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And they're off . . .



Candidates for '92 enter starting gate

BY ANNA MURRAY
AND KEN VOYLES

A election Olympics will be taking place this year in Plymouth-Canton-Northville with positions from local school board seats and township boards to the presidency up for grabs.

Starting with a presidential primary in March, followed by local school board elections in June, and running to the national finish line in November, voters face a veritable relay of races.

For all of the county, state, city, township and library board seats, the primaries will be held Aug. 4 with the general election Nov. 3.

In Plymouth Township the entire board is up for election. The incumbents include all four trustees, John Stewart, Abe Muafakh, Ron Griffith and Smith Horton; clerk, Esther Hulsing; treasurer Mary Brooks; and supervisor Gerald Law. Petitions must be in May 12 at 4 p.m. No less than 88 signatures are required with a limit of 348.

Canton has all its seats up for grabs as well. The current board is made up of trustees Phil Lajoy, Elaine Kirchgatter, Robert Shefferly and John Burdziak; clerk Loren Bennett; treasurer Jerry Brown; and supervisor Tom Yack. Six Canton library board members are also running this year. Filing is May 12 with 128 valid signatures required and no more than 511.

In Northville Township all of the trustees, supervisor, clerk, and two constables are up for election this year. The current Northville Township board is made up of trustees Donald Willams, James Nowka, Thomas Handyside and Richard Allen; clerk Thomas Cook; treasurer Jack Hoamer; and supervisor Betty Lenox. The filing deadline is May 12 with between 58 and 231 signatures required.

In the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools district, two board of education members, E.J. McClendon and Barbara Graham, must decide whether to vacate their seats or run again this year. The filing deadline is April 6 with 38 signatures required. The election is June 8.

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Presidential primary rules cause angst with clerks

BY KEN VOYLES

With the presidential primary less than two months away, there is growing concern among local government clerks over what exactly will be the rules governing the "closed" primary.

Those rules have changed several times already, said Canton Clerk Loren Bennett, leading to confusion and

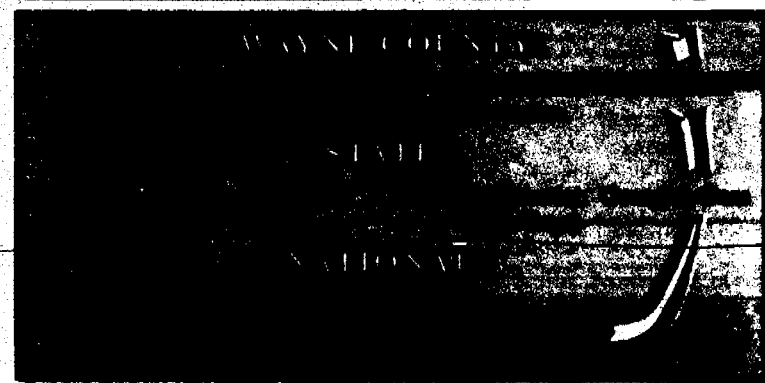
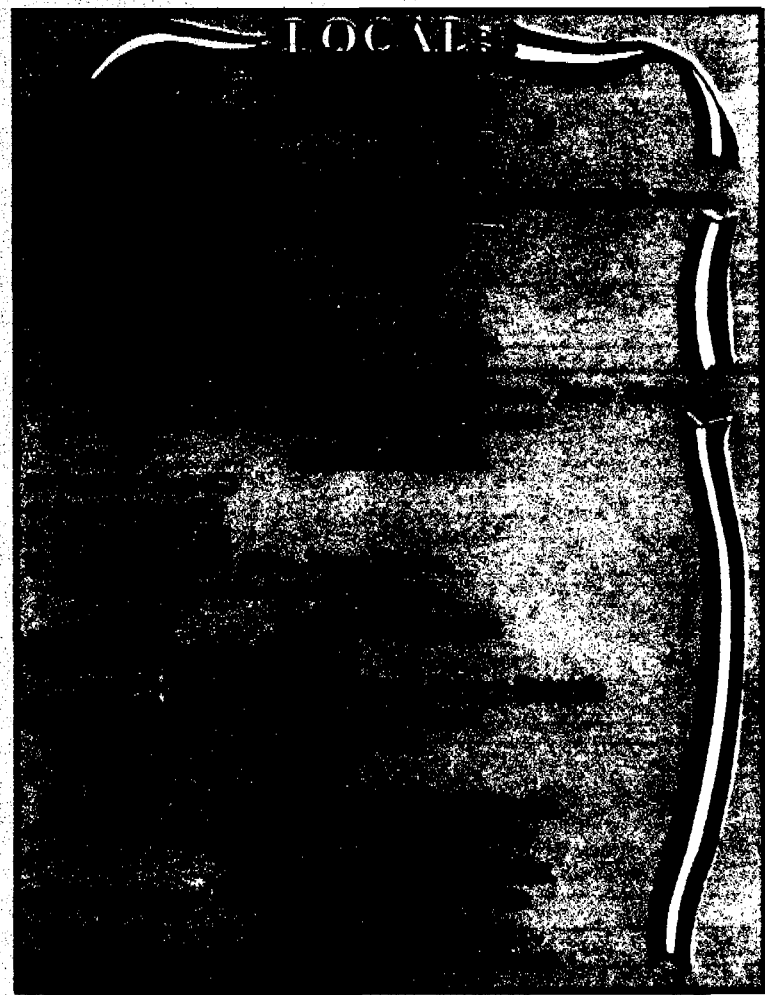
frustration not only among clerks but among residents interested in voting come March 17.

It is expected that a final solution will be found this week, said Georgina Goss (R-36th District) Monday.

Goss said that a resolution or bill would be introduced Tuesday for same-day party declaration for both Republicans and Democrats.

Under the most current plan, prior to yesterday, Republicans have until Feb. 18 to register for the primary. They can

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PLUS: This week The Crier takes a look at home improvement. See pg 13.



