Rose Shores can accomodate wallyball on eight of its 16 courts, for either individual, or league play.

"We have a number of leagues play here now," Stadwick said. "There is a mixed doubles league that plays on Fridays, and another league on Sundays.

"We also have a number large groups come in for outings -- like classes and clubs," Stadwick said.

Tom Simpson runs the Metro Direct Annual Wallyball League each winter. "I just love -- everyone who plays loves it. We have people come from all over the Detroit Area, and beyond, just to play in this league," he said.

Wallyball is also a good way for summer sports people to keep in shape.

"A lot of the guys in our league play softball in the summer, and want to keep busy during the winter," Simpson said.

Wallyball is played just like volleyball except that the ball can be hit off the side walls. The ball is out of bounds upon touching the ceiling or the back wall -- but a team can use its own back wall to return a serve or volley.

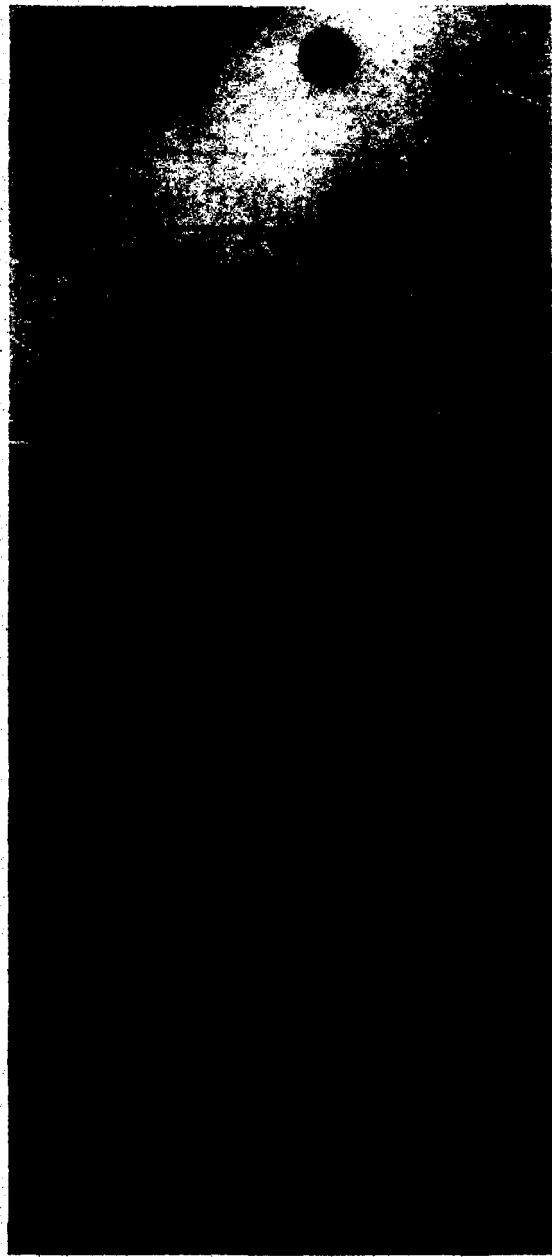
A different ball is used as well -- a softer ball, with three pounds of air pressure and a Nerf-like surface.

"It's a good game for people of all ages," Stadwick said. "It can either be competitive, or just for fun."

"Our busy time is September through April -- but we're open all summer as well, and we have air conditioning," Stadwick said.

Leagues have already started for the winter, but newcomers to the game can start practicing now, for next season.

Rose Shores is located on Ford Road between Lilley and Haggerty. Call 981-3080 for further competition details.



Wallyball players take to the court in Canton. (Crier photo by Chris Farina)

Riding out winter

BY JOHN BRODERICK

One way for residents to enjoy the winter, and the scenery of nearby Maybury State Park, is from atop a horse.

The Maybury Riding Stable, on Beck Road in Northville, is open all year round, for folks to gallop through 12 miles of trails in the scenic park.

The recently reopened stable offers riding Tuesday through Sunday, (and holiday Mondays) from 9:30 a.m. until dusk.

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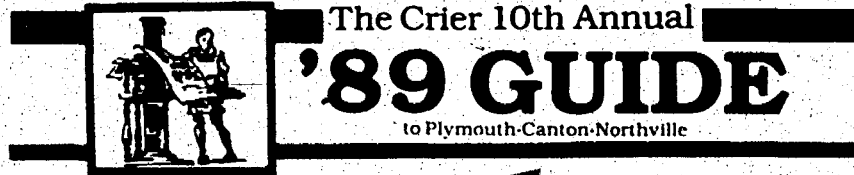
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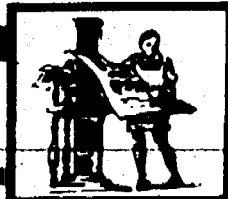
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City says consider the other side in Vorva case

BY PAUL GARGARO

Allegations by city officials that The Crier's Jan. 25 story regarding Jerry Vorva's personnel file was one sided has added some heat to an already simmering controversy.

A 10-year veteran of the Plymouth Police Department, Vorva was fired in December for his comments to this newspaper, regarding alleged ticket quotas enforced by the police administration.

In the file, which was presented to The Crier the day Vorva received it from the city, was a list of Vorva's evaluations as a probationary officer, a post-probationary evaluation, letters from citizens, service groups, local law enforcement agencies, and the city police department, commending Vorva's performance on duty.

Medical reports on Vorva were also included in the file, which commented on a pacemaker installed after heart problems caused him to miss work earlier in his career.

Also included was the Dec. 19 1988 letter from Police Chief Richard Myers and City Manager Henry Graper informing Vorva of his dismissal from the force.

A letter regarding Vorva's 14-day working suspension in April of 1988 for alleged unprofessional behavior regarding the department's handling of a death of a city prisoner in February.

Portions of Myers letter to Vorva read:

"The allegations also involve your criticism of a superior officer and the remarks made to the tune 'Cocaine'...At the outset, it must be pointed out that at no time have you denied making these remarks... You have also maintained that this (reprimand) was somehow based upon your handicapper claim... the defense regarding your handicapper claim is totally frivolous...Your claim of handicap discrimination was only made once you were aware of the fact that this department was investigating

own actions."

Vorva has flatly denied these charges.

