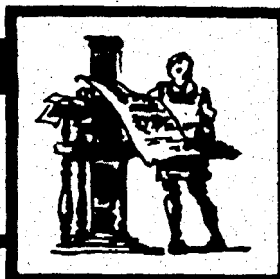


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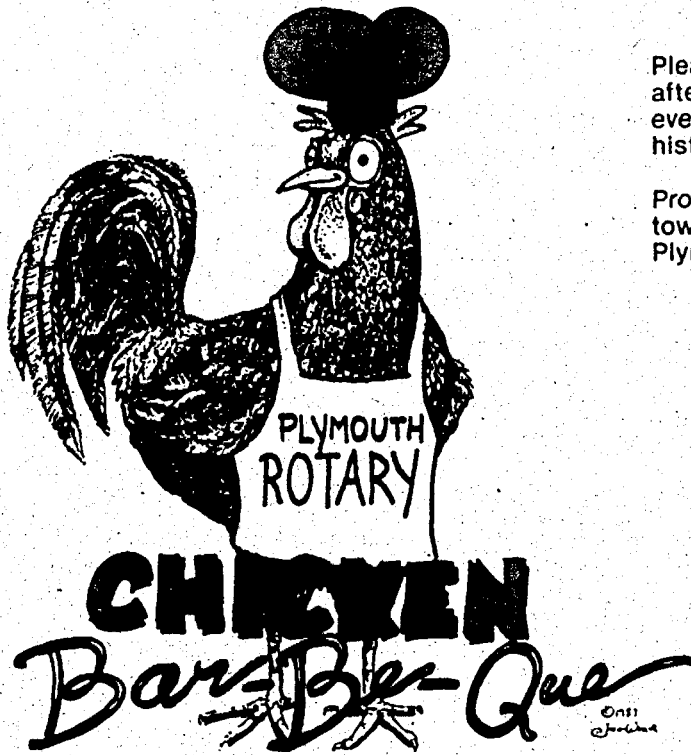
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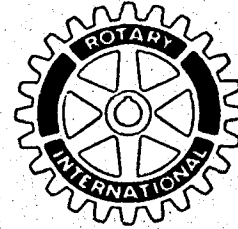
A Salute to the People in Industry and Commerce in Plymouth-Canton-Northville

Our Salute to Plymouth-Canton-Northville Industry & Commerce section concentrates on the economic diversity found in the area. From farming to funeral homes, weddings to high tech, we've taken a look at how businesses in the area diversify to get by.



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Food

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Say 'si' to Italian dinner

The Salvation Army kicks off the 35th Annual Fall Festival meals with a veal parmesan and spaghetti dinner Thursday, Sept. 6.

Dinners will be served from noon onward to accommodate the lunch and dinner crowd. They will be served at the Gathering.

Dinner prices are \$5 for the general public and \$4 for senior citizens.

Fest-goers eating the veal dinner in the evening might want to stick around for a chance at cash prizes during a round of bingo Thursday night at the Gathering.

The Salvation Army is being sponsored by the Plymouth Knights of Columbus No. 3292, Fr. Victor J. Renaud chapter.

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Rib Friday

Friday night is rib night.

The Plymouth Knights of Columbus will be out in force, tending to charcoal pits in the Gathering.

They'll be grilling 1 pound slabs of ribs that will be served with a baked potato, coleslaw and a roll with butter.

Price is \$6 and serving begins at noon.

This is the second year in a row that the Knights have revived the rib dinner, which had long been a festival regular on the main meal line-up.

The Plymouth Knights of Columbus make contributions to the Plymouth Opportunity House, the Plymouth-Canton Special Olympics and children with cancer.

Saturday from 7 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Get up for pancakes

Get up early on Saturday morning, Sept. 8, for a pancake breakfast brought to you by the Plymouth Kiwanis Club.

Starting at 7 a.m., Kiwanis members will be flipping pancakes on a hot griddle in the Gathering. The meal includes pancakes, sausage, coffee and milk and will be served until 1 p.m.

Tickets for the breakfast are \$4 in advance and \$4.25 at the door.

Buying a ticket for the breakfast automatically enters you into a raffle to be held at 1 p.m. The Kiwanians are raffling off a trip for two to Toronto. Passage is by train, and accommodations are for two nights and three days.

The pancake breakfast is a long-standing festival tradition.

The Kiwanis Club is helping to pay for the Gathering and also supports boys and girls clubs and a children's program at Mott Hospital in Ann Arbor.



A member of the Plymouth Rotarians stokes the coals for the Sunday Chicken dinner. (Crier photo)

New York strip dinner

Carnivorous festival-goers should save their appetite on Saturday evening for a steak dinner with the Knights of Columbus.

The Knights will serve up a 7 ounce New York strip steak with a baked potato, coleslaw and roll with butter.

The dinner begins at 3 p.m. at the Gathering. Tickets are \$6.

This is the second dinner the Knights are cooking at this year's Fall Festival.

Food

Chicken feast climaxes '90 Fest

The grand daddy and largest event of the Fall Festival is the Sunday chicken barbeque dinner.

The Plymouth Rotarians -- who started the festival back in 1956 - will once again take over the Gathering with their poultry.

Tickets for the dinner are \$6; the price includes one half of a chicken barbequed over open pits and seasoned with a special secret seasoning, one ear of corn, a bag of chips and a roll along with a can of pop.

Tickets for the barbeque will be available throughout the festival from the "dog house" booths at Main Street and Ann Arbor Trail and Penniman Avenue and Main.

If you can't make it to the Gathering on Sunday or want to avoid the crowd, the chicken dinners will be available at a new drive-through location at Junior High West, the corner of Ann Arbor Trail and Sheldon Road.

Proceeds from the dinner are turned over to the Plymouth Rotary Foundation, which donates the money to various organizations including the Salvation Army, the Boy Scouts, and CEP vocational scholarships.



A youngster at last year's Fall Festival enjoys chicken fresh off the grill of the Plymouth Rotarians, above. (Crier photo)



Kiwanis Club members cook up flapjacks for hungry crowds of festival goers at 1989's Fall Festival pancake breakfast. (Crier photo)

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This year's Fall Festival Board stands on a portion of the "Main Street" exhibit at the Plymouth Historical Museum. From left to right: Bill Leonard, Ken Holmes, Eleanor Shevlin, Marilyn Alimpich, Joe Henshaw, Cam Miller, Larry

McElroy, Skip Malin, Mary Childs, Ed Wojtowicz, Michael Pollard, John Bida and Joe Bida. Also on the board but not pictured: Larry Stassinis, Rozanah Kafila, Ed Schulz, Paul Sincock, Gary Walley and Gene Hammonds. (Crier photo)

Volunteers bring you the festival

Volunteers from a cross-section of non-profit organizations bring their hard work and expertise to the Fall Festival Board of Directors.

Larry McElroy is president of the board this year, representing the Plymouth Community Arts Council.

Marilyn Alimpich, who represents the Plymouth Business and Professional Women, is responsible for the wide range of entertainment lined up for this year's fest.

Second vice president Rozanah Kafila, from the Civitans, was in charge of allocating festival booths.

Board treasurer is Skip Malin, who represents the Plymouth Knights of Columbus. Secretary Ed Wojtowicz is from the P.N.A. Dancers of Plymouth; Ed's wife Audeen took minutes on nights he couldn't be at the meetings.

Long-time board members Mary Childs, Joe Henshaw and Eleanor Shevlin represent -- respectively -- the Plymouth Chamber of Commerce, the Plymouth Community Family Y.M.C.A. and the Plymouth Symphony.

Mike Pollard -- last year's president -- represents the Plymouth Lions club, while Cam Miller is from the Plymouth Jaycees.

Other board members are Bill Leonard, from the Plymouth Kiwanis; Ed Schulz, representing the Rotary Club; Larry Stassinis, representing the Church of the Nativity; and merchant liaison Gary Walley.

Ken Holmes and Paul Sincock are non-voting advisors.

Festival managers again this year are the father and son team of Joe and John Bida.

History of the Fall Festival

It all began with the Plymouth Rotary Club. In 1956 the local Rotarians decided to host a community picnic in a neighborhood park to raise funds for some playground equipment.

The group banded together and served some 500 chicken dinners at Hamilton Park (today that park is known as Jaycee Park). But with that gathering the legend began.

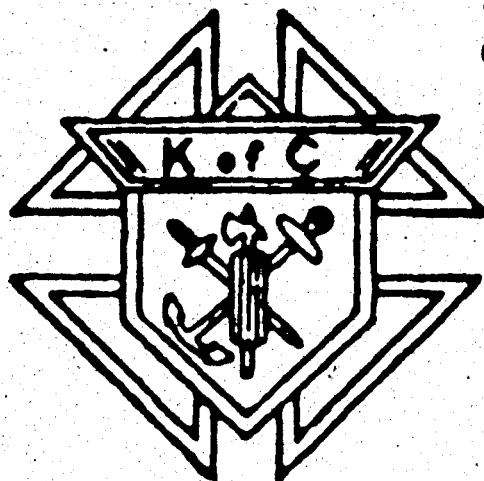
Since 1956 the Rotary Chicken Dinner has grown from serving

500 dinners to more than 15,000 dinners (on Sunday of each festival).

Now, though, the event has also become a community-wide fundraiser involving education, serve, social and student groups from throughout The Plymouth-Canton Community.

And while the chicken dinner has grown in size, the one-day community picnic has grown into a full blown four-day party, drawing more than 200,000 to downtown Plymouth each year.

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Feature



Larry and Sue McElroy are the first husband and wife Fall Festival Board presidents. Larry heads the board this year; Sue was president in 1985. In front of them is the city punch bowl engraved with all board president's names. (Crier photo by Philip Tardani)

Fest can be family affair

BY PHILIP TARDANI

Larry McElroy is following in his wife's footsteps this year as president of the Fall Festival Board of Directors.

Sue, his wife of 28 years, was board president in 1985.

Both are representatives from the Plymouth Community Arts Council, and have been active members there for a number of years.

Larry said he likes volunteering with the arts council because of its contributions to the community.

"The arts council is one of the few -- if not only -- non-profit organization in which all of the money they raise goes directly back to the community," he said.

Sue said she was treasurer of the council for many years and got Larry involved. They have done finance work at the council's arts and crafts show and worked with the Follies.

Larry said he was asked to be the arts council representative on the fall fest board two years ago because of the work he did during the festival.

As president, Larry gives much credit to the others members of the board.

"I guess I'm amazed at all the other volunteers on the board who constantly give their time and effort for the yearly event," he said. "I'm just a small cog in the wheel."

Sue says she was on the board "forever," serving part of a member's term who left and two of her own.

"I liked doing it; I liked the people, I liked being involved," she said. "It was definitely a challenge to pull everything together."

Next year, Larry will serve on the board as past president, but will probably not seek another term, he said.

"I feel the board needs new members, new ideas," he said.

This year's president has left a legacy, however, in the 100 new vinyl fall festival signs hanging up around town before and during the festival. The old wooden signs were battered beyond repair, Larry said, and the new signs should last a lot longer.

"Our big project this year was the purchase of the new signs," he said. "Thank goodness we had further donations from the community to cover the cost."

Larry and Sue were "high school sweethearts" in West Virginia and moved to Michigan soon after Larry finished a stint in the U.S. Navy. They've lived in City of Plymouth or Plymouth Township for 23 years.

Sue has worked in the building department for Plymouth Township for six years, while Larry is the advertising director for The Community Crier.

They have two children, Todd, 21, and Amy, 17.

"We have two seniors in the family this year," Sue said, "Todd at Eastern (Michigan University) and Amy at Canton High."

The whole family has also been involved in the Fall Festival, she said, noting that Todd used to work in the city's popcorn wagon and Amy recently helped decorate and ride on the board's float for the Fourth of July parade.

Even "Sweet Pea" the family dog has got into the act, Sue said, getting first prize in a past festival pet contest.

Bidas are back

Joe and John Bida, the father/son festival management duo team up again this year to bring you a great time. (Crier photo by Ken Voyles)



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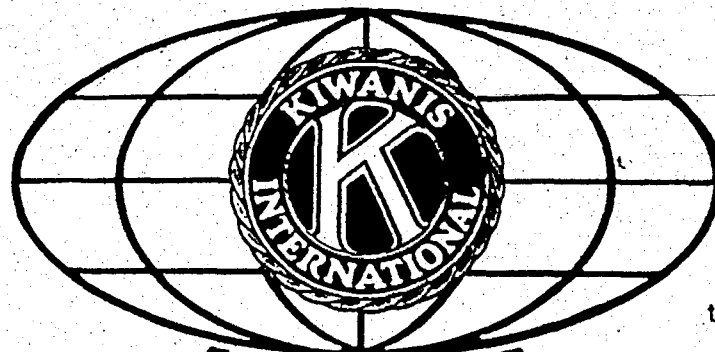
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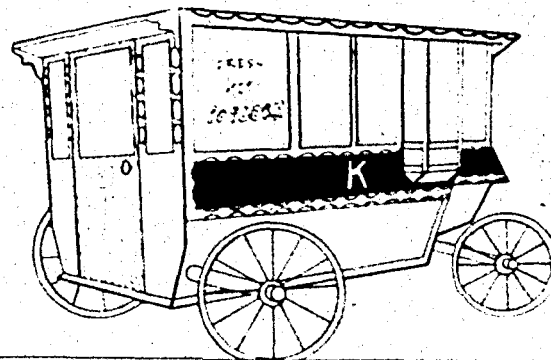
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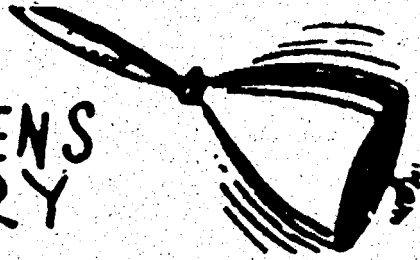
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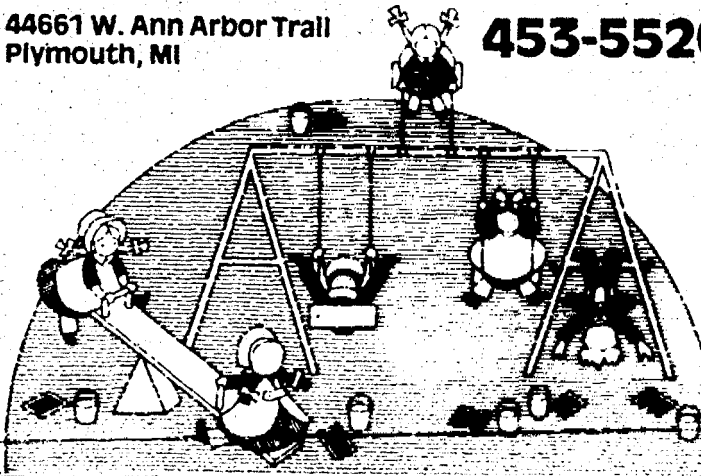
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Media blitz highlights festival

Two local radio stations and one cable television station will spotlight the 35th annual Fall Festival over its four days.

Centennial Educational Park's (CEP) student operated WSDP (88.1 FM) and country station WSDS, out of Ypsilanti, will provide radio coverage during the festival.

Omnicom Cablevision, based in Canton, will once again offer live coverage throughout the festival.

According to Station Manager Dave Snyder, WSDP will broadcast at the festival, from the Plymouth Chamber of Commerce, on Saturday from noon to 4 p.m.

Reports on the scene and on festival goers will be sent back to the station by WSDP staffers Thursday, Friday and Sunday as well, he said.

"WSDP has been broadcasting from the festival for as long as I can remember," Snyder said. He added that the reports will focus on providing festival information, such as parking availability, to listeners.

WSDS will also provide extensive coverage of the festival, according to that station's Program Director Clyde Beaver. He said the station's coverage will take over the airwaves from 3-7 p.m. on both Thursday and Friday, 4 p.m. to midnight on Saturday, and from 1-6 p.m. on Sunday.

Beaver said a number of WSDS weekday personalities would be handling the festival broadcasts. He said that he, Pam Clark, Brian Walker and Chris Sharp will also appear at the festival.

Omnicom Cablevision will be televising from the festival for the ninth consecutive year, said Community Affairs and Program Director Maria Holmes.

Holmes said Omnicom will provide 26 hours of live coverage of the festival, to be seen on cable channel 8. Coverage will include Thursday and Friday from 4:30-10 p.m., Saturday noon to 9 p.m. and Sunday noon to 6 p.m., Holmes said.

"Many of the staff have been involved with the festival telecasts for a long time," she said. "It helps with continuity in our productions."

Holmes said the telecasts would be seen in The Plymouth-Canton Community as well as Northville, Belleville and Hamtramack. She said telecasts will originate from an Omnicom van at Kellogg Park across from the Gathering on Penniman Avenue.

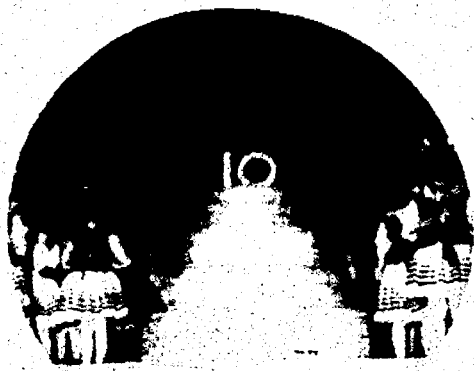
Omnicom will also focus on coverage of the bandshell events, Holmes said. She added that festival organizers and goers will also be interviewed throughout the four day affair.

Following the live coverage, Omnicom will present segments of the performances in a series entitled "Fall Fest 90." It will premier on Sept. 17.

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19th annual PCAC artists show

The Plymouth Community Arts Council (PCAC) is planning to once again contribute to the Fall Festival this year, sponsoring its 19th annual Artists and Craftsmen show Saturday and Sunday (Sept. 8-9).

The show will be held inside of Central Middle School, which is located at Church and Main streets.

The juried (selected for their quality) show will feature works in clay, jewelry, watercolors and calligraphy, along with other forms.

Some of the artists on hand will also be available to demonstrate the techniques of their craft for Fall Festival visitors.

"The reason the show is juried is so people will know they won't see run-of-the-mill items," said Kathleen Angell, of the PCAC. "Over 100 artisans from Michigan and surrounding states will participate in the show."

Also returning for this year's show is the student booth, featuring crafts made by more than 50 youths in The Plymouth-Canton Community.

The show will run from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Saturday, and from noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday, 9. An entry donation of \$2 for adults and \$1 for students and seniors will be collected at the door. Children under 12 will be admitted free.

The PCAC's new director Kay Jaeger said that about 10,000 people attended last year's festival show. "It's probably one of the more popular events during the Fall Festival," Jaeger said.

The event is the main fundraiser for the PCAC. Proceeds are used to help support many of the art group's projects to further the development of arts in the community.

The PCAC is a non-profit organization which has been promoting and serving the arts in the Plymouth community since 1969. It is partially funded by the Michigan Council for the Arts.

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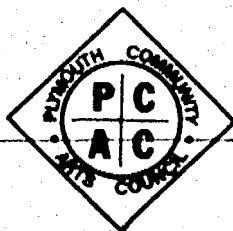
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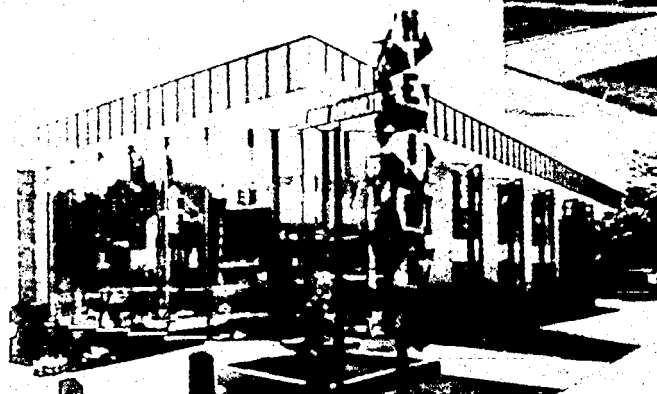
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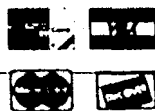
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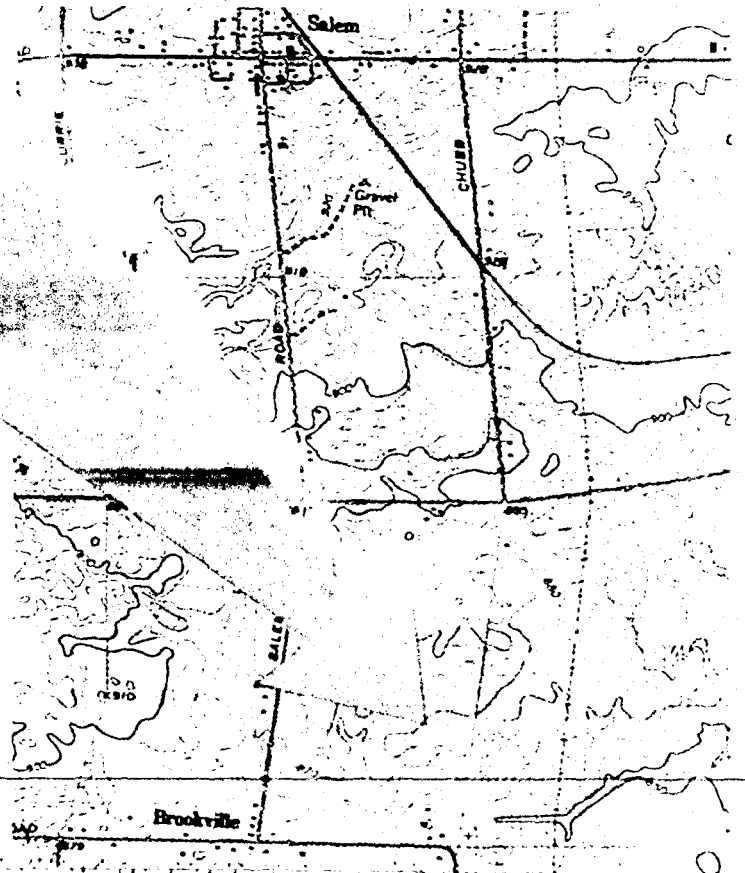
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Three Cities sale

In addition to food and games, the Fall Festival will once again offer a taste of culture, provided this year by the Three Cities Art Club.

The club will sell art works ranging from watercolors and oil paintings to collages during the four-day event. Look for the group in Kellogg Park.

"Besides selling merchandise, it is a family oriented show," said Three Cities President Kay Fill. "Come and get to know us."

Prices for the works range from \$25 up to \$300. Artists will also be continually available to display their techniques.

Fill said that the Three Cities Art Club has appeared at the Fall Festivals since 1960. The group, she said, has been in existence for 31 years, making it the oldest organization of its type in Plymouth.

The club members meet the first Monday of each month at the Dunning-Hough Library, in downtown Plymouth. The public is welcome to attend all meetings.



Two shoppers examine crafts offered for sale at the 1989 Fall Festival. A variety of hand-made items will be available for purchase again at this year's four-day event. (Crier photo)



A reflection of some of the art presented by the Three Cities Art Club at last year's festival. The club will again offer festival goers culture this year. (Crier photo)

All 4 days at Oddfellows Flea Market

Bargain hunters beware!

The Oddfellow-Rebekah Trustees will be hosting their annual Flea Market sale for Bargain hunters who attend this year's Fall Festival.

The market will be held on all four days of the festival at the Oddfellows Hall, two blocks east of Kellogg Park at the corner of Ann Arbor Trail and Elizabeth Street.

A large variety of items will be on sale at the market. The outside parking lot of the hall will also have crafts and furniture, while inside there will be a variety of jewelry, pottery and glassware.

A large selection of antiques and collectibles will also be available.

Hours for the market will be from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday. It will also be open on Sunday hours from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Other area festivals

If four days of Fall Festival doesn't satisfy your celebratory nature, other events can be found close to The Plymouth-Canton Community throughout September.

So festival goers still hungry after Plymouth's big event can enjoy a diverse number of other celebrations.

The Plymouth Old Village Apple Festival is set for Sept. 29-30 throughout the historic Old Village end of Plymouth. Each year it features arts and crafts and free entertainment. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Two major events come to Northville this month -- the Victorian Festival and the Tivoli Arts and Crafts Show.

The Victorian Festival, held Sept. 14-16, features an art market, entertainment, games and plenty of food booths.

Near the end of the month -- Sept. 28-29 -- is the annual Tivoli Arts and Crafts Show. It is presented by the Northville Historical Society and held at the Northville Downs racetrack. Hours are 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., Sept. 28, and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sept. 29.

Proceeds from the festival go for the upkeep of the Mill Race Historical Village.

Northville also hosts an annual Folk and Bluegrass music festival every June.

There is some question as to whether or the Canton Challenge Festival will return in 1991, but for the past two years it has become the big event in the township with athletic and sporting competitions spread out over a two-week period around the Memorial Day weekend.

Farther south, Belleville hosts an annual Strawberry Festival, every June, featuring a parade and carnival rides as well as entertainment.

To the east, Livonia has hosted the long running Spree every June to kick off the pre-July 4th celebrations. Besides carnival rides, there's entertainment, food and fireworks.

Farmington hosts an annual Founders Festival each July to celebrate that community's history.

Ypsilanti hosts a Heritage Festival, and Ann Arbor is well known for its annual Art Fair.

Just wrapped up was the popular Michigan State Fair held at the State Fairgrounds in Detroit. It is usually held the last two weeks in August and the first week in September.

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Information

Festival changes

What's new at this year's Fall Festival?

Look for a variety of new organizations among the festival's booth line up including:

The I-CARE Committee, which will display and sell computer software; the Plymouth-Canton Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 528, will sell club t-shirts, pins, hats, buttons and ears of corn; and the Plymouth Canton Football Boosters club, will feature nachos and pop.

Another new event during this year's festival will be the Plymouth Canton Hockey Association's "Hockey Shot Clock" which allows participants to shoot a hockey puck and have it timed by a radar gun for speed. The cost is three shots for \$1. The group also plans to sell cookbooks.

Two groups -- the Lions Club and the Plymouth Grange -- while not new to the festival will make special appearances this year. The Lions, who in the past have hosted a fish dinner on Friday, will instead sell whole and individual slices of Apple pie throughout the festival.

Last year was the final year Grange members offered their goodies out of the Grange building on Union Street (it is slated to be torn down as part of the Wilcox renovation and development project).

This year for Grange members will be selling fresh baked doughnuts in front of Central Middle School during the four-day festival.

Also new this year will be Friday's main meal -- a rib dinner hosted by the Plymouth Knights of Columbus (Fr. Victor J. Renaud chapter). Rib dinners used to be a regular on the main festival meal line up and the Knights of Columbus are bringing it back.

Ribs will be cooked over charcoal in large pits constructed in the Gathering.

Festival layout

For the second year in a row the layout of the annual Fall Festival will switch the emphasis somewhat off of Main Street and onto Penniman Avenue.

The main strip of festival booths will still run straight up Main Street from Ann Arbor Trail to Penniman, but then the line turns west onto Penniman toward Harvey.

Festival organizers said that most of the booths serving food will remain along Main Street between Ann Arbor Trail and Penniman.

But booths along Penniman Avenue will be more geared toward young adults and children. Besides booths, Penniman Avenue will also be the sight of the Rockettes Dunk Tank, a hockey shooting contest, New Morning School's carnival games and the kiddie rides for the real young festival goers.

"The shift to Penniman started last year," said Larry McElroy, president of the festival board this year, who added that new signs will also be visible during this year's four-day affair. "It helps keeping us from being spread out so far."

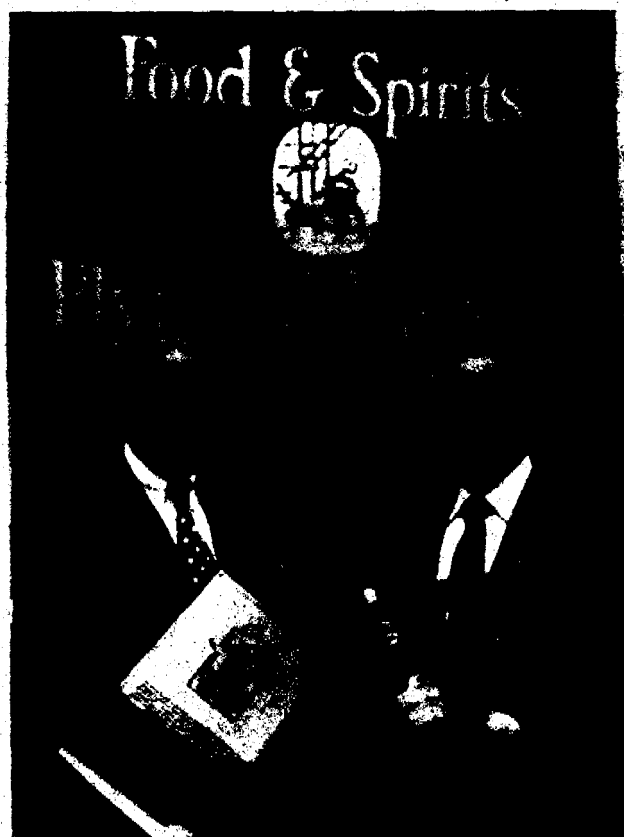
Besides the games along Penniman there will still be several food booths, mostly those serving dessert type snacks.

In the past, booths ran up Main Street north of Penniman toward Fralick Street, but that had caused problems with the Schrader Funeral Home, besides over extending the festival in that direction.

"We want to keep this away from their front door if possible," said McElroy.

The rest of the main festival area will look pretty the same as in years past.

For example, the bandsbell will remain on Penniman by the Gathering; the main festival meals will be cooked and served in the Gathering; the art show will be held at Central Middle School; and the antique show will again be at the Plymouth Cultural Center.



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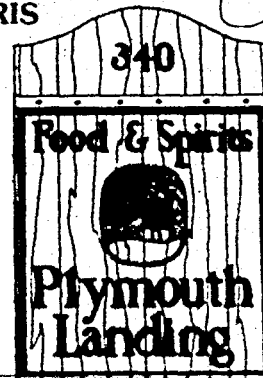
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Entertainment

Entertainment offers everybody something

For many, the variety of entertainment at the annual Fall Festival in Plymouth is the highlight of the four-day event.

Everything from Big Band to Orchestra and Rock and Roll music will be featured at the 35th Fall Festival.

According to Fall Festival Entertainment Chairperson Marilyn Alimpich, the festival has never had a problem booking entertainment for the event.

"There's not enough time to get everyone in during the Fall Festival," she said.

All regular entertainment is being held at the bandshell in front of the Gathering (next to the Penn Theatre) along Penniman Avenue, beginning on Thursday and running through Sunday.

All of the acts are free to festival goers. Most of the entertainment concludes by 9:30 p.m. on festival nights.

This year's entertainment is being sponsored by some seven local car dealerships. A piano will also be provided by Arnoldt Williams Music Inc., of Canton.

Many of the acts for this year's festival are locally based. Several new acts will be featured this year as well as many familiar performers to the festival and fest visitors.

Kicking off the entertainment schedule for the festival will be Johnny Chase and His Magic Music Band at 5:30 p.m. The ever popular Chase is a one-man band and has performed at various local nursing homes.

Opening ceremonies for the festival will get underway at 6:30 on Thursday. City beautification awards will be given at the ceremony.

The public will also get a chance to meet the Fall Festival Board of Directors at the ceremonies. The board began its work immediately after last year's Fall Festival and has worked long and hard to put the event together for festival goers this year.

At 7 p.m., the Canton Seniors Kitchen Band will provide festival goers with a delightfully different sound. Alimpich said the seniors use everything from kitchen utensils to toilet seats to entertain.

"If you find it in the house, they use it," she said.

Rounding out the entertainment for Thursday will be the Plymouth Community Band at 8 p.m. The band, directed by Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Board Trustee Carl Batischill, will play everything from popular to classical music.

Friday's entertainment slate gets underway at 5 p.m. with the Downriver Dulcimers. The group is formed of church, country and folk musicians who are also members of local dulcimer and folklore societies and musical guilds. They play a blend of traditional music on traditional instruments, spotlighting the hammer dulcimer.

Then at 6 p.m. the Innvoation Varyey Music band will finish off the entertainment for the evening. The Mt. Clemens based group composed of a five-man band and single vocalist will perform everything from big band music to current hits.

"They do everything," said Alimpich, "with the exception of rap or heavy metal."

The Fall Festival gets into high gear starting Saturday with a full slate of entertainment action.

At 9 a.m. the day begins with the annual Optimist Pet Show. Dogs, cats and unusual pets are judged in categories such as biggest, smallest, best dressed and best looking.

At noon Ray Wojciechowski, "Twisty the Fun Clown," will entertain children with music and comedy. Wojciechowski is well known for turning ordinary balloons into works of art as well as performing magic tricks.

The Polish Centennial Dancers of Plymouth hit the bandshell at 1 p.m. The group, which is made up of teenagers and adults, will perform a variety of traditional Polish folk dances.

At 2 p.m. Saturday, festival goers will be treated to the bluegrass sounds of Just Me and the Boys. The Plymouth based band primarily uses violins to bring out an atmosphere of old-fashioned



Two youths from the Polish Centennial Dancers performed at the bandshell at last year's festival. The group will perform at this year's festival on Friday. (Crier photo)

folk music.

Then at 3 p.m. it's Scheer Magic, from Doug Scheer, a Southfield based magician. Expect dazzling illusions and audience participation for some of the tricks.

The O'Hare Irish Step Dancers perform at 3:30 pm. The dancers will perform traditional Irish step dances under the direction of Tim O'Hare, a Chicago resident who flies in to Plymouth to teach Irish Step Dancing. Look for jigs and reels and authentic Irish costumes.

At 4:30 p.m. another variety band will take to the bandshell, Step Aside. Alimpich said she spotted the band at a wedding and asked them to play at this year's festival.

She said the group will concentrate on Rock and Roll. Alimpich added that the band will be performing at the festival for the first time and is based in Plymouth.

The Polish Centennial Dancers of Plymouth return again at 6:30 p.m. The younger members of the dance group will be featured.

Saturday's entertainment closes with the Johnny Trudell Orchestra starting at 7:30 p.m. The big band sounds of the 1930s and 1940s will be featured for festival goers to dance in the streets to.

Sunday's entertainment card is chalked full of fun to winds up the 35th annual Fall Festival.

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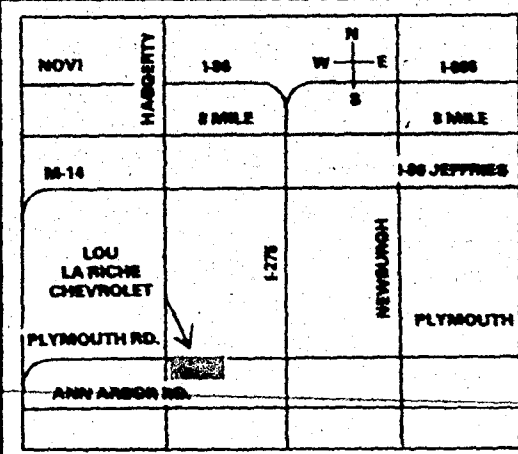
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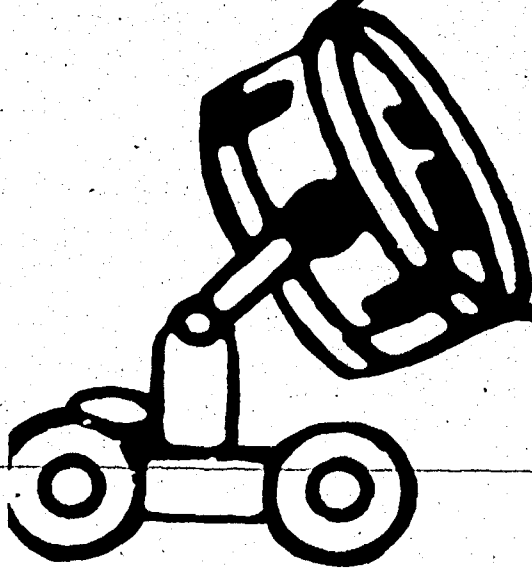
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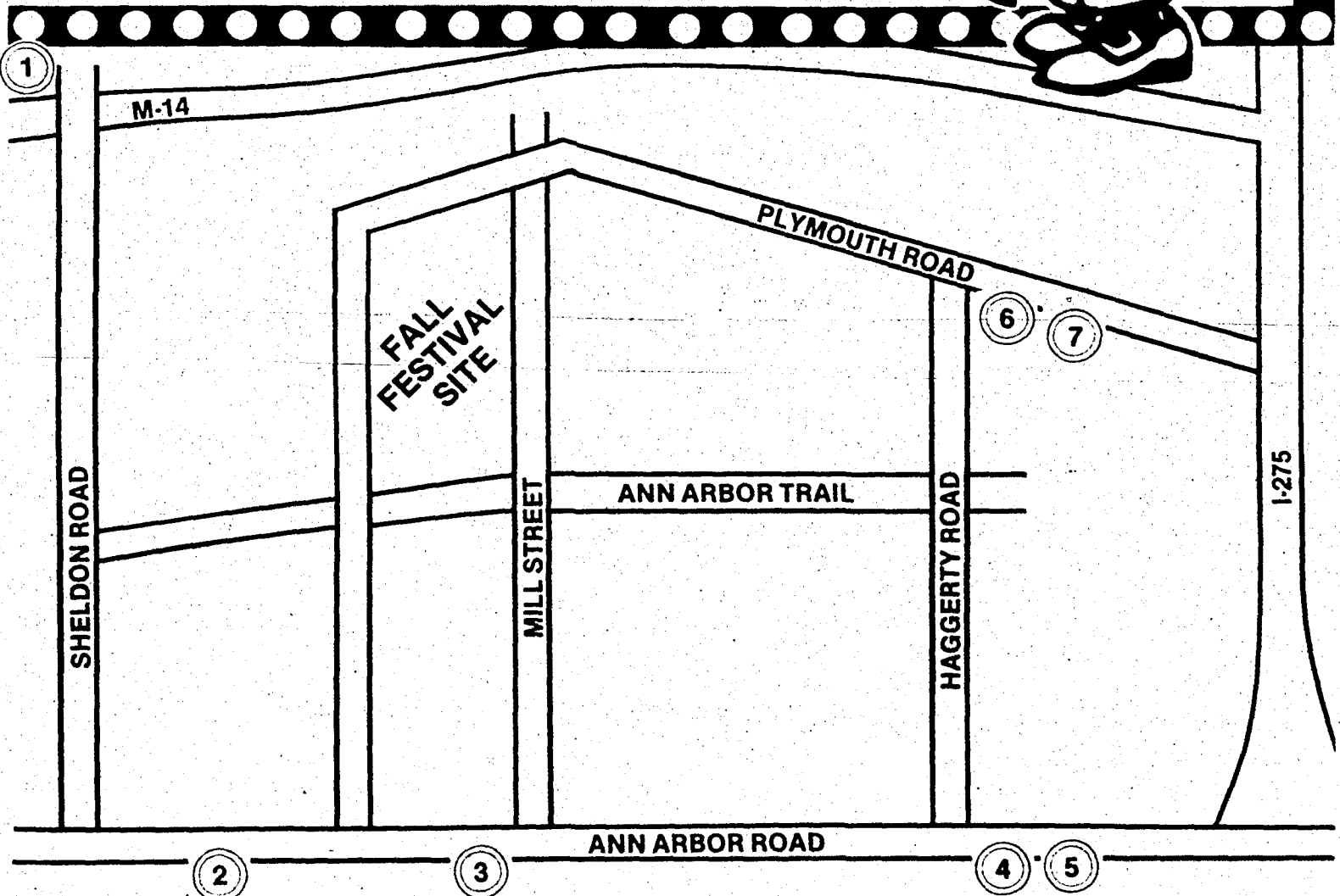
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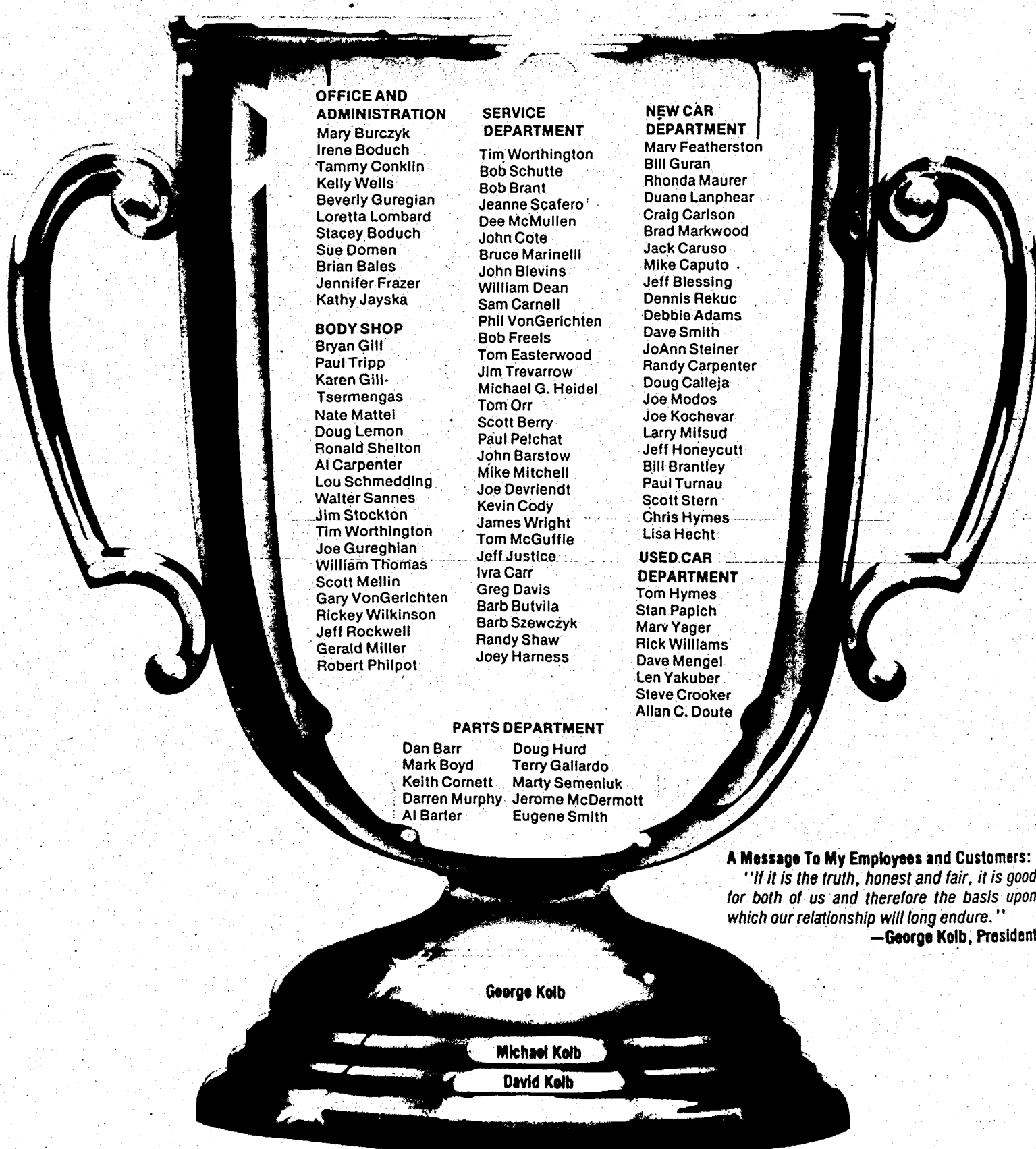
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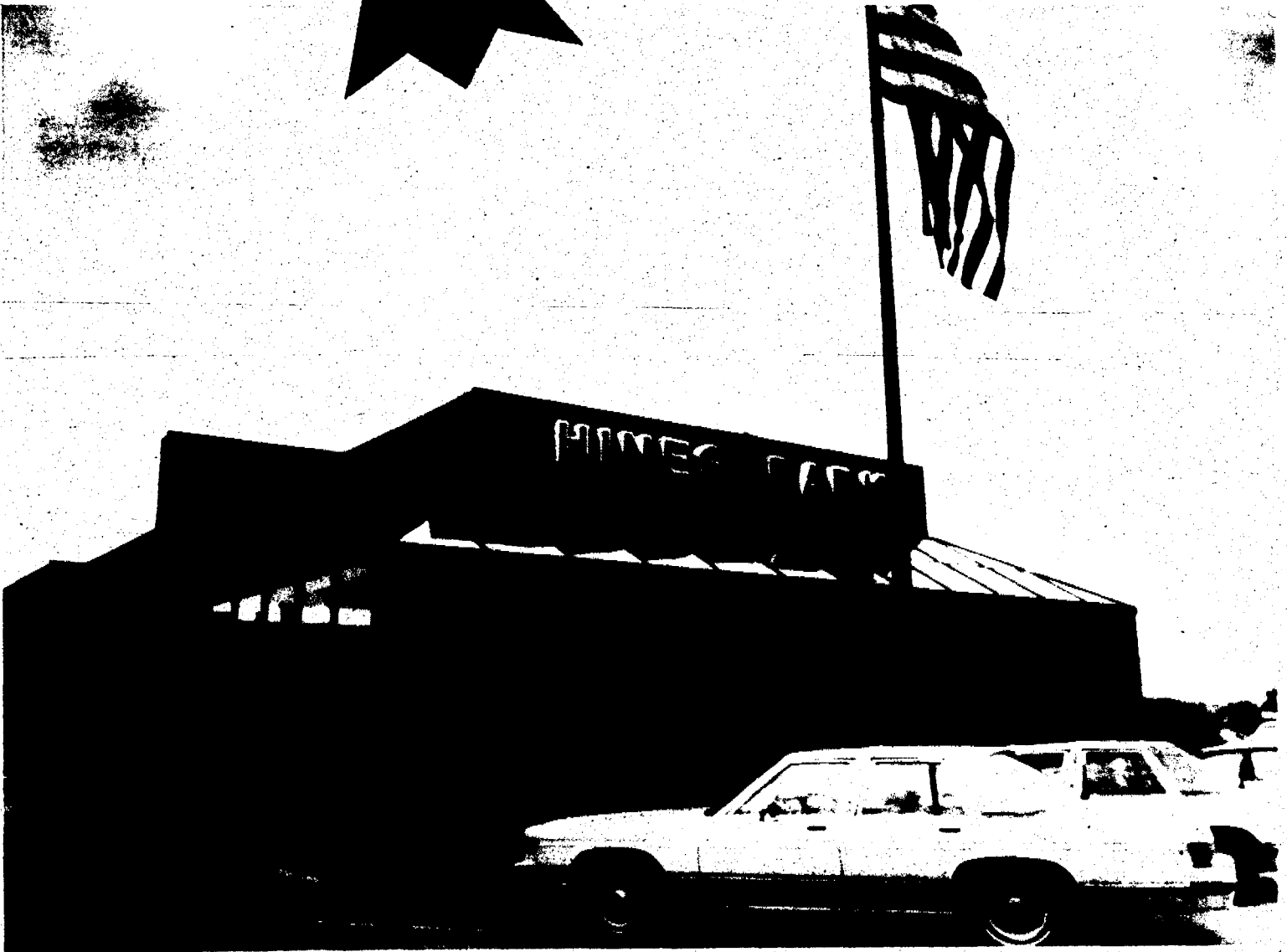


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At 8:30 p.m. a non-denominational church service of music and praise will be held.

Then at noon the Salem High Rockettes pom pon squad will perform for festival goers.