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35th Court expands for new judge

BY KEN VOYLES

Just hours before the City of Plymouth Commission voted on whether or not to seek a third judge for the 35th District Court, members of the Court Building Authority approved a plan to expand the Plymouth Road courthouse.

The commission was the last of five government units in the district to support the need for a third judge. The townships of Plymouth, Canton, Northville and City of Northville had already voted for the judgeship.

But the commission's split vote last Tuesday night wasn't altogether unexpected. In meetings prior to the recent votes city representatives had seemed most skeptical of pursuing the third judge plan.

Before the commission vote the building authority -- made up of representatives from the same five communities -- unanimously approved a plan to add a new courtroom and offices onto the current building at an estimated cost of \$534,780.

Funds for the project have been set aside to the amount of \$633,000, said Marion Belding, court administrator.

"We looked at all of the options," said Tom Yack, Canton's supervisor and temporary chair of the meeting in place of Gerald Law who was absent. "We took into consideration that if we went with one of the other options we'd be absorbing all of the extra space in the

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Cloverdale's closes doors

BY ANNA MURRAY and
W. EDWARD WENDOVER

Cloverdale, a well-known downtown Plymouth eatery and ice cream shop, has joined the graveyard of empty downtown stores.

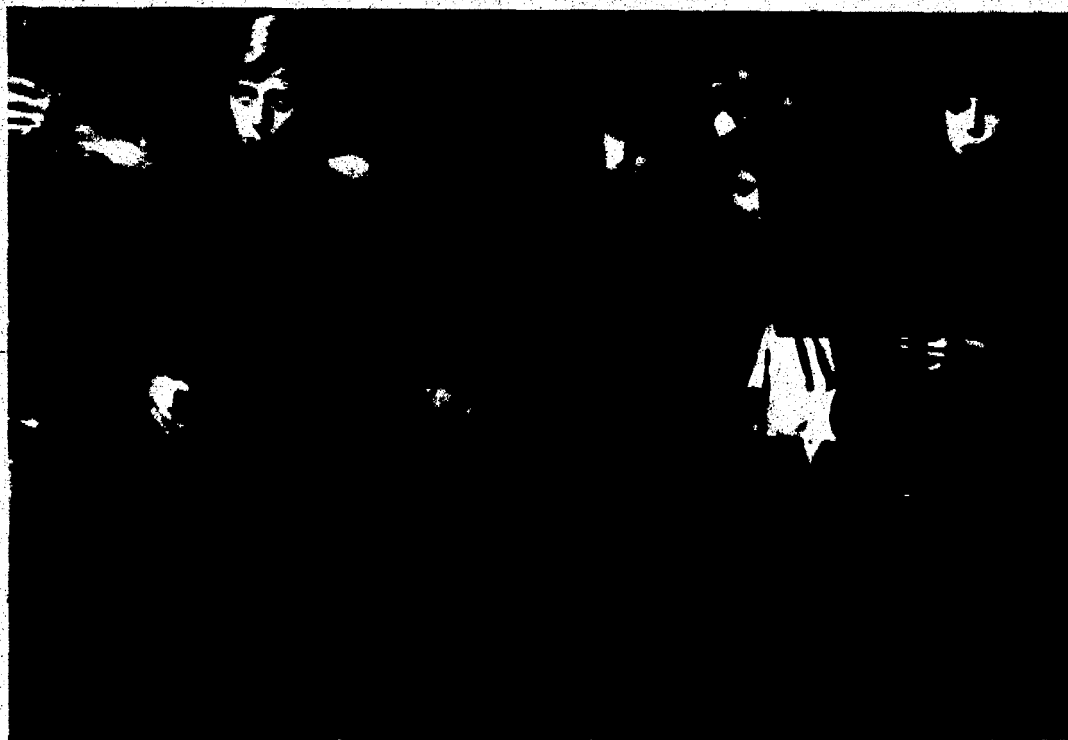
Wayne County Circuit Court Judge Pamela R. Harwood on Friday ordered the business be turned back to its former owner, Joyce Kallos as of Monday at 5 p.m.

As Kallos walked through the half-empty store Tuesday morning, she talked with suppliers and newspaper reporters. "They (the former owners) weren't gone half an hour when the creditors started calling," she said. "I can't help them; Cloverdale's is out of business.

"It's a shame," she kept repeating.

According to Wayne County Court records, Kallos sold the 56-year-old dairy and restaurant to John and Phyllis Kownacki and their Sweets, Treats and Cream, Inc. for \$415,000 on Dec. 5, 1989.

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Sax section swings

Members of the Centennial Educational Park jazz band featured a musical program by the national title holders, the CEP Marching Band. (Crier photo by Eric Lukaszik)

Discrimination charges investigated Salem firefighter files civil suit

BY JILLIAN BOGATER

A Salem Township firefighter has a January 1993 hearing date for a civil lawsuit filed with the Washtenaw Circuit Court against the township.

The lawsuit, filed by Raymond Givens, alleges violations of the Michigan Open Meetings Act.

The Michigan Department of Civil Rights is also currently investigating the Salem Township Board of Trustees for possible discriminatory hiring practices, said Jim Horn, a Michigan Civil Rights Department spokesperson.

Givens, who is a wrestling coach at Centennial Educational Park (CEP), filed a complaint with the department May 14, 1991 claiming he "was unfairly treated and denied a position because he is black."

The complaint is still under investigation.

Givens has worked as a member of the Salem Township Fire Department for more than 13 years. In his suit Givens alleges that he was passed over for a position as Salem Township fire chief because of his race. The position went to a lesser qualified white applicant, he said.

According to the court documents filed with Washtenaw Circuit Court, Salem Trustee Ferman Rohraff, while in a

discussion among employees of the South Lyon Community Schools about the fire chief interviews, "made a comment to the effect that Raymond L. Givens would not be selected as chief because he is the wrong color."

The defendants in the civil lawsuit are Salem Township and the Salem Township Board of Trustees.

The five elected members of the Salem Township Board are also named in their official capacities: township Supervisor Michael Geary, township Clerk Nancy Geiger, township Treasurer Suzanne Witthoff, and township trustees Thomas Hornrich and Ferman Rohraff.