"What they said I said were the same comments made weeks before by other officers," said Vorva. "If I was harassing people then so was everybody else."

Vorva returned to work from a medical leave, which he said was prolonged against his wishes by the department, around the time of the jail death. Vorva also disagreed with the charge that he retaliated with handicapper discrimination as a result of the investigation.

Vorva wrote two letters to Chief Myers in January, approximately a month before the jail death, stating that he couldn't understand why he wasn't allowed to return.

"I am still, as indicated by my physicians, in condition suitable for duties required of my position," he wrote on Jan. 11.

On Jan. 26, Vorva wrote, "There

appears to be no purpose and no explanation has been offered by you or the city for the unreasonable delay in scheduling my return to work...It is my belief that my civil rights under the Michigan Handicappers Civil Rights Act are being violated..."

Based on this, Vorva filed two complaints with the Michigan Department of Civil Rights in March and April. A ruling has not been made on those complaints.

Myers also wrote in the suspension notice, "You (Vorva) required this department to have an outside agency, the state police, further investigate those specific charges because of your 'joke'."

The state police were called in to investigate the jail death. At the time, Vorva said he told the administration that under its General Order 14, the city was required to have an outside agency conduct an investigation.

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Places to be

Give blood

For Valentine's Day

Give a gift from the heart this Valentine's Day -- donate a pint of blood to the American Red Cross.

There will be a blood drive on Saturday (Feb. 11) from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Plymouth Masonic Temple on Penniman Avenue.

During the open house residents can also learn about Michigan Masonry, including the symbolic lodge, Scottish rite, Shrine Temple and the Order of the Eastern Star.

For further information contact Bill Heller 459-2374 or 592-7889.

New Morning parent night

New Morning School, a state-certified school for students in preschool through eighth grade in Plymouth Township, will host a Parent Discussion Night on Feb. 14 from 7:30-9 p.m.

Families interested in fall enrollment should be on hand. A slide presentation will be followed by discussions led by teachers and parents in classroom groups.

The meeting will also be the first opportunity to register for fall classes.

New Morning was founded in 1973. Total school enrollment is 105 students plus another 350 community children who participate in Discovery Days

classes.

The school offers parent-toddler classes, as well as day kindergarten classes and certified school for grades one through eight.

New Morning is the only parent cooperative in southeastern Michigan with elementary and middle school class programs.

Parents who wish to attend the Parent Discussion Night should call 420-0331 to register for the meeting.

The Discovery Days Saturday classes are offered during February, March and April. Information on those classes is currently available at the school.

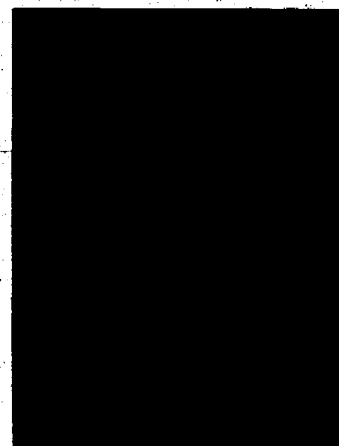
Prom fashion show set at CEP

The Executive Forum at Centennial Education Park (CEP) will sponsor a Prom Fashion Show on March 9 at 7:30 p.m.

Rehearsal for the show will be held from 2:30-5 p.m. on Feb. 14, 16, 28 and March 2, 7, and 8. There will be a

dress rehearsal on March 9.

To be a part of the fashion show call Jill Mouton, vice president of the forum, between 10:40-11:30 a.m. in room 171 at Canton High School (451-6600, ext. 351).



Travel down the Amazon tonight.

Kiwanis raft down Amazon

The Kiwanis Foundation is hosting "Rafting Down the Amazon," another in their series of travelogues held tonight at Salem High School.

Journey down the Amazon at 8 p.m. tonight (Feb. 8) in the school's auditorium. Tickets are \$3.50 at the door. There may also be some dinner tickets available at a cost of \$7 per person.

Call 459-2276 for further information on the program and tickets.

Rudi Thurau will narrate tonight's adventure.

Chefs to benefit Geer

Chefs from many of the major restaurants in the metropolitan area will gather in Plymouth from 4-7 p.m. on March 5 to create culinary masterpieces for nearly 500 fine food connoisseurs.

That's when the Geer Gourmet Gala, sponsored by the Geer School Restoration Committee, will be held at Don Massey Cadillac on Ann Arbor Road.

The fundraiser will help in the restoration project to turn the one-room schoolhouse into a working laboratory where children of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools will spend a week experiencing life during the 1880's.

Also, as a part of the festivities, there will be a silent auction of donated items.

For further information call Janet Campbell at 459-3531 or Elaine Kirchgatter at 453-8054.

Orientation

Incoming ninth and 10th grade students who will attend Centennial Educational Park (CEP) in 1989-90 can attend an evening orientation session on Feb. 15 at both Salem and Canton high schools.

The 7-9 p.m. sessions will be aimed at providing subject area and course selection information for completing the registration process for the 1989-90 school year.

Parents and students are invited. For further information call 451-6600.



Community Deaths

Murray, former lecturer

Belle F. Murray, 88, of Plymouth, died Jan. 28, in Plymouth. Memorial services will be held at a later date.

Mrs. Murray was a former lecturer at the University of Michigan, specializing in child development. She graduated from Michigan State University with a bachelor's degree in home economics, and then attended the Palmer Institute for Child Development.

She was active in the state and national Parent Teacher Association (PTO). She was also a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth.

Survivors include: grandson William, of Plymouth; and granddaughter Julia, of Ann Arbor.

Memorial contributions may be made to Michigan State University. Local arrangements were made by the Schrader Funeral Home, Inc.

Rienas, a homemaker

Ruth V. Rienas, 63, died Jan. 27, at her home in Fort Pierce, FL. Services were held on Jan. 30, at the Haisley-Hobbs Funeral Home in Fort Pierce, with Gail Angelhart officiating.

Mrs. Rienas moved to Florida from Plymouth five years ago. She was a homemaker, and active with the Senior Members Tennis Group, and a member of the Reserve Tennis Team, in Fort Pierce. She was also of the Methodist faith.