The Step Brothers take to the bandshell to perform a variety of ballads at 12:30 p.m. This duo, consisting of local optometrists, is new to the festival, according to Alimpich. Look for a number of romantic tunes from the balladers!

At 1 p.m. it's the Sidekicks -- a Sweet Adelines group -- who are returning to the festival after being absent last year. The female vocalists specialize in harmonizing, said Alimpich.

The Plymouth Theater Guild is up at 1:30 p.m. with a production of a murder-mystery performed in the style of a 1940s radio show. The play will feature old-time sound effects and a cast of 18 to 20 players.

At 2:30, The Reason, a local gospel group, will provide festival goers with some inspirational sounds.

Then at 3 p.m. The Plymouth Community Chorus will take to the stage. The group will perform a variety of tunes. Look for the chorus to focus on various composers.

At 4 pm. the Centennial Educational Park (CEP) Marching Band will make its entrance to the festival. Look for plenty of enthusiasm from the high school musicians.

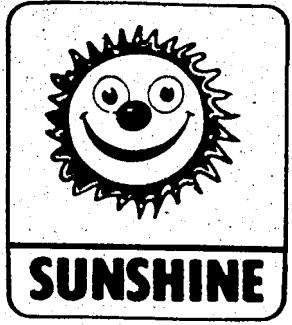
The Canton High Chiefettes will take to the stage at 4:30 p.m. for a round of pom pon routines.

The Fall Festival's entertainment schedule raps up with the renowned Plymouth Fife & Drum Corps at 5 p.m. Marching in from Main Street, the group will perform a litany of traditional fife and drum numbers for those seeking a little bit of the traditional.

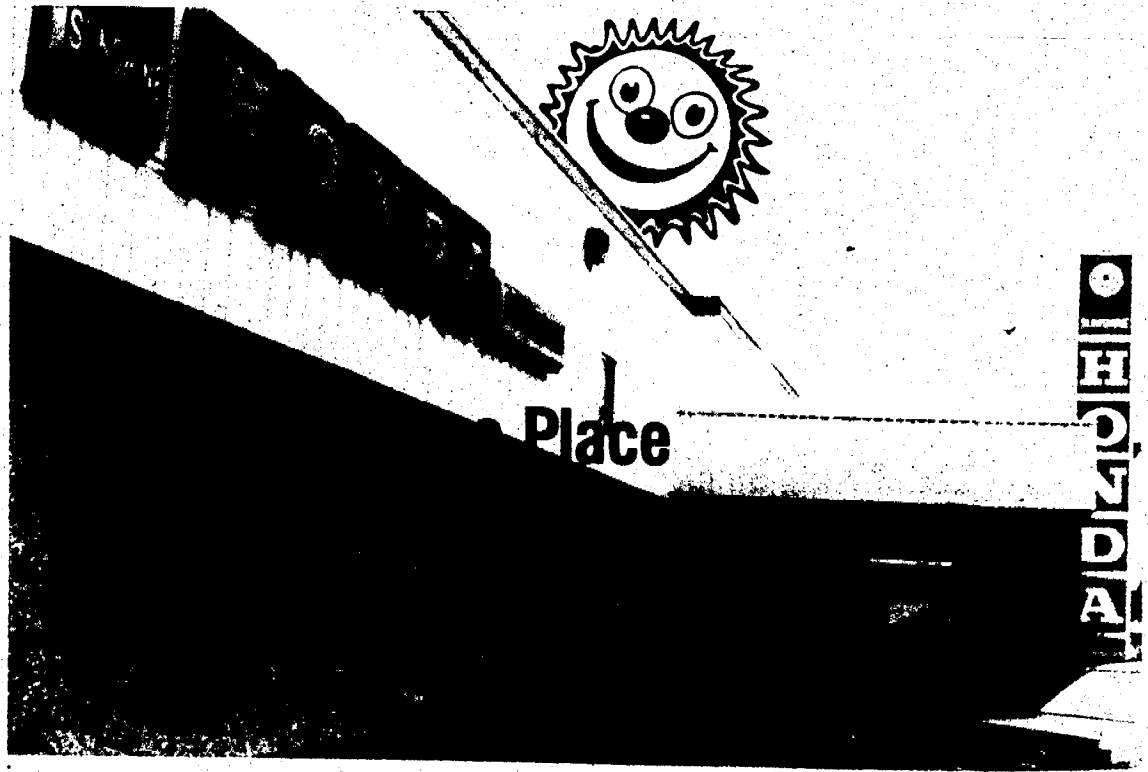
Also, performing at locations throughout the festival area on different dates and at different times will be The Robert Collingwood Dixieland band, Clowns Around Redford, All Around Gymnastics and several CEP musicians.



Marchers from the Plymouth Fife and Drum Corps head down Penniman Avenue during part of last year's festivities. (Crier photo)



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The Wayne County Department of Public Health offers general guidelines for staying cool (and safe) under extremely warm conditions.

- Drink plenty of non-alcoholic fluids. Don't wait until you think you are thirsty.
- Wear loose, light colored, "breathable" clothing.
- Avoid exposure to direct sunlight for lengthy periods of time.
- Do not leave people (or pets) in cars even if ventilated.
- If you have to be in a hot environment, try to spend at least 10 minutes in a cool, well ventilated place.

As for rainy weather make sure to carry plenty of rain gear -- umbrellas, hats, rain coats, windbreakers -- since it can be indispensable if a storm front moves into the area.

Another Fall Festival tradition -- the appearance of bees around the main festival eating area -- sometimes means a trip for some medical treatment. Watch out for the feisty bees as you enjoy that tasty chicken dinner.



Firemen help a festival goer. They will be at this year's festival in case of any problems. (Crier photo)

Medical tents are here

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A variety of medical facilities will be available for all four days of this year's Fall Festival...just in case.

The American Red Cross will have a tent located on Penniman Avenue to provide health care needs. The City of Plymouth Fire Department will also maintain a booth at the festival to provide for people feeling under the weather.

For emergency medical needs, Huron Valley Ambulance Service will have paramedics on call, and will be ready to transport patients to local hospitals.

Health exhibitions at the festival will include Catherine McAuley, which will host a medical van at the event, and an M-CARE booth, which will be offering cholesterol testing for a small fee.

Police officers will also be noticeable during the four-day event -- Plymouth Township officers are planning to provide festival goers with crime prevention and DARE (Drug Awareness Resistance Education) program information.

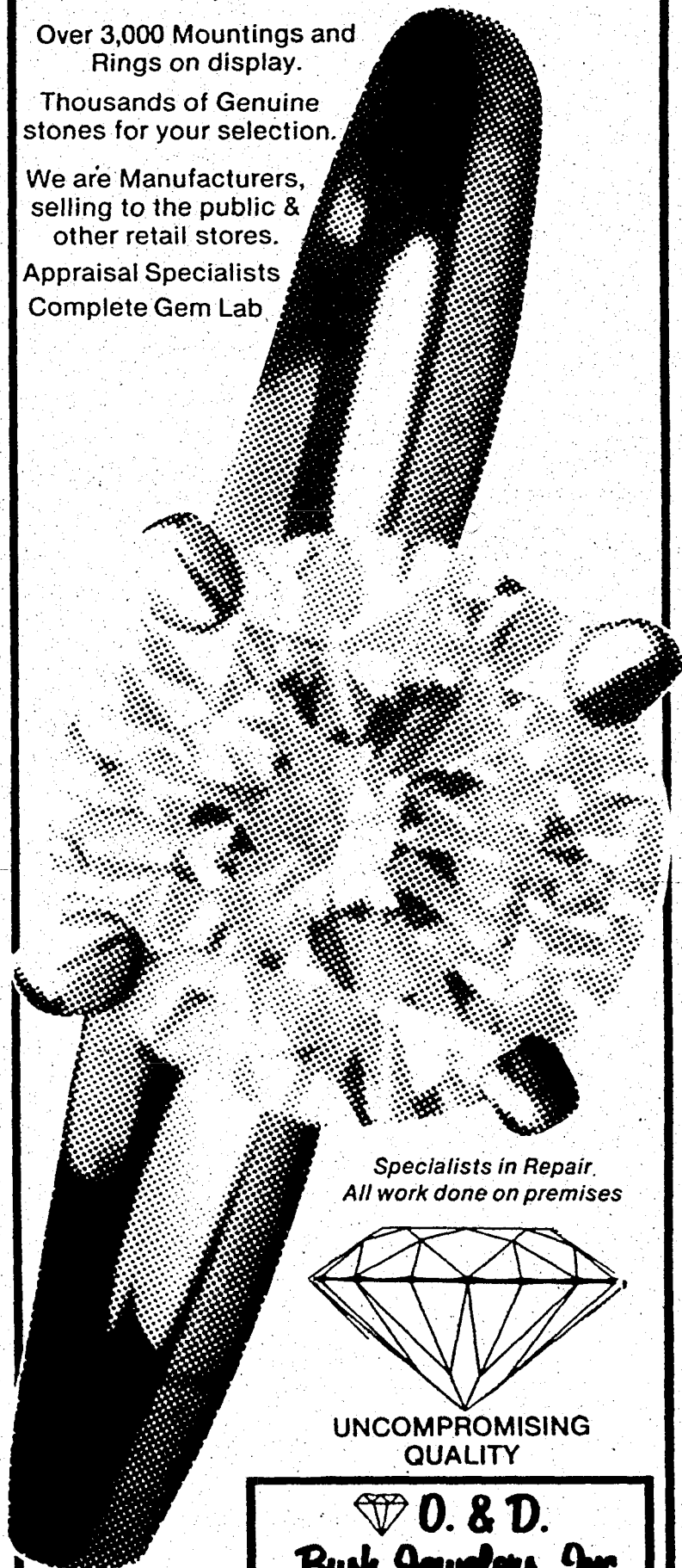
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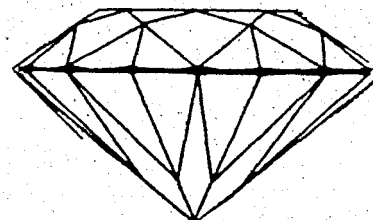
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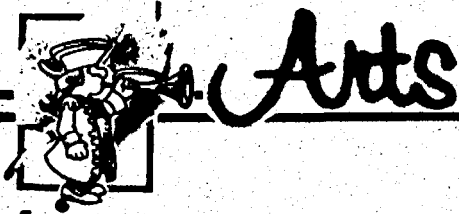
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The mart will be open Thursday, Friday and Saturday (Sept. 6-8) at the Plymouth Cultural Center on Farmer Street.

This year's show kicks off with a preview reception on Thursday from 7:30-10 p.m.

Regular show hours will be from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Friday, and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday.

Judy Lewis, co-chairperson of this year's antique show, said the event features more than 23 antique dealers from Indiana, Ohio and Michigan (including some from Plymouth-Canton-Northville).

The wide selection of furniture and collectibles will include: prints, primitives, Victorian, classic country, English country, lamps, jewelry, silver, linens, English brass and cooper and European antiques.

On Friday and Saturday festival goers can stop by a "mini deli" which will be serving sandwiches, salads and desserts provided by the Penniman Deli. Coffee and soft drinks will also be on sale during the mart.

Also co-chairing the show this year along with Lewis is Judy Lore.

General admission to the antique gathering is \$3. A preview donation is \$15.

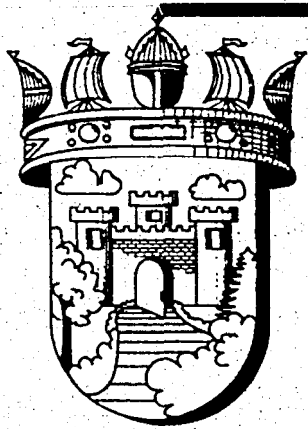
All proceeds from the event will be presented to the Plymouth Symphony Association for the support of the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra (PSO).

For further information on the preview and mart call 459-1358.

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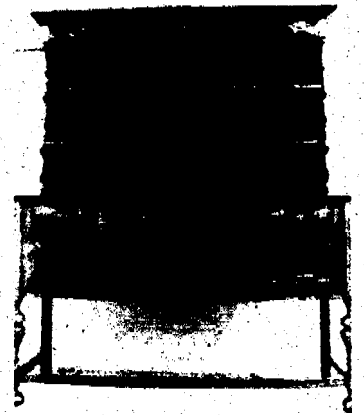
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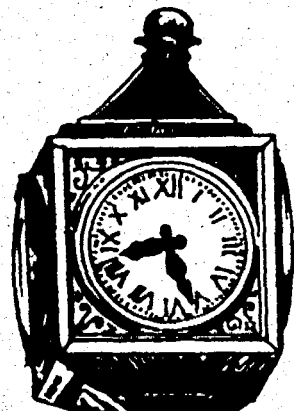
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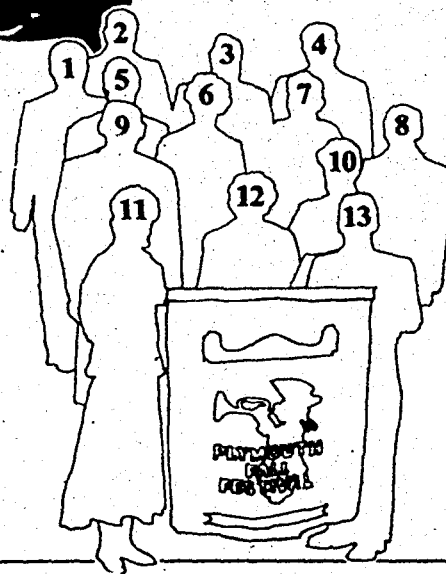


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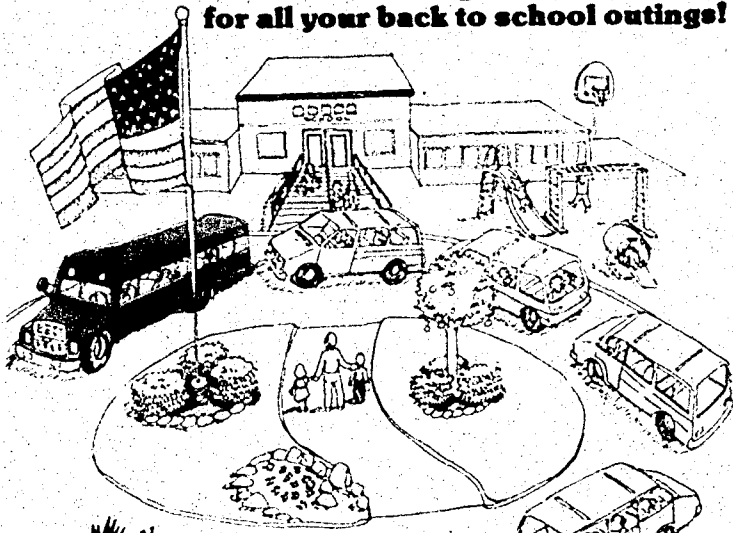
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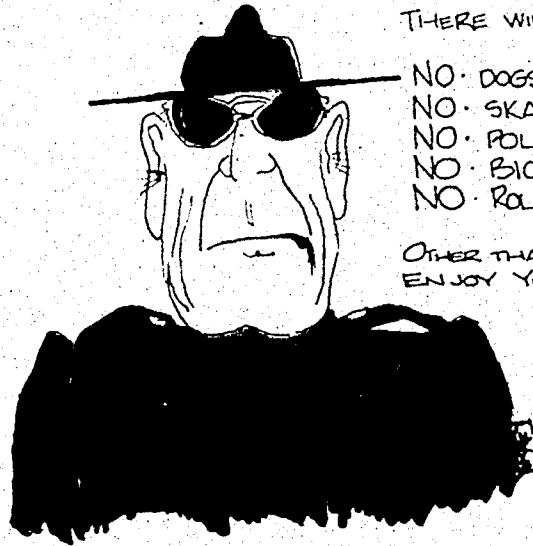
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Festival says no to dogs, politicians

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No to dogs, alcohol (including a beer tent), drugs, boom boxes, bicycles, politicians and a variety of other amusements and devices.

Despite the loads of outdoor fun in store for Fall Festival goes this year, there are certain activities which will provoke a loud "NO" from a police officer if you haven't learned the "dos and don'ts" of the festival.

Of course, alcohol and drugs are a very big NO at the Fall Festival, as always, but there are certain other NOs you may not be aware of.

Even though the festival will be held in the great outdoors, you will have to save that frisbee and hacky-sack game for another day; bikers are also reminded to leave their wheels at home since most of the festival traffic is on foot.

Dog lovers, sorry. No canines are welcome around the main festival area (even though every year you catch sight of a few of them). But you can always take Fido or Spot to the Optimist pet show or get a doggy bag from a steak dinner.

Music lovers are welcome to come and enjoy the tunes of Fall Festival's entertainment line-up, but they will have to listen to their boom boxes and portable radios elsewhere.

Politicians will be allowed at the festival as long as they leave the speeches and the campaign paraphenalia at their headquarters (sorry, Kellogg Park is not available as a campaign headquarters either).

This is your only warning -- Plymouth's Police Department will be keeping its eyes and ears open for anyone propelling a hacky-sack or turning up the boom box to the decibel of a jet aircraft.

Follow the simple rules -- there are plenty of Fall Festival DOs on the other pages of this edition -- and it will be easy to enjoy this year's festive September fete.

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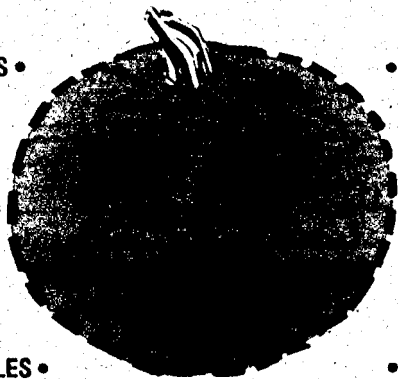
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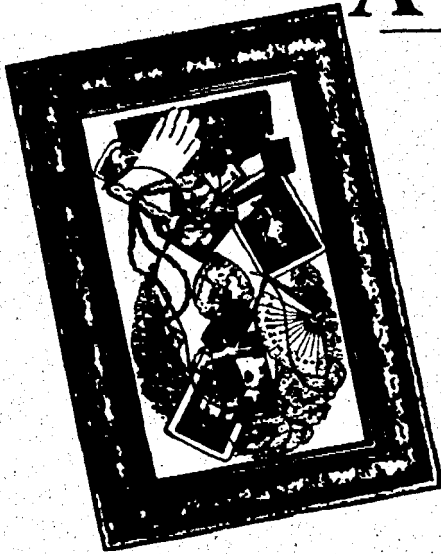
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Bring on the contestants

Produce show returns

What do apples, marigolds, tomatoes, pies and recyclable materials all have in common?

The annual produce show at the Fall Festival.

The produce tent will be set up on Sunday, Sept. 9, in front of Central Middle School for festival goers to show off all of their hard work in the garden this summer.

The tent is organized and run by the Women's National Farm and Garden Association, Trailwood Branch.

Additions to this year's produce tent will be a recyclable materials arrangement category and a most educational display, according to Trailwood Garden Club Chairperson Stella Greene.

Greene said the recyclable arrangements will consist of newspaper, tin, plastics, glass and other recyclable materials. The educational display will feature complete varieties of particular flowers and vegetables.

"The club wants to put a focus on recycling in the community," Greene said. She said that the arrangements would be judged on original use of materials.

Greene asked that contestants bring their pies in a closed container due to health regulations.

The tent will also include photos of home garden arrangements accompanied by descriptions of how the garden was planted and grown.

Greene said students from the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools district will be encouraged to bring plants and tomatoes from their experiments with "space seeds."

To enter the various categories, registration will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

There will be both junior (high school and under) and adult entries for each category.

Judging will be from noon to 2 p.m. by a master gardener, Greene said.

First, second and honorable mention will receive ribbons from the Trailwood Garden Club in each category.

After the judging, entries can be picked up at the tent between 5-6 p.m.

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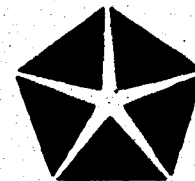
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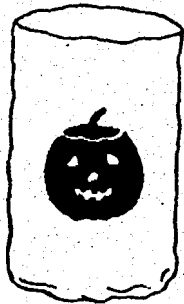
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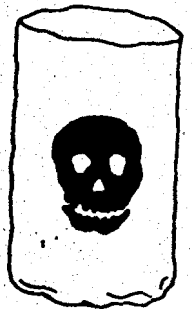
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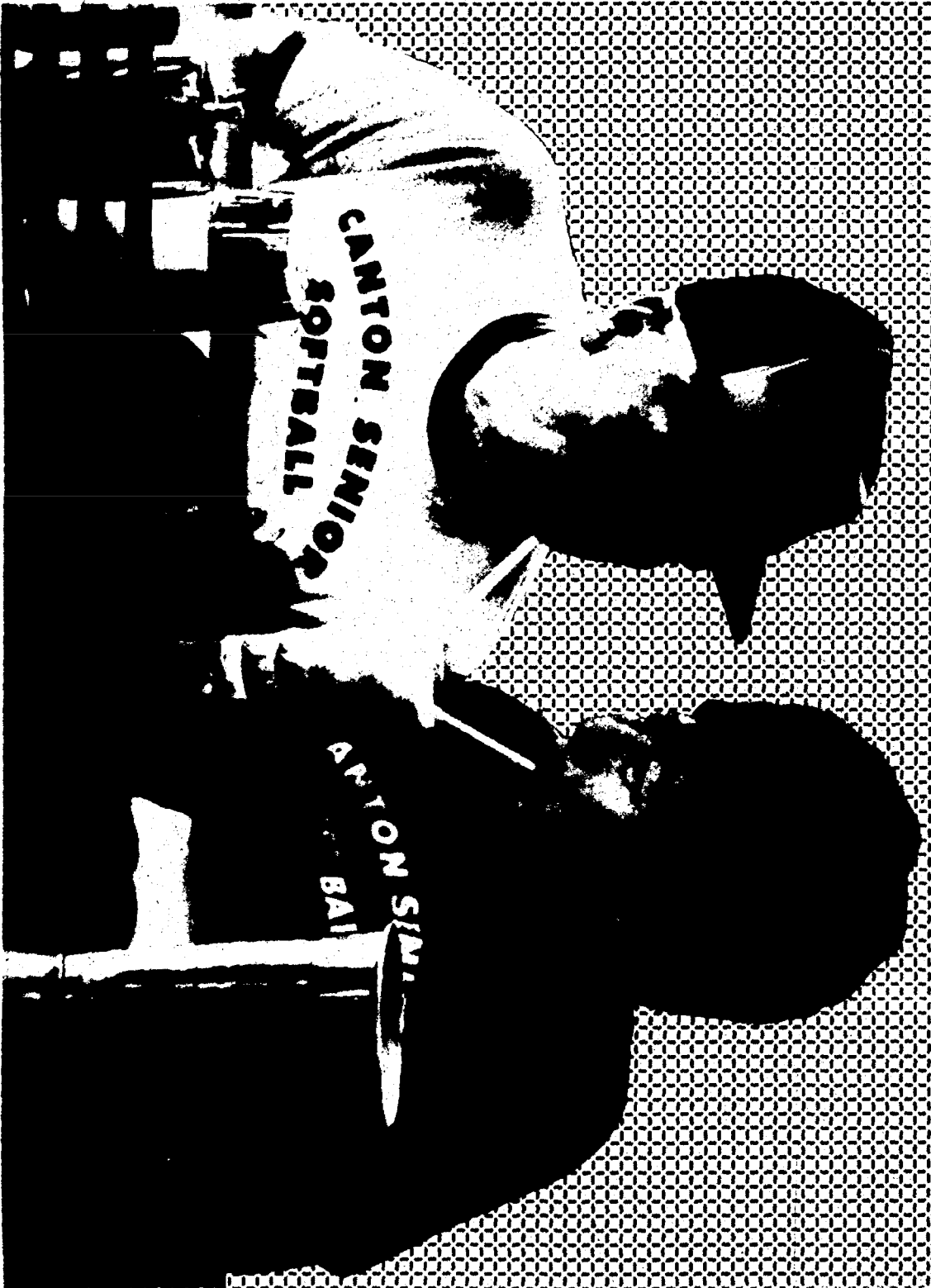
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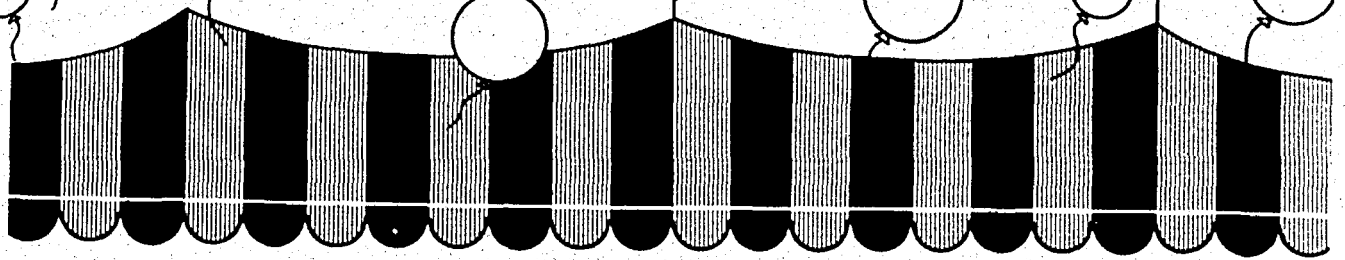
The Plymouth-Canton Jaycees is a non-profit organization dedicated to community service and individual development. If you are interested in meeting new people and serving The Plymouth-Canton Community, we're interested in you! Meetings are held at 8 p.m. on the fourth Thursday of each month at the Plymouth Cultural Center. For more information call Cam Miller at 453-1915 or Ronnita Kreiling at 455-8676.

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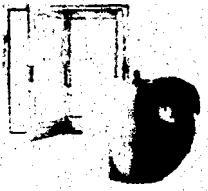
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Information

No more Grange pies

The last of the Grange pies have come off the line. After 33 years of apple and pumpkin delight, Helen Eckles' Grange pies will no longer be available at the Fall Festival. "There comes a time in life when you have to give up on that kind of work and I've reached that point," Eckles said.

The pies -- bought whole or by the slice -- were a smashing hit at the festival from 1957 to 1989, a fact not lost on the woman who did all the baking.

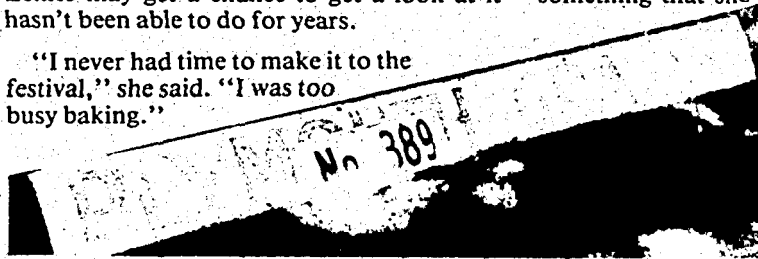
"We seemed to be quite popular," Eckles said. "I couldn't get enough baked for them."

The Grange sold 350 pies a festival and went through 12 bushels of apples, said Eckles, a Grange member for over 40 years.

Eckles' husband Claude helped her peel and slice the apples until he passed away, she said, when others stepped in to lend her a hand.

Now that the Grange is no longer selling pies at Fall Festival, Eckles may get a chance to get a look at it -- something that she hasn't been able to do for years.

"I never had time to make it to the festival," she said. "I was too busy baking."



Helen Eckles' pies, sold by the Grange, were a popular attraction at the Fall Festival for many years. After last minute approval, the grange will sell doughnuts and cider this year. (Crier photo)

Grange will sell doughnuts

The Plymouth Grange (No. 389) will have a presence during this year's Fall Festival even though last year the group made its final appearance in the Grange building on Union Street.

This year Grange members will be selling their famous doughnuts along with cider in front of Central Middle School at Church and Main streets. They will be on hand Saturday and Sunday of the festival, according to the organizers.

Grange members plan to make the doughnuts inside Central Middle School and then offer them for sale in front of the building.

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Bingo on tap for Thursday

Attention bingo enthusiasts!

The Plymouth Business and Professional Women's (PBPW) Club is sponsoring bingo during this year's annual Fall Fest to benefit the group's scholarship program.

The popular event will be held under the Gathering (next to the Penn Theatre) along Penniman Avenue on Thursday evening from 6-9:30 p.m., according to PBPW Vice President Andrea Kotch.

The bingo fee will be \$10 and extra playing cards can be purchased for \$1. There will be more than \$2,000 in cash prizes available for the games.

"All funds go to residents in The Plymouth-Canton Community," Kotch said. She said the PBPW uses the funds to help residents pay for re-education or training in the job market.

Bingo players wishing to test their skills should be at the Gathering between 5-6 p.m. Cards can be purchased at that time.

Bingo supplies will also be sold during the event -- scotch tape, 75 cents per roll; daubers \$1 apiece; thermal glasses, \$3 per set; plastic

mats, \$1 apiece; and bingo playing cards, \$2 per set.

Refreshments will also be sold during the bingo night. Cans of soda pop will cost 75 cents, while other snacks will be 75 cents per bag.

Lions in fest after all

The Plymouth Lions Club will be in this year's Fall Festival after all.

The Lions, who in the past have hosted a fish dinner on Friday nights during the festival, will instead this year be selling whole Apple pies and individual slices to festival goers throughout all four days of the event.

Group officials said the club wanted to make an effort to be in the festival since it has been a longstanding Fall Festival participant.

Look for the Lions and their Apple pies somewhere along Penniman Avenue between Main Street and Harvey Street.

Relax at peaceful Sunday service

A few peaceful moments in an otherwise hectic Fall Festival can be found during the inter-denominational church service in Kellogg Park Sunday morning.

Beginning at 8:30 a.m., Dr. William Stahl of the First Baptist Church expects to celebrate the service with a number of other ministers from churches throughout The Plymouth-Canton Community.

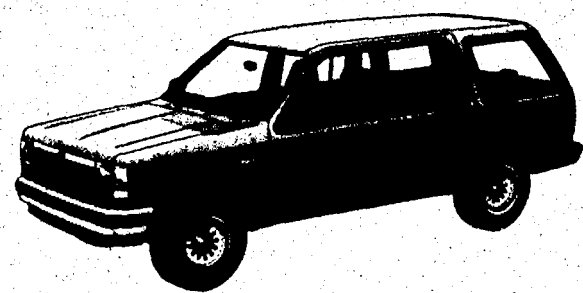
The ceremony is expected to last about 45 minutes.

"We had a pretty good turnout last year," Stahl said. "There were about 150 people in attendance."

The ceremony will feature the First Baptist's Chancel Choir, under the direction of Cheryl Kaye.

Stahl is working with five to 10 ministers to take part in the service.

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This year's contest will be held Saturday, Sept. 8, from 9-11 a.m., on the festival stage in front of the Penn Theatre. Ribbons will be awarded in several categories for dogs, cats and unusual pets.

The categories for dogs will include: smallest, biggest, longest tail, longest tail, longest ears, best tricks, best dressed and best looking. The dog competition will start at 9 a.m.

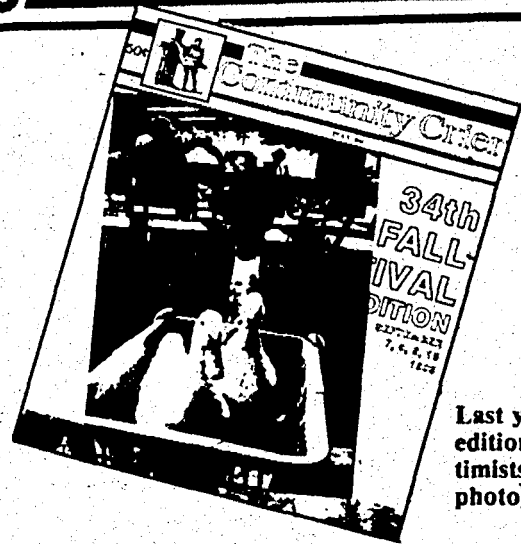
The categories for cats will include: smallest, biggest, longest hair, best dressed and best looking. The cat contest will start at 10:45 a.m.

For unusual pets the categories will include: biggest, most colorful, best dressed and most unusual. The most unusual pet show will start at 10:15 a.m.

The contest is for youths ages 14 and under, according to Optimist Club member Felix Rotter.

Rotter said ribbons will be awarded for the top three pets in each category. He added that every contestant will receive a free pass for the Penn Theatre.

Judges for the pet show will include Optimist Club members Bill Baumgartner, Bill Neff and Bob Lybarger. Registration will be handled by Dick Price.



Last year's Crier Fall Festival edition featured the Optimists' Pet show. (Crier photo)

Buck buys a dunk

For the second year in a row the Salem High School Rockettes pompon squad hopes to enlist local Plymouth-Canton celebrities to add to the fun at its festival dunk tank.

The Rockettes will also be dunked during the annual Fall Festival for a fee of 50 cents for each ball or three balls for a \$1. Dunking a celebrity will cost festival goers \$1 per ball.

The dunk tank is set to be located along Penniman Avenue this year, next to the U.S. Post Office.

It will be open throughout Friday, Saturday and Sunday of the festival. Hours will be from 3-9 p.m. on Friday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Saturday, and 12:30-6 p.m. on Sunday.

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A return of the popular "Health Van" is on tap for this year's annual Fall Festival.

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The City of Plymouth is taking steps to ease motorist's concerns about parking for the four-day festival, but space is limited and will be at a premium.

"Definitely bring your walking shoes," said Assistant Plymouth City Manager Paul Sincock.

The Central Parking Deck on Fleet Street will be open free of charge throughout the festival. Sincock said that parking attendants will be on duty to inform drivers of available spots.

Other parking facilities include the Plymouth Cultural Center, where the city's doubledecker bus will shuttle visitors to City Hall and Kellogg Park.

"Central Middle School will also provide good parking," Sincock said.

The city will not enforce the two-hour parking limit on many streets during the festival, but Sincock warned motorists that all other regulations should be honored.

"During the festival, Plymouth Police will enforce all no parking signs, as well as handicapped spots," said Sincock.

Side streets will also provide parking spots on a first-come basis.

Volunteers make fest possible

A lot of work goes into the preparation and execution of the Fall Festival, from both city employes and volunteers.

According to Paul Sincock, festival publicity chairman, the City of Plymouth Department of Public Works (DPW) employes are "highly involved" in the festival.

They do everything from setting up booths, hanging banners and bringing in the gazebo to putting up barricades and detour routes and cleaning up the park, he said.

"They're the ones that make sure everything works," Sincock said. "Without the DPW guys, you just couldn't have the event."

Sincock said the Plymouth Police Department also puts in a lot of overtime.

"They're there for visibility, security, and to help out in the event of emergencies," Sincock said.

The Fall Festival Board of Directors gets a bill from the city for the overtime and regular time the DPW and police officers put in, he said.

There is also plenty of quiet volunteerism going on throughout the entire festival.

In fact, the only paid employes of the festival are Sincock and festival managers Joe and John Bida. Everyone else -- the festival board, booth workers, game attendants -- are all out there on their own time.

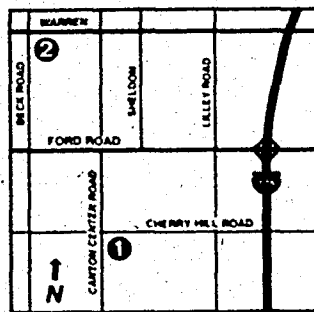
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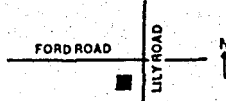
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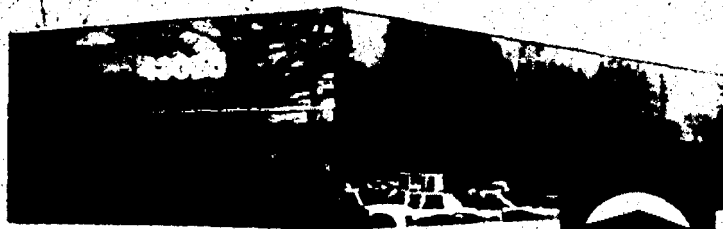
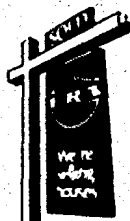
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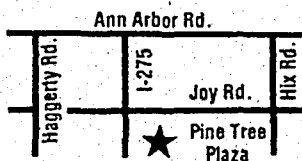


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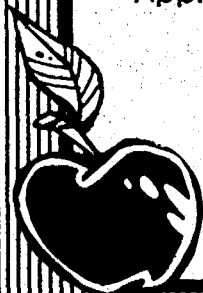
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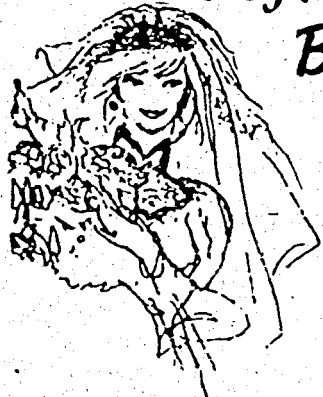
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Fateful debate over a name

BY HELEN GILBERT

Today we turn the clock back 163 years to Feb. 26, 1827, a memorable day in the history of Plymouth.

On that day a small group -- not more than 10 courageous, hopeful pioneers -- met out at the Tibbits' farm on Territorial Road.

Their purpose was to try and establish a local government that met their needs, but the discussion that cold day in February was largely confined to an argument about what would be an appropriate name for the new settlement.

Before we witness the argument let's locate the farm and note that the barn where they met still stands. It is one of a few historical treasures still surviving in 20th Century Plymouth.

According to the U.S. Tract Book, 800 acres of the northeast corner of Sect. 28, township one south, range eight east (the south side of Territorial from Ridge to Beck roads) was purchased by the Tibbits brothers Allen and William in March 1825.

They probably paid \$1.25 an acre for it. To limit huge land speculation especially in the middle west Congress had passed the Land Act of 1820 reducing the purchase price per acre to \$1.25 and fixing a minimum purchase at 80 acres.

The fact that the Tibbits could afford to buy 10 times the minimum tells us that they were well-to-do citizens of more than average means. Gossip of the day, according to Abraham Markham and others, rated the Tibbits as wealthy.

They were said to have at least \$1,500 left over after they bought their land.

Now one has to wonder why only a few made the decision for the whole township? In 1827 there were only about 45 people in the entire area which included all of Plymouth, all of Northville and all of Canton.

Another reason for the small count is that women and children including elderly Aunt Hepsibah, the hired girl, and the elderly strange aunt who lived in the attic, were not counted. They were regarded as chattel and do not have the right to vote. (Those privileges were extended to women in 1918.)

History buffs will enjoy the brilliant writing of Caroline Kirkland, a well-educated lady from New York, who joined her husband and helped him found and promote the township of Pinckney. Kirkland's book, "Our New Home in the West," gives a graphic picture of the territorial roads of the Tibbit's time.

She speaks of endless ruts and mudholes, the swamps and mires, the coarse accommodations, but it is all laced with a sparkling wit and a magical sense of humor.

Last but first in my heart are the stories my great grandmother used to tell.

She was the wife of Alexander Stevenson, a Milford pioneer. The Stevensons were from Poughkeepsie, NY. In 1831 they built a grist mill on their farm at the head of Kent Lake. There they raised their seven children, and there the Indians often came to trade fish and honey for grain.

Now back at the Tibbits farm the boys in the barn were promoting an idea.

Seated at the head of the table (a long slab of walnut eight feet long and two feet wide) was John Tibbits, heir of the founding brothers and duly elected chairman of the meeting.

They had spent most of the day hemming and hawing over pending legislation which would transform Plymouth from a hamlet to a place important enough to have a representative on the Michigan Territorial Council.

Nothing much was accomplished in the discussion because Congress decreed in the Northwest Ordinance that a place had to have at least 5,000 free adult males if its people should have the right to elect a man to the territorial house of representatives. Michigan, as you may know, did not become a state until 1837.



The original foundation of the Tibbit's barn.

One of the brightest men at the table that day was Abraham Markham, who was the proud owner of 80 acres. There is an account of the proceeding in volume two of the Michigan Pioneer and History Collection.

There's the gavel again. You hear the firm voice of John Tibbit saying, "I think we ought to consider the name of LeRoy for our new settlement."

Is that so, John? Is it because you came from there? Will Starkweather asked humorously.

Its a royal name, Tibbits answered. Means the king.

We don't need a king around here, said Starkweather.

The argument was polite but caustic at times.

After a while Luther Lincoln interrupted the discussion with, "Let's use a good Bible word. Call it Joppa."

"Joppa! What kind of name is that? said Gideon Benton scornfully. "Lincoln your end of town is already called Joppa. (The corner at Main and Mill streets was first called Joppa.) Why don't you put that on your grain sacks?"

Next on the program seemed to be William Bartow, owner of 158 acres in section one -- bounded by Seven and Eight Mile roads from Haggerty Road.

"Gentlemen, let's not argue. Let's decide today. I vote for calling it Plymouth. Everyone here knows that we came, or at least our parents and grandparents came, from good, cold Massachusetts Bay. That's our true home base even if we lived in York state before coming here. We're all Pilgrims here from Plymouth Rock. Let's admit it. Vote yes for Plymouth. Thank you, gentlemen.

"Now I would like to introduce my friend Judge James Witherell of Detroit."

The judge, in a rather formal way as though he had given the subject hours of thought, said:

"I do believe you are right gentlemen, quite correct in giving every consideration to the fine, old name of Plymouth. My family came from Vermont to Detroit at an early date, but we were born in Taunton, MA, same as Luther Lincoln. My father use to trade at Lincoln's mill in Taunton and I'm very glad to hear that Luther has begun a new mill here. Next to Detroit, Plymouth is my favorite name. That's how I'd vote."

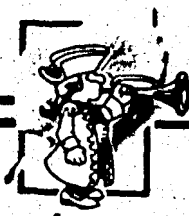
That was the clincher! The judge had the power to convince them, and Bartow was simply echoing the judge's sentiments as well as his own.

James Tibbits gave up gracefully when he said, "Let us leave it this way. If LeRoy doesn't win the vote, I'll vote for Plymouth."

And so it was that winter day in February, 1827. It is interesting but not surprising to note that Bartow became Plymouth's first representative on the Territorial Council and first supervisor of Plymouth Township.

Not bad for a fellow with only 158 acres.

History buffs will find confirmation of this story and more details in A.E. Parkins "The Historical Geography of Detroit; volume two of Michigan Pioneer and History Collection; J.S. Tibbits story of pioneer life in Plymouth; and in Helen Gilbert's book "Tonquish Tales."



Feisty grandpa left impression

EDITOR'S NOTE: Russell Kirk grew up in what is now Plymouth's Old Village district and is a 1934 graduate of Plymouth High School. He is a recognized voice of American conservatives and has published several books, including "The Conservative Mind" and "Eliot and his Age." This article originally appeared in *Chronicles*, a national literary and arts magazine. It is reprinted with his permission.

BY RUSSELL KIRK

Hard by the railroad station at the Michigan town of Plymouth there stands a bungalow so huge as to be almost majestic, now a kennel for well-bred poodles. There I was born, in 1918.

The house -- which belonged to my grandfather, Frank Pierce -- was one of the earliest of prefabricated dwellings, purchased from Sears, Roebuck, and Company, complete with bricks for the fireplace and the tall chimney, veranda, entrance-hall, handsome oak woodwork, leaded-glass bookcases and cupboards built in, a long living-room bench of a single heavy oak plank (all of my birthplace that now remains to me), 10 rooms, two bathrooms. Night and day, the steam locomotive puffed and hooted 50 yards distant.

A good town to be born into, Plymouth had been founded by New Englanders in the late 1820's. Although only 20 miles to the west of Fort Street Station in Detroit, Plymouth throughout my boyhood remained a tranquil place with handsome old houses (all but one of them vanished today), streets shaded by great elms and maple and oaks, and a square on the New England pattern, complete with bandstand and cannon. The town marshal and deputy sheriff, living next door to my grandfather's house, made cigars in a shed at the back of his garden. This amiable German, George Springer, sufficed for the police power in our town of 3000 souls.

I grew up in Plymouth's North End, or Lower Town, the quarter of the railroad yards and the millpond. The town's relative prosperity had for its source the air-rifle factories and the great roundhouse, rip-track, and yards of the Pere Marquette Railroad. Eighteen passenger trains stopped daily then, across an alley from my grandfather's house. My strong, quiet father was a locomotive engineman -- though he liked horses better.

It was this railway junction that had drawn my grandfather to Plymouth from the town of Williamstown, where he had been a bank manager. Beside the passenger station at Plymouth, he had put up a large frame building, F.J. Pierce's Restaurant, for railwaymen and passengers, with a good many sleeping rooms on the second floor. I still possess a number of the pencils he passed out to customers. "A lunch or a warm meal at any time, day or night." My formidable grandmother, who was given to quoting "Pope's Essay on Man" and Combe's "Dr. Syntax," daily baked an incredible number of admirable pies.

With a banker's sagacity, my grandfather generously extended credit to railwaymen, selling them monthly meal tickets with punch-holes; the Pere Marquette would deduct the month's bill from the pay envelope at the end of the month. A boomer switchman not so privileged, and in debt to F.J. Pierce's Restaurant for a month's food and lodging, left his handsome oldfangled pocket watch in pledge; he never returned, and that watch ticks in my pocket as I type these lines.

Frank J. Pierce did more to form my mind and character than did anyone else except my mother. A village Hampden, Mr. Pierce was the champion of the working-class Lower Town -- a village commissioner, president of the town's school board, advisor to everybody who sought his counsel, as many did.

He had been born in a log cabin; had shifted with his family to Mecosta, up north; had labored on a farm in the wake of the Panic of '93; had studied music for a term at Valparaiso University, in northern Indiana; had educated himself in history and literature

and mathematics; had become a bank manager, and later a restaurateur; later still he would be manager of the Lower Town branch of the Plymouth United Savings Bank, "strong as the rock of Gibraltar," on Liberty Street, an easy stroll from his house.

The handsome shelves of his bookcases in the long living room were crammed with sets of Dickens, Twain, Hugo, Macaulay. Ridpath's three-volume illustrated "History of the World," bound in calf, became my introduction to historical consciousness. Presently, as I grew, my grandfather gave me Van Loon's "The Story of Mankind" and two or three years after that H.G. Wells's "Outline of History." (I would sense that the latter, though so interesting, somehow was wrongheaded.)

On Frank Pierce's library table -- later to become the station of the ancestral typewriter on which I would compose "The Conservative Mind," and on which sits an IBM now, as I type this paragraph -- lay copies of "The Bookworm" and "The Literary Digest." (At the age of nine or 10, I would hawk the latter magazine door to door.) These books and periodicals were Frank Pierce's friends. Although he had many admirers in the North End, he admitted no intimates. It was with his grandson that he walked and talked.

Even when, of an evening, Mr. Pierce walked Mill Street and Liberty Street collarless and in his shirtsleeves, he carried himself with a certain leisurely confidence and dignity, portly in both the archaic and the colloquial significations of that word. His clothing exuded the fragrance of potpourri and of the good soaps that his wife, Eva, secreted in his dresser drawers. Theodore Roosevelt was his hero: Once, when grandfather and grandson were at the movie-house, the picture of Teddy was flashed upon the screen briefly, and Frank Pierce applauded loudly but alone, to his shy grandson's embarrassment.

As Roosevelt's disciple, Pierce now and again set his face against vested interest. On the village council, he defeated a proposal to supply water free of charge to the Daisy Air Rifle Company -- at the risk of being dismissed from his post at the bank through the vengeance of Daisy.