The lawyer for the defendants is Harvey W. Berman, of Bodman, and Longley & Dabbling in Ann Arbor.

In an interview Monday, Givens said he attempted to settle out of court, but "they were unwilling to settle," he said. "Basically it comes down to the fact that

it's an election year. It wouldn't do them any good to settle out of court.

Geiger said she is "looking forward to getting it over," but could not comment on the lawsuit.

"Our attorney advised us because it is in court that we not come out and speak on it," she said.

According to court documents, Givens' complaint relates "to the interviews of candidates for the open position of fire chief of Salem Township, the selection and appointment by the board of Mark Hamilton as fire chief, and the board's refusal to record a roll call vote on that decision."

A discrepancy of who and how many board members voted is also a question seeking an answer in Givens' lawsuit.

Submitted as evidence was testimony from several township residents who attended the meeting who left with the impression the selection for the position was predetermined before the voting.

Also included among several pieces of evidence was a column by Crier reporter Jim White which ran May 22, 1991. It stated that "the board voted unanimously 4-0 to select Hamilton. Trustee Ferman Rohraff, whose son is in the fire department, abstained."

According to one resident quoted in the court documents, "when the action appeared to be controversial and when it was clear that the newly-chosen fire chief lacked certain training qualifications, there was an attempt by Mrs. Suzanne Witthoff to withdraw her motion."

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School cuts aimed at students

BY JILLIAN BOGATER
General operating funds for the
Plymouth-Canton Community Schools

district are currently experiencing a 25 per cent reduction.
Reductions were made in the supply

and capital outlay accounts for the current 1992 budget, said Diane Barnes, director of finance for the school district.


The cuts, which began this month, will affect allocation money used to purchase items for students, such as pencils, paper and office supplies, Barnes said.

"Any dollars cut this year will help save programs next year," she said. The amounts awarded to each school is

determined according to how many students are enrolled in each building.

Before the cuts, each student in the elementary school level received \$38, junior high schools were allocated \$46.31 per student and the high schools received \$51.05 per student, Barnes said.

With the reduction elementary schools now receive \$28.50 per student, junior high schools receive \$34.73 per student and the high schools get \$38.29 per student.



Public notices

The Board Report A brief review of actions at the regular Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Board of Education meeting of January 27, 1991

The meeting began with an "Extra Miler Volunteers in Public Schools Award (VIPS)" presentation to Plymouth Township resident, Ray Buckman. Buckman, who has served as a volunteer in the District for many years, was nominated by principals and staff members from several school buildings across the District. Among his many contributions, Buckman has worked on millage and bond campaigns, has tutored and read to elementary school children and has donated money to projects at school buildings.

The award was established last fall by the "I Care" committee and the Board of Education to honor those who volunteer in the District.

A resolution of appreciation was presented to WSDP radio station for 20 years of service to the District and the community. Accepting the award on behalf of the CEP's student radio station was Bill Keith, the station manager.

Kirk Delzer of the architectural firm of Giffels Hoyem Basso, Inc. presented the Salem High School cafeteria addition design plans to the Board. The Board decided that a flat roof rather than a skylight roof would best serve the addition. Construction of the addition will remain on schedule.

Dr. Michael Homes, Assistant Superintendent for Instruction, discussed the Elementary School Report Card. Homes commented favorably on progress being made in reporting student progress to parents for the 1992-93 school year.

Ray Buckman, citizen legislative liaison, discussed the highlights of Governor Engler's State of the State Address. He updated the Board on Public Act 184, which states that school buses only have to stop 50 feet from an intersection when the intersection has a traffic stop and go signal. Petitions are currently being circulated, he added, to propose that all lottery funds be deposited directly into the School Aid Fund and not into the state's operating budget.

Superintendent Hoben updated the Board on the efforts of the Michigan Association for Improved School Legislation (MAISL), which is working to bring about the full implementation of the Headlee legislation. The goal is to allow school district's to benefit from the Headlee roll-up, which could mean one-half of a mill or approximately \$900,000 to \$1 million to the Plymouth-Canton Community School District.

No comments were made by citizens.

The Board approved the Consent Calendar which included:

- payment of bills in the amount of \$4,301,652.02.
- the resignation of Dianne Spiers, an East Middle School counselor; and the hiring of Barbara Anderson, Resource Room at Pioneer and Lowell Middle Schools; Helen Klassen, a sixth- and seventh-grade math and science teacher; and Brian Read, an English teacher at Canton High School.

The Board approved:

- the Special Education Graduation Plan.

Under Board Reports, Dean Swartzwelter, Board treasurer, stated that he attended the recent Business-Education Partnership meeting and that he is pleased with the progress the group has made. He and Trustee Graham commented favorably on the recent Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) graduations they attended last week.

The Board will hold a joint workshop with the Schoolcraft College Board of Trustees on Monday, February 3 at 7:30 p.m. at Salem High School. The next regular meeting will be held on Monday, February 10 at 7:30 p.m. in the Board Room of the Administration Offices on Harvey Street in Plymouth.

This report is brought to you as a means of communicating your Board of Education's actions. If you have questions about these actions or would like further information about your schools, call 451-3188.



Public notices

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools invites all interested and qualified companies to participate in a bid for new, replacement school buses. Information, and bid forms are available in the Purchasing Office, Board of Education Building, 454 S. Harvey Street, Plymouth, during regular business hours.

All bids are due at 10:00 A.M. Wednesday, February 12, 1992. Thereafter, Administration will evaluate all bids and make recommendations to the Board of Education at a regular, public meeting. The Board of Education reserves the right to accept any or reject all bids, as they judge to be in the best interest of the School District.