Survivors include: husband Bob, of Fort Pierce; sons Robert, Jr., of Traverse City, Randy, of Boca Raton, FL, and Ron, of Castleberry, FL; daughter Renee, of Ann Arbor; brother Richard Jewell, of Warren; sister Ellen Campbell, of Taylor; and three grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, St. Lucy Unit, P.O. Box 40 Fort Pierce, FL, 34954.

Eaves, fairground employe

Jesse D. Eaves, 76, of Plymouth, died Jan. 17, in Livonia. Services were held Jan. 21 at the Grand River baptist Church, with the Rev. Ronald E. Carey officiating.

Mr. Eaves was an active member of the Grand River Baptist Church. He was a retired employe of the Michigan State Fairgrounds. He was a 32nd degree Mason - Knight Templar, and had served with the U.S. Air Force during World War II.

Survivors include: wife Isabel, of Plymouth; daughters Susan Scott and Linda Eaves, both of Plymouth, and grandchildren Cheryl and Craig.

Interment was in Glen Eden Cemetery, Livonia.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Grand River Baptist Church, 34500 Six Mile Road, Livonia.

Local arrangements were made by the Schrader Funeral Home.

Eads, postal employe

Howard H. Eads, 61, of Canton, died Jan. 20, in Livonia.

Services were held Jan. 22, at the Schrader Funeral Home with the Rev. Martin A. Seltz officiating.

Mr. Eads retired as an employe of the U.S. Postal service in 1982. He served as a radio operator with the U.S. Navy during World War II.

Most recently, after his retirement, he drove a bus for the Garden City school system.

Survivors include: daughters Cynthia Francis, of Detroit, and Mary Buccilli, of Southfield; son Barry Eads, of Brooklyn, MI; seven grandchildren: mother Dora Eads, of Livonia; and sister Malinda Wivell, of Livonia.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Lung Association.

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Kowalski, a para-legal

Patti A. Kowalski, 43, of Canton, died Jan. 30, in Detroit. Services were held Feb. 3, at St. John Neumann Catholic Church, with the Rev. Fr. Thomas A. Belczak officiating.

Ms. Kowalski was a para-legal for seven years with Detroit attorney N.C. DeDay LaRene. She was originally from Michigan, and worked in the law profession in New York for five years, before returning in 1976.

Survivors include: mother Cassie; brothers Robert J., and Greg; and nephews David and Rob, all of Canton.

Memorial contributions may be made to the charity of your choice.

Local arrangements were made by the Schrader Funeral Home, Inc.

Ukena, firefighter

William Ukena, 71, of Westland, died Jan. 19, in Allen Park. Services were held Jan. 21, at the Vermeulen Memorial Funeral Home, with David E. Church officiating.

Mr. Ukena was a of an employe of the Detroit Fire Department for 30 years. He was also a veteran of World War II.

Survivors include: wife Bernadine P., of Plymouth, daughter Susan Bracy, of Milwaukee, OR; step-children Nancy Nöttger, of Waterloo, IA, Vincent Pulkrabek of LaPorte City, IA; and sister Beatrice Brandt of Plymouth, and six grandchildren.

Interment will be in Garden of Memories Cemetery, Waterloo, IA.



Community Deaths

Szymanski, of Canton

Donald Lee Szymanski, 37, of Canton, died Jan. 23, in Canton. Services were held Jan. 26 at the Vermeulen Memorial Funeral Home in Westland, with the Rev. Ernest M. Porcari officiating.

Mr. Szymanski came to the community four years ago from Dearborn.

Survivors include: mother Lillian J., of Canton; brother John, of Dearborn; sisters Joyce, of Canton, and Sharon McLeod, of Sterling Heights.

Interment was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Southfield.

Rittenhouse, auto salesman

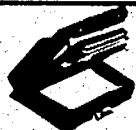
Dale Leon Rittenhouse, 79, of Plymouth, died Jan. 17, in Allen Park. Private services were held shortly thereafter.

Mr. Rittenhouse was an automotive salesman.

Survivors include: wife Vivian, of Plymouth; daughters Susan Gore, of Union Lake, and Sandra Brunskole, of Garden City; grandchildren Kathleen and Julie Gore, Teresa and Dereck Brunskole; and sister Doris Holcomb of Livonia.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, or the Michigan Heart Association.

Local arrangements were made by the Schrader Funeral Home.



Getting down to business

Cutting down on garbage

Woodland helps residents to recycle

BY JOHN BRODERICK

Disposal of solid waste is no longer simply a disposable problem.

Even in Wayne County, Executive Edward McNamara has said that county landfills will most likely be full in three years. That's if communities in the county keep up the current rate of garbage "production."

While public officials are exploring ways to cut down on the amount of solid waste people produce, one local business is trying to make that task easier.

The Woodland Meadows Recycling and Disposal Facility in Canton has recently become a drop-off point for recyclable materials, and is beginning a number of programs in the community designed to make recycling easier for both the homeowner and the business.

Woodland Meadows is a division of Waste Management, Inc., the nation's largest recycler, which provides comprehensive collection, processing, and disposal of solid and hazardous wastes.

"We're working with civic organizations in the community on fundraising projects that involve recycling," said Gary Shockey, site manager of Woodland Meadows. "A group can reserve a month, or two months, and all of the money raised from recycled materials during that time will be turned over to them.

"It's a good way to doubly help the community -- by helping cut down the amount of solid waste going into landfills," he added, "and putting the

proceeds back into the community."

Woodland Meadows became a drop-off point for recyclables in August of 1988. Since then, response "has been super," according to Shockey.

"Each time we run an ad, or get some publicity, we get umpteen more calls. The response from the community has really been excellent," he said.

Shockey doubts that it will be possible to reach the goal of a 75 per cent reduction of solid waste output in Wayne County set by McNamara. But he says that is a good goal to try for.

In other communities throughout the country, Waste Management, Inc. has sponsored residential recycling programs that have been a huge success, Shockey said.

"In New Jersey recycling is mandatory. They actually have 'trash cops' that go around in front of the garbage trucks to make sure residents have separated the paper, glass, and plastic. If they haven't -- they get a ticket.

"The vehicles are compartmentalized, and the driver puts each material in a separate place. It is then brought to a recycling center, weighed, and the money earned from the materials goes into the cost of maintaining the system," he said.

Shockey said that that kind of system can drastically reduce the cost of conventional garbage pickup.