Should young couples without visible assets be unable to qualify for a bank loan, Pierce might advance them a sum from his own pocket, out of his salary of \$200 a month, thereby laying up treasure in Heaven, conceivably -- although he never spoke of Heaven or Hell -- but not here below, for he took no interest on such private loans. As a small boy, I spent much time with him at the bank, stamping cancellations or endorsements on checks for him, and even making building blocks of the safety-deposit boxes in

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Frank J. Pierce. Grandson Russell Kirk gives the early 20th-century Plymouth resident credit for helping him achieve manhood. (Photo courtesy of Russell Kirk)

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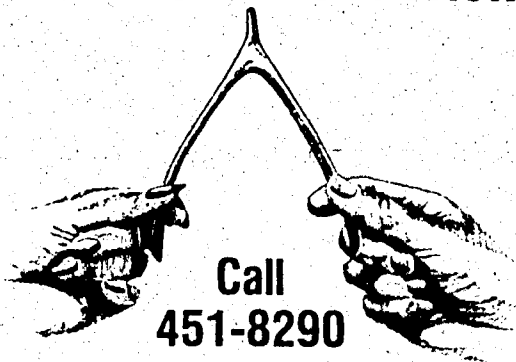
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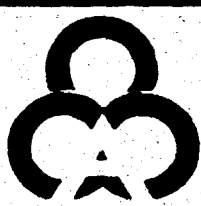
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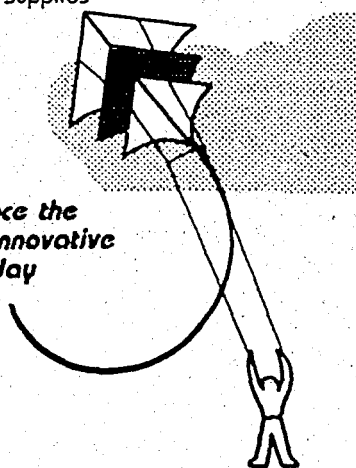
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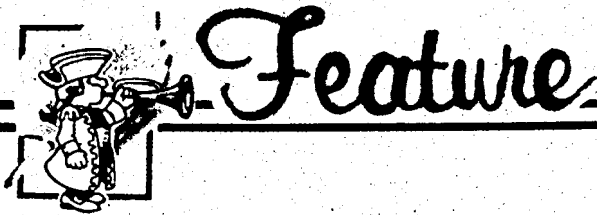
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Teaching meaning of manhood

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the vault.

He was perfectly honest and perfectly fearless. Bank robberies were all the rage in the 1920s, and the North End branch of the Plymouth United Savings Bank was not spared. In a handy drawer there, Pierce kept his revolver; in the breast pocket of his jacket, a tear-gas fountain pen.

He foiled several attempts at robbery. On one occasion, a crazy farmer thrust a shotgun in his face, declaring that the bank had cheated him and must give him all its money. Mr. Pierce calmly stated that first he must telephone the bank's president to obtain permission for so large a transaction; the farmer assented.

Actually Pierce called George Springer, the deputy sheriff, and that worthy neighbor scurried through the alley to the bank, crept upon the farmer, and disarmed him.

In the winter of 1929, confronted by two armed men, Pierce dropped below the tellers' counter and pulled the tear-gas lever. Because the bank's janitor had a way of hitting that lever with his push-broom accidentally, so sending staff and customers flying outdoors with streaming eyes, the gas canister happened to be empty, but the noise of its explosion was mistaken by the robbers for a gunshot, and they dashed away, to be caught by George Springer in the street.

Pierce's only defeat occurred near the end of his life. Starting out early one morning to walk from his house to the bank, he was asked directions by two persons sitting in a car parked by the curb. In his courteous way, the old gentleman came up close to reply. On being greeted by the muzzle of a submachine gun, he found it necessary to enter the automobile. Of the occupants, one was a hardfaced voluble man, clearly an accomplished professional criminal; the other, who never spoke, was dressed as a woman, but presumably was a disguised man.

Having driven Pierce to the bank, these two compelled him to unlock the street door, entered, and demanded that he open the vault. He told his captors that a time-lock secured the vault, even against himself until the hour of eight.

"We know that already, Mr. Pierce," the voluble man said. "We'll wait the half hour."

During the interval, the principal robber favored Mr. Pierce with some account of his life and hard times. The man subscribed to the argument of the sophist Thrasymachus (although without reference to "The Republic") that laws are a device of the strong to exploit the weak. This philosophical bandit had been born to low estate; but knowing himself by nature one of the strong, he had set out to

redress his condition; and by setting the law at defiance, he had succeeded famously.

This dialectical apology -- not put so formally as I have expressed it -- the man with the submachine gun offered for disturbing the even tenor of Mr. Pierce's ways.

The hour of eight being arrived, Mr. Pierce was instructed to open the vault. He refused.

At this, the chief robber declared that he must shoot his captive. He explained that this would be a hard necessity, unpleasant, he having taken a liking to the bank manager; but his professional reputation depended upon enforcement of his commands. "Where'd I be if I didn't get the cash every time?"

This Thrasymachus meant business. Frank Pierce turned the dial and opened the vault.

Then the two robbers drove off with the cash and the bank manager. On my way to school past the bank, I found a crowd assembled there, and my grandfather missing.

The bandits took Frank Pierce to a barn on a desolate farm and there bound him. Thrasymachus scribbled a note: "Mr. Banker had to do it or die." This absolution he civilly deposited in one of Mr. Pierce's pockets and told the bank manager that he would be killed, should he leave the barn in less than half an hour. The pair disappeared. Contriving to release himself in a few minutes, Mr. Pierce ran out of the barn in vain pursuit.

Years later, after Frank Pierce's death, Chief Springer participated in a lawmen's tour of the prison where was confined Machinegun Kelly, reputed author of the St. Valentine's Day Massacre in Chicago -- the extirpation of the O'Banion gang. Kelly told George Springer that "The Plymouth job was one of mine. I liked that banker for his nerve." Whether or not this was braggadocio, it was no casual, masterless man who defeated Frank Pierce.

Never forgiving himself for having opened the safe -- though no one reproached him -- he died of heart failure in an elevator three years later, well before all banks fell to their ruin at Franklin Roosevelt's bank moratorium. His death was my first great sorrow.

His high virtues were more Stoic than Christian, although he lacked not charity, either material or spiritual; such habits and customs had run in the family, ever since Abraham Pierce had settled at Massachusetts' Plymouth in 1623. Puritanism among the Pierces had faded to the shadow of a shade by the 1920's, my grandfather and his household never attending any church -- although the domestic circle's ways might have been approved by Free Methodists, no strong drink ever being drunk nor any cigarette ever smoked in that commodious bungalow by the railroad tracks.

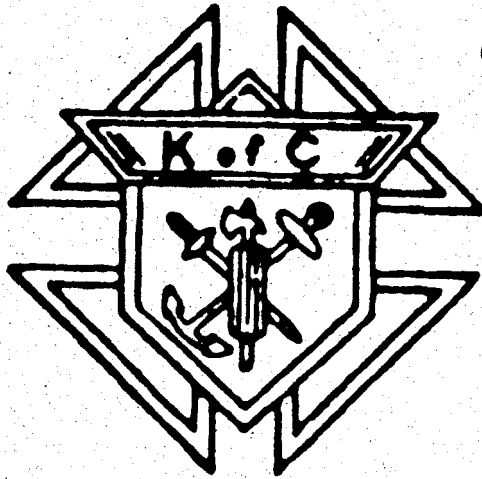
There occurred no family prayers and no domestic sermonizing; all teaching was by example, not by precept, and it prevailed. Two or three generations earlier, the family's sojourn in the Burnt-Over Country of northern New York, seedbed of strange dissents, seems to have left the Pierces with no dogmata but belief in a divine power, in a life eternal, and in personal rectitude. Tradition, adherence to this tradition, was the sheet-anchor, and it held.

My grandfather and I, on our long walks westward up a glacial moraine or eastward through the railroad yards to a forgotten ravine (now effaced by the construction of huge factories), had conversed unforgettably, a conscience speaking to a conscience. The old gentleman and the shy boy had talked of the notion of progress, and the iniquities of Richard III, and the books in the handsome paneled library of the new grade school that Mr. Pierce had built in the Lower Town, and the yearning after immortality, and the significance of dreams, and why the sea is boiling hot, and whether pigs have wings. Yet it was by example, rather than through discourse, that Frank Pierce had taught his grandson what it is to be a man.



Russell Kirk, grandson of Frank Pierce. Kirk recalls an early Plymouth where one man made up the police force and Daisy and the railroads were the town's leading industries. (Photo courtesy of Russell Kirk)

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About our cover

For this year's Industry and Commerce section we've chosen a Ford worker from the Sheldon Road plant in Plymouth Township as the symbol of all those who work in the Plymouth-Canton-Northville area. Gloria "Sam" Budimerovich, of Chelsea, is running a four-way slide machine that produces radiator cores. Budimerovich has worked at the plant since 1967. Crier photographer Kelly Sauter-Dobson shot the photo using Kodacolor 400 film with a flash. Color printing by Quicksilver, separations by Graphic Masters, printing by Inco Graphics.

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A glimpse of the future? Local industry and commerce will get a boost from the 12-year Huntington Falls development which is scheduled to begin construction in 1991. This is the architect's rendering of the central focal point of the \$2-billion development at Sheldon and Five Mile roads.

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By hauling dangerous cargoes

Making a living on the river

BY PHILIP TARDANI

A Northville-based company makes its money on the river.
The Detroit River.

Barge Transport Incorporated (BTI) hauls trucks on a 1.2 mile journey from Detroit to Windsor or vice-versa, according to Gregg Ward, who runs the operation with his father John.

BTI does the majority of its business hauling "dangerous goods" that include oil, corrosives, paints, and even whiskey, Ward said.

The prohibition of dangerous cargoes from the Ambassador Bridge and the Detroit-Windsor tunnel is the key to the Wards' business.

To get a load of hazardous liquids from Detroit to Windsor, it must be trucked north to cross the St. Clair River at Port Huron-Sarnia and brought back down to Windsor.

That's a 175-mile trip that could take up to four hours, Ward said.

"The barge trip takes 15 to 20 minutes versus being on the road for four hours," he said.

The Ward's answer is a simple 1.2 mile detour.

It was not simple to put into operation, however.

"This has faced a great deal of controversy in Canada," said Ward. "We've had very much of a fight to get it started up."

John Ward -- a chemical engineer -- worked for U.S. Steel in Gary, IA, and spent "a good many years" loading and shipping barges on Lake Michigan.

He said he conceived the idea for the barge operation in 1985. Little did he know, however, that it would be May, 1989, before BTI made its first run across the river.

"Initially I was not aware of the obstacles," said the elder Ward. "I should have done more research on the Canadian government."

The operation became the center of a political storm, Gregg said, much of which centered on the supposed environmental danger of barging hazardous substances.

The Wards maintain that marine traffic is the safest form of transportation. Eliminating the long truck route via Sarnia, they add, also cuts down on the amount of truck exhaust emitted and fuel consumed.

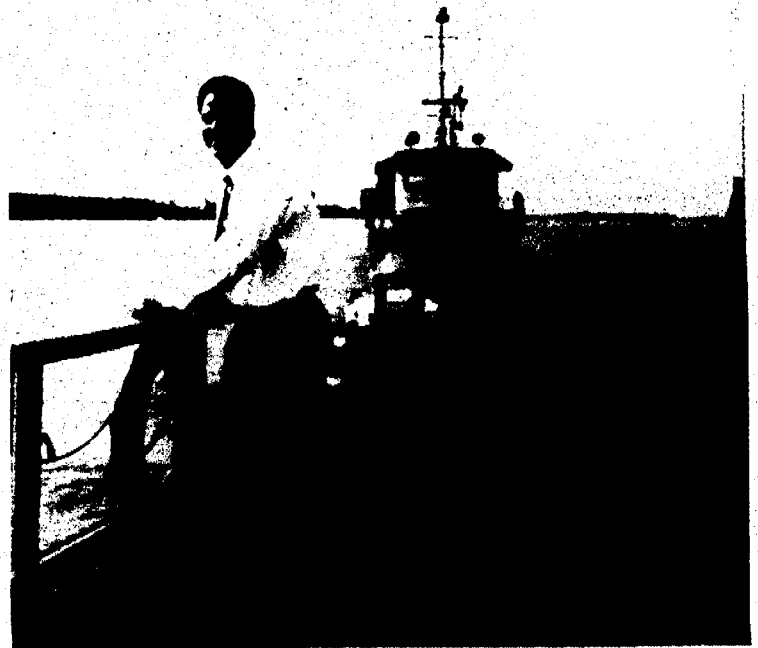
"The biggest part of it was educating," said Gregg, who got a crash-course in political lobbying. "Marine traffic on an inland waterway is incredibly safe."

Initially, John Ward was trying to get the company started on his own. The fight became almost too discouraging, however, according to his son.

"It came to a point where my dad was saying it was too much of a hassle," said Gregg, who left a job in Chicago to help his father out.



Carrying an empty oil truck back to Detroit, a BTI barge prepares to dock. The barge can hold up to six trucks, making 16 runs a day. (Crier photo by Kelly Sauter-Dobson)



Gregg Ward on a Barge Transport Inc. barge with the Windsor skyline in the background. Ward runs the international operation with his father John. (Crier photo by Kelly Sauter-Dobson)

The two had to go through 30 Canadian governmental agencies, he said, at both the federal and provincial level.

They've also had to move their Canadian site after the provincial government deemed it too close to a residential area.

"After we put in \$167,000 worth of work, we were asked to move to a more remote location," Gregg said.

Gregg said he feels BTI has been singled out for special attention, noting that a railway barge has been moving hazardous chemicals across the river for years without drawing special attention.

The operation also faced opposition from some Windsor companies because it brings in new competition by cutting down on transportation costs, Gregg said.

For example, Gregg estimates it costs \$444 a truckload to get gasoline from Detroit to Windsor via Sarnia. It can be barged to Windsor for \$100, allowing the company to undercut prices.

"In general, it's a new market," he said. "We're changing the traffic pattern for the first time in 80 years."

Mike Howland, a trucker for Atlas Oil who was on the maiden BTI voyage in May, said the detour saves his company about \$300 per trip and allows Atlas to sell gas for six cents a gallon less in Windsor.

Howland added that it takes at least half an hour to go through customs in Sarnia, compared to five minutes with the Canadian customs agent right at the BTI site.

Gregg said BTI can make 16 runs a day, carrying six trucks each way. The barge is pulled by a leased Canadian tug, he added, and the operation employs five Canadians and three Americans.

Fully loaded and empty trucks come and go each way, Gregg said.

For now, he said business is running smoothly, though he hopes to see it expand as word gets around about the company.

"We're still in the developing stage and we need to get people out here," Gregg said.

The elder Ward said he and his son have at least been able to put the barge concept into practice, something others have tried and failed.

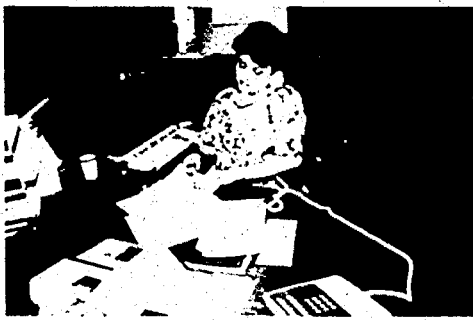
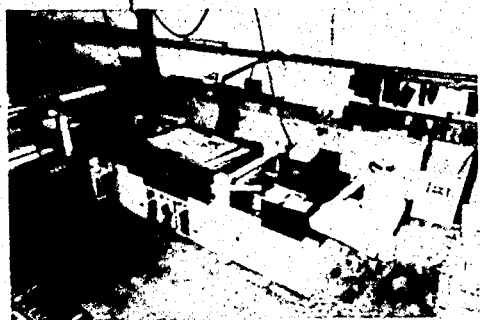
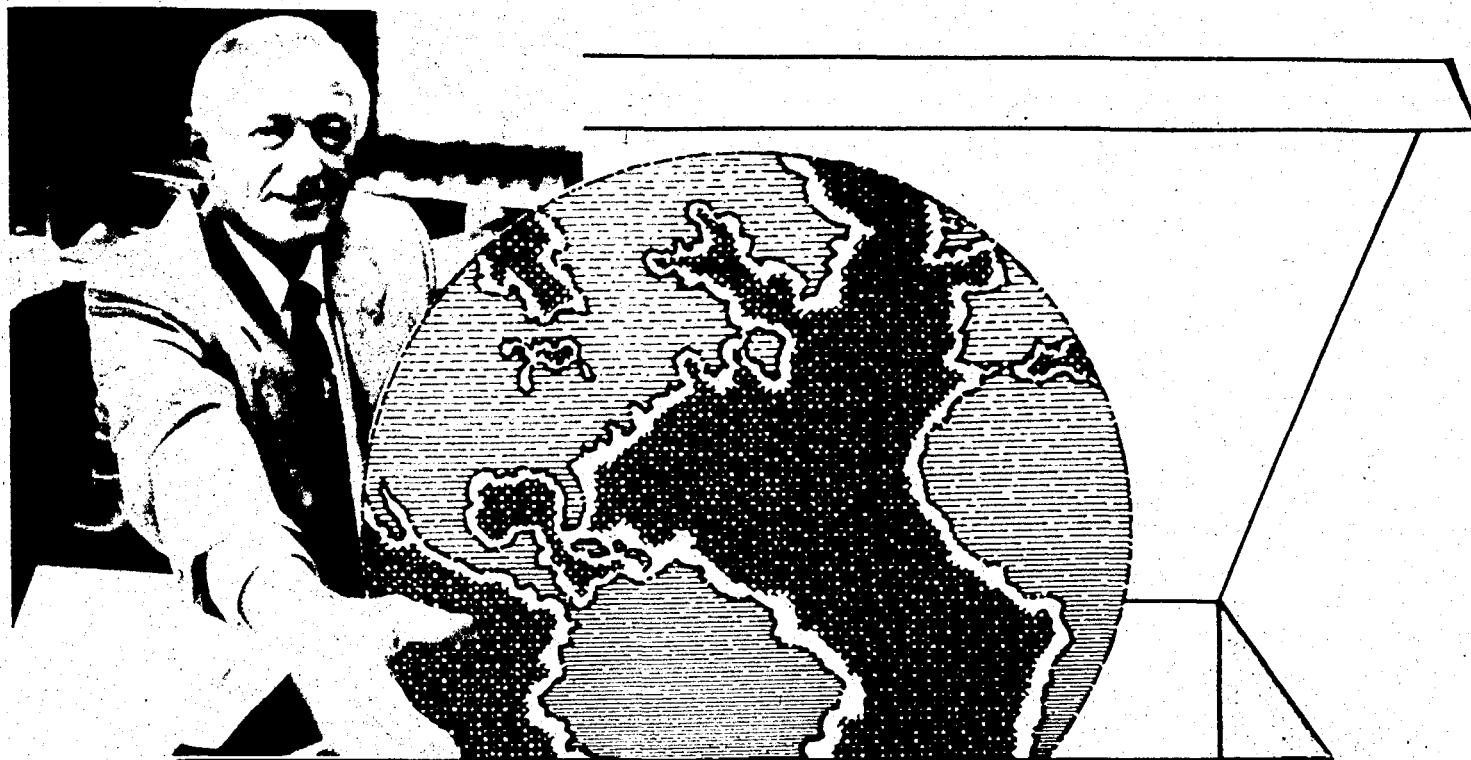
"It's been thought of before, but nobody has been able to make it work," said John.

His son says the business will be around for awhile.

"We've taken this long to get here, we're not going to back up," Gregg said. "This is a good project and it will go."

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The alternative downtown?

Old Village features unique shops

BY BONNIE DEROSKI

With the advent of the railroad in 1871, George Starkweather moved his store from Kellogg Park to the depot area of Old Village; a neighborhood which he thought would become an alternative downtown for Plymouth. It is doubtful he anticipated the thriving retail potential that Old Village is realizing today.

The area is host to several street festivals throughout the year. The Apple Festival, which will bring over 100 crafts and antique dealers into Old Village this fall, has been expanded to two days; Sept. 29 and 30. Its novel shops and restaurants and historic atmosphere make Old Village an exceptional adjunct to downtown Plymouth. And the unique character of Old Village is a reflection of the varied personalities and diverse backgrounds of its business people.

Open for little over a year, Donna Colvard's shop, Country Clutter, is the fulfillment of a dream. Plymouth's Old Village had been one of her favorite shopping spots, and when the small house on Mill Street became available, it fit her criteria for a quaint cottage filled with antiques and collectibles.

Colvard had worked for Ford Motor Company and the airlines before she started her business. And although her husband and her granddaughters help her through busy times, Colvard runs the store by herself. "It's been a joy," she said. "Sometimes I work in the shop in the evening or on Sundays. And I am always looking for things that go in the shop. I even stop along the road at garage sales!"

When built in the early 30s, the three-room building that houses Country Clutter was initially intended to be a "mother-in-law house," and was purchased from the Sears & Roebuck catalog. Colvard has maintained the home-like atmosphere by decorating the rooms with the antiques and gift items she sells. In the child's room, a tea party is set up at a miniature table with lace linens and antique dolls, and a neighbor child frequently stops by for lemonade and cookies.

"The Old Village has been wonderful," says Brenda Wallace, owner of Born Again Resale. "I have received a lot of encouragement from customers and consignors who have done a lot to support this business."

Born and raised in Detroit, Wallace worked for 21 years for the Detroit Postal Service in management. Four years ago, she opened Born Again Resale with the hopes of not only providing a quality resale shop to the Plymouth area, but with the intentions of creating



Brenda Wallace, of Born Again Resale, displays one of the dresses offered at her shop. Wallace said she started the shop to hire and train the unemployed. (Crier photo by Kelly Sauter-Dobson)

a business which could hire and train people in need of a job. "I had hoped to hire women and help them learn about business, but that part of my vision has not been fulfilled yet."

However, her philanthropic aspirations are not entirely unrealized. Through her store, Wallace has established the Clothes Closet, a program which contributes proceeds from donated clothes to the Women's and Children's Sanctuary in Detroit. In addition, Wallace is an active member of the Plymouth Church of the Nazarene. She sings in the choir, teaches Sunday school and has participated in missionary trips to Africa, Peru and New Guinea.

Her business has been successful, and two years ago, Born Again Resale expanded and moved to its present location in the old train station on Starkweather. "People come in the store and remember getting their tickets at the ticket counter, "And it's exciting for customers -- especially children -- when the trains come by."

A resident of Canton, Jon Trennepohl describes himself as "an outdoors type who has been involved in everything from golf to skiing." When he became hooked on flying sport (or stunt) kites he had no idea where his interest would lead him.

Trennepohl discovered that no one in the area was promoting kite flying and decided to open his own shop. Initially, Trennepohl started the business with the expectation of working part-time, but strong community support turned Kites & Fun Things into a full-time job.

And Trennepohl's business has expanded beyond the store. Perceiving a need in the market for a product that would be strong yet light enough to compete in Michigan's varying winds, Trennepohl began work on a new sport kite. The Sky Burner was



Dawn Buda, of Designers-Choice, admires items from her interior design company. Buda moved the business to Old Village from her home last year. (Crier photo by Kelly Sauter-Dobson)

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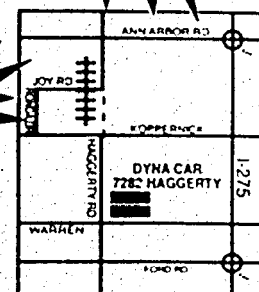
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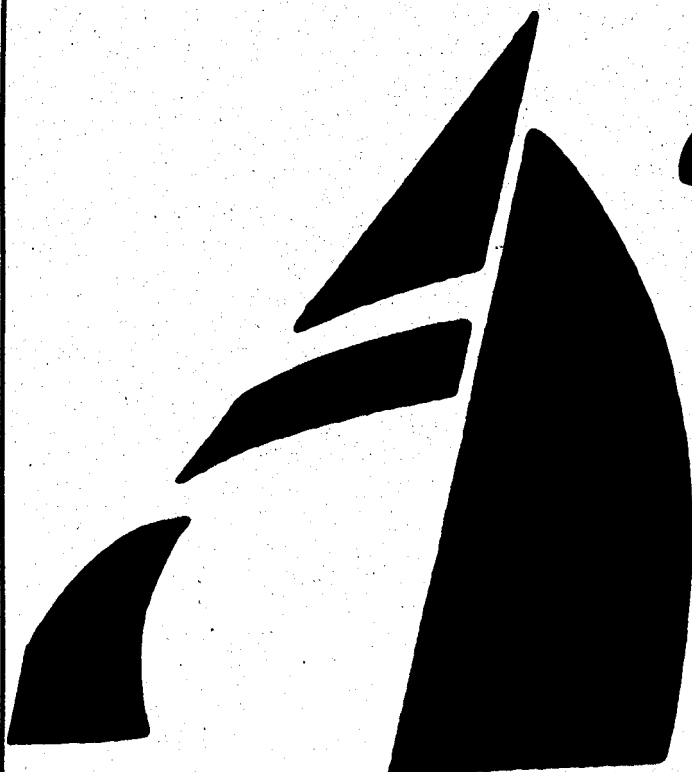
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designed with help from Bill Kildow, and production is a group effort. Kildow and his wife Joy make the sails, and final assembly takes place in Trennepohl's home. In the three months since its inception, 80 Sky Burner kites have been sold across the United States.

Before he came to own Kites & Fun Things, Trennepohl had owned a carpet cleaning business, had sold real estate and was working as an electrician. But now he is doing what he likes best: "selling fun."

"Kites are great family fun," says Trennepohl. "Everyone should fly a kite by the time they are six or seven years old. And they are natural; you don't have to pay to play. All you need is wind." Kites & Fun Things also sells specialty gifts for children including everything from marbles and kazoos to boomerangs and wooden tops.

Since childhood Denise (Bunny) Hickey has enjoyed sewing. She knitted her first sweater in junior high school -- a Norwegian pattern -- and has always been "crafty." Although she studied art in college, Hickey had always considered physical education her profession. While raising her family she taught aerobics and led exercise and dance classes for the YMCA.

After moving to Plymouth from Wisconsin three years ago, she began teaching strip quilting at Lura's Patchwork. When the business became available, Hickey bought it and renamed it Village Patchwork. "I finally found what I want to do when I grow up," laughs Hickey. "My dream has always been to have a big, old house and live upstairs and have a quilt shop downstairs. But I'm still looking for that house."

Village Patchwork offers classes in quilting and rug hooking, as well as retailing related items including 100 per cent cotton fabric, thread, notions and patterns. Customers come in for free advice as well as help in selecting materials. And 75 per cent of Village



Denise Hickey shows off her wares at the Village Patchwork store. (Crier photo by Kelly Sauter-Dobson)

Patchwork's customers bring their completed quilts to be photographed and included in their picture album.

Seven years ago Dawn Buda formed the interior design company, Designers Choice. At that time the company operated out of her Northville home and strictly offered interior design services by appointment. But Buda wanted to expand her business to include the retail sector. And so just over a year ago, Designers Choice moved out of Northville and opened its doors on Starkweather in the Old Village.

"I love the Old Village," Buda said. "I like the low key atmosphere of the area. Interior design doesn't have to be expensive and the Old Village has a comfortable, unexclusive flavor."



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Canton building offers many services

BY W. EDWARD WENDOVER

The new Oakwood Canton Medical Office Building was opened in February, increasing the size of one of Canton's largest health providers.

Offering services such as dentistry, obstetrics and gynecology (OB-GYN), a family practice center and a pharmacy, the facility increased from 12,000 square feet of space to 32,000. The location provides the same quality care service that Detroit area residents have come to expect from Oakwood.

Located adjacent to the Oakwood Canton Health Center on Canton Center Road, the medical office aims at meeting the day-to-day and preventative medical needs of community members.

Twenty-five physicians make up the medical staff, including seven doctors at the facility fulltime.

Community involvement is also highlighted at the medical building. Since its original opening in 1981, volunteers have dedicated over 22,000 hours of service to the facility.

Oakwood has also strived to support Canton. One example is its participation in the 1989 Challengefest, in which it played a role as a major sponsor.

Other assistance to the community has come through the facility's information programs and health screening services.



Members of the Oakwood Canton Health Center have cared for residents' health needs since its opening in 1981. The facility has nearly tripled in size, from 12,000 to 32,000 feet, with its new medical building. (Crier photo by Rob VanFleet)

BY MIKE GUINN

Oakwood Hospital, a leading health care provider in western Wayne County for more than 37 years, has built a reputation by providing quality health care with a personalized touch.

And based on past performance, Oakwood will continue to be a preeminent health care force in the future.

The 1980s saw an expansion of and services unprecedented in Oakwood's four decades of operation. From its opening in 1953, Oakwood's 213-bed facility in Dearborn has grown into a multi-health services organization serving more than one half million patients annually throughout western Wayne County and the downriver area.

Oakwood Health Services Corporation, (OHSC), the parent corporation of Oakwood Hospital, now includes five hospitals and 20 satellite facilities in Allen Park, Belleville, Canton, Lincoln Park, Trenton, Southgate, Dearborn Heights, Dearborn, Taylor and Westland.

Specialized services available through OHSC include: a state-of-the-art total cardiac care program; cancer care; extensive specialized services for women and children; a sleep disorder center; a pain clinic; a mobile renal lithotripter; and a \$3 million Magnetic Resonance Imaging Unit (MRI), the most advanced diagnostic tool available.

An excellent example of Oakwood's advanced technology is its Cardiac Center of Excellence. Nearly 400 open heart surgeries were performed at Oakwood in 1989, the first year of the cardiac surgery program. It is projected that 500-600 of these operations will be performed in 1990.

Two milestones took place in Oakwood's Women and Children's Center of Excellence during 1989. The first in vitro fertilization baby was born, and quadruplets were delivered for the first time in 21 years.

David Magyar, D.O., and Maria Hayes, M.D., co-directors of the Center for Reproductive Medicine, are pioneers in the field of reproductive medicine. They are credited with a number of firsts in Michigan. Their accomplishments include performing the first in vitro fertilization in Michigan, and are credited with the state's first successful in vitro fertilization pregnancy.

Oakwood has affiliations with more than 1,000 physicians and has nearly 5,000 total employees. There are nearly 1,800 hospital beds in the OHSC network.

Both challenging and rewarding

Companies give Feds the business

BY KEN VOYLES

Doing business with the Federal government, be it through the Department of Defense or any number of other agencies which contract for supplies and services, is both challenging and rewarding.

It is also a multi-million dollar business, one in which local companies, both big and small, from Plymouth-Canton-Northville participate on varying levels.

"There is so much out there. Everything they use they have to purchase," said John Chichester, a procurement specialist with the Business Development Center at Schoolcraft College. "Though, in some ways, there's not as much as people might think. It's not as diversified, but more directed.

"Most of the companies we deal with are doing business with the government for the first time," Chichester added. "Some will succeed, some won't."

The center specializes in helping "sell" firms to the government for everything from manufactured parts to wide-ranging services. Chichester helps companies develop a marketing plan and wade through the vast numbers of rules and regulations.

"You just don't sell to the government the same way you sell to commercial enterprises," he said. "We work exclusively with the marketing but if an opportunity arises we'll take them through what they've got to do to get a contract."

Chichester said 70 per cent of what the government spends comes through the Department of Defense. "That's where the big money is," he said.

Other Federal agencies which deal with small localized firms include the U.S. Postal Service, the Department of Energy, Department of Interior, and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

"You're looking for an agency that does things," he said. "Small firms can address specialized product needs better, but big companies do better toward the more commercialized products."

Chichester said there is a "broad spectrum" of companies involved locally, both in terms of size and nature. Everything from machine shops, to systems specialists to professional services.

"It's a pretty competitive market, intentionally," he said. "The government wants it that way. No matter if it's toilet paper or a computer service, you want to be getting the best customer."

Many companies may earn one government contract and then never again do business with a Federal agency. Others live and die by government contracts.

"That's the advantage and disadvantage," Chichester said. "Getting a contract with the government is an isolated event. You have to go out and re-earn it next time. It's easier entry, but harder to stay."

The local procurement center -- it has covered Wayne, Oakland, Washtenaw and Livingston counties since 1975 -- works with about 1,000 firms, said Chichester. Of those, some 200 firms earned about \$170 million over the last five years dealing with the Feds.

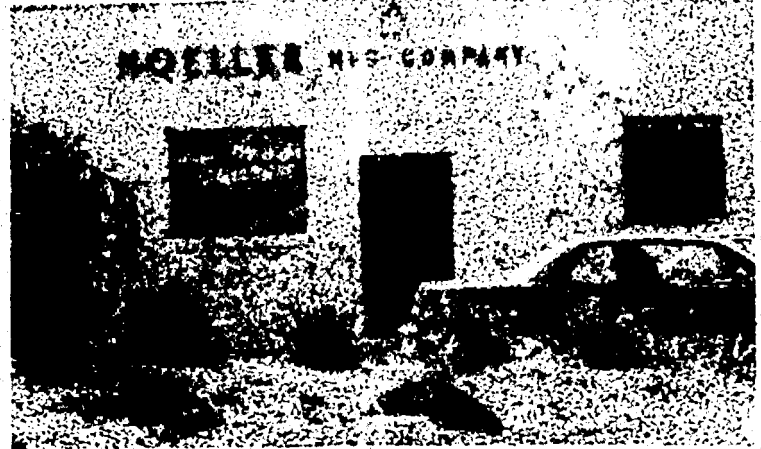
Fred Grasman, program manager for the Michigan Department of Commerce's Procurement Assistance Program, said the state earns between \$1.7-\$2 billion annually through Federal contracts.

Michigan's biggest customer is the Tank Automotive Command in Detroit which buys nearly any type of wheel or track for military vehicles.

Grasman said Michigan is also a very strong seller to the government of office systems, office furniture, computers (software and hardware), electronic components, precision machinery (gears in particular).

"The government marketplace is very much like the commercial marketplace," Grasman said. "You have to find out who's buying the product, who's got the contract now and what's the probability the government will be buying it in the future.

"You overlay that with the discipline required for dealing with the government," he continued. "The government has certain rules and rights. Everything in government contracting is open to disclosure.



"Once you understand the rules of the game than it becomes a fairly easy proposition to maintain your position in that market."

Grasman said that one any given day there are about 8,000 Michigan companies with government contracts. He said the average company on that list only employes 20-25 people.

"The purchasing power of the Federal government is not something that's been ignored in Michigan, but it hasn't been aggressively pursued," he said, adding that Michigan is low on the scale of procurement dollars. "It's kind of an archaic science -- how you do business with the Federal government."

He added, "You don't find the same economic ups and downs in the business. There's always a need and the revenues are fairly constant."

A wide range of Plymouth-Canton-Northville companies do business with the Federal government. Among them are:

Moeller Manufacturing, Loc Performance Products, LOCPAC, Inc., Excello Corporation, National Set Screw Corporation (NSS), P.K. Technologies, Packaging Corporation of America, General Medicine Inc., Howmet Corporation, J.C. Max Precision, Galaxy Precision Machinery and the Michigan Peer Review Organization.

Moeller, based on Michigan Avenue in Canton, manufactures precision aerospace equipment. As a subcontractor, it is a major engine parts supplier to General Electric and Pratt & Whitney, among others, and furnishes spare parts to various branches of the defense department.

Earlier this year Moeller was honored by the Department of Defense as an outstanding subcontractor supplier for its turbine engine work in 1989.

The company, formed in 1953, employes about 300 people in six divisions and has annual sales of \$20-\$25 million. Moeller is currently looking to expand its local operations.

At the service end of things there is General Medicine, Inc., located in the City of Plymouth.

Dr. Thomas Prose, medical director of the company, said the firm provides basic health care services for the government, including such diverse agencies as the U.S. Army Corp of Engineers, the Federal prison program and the Veteran Administration (VA).

"The government has a difficult time recruiting physicians for a number of reasons," said Prose, who added that the local outfit employes 50 Michigan-based physicians and will set up health clinics on or off site for Federal agencies or departments. It also performs health exams for different agencies and provides a variety of health coverage.

"It's pretty boring. It's not that exciting," Prose said. "We're just bread and butter health care, but we happen to provide for the Federal government."

Started in 1984 the firm originally contracted with the state of Michigan, but later evolved into doing business with the Feds.

"The government is constantly lookin for health care services," Prose said. "We'll deal with everybody. We don't turn away from opportunities."

As Chichester put it, "You have to think beyond the idea that they're just another customer."

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From abandoned factory

New business complex is born

BY MICHELLE TREGEMBO-WILSON

Abandoned hulks of broken-windowed factory buildings dot America's "rustbelt." The former Evans Products complex on Eckles Road in Plymouth Township was settling into such a fate until the birth of the Plymouth Industrial Center (PIC) in 1979.

Now the complex serves as an incubator for new businesses, says Dennis Walker, vice president and general manager of PIC Holding Company. Walker oversees 700,000 square feet of leasable space and 30 PIC employes.

In 11 years, the center has grown to over 150 tenants, including 45 full-time businesses. (Many of the other tenants use PIC warehouse space for storage.) Walker, a PIC employe for 10 years, estimates that the various businesses provide over 700 jobs. The complex even has a cafeteria on premises called The Blue Collar Express Cafe to serve breakfast and lunch to employes.

Walker explains that PIC is ideal for new businesses to get a start, with reasonable rates that beginners can afford. "The lowest in the marketplace," he says enthusiastically.

PIC offers other needed assistance to fledgling companies. Many tenants have full-time jobs in addition to their business, and PIC employes can help with tasks such as loading trucks and filling out bills of lading. PIC also rents equipment such as hi-lows and scissor lifts to tenants at low prices.

As businesses grow, they can remain in the same location by leasing additional space from PIC. Some businesses grow to multiple locations while still keeping their Plymouth location at PIC. Walker cites Document Services, Inc., a company that shreds important papers such as cancelled checks. It moved to PIC when it was small and now has expanded to locations in three other states.

Diversity describes the types of businesses found at PIC -- from manufacturers to transportation companies such as RJ Liddy/Wheaton Van Lines to food distributors like Snack in a Box. One food-related business, Savino Italian Ice, is not only made at PIC, but also began there.

The two original tenants are Prime Tube, which makes tubing for the automotive and furniture industries, and Michigan Railcar Repair. An example of a more recent business is Rack Technologies, founded four years ago, which assembles railroad gondola covers.

PIC also offers reloading of lumber and steel from railcars to trucks; in fact the complex boasts six miles of railroad track. According to Walker, a railcar of steel can be shipped for the same cost as a truckload, but with three times as much steel.



Dennis Walker, vice president and general manager of PIC Holding. Walker says PIC offers "the lowest rates in the marketplace" for new business tenants. (Crier photo by Michelle Tregembo Wilson)

Although most of the storage space is leased by manufacturers such as automakers, some is leased by retailers as a place for excess inventory -- which many find to be a low-cost alternative to increasing the size of their retail location.

PIC also lets local non-profit groups like Plymouth Theatre Guild and Special Olympics store their trailers at no charge. Walker, originally from Lexington, MI, said he admires the amount of community involvement he sees in Plymouth and is willing to help the groups.



A railroad car gondola being assembled by Rack Technologies at the PIC facility. (Crier photo by Michelle Tregembo Wilson)

The complex itself has an interesting history. The original facility was built in 1937 for Kelsey-Hayes for the manufacture of munitions. It was acquired by Evans Products in 1942 and munition production continued until after World War II.

Water heaters, oil furnaces, bicycles, tricycles, scooters and wagons were among the post-war items manufactured at the complex.

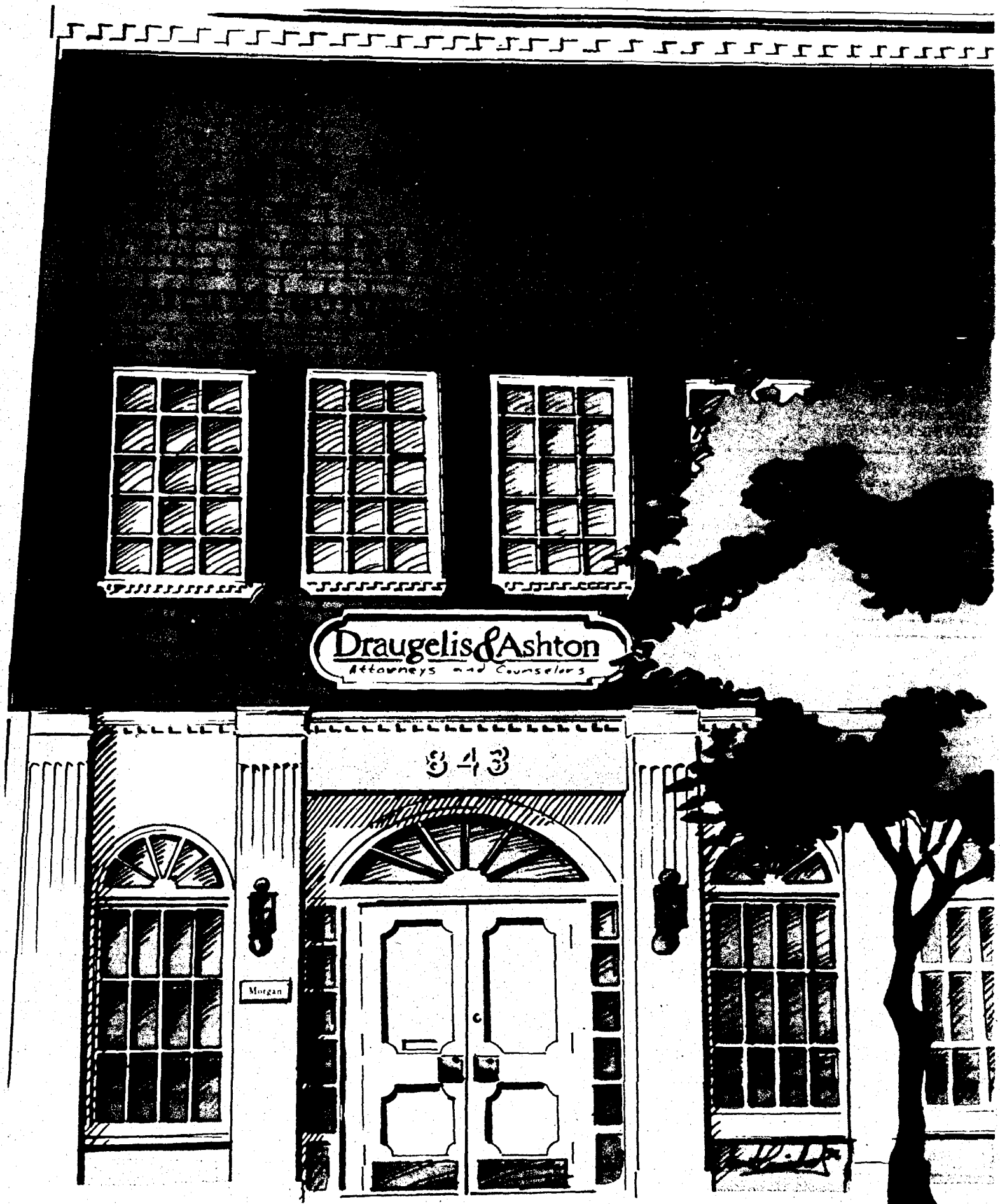
Evans Products branched out into railroad components. The complex continued to grow, with the newest building constructed in 1968. The plant closed in the mid-1970s. Walker says the Evans Products water tower is still shown on Rand-McNally road maps as a landmark at the intersection of I-275 and I-96.

Herbert Little, Vice President and General Manager of Michigan Railcar Repair, a PIC tenant, began working at Evans in 1947 and was plant manager at the closing. He describes the employes of Evans as "more a family than a company" who were hard-hit by the closing. Even though the company left 14 years ago, he says 50-70 ex-employes meet twice a year for lunch and also have an annual golf outing.

Little started Michigan Railcar Repair with only four employes to fill a need left by Evans' closing. It has grown to 75 employes, including nine former Evans co-workers.

PIC Holding Company made renovations to the complex when it took over. Individual dividing walls were built in the buildings and broken windows repaired. One of the most extensive changes Walker recalls is the replacement of the power plant used to heat the entire facility with more efficient unit heaters.

The future holds changes for PIC. In June the facility received a new owner, David Kahan of Premier Realty in Troy. A new master plan is in the works to include new buildings and an industrial park on currently vacant land. Even with growth, PIC will continue to help new businesses get a start.