Lester W. Walker, Secretary
Board of Education
Plymouth-Canton Community Schools

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Statement of Resources and Liabilities

	Thousands of dollars
ASSETS:	
Cash and balances due from depository institutions:	
Noninterest-bearing balances and currency and coin	6,837
Securities	31,381
Federal funds sold	1,183
Loans and lease financing receivables:	
Loans and leases, net of unearned income	74,797
LESS: Allowance for loan and lease losses	1,000
Loans and leases, net of unearned income, allowance, and reserve	73,797
Premises and fixed assets (including capitalized leases)	1,619
Other real estate owned	367
Other assets	1,545
Total assets	116,729
LIABILITIES:	
Deposits:	
In domestic offices:	
Noninterest-bearing	17,744
Interest-bearing	88,687
Federal Funds purchased	1,965
Other liabilities	838
Total liabilities	109,234
EQUITY CAPITAL:	
Common stock	1,075
Surplus	1,075
Undivided profits and capital reserves	5,345
Total equity capital	7,495
Total liabilities, limited-life preferred stock, and equity capital	116,729

We, the undersigned directors, attest to the correctness of this statement of resources and liabilities. We declare that it has been examined by us, and to the best of our knowledge and belief has been prepared in accordance with the instructions and is true and correct.

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Proper papers weren't filed City defaults in property tax case

BY ANNA MURRAY

The Michigan Tax Tribunal has found the City of Plymouth in default for not filing the appropriate response to actions by 16 residents who are appealing their property assessments.

A reassessment took place in January and February 1991.

According to Carol Levitte, a lawyer for two residents who are appealing their assessments, some property owners saw as much as a 60 per cent increase in the price put on their property.

Sixteen property owners filed a petition against the city with the Michigan Tax Tribunal last June. The city did not respond within the time allotted by the tribunal. On Dec. 6 the city was found in default by the tribunal.

The city then had a grace period of 20 days to respond or lose the case. It did not respond within the time period.

Complicating the matter is the cloudy role played by Wayne County.

In past years when property owners have appealed their assessments to the state, Wayne County has represented the city, said Bill Graham, finance director for the city. The county has done so to protect its own tax rolls. This time that was not the case.

On Oct. 4, Wayne County asked the court if it could independently defend its case.

This action, according to Levitte, implied the county considered itself a separate entity from the city and would not represent the city in court.

Now the city has drafted a motion to set aside the default. Levitte said she objects to the proceeding saying the motion written by city attorney Ron

Lowe was incorrect in form.

"It amazes me," said Levitte. "Somebody better evaluate what happened here." Levitte said Lowe was lax in warning the Plymouth City Commission that the city faced a possible default.

"There was a misunderstanding between the city and the commission about who represents the city," said

Graham.

Graham conceded the city was "remiss."

"There is no question now we are totally aware and we will not allow this to transpire again in the future," he said.

Now both sides are waiting to see if the Michigan Tax Tribunal will set aside the default order against the city.

February date likely

School site purchase close

BY KEN VOYLES

All sides are apparently closer to proceeding with a purchase agreement for the site of the second new elementary school planned under the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools bond package.

School officials said they expected to bring a proposal before the Plymouth-Canton Schools Board of Education sometime in February to purchase the property.

School officials have declined to reveal the site, other than to say it is located in south Canton. Unconfirmed reports put it somewhere between Canton Center Road and Sheldon Road south of Ford Road but north of Palmer Road.

Another elementary school will be built -- also in Canton -- along Warren Road between Canton Center and Beck roads. The district already owns the property for that site, dubbed the Sunflower site.

Ray Hoedel, the district's associate superintendent for business, said last week that he expected shortly to have word from the developer purchasing the land on whether or not he had closed the deal with the owners.

Hoedel said a letter from the developer made it clear that he would probably close on the property next week or as late as the first week in March.

The plan, said Hoedel, is for the developer to purchase the property then

turn around and sell the district 14 acres of the parcel.

"It looks good, everything is a go," said Hoedel, who added that there was no apparent "problem" with the site.

The school board is expected to hold its next regular session Monday, Feb. 10.

The school district's attorneys have said the district could possibly close immediately subject to the developer's closing or wait to close once the developer's deal has been struck.

The district is also waiting for recommendations from the construction manager and architect on the kinds of environmental tests that need to be conducted at the site prior to the district's

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A few low-cost necessities For the city: a buyers' guide

If someone wants to help the Plymouth City government, please purchase the following items: 1) an egg timer 2) a telephone 3) a copy of "Walden" by Henry David Thoreau.

I developed the preceding buyers' guide setting on the sidelines of various City Commission and DDA meetings last week.

Constructive use of the items on this list would reduce governmental and journalistic frustration, as well as expedite both the DDA and commission agendas to save their budgetarily battered city.

First the egg timer: its purpose would be to reduce the amount of time commissioners spend on dead horse flogging.

For example, at last week's city commission meeting (a week in which Highland Superstores announced 500 job cuts and the Mayflower Hotel filed Chapter 11), Commissioner Bill McAninch spent a full 20 minutes debating with Representative Carl Pursell's aide how it was the post office moved to Beck Road.

Once he had established their mutual inability to rewrite history, McAninch took another tack. "The citizens do not understand why there cannot be a service window on Penniman Avenue," he cried.

After gently reminding the commissioner that no one ever said there wouldn't be a service window on Penniman Avenue, Mr. Pursell's aide asked through clenched teeth, "What can we do to help you further?"

"Whatever you can," answered McAninch.

After charging her with this earth-rocking mission, McAninch allowed the commission to move on to other business.

To use the egg timer in similar situations, the commission would not necessarily have to set it for any specific interval. They could count on the persistent ringing of the timer, as it went off again and again, to discourage loquacious colleagues from debating into the night.

The second purchase, a telephone, with "DDA" printed on its handle in big red letters, might encourage the city commission and the DDA to talk to each other.

The DDA members might find it inexplicably refreshing to be able to berate the commission for its inaction over the phone rather than among themselves at their DDA meetings.

This might also shorten the paper trail created by the DDA placing proposals before the commission only to be sent

Word processes

By Anna Murray



back to do more reports, research and leg work.

Oh, and while we have the DDA and the commission on the phone, we can do a little quoting.