A plan is in the works to offer proposals to area municipalities about moving to this sort of residential recycling program.



Woodland Meadows has recently become a recycling and disposal facility, where residents can drop off recyclable glass, plastic, metals, and paper products. (Crier photo by Chris Farina)

Shockey said that it would be difficult for people at first, but that many people across the country have learned to live with the kinds of changes.

"But we're coming to the point

where there is no place to take it (solid waste)," he said. "There isn't much choice."

Residents or groups interested in recycling should contact Janis Lanyon at Woodland Meadows (326-0993).



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Investigating fires in Plymouth-Canton

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on Mill Street also remains open, said Matthews.

Other recent suspicious fires still under investigation in the city are the October 1987 Grain Mill Crossing blaze, the November 1987 Lillo's Pizza blaze, and the fire at 795 Harvey Street later that year, according to Matthews.

Most recently, the Nov. 4 blaze at the Mill Street apartment is currently pending court trial (see today's Crier for further details). The other blaze that night, at the Plymouth Cab Co., is still under investigation, said Matthews.

Matthews said the 1980 Penniman Avenue Shops blaze is still open.

"The FBI was in charge of that case," said Matthews. "There were some suspects, but no one was ever brought to court on it."

A number of the city's major arson cases have been closed.

Matthews said an apartment fire at 400 Plymouth Road in July of 1980 was closed due to the arson suspect's death in the blaze and the 1983 Nelson Hotel arson ended in a murder conviction, said Matthews.

In 1983, the residential arson case on Amelia Street ended with convictions on lesser charges and an 8-car arson on N. Holbrook in October of that year ended with a conviction.

In Plymouth Township, a number of arson cases still remain open.

The Nov. 5 1987 blaze at A and M

Supply Company at 9131 Genral Court still remains as well as a July 1988 suspicious fire at a home on 9163 Lilley Road, said Groth.

He added that a fire at an unoccupied building at 49620 on Ann Arbor Road still remains open.

In Canton, the numbers are lower.

A series of garage fires, three to four years ago is still under investigation, although two juveniles eventually confessed to one of the fires and were processed through the juvenile court system, said Winkle.

A suspicious fire at a body shop in December 1988 at Ford and Lotz roads is still under investigation, added Winkle.

Winkle said car arsons have always been popular in Canton due to its western position in the metropolitan Detroit area.

"Last year we took 3 out of about 15 car (arson) fires to prosecution, which is pretty good," said Lenaghan.

Lenaghan added that about 25 percent of Canton's arson fires were started by juveniles.

"They're not always deliberate," said Lenaghan. "Until kids are 12, they're not really culpable."

Winkle attributed Canton's youth and its current economic boom period for relatively low number of suspicious and accidental fires.

"A large per cent of our businesses and homes are new and that really reduces the threat of fire," said Winkle. "Once the area gets older, you'll probably see more fires. Times are good. When houses aren't being sold, you see more arson."

Delays expected in city sign ordinance

BY PAUL GARGARO

A steady stream of input into the City of Plymouth's proposed new sign ordinance has caused delays in its acceptance.

A scheduled committee-of-the-whole discussion of the new ordinance was postponed at Monday's city commission meeting in order for commissioners to digest a flood suggested last minute changes and additions to the document, said Mayor Karl Gansler.

An open discussion on the subject has been scheduled for next Wednesday (Feb. 15) at 7:30 in the pre-commission chambers at City Hall.

Gansler and City Manager Henry Graper urged anyone with suggestions for the new ordinance to submit them

to City Hall by Friday.

Graper said only one citizen showed up for two public hearings before the planning commission on the proposed ordinance.

According to Gansler, the new sign ordinance promises to be stricter and simpler than the current ordinance.

"I want it so that people will be able to come in off the street to City Hall and be handed it and know what it means," said Gansler.


If approved, the new ordinance would alter the size requirements of signs with a maximum area of 32 square feet and 8 feet in height with a 25 feet setback.

The ordinance would also ban the use of temporary signs such as festoon (pennants and banners), flashing,

vehicle, and portable signs. Conforming ground and wall signs would still be allowed under the new ordinance.

"I consider the proposed sign ordinance an opportunity to correct some serious faults in our existing sign ordinance and in the process enhance the the character of our city," said local realtor Robert Bake, who has been actively researching the possibilities for the new ordinance. "This is a 'window' of an opportunity to raise our standards and strengthen the image of our city."

Gansler said he expects to have the finished new ordinance up for approval before the board by Feb. 20. He added that a time period remains to be established for existing signs to come under code.



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Employee of the Month



This month's outstanding Crier-COMMA, employe is **Shawn Guideau** — a COMMA, artist.

Shawn, who has helped coordinate several COMMA, clients' work from as far away as Florida and Texas, was selected for her staff-lifting attitude.

A Plymouth Salem High School 1976 graduate, Shawn formerly was known as Shawn Bredin (until she married Charlie Guideau). She was program operations director of Omnicom Cablevision until 1983, and then joined Maclean-Hunter Cablevision as program director until 1984.

She is the mother of Nathan, three-and-a-half years old and already a budding artist himself.

"We're pleased that Shawn has helped everyone at COMMA, keep a positive attitude — especially during this peak production time with the upcoming 10th annual Guide to Plymouth-Canton-Northville," said Phyllis Redfern, general manager.

She wins dinner for two at The Lord Fox restaurant in recognition for her work. (The question is, will Charlie get to go too!)

Phyllis Redfern
General Manager

W. Edward Woodcock
Publisher & Chairman



Sports

Canton tumblers shine in invite

BY JANET ARMSTRONG

Dawn Clifford led the Canton Chiefs to a fifth-place finish overall at the Plymouth Gymnastics Invitational on Saturday.

Midland Dow High school claimed first-place overall in the meet.

The Chiefs, who are ranked ninth in the state, turned in an outstanding performance, said Canton coach John Cunningham.

"I'm extremely pleased," said Cunningham. "I only expected to place about ninth."

Overall, 17 teams participated in Saturday's competition.

On the vault, Clifford claimed 21st place with an 8.40 mark. On the uneven bars she took 16th place (8.65), and on beam 12th place (8.80).

Johanna Anderson was the top Chief in the floor exercise placing 13th with a score of 8.50, while Clifford and Heather Murphy tied for 18th place (8.35).