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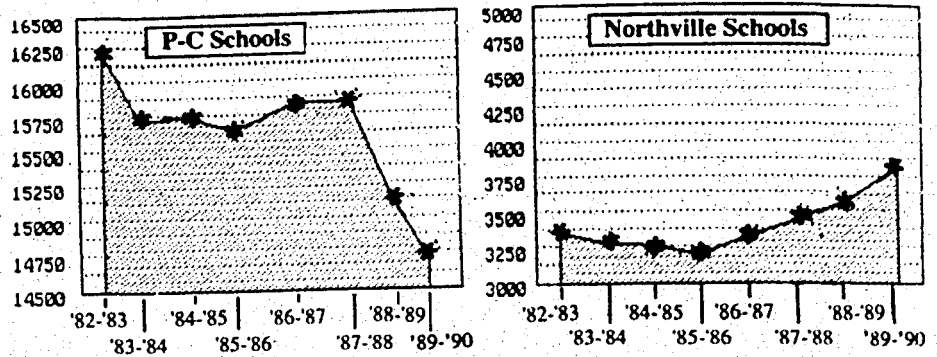
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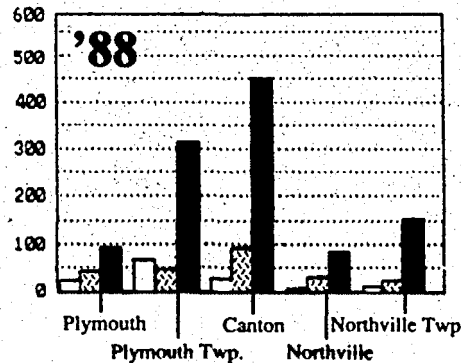
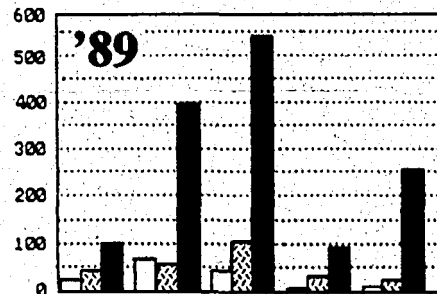
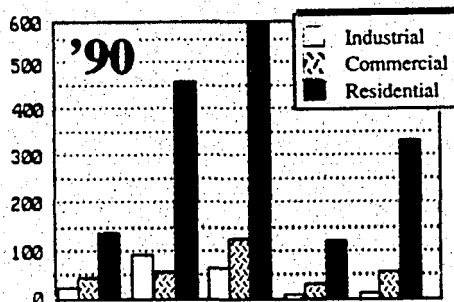
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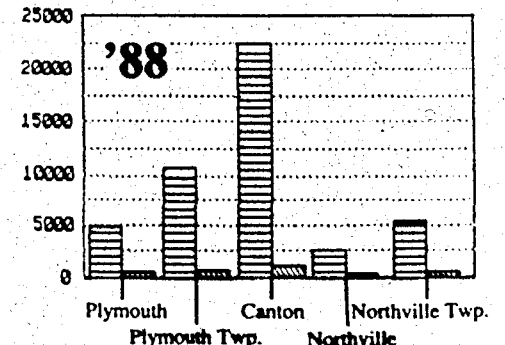
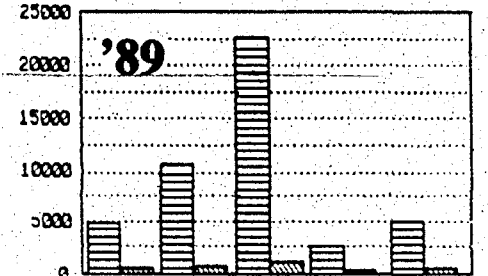
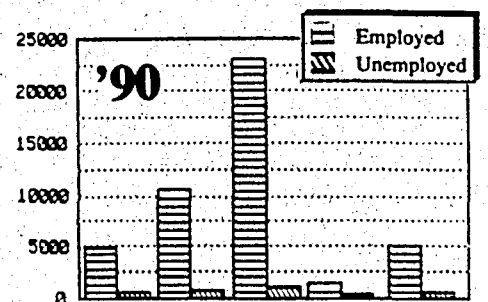


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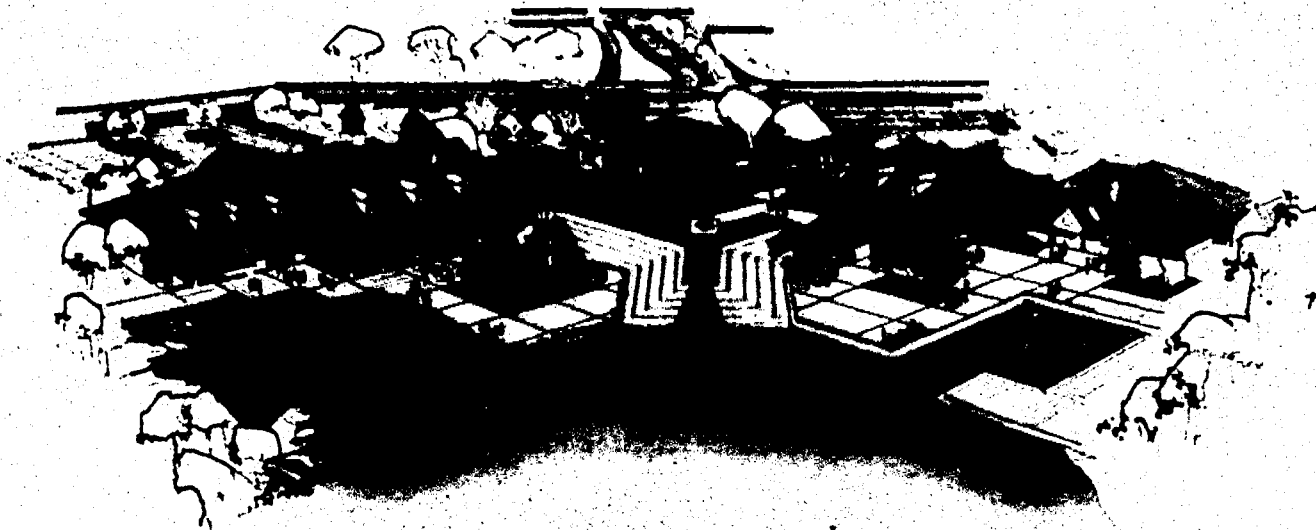
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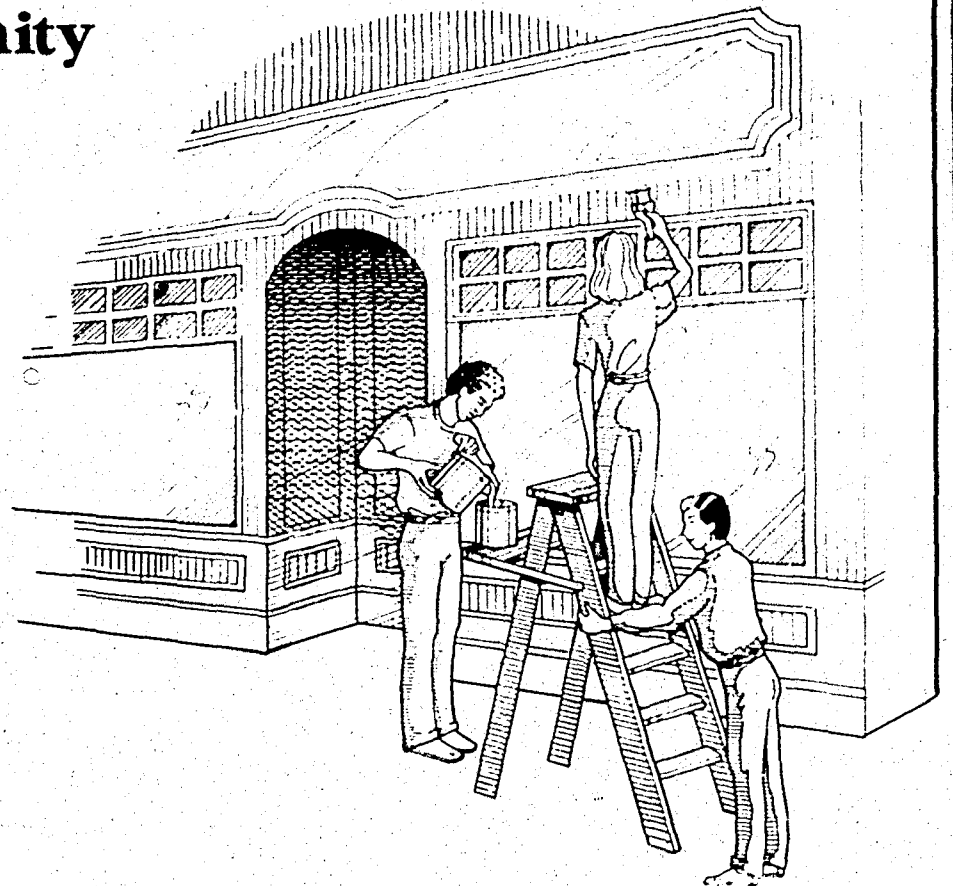
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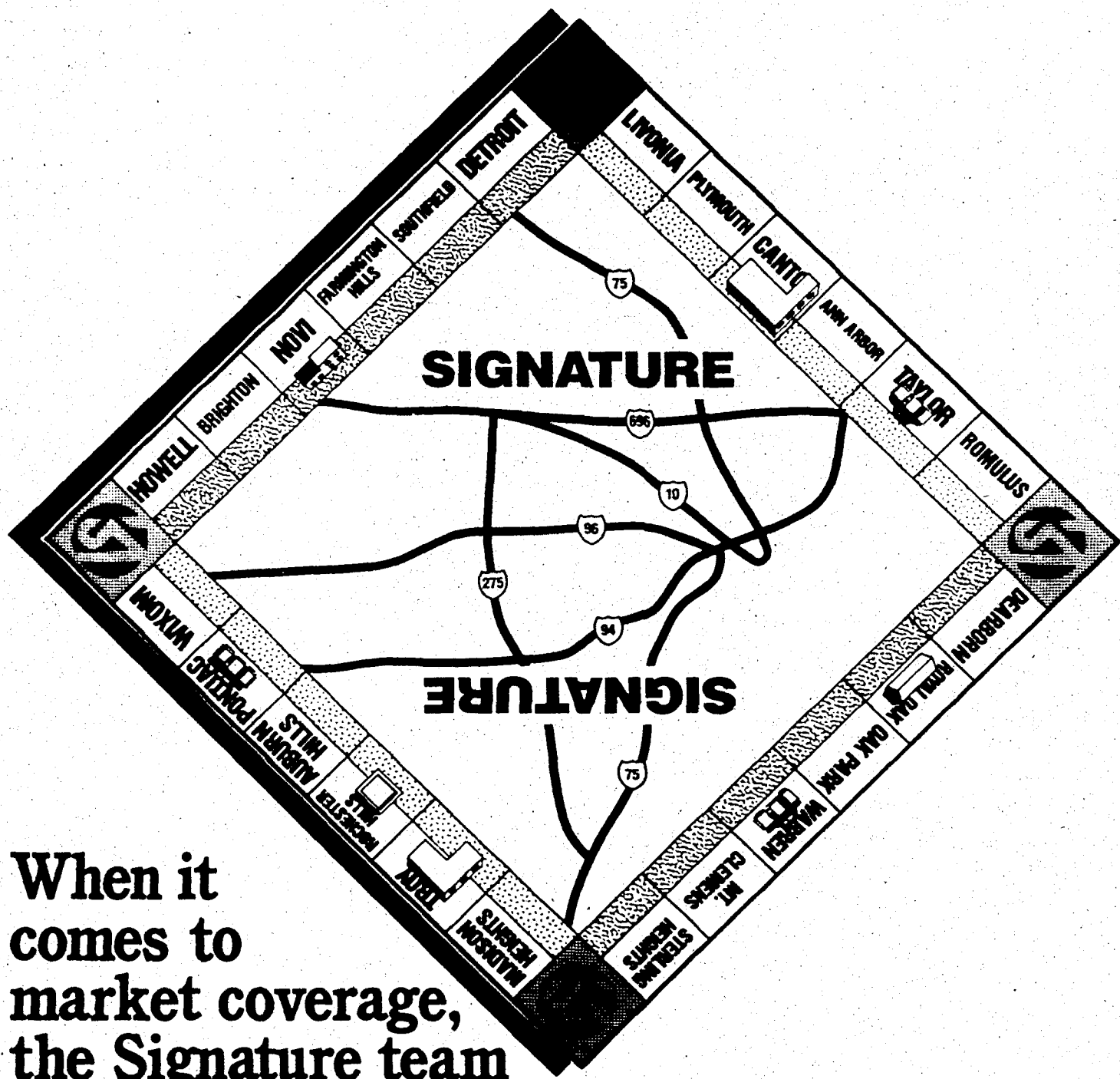
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Sexton digs what he does



Roger Bordine, in Knollwood Cemetery. The Canton man has been digging graves since 1941. (Crier photo by Kelly Sauter-Dobson)

BY MIKE GUINN

The work is hard and the days can be long, but sexton Roger Bordine says that he enjoys his job because it allows him to help others.

For almost 50 years now, Bordine, 67, has worked part time as a sexton, the proper title for those who dig graves.

For the Canton resident, not only is it a job, it's a tradition.

"I helped dig my first grave in 1941," said Bordine. "I was the fourth generation in my family to dig in that (Cherry Hill) cemetery."

Having relatives involved in the work at the cemetery continues to be a tradition today. Bordine said that people are sometimes surprised when they see family members assisting him.

"One fellow couldn't get over the fact that my daughter, Cheryl, was helping me dig," Bordine said. Three of Bordine's other helpers include his son, Kerry, his brother, Duane, and his wife, Florence, who can "lay out a grave as well as I could."

Prior to modern-day machinery, the digging of the graves was done by hand with a shovel.

Bordine said that in his younger years he could dig a grave "in about an hour." The colder months however, presented additional problems to those digging the graves.

"During the winter time we'd have to pick through the frost," Bordine said. "I remember one day where it took my father six hours to pick through the frost."

New equipment has eliminated long hours fighting the elements. Instead of hacking through frozen ground, a "warmer" is placed across a marked grave, softening the ground, allowing the sexton easier digging.

Another modern tool, the back-hoe, has replaced most of the digging once done with a shovel. Bordine said that there still instances where a shovel comes in handy.

"We still occasionally use shovels at Cherry Hill Cemetery," said Bordine. "The markers (gravestones) sometimes prevent a back-hoe from getting in to the park."

Bordine said that new technology has also made a time-worn phrase obsolete.

"The old saying 'six-foot deep' doesn't hold true today," Bordine said. "We don't have to go that deep with today's new vaults." Bordine said that the concrete vaults which encase the casket prevent ground sinkage when the casket starts to deteriorate, allowing the grave to be dug shallower.

Bordine has made a few unusual finds in his years as a sexton.

One discovery at Cherry Hill Cemetery, a slab of concrete buried about four feet into the ground, resembled a building foundation. Bordine guessed that it may have been laid in the 1950s, but he never has found out how or why it was in the ground.

"All the old-timers who might have known about it are gone," Bordine said of his find.

Other strange items that Bordine has run across include American Indian artifacts. How they got into Cherry Hill Cemetery is a mystery, he said, because the site was never used as an Indian burial ground.

While digging graves may leave some with an uneasy feeling, Bordine said that it has never bothered him. In fact, he has even dug graves of family members.

"We (the Bordine family) don't feel that because someone is in our family we should ask someone else to dig for us," said Bordine. "Digging graves doesn't bother me because somebody has to do it."

Besides family members, Bordine has also dug graves for many other acquaintances. Bordine estimates that 95 per cent of those buried in Cherry Hill Cemetery were his friends or neighbors.

A mistaken idea that people have about grave sites, Bordine said, is that they are actually buying the land. In reality, people purchase only the burial rights to the property.

This is one reason cemeteries will allow only certain types of decorations to be placed on graves.

Another myth about cemeteries -- that graves are dug and left open waiting for burial -- is also untrue, Bordine said. The time between the digging and the burial is intentionally quite short due to the liability of someone falling into an open grave.

After working at Evans Products in Plymouth Township for more than 28 years as a highlift driver and a millwright, Bordine currently describes himself as "semi-retired."

When not working at the cemetery, Bordine can also be found helping out on the family farm, owned by his clan since 1836.

As far as one day fully retiring, Bordine seems to be undecided.

"I'm thinking of getting in 50 years of digging and then retiring from it," Bordine said. "But I doubt I'll do it."

Will there be a fifth generation of sextons in the Bordine family?

"I don't know," Bordine said. "My son hasn't decided if he wants to continue the tradition or not."

P-C-N businesses discuss ... Meeting people's final needs

BY MIKE GUINN

With apologies to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), it really is the only thing in life which is truly unavoidable.

Death. The word scares a lot of people. But without it, many of the businesses in Plymouth-Canton-Northville would not exist.

Like most professions, one of the main reasons for working in the field is to make a living. But another aspect often mentioned is the satisfaction gained from helping people cope with grief and loss.

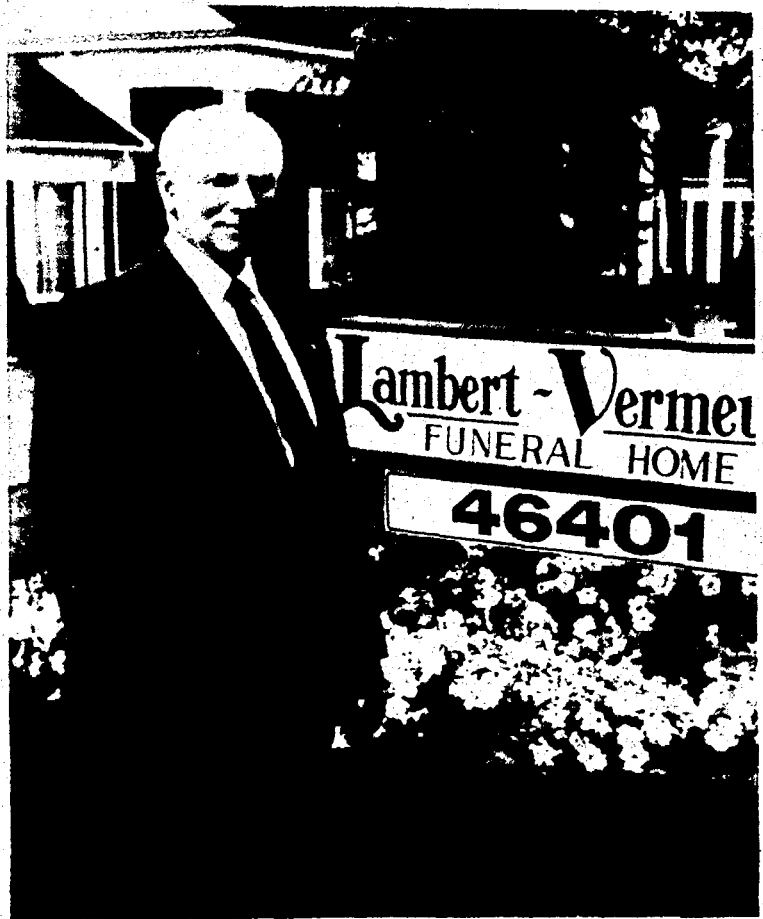
James Vermeulen, owner and president of the Lambert-Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home, has been in the mortuary business since 1950.

For Vermeulen the most important part of the business is being able to delicately deal with people, in complete detail. This can include not only funeral and burial details, but even how a body will be shipped.

"Some people say 'my father never flew while he was alive, and you're not going to fly him now,'" Vermeulen said. "Our business is to be sensitive to the needs of people."

One of the big concerns Vermeulen has when arranging funerals, is children. He has equipped his funeral home with a variety of items that cater especially to kids. Some things are simple, like having soft drinks available in the lounge, along with tea and coffee for adults.

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James Vermeulen, owner and president of Lambert-Vermeulen Funeral Home, feels that being able to meet people's needs is the most important part of his trade. (Crier photo by Ken Voyles)



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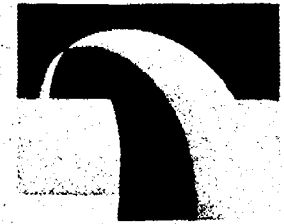
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A video player is also kept in his office to show a short film to any family that has children ages 5-10. Vermeulen said that the film helps explain death to children in terms they can understand.

"I wear that filmstrip out," Vermeulen said. "I show it that often."

Vermeulen is a staunch believer in telling children the truth about death, in ways they can comprehend. Euphemisms and half-truths, Vermeulen feels, usually make death even more difficult for kids to cope with. "Don't tell your kids that (the person who died) has gone to sleep," Vermeulen said. "Because they will worry about going to sleep and not waking up."

Unlike Lambert-Vermeulen, which has been in business at the Plymouth location since 1978, the Schrader Funeral Home, in downtown Plymouth, has been operating since 1904.

Current president of the facility, Win Schrader, is the third generation in his family to take over its operation. Although Schrader said that the job was not a career he directly planned to do while growing up, he is familiar with the field.

"This is really something I've always done," said Schrader, referring to the mortuary business. "It's what I know how to do."

Because of the personal nature his occupation entails, Schrader described the funeral director job as a 24-hour-day, 365-day-a-year function. Once people are comfortable with him, Schrader said, they will pose questions to him wherever they may find him.

"I discuss aspects of death and dying at restaurants, the Rotary Club, the Elks (Club)," Schrader said. "People will often seek me out anywhere when they have questions on their mind."

The family is still very active in the funeral home's operation, Schrader said. His father, Edwin, (none to most locals as 'Bud') retired from the president slot, but remains on the board of directors.

Other funeral homes found in the area include the newly-opened Pawlus Funeral Home, in Canton, Northville's Casterline Funeral Home, and the Northrup Ross B and Son Funeral Home, located in Northville Township.



Patty Raredon said that children's funerals are the hardest thing to handle in working at a cemetery. (Crier photo by Kelly Sauter-Dobson)

One person who has taken a different approach to the cemetery business is Ed Wensley, owner and director of United Memorial Gardens, in Salem Township.

The burial ground is anything but typical. A replica of the Old Testament Tabernacle on the site attracts up to 60,000 tourists each year. A lake and small ponds dot the area. Picnic tables are on the facility for sight-seers to relax and eat.

"Nobody wants to talk about death," Wensley said in explaining why he designed United Memorial as a tourist attraction. "A cemetery is the last place people want to go."

"But we wanted to design our cemetery so you don't think of death. You don't have that feeling of being in a cemetery when you see statuary and beauty."

Wensley said that United Memorial is also used as a Christian



Ed Wensley stands in front of one of the many monuments at the United Memorial Gardens in Salem Township. (Crier photo by Mike Guinn)

ministry where spiritual and physical needs could be met.

One example combining needs is Wensley's practice of inviting youth groups to United Memorial for recreation and Christian teaching. The church groups work at the cemetery doing odd jobs, and are then invited to swim and use the row and paddleboats on the ground's lake.

Afterwards, a youth meeting is held where Christian teaching is presented. United Memorial Gardens then donates \$100 to the youth group for the work performed at the cemetery. Hay rides and bonfires for church groups are also provided in late October.

"What better place for a halloween party than a cemetery?" Wensley asked.

While not involved in an occupation that deals with death on a daily basis, William Graham has nonetheless been instrumental in the creation of the mausoleum at Riverside Cemetery.

Riverside is the only municipally owned and operated cemetery in The Plymouth-Canton Community, other than the smaller historical cemeteries which dot the community.

Graham, finance director for the City of Plymouth, became interested in the graveyard when his father passed away and was interred there. After seeing the damage done to the structure by years of aging, Graham decided to do something about it.

"When I came on board with the city in February of 1987, we started to look at what we could do to repair the mausoleum," Graham said of the crypt on the City of Plymouth's burial ground. "It is a place that I feel should reflect a high level of dignity."

The renovation, completed in 1989, not only restored the main building, it also added additional crypt sites around the original structure. Graham said that he is pleased with the restoration.

"It is in tune with what we have there," Graham said. "It's very nicely done."

Graham feels that Riverside is a unique asset of the city, because it is one of the few holdings that has the ability to generate revenue.

The cemetery can still hold at least another 4,000 graves, Graham said. While not a salesperson, Graham feels that burial and crypt property in Riverside are a good deal.

Some people don't intend to become involved in the business, but are drawn into it inadvertently.

Patty Raredon, secretary at Knollwood Memorial Park Cemetery in Canton, did not originally intend to make a career of working in a cemetery.

"I got the job through a friend, thinking I was going to stay for two weeks," Raredon said. "Six years later, here I still am."

Usually the public's first contact when they visit the 20-year-old burial ground, Raredon found that there were enjoyable parts to life in a cemetery, such as dealing with people. But there was also one fact that she describes as very difficult.

"Without a doubt, the hardest thing is when we have a funeral for a child," Raredon said. "I still don't know how I handle it, I really don't."

One of a staff of three at Knollwood, (not including owner Sam Tocco) Raredon said that she noticed about 70 per cent of customers are making pre-arrangements for funerals. Many of them are not just senior citizens, either.

"When people go to funerals it starts them thinking 'Maybe I should make plans,'" Raredon said. "Many people in their 30s and 40s get this idea."

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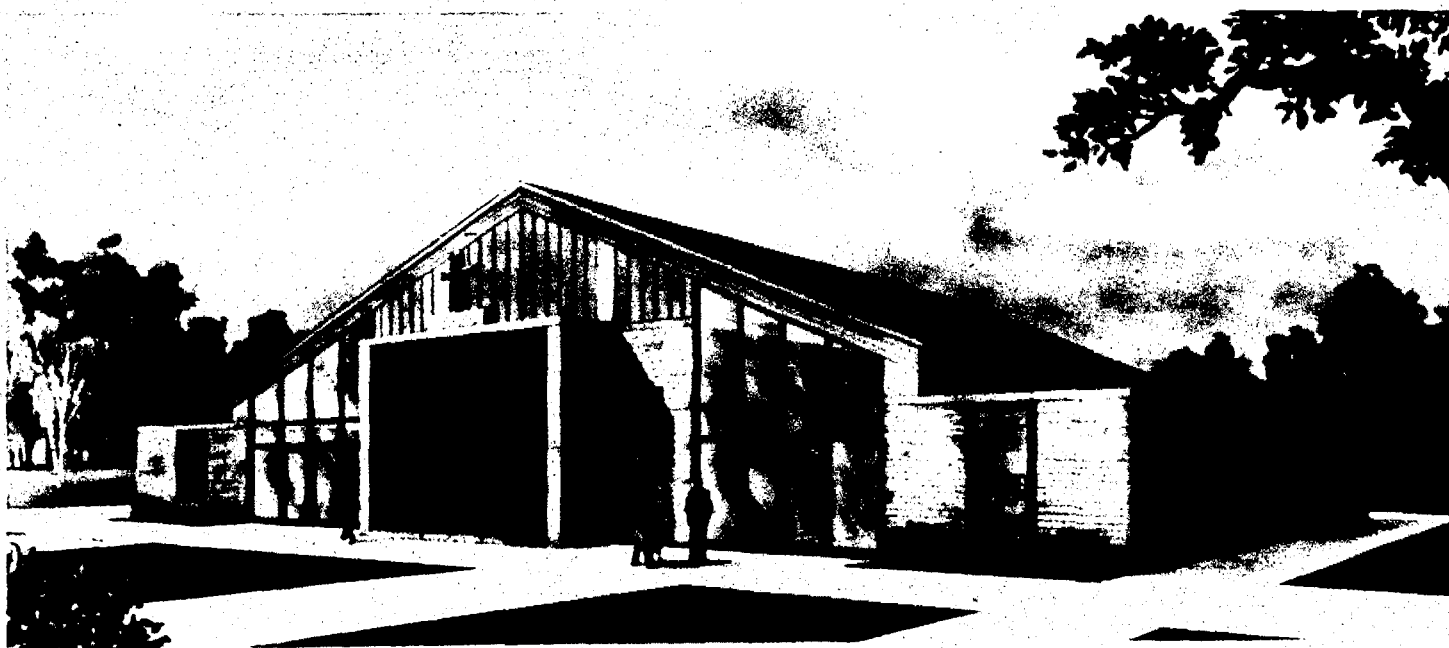
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Jim Allen, above, currently runs Allen Monuments in Northville. He took over for his father, Mike Allen, who still works at the firm (right). (Crier photo by Ken Voyles)



Scott Allen, the newest generation of Allens in the monument business, stands by a pile of rubble where discarded stone is laid to rest. (Crier photo by Ken Voyles)

Family makes monumental mark

BY KEN VOYLES

Three generations of the Allen family have left their mark -- and continue to do so -- throughout Michigan and the country.

The Allens -- Mike, Jim and Scott -- own and operate Allen Monuments Inc., a Northville business specializing in the creation of grave markers and monuments, what was once commonly dubbed a tombstone.

Founded as a company in 1937 by Mike Allen, the family has operated a sales and production facility out of its current office along Northville Road since 1955.

"People will drive by hundreds of times and they really don't pay much attention to us until there is a need," said Mike Allen's son Jim, who, along with his son Scott, manages the company. "That's just the way it is in this business."

And that's pretty much the Allen philosophy -- to help people when they need it during a time of grief.

"I've been around this all of my life, even as a small child I worked in the business, cutting grass, or on the truck," said Jim Allen. "There's a lot of satisfaction when I drive through the countryside and see what we've done for people."

Mike Allen first apprenticed in the monument business with a Flint firm. That's also where he met his future bride Inga.

When that firm went out of business Mike bought up some of the equipment and went to work in Detroit and then Milford. At one point he joined forces with another firm to become Barton-Allen, later buying out the other partner.

The family opened a sales office in Northville in 1937 and later moved the manufacturing end of things to Northville in 1955. The first stone was cut there in March, 1956. Today the firm still operates sales offices in Milford and Flint. There are also business "displays" in Howell, Ludginton, Clare and a number of other Michigan communities.

"There are a lot of small companies in this business still, but they are gradually going by the way side," said Jim Allen. "The whole burial industry has changed a lot in recent years."

"It's still a small industry," he added.

Despite that Allen Monument remains a small, close-knit family operation with a big heart.

On any given day Mike Allen can be found marking up a stencil for cutting, while Scott and Jim handle everything from the business end to cleaning up a marker that's been recently cut. Jim's wife Pat works out of the sales office in Milford and his daughter, Shari, works in the Northville office.

The family's main line is the creation of grave stones. Their handy work, cut from a wide variety of granites and marbles, can be

seen all over the country.

By nature the business remains a seasonal one -- grave markers are cut all year long but are delivered only during the mild months. The company also specializes in lettering for individuals and other companies and will also perform repair jobs on someone else's work.

Besides the standard markers and designs, the firm can custom design just about any type of lettering or image on a stone that an individual might want or need.

In a way the Allens have made an art out of grave monument design. Some of the family's efforts include: portraits, golf clubs, pets and other animals, landscape scenes, a pumpkin, foreign languages, a guitar, a fire truck, and an oil rig.

"We've put just about everything imaginable on stone," said Jim Allen. "It depends on what someone wants. There are people that get carried away on the design. If they are willing to pay the price and wait the time you can do just about anything for them."

"It's amazing the variety of things we've done," he continued, noting too that the company also erected the Peter Rockwell art in Plymouth Township Park a few years back.

The real history of the family's work can be found in several photo albums and in a file cabinet of delivery cards which record exactly what each design looks like. That four foot by six foot cabinet dates back to 1947 and since the family letters and carves about 1,000 to 1,500 stones a year, includes thousands and thousands of designs.

"I'm not ashamed of any stones we've done," said Jim Allen. "Some people know exactly what they want and others walk in with no idea at all."

"We're here to help them. We don't believe in high pressure sales or forcing our ideas on people," he added. "It's all what the family or individual wants. This is where you get a lot of satisfaction -- relaying on stone what someone wants to create and remember about a loved one."

Creating a monument means anywhere from two to eight hours of work for the family once the stone and design have been selected. Some designs are used over and over again, while others are unique.

The materials -- the stone -- comes from Vermont, Georgia, Wisconsin, Pennsylvania, Oklahoma, and places even farther away like India and Africa.

Most of a monument's cost is in that stone, said Jim Allen, who noted that a monument for his mother took four years to complete because the right piece of stone was unavailable from a Wisconsin quarry.

Investment in history at Allen Monument

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A monument from the Allens can range in price from as little as \$300 to more than \$20,000 depending on the stone and how detailed the design is. An average cost is around \$1,500.

The actual work is highly detailed and takes careful preparation as well as well tuned skills, skills that take an artistic touch.

"There's more involved in this than people realize," Jim Allen said. "One guy came in here who had lost his horse. He wanted to know if he could wait. I guess he thought we could do it in an hour."

Mike Allen, who was Northville's mayor for many years, still remains involved, mostly in the layout of a design stencil. The 75-year-old remembers his first day of apprenticeship because it was Franklin Roosevelt's inauguration day.

"I have made more stones than you can image," he said one day last week while working on a design in the back part of the Allen building.

'Old World' skills remain evident

BY KEN VOYLES

A touch of old world skill -- an artistic vision in granite -- lies at the core of what the people at Allen Monuments do in their Northville operation.

Creating a unique grave marker or stone is not an easy process -- it takes the patience of a fine craftsman and the eye of a landscape painter.

Once an individual selects a type of stone, usually a granite or marble, and a design for that stone, the staff at Allen go to work.

Stones come in all shapes and sizes and vary in color and texture as well. It's the design that makes each one unique.

Before the stone can be cut or blasted, a full drawing of the design is made and then transferred onto a rubber stencil. That rubber stencil is precisely laid down on the stone itself and cut to

Jim Allen added, "This has been his life. It's hard to get away from it."

"It's a good business or I won't have stuck with it. I like the diversification of what I get to do. And I also enjoy the art end of it," said 32-year-old Scott Allen, the newest generation of Allen monument specialists.

He added, "We put out a durable product. There aren't too many things in this world that you can say will be around as long as these stones."

For him the monument business is an "investment in history," a final statement in someone's life.

Jim Allen, who has been a volunteer firefighter in Northville for 27 years and fire chief for more than 11 years, views his work as a true profession, "as much as the guy next door at the funeral home."

He added, "I'm not a sales person. I'm a memorial consultant. 'We've got the experience and expertise to help people. That's what we do best.'"

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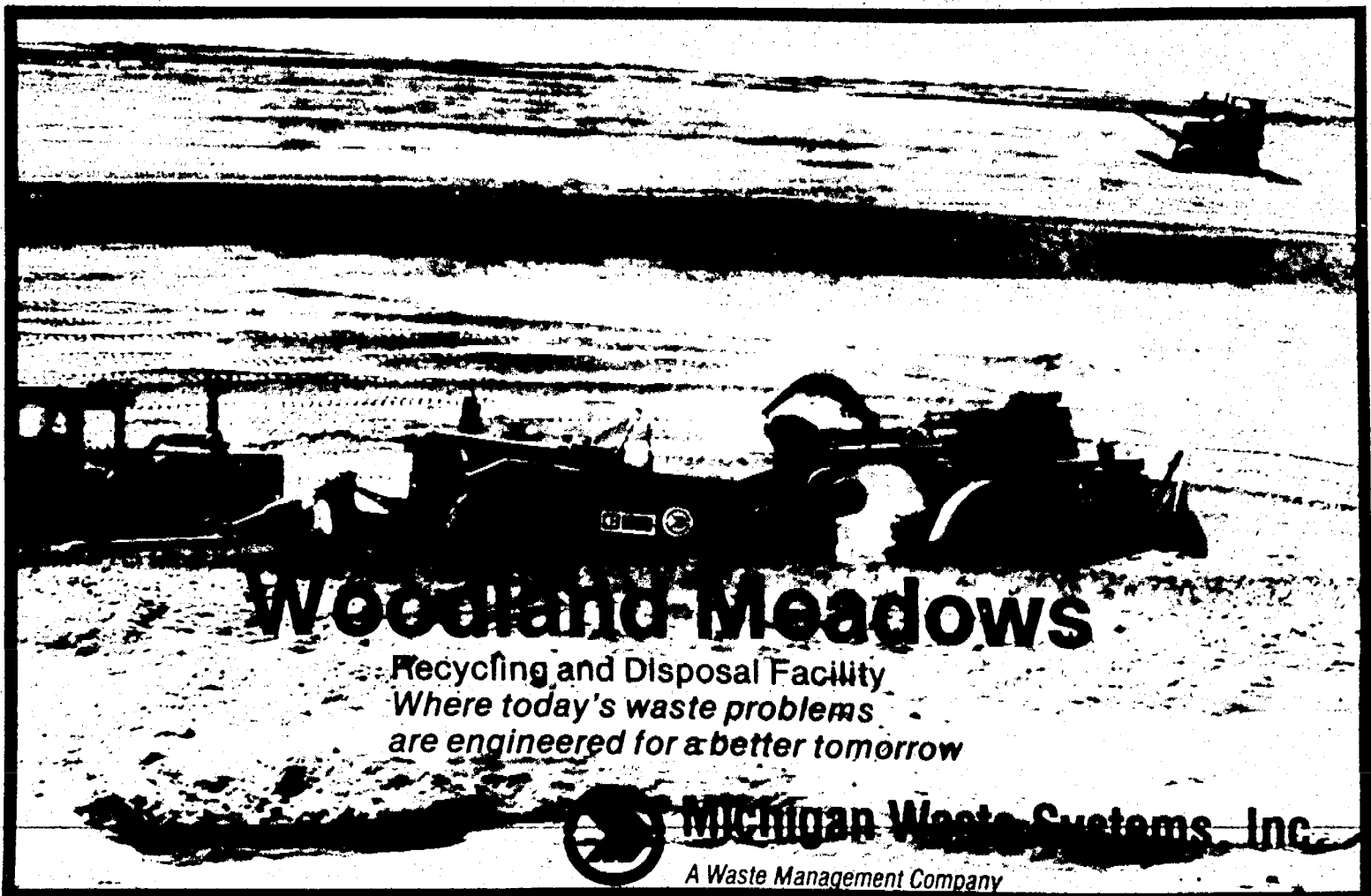
The stone is then locked into a sealed room where a sandblasting "gun" runs over it and polishes it. The gun removes the stone parts piece by piece, slowly revealing the design, by "blowing" just the area needed.

It's dusty, gritty work, but not as bad as it use to be, said Jim Allen. "We use to sandblast the stone by hand."

Nowadays the "gun" is set to sweep over the stone blasting away only at the exposed parts (the rubber stencil protects those parts of the stone which will not be cut).

Once the design is completed the stone is washed and cleaned up. The rubber stencils end up in the garbage.

"You can have it cut just about any way you want," said Allen. "A lot of it is in the design, not the stone itself."



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Community successfully weds b

BY CHERYL VATCHER

The marriage business in The Plymouth-Canton Community thrives, as many couples come in for both outfitting and the ceremony.

Just ask Magistrate Mary Childs. She was mayor of Plymouth from 1979 to 1981, and started marrying couples almost immediately.

Childs found marrying couples to be a pleasant task, especially since she has been married herself for 45 years to her husband Eric, who helps her out with the weddings.

"He takes care of the music for me and is a big help, because the music is a very important part of the ceremony," she said.

Childs is a magistrate with the 35th District Court, where she was appointed in 1988 to perform marriage ceremonies only. She is not paid by the court, nor does she charge for her marriage ceremonies.

Childs officiates over most of her weddings at the Gazebo on Farmer Street in Old Village. The gazebo -- a white, windowed balcony -- is surrounded by trees and shrubbery. Running the distance of this setting is a brick walkway. This is where the bridal procession takes place.

The gazebo accommodates approximately 16 guests and is where most of the weddings take place when the weather is good. In inclement weather, Childs ties the knot in the city commission chambers at Plymouth City Hall.

Childs marries couples in Plymouth, Plymouth Township, Northville and Canton. She'll also perform weddings in a couple's home.

Childs said she thinks it is important to incorporate religion into her ceremony, whichever denomination may apply.

"A lot of people don't have a church, she said. "I try to make it a nice ceremony."

For instance, if Childs knows that a couple is Catholic, she'll try to add a little statement to have the Catholic Church possibly bless the union at a later date.

Childs said she noticed some changing trends since she first started marrying couples.

One difference is a greater number of couples coming to a magistrate for their first marriage.

She's also noticed that many brides are older than their groom. Childs feels that there has been a definite increase in weddings in Plymouth, though she doesn't have statistics available.

She attributes some of the increase to an influx of couples from outside of Plymouth, and even from Canada.

The most popular time of the year to get married is in June, Childs said, adding that on June 30 she performed 11 weddings.

Childs said she allocates about an hour for the ceremony, paperwork and enough picture-taking to satisfy the bride and groom.

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Elizabeth Clancy and Alan Brown, owners of Elizabeth's Bridal Manor, operate their business in a 100-year-old house in Northville. (Crier photo by Phillip Tardani).



Danny Harding and Doreen Oberndorf, both of gazebo in Plymouth's Old Village on Farmer Street, 35th District Court in 1988. (Crier photo by Phillip Tardani).

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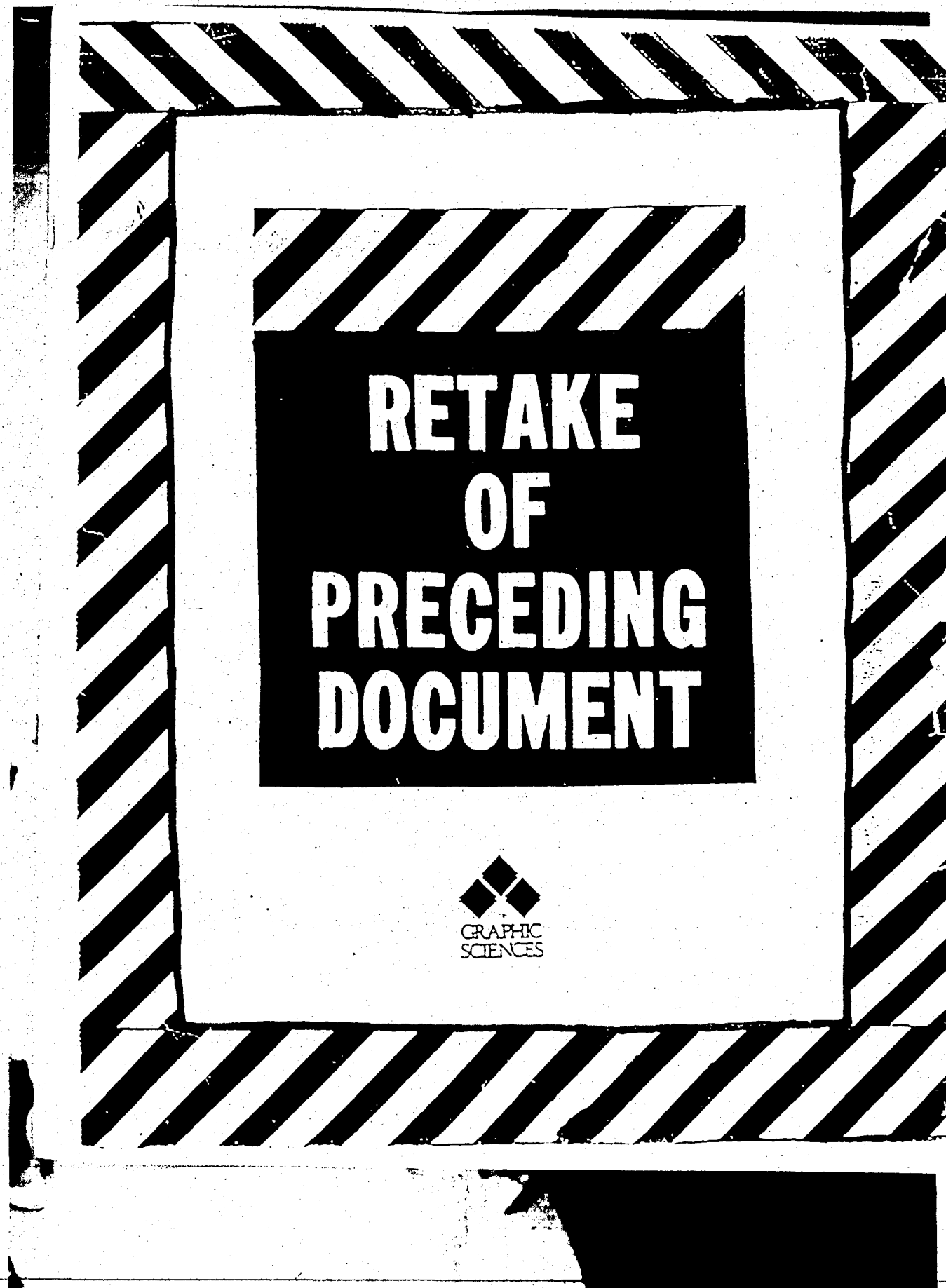
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Community successfully weds business and marriage

BY CHERYL VATCHER

The marriage business in The Plymouth-Canton Community thrives, as many couples come in for both outfitting and the ceremony.

Just ask Magistrate Mary Childs. She was mayor of Plymouth from 1979 to 1981, and started marrying couples almost immediately.

Childs found marrying couples to be a pleasant task, especially since she has been married herself for 45 years to her husband Eric, who helps her out with the weddings.

"He takes care of the music for me and is a big help, because the music is a very important part of the ceremony," she said.

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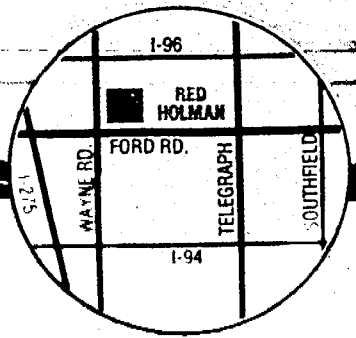
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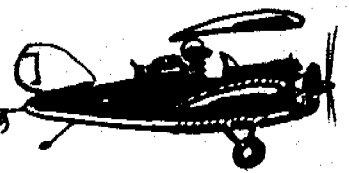
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1990 Fall Festival Schedule of Events September 6, 7, 8, 9

THURSDAY, SEPT. 6th

- IN GATHERING - B.P.W. Bingo
Bingo Play Starts 6:30-9:45
- MAIN MEAL:
Veal Parmesan Dinner
Served by Ply. Salvation Army
Sponsored by K of C
Starts 11AM thru Supper
- Discount For Seniors -
5:30 Johnny Chase and his
Magic Music Sounds
6:30 Opening Ceremonies/
Beautification Awards
7:00 Canton Seniors' Kitchen Band
8:00 Plymouth Community Band

FRIDAY, SEPT. 7th

- In The Gathering:
- MAIN MEAL: Spare Ribs
Served by K of C
Starts at Noon thru Supper
5:00 Downriver Dulcimers
6:00 Innovation - Band

SATURDAY, SEPT. 8th

- In The Gathering:
- Pancakes & Sausage
Served by Ply. Kiwanis
Starts 7:00am - 1:00pm
- In The Gathering:
- Steak Dinner
Served by K of C
Starts 3:00 thru Supper
Noon Twisty the Fun Clown
1:00 Polish Centennial Dancers
2:00 Just Me and The Boys
(Bluegrass Band)
3:00 "Scheer" Majic
3:30 The O'Hare Irish Step Dancers
4:30 Band - Step Aside
6:30 Polish Centennial Dancers
7:30 Johnny Trudell Orchestra

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SUNDAY, SEPT. 9th

- In The Gathering:
- Chicken Bar-B-Q
Served by Plymouth Rotary
Starts 11am thru Supper
8:30 Church Service of
Music and Praise
Noon Plymouth Salem Rockettes
12:30 The Step-Brothers
1:00 Sidekicks - Sweet Adelines
1:30 Plymouth Theater Guild
Presentation
2:30 The Reason (Gospel Singers)
3:00 Plymouth Community Chorus
4:00 CEP Marching Band
4:30 Plymouth Canton Chieftes
5:00 Plymouth Fife & Drum Corp
5:30 Festival Closes

Other Plymouth Fall Festival Events

- The Plymouth Community Arts Council will be sponsoring its Annual Artists & Craftsmen Show at Central Middle School!
Sat. 10:00 - 7pm
Sun. Noon - 5pm
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- The Plymouth Symphony League will be sponsoring The Annual Antique Mart at the Plymouth Cultural Center
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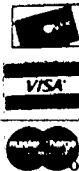
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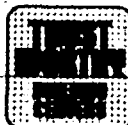
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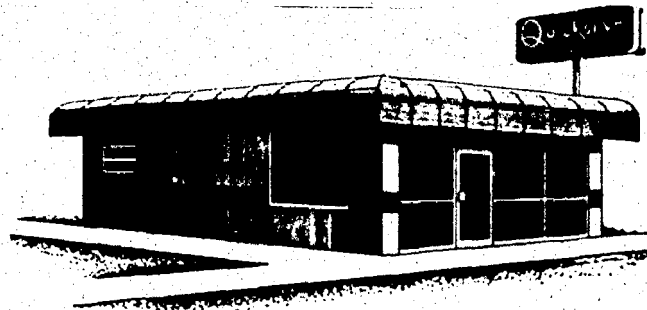


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"It's huge."

That's the way developer Robert A. DeMattia described the new \$2 billion Huntington Falls project slated for Wayne County land in Northville Township.

"It's the biggest thing that's ever happened around here," DeMattia continued.

Michael Horowitz president of The Selective Group and a Huntington Falls partner, said the project is "one of a kind in the state."

"Nobody in Michigan has done anything on this scale," he said.

DeMattia and Horowitz are not exaggerating. The 933-acre Huntington Falls site will sport dozens of buildings, as well as a golf course, equestrian facility, and even an outdoor amphitheater and waterfall.

There will be single and multiple-family homes, light industrial facilities and office buildings on the parcel between Five and Six Mile Roads and extending east from Beck Road across Sheldon to Hines Drive.

For DeMattia, Huntington Falls managing general partner, the 11-year project is a personal triumph he has planned for a long time.

"Back in 1978 I was looking for a place to put a mark in metropolitan Southeast Michigan," he said. "Many people have tried to do things here and they all failed."

Three hundred and fifty acres of the project are designated for residential dwellings, according to Gary Roberts, vice president of development operations at DeMattia.

The majority of them will be single family homes, he said, with a small percentage of multiple family dwellings, including elderly care facilities.

Residents of Huntington Falls will be surrounded by quite a landscape, and won't have far to go to have fun.

Nearly one-third of the site is designated for recreational use, DeMattia said. This includes an 18-hole golf course, club and athletic facilities, and stables and horesback riding trails.

The golf course -- private, but open to the public -- is being designed by former PGA pro Lee Trevino and his design firm. The front nine and back of the course will originate from an aqua drving range where linksters can aim for one of three islands.