"Simplify! Simplify! Simplify!" was Thoreau's battle cry when he built a little house in the woods at Walden Pond. The

city and the DDA may have more to do than build a house if any more economic earthquakes shake downtown business.

If they don't learn to communicate and move efficiently and quickly through the business at hand, they may find themselves with an entire city to rebuild.

Chief appointment right step

EDITOR:

I would like to express my thanks to the mayor, city commission, and the city manager, for the appointment of Robert Scoggins as permanent police chief of police.

I think the appointment is a step in the right direction, and is long overdue. I agree with the dispatchers and appreciate their support.

Thank you again. You will never regret the confidence you have placed in Chief Scoggins.

JEAN L. MORROW

Only fair traders in park

EDITOR:

Putting a Japanese carving in the center of the Kellogg Park fountain is an absolute sin. I have never missed an ice festival in this town, but as an American suffering from unfair trade practices -- forget it!

Where is Mickey Mouse, Donald Duck, the Golden Gate Bridge or Star

Trek?

The situation with the Japanese and their "dumping" has and is causing more heart ache and pain than Pearl Haror.

When my television breaks, if I cannot find a U.S. make, I'll watch my radio!

THOMAS VANDERWILL

Tots' toys help appreciated

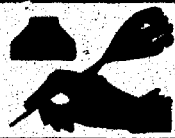
EDITOR:

Omnicom Cablevision is pleased with the overwhelming support shown for our Annual Toys For Tots drive held over the holiday season. As a result of your efforts, over 400 toys were donated with the disbursements going to the Salvation Army, Romulus Goodfellows, and the Friendship House.

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Again, thank you for opening your hearts and joining with Omnicom in sharing your feelings for those less fortunate.

LAURA GRAHAM



Community Opinions

Canton downtown on 19th hole?

They may not have a downtown in Canton yet, or even an idea of how to proceed with a Downtown Development Authority (DDA) district, but one thing is for certain they are trying.

That's right, there is a plum of a plan in the new Pheasant Run residential/golf course complex now moving through the township red tape maze faster than cars zooming along Ford Road at rush hour.

While the township's DDA debates whether trees should be planted along Ford Road possibly blocking some poor smuck's sign or whether a 30-inch high wall makes sense along the busy thoroughfare, the master minds behind this golf course plan are skating along, creating their own downtown Canton, a downtown of \$250,000 houses and a golf course.

That's right, they've finally found the real downtown in Canton. It first became apparent last summer, as reported by a former Crier writer, but now the picture is even clearer.

Downtown Canton is being created south of Cherry Hill Road along Canton Center Road, behind and around the Canton Administration Building.

Maybe that's the way it should be since any downtown along Ford Road would be at the mercy of those businessfolk already entrenched there.

Since the business geniuses making whoopee along Ford Road can't get their heads out of the mud long enough to even agree on beautifying a little bit of ugly Ford Road as a part of the DDA compromise, let the slick developers gobble up all of the land around township hall and turn it into their own private reserve.

Obviously, I have problems with this grandiose golf plan. On the surface the package sounds ideal -- a way to expand recreational uses in the township and develop further solid housing stock south of Ford Road.

But at same time there are concerns -- the interest in this project has altered the township government's mode of operating, making special allowances for the three developers buying up most of the land.

Putting so much effort into the Pheasant Run project also hurts the development of the rest of the township. Just look at the poor fools trying to survive along Ford Road.

Tom Yack has some new ideas for them -- old ones actually -- with a DDA compromise that might finally get a downtown district on track and they still



TOUGH NEGOTIATORS... BUT SOMEHOW THEY HAMMERED OUT A COMPROMISE ON CANTON'S DDA BOUNDARIES.

can't get past their own petty self interests.

Another concern is that this development smacks of DeMattia's brainchild for Northville Township -- Huntington Falls.

Will the two compete in such a way as to hurt both communities? Is it good to have these kind of developments instead of trying to create a mix of commercial and residential development for a real downtown?

At least Canton's project is moving full steam ahead, while DeMattia's languishes.

Sure it would be great to see a lot of \$250,000 houses go up around township hall in Canton, and sure it will be great when they are all bought up.

But once the houses go up and the golf course is laid out what exactly will you have in lower Canton, along Canton Center Road, south of Proctor, east of Beck?

You will have a downtown, a downtown for an elite few who can afford to buy those \$250,000 homes and who like to golf.

Of course, it may be better than no downtown at all. But I'm sorry, when I think of a downtown I think of the square around Kellogg Park in Plymouth, full of shops (well, a few still anyway), and foot traffic.

I don't envision a downtown with doglegs to the right or water traps instead of shops.

Still it will be an interesting mix of housing stock, a golf course, the Canton library, township hall, the soccer fields, ball diamonds, fishing ponds and amphitheater of the Canton Recreation Complex, and nearby a new elementary school for all the kids likely to live in those spacious mansions.

Burleys say thanks

EDITOR:

The family of Grace Burley will never forget the expressions of sympathy and the many kindnesses extended to us at the time of our loss.

The community of Plymouth, the many, many friends, the different groups in which she participated were her mainstay. Without you, her 96 years would not have been so meaningful.

Knowing she was with you, made it a little easier for those of us who did not live in the area.

We thank you sincerely and will never forget the many things you have done over the years for our beloved "Gracie."

Our deepest gratitude to Schrader's Funeral Home. You have helped our family through many difficult situations. Your reliability is the best. Many of us feel we could not make it without you.

HAROLD AND DOROTHY BURLEY

In the margin
By Ken Voyles



In many ways south Canton Center Road is the center of the township. Currently it's the civic heart of the community, like Livonia's Five Mile/Farmington Road intersection, but soon it will be just another subdivision development with a golf course attached.

So is Tom Yack abandoning the idea of creating a special community area along Ford Road for this golf complex along Canton Center Road?

It sure seems that way. His frustration at the DDA during the recent compromise settlement haggles with Norm Newman may have led him to give up on trying to convince the Ford Road leaders that they need a downtown.