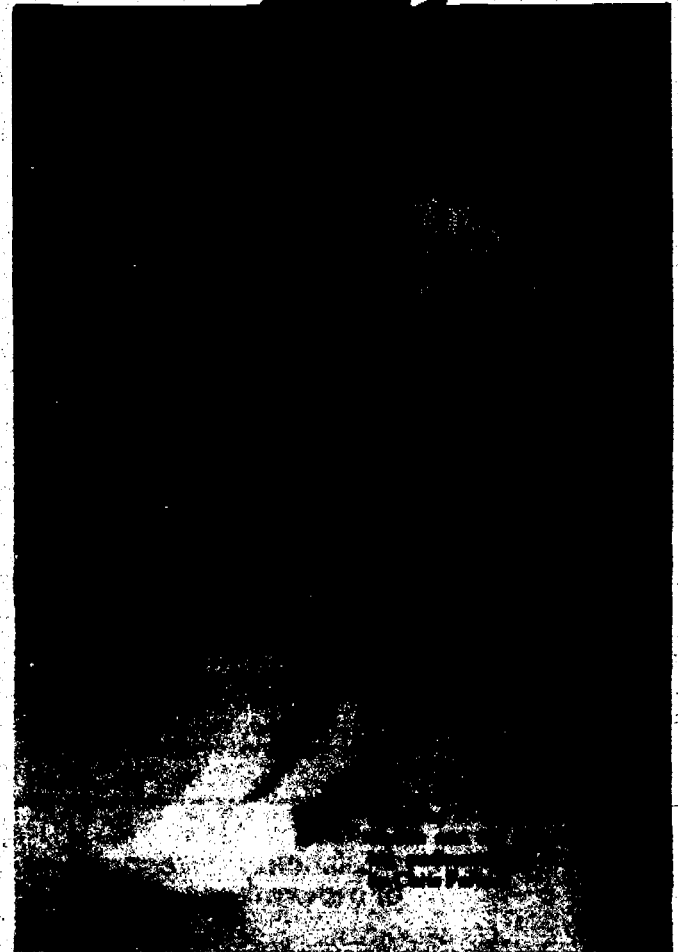
Cunningham said he was especially pleased with his team's performance because eight of the top 12 teams in the state were on hand for the invitational.

Canton also had a meet with John Glenn last week. Glenn defeated the Chiefs 134.80-131.1.

The Chiefs, who are 4-1 on the season, did poorly against the Rockets, said Cunningham.

"We deserved to lose," said Cunningham.

Canton is preparing for a meet against cross-campus rival Salem tonight. The meet starts 7 p.m. at Phase III.



Coaches' choice

Salem's Moshimer honored by MHSFCA

BY JANET ARMSTRONG

It's considered to be the most prestigious award a Michigan high school football coach can achieve.

This year, the Jim Crowley Memorial Award, given out each year by the Michigan High School Football Coaches Association (MHSFCA), went to long-time Salem coach Tom Moshimer.

The award was presented to Moshimer in Grand Rapids last month and according to the coach, it came as quite a surprise.

"I was very shocked," said Moshimer. "It's (winning the award) was something that never occurred to me."

Moshimer began his coaching career 22 years ago at the old Plymouth High School in 1967 and has coached for Salem ever since. He has established a life-time record of 161-95-6.

The award is presented to the coach that has excelled in the service to football in the state of Michigan.

service to his school district and to the football coaches across.

"It (the award) always means a little bit more when it comes from your peers," said Moshimer.

"It is well earned," said Dick Egli, director of community relations for the school district. "He's a good person. It's always nice to have recognition for what you've done."

Moshimer said the most important aspect of his coaching responsibilities is the kids he coaches.

"Football is important, but not as important as these kids' education," said Moshimer. "For most kids they play football for four years in high school and that's it. So they have to be prepared for life after football."

"I think football helps kids with their life because of the discipline, responsibilities and the sacrifices they make to play the game," Moshimer added.

Moshimer has had a number of players go on to successful college and pro careers.

Rich Hewlitt was one of the most successful players from Salem. Hewlitt quarterbacked for the University of Michigan football team, and is now a successful lawyer at a Detroit law firm.

Dave Houle had a very successful college career with the Michigan State Spartans and was drafted by the New York Giants. An injury has kept him sidelined, however.

Craig Morton, who graduated from Salem in 1985, went on to a record-breaking career for the Dartmouth Big Green. He is currently waiting to hear if he is drafted into the National Football League (NFL).

Moshimer also has also had three other players go on to play pro football.

"One played for Denver (Broncos) for six or seven years, one played in the USFL for two years," said Moshimer. "And one played for a year in the NFL."

Indeed, Moshimer has had a successful career at Salem. It is always nice to have recognition of what you've done," said Egli.



TOM MOSHIMER

Canton tankers dominate Harrison

BY JANET ARMSTRONG
The Canton boys swim team dominated over Farmington Harrison Thursday, winning the meet 98-74.

The Chiefs, 6-3, won with their second, third, and fourth string swimmers, according to Canton coach Hooker Wellman.

Tim Edwards, Kevin Beech, Dave Nevi and Burt Brian started the Chiefs off with a first place in the 200-yard Medley relay (1:51.72).

In the 200-yard individual medley, Jim Hartnett captured a first place by finishing up in 2:12.6.

Jeff Schwinn was the first-place finisher for Canton in the 50-yard freestyle (24.7). While in the 100-yard freestyle, Shawn MacInnis also garnered a first (56.7).

Nevi earned his second first-place finish in the 100-yard butterfly with a 59.5. In the 100-yard breaststroke it was Beech for the Chiefs earning his second first-place finish on the night (1:09.1).

MacInnis, Doug Nevi, Dave Nevi and Matt Tertel combined for a second-place finish in the 400-yard freestyle relay (3:50.7).

In the 200-yard freestyle Jeff Brandenburg claimed a second-place finish with a time of 2:05.0. While in the 50-yard freestyle, Brian placed

second (25.6).

Mark Levesque, with a time of 5:38.2, took second place in the 500-yard freestyle.

Rounding out Canton's second-place finishes was Edwards, who took second in the 100-yard backstroke (1:05.8).

"It was nice to be able to swim our second, third and fourth kids and have them do so well," said Wellman.