In addition to clubhouse amenities such as a grill, pro shop and locker rooms, a full line health club will be attached to the facility.

This will emphasize health and recreation, Roberts said, including tennis, raquetball, a nautilas, an indoor pool and aerobic exercise rooms.

East of Sheldon Road, a horseback riding center will go up, with white-fenced corral areas and a riding ring that will lend the site an aura "like Lexington KY," according to Roberts.

Riding trails will run east of the site, giving riders access to several more miles of trails along Hines Drive.

Horseback riding will be a "year-round" option, Roberts said, and the golf course pond and jogging trail throughout the site will give residents a chance to ice skate and cross-country ski.

"The recreational aspects of this project have been selected to provide year-round amenities," Roberts said.

A water course running through the golf course will culminate in the "focal point" of the entire site -- "the falls," according to DeMattia.

Flowing on its easterly course, the water will cascade down several steps. The falls will be surrounded by an outdoor amphitheater of office and specialty retail uses.

Though DeMattia said he "doesn't view Huntington Falls as a large retail complex," there will be a variety of retail services available.

So many, in fact that "in theory residents will never have to leave," according to Horowitz.

Roberts said a bank, convenience food and drug store, and specialty shops are being contemplated for the amphitheater, which will itself be an architectural and public focal point.

Horowitz said the recreational aspects of Huntington Falls were designed to comply with what the resident wants.

"All literature and research says that this is the life-style of the '90s," he said.

The environment at Huntington Falls will make it more than just a place to live, Horowitz said.

"Our company believes in creating communities, not just building houses," he said.

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Huntington Falls!

Story by Philip Tardani

And just what sort of people will live in the Huntington Falls community?

"The Northville and Plymouth communities are already upscale communities and we plan on continuing that," Horowitz said. "One of the features of this piece of property is that it is in a very mature place (in terms of marketplace) already."

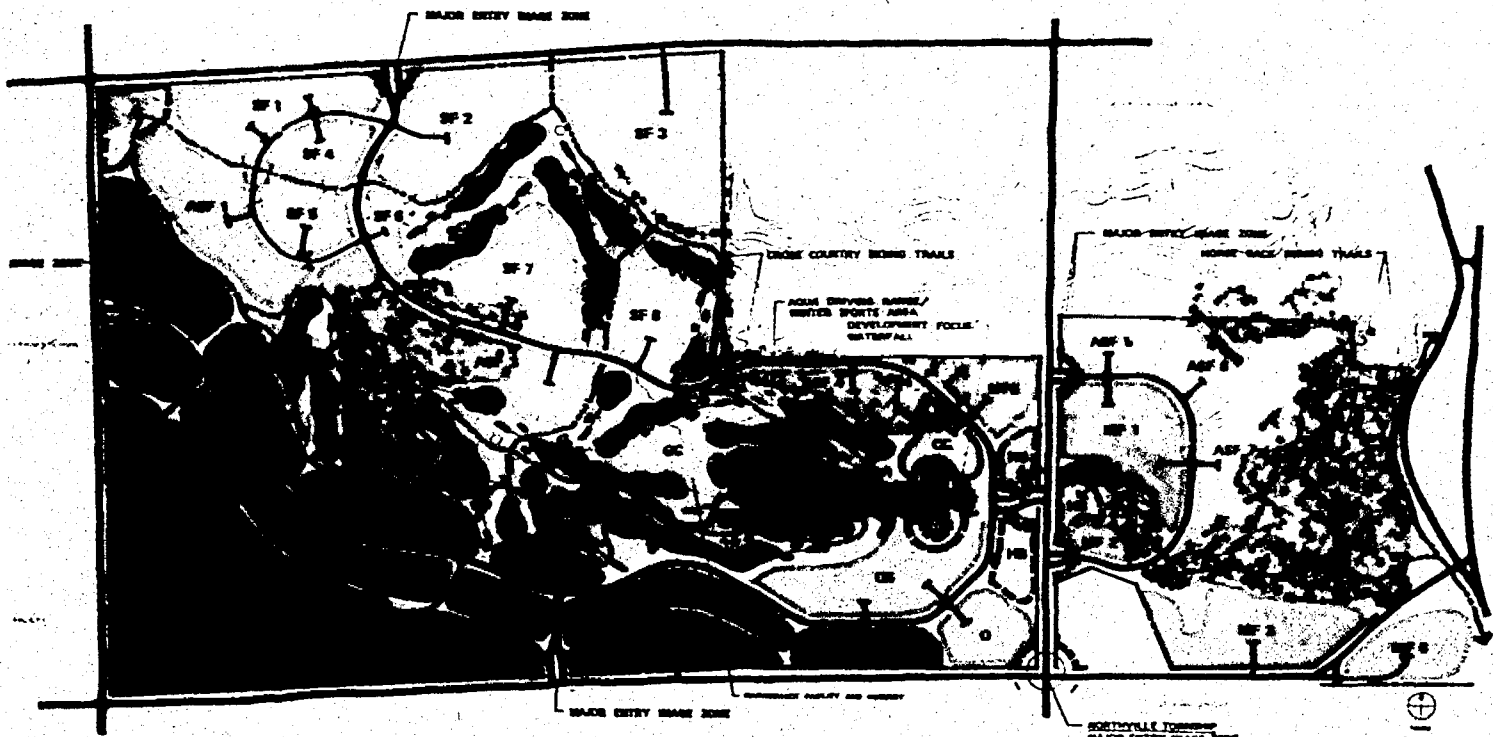
DeMattia agreed, saying that the Huntington Falls neighborhood will be "complementary to the surrounding community."

The site will feature three types of residential units: single-family homes, condominiums, and multi-family homes, including elderly multi-family.

Many of the projects single- and multi-family homes will be built on the spectacular "ruins" of the old Wayne County Training School.

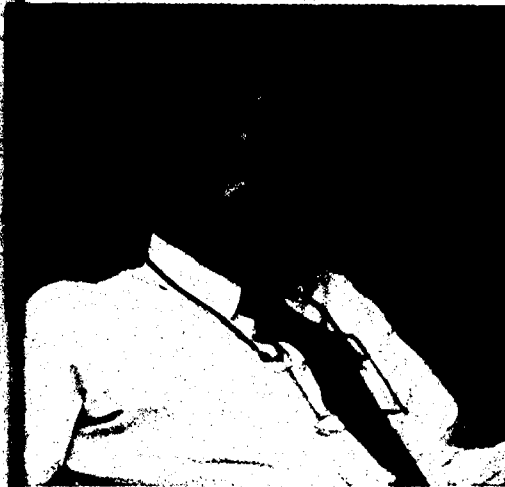
The school was opened in 1926, according to county historian John Stewart, who said that at that time it was a state of art facility for dealing with the disabled.

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The concept plan for Huntington Falls, between Five and Six Mile Roads, extending east from Beck Road to Hines Drive. Yellow and orange denote single and multiple family home and office service space. The blue areas are designated for research and development and light industrial use. Dashed

brown lines mark the site of jogging and cross-country skiing trails; those east of Sheldon are horseback riding trails. Note the golf course and ponds in the center of the parcel.



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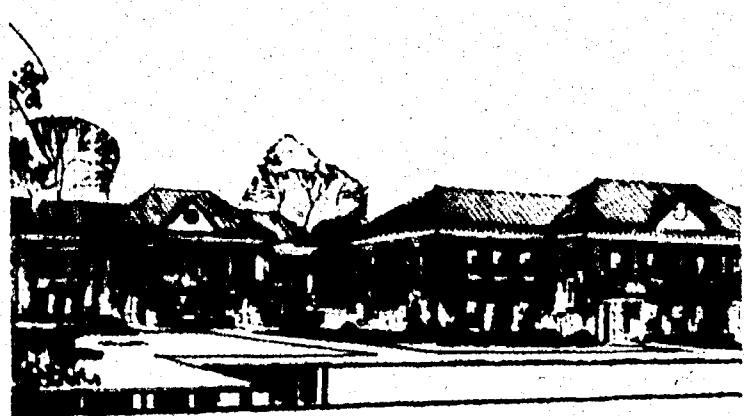
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The past and the future. Left, a building from the old Wayne County Training school stands empty and unused. Right, a rendering of some



condominiums going up east of Sheldon Road. The left building will be a renovated existing structure. (Crier photo by Philip Tardani)

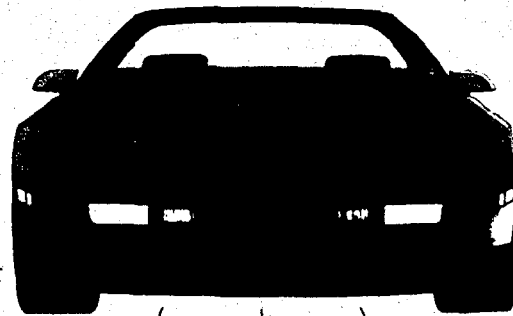
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An aerial photograph of the Huntington Falls parcel in Northville Township. The development will encompass the area in this photo east from Beck Road to Edward Hines Drive, north of Five Mile Road up to Six Mile.

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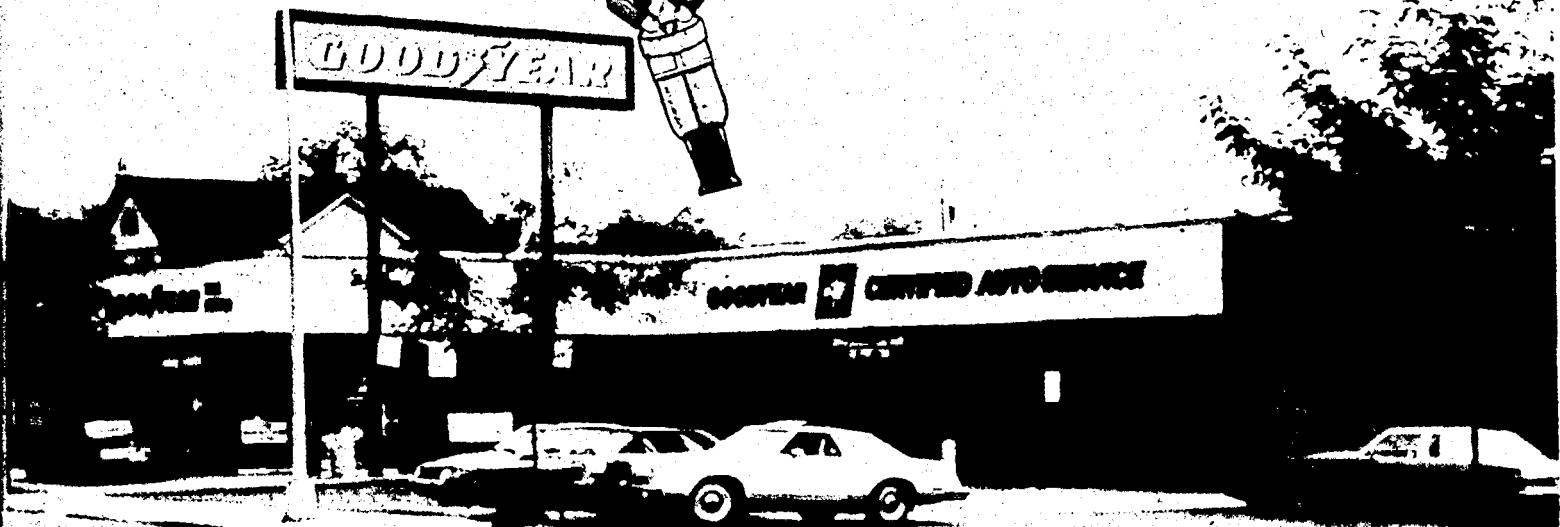
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"The complex itself was used for the training of handicapped and retarded children," Stewart said. "Wayne County in general had a reputation of being very progressive at that time."

The center was completely self-sufficient, he said, and included a hydro plant powered by the Rouge River.

The county opened the facility at the Five Mile and Sheldon site because of the rural setting, Stewart said.

"It was supposed to be a nice rural setting in the woods," he said. "It was a common belief that lots of sunshine and nature really had beneficial effects."

Over the years, however, Stewart said, the center lost much of its progressive reputation.

"It went from being a training place to a juvenile youth home," he said. "It became more like a prison in later years for juvenile delinquents."

The center was closed in the early 1970s, and vandals looted many of the brown brick buildings, smashing out windows.

The buildings themselves are sound however, and Roberts said he will try and preserve some of the brick and masonry work in the new Huntington Falls residential buildings.

All structures on the west side of Sheldon Road, however, will be demolished. Many of those structures were part of a state facility for the developmentally disabled that closed its doors in 1984, according to Larry Vandesende, of the state department of health.

Huntington Falls will also house 250 acres of research and development and light industrial use.

The research and development buildings will be low scale, Roberts said, not exceeding 30 feet in height.

The light industrial facilities will be located near the corner of Keer Street and Five Mile Road, making them ideal for warehousing, light manufacturing and distribution, he said.

Both the research and development and light industrial areas will be similar in character and design to the Metro West Technology Park located just south of the Huntington Falls site, Roberts said.

Joining DeMattia's company and The Selective Group as "players" in the Huntington Falls project is the company ASC, Inc. and its chief executive Heinz C. Prechter.

In all, there are 14 partners and "key members" in the group, with expertises in property management, civil engineering, governmental affairs and environmental science.

The Huntington Falls proposal was selected in a bidding process that accepted applications from major developers throughout the nation.

"We were amazed about the fairness and the thoroughness of the bidding process," DeMattia said.

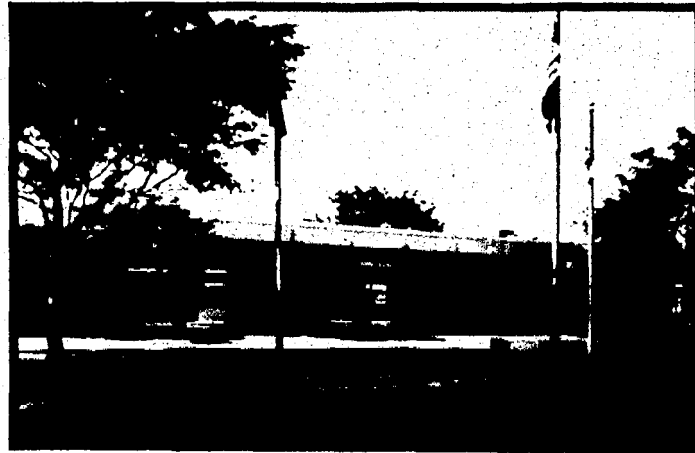
Roberts said the first Huntington Falls bid was submitted in 1985. The county, however, rejected all bids the first time around, he added.

The second bid was entered in 1989; it was accepted for serious consideration along with about 16 other bids from throughout the country, Roberts said.

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'Falls' could see completion by 2000

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The county accepted four of those and sent them to an accounting firm for analysis. After that, two were left. DeMattia described the outcome of that situation very simply.

"There was one winner and one loser," he said.

Horowitz said the county was looking for and got "the most qualified, most capable" developers and "the ones who paid the most."

Project schedules call for final planning and zoning approvals to be completed by 1991. Beginning in that year, construction is scheduled to begin.

Roberts estimates that the commercial facilities in Huntington Falls will employ over 2,000 people. There will also be "thousands" of jobs for contractors and sub-contractors working on construction, he estimates.

It should take about 10 years for the project to be completed, Roberts said.

Horowitz, however, is more optimistic the sites will be sold and built before that.

"We're saying 10 years, but given a good, solid economy, we will sell out a lot more quickly than that," he said.

History of Huntington

The Huntington Falls project in Northville Township will cover 933 acres of former Wayne County land, including the site of the old County Training School, which has been vacant for years.

Below is a brief chronology of what the land near the intersection of Five Mile and Beck has been used as. It extends into the future.

- 1921--Wayne County voters approve a \$1 million bond proposal to build a school for "feeble-minded" children. The county purchases a 1,000-acre site near the corner of what are now Five Mile and Sheldon Roads.

- 1924--An additional \$1 million is approved for the project and construction begins.

- 1926--The first students move into the school. According to county historian John Stewart, the students were handicapped and retarded children who received training in domestic work and sewing, among other things.

- 1930--By this time over 700 children had been admitted to the institution.

- 1940s-60s--Over the years the center -- at one time a state of the art facility for training developmentally disabled -- becomes "more like a prison" for juvenile delinquents, according to Stewart.

- Early 1970s--The Wayne County Training School is closed down. The buildings on the site, numbering over 30, are vandalized.

- 1977--Developer Robert DeMattia launches the R.A. DeMattia Company. DeMattia, who lives less than half a mile from the Huntington Falls site, sees it as a place to "make a mark" with an extensive development.

- 1985--Wayne County accepts bids for the property; all are rejected, however.

- 1989--New bids are taken from major developers from throughout the nation. The Huntington Falls proposal is selected.

- 1990--Final planning and design, civil engineering and an environmental analysis are completed. The rezoning process is begun.

- 1991-93--Golf course, equestrian facilities and 119 acres of residential housing are completed, as well as some office service and research and development facilities.

- 1994-95--Infrastructure on the project completed.

- 1997-99--Residential and research and development facilities completed.

- 2000--Huntington Falls project completed.

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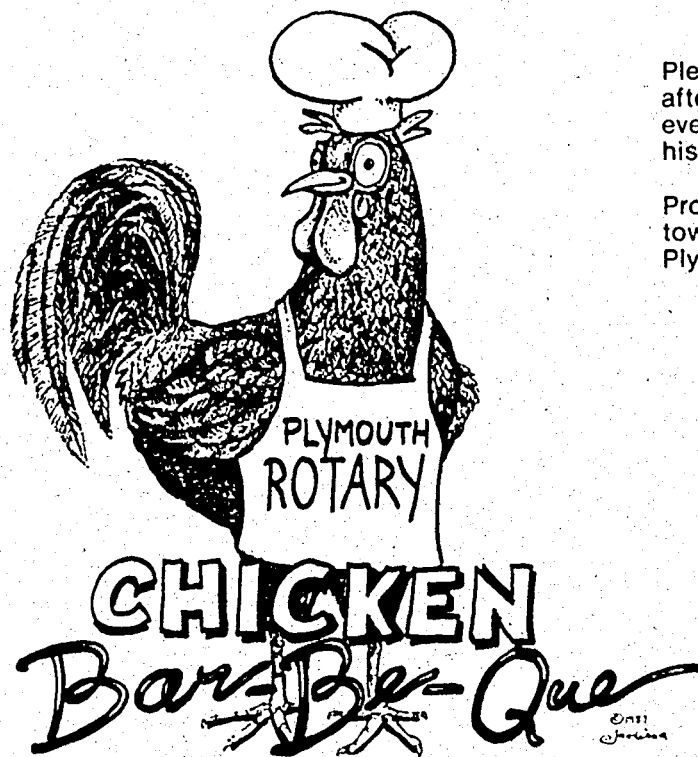
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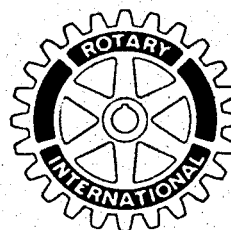
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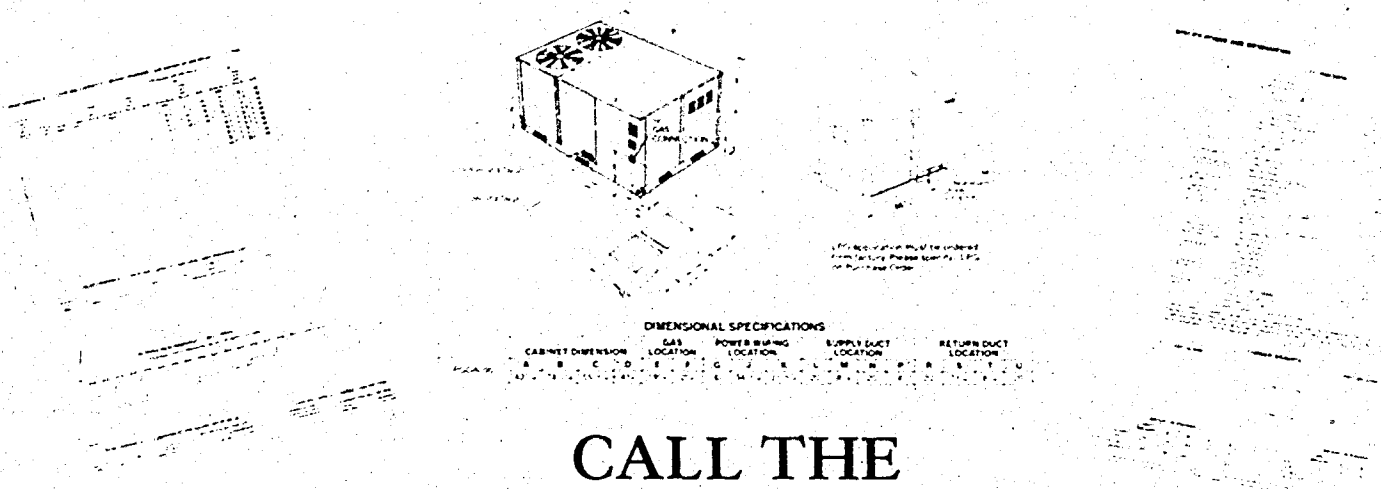
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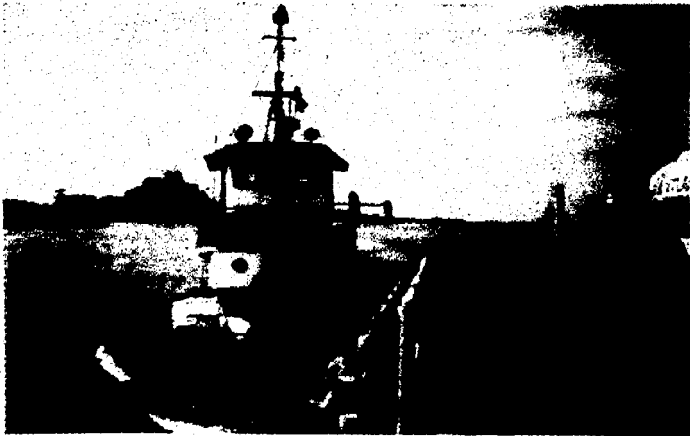


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Barge traffic on the Detroit River. (Crier photo by Kelly Sauter-Dobson)

Don't put all your eggs in one basket.

That's an adage the Plymouth-Canton-Northville commercial community has followed since its beginning in the 1800s.

The word is diversity, from agriculture and upscale-retail to high tech industry and warehousing.

Industry in Plymouth-Canton-Northville got its start around 1830 when the area was settled by farmers. Agriculture is still a viable way to make a living as long-time farmer Duane Bordine can attest to. (See photo story on pages 60 and 61)

With farming came the growth of the milling business, which was a mainstay here for many years attracting farmers and customers from what is now Livonia, Redford and Dearborn.

In the late 1800s, Plymouth became the hub of a vast railroad network. This brought jobs and people to Northville and Salem as well, and fueled the rise of downtown commerce in Plymouth and Northville. (See page I&C 6 for a profile of several shops in Old Village, the original trade center for the railroad depot.)

Manufacturing diversity began when the windmill companies started selling air rifles Plymouth, followed by Henry Ford, who used the old mill locations for cottage industry auto production.

High tech in the area got its start in Plymouth-Canton-Northville with the Burroughs Company on Plymouth Road, now Unisys.

High tech is also found at Ford Motor's climate control plant in Plymouth Township, which employs 1,400 workers (See cover).

See page I&C 54 for a story about Novo Lights, a business that concentrates on new lighting technology.

Today, commercial and industrial diversity in Plymouth-Canton-Northville even includes everything from weddings (page I&C 30) to the funeral business (page I&C 21).

By spreading the commercial base around a multitude of categories, industry in Plymouth-Canton-Northville plans to continue growing strong into the next century.



On the assembly line at Fords Sheldon Road plant. (Crier photo by Kelly Sauter-Dobson)



Medical technology at Oakwood Canton Health Center. (Crier photo by Rob VanFleet)



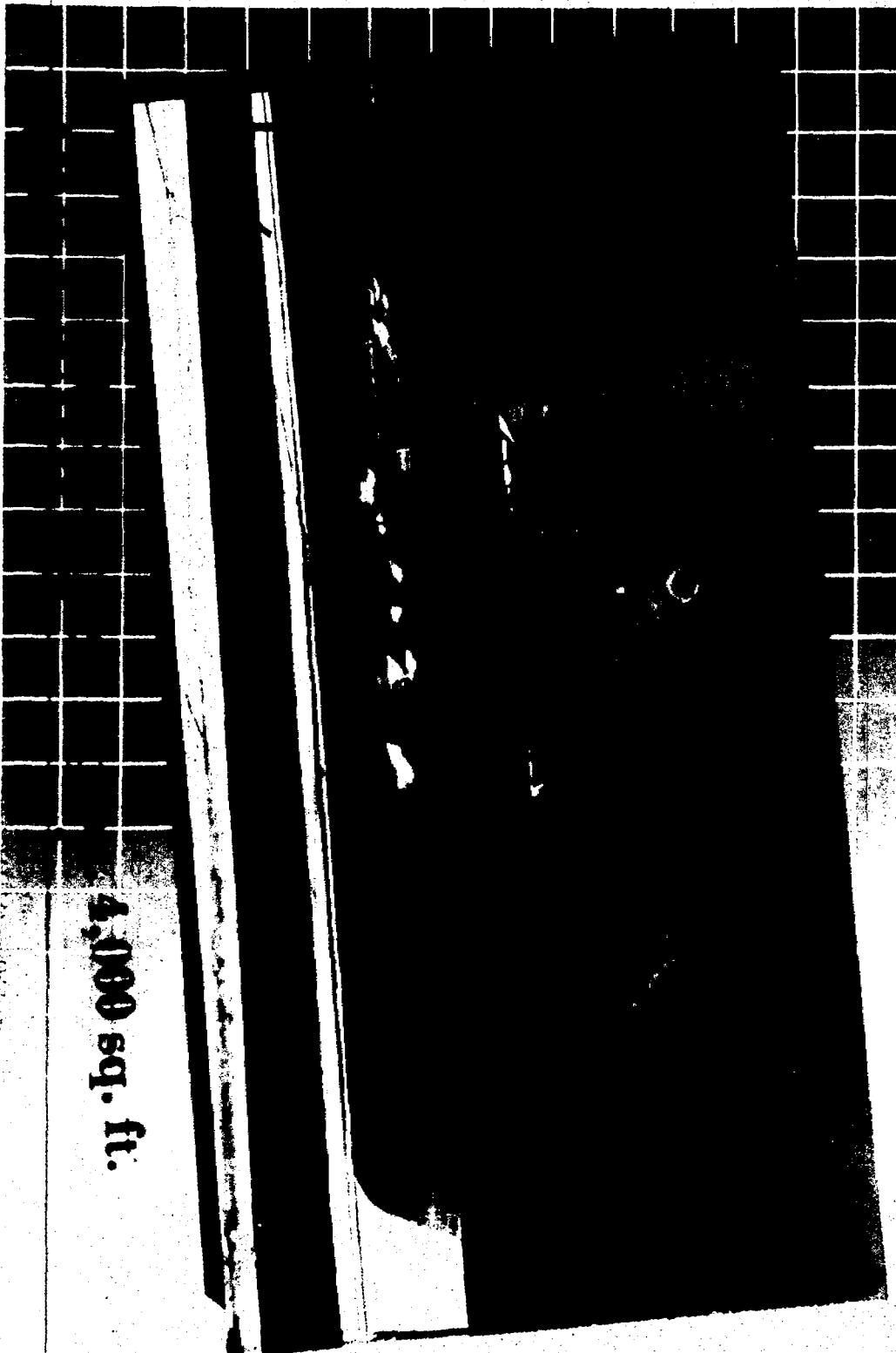
Duane Bordine on his Canton farm. (Crier photo by Kelly Sauter-Dobson)

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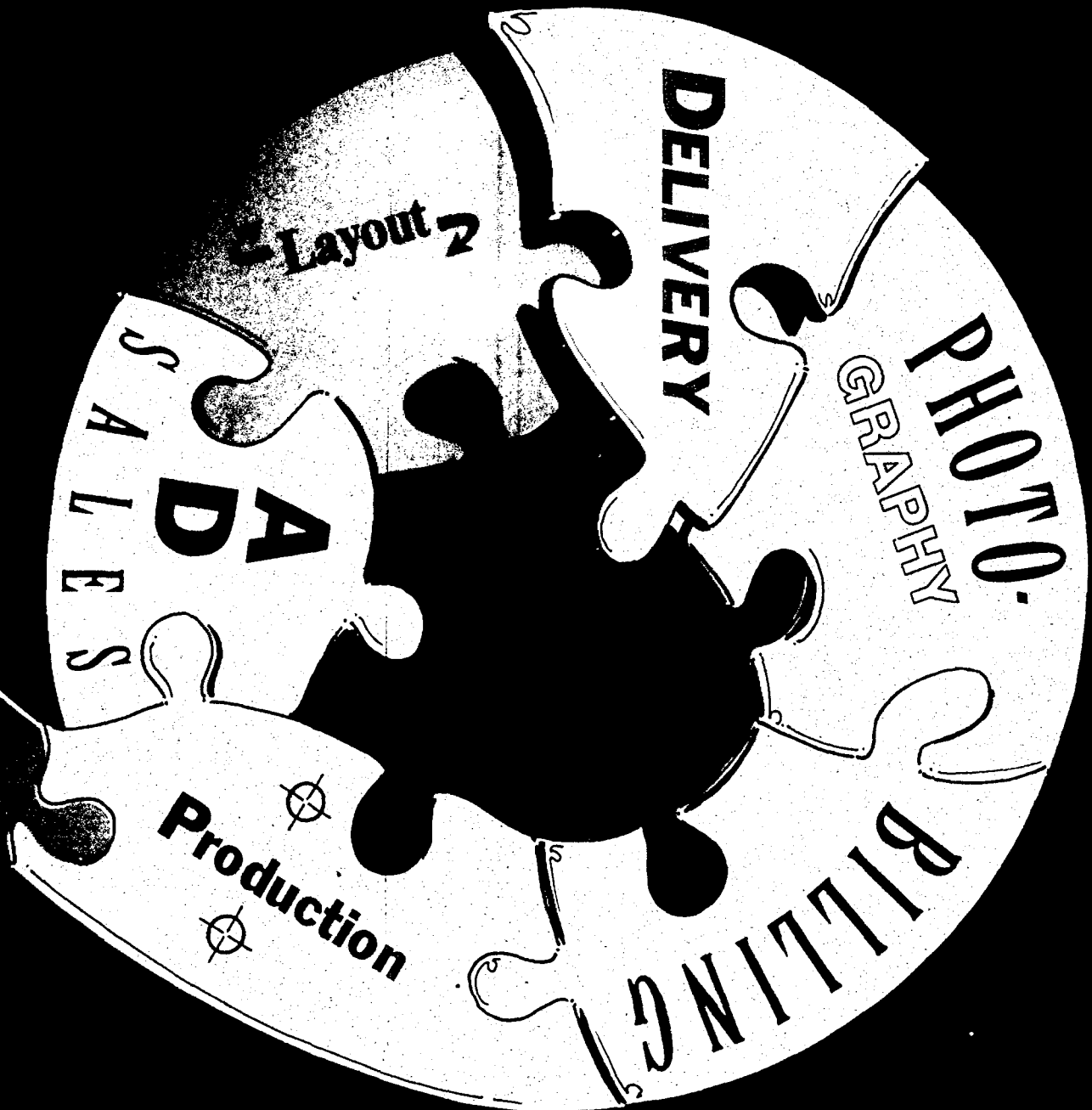
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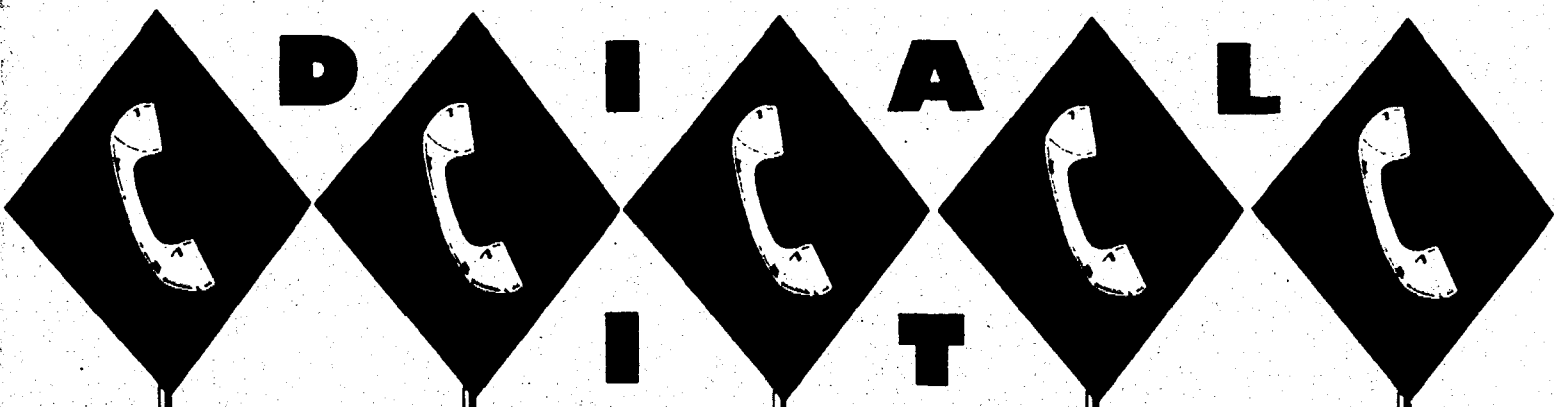


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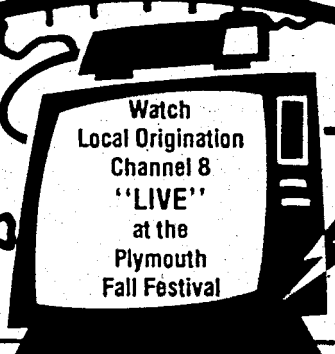
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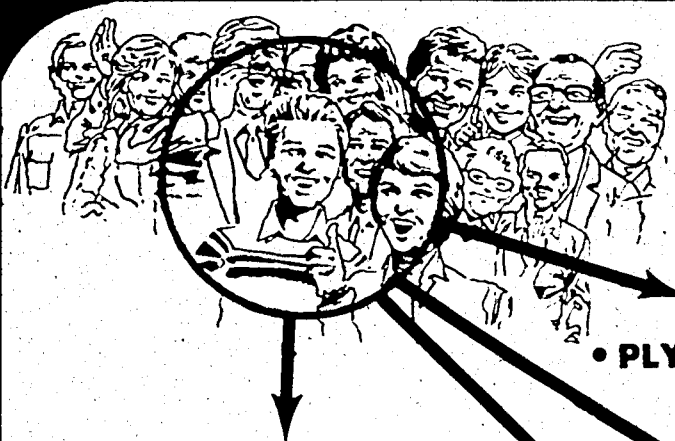
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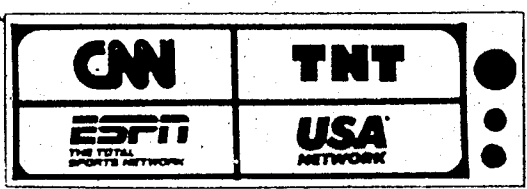
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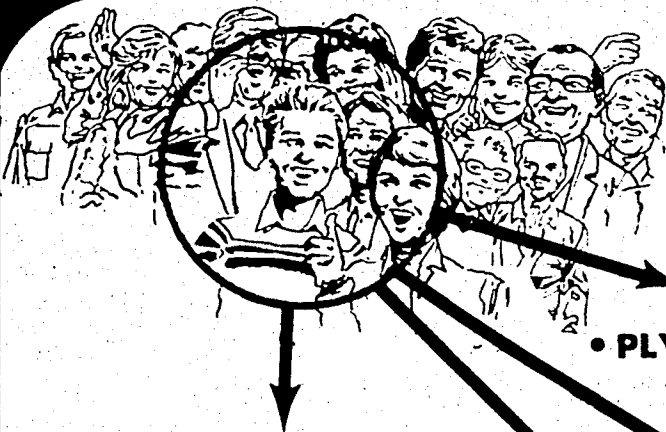
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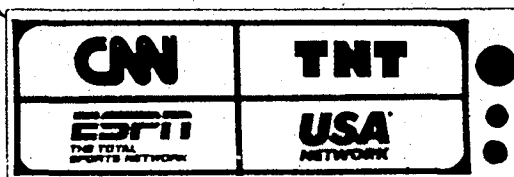
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Don Gaines, of Novo Products, holds a stuffed animal burned by a child's night-light. Gaines is worried that one of the devices could start a fire. (Crier photo by Kelly Sauter-Dobson)

Plymouth company breaks ground An idea lights the night

BY ANNE SULLIVAN

It was an idea he couldn't sell that launched Don Gaines, president of Novo Products of Plymouth, into consumer electronics manufacturing in 1974.

Gaines was sitting at the dinner table with his family, and as it became dark, he got up to turn on a light. When he returned, he remarked that he thought it would be nice if the lights turned on automatically.

"My wife Sally and my son Don thought I was crazy," Gaines said.

"When I had an idea I couldn't sell, I decided I'd have to make it," he added. "I knew I could do it technically and I figured I might as well work here (now Novo Products) as for someone else."

Gaines, who has a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering, has worked in many capacities of the engineering profession.

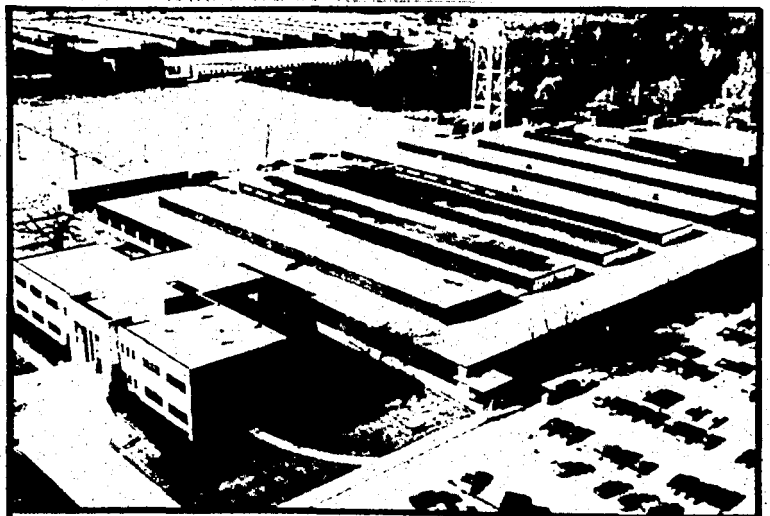
One year after the initial idea, Gaines and a high school co-op student, Todd Piatt, designed a night light that would shut off when the temperature exceeded safety limits, and patented it. "It took us one year, and most of the work was done by hand to get the first 600 out the door in early 1975," Gaines said.

The business started in Gaines' Farmington Hills basement. At the start, he only worked part time at Novo. For 12 years he has

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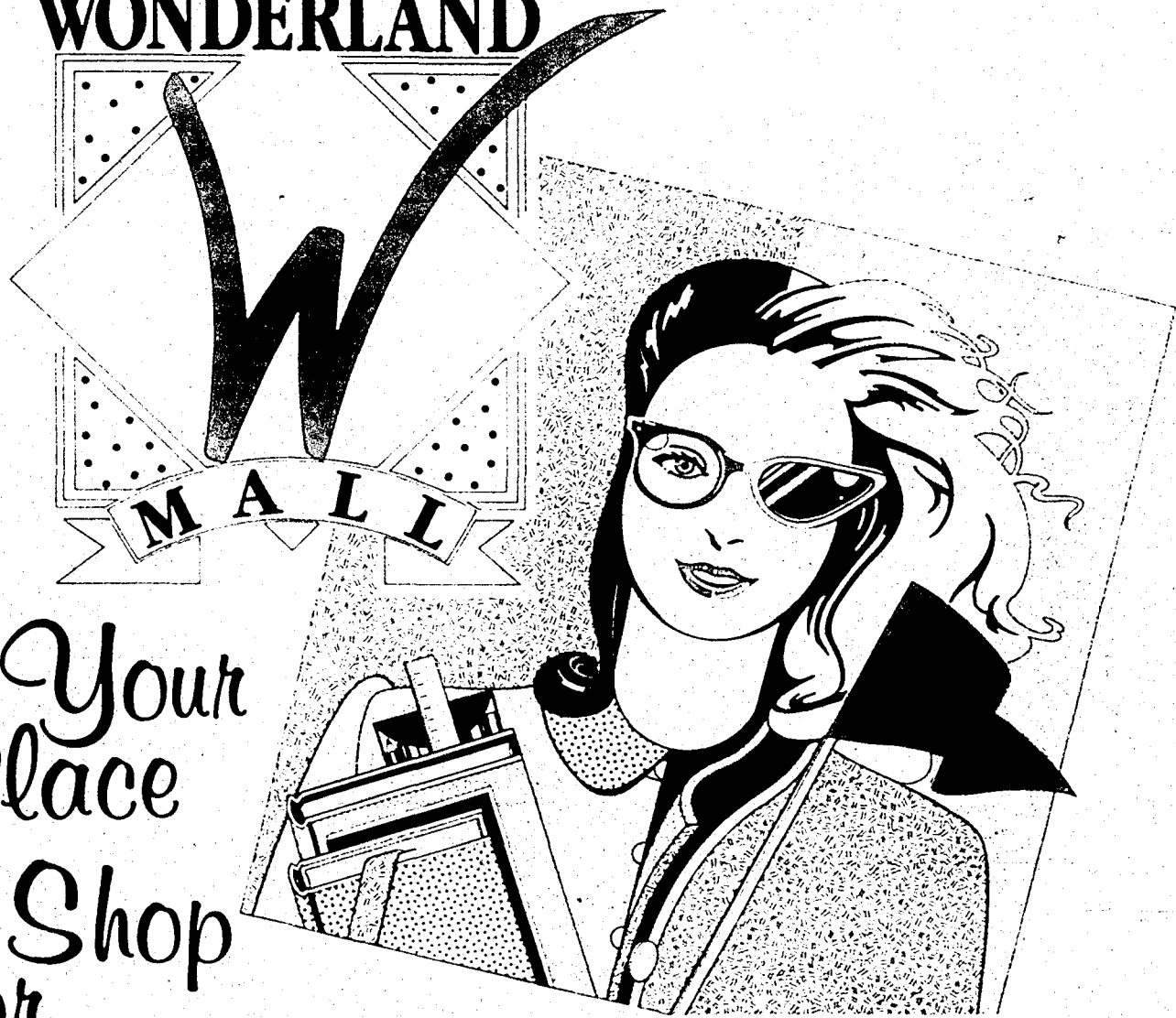


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been at the job full time and serves as company president. During its 16-year history, Novo Products has grown and moved into larger facilities. Four years ago, Gaines moved the operation to its current location on Irvin Street.

Novo Products is the only night light manufacturer in the United States.

"When I started in the business there were 20 manufacturers," he said. "Now they have moved (overseas)." Gaines employs 15 workers, mostly office personnel, and eight to 10 independent contractors.

All of the manufacturing is done on-site in Plymouth. Much of the machinery runs automatically. The parts are then assembled in a "cottage industry," which Gaines explains as an assembly sent to the homes of independent contractors who are paid by the piece to assemble the night lights.

"We send the pieces to the homes of people who cannot easily leave their houses for employment," Gaines said. "The night light market is a \$40 million industry. We're just a pip-squeak compared to the big ones like GE."

Not all night lights have this shut off safety feature built in. "It costs a half cent to add this feature to the light," said Gaines. "Other manufacturers are not interested and that disappoints me."

Night light bulb wattage varies from 3.5-watts to 10-watts, according to Gaines. He said most night lights were 7-watt bulbs before manufacturers switched to 4-watt bulbs. "These (4-watt bulbs) just take longer (for) the temperature to heat up to a dangerous level. The bottom line is it's not a benefit at all," said Gaines.

The idea of putting a warning label on a package does not appeal to Gaines. His concern is geared toward hazards to young children who accidentally cover a night light, and he says they don't purchase the product or read warning labels. He also wants the products manufactured to protect against possible accidents.

The main attraction of the Novo Automatic night light is that it will shut off automatically if the temperature exceeds 250 degrees, and it turns back on when the temperature cools to a safe level, according to Gaines. When purchasing a night light for your home, if the "no fire" symbol appears on the package, it is a temperature controlled night light that will shut off when the temperature is too high.

Gaines was unable to protect the patent for this feature because of the costs involved in defending a patent. In order to get the feature on the market, Novo Products has agreed to license any manufacturer to use the feature. Profits from the patented features will be used to cover license fees, education of Novo Products employees, and will be set up in a trust fund for charity, mostly for burn centers. That trust will be administered by Novo Products.

Gaines is very much concerned with customer safety. He is gathering information on night light hazards for the Consumer Safety Commission, Underwriter Laboratories (UL), and the Canadian Standards Association (CSA), the equivalent of UL in Canada.

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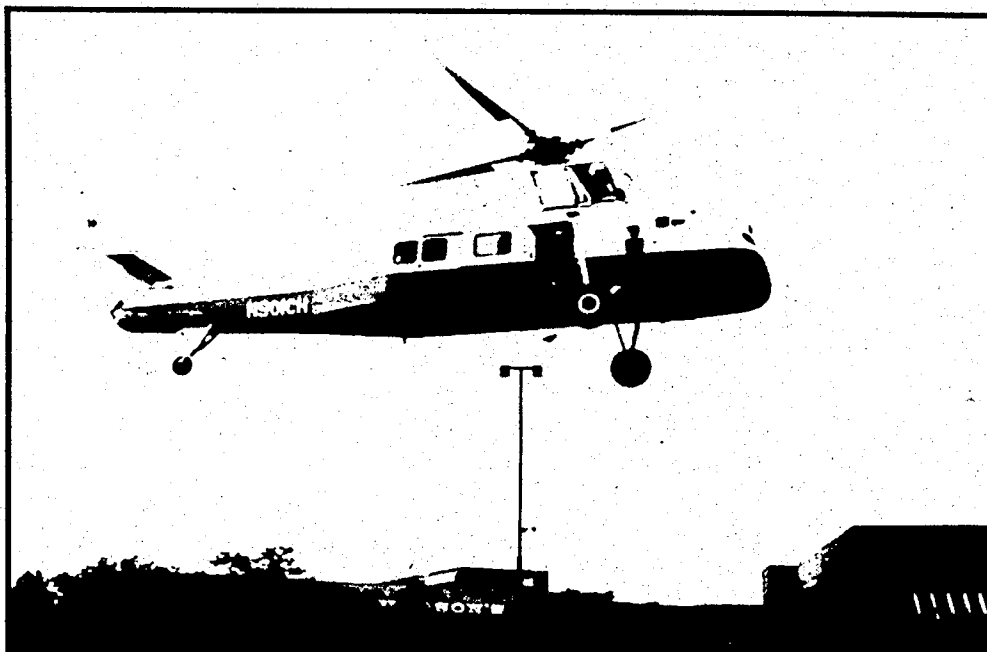
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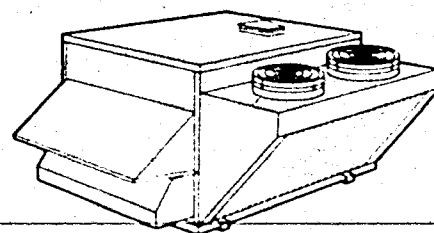


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Gaines fights to safely light nights

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Safety measures are taken with other models of Novo night lights. The wattage for other non-automatic night lights is very low, including a one-third watt bulb, which will burn for 30,000 hours and, according to Gaines, never get hot enough to cause a fire.