Just go find another downtown somewhere else in the community, put your money and time into that and hope for the best.

Yack has always said he favored residential building over commercial growth in the township since it already has suffered a plague of "Kentucky Fried" development.

But no-one ever said downtowns come cheap or easy. There is always a price to pay, just look at the City of Plymouth.

What will the price be when this Pheasant Run project is completed and township planners look back asking themselves if how they could have done it differently, or if they could have done it better?

If nothing else the price tag will be adjusted to the latest greens fees.

Lowell middle schoolers receive award Students' clean-river effort recognized

BY JILLIAN BOGATER

Jerry Reynolds and his classmates were recently recognized by a Canadian environmental magazine for their efforts to clean up a local river.

OWL Magazine recognized sixth graders who were in Ron Myers fifth grade class at Fiegel Elementary School last year with the "HOOT CLUB Award," which was presented Monday by State Representative James Kosteva (D-Canton).

Of the five student groups that OWL Magazine recognized for outstanding contributions to preserving the environment, Myers' class was the only group in the United States honored.

The now-sixth-graders at Lowell Middle School worked with a fifth-grade class at Fiegel last year as part of Myer's clean-up project.

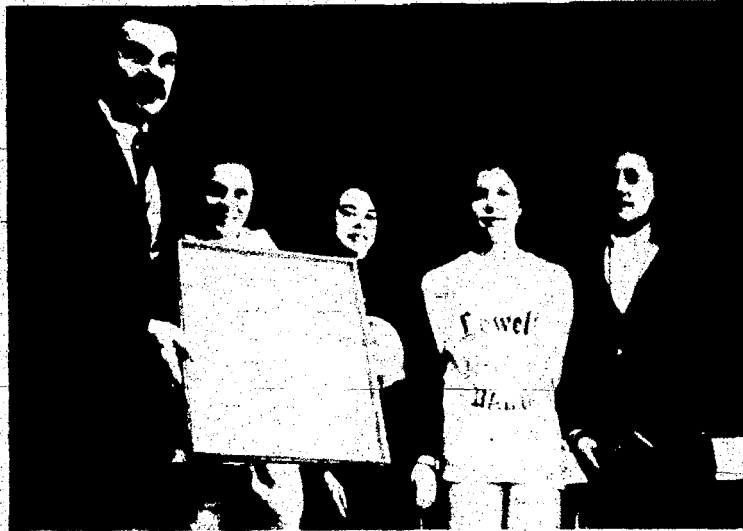
For the previous three years Myers had his fifth grade classes participate in cleaning up a stream located in the Brookside subdivision in Canton that leads into Fellows Creek.

"I thought it was really great," Reynolds said after receiving the award from Kosteva. "It gives us a feeling we really made a difference."

The group of students involved in the project participated by cleaning up more than 25 bags of garbage from the stream.



Friends & Neighbors



Jim Kosteva presents an environmental magazine award to a group of Lowell students. From left: Jim Kosteva, Jerry Reynolds, Shanna Foley, Sandra Paulo, Julie Urban. (Crier photo by Jillian Bogater)

"It was fun. A lot of people fell in the mud," said Julie Urban, now a sixth grader at Lowell. "We got eight bags of garbage. We even found a pool cover, an old bike and a skateboard."

Urban's mother, Linda Urban, said her daughter's efforts to help clean up the stream paid off.

"My son Danny, a fifth grader at Fiegel, helped clean up the stream this year," she said. "There was half as much garbage in it this year compared to last year. They definitely made a difference."

Kosteva, who has traveled to Europe to study environmental issues, encouraged the students to stay involved because their actions have helped the stream immensely.

"If we can get a fish as finicky in diet as a Brown Trout, that's quite a testimony for what you're doing for the environment," he said.

Through a \$450 grant from Detroit Edison, students will begin to monitor the stream's water quality in the spring. Tests include testing the pH balance, the temperature and the level of contamination, Myers said.

The students also made a pamphlet with environmental clean-up tips and results of their own clean-up efforts that they plan to deliver to homes in the Brookside subdivision.

CEP students oppose drilling

Twenty-students from Canton and Salem highs collected more than 5,000 petitions opposing oil drilling in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge.

The bill, although originally defeated in November, is currently being revised and is expected to be back on the U.S. Senate floor in the near future.

The effort of the students was coordinated by Canton teacher Sally DeRoo, who teaches a life science and environment class at Centennial Educational Park (CEP).

"This project gave students a chance to see that they can have a positive influence on the environment and make a difference in the world," said DeRoo.

Ron Cullen and Aaron Hentges collected more than 500 signatures apiece. The students collected the signatures outside of their normal class periods.

"This is just one of the first steps to preserve the Arctic Refuge from industrial

waste caused by oil and gas operations," said Hentges.

Cullen added, "People don't realize the damage that is being caused. I care for my environment and I don't want to see it go to waste."


Other students in the project included: Mary Courter, Steve Cutting, Kelly Dornbrock, Keri Forbes, Stephanie Held, Olive Ikeh, Mary Israel, Alicia Kwarciński, Tricia Martin, Tracy McCallum, Kevin Monte, Nate Morland, Amy Olene, Brian Paul, Rebekah Raymor, Raychel Quin, Tony Radziszewski, Jessica Reed, Kelly Smith, Amber Spencer, Oriana Vigliotti and Heather Wagner.

Charles M. Clusen, a senior associate for the Natural Resources Defense Council, wrote the students, "We hope that this has not only been an educational experience for you, but much more by profoundly demonstrating that you can make a difference."

Furr wins 2nd-place prize

A local youth was recognized in a nation-wide scholarship competition for high school senior women.

Jennifer Furr, 17, of Canton, was chosen as 2nd runner up and awarded \$750 in a cash scholarship through the America's Young Woman of the Year Scholarship Program. She performed a lyrical jazz dance as part of the competition's creative and performing arts requirement.



Getting down to business

Crier gets new ad director

The Plymouth-Canton Community Crier newspaper has a new advertising director.