The Chiefs will play host to Livonia Franklin on Thursday. The meet starts at 7 p.m.

Paupore is out of action

Canton hoops suffers loss, injury

BY JANET ARMSTRONG
Not only did the Canton boys basketball team lose a heartbreaker Friday to Farmington Harrison, but they also lost standout Brian Paupore to an injury during the emotional defeat.

The fifth-ranked Hawks edged out Canton (9-6 overall) 36-35.

The Chiefs led the Hawks going into the fourth quarter, but weren't able to hold the lead.

Paupore suffered a broken nose late in the third quarter, after dominating the scoring production with 13 points. It's not known at this time how long Paupore's injury will sideline him, said Canton coach Tom Niemi.

Niemi said he was pleased with his team's effort on Friday, but not at the outcome.

"Anytime you hold the fifth-ranked team to under 50 points in a game you should win," said Niemi. "And my

thinking prior to the game was that if we could accomplish that, we would win.

"We played tremendous defense. It's too bad the game turned out like it did," added the coach.

Troy Waldron finished the night with 13 points for the Chiefs.

Canton will try to turn things around when they travel to Livonia Churchill on Friday.

The game starts at 7:30 p.m.

Canton volleyball rallies to stomp W. L. Western

BY JANET ARMSTRONG
After losing to Walled Lake Western earlier in the season, the Canton girls volleyball team was psyched and ready to go Monday night against the Warriors, said Canton coach Allie Suffety.

Canton, 6-2, lost their previous meet to Western 13-15, 15-5, 12-15.

However, they turned the tables on the Warriors beating them 15-11, 15-9 in their latest matchup.

"Two great matches tonight," said Suffety after Monday's game. "We played really well."

With seven kills and seven aces, Susan Ferko helped lead the Chiefs to victory, said Suffety.

Janice Krauss and Alyssa Huth also had good nights for the Chiefs, said Suffety. Huth had six aces and Krauss had four kills.

Suffety said he is extremely pleased with his team's play this season.

"This is a good team," said Suffety. "We've got some kids that want to do well this season."

According to Suffety there were three key reasons for the Chiefs' win tonight.

"We had excellent positions. We were moving the ball along well," said Suffety "and we had some great digging."

Canton's junior varsity and freshmen teams also won Monday night. The J.V. won 15-1, 15-9 and the freshman captured their meet 15-11, 15-13.

Canton will try to continue their winning ways Wednesday when they travel to Northville. The meet starts at 6:30 p.m.



Rocks hoops continues to thrash league foes

BY RITA DERBIN
The Lakes Division champions won two more last week.

The Salem basketball team defeated Westland John Glenn and Livonia Churchill to bring its record to 14-1 and 8-0 in division play.

On Friday night the Rocks beat John Glenn, 72-59.

Jeff Elliott led the offense with 23 points. Jake Baker added 13 points and 12 rebounds while Mike Albertson chipped in with 10 points and eight rebounds.

In the game, Jeff Gold and Craig Marshall each had 7 steals.

"Ryan Johnson had nine points and eight rebounds off the bench. Jeff Jajacki also had eight rebounds.

"It was a good team effort," said coach Bob Brodie. "Glenn had one player scoring and we had everyone scoring."

The Rocks led most of the game but could not pull away from the Rockets. Key free throws down the stretch by Elliott (4-4), Albertson (4-4) and Marshall (2-2) were the deciding factor according to Brodie.

On Tuesday, Salem defeated Churchill, 76-44.

Elliott led all scorers with 23 points and Johnson had 11 points, but Baker was the story of the game. He had 20 rebounds along with 14 points.

"Baker only played three quarters and two minutes," said Brodie. "He's always been capable of getting that many rebounds but he's just now learning he can."

In the game, the Rocks jumped out to an 11-point lead in the first quarter and kept getting bigger.

Last night Salem hosted Farmington and Friday the team will travel to Livonia Stevenson.

7 Salem grapplers will see mat action in regionals

BY RITA DERBIN
Seven Rocks are heading for regional wrestling action.

In Saturday's district meet hosted by Salem, Craig Richardson (112), Steve Burlison (160 lbs.) and Brian Burlison (171 lbs.) advanced to the regionals with first place finishes in their weight divisions.

Pete Israel (152 lbs.) finished second while Julian Sell (125 lbs.), Mike Schumate (130 lbs.) and Ed Barilage (140 lbs.) qualified with third-place finishes.

"All the kids did well," said coach Ron Krueger. "Richardson came back

to beat Northville's Brandon Mordossian who had beat him in the pre-districts and Israel beat Kurt Will, from Livonia Stevenson, who had beat him all year and at the conference meet."

Also advancing to the regionals was Redford Catholic Central's heavyweight Lee Krueger, (the Salem coach's son) of Plymouth.

The team districts will be held at Northville tonight and the individual regionals will be held at Canton beginning at 10 a.m. on Saturday.

The pace quickens in PCJBA race

The Rockets (7-0) remain entrenched in first place in the Girls B League of the Plymouth-Canton Junior Basketball Association.

They are followed by the Kings and the Celtics, both 4-3, the Lakers (3-4), the Suns (2-5), and the Pistons (1-6).

In last week's action, the Celtics burned the Suns, 47-36; the Rockets dethroned the Kings, 37-34; and the Pistons swamped the Lakers, 42-33.

In the Boys B League, the Sonics (7-0) still dominate the American Division. They are followed by the

Nets (6-1), the Lakers (5-2), the Spurs (4-3), the Knicks and the Rockets, both 3-4, and the Kings and the 76ers, both 1-6.

In the National Division, a four-way tie for first includes the Pacers, Celtics, Bucks, and Hawks, all 5-2. They are followed by the Jazz (3-4), the Pistons (2-5), the Bulls (1-6), and the Suns (0-7).

In last week's action, the Kings cranked the 76ers, 52-44; the Rockets blasted the Kings, 53-35; the Lakers

gouged the Spurs, 45-38; the Sonics boomed the Nets, 46-41; the Pistons rode the Bulls, 33-32; the Bucks bucked the Celtics, 46-44 (OT); the Pacers silenced the Jazz, 50-22; and the Hawks set the Suns, 41-22.

In the Girl AA League, the Celtics

hold the lead at 4-0. They are trailed by the Pistons (2-2), and the Lakers and the Suns, both 1-3.