Gaines wants to see an end to unsafe night lights. He has copies of reports from the U.S. government which state many hazards have occurred, including homes and apartments burning because of faulty night lights, and three children killed in two fires caused by malfunctioning, misfunctioning or misused night lights.

Gaines points out that it is not always faulty materials that cause the problems. He says filaments can get damaged in shipping the product, or dropping it at home, and if night lights aren't used properly and sometimes they just get too hot and melt in the wall plug.

He related a story about a customer who wrote him saying that a child covered a night light with a sheet and blanket and both covers burned. The parents smelled smoke, investigated and found the smoldering covers. It was a case of improper use of the light. The plastic protector screen was against the wall, to emit more light, a common mistake often made by parents to provide more light in a child's room.

In his office, Gaines also has a burned stuffed animal. The toy had fallen on top of a 7-watt night light, he said, and it burned. In this case too, the owners smelled smoke and prevented a fire.

He cautions that if the covers were kicked off in the middle of the night, or if a stuffed toy fell off a bed, on top of a night light when everyone was asleep, these incidents may not have had the same outcome.

In addition to night lights, Novo Products also makes a "Smart Socket," which will convert a 100-watt light bulb into a 3-way bulb. According to Gaines, the socket would eliminate the need for expensive 3-way bulbs.

"I have them all over my house," said Gaines. "They last a long time and they give out more light because they run on one filament rather than two. I can't get any retailers in this area to sell them because of the (potential) loss of bulb sales."

Gaines has also designed a boot dryer which does not use heat. It circulates room air and blows it through four long tubes where boots, shoes, etc., can rest, and takes about two hours to work. Gaines said it is better than sitting boots on the heat register to dry since it will not damage leather.

Gaines' safety measures are not just limited to night lights that he sells. He also has concerns for the environment. He recycles the plastics used at Novo Products.

When Gaines receives shipments of his supplies in cardboard boxes, he recycles the boxes to create the cards that hold Novo products. He prints his own cards to mount the products and blister coats (plastic bubbles that hold the product on the card) for retail sales.

Even the ink is made in Michigan from soybean oil and contains no petroleum. The cards are not plastic coated, like other night light manufacturers, and therefore degrade much easier.

Gaines is currently trying to gather data regarding night light problems to be used by the UL and CSA. He will send a free night light to anyone who writes to him and phones regarding a problem they have experienced with a night light.

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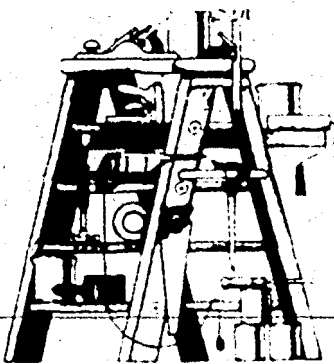
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hand-pick approximately 20,000 ears of sweet corn, according to local farmer Duane Bordine.

A day down on the farm

Canton's disappearing fields



At about 9 a.m. all the corn is picked for the day. Workers catch their breath before getting the corn ready for sale.



Sawoscinski and Bordine put the corn in burlap bags. The corn is sold in Canton, Plymouth and Livonia.

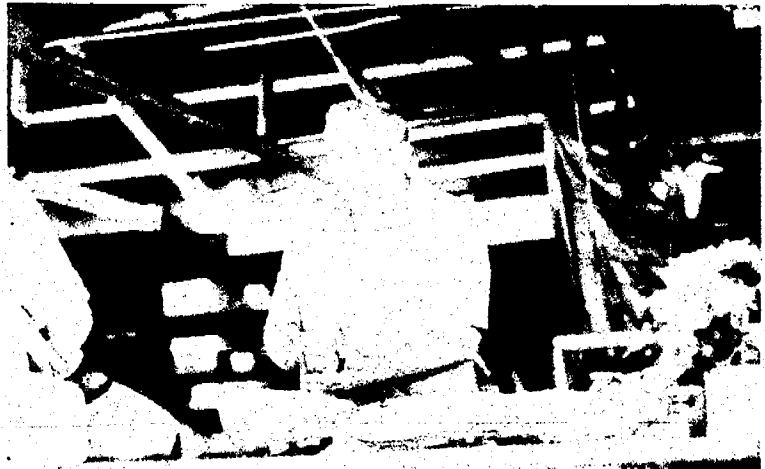
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The "Tomato Man," Ronny Carr, wipes the dirt off of each tomato before being sold. He said this prevents the tomatoes from rotting.



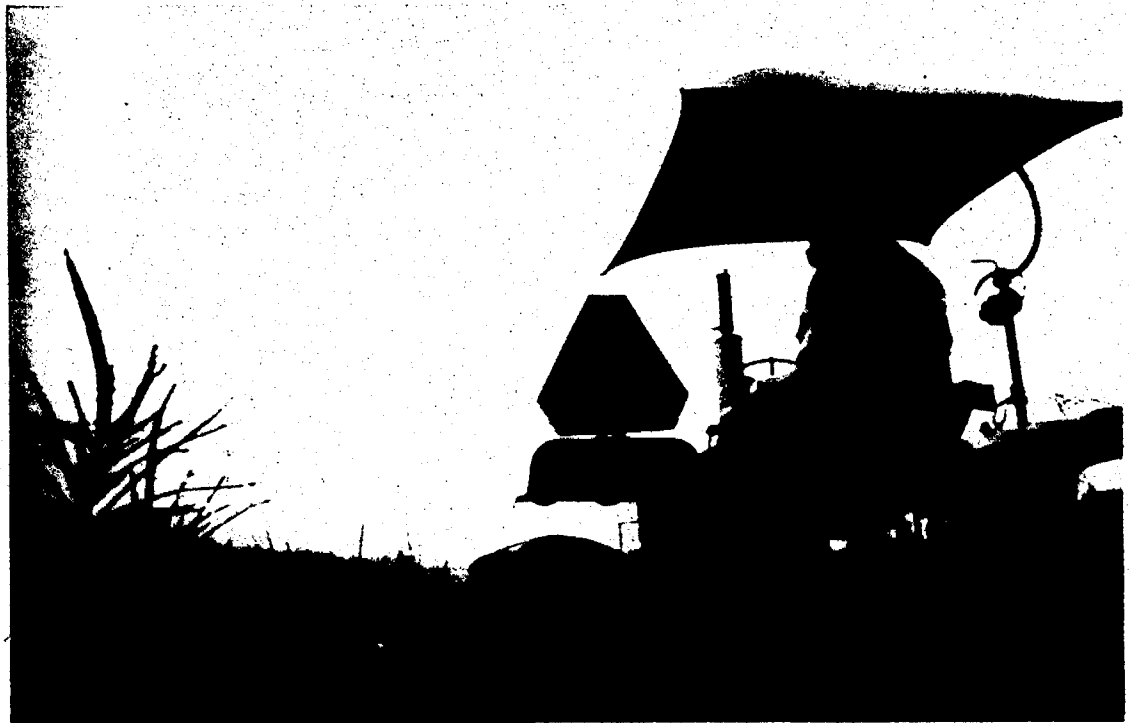
Flowers are another staple of the farm. This day a variety of flowers are picked, at about 2 p.m., for sale at the Bordine's stand.



Bill Butzky takes charge of the Bordine's produce stand Thursday through Sunday. He said he works at the stand to stay away from the television.



Blackbirds have destroyed approximately \$6000 worth of corn at the farm this year. Propane "poppers" are used to attempt to keep the birds away from the corn.



Duane Bordine overlooks the farm at the end of a long work day on the farm. Work days go from sun-up to sun-down.

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Fun for the youths and seniors

Thursday brings food, entertainment

For the second year in a row Fall Festival opening day on Thursday is dedicated to senior citizens, who will, among other things, get a discount on the evening meal.

The veal parmesan dinner, sponsored by the Plymouth Knights of Columbus and served by the Plymouth Salvation Army, will be discounted to \$4 for senior citizens on Thursday. (Regular cost of the meal is \$5.)

Entertainment has also been planned with the seniors in mind. The Canton Seniors Kitchen Band will perform throughout the evening along with the Plymouth Community Band under the direction of Carl Battishill.

Another highlight of the evening is the bingo game, sponsored by the Plymouth Business and Professional Women's Club. Players can take in the action from 6-9:30 p.m., with cash prizes being offered to the lucky winners.

Thursday is traditionally the festival day when senior citizens take over the downtown streets of Plymouth. Many are bussed in from surrounding communities and take the opportunity to enjoy the first day of the festival at the same time as they get to know Plymouth.

Might we call them footloose cruisers?



If it's Thursday evening, it must be time for a friendly game of bridge. These elderly festival goers enjoy the first full day of Fall Festival, devoted again this year to senior citizens. (Crier photo)

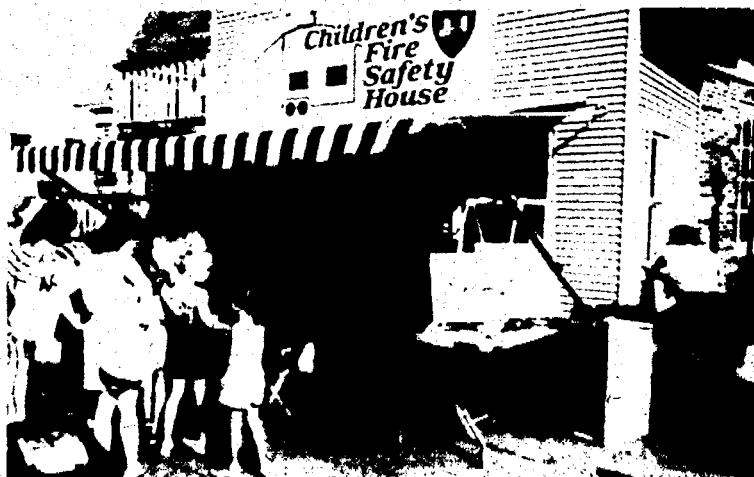
Games, show for kiddies

The Fall Festival is not just for adults this year, as activities for the "younger crowd" will be offered throughout the four-day event.

Carnival games, face painting and a book sale are just some of the attractions that will be sponsored by the New Morning School.

A spin-art booth will also be open for those wishing to be "circular artists." Peanut butter syrup will also be sold by the school.

Fifty cent games for the kids include: duck pond; fish pond; gold mine; bean bag toss; sucker tree; ring toss; and face and easel painting. Spin art, along with high striker, and peanut butter syrup, will cost \$1.



The Children's Fire Safety House is always a popular educational experience for young Fall Festival goers. Plymouth firefighters organize the safety adventure. (Crier photo)

Chairperson for the New Morning School's events is Lyn Rundell.

Another returning activity popular with kids is the pet show, sponsored by the Plymouth Optimist Club. Dogs and cats will be judged in many categories including smallest, biggest and best looking.

The City of Plymouth Fire Department will once again manage the Children's Fire Safety House, sponsored by the Plymouth Rotary Club. Children can get real life experience on how to escape from a burning building.

A variety of kiddie rides will also make their annual appearance at this year's festival along Penniman Avenue. The rides are sponsored by the Fall Festival Board of Directors and will be open throughout the festival.

Prices will vary depending on the ride.

A real treat -- and exciting too -- for most young Fall Festival goers is the Children's Fire Safety House, which makes a return to the festival again this year.

The City of Plymouth Fire Department along with some help from other fire departments will give children a fire safety lesson and then place them inside the house "sized for children" for some real life experience dealing with smoke in a house.

The house is one of the best ways, according to fire officials, to present first hand information on fire safety and escaping from a house fire.

The smoke used in the fire safety house is a special non-toxic theatrical type smoke so that no harm can come to any of the children taking part in the lesson.

The Plymouth Rotary Club is helping to bring the safety house to the festival again this year.

It will be located along Main Street north of Penniman Avenue.

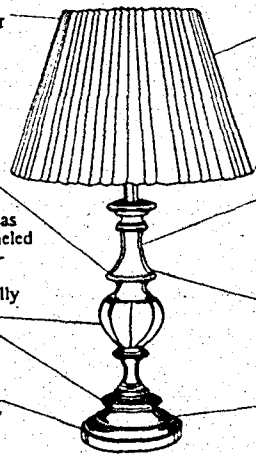
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Enjoying an antique fire engine during Fall Festival. (Crier photo)

For a look at 1890s

Visit museum

Get a feel for the 90s at the Plymouth Historical Museum during this year's annual four-day Fall Festival -- the 1890s, that is.

The museum will celebrate the festival using this year's festival theme, "The 90s Then and Now." The 1890s era will be featured through the museum's exhibits and special events.

The Plymouth Piecemakers Quilt Group will exhibit a variety of quilts. The group will also demonstrate the fine art of quilting, as they work on a large quilt just as women did a century ago.

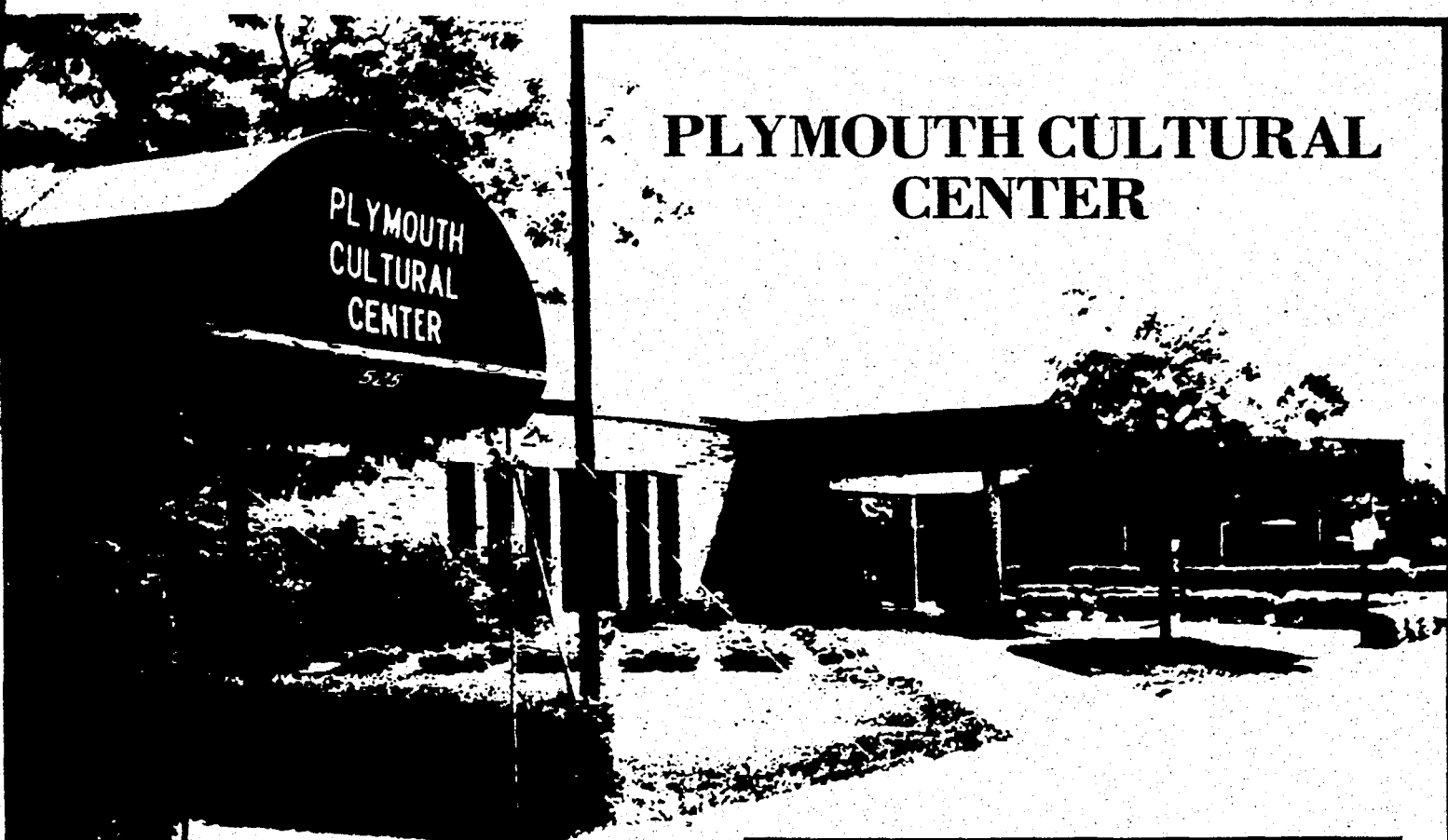
Other craft demonstrations will also take place in the museum. Lace-making, folk painting, rug-hooking and silver-smithing are to be featured.

Outside the museum the roar into the 20th Century will be celebrated as antique fire engines will be exhibited on Saturday (Sept. 8) and antique automobiles on Sunday (Sept. 9).

The museum is located at 155 S. Main St., north of the main festival area. Museum hours during the festival will be 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, and noon to 6 p.m. on Sunday.

Admission for adults is \$1.50. Students ages five to 17 get in for 50 cents, while children under five get in free. The family rate is \$4.

Fall Festival begins Sept. 6 and runs through Sept. 9.



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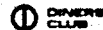
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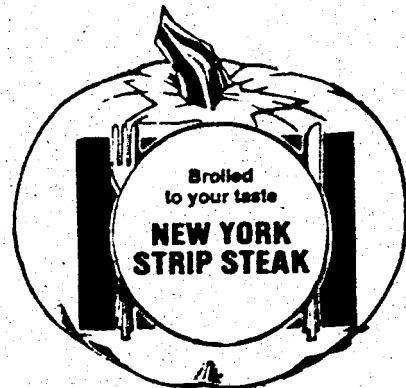
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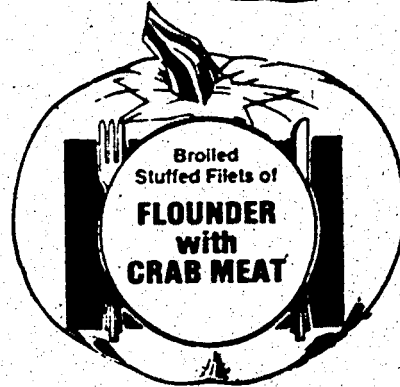


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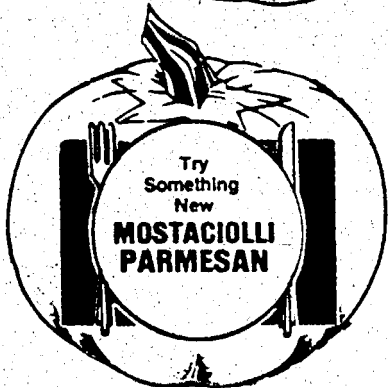


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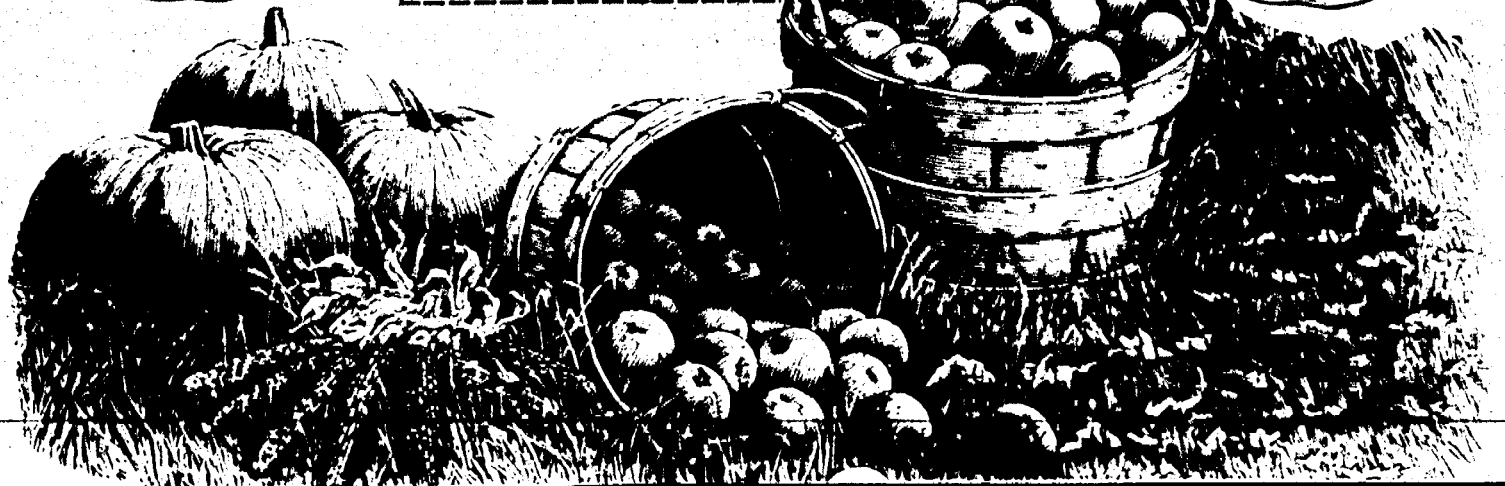


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'Dry' festivals traced to WCTU

BY MICHELLE TREGEMBO WILSON

"What, no beer tent?!" is a comment frequently uttered by newcomers to Plymouth's Fall Festival.

The lack of liquor at local celebrations can be traced to the heyday of the Plymouth Women's Christian Temperance Union (WCTU).

Founded in 1879, this popular group boasted more than 100 Plymouth members in 1895. Their main goal was to stamp out the use of alcohol by closing saloons and promoting total alcohol abstinence.

Nationally the WCTU was finally successful in 1919 when the 18th Amendment, better known as Prohibition, was passed. It's repeal in 1933 contributed to the WCTU's decline. The group also worked for female suffrage and helped needy women and children.

In the 1890s, Plymouth's fairs were held in an area that is mainly residential today, south of Ann Arbor Trail and between Main Street and Lilley Road. The area was fenced and included a half-mile race track with a baseball diamond in the middle and a grandstand seating 500.

Clara Patterson Todd, a prominent historical figure of Plymouth's past, wrote her memories of the fairground -- she grew up adjacent to the grounds, on Ann Arbor Trail just west of the railroad tracks. She lived there from her birth in 1888 until she moved to Detroit's Presbyterian Village in 1960. The house, on the south side of the street, is no longer standing.

Todd was a life-long activist in Plymouth's WCTU. Along with her twin brother George, she became an honorary life member as an infant. She followed the example of strong WCTU participation set by her mother, Phoebe Ely Patterson, who is best known as Plymouth's first female justice of the peace.

Todd's fair memories, written after 1955, are part of the Clara Patterson Todd Collection of the Michigan Historical Collections, Bentley Historical Library, at the University Michigan.

She remembered the WCTU rest tent to be a main feature at turn of the century fairs. It included rockers, tables, a couch, a baby's crib, and first aid supplies. Many of the group also worked on a "Plymouth Fair Daily" paper that was published by the Plymouth Mail.

The presence of the WCTU also helped keep alcohol off the fairground premises. Todd writes that annual attempts were made to add spirits to the fair.



Members of Plymouth's Women's Christian Temperance Union (WCTU) gather for an early photo. (Photo courtesy of Bentley Historical Library; Michigan Historical Collections)

"Each year there was an effort made to get a license to put up a bar, usually aiming to set it up under the grandstand, and did excitement run high until the people of the town found out that neither the fair association nor the town councilmen would allow it."

She remembers one year when a businessman was rumored to be setting up a tent near the fairgrounds, on the corner across from the Pelham house. When that wasn't permitted, "he tried to establish some such place directly opposite the front entrance and did the people along the street and from all over that end of the town keep things stirred up until they found that there was no chance of even that being allowed."

All those whose beer tent applications have been turned down over the years can find some comfort in knowing Plymouth has a long history of dry community celebrations.

And although prohibition was repealed, some of the WCTU's work had a lasting effect.



"Gala Day" in Plymouth brings out members of the Women's Christian Temperance Union (WCTU). This photo comes from the

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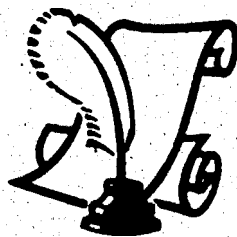
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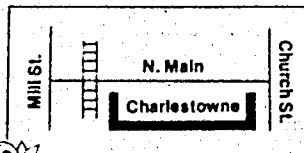
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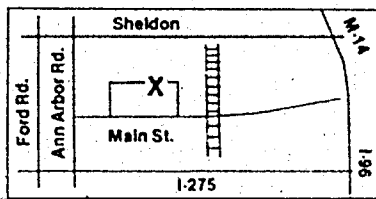
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Every year at this time, The Crier and many friends chip in to the spirit of Fall Festival with the community's largest newspaper edition to include information, maps, features and everything else you need to know about the Festival.

Crier and COMMA, regulars worked long and hard to put this edition together, including advertising director Larry McElroy (who also was busy serving as the Festival's president), production manager Dale Mickelson, and the edition's editor, Philip Tardani.

Thanks also go to Crier managing editor Ken Voyles, Scott Daniel, Mike Guinn, Jill Lockhart, Verna Hogle, Michelle Tregembo Wilson, Peg Paul, Jack Armstrong, Linda Gasparott, Kristin Rebecco, Peggy Glass, Margaret Glomski, Rita Derbin, Shawn Guideau, Grant Carmichael, Rebecca Doll, Kelly Sauter-Dobson, Judy Lore, Phyllis Redfern and W. Edward Wendover.

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Crier production manager Dale Mickelson buttoning down the 1990 Fall Festival edition. (Crier photo by Kelly Sauter-Dobson)

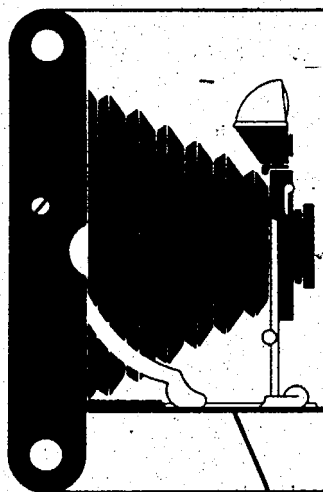
There also were contributions from free-lancers: Bonnie Deroski, Anne Sullivan, Cheryl Vatcher, Lesley Carmichael and Chris and John Vos.

Helpful sources for this addition were: Marcia Buhl, Paul Sincok, Joe Bida, Beth Stewart and Barbara Pray.

Thank you drivers for the extra trips, and some 200 Crier carriers for lugging the extra burden.

Thanks also to families of staffers, for understanding absent loved ones who were toiling seven days a week on this edition.

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Linoleum cutters

When Independent Floor Covering moved to its new, larger location on Wayne Road, many people thought the prices would be increased. One year later, the prices haven't gone up and the Francavilla family continues to provide the same personal service to customers.

Since 1944, Carl and Fran Francavilla have been serving the floor covering needs of people in the area. Through the years, the size of the business has quadrupled and so has the Francavilla family.

The old store, which was located at Wayne Road and Avondale, in Westland, was only 6,000 square feet. The new store which is located on Wayne Road between Cherry Hill and Marquette, has an 18,000-square-foot warehouse and a 1,000-square-foot show room.

The owners have found the new building has not only provided more room so that they can provide additional products, but it has made shopping at Independent a more comfortable experience.

The new facility was built with that idea in mind, according to Fran.

The larger showroom is constantly stocked with more than 500 rolls of different carpets from which customers can choose, according to Fran.

"We also have our own installers, so that we can install most carpets immediately," she said.

One of the newest additions to the

business this year is Bigelow carpets. Other carpets sold at Independent include: Karastan, Lee's, Galaxy, Philadelphia and Mohawk. Floor coverings carried at the store include: Armstrong, Conggoleum, Mannington, Domco, and Tarkett.

"We have one of the largest selections of wood flooring displays," she said.

Independent also carries a wide selection of vinyl floor coverings.

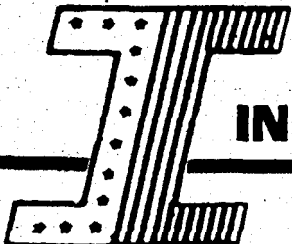
The business is run by members of the Francavilla family. Sons Robert and Carl work with their parents, helping customers choose the right floor covering for their homes and ensuring customers that at Independent Carpet they are receiving the best deal at the best price.

Catherine (Francavilla) Pearson, Fran and Carl's daughter, who happens to be an interior designer, helps customers match the right floor covering with a certain decor.

Pearson can also plan an entire room along with a customer. She can give decorating advice on more than just the the carpeting or floor covering.

Even the Francavilla's granddaughter Chelsea works at the store every so often.

The Francavilla family have been a tradition in Westland for more than 40 years, and they hope to continue providing the same quality service for the next 40 years.

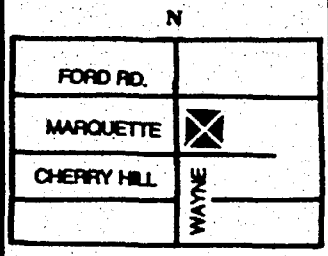


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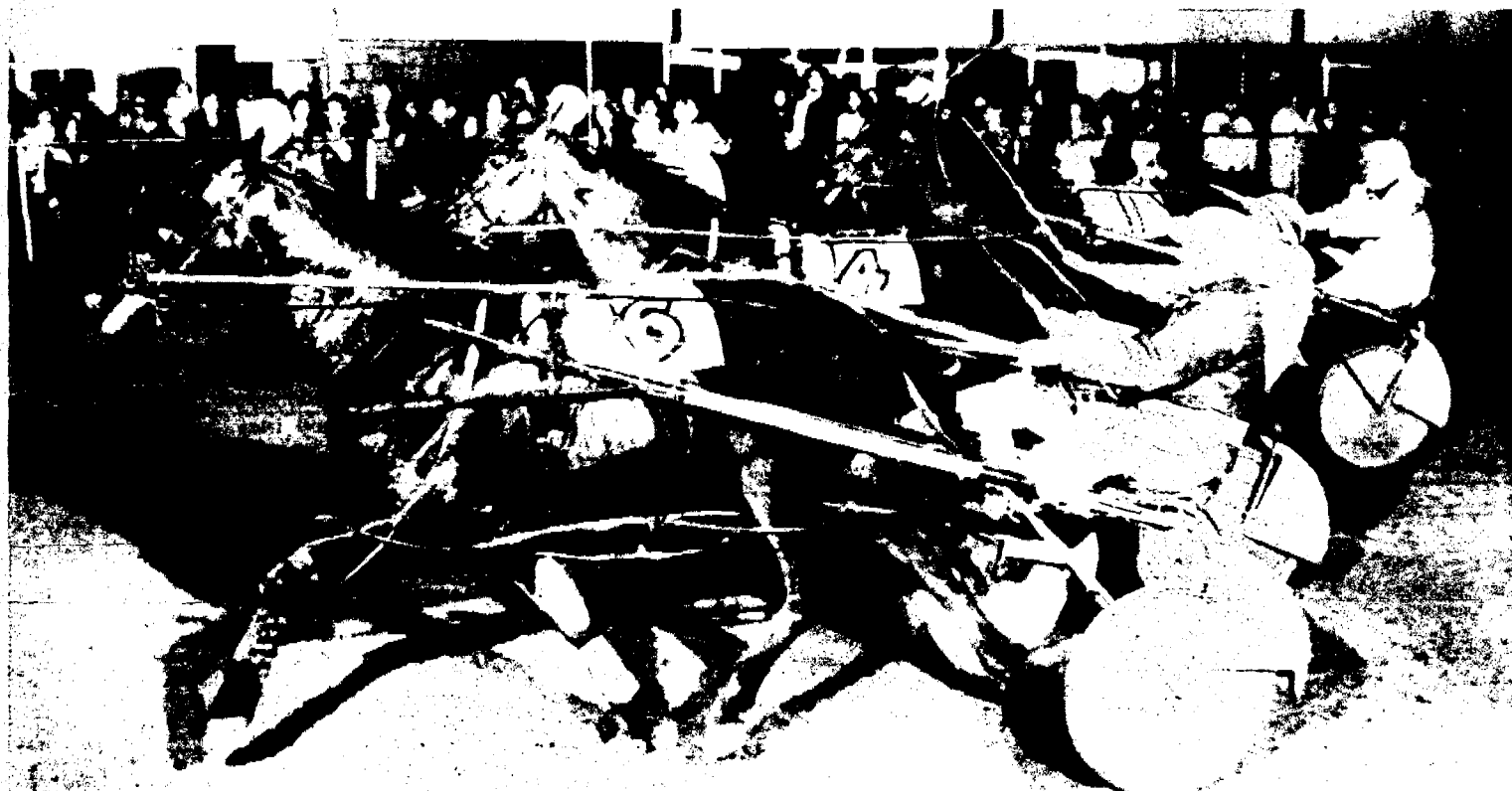
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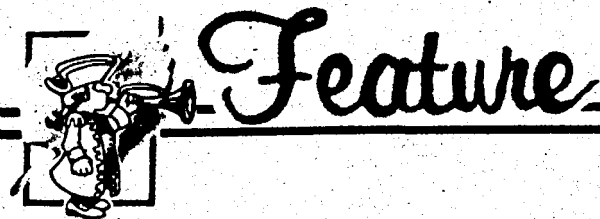
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Balloon launch

It was so much fun last year, let's do it again. That seems to be the impression of the Fall Festival Board of Directors, who have decided to bring back the balloon launch during the opening ceremonies for a second year.

"Last year we had kids from the audience release the balloons," said board member Mike Pollard. "They really got a kick out of it, they really had fun."

Pollard said the idea behind the balloon launch came about when the board was looking for something to enhance the first day.

"We needed something to spice up the opening day," Pollard said. "Larry (McElroy, board president) made the decision to bring it back for this year."

Apparently, the idea worked. Pollard said that when the balloons were launched last year, the crowd responded with "spontaneous applause."

Approximately 500 balloons will be released this year, the same as in 1989. Pollard said that he thinks this year's balloon release will attract more than the few hundred that attracted last year's opening ceremonies.

Just how far the balloons travel after release is not known, but Pollard said that the question was on his mind.

"It was a calm night last year, and they went straight up," Pollard said. "I don't know how far they went."

Swim team to shuck away day

What do the Salem and Canton High school swim teams have in common with a Canton farmer and the 35th annual Fall Festival?

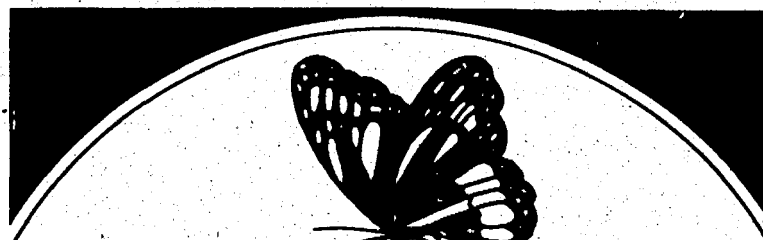
About 14,000 ears of corn.

Nearly 100 members from the swim teams will husk the 14,000 plus ears of corn from Robert Schultz's Canton farm for Sunday's chicken barbeque dinner, said Dave Ramsey of the Canton Rotary Club.

Ramsey said the Plymouth Rotary purchases the corn from the Canton Rotary for the dinner each year. He added that the Rotary arranges for the corn to be grown each year by a Canton farmer.

Kroger's grocery store of Canton will donate assorted soft drinks to the swim teams to keep them going through the hard work, Ramsey said.

Besides husking, the swim team will sort, count and bag the corn, Ramsey said. Once the corn is bagged, it will be kept cool to preserve freshness until it's delivered to the Plymouth Rotary on Sunday morning, he added.



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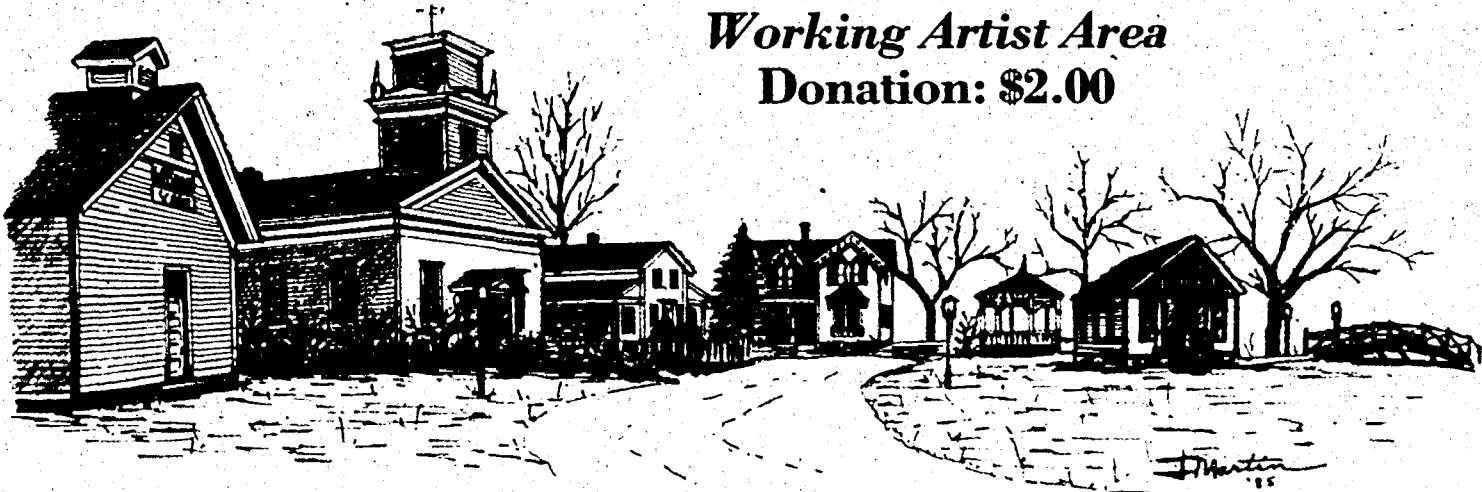
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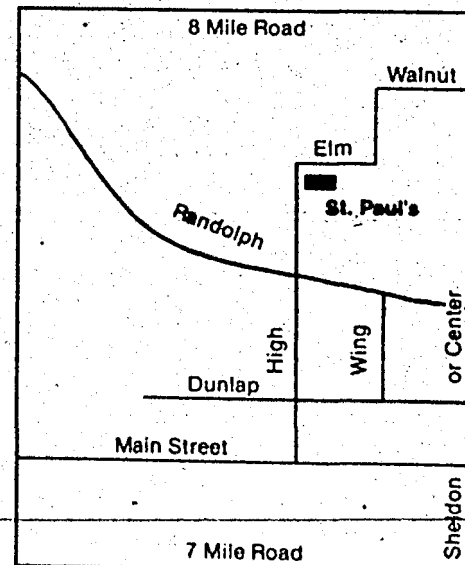
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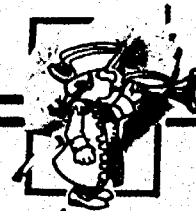
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Besides food and fun, the annual Fall Festival also means a little extra planning is in order for motorists coming into Plymouth.

As in years past, Main Street will be closed between Fralick and Ann Arbor Trail beginning at noon on Wednesday (Sept. 5), but will remain open between Church and Fralick for local traffic.

Main Street is scheduled to re-open on Sunday sometime after 8 p.m.

The other primary road to be closed for the festivities, Penniman Avenue, will be cordoned off from Union to Harvey streets from Thursday through Sunday.

Union will be open for local traffic only between Roe and Penniman. Union will also be blocked at Ann Arbor Trail.

Because of the large crowds expected on Sunday moving through the main festival area to the arts show at Central Middle School and the antique show at the Plymouth Cultural Center, Main Street will be closed from Church Street to Ann Arbor Trail.

City workers will have detour signs posted for the affected areas.

While Ann Arbor Trail will be open, motorists should avoid the center of town during the festival since traffic (both foot and motor) will be heavy.

Several routes are suggested for by-passing downtown Plymouth:

- Motorists can follow Harvey Street, which parallels Main Street to the west and follows a north-south path to Ann Arbor Road. It can be picked up at Farmer Street (to the north).

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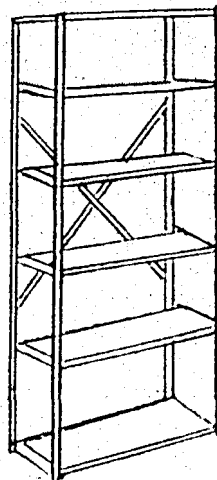
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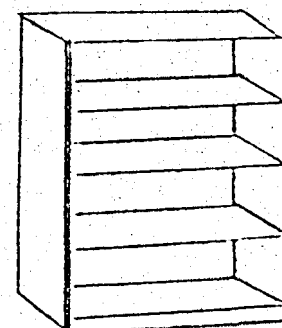
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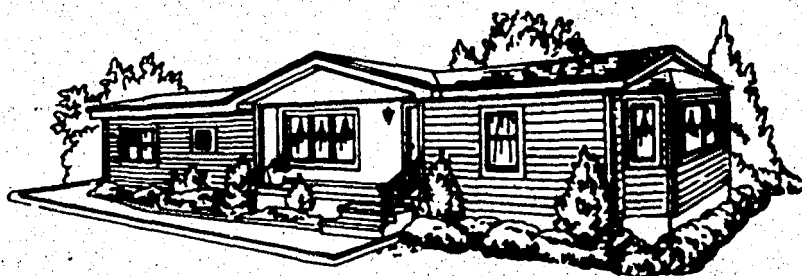
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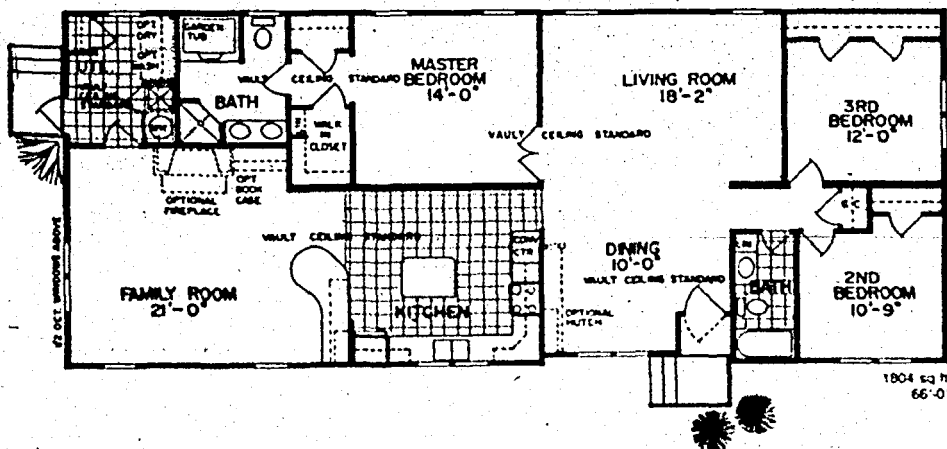
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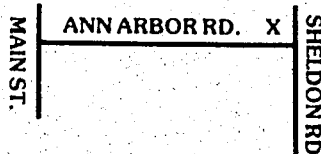
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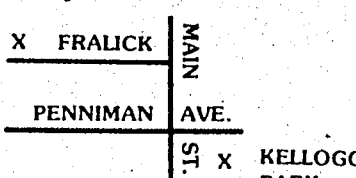
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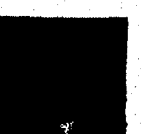
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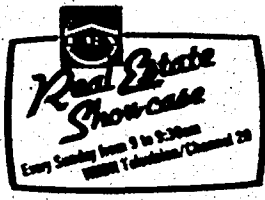
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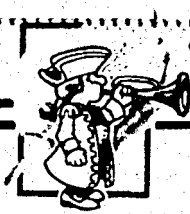
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Booths

A taste of Mexico

A taste of Mexico will be offered at the new Plymouth-Canton Football Booster's booth during this year's annual Fall Festival.

Festival goers can sample nachos for \$1 or \$1.50 and grab a soda pop for 50 cents or \$1.

The group is new to the festival this year and is made up of volunteer parents of students at Centennial Educational Park (CEP) dedicated to supporting the local high school football teams.

Civitan's steak sizzle

It's hard to go wrong if you head over to the Plymouth-Canton Civitan Club Fall Festival booth this year.

Not only can you get your photo taken and be immortalized on a photo button, but you can have your picture, and your steak too!

That's right, the Civitans are again offering a little bit of that oriental cuisine this year with their popular Yaki Tori steak sandwich.

Yaki Tori, like ice cream in this country, is often sold on a stick in the orient. But the Civitans will keep it simple -- Americans prefer the sandwich variety sandwich.

The cost of the sandwich is \$3.50. Soda pop will be served for 75 cents a glass and potato chips will be 50 cents a bag.

As for the photo end of things, festival goers can get a keepsake in a variety of forms. Pin photo buttons sell for \$3.50, while key chain photo buttons will be \$5. A magnet photo button will also sell for \$5.

The two Civitan booths this year be located along Main Street, nearly halfway between both Ann Arbor Trail and Penniman Avenue. They will be open all four days of this year's festival.

Money raised is used for a variety of community efforts including Special Olympics.

Irish dancers offer variety

Making only their second Fall Festival appearance, the Irish Dancers Booster Club will be offering a touch of the Emerald Isle during this year's event.

A regular rainbow's delight of food and snacks will be offered by the Irish dancers including:

Leprachaun lemonade, for \$1; hot and iced tea, 50 cents; coffee, 50 cents; non-alcoholic Irish coffee, \$1; shamrock cookies, 25 cents apiece; an Emerald Isle float, \$1; Irish Cream mousse, \$1; shortbread, 50 cents; and scones, 50 cents for plain and 75 cents for jelly or whole cream.

The group will also be selling Shamrock Cafe t-shirts for \$8 and a special baked good known as soda bread.

Used book sale

Bag a book, while you dig the Fall Festival.

How? Try stopping by the American Association of University Women (AAUW) festival booth.

The group plans to hold a used book sale during the four-day affair at its booth along Penniman Avenue between Main Street and Harvey Street.

The used book sale will include only paperbacks; books will be sold for \$1 per inch (as measured from front cover to back cover along the spine).

Proceeds from the sale in the past have been used for scholarships and to help women returning to school.



Cooking up some spicy Italian sausage during the Fall Festival. (Crier photo)

Take a bite out of the 'Y'

Think Italian. Italian sausage sandwiches that is.

That's right, this year the Plymouth Community Family YMCA is once again featuring the ever popular taste treats at its festival booth.

The sandwiches this year will cost \$4, while beverages, also sold at the booth, will run \$1.

The YMCA is also planning a raffle drawing during this year's festival, so make it a point to swing by and go Italian!

The YMCA's two booths during this year's four-day festival will be along Main Street just south of Penniman Avenue. Proceeds from the sales usually go for community programming and camp scholarships.

Let Jaycees light the way

Let there be light.

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Thanks to the Plymouth-Canton Jaycees organization festival goers this year can light up their day by stopping by the Jaycee booth to purchase Jaycees Luminaries.

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Proceeds from the festival sales will go to help pay for the Plymouth Gathering, which the group is helping to fund.

Find the Jaycees at the second booth north of Ann Arbor Trail along Main Street during all four days of this year's festival.

Salem High Senior booth

Each year one of the most popular Fall Festival booths is the one run by the Salem High School Senior Class of 1991.

Why? Cause they sell tasty pizza slices for \$1 and soda pop, also for \$1.