Lisa Stuart, 35, recently took over the duties of advertising director in place of Larry McElroy who is stepping down to move to Arizona.

Stuart, a Canton resident, was previously employed by the Associated Newspapers in Wayne as the retail advertising manager.

Prior to that she was a creative services manager for Dawber & Company in Southfield and vice president of creative services for MT Hyatt & Company, Inc. in Albuquerque.

In 1980 Stuart founded Usher Stuart Advertising in Albuquerque. The firm, a full-service agency, produced award-winning television, radio, print and outdoor campaigns.

A 1978 graduate of Kendall School of Design in Grand Rapids, Stuart has received a variety of graphic design awards and ad agency awards over the years.



LISA STUART

"Lisa is a highly talented addition to our staff with a lot of local knowledge that will help us serve our advertisers," said Crier publisher W. Edward Wendover. "We are certainly glad to have her on board."

Tell it to Phyllis

By Phyllis Redfern



Parents, kids and sports can sometimes make a strange mixture. Have you ever gone to a little league game and watched parents make complete fools of themselves?

Parents realize how important extracurricular activities are for kids whether they are involved in sports, debate, band or acting in a school play. There are times when parental support is important and times when mom and dad should back off.

Every parent has held their breath at one time or another while watching their child on stage or on a field. It's amazing the different reactions from watching a daughter dance on stage, jump hurdles in a track meet, to play in a basketball game.

Spectator sports is where most of the noise comes from. Of course it is important to cheer for your team. Our kids need our support and we're going to give it to them. It starts in early elementary school when the kid signs up for his or her first team.

Although my kids were not sports stars, they were involved in soft ball, soccer, basketball and track. They even have a few trophies to show for their efforts.

Watching parents was almost as much fun as watching the kids. There were a few times when I thought the parents were obnoxious and felt sorry for the kid who had to put up with them. As the kids grew up, so did some of the parents and by the time the kids got to high school, the parents knew how to act.

Most of the yelling and cheering is done in fun and maybe once in awhile a referee needs to be reminded to open both eyes. When you're the mom watching your kid play is one thing, it is another story when your kid is the ref. I watched my son referee two or three soccer games and that was more than enough for me. The last game I watched him ref. one of the parents asked which kid was mine and I replied, "the blind one in the striped shirt."

Now that my kids are through all that, I can enjoy watching my niece play basketball. Last weekend I sat next to her father (my brother) at her game. I'm sure glad she has learned how to tune him out because nobody else in the gym could. In spite of his sometimes big mouth, he is very supportive of all the kids on both teams.

Sports are important for kids to teach them team participation with family support.

Free tax advice available

Senior citizens who need assistance for filing income taxes can find free help in Canton, Plymouth and Northville.

Free income tax assistance for seniors will be available from Feb. 3 to April 15 through the Tax-Aide program from the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP).

Volunteer tax-aid counselors trained by the IRS will operate at the following sites during weekdays:

- Canton Recreation Center, 44237 Michigan Ave., Canton. Monday, 9 a.m. to noon, and Tuesday, 9 a.m. to noon and 1-4 p.m. By appointment call 397-5444.

- Royal Holiday Trailer Park, 39500 Warren, Canton. Thursday, 1-4 p.m. By appointment call 397-5444.

- Northville Senior Center, 215 W. Cady, Northville. Tuesday and Thursday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. By appointment call 349-4140.

- Tonquish Creek Manor, 1160 Sheridan, Plymouth. Tuesday, 9 a.m. to noon and 1-4 p.m. By appointment call 455-3670.

- Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer, Plymouth. Wednesday, 9 a.m. to noon and 1-4 p.m. By appointment call 455-6620.

Home visits for handicap and shut-ins available by calling 397-5444 in Canton, 349-4140 in Northville and 455-6620 in Plymouth.

Those seeking assistance should bring last year's tax returns and all necessary records.

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City compares its costs to Twp.

Commissioners concede city taxes high

BY ANNA MURRAY

A graph comparing the relative cost of operating local governments in Plymouth Township's December newsletter has generated some intense budgetary soul-searching in the City of Plymouth.

The comparison chart proudly displays Plymouth Township at the bottom of the list, running its government and providing services for 3.4 mills.

This means for every \$1,000 of assessed home value, \$3.40 of a resident's tax bill goes to operate the township government, police and fire department.

The city, according to the graph, operates its government for 14 mills, with \$14 in taxes for every \$1,000 of property owners' assessed value going to operate the city government.

Northville Township, at 3.8 mills, Canton, 9.0 mills, and the cities of Northville, 9.5 mills, and Livonia, 10.2 mills, fall in between the two Plymouths.

Despite many objections to the comparison at recent Plymouth City Commission meetings, at last week's goal-setting meeting, many of the commissioners conceded high taxes in the city were causing an image problem.

"I think the figures are accurate," said Commissioner William McAninch. "Taxes in Plymouth are comparably high. In addition to businesses we may be losing residents as well."

"It's a perceptual problem," said Dennis Shrewsbury. "People perceive they're not getting their money's worth."

Many of the commissioners said the township, which has an on-paper budget surplus of \$1,000,000, should contribute more to Plymouth city because its downtown functions as the hub of the area.

"If the township would support out city activities, we could lower our millage by half," said Jim Jabara.

In an interview, Plymouth Township Supervisor Gerry Law said, however, that projected budgets for the township will run deficits, eating up the current surplus. Plymouth City Manager Steve Walters

reinforced the commissioners financial jitters.

"The five-year picture is worse than the one-year picture," he told them. "You will be lucky if the DDA program maintains and stops the decline of the downtown industrial tax base because the entire trend is the other way."

Truss likely cause of roof collapse

BY ANNA MURRAY

The roof of the First United Methodist Church collapsed last week.

The Plymouth Township church, which has received attention lately for its efforts to house the homeless, said the partial cave-in took place in the kitchen area of the building.

"It was due to truss failure," said Alex Meszaros, business manager for the church.

The truss beams that support the roof were incorrectly manufactured, Meszaros said, but he would not comment on whether the church intended to pursue a lawsuit against the manufacturer.