Last week, the Kings crowned the Pistons, 35-28; and the Celtics shilclagged the Lakers, 26-25.

Salem dunks W. L. Western

BY RITA DERBIN

The Rocks are winning in a big way. On Friday the Salem swim team took all the first-place finishes in their trouncing of Westland John Glenn, 126-45.

First place finishers were: The 200-yard medley relay of Sean Fitzgerald, Ron Orris, Fred Seidelman and Mike Hill (1:44.62); Rick Steshetz in the 200-yard freestyle (1:56.62); Eric Bunch in the 200-yard individual medley; and Hill in the 50-yard freestyle (22.90).

Also taking firsts were: diver Pat McManaman (209.60 points); Rob Shimmel in the 100-yard butterfly (1:00.22); Orris in the 100-yard freestyle (48.84); Mike Axford in the 500-yard freestyle (5:15.94); Chris Butzlaff in the 100-yard backstroke (1:02.41); Mark Erickson in the 100-yard breaststroke (1:09.39); and the

400-yard freestyle relay of Orris, Steshetz, Hill and Seidelman (3:25.56).

On Tuesday the Rocks defeated Brighton, 103-69.

Taking first place for Salem were: the 200-yard medley relay team of Butzlaff, Fitzgerald, Orris and Hill (1:47.86); Steshetz in the 50-yard freestyle (23.87); diver McManaman (200.05 points); and Shimmel in the 100-yard butterfly.

Also placing first were Seidelman in the 100-yard freestyle (50.53); Orris in the 100-yard backstroke (57.24); Steshetz in the 100-yard breaststroke (1:08.94) and the 400-yard freestyle relay team of Caloia, Axford, Bunch and Seidelman (3:34.39).

The Rocks, who are now 7-2 overall and 2-1 in division play, travel to Farmington tomorrow.

Salem gymnastics team suffers tough break

BY RITA DERBIN

The Salem gymnastics team got a bad break Friday during practice. Freshman gymnast Autumn Bunch smashed her foot on a bar dismount during practice.

During the Plymouth Invitational on Saturday, a heavily taped Bunch competed on the floor exercised and managed a 14th-place finish (8.45) and the Rocks finished 10th out of 17 with a season-high 125.8 points. In the same event, Sue Farmer, who has been injured most of the season, scored an 8.2 for Salem.

After the meet, however, it was discovered that Bunch's foot was broken and she will not be able to compete tonight when Salem travels across campus to face Canton beginning at 7:00 p.m..

"We know Canton is very good and we would have had a hard time beating

with Bunch," said coach Kathi Kinsella. "Now, we'll work our hardest and try to get more scores to qualify for regionals."

"Autumn has carried the team most of the season," said Kinsella. "But we'll still have three girls competing in all around against Canton and Autumn might be back next week to help us as we continue to prepare for he conference meet next month."

On Wednesday, powerhouse North Farmington defeated Salem, 135.7-125.2

Dana Holda finished fifth overall for Salem and Bunch was sixth.

On the beam, Holda was fourth (8.1) and Lisa Wietfeld (7.7) was fifth.

On the floor exercises, Bunch was second (8.9), Jenny Skylakos was fourth (8.45) and Jenny Kryger, who is coming off ankle injuries, was fifth (8.3).



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Vorva dismissal

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Not include in the file was a written reprimand to Vorva following an accident he had with a police vehicle on Thanksgiving night of 1980. Vorva said that reprimand was later removed from his file by then-Chief Carl Berry.

Meanwhile, the arbitration regard-

ing Vorva's dismissal is one step closer to completion.

A list of arbitrators has been submitted to both the city and to the police union. Once an arbitration panel is agreed upon, the proceedings will begin.

Addenda & errata

Last week's Crier misquoted Plymouth Township Supervisor Maurice Breen in the Howmet story on page 5. It should have read: "... The fact of the matter is that it's industrial next to residential."

Co-op open house

Plymouth Children's Co-op Nursery will host an open house on Sunday (Feb. 12 from 1-3 p.m. The public can enroll their children for the next school year during the open house.

For further information on registration call Peggy Kalis, membership chairperson, at 420-2325.

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Valentine Curiosities

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY to the Voyles grand kids.

JD - Think warm thoughts **HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!**

Deb, I LOVE YOU - even if we don't always agree. **HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!** Love, Mom

Ron, you can be my VALENTINE if you will please fix the door. Love, Mom

HEARTS TO KLESSes!

JESSICA: Be My VALENTINE, Dad

Colla, A VALENTINE'S DAY without me?! Push on. I'll see you soon. Love, Paul

Oops almost forgot. **HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY** Sweet SUE! Ken (m.s.)

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HAPPY VALENTINE'S Mom in St. Peter's

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JESSICA "HOOPS" is my VALENTINE. - Dad

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Jennifer Klass

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Curiosities

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ANES (March 21-April 18) Advice given to a friend will result in confusion on their part. Political urge grows. Your mate has problems with their memory and is getting aches & pains. You missed out on one party while going to others.

Jessica moves (and builds) mountains.

GUIDE DEADLINES at hand! Last call is coming.

THE FAT LADY hasn't sung yet.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY Steve and Mark at Hilda's. 15 years of ownership!

Kev is on the winning team, he's taking over Route #8. Welcome aboard and good luck. Verna

Monday, dinner was great, especially the outside for dessert!

Happy Birthday Grandma! Love Deb & Ron Dan, thanks for the Popel bath. The G.M.

Way to go Linda!

The Crier is 16 years old - Happy Birthday!

It's hard to lose control of a meeting if you never had it to begin with.

Big is it Arbuton Lake time yet?

Tim - Monday night was fun. Let's get together soon with Joyce, Sallie, Phyllis and the rest of the gang.

Happy 18th Birthday to "The Crier"!

Curiosities

Lucas is on the winning team, he's taking over Route 77A. Welcome aboard and good luck. Verna.

Sonya joined the carrier team, she's taking over Route 3. Welcome aboard and good luck. Verna

Roses are Red
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Jessica said she only had to wait 5 or 6 months to collect from Ed so I guess I can't complain too much yet.

Aunt Hazel - When did you say you were going "Up, Up and Away"?

Jim - I think it's about time for a steak dinner. (Make mine medium well and don't forget to smile!)