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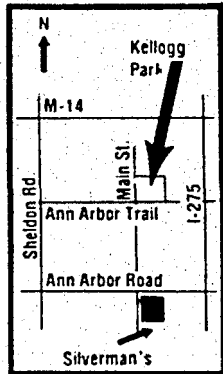
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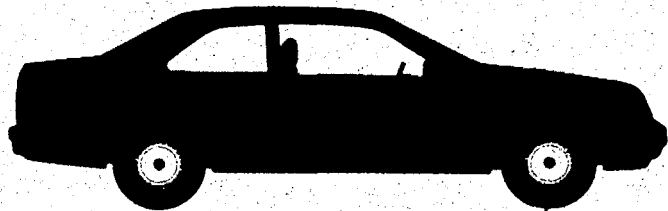


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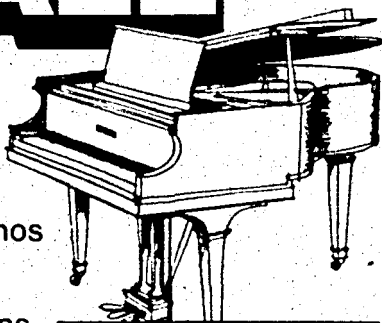
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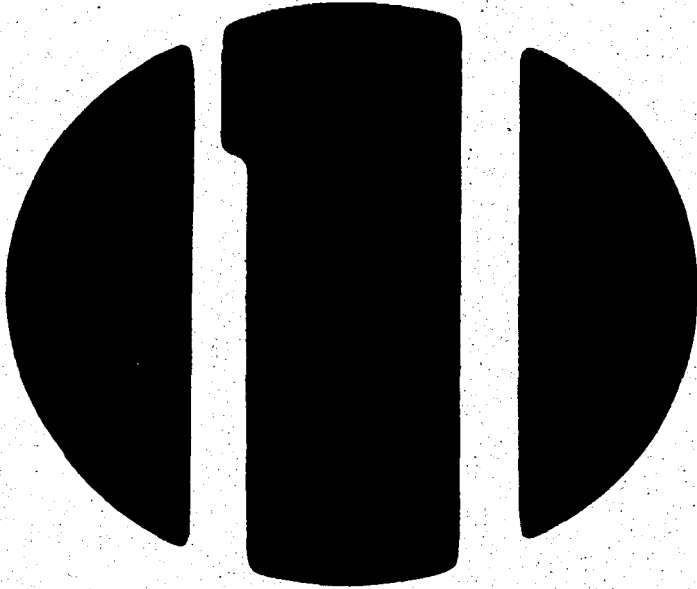
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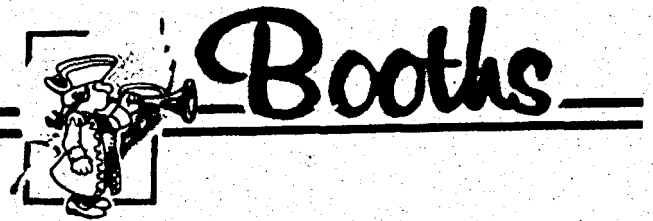


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The balloons will cost 50 cents and \$1, while the other inflatable toys for children will be \$1 or \$2.

The Optimists have used proceeds from the event to fund improvements to Optimist Park, to sponsor an oratorical contest at the local high schools and to run the annual pet show during Fall Festival.

This year look to find the balloons at the club's booth along Main Street between Ann Arbor Trail and Penniman Avenue.

Chamber of Commerce

The Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce will be offering pumpkin leaf bags and leaf bag caddies at its booth during this year's Fall Festival.

The giant leaf bags, which take on the shape of a pumpkin when filled with leaves and other yard waste, will sell for \$4. The leaf caddies are \$10 each.

The booth will be located along Main Street in front of the chamber office (just north of Ann Arbor Trail).

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Bag a marching band

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This year the marchers are trying to raise funds to purchase uniforms and equipment to keep them at the forefront of Michigan's best high school marching groups.

Along those lines the marchers will be selling trash bags for \$12 per box of 100. They will also sell local merchant coupon books for \$3.50. The coupon books are good at a variety of local businesses in The Plymouth-Canton Community.

Find the marching group's booth all four days of this year's festival along Penniman Avenue between Main Street and Harvey Street, near the U.S. Post Office.

Slip over to Vets booth

Another new booth at this year's Fall Festival will be manned by members of the Plymouth-Canton Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 528.

The veterans, who are first time festival participants, will be setting up a t-shirt booth for the four-day event. They will also be selling hats, buttons and pins.

The group is also planning to sell individual ears of corn during the festival for those looking for a tasty snack.

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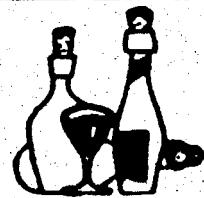
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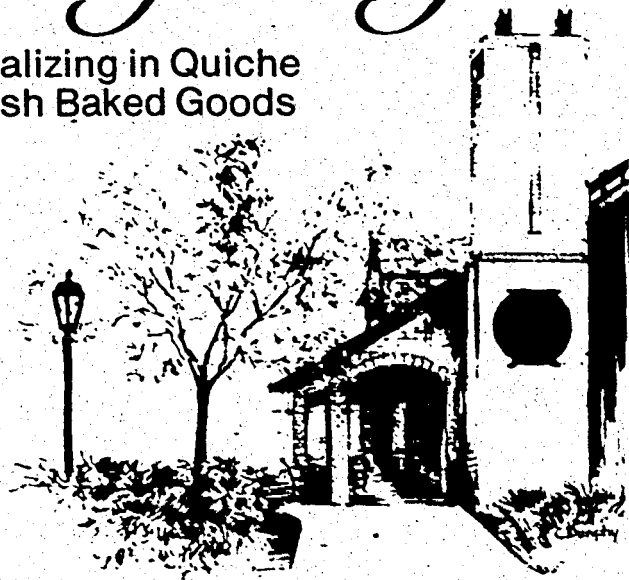
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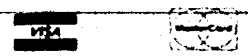
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Have a blast with hockey

Take aim and head on over to the Plymouth Canton Hockey Association booth during this year's annual Fall Festival celebration.

The hockey group, new to the four-day event this year, will be hosting a "Hockey Shot Clock."

Festival goers will be able to step up and shoot a hockey puck which will be timed by a radar gun and judged for speed.

The cost is \$1 for three shots, or 50 cents apiece.

Also on sale at the booth will be Plymouth Canton Hockey Association cook books for \$10.

CEP Junior Class

Besides automobiles and beer, Germans also have a way with roasted almonds.

You can try those famous German roasted almonds which will be on sale during this year's Fall Festival thanks to the combined efforts of the Salem and Canton high school classes of 1992.

A snack pack of tasty roasted almonds will sell for \$1, while a half-pound cone is \$3.25. Or try a one-pound cone for \$6.

The two groups will sell their almonds out of a booth located near the intersection of Main Street and Ann Arbor Trail.

Scream for ice cream

If you seek relief, I C E C R E A M, then the Centennial Educational Park (CEP) Executive Forum has the answer for festival goers during the 1990 Fall Festival.

Members of the CEP student government will be scooping up cones, sundaes and kiddie cones for those interested in a fine after-dinner treat.

Kiddie cones will sell for 50 cents, while regular cones (waffles) will be \$1 or \$1.50. Sundaes will cost either \$1.50 or \$2.

Proceeds from the festival efforts will help fund student activities at the high school including homecoming, dances, a prom fashion show and faculty appreciation week.

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Looking for a sweet festival treat? Try the Plymouth Theatre Guild's cotton candy wagon during this year's four-day Fall Festival affair.

The guild will be selling cotton candy for \$1.25, while carmel corn and flavored popcorn will also run \$1.25. Soda pop will be available for thirsty festival goers at \$1.

Proceeds usually go to help fund Plymouth Theatre Guild productions.

The wagon will be located along Main Street south of Penniman Avenue and north of Ann Arbor Trail.

A taste of Poland

The line will be forming early at the Polish Centennial Dancers of Plymouth Fall Festival booth this year so don't be late.

A variety of culinary delights will once again be offered by the local group including:

Kielbasa sandwiches, for \$3.50; Kielbasa with Kraut, \$3.75; pierogies, three for \$3; stuffed cabbage, \$1.75; pickles, \$1; and a bowl of kraut, \$1.50.

Also offered will be Nalensniki (crepes) for \$1.50 apiece. Or try a combination plate for a cost of \$6.50. Soda pop in can will be \$1 (diet and regular available).

This double festival booth is always a popular luncheon and dinner stop during the four-day festival.

Proceeds from the festival will be used to promote the organization and the Polish dance culture as well as supplement the fees charged to students in the program.

You can find the booths near the intersection of Main Street and Penniman Avenue.

Pop over to Kiwanis

Popcorn has become America's favorite snack treat in recent years, so what better way to indulge in the habit forming treat than to stop by the Kiwanis Club of Plymouth's popcorn wagon.

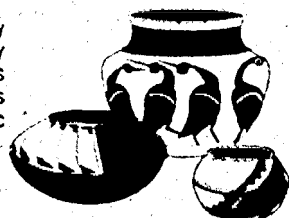
Popcorn will be \$1 for a box. Soda pop will also be sold at the wagon for \$1.

The wagon itself is also a festival favorite, having appeared for the last three years. The historic vehicle will be parked along Main Street between Penniman Avenue and Ann Arbor Trail.

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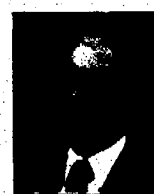
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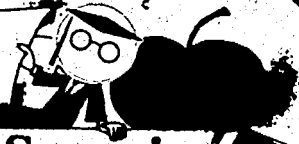


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The booth will be located along Penniman Avenue between Main and Harvey streets. It will stay open throughout the festival.

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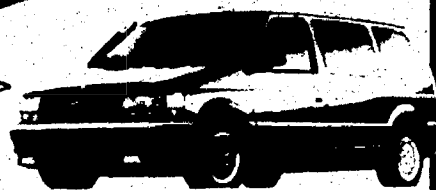
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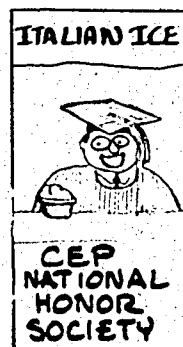
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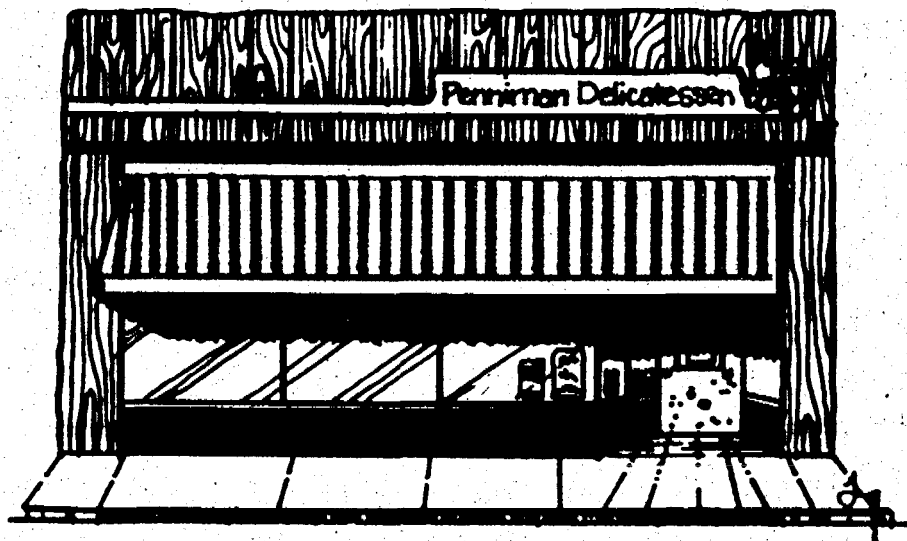
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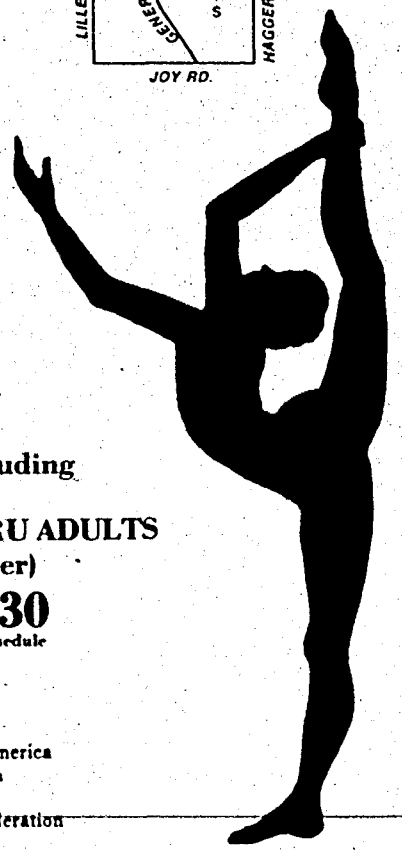
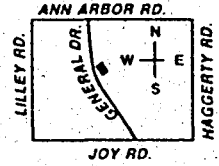
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FRI 9/14 (FB)	Westland John Glenn at Salem	TUE 10/16 (BB)	Livonia Churchill at Salem
THU 9/20 (BB)	Walled Lake Central at Canton	FRI 10/19 (FB)	WLAA Playoff at Canton
FRI 9/21 (FB)	Livonia Franklin at Canton	TUE 10/23 (BB)	Westland John Glenn at Canton
THU 9/27 (BB)	Walled Lake Western at Canton	FRI 10/26 (FB)	Salem at Canton
FRI 9/28 (FB)	Livonia Stevenson at Salem	THU 11/1 (BB)	WLAA Playoff at Salem
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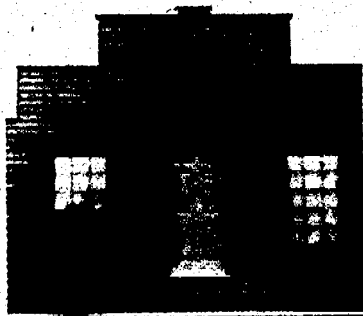
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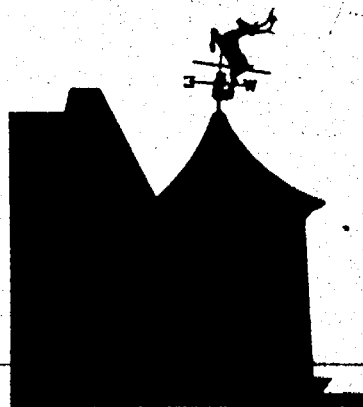
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It's here!

Community gears for 35th Fall Fest

BY PHILIP TARDANI

Prepare yourselves, Plymouth-Canton residents.

Fall Festival has arrived.

Men, women and children from all over Southeast Michigan and the Midwest will arrive here sometime over the next four days for food, fun and entertainment.

Paul Sincock, publicity chairman for the festival, estimated that between 60,000 and 90,000 people will participate in the 35th Annual Fall Festival.

"If the weather's good, I think we'll get that many," he said.

In the interests of accuracy, Sincock brought his estimates down from last year's 150,000 to 200,000. Rain and storms then made sure the final count was much lower than that.

Fall Festival Board President Larry McElroy said the fest-goers will see some new activities, such as the hockey shoot on Penniman Avenue and the rebirth of the spare rib dinner as a main meal.



Coy Tucker (left) and Tom Plotrowski of the Plymouth Rotary Club cook up a batch of chicken last Thursday as a part of the dry run for this year's Fall Festival chicken barbecue. (Crier photo by Philip Tardani)

A new Wayne County Health Department regulation mandates each booth operator pay for separate health inspections. The \$35 fee climbs to \$60 for late entries prior to the festival, and

\$80 if the fee is paid after the event begins.

"It's unfortunate that the health department changed their regulations and didn't notify us until the last

minute," McElroy said. "It means that additional expense has to come from the board's declining funds to comply with the new requirements of Wayne County's Board of Health."

There will also be the traditional art fair at Central Middle School, antique mart at the Cultural Center and booths along Main Street and Penniman Avenue.

Main meals include a veal parmesan dinner Thursday, the spare ribs on Friday, pancake breakfast and steak dinner Saturday and chicken barbecue to close out the fest on Sunday.

McElroy said the board has been working on the festival for 11 months.

Parking at the festival is always a problem, Sincock said.

"My suggestion on Friday, Saturday and Sunday is to park at the Cultural Center and take the bus over," he said. The city's double decker bus will be ferrying fest-goers for free on those days.

Sincock also warned people coming out for the fest to "be prepared for the wide variety of Michigan weather."

Petition opposes Twp. effort

Twp. agrees to sponsor Mettetal

BY PHILIP TARDANI

Plymouth Township will try and save Mettetal Airport.

The township board of trustees voted 6-1 for the township to "act as sponsor" for the purpose of applying for funds "that can be used to acquire the Mettetal Airport property."

It was further resolved that the township is pursuing the airport in order to turn over operations to an authority.

"The township shall incur no liability nor shall it accept title to the property," the resolution reads.

Township Supervisor Maurice Breen was also authorized to pursue grant money from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and Michigan Aeronautics Commission.

Trustee John C. Stewart voted against the resolution, saying he would like the cooperation of Canton — where the airport is located — before any bids are made to save Mettetal.

"I'm convinced that over 90 per cent of the citizens in Canton don't want the airport," he said, noting that the Canton Board of Trustees voted 5-2

against purchasing Mettetal. "Why are we charging ahead without the support of the governmental body where the property is located?"

Breen said seeking grant money is a first step, and one that needs to be taken soon.

"My concern is to get an application to get the whole process started," he said. "We need to get the funding cycle started."

After funding is obtained, Breen suggested "soliciting our adjacent communities" to form an authority.

Breen said he favors an authority that could not levy a tax without citizens having a say in the matter.

"We can have an authority that would not have the ability to tax without a referendum," he said.

Trustee Ronald Griffith pointed out that pursuing funding does not commit the township to anything.

"We could probably go through the whole planning process up to the point of forming an authority and still back out," he said.

Griffith added that the grant process itself should clarify a lot of questions.

Breen was careful to point out that "nowhere do you have a tax liability for the township.

"If the authority loses money, it goes bankrupt," he added.

In that case, Breen said, the FAA and aeronautics commission take it over and would have no trouble selling the property because it is valued land for development.

Breen said he will meet with federal and state officials to further discuss the grant money and that the township will file an application for it within 30 days.

The Canton board passed on the option of saving Mettetal last month.

"I see no compelling reason for Canton having the airport," said Supervisor Thomas Yack.

Stewart cited a \$300,000 cost of bringing the airport up to code and the impossibility of expanding the airport runway in further explaining his "no" vote.

He said both issues were mentioned in a Canton citizens committee study, the findings of which he called "the closest approximation of absolute truth compared to any argument I've

heard to the contrary."

Thomas Klochko, whose family owns the airport, said after Canton rejected it that no time frame exists for selling it.

"The airport is available to any other municipality or private firm," he said.

Breen said Mettetal helps to define the character of a community, much like an historical museum, ball park or library.

"Generally speaking, they all go to make up the character of a community," he said.

A group of local residents, who oppose the township acquiring the facility, is apparently circulating a petition to try and stop the purchase.

The document charges that property taxes have been increasing rapidly over the last few years.

"Plymouth Township is being asked to bail out a business that can't make it on its own," the petition reads. "We do not believe that bailing out mistakes by a private business justifies our purchase of the airport."

New compost site to come on line

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BY SCOTT DANIEL

The first step in establishing a new site for a composting operation in Canton was taken by the board of trustees last Tuesday.

The board voted to approve a contract with Composting Systems Inc. (CSI), of Ypsilanti, that allows the firm to lease 40 acres of township land off of Michigan Avenue near Sheldon Road for composting.

"We have had no negative feelings expressed by residents this time," said Canton Clerk Loren Bennett. "We have developed a win-win compromise."

A composting operation site in Canton, in conjunction with the Western Townships Utilities Authority (WTUA), had been proposed for Geddes and Beck roads. But, plans to start composting at the site were stalled

when citizens expressed their concerns over drinking water contamination and smells, among others, from such an operation.

Residents formed a committee, in May, to study their concerns. After some controversy, the committee was dissolved and the board voted down the proposed site at a special session meeting in July.

"I believe the board handled the situation much better this time," Bennett said. "With a pro-active and open approach we were able to put the residents fears to rest."

The lease contract is contingent upon CSI complying to a composting ordinance which the township is currently drafting, Bennett said. He added that the ordinance addresses site management questions such as odor, litter and defining the composting

process.

"The ordinance will be complete in 30 days or less," Bennett said. Once the ordinance is complete, CSI will have to sign a contract with WTUA to run the site.

The site will not be ready for operation this fall, Bennett said. He added that it would likely be ready by this winter.

Originally, WTUA was supposed to have a composting operation set up by Aug. 1 or face losing grant money from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) for start up costs. But, the DNR granted an extension that allowed WTUA to save the

\$250,000 in grants, Bennett said.

"We have the additional time to work out problems," he said.

The 40-acre site could eventually be expanded to 90 with the approval of Detroit Edison, Bennett said. He added that the other 50 acres lie under high voltage lines from the power company.

"We are agreeable to the concept of composting," said Detroit Edison's Al Dickinson, a governmental affairs specialist.

Bennett said the township has received assurances from the company that Edison will allow CSI to lease the 50 acres.

Could net \$670,000

Canton land sale

Canton's Board of Trustees unanimously approved the sale of more than eight acres of township land last Tuesday.

The sale will net the township about \$670,000. Funds from the sale will go into Canton's general fund balance, said Supervisor Tom Yack.

The eight-acre parcel is located at Koppernick and Haggerty roads in

Canton.

The land is being purchased from the township by Lincoln Property Co. of Dallas, Texas. The firm is one of the largest real estate investor groups in the country.

According to a bid presented to the board by the firm, the land will be developed for office, warehouse and distribution use.

Overhaul first in 40 years

City Charter obsolete?

BY PHILIP TARDANI

Plymouth's city charter is awaiting its first major overhaul in nearly 40 years.

City Manager Gordon Jaeger suggested amending the city's guiding document at an Aug. 20 pre-commission meeting.

"It is definitely in need of review and amendment," he said. "It is thoroughly obsolete and outdated in many areas."

Specifically, Jaeger cited chapters eight and nine of the charter, which outline the city's role in a municipal court and representation on the Wayne County Board of Supervisors.

Both the court and board have long been non-existent.

Jaeger also said the charter forbids any combinations of the manager, clerk and treasurer positions, when in fact combinations may work well.

"I think the city manager ought to have more flexibility when it comes to department heads," he said. "The charter doesn't allow any of those combinations, and that's sort of unusual today."

Deadlines for adoption of the budget should also be changed Jaeger said, from early May -- as stipulated in the charter -- to June.

Finance Director William Graham said this gives the city more time to evaluate standard equalized value figures and millage fractions coming back from Wayne County.

"You've got a charter that was built in 1951," Graham said. "Back in 1951, things were not as complex as they are today."

Pushing the budget deadline up to May would make for a more accurate budget and mean less stress on the city administration, he said.

Jaeger said the city may also want to re-think the charter rule that all department heads must establish residence in the city.

"It's desirable for them to live in the city, but I don't think it's necessary," he said. "Certainly people can be loyal and perform well and live outside the city."

City Attorney Ronald Lowe said a revision of the charter would require

some research.

"One of the difficult things about the charter is that where it's out of sync is not going to jump out at you," he said.

Lowe, who is on a Michigan Municipal League committee that will study various charters, said however, that "a look at the charter is always helpful."

Mayor Dennis Bila said the commission will hash out what to do about any revisions.

"I think everybody feels that there are certain portions of it that need to be re-done," he said. "Where we go from there, we'll have to discuss."

Any final amendments, however, will have to be approved by the voters of the city.

Jaeger said he is waiting on direction from the commission before he puts anything on the agenda.

In the meantime, the city can abide by the charter for quite some time yet, he said.

"It's not a bad charter," Jaeger said. "I just thought it might be a good idea to take a look at it."

Help for military families

A Northville-based support group will offer comfort and information to people with loved ones in the military, particularly those stationed in the volatile Middle East.

The group was started by Sue Pittonet and Ginny Hathhorn, both of Northville. An organizational meeting was held Sunday night, with 30 people attending from the Detroit area.

The two have sons in the U.S. Navy. They are both stationed on the USS Eisenhower in the Persian Gulf, Pittonet said.

The group's next meeting will be held at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Northville, Pittonet said. A psychologist will speak at the meeting, she said.

Group family members will share information and exchange telephone numbers, Pittonet said.

She can be contacted at 348-0703. Or call Hathhorn at 349-0996.



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COMMUNITY OF PLYMOUTH

Crying out loud

By Mike Guinn



'Twas the day before Fall Fest, and through City-Twp.; The people of Plymouth were ready to rip. Lights were hung up on main city streets; and area cops were checking their beats. Rotarians practiced their barbecue skills; ready to cook chicken on huge massive grills. The food has been ordered, no booths left to rent; from this point it looks like quite an event. Organizers say nothing will be missing, don't fear; (Except for just one thing, where is the beer?). There'll be dinners of ribs, of steaks and of veal; The food's been designed for most every appeal. And the rides for the kiddies will surely excite; For if they are distracted you'll get through the night. The Crier staff readied the news for the street; (We didn't mind working 80 hours a week). McElroy goaded the board to work wild; On Pollard, on Sincok, on Bida and Childs! You've got jobs to do, so get to it, run! The people are screaming "we want to have fun!" And once the Fall Fest is finally concluded; the large crowd at home, the fest board included; They'll say to themselves "We're finally done!" "But just 52 weeks until '91!

On the beat

By Phillip Tardani



Want to set City of Plymouth residents rallying around a common cause?

Just start messing with their trees. Or so the city administration has discovered.

Department of Public Works Director Ken Vogras decided recently that a trimming of the city's maples, elms and locusts was in order.

"It's been long overdue, 15 years at least," he said.

So Vogras called for an "8-15 trim job." Any limbs hanging eight feet above the sidewalk or 15 feet above the street get the saw.

They impede pedestrian and some automobile traffic at those heights, Vogras explained.

"School bus drivers can't see over the intersection of Ann Arbor Trail and Evergreen," he said. "We're trimming over the right-of-way."

Residents, however, came out in defense of their arboreal companions.

City Manager Gordon Jaeger was inundated with phone calls from residents who felt "their" trees were being butchered.

Tensions may have been heightened by a resident who claims the city "murdered" seven trees on city property adjacent to his house.

Jaeger said the trees were blocking a city alley and had to be thinned out.

John Truxell took his case to local papers, with letters to the editor. He was obviously very upset, calling Vogras and his men "the DPW chainsaw gang" and claiming his property value will plummet.

He's worried that with Jaeger and Vogras working for the city, there won't be any tree-lined streets or alleys left.

Wow. This guy was upset, to the point of being infantile.

But relax, other citizens of the "City of Trees."

Vogras gives his assurances that the trimming is for the best.

"Some of the them might look a little hacked up, but in a couple years, they'll be beautiful trees," he said.

With malice toward none



Only in Plymouth. A "fake beer" tent?

By the slimmest of margins -- one vote would have dumped the sensitive issue into the lap of the beer-drinking Fall Fest Prez Larry McElroy to break a tie -- the Fall Festival Board killed a proposal for the Lions' Club to sell non-alcoholic beer in a tent. Since anyone, of any age, can buy the stuff and consume it while walking the streets, why sit in a tent anyhow?

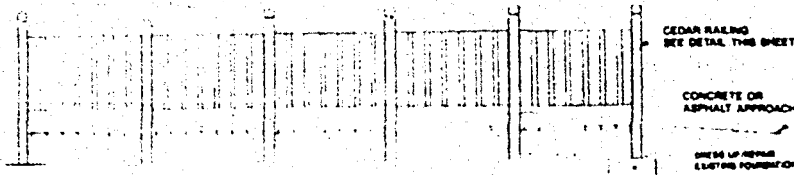
Of course, says City Police Czar Rick Myers, the police problem is telling whether a person is consuming fake beer or the real stuff. (Apparently, even though he's a Spartan, he can't tell.)

So why reject such a service club idea for the Festival? Old habits die hard (see story on pg. 131).

It's a good thing nobody suggested an "old-fashioned lemonade" tent.

Maybe next year.

Getting things done



This new wooden bridge over the Tonquish Creek will be built soon by the Plymouth Lions Club members and friends. The bridge will re-connect the Tonquish Creek Manor with downtown. The volunteerism displayed by

the Lions and by the Manor residents (who've volunteered to serve lunch and coffee) is a fine example of how The Plymouth-Canton Community gets things done. --THE COMMUNITY CRIER

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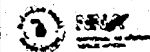
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Beauty plan approved in Canton

BY SCOTT DANIEL

A contract to develop a beautification master plan was awarded by the Canton Board of Trustees last Tuesday.

"When you first enter a community one of the things that makes it attractive is what hits you first -- the streetscaping," said Canton Supervisor Tom Yack.

The master plan will focus on the township's major roads and entry points, he said. A variety of trees, flowers and shrubery will be used to improve the landscaping of each over a 10-15 year period, Yack said.

"As the township spends dollars, we want to make sure that it will be part of an overall approach," he said, "not a piecemeal process."

The plan will be developed by the Southfield firm Harley Ellington Pierce Yee, Associates over the next four months, Yack said. He added that the plan will cost the township \$15,500.

The plan will be developed in three stages, according to Assistant Director of Site Planning Ken Stamps with the firm. The first stage will be an inventory and analysis of community

needs, he said.

Stamps said the firm will meet with the township's beautification focus committee (which is yet to be formed) to review the needs of the community, conduct driving tours to access existing conditions and compile a photographic inventory of each study area.

The first stage will take four to five weeks to complete, he said.



Historic Geer School at Godfredson and Ann Arbor roads. (Crier photo by Kelly Sauter-Dobson).



Historic Sheldon School on Michigan Avenue in Canton. (Crier photo by Ken Voyles)

Board allocates funds for Geer Geer, Sheldon renovation work moving ahead

BY KEN VOYLES

Renovation of historic Geer School can now be completed following a move last Monday by the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Board of Education.

The board unanimously agreed to allocate \$26,500 to help finish the renovation project which began more than three and a half years ago.

School district administrators said they hoped to begin a pilot program in the spring of 1991 for fourth grade students to use the one-room schoolhouse to study life and education at the turn of the century.

"We're all excited about it," said Dean Swartzwelter, board president, of the prospect of Geer being finished.

Since forming in 1986 the Geer School Preservation Committee, a non-profit organization, has raised \$58,000 in cash and another \$25,000 in services to finish the renovation work.

According to Kate Otto, chairperson of the committee, the renovation is "going very well, but very slowly."

Prior to Monday's meeting Otto said about \$30,000 was needed to complete the entire renovation effort.

Otto added that work on the interior of the schoolhouse -- located at Godfredson and Ann Arbor roads -- is being done in "little bits and pieces" as money becomes available.

Renovation of the exterior of the building is nearly finished, she said.

"We're concentrating on the inside right now," she said. "We're striving for completion this year still."

The committee has also put together a list of materials needed to help recreate the atmosphere of the

schoolhouse as it looked in the 1880s. Some of the items include circa 1880 textbooks, desks and chairs, benches and other historic artifacts. Donations are being accepted.

A cupola, which will be attached to the roof of the building, is currently being built by a class at Salem High School, said Otto, and should be finished this fall.

Plans for the curriculum are nearly in place as well, said Otto.

District administrators said that if the pilot study program works next spring it may be possible to begin a full program at the school in the fall of 1991.



Geer School, which is nearly renovated, is getting a new cupola. Work on the cupola is being completed this fall by students in a class at Salem High School. (Crier photo by Ken Voyles)

BY SCOTT DANIEL

Renovation work on one of Canton's oldest school buildings began recently, according to Kim Scherschligt, Canton's manager of resource development.

The Sheldon School located on Michigan Avenue between Canton Center and Sheldon roads, is being renovated to provide the township with office space for community groups, such as the Historical Society, said Scherschligt. She said the school was founded in the 1870s.

"The township wants to improve the Sheldon School to provide a western gateway into Canton," Scherschligt said.

Renovation of the school will take one to two years to complete, she said. Scherschligt estimated the total cost of the project will be between \$100,000-\$150,000. She said the project is being financed through community development block grant funds.

Scherchligt said the first phase of renovation began last month. It will

include work on the roof, chimney, heating for the building, windows and the ceiling among others, she said.

"The inside had to be pretty much demolished," Scherschligt said, "because there wasn't much that was salvageable." An auction house, on the three-acre site, was also demolished, she said.

Final plans for the remaining work to be done on the school will be determined next month, Scherschligt said. She added that removal of asbestos from the school will be completed this month.

Dorothy West, a member of the Canton Historical Commission, said the school was one of the first in Sheldon Village, which was part of Canton. She said the school was used from about 1870 to 1940.

Sheldon School is one of three one-room schools the township purchased to try and preserve. The others are Cherry Hill and Canton Center schools; work on Cherry Hill was recently completed.

Vets raising money for memorial

Local veterans groups -- the American Legion Passage Gayde Post 391, the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post 6695 and the Plymouth-Canton Vietnam Veterans Chapter 528 -- are trying to raise funds to complete the veterans memorial site in the City of Plymouth's Kellogg Park.

The service organizations need \$3,000 to complete the memorial lighting project (located at the junction of Union, Penniman and Ann Arbor Trail).

Residents interested in making a donation should mail it to the Mayflower Lt. Gamble VFW Post 6695, 1426 S. Mill St., Plymouth, MI, 48170. Donations should be designated for the memorial lighting project.

Both the Plymouth City Commission and Plymouth Planning Commission have approved the final stage of the memorial project, which also includes a bricked pathway area around the monuments.

'Hotel Doctor' delivers room service

BY LESLEY CARMICHAEL

"I haven't had this much fun in years," said Dr. Thomas Prose, medical director of General Medicine Inc. in Plymouth.

Prose was relating his experiences with his three-month-old brainchild — "Hotel Doctor."

"Hotel Doctor" is a health care service for hotel guests in some of metro Detroit's best hotels.

The program provides a complete health service, Prose said, beginning the instant the client calls. The doctors are very understanding and serious on the phone, regardless of the severity of the illness.

"The flu is probably not going to kill you," Prose said. "But we are serious about it because it is serious to you when you're lying in bed, miserable."

When the doctors arrive, Prose said they sit down and talk to their patients before examining them in order to learn the necessary medical history and to make them feel comfortable. The doctors then excuse themselves to wash their hands.

"We make a point of that," Prose said. "It seems to be a small thing, but it lets the patients know that we care enough about them to wash our hands before touching them."

Prose said the doctors come equipped to dispense common medication, including some prescription drugs. If they do not have

the necessary medication with them, Prose said the doctor will arrange to have it delivered promptly.

The physicians in the program are always clean and friendly, Prose said, and to adhere to that image, they do not carry narcotics. If a patient is in deep pain, they will either be treated with a non-narcotic pain killer or be transported to a local emergency room.

Prose said the doctors don't expect their clients to be prepared for sudden illness. Instead, they will be provided with supplies they may need later, such as a thermometer.

As a final completion to the service, Prose said the doctors always call their clients the next day to see how they are feeling.

"We don't call at 8 a.m. because we realize that if you're ill, you may be sleeping," Prose said.

The billing procedure is also adjusted for the client's convenience. Prose said his physicians do not ask for payment immediately after taking care of their client.

"It's an offensive way of providing a service," Prose said about requesting payment in the hotel room. Instead, "Hotel Doctor" will either add the fee on to the client's charge card or their hotel bill.

Prose said that while the program costs about 50 per cent more than visiting a general practitioner, it also costs about half as much as a visit to the emergency room, and provides a



Dr. Thomas Prose pays a call to the Ritz-Carlton Hotel in Dearborn as part of the "Hotel Doctor" service. (Crier photo by Kelly Sauter-Dobson).

much more immediate and complete service.

Insurance companies have responded favorably to "Hotel Doctor," Prose said, because of the significant difference from emergency room rates. He added that the clients are given completed insurance forms when the doctor leaves, so all the client has to do is mail it to their insurance company.

According to Prose, hotels such as the Ritz-Carlton in Dearborn, the

Southfield Sheraton and the Raddisson Ponchartrain, as well as Brass Ring Productions have been very receptive to the "Hotel Doctor" system since it enhances the service that they offer.

Hotels are not required to pay services or sign contracts to "Hotel Doctor." All the hotels need to do is make the service available to their guests, said Prose.

The health program has helped a variety of guests at some of Detroit's top hotels, including performers with the "Fiddler on the Roof" company, national political figures and well known entertainers, said Prose.

Although "Hotel Doctor" tends to receive most of its calls in the morning and evening, it is available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

Prose, who lives in the City of Plymouth, said that if 50 hotels with 100 rooms each used the service, "Hotel Doctor" could receive a potential of 150 calls each week.

While the service is not at that level yet, Prose said when "Hotel Doctor" information is included in guest packets, he tends to see a three-to-four fold increase in calls from that given hotel.

Prose said that he would like to bring "Hotel Doctor" into other markets around the country, but he stressed that "the growth must be manageable in order to retain the quality of service we provide."

A view from turn one at the MIS speedway

BY JOHN VOS III

One Canton wrecker goes on crash-calls before the accidents even happen.

Glenn Gohmann, owner of Mayflower Auto Transport, has been doing business in Plymouth-Canton for the last 15 years.

He's also been sending "help" to Michigan's renowned International Speedway (MIS) in Brooklyn.

Larry Everson, a driver for Mayflower who also resides in Canton, has taken a keen interest in auto racing — both NASCAR and Indy-car CART events — having followed the races for many years.

Starting back in 1983, Gohmann offered Mayflower Auto Transport's services to both MIS and the Cleveland Raceway as part of the safety crews with Everson as driver.

Each weekend there is racing, Everson voluntarily heads to Irish Hills or Cleveland to take part in the safety operation at the raceway.

The Mayflower truck is stationed at turn one at the speedway. MIS is considered one of the fastest raceways on the circuit and drivers have quite a few encounters with the outside retaining wall, as well as spinouts when losing traction.

That's when Everson is needed.

This year Everson has primarily been stationed at turns one and two at MIS for both NASCAR and CART events. While he never thinks about his own personal safety, there is always a chance that one of the race cars can spin out into the infield and strike the tow truck.

In case that happens, a heavy duty



The Mayflower Auto Transport support vehicle at its station along Michigan International Speedway's turn one. (Crier photo by Christopher Vos)

guardrail encloses the safety crew area on each of the turns, to prevent contact with the towing vehicles. Everson said, however, that usually the gravitational forces will send the race cars toward the outer wall, so he feels pretty safe.

"The days can be long sitting there in your truck on the corner, especially when it is hot," said Everson, "but when the race actually starts it is real exciting because you are right on top of

it."

This past season he helped tow one of A.J. Foyt's race cars after it had come in contact with the outside wall on turn one, causing extensive damage to the right side of the vehicle.

A member of the safety crew for the past seven years, Everson said one of the worst crashes he has seen occurred at MIS's turn two a couple of seasons ago.

CART racers Al Unser Jr. and Pancho Carter made contact coming out of the back stretch, sending one car rolling and the other flying end-over-end along the guardrail near turn three.

Everson said that both of the race cars "were pretty much totally disintegrated," but because of their design and construction, the drivers escaped with minor injuries.

Places to be in P-C

The Michigan Cancer Association's (MCF) Plymouth branch office will hold an open house at its new location in the City of Plymouth -- 744 Wing Street.

The open house is set for noon to 6 p.m. on Sept. 12.

The office moved to larger quarters and extended their office hours to better serve cancer patients and their families in Plymouth. Services offered by the MCF include a breast cancer support group, distribution of medical supplies and home care companionship.

The office is staffed by volunteers 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on weekdays. For information about volunteer opportunities with the MCF, call 453-3010.

If you have the desire to become an entrepreneur, the Wayne State University of Small Business is hosting a free workshop to help get you started.

"How to Run a Small Business" will be held at 7 p.m. on Sept. 12 in the Radisson Hotel (in Plymouth Township).

A senior citizens luncheon and bingo game will be held Sept. 20 at the Veteran of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post Home on Mill Street in the City of Plymouth.

Admission to the luncheon, which starts at noon, is free but donations will be accepted.

Reservations are required by Sept. 13. Call 453-3586, 981-0771 or 453-1680 for information. All seniors from

The Plymouth-Canton Community are welcome to attend.

The event is sponsored by the Ladies Auxiliary to the Mayflower-Lt. Gamble Post 6695 VFW.

Kids ages eight and up can learn to draw everything from Bullwinkle to a bullmoose by attending the Plymouth Community Arts Council's (PCAC) fall arts classes.

Programs teaching cartooning, animal art and painting will be offered, beginning Sept. 10. The cartooning class will meet Saturdays at 9:15 a.m., while the other courses will be held at 4:15 p.m.

Other courses also begin that week. The Center For Creative Studies (CCS) in Detroit will also feature four adult classes at the PCAC offices. For more information on any of these courses, call the PCAC at 455-5260. Call CCS at 872-3118.

Are you the next Rudolph Nureyev? Find out by auditioning for the Plymouth-Canton Ballet Company, Saturday, Sept 8 at Joanne's Dance Extension.

Dancers ages nine and up are eligible to compete for dance positions in the troupe. Male dancers are especially needed.

There is a \$5 fee required to audition, which begin at noon. The company plans to perform the Nutcracker ballet at Salem High School Dec. 1. Call 455-4330 for more information.

The ballet troupe is a non-profit company.

Tell it to Phyllis

By Phyllis Redfern



It's Fall Festival time in Plymouth -- time for fun, frolic and food.

Fall, one of the prettiest seasons of the year, is a great time to celebrate. Summer managed to escape and although it was filled with fun and vacations it went by all too quickly. Now is the time to celebrate the new school year (believe me many parents have a lot to celebrate getting the little darlings back into the classroom). Whether they admit it or not most kids are ready for the routin of school and happy to see their friends again.

Fall Festival is a special time in Plymouth. It has taken hundreds of people hundreds of hours to organize the event. Along with the Fall Festival Board of Directors, many organizations plan special events during the festival.

It is also a good time to get together with friends and family and enjoy the dinners served in the park. What better way to eat out and not have to cook and help out a community service groups.

It is fun to wander through the park and check out all the booths and enjoy the entertainment. You're guaranteed to run into many friends and neighbors.

As far as the people who complain about the parking or the festival in general, just remember why you moved to this community. The Plymouth-Canton Community is based on people being involved and volunteering time to do the things that make this a special place to live and work. If you don't like the festivals and mixing together with fun people, stay home (we'll try not to let you know how much fun you missed).

A reminder to all festival goers: do not eat anything at home, it is important to sample one of everything during the weekend; wear comfortable shoes so you can walk all over town and check out everything; and above all remember to have fun. See you there.



What's Happening

To list your group's event in this calendar, send or deliver the notice IN WRITING to: The Crier, 821 Penniman Ave., Plymouth, MI. 48170. Information received BY NOON FRIDAY will be used for Wednesday's calendar (space permitting).

JUNIOR HOOP REGISTRATION

Registration for the Plymouth-Canton Junior Basketball Association 1990-91 season will be held Sept. 8 and 15 from 9 a.m. to noon at Canton High's Phase III. Sign up is for grades three through eight. A future date will be announced for grades nine to 12.

KIWANIS TRAVELOGUE SERIES

The Kiwanis Club of Plymouth's travelogue lecture series begins Sept. 5 at Salem High's auditorium. This free lecture starts at 8 p.m. and features a look at Ontario. The regular travel series begins Oct. 17. Tickets for each show are \$4. Season tickets are \$18.

PREPARED CHILDBIRTH SERIES

The Plymouth Childbirth Education Association is offering a seven-week Prepared Childbirth Series at the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth. Classes begin Sept. 5 and run until Oct. 17 starting at 7:30 p.m. Bring a blanket and two pillows. Class size is limited. For more information call 459-7477.

CHURCH CONCERT

Terry Blackwood will perform in concert at the Calvary Baptist Church on Joy Road in Canton Sept. 16 at 6 p.m. There is no admission, but a free will offering will be taken. Call 455-0022.

SCHOOLCRAFT CASTING CALL

Schoolcraft College's Theatre Department is hosting auditions for the production of Arthur Miller's "A View from the Bridge." Auditions will be held at 7 p.m. on Sept. 11-12 in the Liberal Arts Theatre. For further information call 462-4400, ext. 5270.

TIVOLI ARTS AND CRAFTS SHOW

The 1990 Tivoli Arts and Crafts Show will be held Sept. 28-29 in downtown Northville at the Northville Downs racetrack. Features a variety of artisans. Hours are 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

PUPPY AND DOG TRAINING CLINIC

A Puppy and Dog Training and Care Clinic sponsored by the Humane Society of Huron Valley is planned for Sept. 9 at 3:30 p.m. at the Ann Arbor Dog Training Club on North Territorial Road near U.S. 23. A \$2 donation is requested. Pets should be left at home. For more information call 662-5545 or 662-5585.

NEEDLEWORK SEMINAR

Schoolcraft College is offering its first annual hands-on needlework seminar on Sept. 15. Designed for all skill levels. Starts at 8:30 a.m. and includes morning and afternoon sessions. The fee is \$45. Lunch available for \$5.50. For more information call 462-4448.

CANTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The Canton Chamber of Commerce monthly government meeting is scheduled for Sept. 6 at 7:30 p.m. in the Palermo Restaurant on Ford Road. To make a reservation call 453-4040. The group meets again on Oct. 4.

ECONOMIC CLUB SPEAKER SEASON

The Canton Economic Club 1990-91 speakers season begins Sept. 4 with Bill Schuette, a candidate for the U.S. Senate. Other highlights include: Mike Horowitz, president of the Selective Group, on Dec. 4; EMU president Dr. William Shelton, Feb. 5, 1991; and Paul Hubbard, president of New Detroit, on Nov. 6. The club meets at noon in the Geneva Presbyterian Church on Sheldon Road in Canton. Lunch is \$10. Season pass is \$90. For reservations and information call 454-5427.

YOUTH PHILHARMONIC AUDITIONS

Auditions for the Livonia Youth Philharmonic will be held Sept. 5 at EMU and Sept. 11 and 13 at Faith Lutheran Church in Livonia. Open to youths ages eight to 22 from Plymouth, Canton, and Northville. Rehearsals begin Sept. 15. For further details or an audition appointment call Lois Gilmore at 453-8887.

N'VILLE VOLLEYBALL LEAGUES

Northville Community Recreation is accepting registrations for its fall volleyball leagues. Team entry fee is \$130 for a 12-week season. Monday night Premier League: co-ed league, open residency, begins Sept. 17. Wednesday Night League: co-ed league, open residency, begins Sept. 19. Additional fees include: \$15 non-resident fee per non-resident player; \$7 per match referee fees. Register by Sept. 6. Call 349-0203 for further details.

MEN'S RACQUETBALL LEAGUE

Canton's Parks and Recreation Dept. is sponsoring a fall racquetball league starting Sept. 5. The 16-week league features three mens divisions based on ability. Held at Rose Shores in Canton; cost is \$100 per person. Call 397-5110 for further information. Court times at 7:30 and 8 p.m.

Fox, Bargowski to marry

Anthony and Patricia Fox, of Ontario, announce the engagement of their daughter Deborah Fox to Dennis P. Bargowski.

The bride is a 1986 graduate of the University of Michigan School of Dentistry. She is employed as a dentist in Chicago.

The groom is the son of Richard and Donna Bargowski, of Canton. He is a 1982 graduate of Eastern Michigan University, and works as a stockbroker in Chicago.

The wedding is set for Oct. 6 at the Mercy College Conference Center.