Julie - Have you considered buying a stock in A.T. & T.? At least you could get a return on your "investment"!

Hurricane - This is it kid. We're about to be tangled up in love. Tomado

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Who put the Clipper Index in the darkroom.

Does seeing Phyllis at 8:30 AM perk you up? "IT BETTER"

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What mysterious person called Angie at home? I asked 5 people and they all had the same answer.

Carolyn, I wanted to tell you that "I love you" From your Palm Harbor, FL. Lover, Jeff

Happy 36 years Mom & Dad!!

Dad - Thanks for a delicious dinner & enjoyable Saturday evening - Daughter No. 1

Hey Scoop!

Nothing mushy or gooey - just want my family to know I love them all very much! You're the best Tom, Rebecca, George, Mike and Brandy, Love Mom

Rebecca - Purdue has good taste! Congratulations - Mom and Dad

John, The Crier team welcomes you aboard, Good Luck on Route No. 118. Verna

Ask Phyllis about her days as California surfer

Young man, I hope you're thinking pure thoughts!

Who's John Armstrong?

Who was late for the meeting she called for Monday morning? If you guessed "P" you're right. Leadership by example.

Ed celebrates appeal every month or so

Curiosities

Subba, now you get the shirt all you need is the tickets - check with Probert he might have a few he won't be using.

White witcher wins. The pocketbook loses.

Brian's doing double duty, he's the carrier for Route 63 and now he's also taking over Route 52A. You're doing a great job Brian. Good luck. Verna

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You are in a period of unshakable energy, so make good use of it. Green is a prominent color. This week you must make a decision concerning Art. It will be hard not to be happy the next few days.

Kev, Have you remembered what you did on Friday yet? Or did you forget again? Ha! Ha!

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SUE & KEN what's for dinner? Ed

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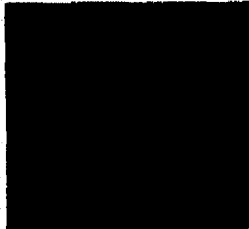
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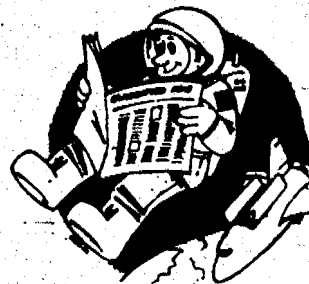
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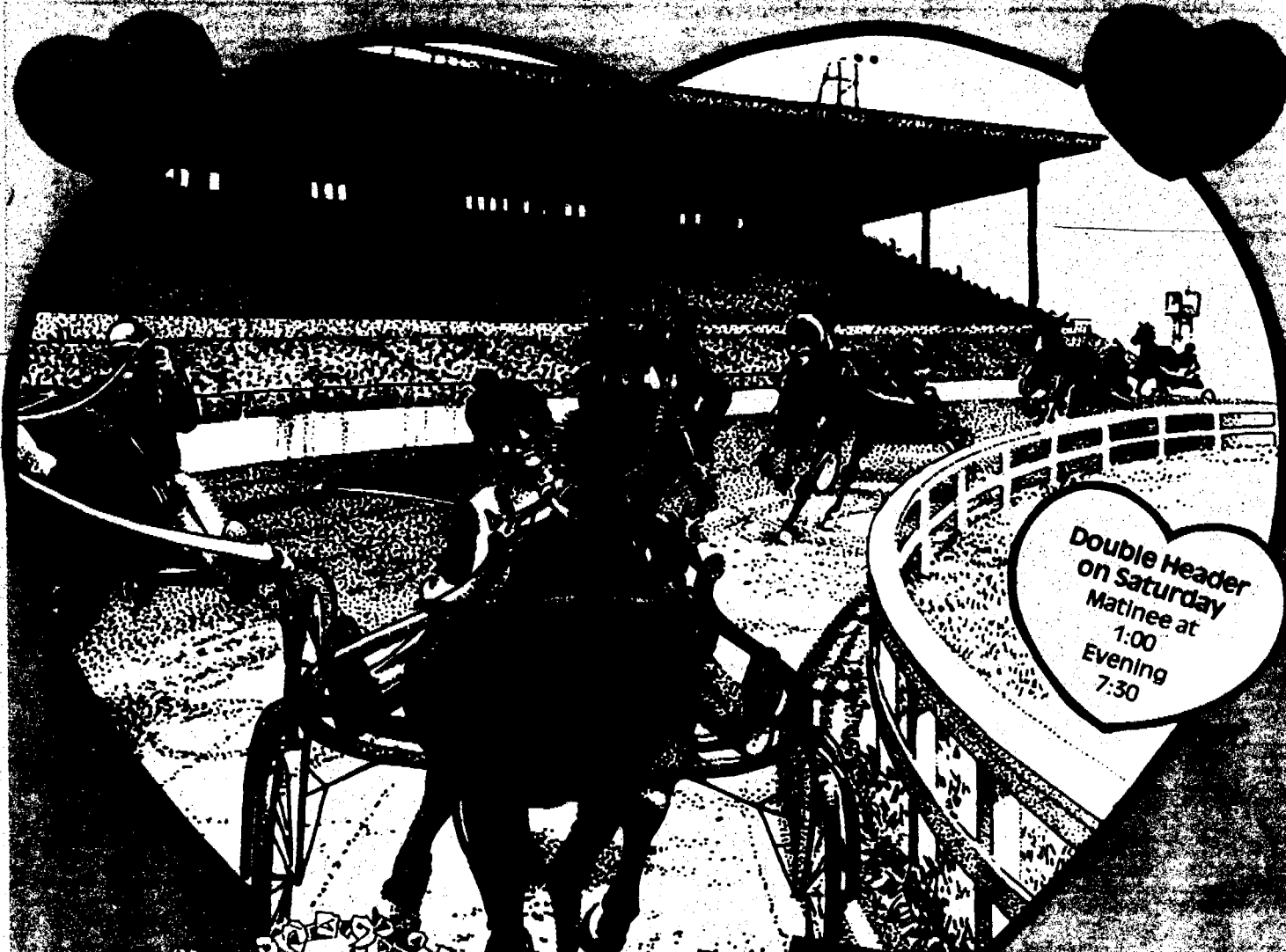
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