Engagements & Weddings



FOX-BARGOWSKI

Merrifield, Gitz wed

Jacqueline Ellen Merrifield married Mark Alan Gitz June 30 in a ceremony at the First Presbyterian Church in Plymouth. Rev. Phillip Rogers Magee officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Merrifield, of Plymouth. A Hillsdale College graduate, she is employed as a teacher with the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools District.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Gitz, of Wakarusa, IN and is self-employed.

The matron of honor was Phoebe Schoenherr, the sister of the bride.



THE GITZ'S

Attendants included, Sarah Wallman, Kari Barton and Karen Kolber.

Phillip Grove served as best man. Ushers were Doug Miller, Brad Mochel and Joe Breisch.

After a honeymoon trip the couple will reside in Plymouth.



Community Deaths

Ross, World War II vet

Lloyd E. Ross, 73, of Phoenix, AZ, died Aug. 23. Services were held Aug. 28 at the Schrader Funeral Home, with the Rev. Trey Hancock and the Rev. Kenneth Authier officiating.

Burial was in Rural Hill Cemetery, in Northville.

Mr. Ross was a retired truck driver and former Plymouth Township resident. He served with the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II.

Survivors include: wife Edith, of Phoenix, AZ; son Lloyd Jr., of Pearsall, TX; sister Gertrude Scarlett, of Plymouth; brothers Max and Wilbur, both of Phoenix, AZ, Donald Waldecker, of Ypsilanti and William, of Plymouth; and one grandson.

Caton-Howse, nurse

Evelyn C. Caton-Howse, 81, of Plymouth, died Aug. 22. Services were held Aug. 24 at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, with the Rev. Joseph Plawecki officiating.

Burial was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, in Southfield.

Mrs. Caton-Howse was a homemaker. She served as a registered nurse for 60 years.

Survivors include: husband Harry Howse, of Plymouth; sister Marian Barron, of West Bloomfield; niece Judith Cipra, of Winter Park, FL; nephew Richard Barron, of Livonia; two great nieces; and one great great niece.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Hospice of Washtenaw.

Local arrangements were made by the Schrader Funeral Home.

Hearl, tool and die maker

Allyn H. Hearl, 79, of Plymouth, died Aug. 17, in Ann Arbor. Services were held Aug. 20 at the Schrader Funeral Home, with the Rev. Leland L. Seese, Jr. officiating.

Burial was in Glen Eden Cemetery, in Livonia.

Mr. Hearl, who came to The Plymouth-Canton Community in 1945, was a tool and die maker and member of the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth. A retired member of UAW Local Union 35, he was active in Boy Scout Troop Four at the Presbyterian Church from 1952-1954.

Survivors include: wife Mary, of Plymouth; son Gerald, of Yarmouth, ME; mother Myrtle, of Howell; four sisters; five brothers; and two grandchildren.

Musser, U.S. Navy officer

U.S. Navy Lt. Cmdr. Michael L. Musser, 35, of Littleton, CO, died Aug. 17. Services were held Aug. 22 at the Schrader Funeral Home, with the Rev. Glenn V. Kohn officiating.

Lt. Cmdr. Musser, a naval reservist, was a master scheduler with the Martin-Marietta Aero Space Company. A 1977 graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy, Lt. Cmdr. Musser also attended Taylor High School.

Survivors include: wife Beth Marie, of Littleton, CO; sons Michael, David and Adam, all of Littleton, CO; parents John and Dolores, of Livonia; sisters Dolores Boik, of Plymouth, and Colleen Smith, of Pennsylvania; and brothers John Jr., of Milford, and Edward, of Livonia.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Beukema, machine operator

Edward Beukema, 78, died Aug. 16 in Livonia. Services were held Aug. 18 at St. John Episcopal Church, with the Rev. Robert S. Shank, Jr. officiating.

Burial was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, in Southfield.

Mr. Beukema was a retired machine operator with Detroit Allison Diesel. A member of Composite Lodge 499 F&AM, Mr. Beukema owned a Mobil Gas Station in Plymouth Township from 1958-1959.

Survivors include: wife Jeanne, of Plymouth; sons Roger, of Davisburg, and Richard, of Colorado Springs, CO; daughter Rita Ann Stuit, of McLain VA; sister Effie Johnson, of Custer; numerous nieces and nephews; and six grandchildren.

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

Drews, Ford employe

George M. Drews, 79, of Plymouth, died Aug. 23 in Superior Township.

Mr. Drews was a tool maker with Ford Motor Company for 43 years. He was a member of the Friendship Station of Plymouth, UAW Local 182, and a formerly belonged to the Plymouth Knights of Columbus 3292.

Survivors include: wife Georgia, of Plymouth; sons Gerald, of Jackson, Stephen, of Dayton, OH, and Dennis and Thomas, both of Plymouth; daughter Gloria Johnson, of Plymouth; one sister; seven grandchildren; and two great grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to the St. Joseph Mercy Hospital's Cardiac Care Unit.

Local arrangements were made by the Lambert-Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home.

Pokriefke, auto worker

Walter A. Pokriefke, 90, of Plymouth Township, died Aug. 26. Services were held Aug. 29 at the Schrader Funeral Home, with the Rev. Gary Headapohl officiating.

Burial was in Woodmere Cemetery, in Detroit.

Mr. Pokriefke was retired from the American Motors Corporation, having spent 38 years with the auto company. He was a member of the Signet Star Masonic Lodge 555 F and AM, and a member of the Moslem Temple in Detroit and the Scottish Rite.

Survivors include: daughter Shirley Maahs, of Plymouth; seven grandchildren; and 19 great grandchildren.

Allen, of Livonia

Dolly Allen, 62, of Livonia, died Aug. 24. Services were held Aug. 27 at the Schrader Funeral Home, with Pr. Jerry Yarnell officiating.

Allen was a homemaker. She was a member of the Vivians Club of the Plymouth Elks BPOE 1780.

Survivors include: daughter Lori Thompson, of Livonia; son Randy, of Westland; sisters Lee Phillips of Anchor Bay, and Hazel Way, of Algonac; and six grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Western Wayne County Hospice or the Plymouth Elks Crippled Children's Fund.



Salem netters ready for campaign

BY RITA DERBIN

Team work.

That's the key to success for the young Salem girls tennis team, according to coach Judy Braun.

"I'd like to see the girls really come together as a team this year," said Braun. "I want them to learn from each other -- if they do that they can be real strong."

Leading the Rocks this year will be tri-captains: senior Carolyn Munzenberger, junior Kathy Marschak and sophomore Kelly Kirkpatrick. Behind them are a young, but talented team, according to Braun.

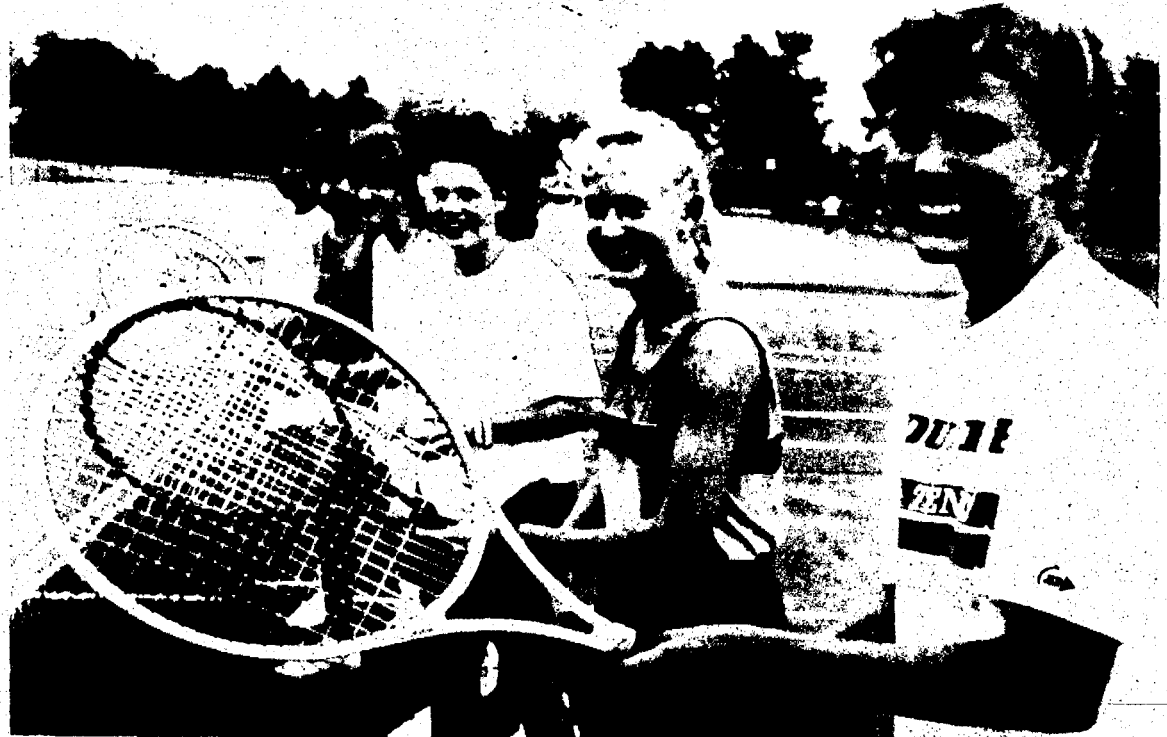
"We have the potential of being a very good team," she said. "We're very young and if nothing else, this will be the year for us to gain experience and see what we have."

Returning from last year will be the four singles players. As the season begins, Marschak will be at one singles; sophomore Susie Bozel, two singles; Munzenberger, three singles and Kirkpatrick, four singles.

The one doubles team is set to be sophomores Leah Szafran and Jessica Holtz. The rest of the doubles teams, however, have not been set but will consist of senior Molly Pastori, junior Lindsay Larson, and sophomores Anne Bartalucci and Natalie Graves. Incoming freshman on the team are Deepa Sreenivasan and Melissa Kowalis.

"We still have some questions," Braun said. "But we're very close to knowing where everyone will be."

As young as the team is, Braun said, even the freshmen will not be coming onto the team completely green.



One of Salem High's tennis tri-captains this year, Carolyn Munzenberger (far right), with some of her

Rocks teammates after a recent practice session at CEP. (Crier photo by Eriq Lukaskik)

"Everyone on the team has either taken lessons or played for a club," she said. "They're all very competitive among themselves."

Within the Western Lakes Activities Association, the Rocks will be facing

teams that lost key players so Braun is not exactly sure what to expect.

"We lost some girls and I know Canton has new players," Braun said. "I just don't know about the other teams -- the only true test to find out

what we have is to go out there and play."

The Rocks will host Mercy in a non-conference match today at 4 p.m. to open their season.

Canton seniors strike gold in state tourney

Canton senior citizens were strongly represented on the winner's platforms at the 11th annual Michigan Senior Olympics, held in mid-August in Battle Creek.

Winners in the 55-59 age bracket included Evelyn Langlands, who had eight first place finishes, including the javelin and the long jump, and a second place finish in the 200 meter

race; and Harry Smith, who placed second in the 200 meter race and the discus.

Joan McEvoy showed strongly in the 60-64 age category, with first place finishes in badminton and the run hit and throw competitions, and a second in Frisbee.

Age 65-69 winners were represented

by Dottie Finrock, with a first in bounce volleyball; Joan Jasin, placing in discus and the 1500 meter race walk, along with winning the shot put; Frank Reimann, who took seconds in the shot put and discus, and a third in javelin; and Virginia Reimann, who won the discus and horseshoes, and placed second in the shot put.

Taking honors in the 70-74 age bracket were Alma Foerster, with seconds in the shot put and long jump, along with a third in discus; Jerry Gawura, who had firsts in shot put and volleyball, plus seconds in discus and horseshoes; and Emily Jansen, who finished first in volleyball, basketball free-throw and run hit and throw, along with a third in Frisbee accuracy.

In the open age category, Melvin Rising took first place honors in the checkers competition.

Other Canton participants included Sally Copely, Monica Doig, Eleanor Hoelscher, Jeanne Hynes, Sarah Kahaian, Wilma Rising and Stan Helewski.

League rules state that all players must play at least 40 per cent of the game and no more than 60 per cent.

The leagues this year are boys "A" and "B" and girls "B."

There is also a "C" League, made up of third, fourth and fifth graders. This is an instructional league and all players will be involved in 50 per cent of the games.

Adults are also needed to volunteer as coaches. Referees are also needed for the league. Inquiries can be made during player registration.

PCJBA hoop registration

With fall just around the corner it's time again to think about a little hoop action.

Find out about the Plymouth-Canton Junior Basketball Association's (PCJBA) 1990-91 season during registration to be held Sept. 8 and 15 at Canton High School's Phase III athletic facility.

Youngsters in the third through eighth grades can sign up from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. on both days. Registration for grades nine through 12 will be announced in the near future.

Football, food at U-M dinner

Football and food will be served up when the University of Michigan Club-Plymouth Community holds its fourth annual scholarship dinner Sept. 20 at the Mayflower Hotel.

Ron Kramer, a former player for the Detroit Lions and the Green Bay Packers, will be the guest speaker at the event. The dinner is scheduled for 7 p.m.

Tickets at \$30 and \$20 for students. Call Bill Carter at 455-2912 for more information.

The club has also named officers for the 1990-91 year. They include: Bill Carter, president; Dave Keahl, vice president; Ken Holmes, treasurer; Kathy Gooze, secretary; and Kevin Albaugh, Marge Harrington, Howard Finkbeiner and Lisa Drouillard as Board of Governors members.

Canton swimmers stroke toward season

BY RITA DERBIN

With a large, enthusiastic team led by senior co-captains Tami Santomauro and Chris Lang, the Canton girls swim team is ready for a competitive season.

"Lang and Santomauro are good team leaders," said coach Hooker Wellman. "All the seniors are good examples to the younger swimmers."

"We have 55 swimmers this year," he added. "And I've been real impressed by how hard they've worked -- they've been training hard."

Returning seniors from last year's team which finished in a first place tie in the Western Division include Santomauro (freestyle), Lang (all around), Erika Carson (butterfly) and diver Becky Hoisington, the Chiefs' top diver. Hoisington, along with teammate Amy Kodrik, a junior, won the Western Lakes Activities Association relays last season.

Returning juniors include: Nicole Montessor (backstroke), Janet Roberts (all around), Jeni Cooper (freestyle sprints), Beth Yack (butterfly and all around), Stacie Belisle (breaststroke), Juli Daoust (breaststroke and freestyle).

Sophomores include Sonya McWhirter, an all around swimmer, and Pam Pritchard, who Wellman regards as the most outstanding athlete on the team.

Pritchard broke the school 100-yard freestyle record last year before various

injuries shortened her season causing her to miss the conference and state meets.

Newcomers include two freshman that will help the team.

Jill Mellis is an all around swimmer that will be valuable to the team, said Wellman. Jill Barnes is a butterfly specialist that Wellman thinks has the potential to be a real good all around swimmer.

"She's mini but mighty," he said.

This will be a rebuilding year, according to Wellman. He lost eight seniors, including two all state swimmers in Nicole Drake and Cassie Cummins from last year but expects the Chiefs to be competitive this year.

Wellman said North Farmington should be expected to defend its conference title but Northville, Livonia Churchill, Livonia Stevenson, Salem and Canton should be very competitive.

The Chiefs' open their season tomorrow night at home against Novi. The meet begins at 7 p.m.

Seniors softball

Are Canton seniors citizens better ballplayers than their counterparts in other communities?

That appears to be the case as the township's senior co-ed softball team, the Chattanooga Choo-Choo's, were crowned champions of the Warren Senior Softball Tournament for the third straight year recently.



Canton divers Becky Hoisington (left) and Amy Kodrik are getting ready for another swimming season. The pair won the diving relays during last year's league competition. (Crier photo by Eriq Lukasik)

Returnees pace Chiefs

BY MIKE GUINN

Trying to follow a 1989 season that saw the Canton High Chiefs boys cross-country team win their division and conference may be tough, but coach Jim Hayes expects his team to figure in each meet they enter.

Hayes has nine runners returning from last year's squad that finished seventh in the state finals, including co-captains Mike Ream and Jason Napolitano, both seniors.

"We lost one boy who was all-state and three other seniors," Hayes said. "But we expect to be competitive in every race we run."

Other returnees include: seniors Jason Crain, Jim Carnes, Chris Nelson and Ryan McClain. Underclassmen coming back for another year include junior Mark Ealovega, and

sophomores Shawn McNamara and Dave Yack.

The Chiefs will have to wait until competition is under way, Hayes said, to determine which schools will give them the toughest battles.

"There's so much graduation and turnover in high school," Hayes said. "It's hard to keep track of all the teams."

Canton will compete in 10-12 meets this year, Hayes said. While that may not seem like a lot, the strain on the runners can be grueling.

"Distance running is not like other sports," Hayes said. "It doesn't take long, but there are a lot of demands on a runner's body."

The Chiefs open their 1990 schedule with the Early Bird Invitational, Thursday (Sept. 6) at Ypsilanti High School.

Canton tennis rebuilds

BY MIKE GUINN

Three returning players will be relied upon to provide experience and leadership to the Canton High School girls tennis team in 1990.

Senior co-captains Leann Gurchak and Reetika Aulakh, along with junior Denise Gildo are the sole remnants of last year's team which shared the division championship with Northville High School.

Coach Carol Michaels does not know how the team will perform under league pressure, but is hoping for the best.

"We are a young team this year as far as experience," said Michaels. "I'm hoping to finish in the middle of the pack. If we do better than that, great!"

Other players being looked to this year include Lorena Sanford, Gina Fuerst and Jenny Schafer, all seniors.

Michaels said that she expects Gurchak and Gildo to be the number one and two singles players, with Aulakh and Jennifer Davis taking the number three and four positions.

Fuerst and Sanford will probably make up the number one doubles team.

Teams Michaels expects to be tough this year include Northville, Stevenson and Farmington-Harrison high schools.

"Northville and Stevenson are always tough, and Farmington-Harrison have some good singles players," Michaels said. "Northville was co-champs with us last year, and they have a lot of kids coming back."

Canton opens the regular season with matches on consecutive days. They face Ypsilanti High School Thursday, and follow up with Franklin High School on Friday. Both competitions will be played on the Chiefs home court.

R-ball league in Canton

Try your hand at the other racquet sport this fall.

The Canton Parks and Recreation Department is hosting a men's racketball league, beginning Sept. 5. Three skill divisions are being set up to compete over 16 weeks.

Games will be played at Rose Shores in Canton on Wednesday nights at 7:30 p.m. and 8 p.m.

The entry fee is \$100 per person, which covers all court costs and awards. Call 397-5110 for more information.

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See Tom or Jo (453-4440) / Joy or Steve (453-5340)

In cooperation with The Community Crier

Mail con targets Plymouth man

BY MIKE GUINN

Tis' the season to get scammed. If you're not careful, that is.

John L. Young, a Plymouth resident, was an apparent target of mail fraud last week when he received a letter with a Vancouver, British Columbia return address informing him that an unnamed person was looking for him.

The letter said that if he was the "right" person, \$10 million could be waiting for him.

The letter, carrying the logo of 'Henderson, Winters, Mitchell and Young,' promised that for a fee of \$20, along with his signature and "handwriting samples," the writer would send Young "lucky lottery numbers" that "could be worth more than \$10 million."

A check of the Vancouver telephone directories failed to list the name of the firm.

"At first I was going to throw this letter out," Young said. "But after a couple of seconds, I started to wonder how they got my address."

Although Young is not sure, he thinks that his address was received through the Michigan Department of Motor Vehicles.

"I would like to see these people (who sent the letter) thrown in jail," Young said. "There are a lot of people gullible enough to fall for something like this."

The U.S. Postal Service Inspectors Office said that while this type of practice is illegal, it is difficult to find the persons involved.

Wallace Boyance, a U.S. postal

inspector based in Detroit, said that it is not surprising that the firm isn't listed.

"This is typical. It's probably just a mail drop service," Boyance said. "A lot of people who don't want to get caught do this type of thing."

Boyance said that the lure of big money is often used to entice people into sending cash.

"Long-lost relatives, lotteries, it doesn't sound legitimate on its face," Boyance said of Young's letter. "There's that idea of the lottery that perks people's interest."

Because the letter was of Canadian origin, Boyance said that the postal service will inform the international inspector's office in Washington. But the chances of catching the people behind the letter, Boyance said, are

about the same as the letter being legitimate.

What should people do if they get one of these "opportunities?"

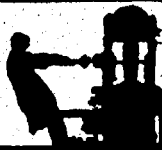
"I would suggest that they just throw it away," Boyance said."

S'craft seminar

Sharpen your hobby skills by attending Schoolcraft College's first annual Needlework Seminar on Sept. 15 at the school's Livonia campus.

Special sessions will cover bobbin lace making, pulled thread (needlepoint lace), shadow embroidery and silk and metal thread techniques along with other styles. A beginning needlepoint class will also be offered.

The seminar will run from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. with morning and afternoon sessions. The cost is \$45.



Public notices

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

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, September 10, 1990, at the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendments to the Zoning Ordinance.

CONSIDER ADDING THE FOLLOWING USE IN THE G1 - GENERAL INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT.

23.02 A.14 COMPOSTING OF GRASS LAWN CLIPPING, TREE LEAVES AND OTHER ORGANIC RESIDENTIAL YARD WASTE.

Publish: The Crier, 8-15-90 and 9-5-90

Planning Commission
John Burdzak, Chairman

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CONSIDER MODIFICATION TO SECTION 9.03 A. SITE PLAN REVIEW TO ELIMINATE SITE PLAN REVIEW REQUIREMENTS FOR SEVERAL AGRICULTURAL ACTIVITIES.

Publish: The Crier, 8-15-90 and 9-5-90

Planning Commission
John Burdzak, Chairman

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH BOARD OF TRUSTEES - SPECIAL MEETING TUESDAY, AUGUST 28, 1990

Supervisor Breen called the special meeting to order at 5:07 p.m. All members were present.

Mrs. Hulsing asked that the agenda be amended by taking up items J.1 Worker's Disability Compensation Award before 1.4. She moved with that alteration the agenda be accepted. Supported by Mr. Munfakh. Ayes all.

Mrs. Hulsing moved to reaffirm the action taken on June 12, 1990 on Items G.2 and G.3 (Planning Commission Application No's. 1056/190 and 1063/360) in which the property was zoned from Single Family Residential to Industrial. Supported by Mr. Horton. Ayes all.

Mr. Jim Anulewicz, Public Services Director, discussed the Cooperative Agreement with Wayne County Urban County Community Development Block Grant Program. Mr. Horton moved that authorize the supervisor to sign the contract as provided by the County as submitted July 17, 1990. Supported by Mr. Griffith. Ayes all.

The resolution reads as follows:

BE IT RESOLVED that Plymouth Charter Township agrees to act as sponsor for the purpose of making application to the Michigan Aeronautics Commission and the Federal Aviation Agency for funds that can be used to acquire the Mettetal Airport property so that the community airport can be preserved, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Supervisor is authorized to present such applications as is necessary to accomplish the purpose of this resolution and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the intent of Plymouth Township is to be the catalyst for the effort to preserve the airport and to assist in the formation of an Airport Authority and that the Township shall incur no liability nor shall it accept title to the property.

Roll call:

Ayes: Munfakh, Griffith, Hulsing, Brooks, Horton, Breen
Nays: Stewart

The Outline of Mettetal Acquisition Procedure was submitted by Supervisor Breen as follows:

1. Pass resolution to act as sponsor
2. Apply for grants
3. Obtain options at appraised value(s)
4. Form authority
5. Transfer rights to authority
6. Start master planning process (state)
7. Obtain appraisals, to include environmental assessments
8. Implement granting process
9. Acquire property

Mr. Munfakh moved to affirm the recommendation of the insurance carrier and not appeal the decision for the Worker's Disability Compensation case of Shawn M. Corbett. Supported by Mrs. Hulsing. Ayes all.

Mr. Breen asked that after adjournment the Board members reconvene in the Conference Room to continue their discussion and development of the 1991 Budget for the Charter Township of Plymouth.

It was moved by Mr. Munfakh and supported by Mr. Horton that the meeting adjourn at 6:10 p.m. Ayes all.

Respectfully submitted,
Esther Hulsing
Township Clerk
Plymouth Charter Township

The foregoing is a synopsis of the minutes of Board Trustees Special meeting held on August 28, 1990. The full text is available in the Clerk's Office for perusal. They will be submitted for Board approval at the next regular meeting on September 11, 1990.
Publish: The Crier, September 5, 1990

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CONSIDER THE ADOPTION OF THE REVISED MASTER LAND USE PLAN AND REVISED MASTER LAND USE PLAN MAP. THE MASTER LAND USE PLAN AND MASTER LAND USE MAP, IF ADOPTED, WOULD AFFECT NUMEROUS PARCELS OF LAND IN AREAS THROUGHOUT THE TOWNSHIP, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE FOLLOWING:

1. GENERALLY WEST OF CANTON CENTER ROAD FROM SALTZ ROAD SOUTH TO GEDDES ROAD, THE PROPOSAL IS TO CHANGE THE AGRICULTURAL CLASSIFICATION TO RESIDENTIAL, 2 DWELLING UNITS PER ACRE.

2. GENERALLY SOUTH OF KOPPERNICK ROAD SOUTH TO FORD ROAD BETWEEN LILLEY AND HANNAN ROADS THE PROPOSAL IS TO CHANGE THE LIGHT INDUSTRIAL CLASSIFICATION TO OFFICE/INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH.

3. GENERALLY THE LAND EAST OF I-275 BETWEEN CHERRY HILL ROAD AND MICHIGAN AVENUE THE PROPOSAL IS TO CHANGE THE RESIDENTIAL 1 DWELLING UNIT PER ACRE CLASSIFICATION TO RESIDENTIAL, 3 DWELLING UNITS PER ACRE.

4. GENERALLY TO CHANGE THE MID-RISE DEVELOPMENT CLASSIFICATION ON EITHER SIDE OF HAGGERTY ROAD BETWEEN PALMER ROAD AND MICHIGAN AVENUE TO OFFICE/INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH.

5. GENERALLY THE LAND SOUTH OF THE LOWER ROUGE RIVER SOUTH TO MICHIGAN AVENUE BETWEEN SHELDON AND LILLEY ROADS, THE PROPOSAL IS TO CHANGE THE CLASSIFICATION FROM RESIDENTIAL AND OFFICE TO OFFICE/INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH.

6. GENERALLY THE LAND SOUTH OF THE LOWER ROUGE RIVER SOUTH TO MICHIGAN AVENUE BETWEEN CANTON CENTER AND SHELDON ROADS THE PROPOSAL IS TO CHANGE THE RESIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION FROM 1 DWELLING UNIT PER ACRE TO 3 DWELLING UNITS PER ACRE.

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8. GENERALLY THE LAND SOUTH OF MICHIGAN AVENUE ON BOTH SIDES OF SHELDON ROAD THE PROPOSAL IS TO CHANGE THE RESIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION FROM 4-5 DWELLING UNITS PER ACRE TO LIGHT INDUSTRIAL.

9. MOST OF THE LIGHT INDUSTRIAL CLASSIFIED LAND SOUTH OF MICHIGAN AVENUE BETWEEN CANTON CENTER AND MORTON TAYLOR ROADS IS PROPOSED TO BE CHANGED TO LIGHT INDUSTRIAL.

The Master Land Use Plan is the general guide to determining where selected land uses will be located. It is the framework which supports Township Zoning Policies and is commonly referred to as the "future" land use plan. It is not the same as a zoning map.

The public is invited to attend this meeting and offer comments, suggestions or objections. Copies of the proposed Master Land Use Plan and Master Land Use Plan map are available for public inspection at the Office of the Clerk, at 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI, during normal business hours.
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Planning Commission
John Burdzak, Chairman

Park seniors expected to file with commission

BY SCOTT DANIEL

A complaint against the owner of Canton's Royal Holiday Mobile Home Park was expected to be filed with the Michigan Civil Rights Commission Friday.

According to Peter Bundarin, a Canton attorney retained by the homeowners association at the seniors citizens mobile home park, an age discrimination complaint is being filed against park owner Sheldon Futernick.

Senior residents at Royal Holiday have said Futernick is trying to force out older residents by raising lot rents.

Bundarin and John Korpus,

president of the homeowners group, planned to file the complaint. Affidavits from park residents stating that Korpus could represent them had to be gathered before the complaint could be filed.

The commission will assign an investigator to the case, Bundarin said. He said the investigator would likely send a copy of the complaint to Futernick for a response.

If Futernick fails to respond, the commission is empowered to gain an injunction against the owner, Bundarin said. An injunction would freeze the seniors rent at its current level until settlement of the dispute through litigation, he added.

SC approves facility design

BY KEN VOYLES

Schoolcraft College's Board of Trustees approved a schematic design last Wednesday for a new college building on the Livonia campus.

The new facility, slated to be a college services building, will house a variety of student offices in approximately 60,000 square feet.

The college is expected to receive state funding for the construction. Schoolcraft officials said their next step is to go before the state legislature to reach a decision on the type of

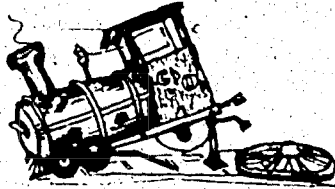
funding for the facility.

In July, the board looked at the original plans for the new facility.

The college, which includes Plymouth-Canton in its district, has not constructed any new major facilities in nearly a decade.

Once funding is approved the college will begin bidding out design and construction work for the new building. College officials said a groundbreaking date will not be set until after the funding is cleared.

Train Chronicles



EDITOR'S NOTE: Every so often, a mysterious document signed by "The Train Chronicler" appears in *The Community Crier's* mail slot. It's author is unknown, although certain clues (the article smells of scotch and fish and is written on the back of a horse-racing form) lead *The Crier* staff closer to discerning "The Chronicler" identity with each new entry.

TRAIN CHRONICLES
Contest No. 4
What'll We Do With...

Once again the question is forcefully posed, "What does one do to wile away the minutes (hours?) when one is inextricably jammed in a Main Street, Plymouth, train wall?"

Knit an afghan or three?

Translate the Oxford English Dictionary into Sanskrit?

Apply for and graduate from medical school?

NAAAAHHH! None of those things take near enough time, or so it seems as that train starts to back up for the third time. TC suggests the thing to do is to come up with keen, rapier witted answers to the fourth contest in the series that gave you such gems as the, "BEATING A DEAD PIGEON AWARD..." and "NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS THAT SHOULD BE MADE."

Yes, it's another in the series of contests that have never been graced with an entry to say nothing of a winner. But TC is ever dauntless in the belief that the fine folks of the Plymouth-Canton-Northville (they got rid of the horse blockades by the track) area should not sit idly by while waiting for the latest train tribulation to end.

If we can't figure out how to get rid of the trains or get a way under, over or around 'em we can at least use the incredible amounts of time spent waiting for them to find the answers to some of the important questions of the day.

Today's contest being one where TC supplies the beginning of the question, "What'll We Do With...?" and you, you clever devil, supply the end of the question and the answer(s). Sound tough? Well contests ain't supposed to be easy! But a little right we'll get you started with the following "WHAT'LL WE DOWITHS"—

The vacant, eyesore of a former gas station in the middle of town—Answers 1. Donut Shop 2. Robert B. Delaney Memorial Tonquish Creek Aqueduct Toll Booth 3. Donut Shop 4. Off Track Betting shop 5. Public Restroom Facility 6. Fleet Street Rod & Gun Club Squabberie 7. Beer Bar Drive-In Window 8. "Father Waddles" Magic Finger Massage Parlor 9. Drive In Train Complaint Window 10. Donut Shop.

Well, for some reason TC is incredibly hungry now so it's up to you, train loathers. Send 'em in and we'll print the best (any) we get. And don't forget that empty Farmer Jack building, and.....

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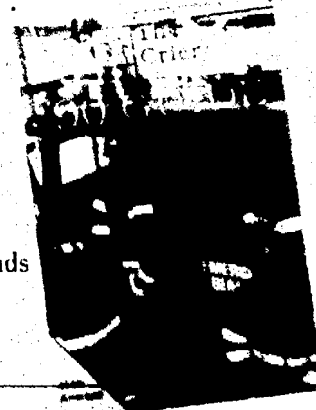


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Crier Classifieds

Curiosities

Congrats to the newest engineer at VanDresser!

Crier staff will be sleeping in Thursday!



NATHAN THINKS GRANGE DONUTS ARE FINGER-LICKIN' GOOD!

Plymouth Symphony League Antique Mart Preview — Thursday evening, Sept. 6.

Plymouth Symphony League Antique Mart — 2 Days — Friday, Sept. 7 and Saturday, Sept. 8.

Rick Smith and "the Crybabies" take a Gus Macker third place.

John Broderick is missing Fall Festival.

Larry M., you can now take off that one half time to put another one on... K

LINDA WALL, MIKE POLLARD: we have to stop meeting like this! Your fellow Avenue meeters: Phyllis, Larry, Ed

HAPPY BIRTHDAY CHARLIE YERKES.

SUZANNE BOELEN and RICK REUTHER: best wishes.

PHYLLIS lost the messy desk contest!?!?

JESSICA: welcome to your 12th Fall Festival.

MERC: It's almost time for Loretta's shower! Time is sure flying!

JOHNNY and BETH: I hope school is going well. -Aunt Rita

Henry, who are you bringing, or are you going to bach it?

Thanks to a fantastic staff for making it happen one more time - you're great! - Phyllis

Peg P. we miss you - let's do lunch.

Congratulations Karen and George.

Are you sure Fall Fest is always like this? Maybe my imagination just remembers things differently.

What's a deadline?

Ron, good luck in college this year. Let me know when you find a place to live. -Mom

Curiosities

Beauregard makes BROWN 25!

Sue, this is your Fall Festival curio!

"ALL RIGHT!" The party is tonight!

2 years and I don't own a horse yet.

Julie and Rich come back after 2 weeks. How come they don't look rested?

Hey P, what's your average?

The R.N. is good with a B.B. I hope.

Phil does B-bop.



Julie and Rich know how to throw a party.

DEBBIE "WIL" play well! She said so & she's the boss.

Leeza, in case Lesh forgot to tell you the party is tonight.

JUDY: the BLTs were great! Thanks for lunch! I still owe you!

Karl showed me she can really dance, of course some of those fast dances she was doing looked like she was shadow boxing.

ERA PRIME PROPERTIES DOES CANTON.

MIKE: my Giants are fading fast... Good luck to your Dodgers as they try to catch the dreaded Red! I'm not saying I like the Dodgers but I really don't like the Reds.

SHAWN: Chicago's looking real good ... let's plan on a little trip next month.

Dale, that wasn't your secret friend. That was your ONLY friend!

When you see Jo Mickelson, give her your sympathy. She's earned it!

Rita, the curios are 5 days early!

Chris: how does it feel to not be a student? The first time since 1972.

Bryan - good luck in Calgary!

Matt and Peter: say hello to Manzanita from your friends in Plymouth.

Chris: we hope to see you in Arizona in November.

Jack will have more fun at this Fall Fest party than he did at the wedding because he doesn't have to sign any checks!

Curiosities

JESSICA'S WEIGHT: 2, State Fair: 0

Slush Club Members: when is the Sept. meeting?

"I've been much more sympathetic toward him than he ever was with me." One former F.F. Board Member referring to a certain F.F. Mgr.

Phyllis: if you have a smile on your face, why do you have that crazed look in your eyes?

Fitz - any more predictions?

People who have birthdays in September are very special. Right, Judy?

"They're such twits!" What is a twit?

Phil: today Fall Fest Editor - tomorrow Guide Editor! Congrats on a job well done.

"I don't know how we managed without a car last year." Julie commenting on college campus life. "Very well." -Mom remembering.

Larry - 1990 Fall Fest Manager and Fall Fest Ad Director! (Maybe you could add Fall Fest Editor to your list next year?!?) Congrats!

Happy Birthday Jim Owens!

Steve - I checked and it was your turn!

Rob said Lori is always complaining but Heidi said she has a right to, because she works with Rob.

Judy, don't forget, you've already received your allotment for Sept!

Peg Paul, Peg Paul, where are you? Oh, there you are - AGAIN.

Margaret had Sloppy Joe Surprise (Matt's secret recipe).

Julie - between football and hockey, I don't think you're going to have a chance!

"All of the Chicago teams are worse than wimps!" -Kevin Kelly, 1990 (What do you think about that statement, Rita?)

The Cubs are losers from way back. The Bears - just look at their coach. Need I say more? The Sox gave it a run for the old ballpark. The Blackhawks - I can't print what I think of those goons. And the Bulls, no comment except that the better team won, didn't they?!

Alan O'Dell will be another year younger on Sat. and Ed is throwing a party for a few of his closest friends on Wed.

Red is a regular speaking machine. Hope the fund drive goes well. Blue.

Mike Guinn hits The Crier edit mold. Is that scary or what?

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Peg, aren't you having enough fun to want to stay around longer?



Curiosities

MIKE: Don't pick on Trammell, he's a class act. And his autographed card will be worth something when he makes it to the Hall of Fame (which will be long before any current Dodger makes it).
"NOTHING'S FAIR H.I. Don't like it." -- Jackie, 1990.
ROB HALL on a POGO stick for his birthday.
BOB BAKE has a BIG birthday coming up. Don't tell him you saw this here.
CHRIS FARINA does whirwind tours.
GET READY TO DIAL 1-313 A LOT!
KIT: did you read the SI article on Jose Canseco? Well, I'm not impressed.
BOB FITHIAN got trashed.
Plymouth Symphony League Antique Mart Sept. 7 and Saturday

Curiosities

KEN VOYLES is a good Boy S!
Even a blind dog get a bon Name withheld.
Doris Wray R. IS the BIG "50"
Quality at a great price & Discount Jewelers. The 1 worlds.
Weddings should be split the bride's and groom's far son gets married.
There's a rumor going arc and Sherry made it 25 year didn't have to eat each c They always ate at Silvern be true, can it?
PCEP Marching Band — was a success and '90 is :
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Parting Shot



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No Grange pies

The last of the Grange pies cool in the window of the old Grange building on Union Street during last year's Fall Festival. For 33 years, fest-goers could purchase the pies whole or by the slice; not this year, however. The Grange has moved

out of the Union Street building and will sell doughnuts and cider in front of Central Middle School. (Photo courtesy of Elizabeth M. Johnson)



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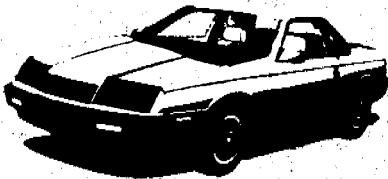
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'90 Sale \$12,767

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Flash Red Clear Coat. Seats — Low Back Buckets W/Recliners. Transmission - 3 Speed Automatic, Engine - 2.5 Liter EFI, Air Conditioning, Tires - P125/70 R14 BSW SBR. Stock No. 26056.

'90 Sale \$11,197

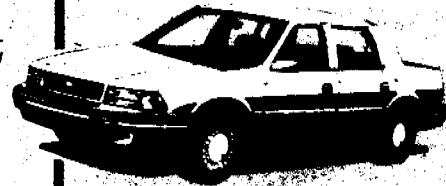
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'91 \$10,541

Plus tax, title, dest



PLYMOUTH SUNDANCE AMERICA 3DR LIFTBACK

Radiant Red CC. Seats - Cloth, Low Back Front Buckets: *W/Recliners & Folding Rear Bench, Transmission - 5 Speed Manual, Engine - 2.2 Liter SOHC EFI, Tires - P185/70 R14 BSW SBR, Rear Window Defroster, Light Package, Dual Outside Remote Mirrors, Floor Mats, AM/FM Stereo Radio, Narrow Bodyside Moldings, Stock No. 5021.

'91 Sale \$8,168

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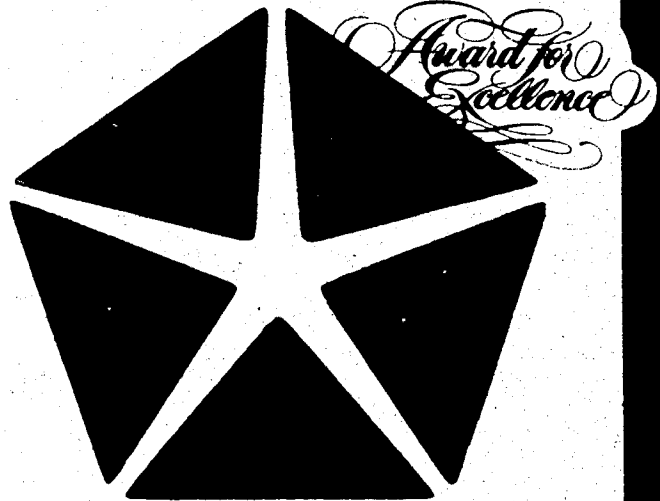
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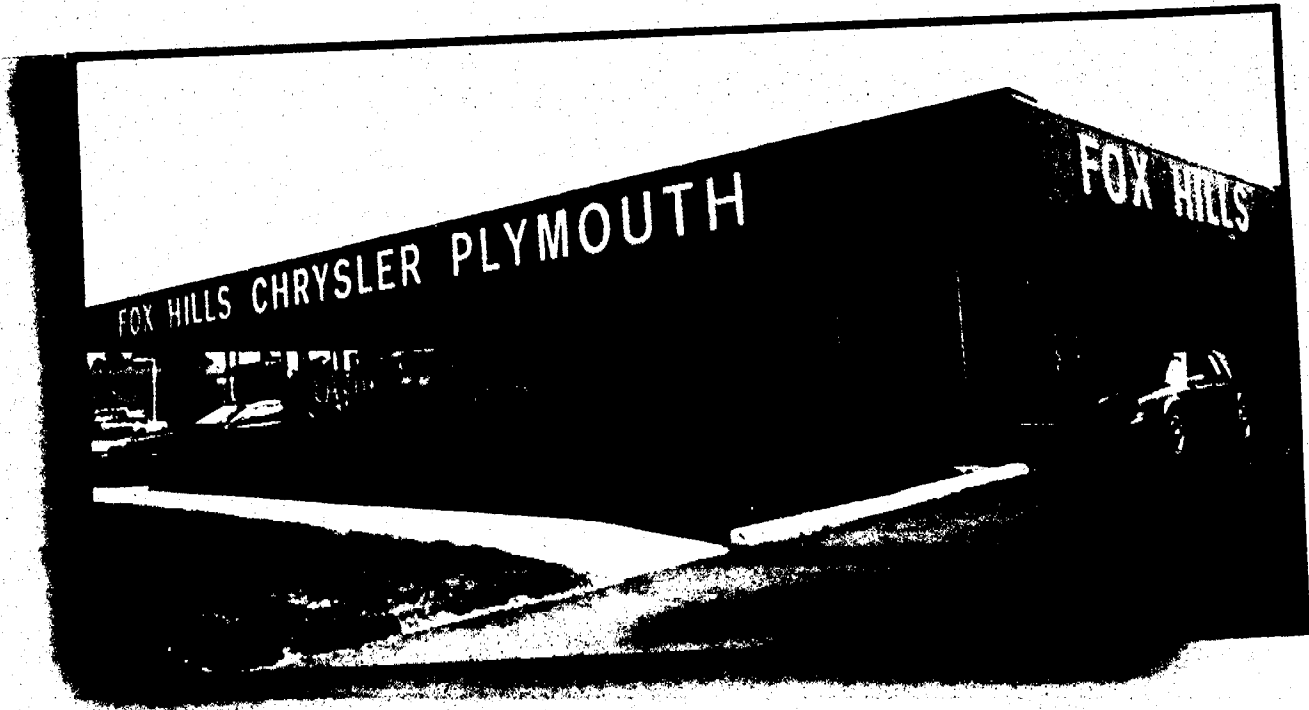
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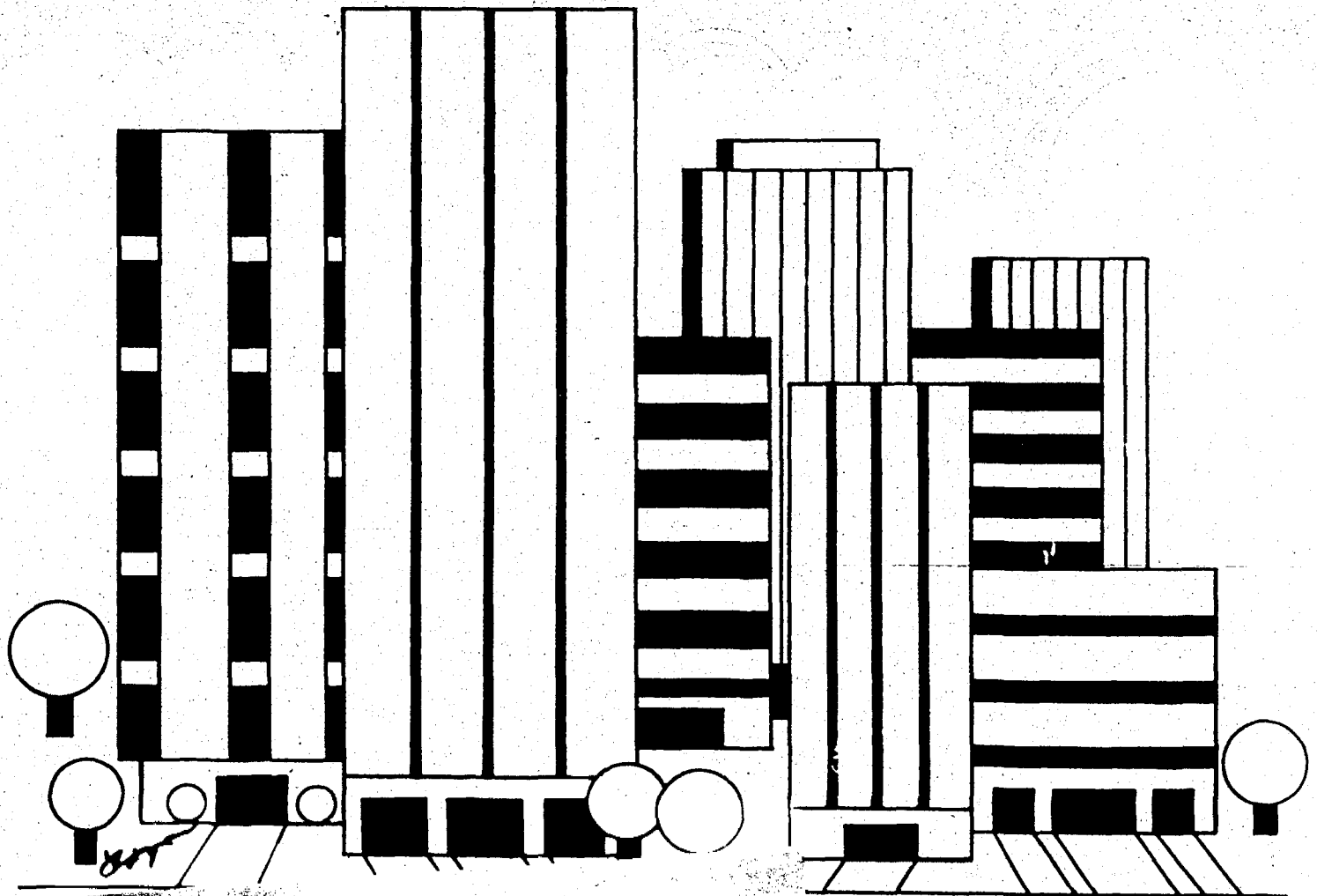
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