"That might not be the case," said Plymouth Township engineer Charles McIlhargey. "It looks like it could have been one of three different items."

The truss design, one possible culprit, he said appeared adequate.

Improper assembly of the truss might have caused the cave-in, McIlhargey said, but added his investigation was as yet incomplete.

The weight of the snow on the roof was the third stress McIlhargey said might have caused the roof to fail. But, he said, the roof was designed to carry seven day's worth of normal snow fall.

McIlhargey said kitchen workers told the investigators the ceiling had dropped about two inches two weeks before the roof collapsed. This, he said, would point to structural problems rather than snow as the cause.

Plymouth Township Supervisor Gerry Law said the collapse reinforced his position that the church should proceed

Law conceded that the numbers, compiled by the Conference of Western Wayne were not exact.

The city, he said, provides more services than the township, such as trash pickup, a recreation program and snow removal. But he said the money township residents spend privately on these would

not make up the 10 mill difference between the city and township.

"Cities are just more expensive to run than townships," Law said.

Walters said the figures compared apples to oranges but added, "We'll probably look at it at budget time."

through the proper official channels before it houses large groups of homeless people in its facility.

"What would have happened if they had the homeless in there?" he asked.

Meszaros, however, characterized the recent incident as a "minor setback."

"We're working with the township to find an appropriate solution," to housing the homeless, he said.

Cherry Hill zoning mulled

Plans for Canton's Cherry Hill Historic Village presented last week to the Canton Board of Trustees include fairly innovative concepts.

The creation of a Cherry Hill zoning district would govern any development around the historic district itself, said members of the township's Historic District Commission.

Two options are currently being considered in forming the historic district zoning area.

One option calls for expanding the

historic district from around Cherry Hill and Ridge roads as far north as Ford Road, south to Proctor Road and east to Denton.

A second option calls for expanding the Cherry Hill zoning district to reach north to Ford, south to Proctor and east beyond Denton.

Within such a zoning district structural uses and land uses would be limited mainly to farm dwellings and buildings.



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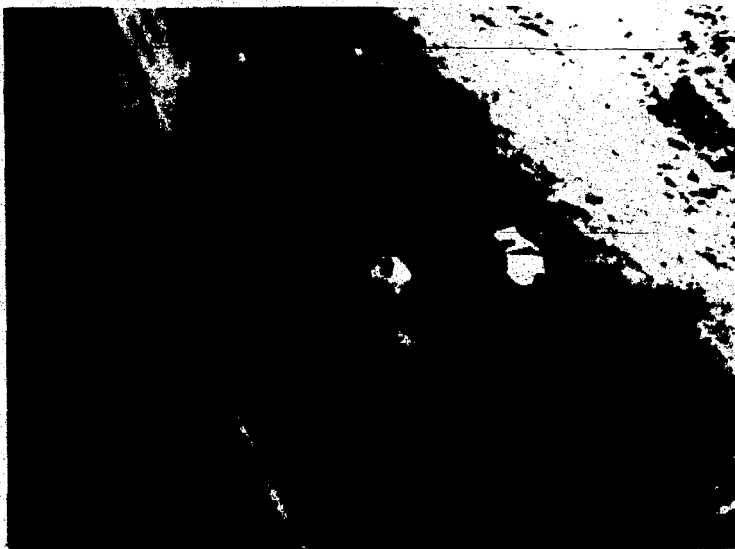


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Man leaps from bridge

A 21-year-old Ann Arbor man who apparently leaped from the I-275 overpass at Joy Road Thursday remains hospitalized with multiple injuries, Canton Police said Tuesday. Witnesses told police that the man was sitting on the guard rail when he leaned over and "pushed himself off." (Crier photo by Anna Murray)

PO turns down bids

BY ANNA MURRAY

The likelihood that a U.S. Post Office service counter will remain in its current location in the City of Plymouth has increased.

Plymouth City Manager Steve Walters told the Downtown Development Authority (DDA) Thursday that the post office has turned down three bids by downtown property owners who have offered to rent space to the post office if it leaves its old location.

Walters said the information came in a letter from the post office to U.S. Representative Carl Purcell who has been intervening in the city's interest with

post office officials.

The fact that the post office has turned down the lease bids may be an indication it is waiting for the city to work out a purchase agreement for the old post office building. The city is still negotiating the purchase of the post office through the DDA, Walters said.

If the city bought the old post office building it could then lease a service counter to the post office and business at the location would continue more or less as usual.

Walters also said the post office appeared to have no plans to move service from its current downtown location.

City zoning ordinance approved

The City of Plymouth has finally passed a new zoning ordinance.

The motion was carried at Tuesday night's Plymouth City Commission meeting last week. But, as the city finished the two-year process of installing a new ordinance some questions still remained unresolved.

The new zoning ordinance had put Versatil building and Mutual of Detroit in limbo by eliminating the office zoning (O-2) that applied to both these properties.

An open hearing of the Plymouth Planning Commission failed to settle the matter. According to Plymouth City Manager Steve Walters, the initial idea — to change the O-2 to a general business zoning (B-2) — was not acceptable to the planning group.

"The Planning Commission felt uncomfortable with B-2," he said.

The Planning Commission decided to assign the properties an O-1 zoning, for office use. According to Walters, the owners of the properties were not completely satisfied with this solution because "it is somewhat restrictive compared to the old zoning."

But the City Commission passed the ordinance with this as an "interim solution," he said, and promised to look at the possibility of amending it in the future.

New school

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purchase.

Hoodel said delays in obtaining a second school site will not affect the district's timetable for building the new elementary schools. He said bids were still expected to be let this spring with construction starting later in the summer.

Originally the district had intended to purchase the land directly from the owner.

The developer is expected to build single family homes on the remaining portion of the property.



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).

PCAC WINTER ART CLASSES PLANNED

The Plymouth Community Arts Council (PCAC) will offer winter art classes beginning the week of Feb. 3. Registration is currently underway at the PCAC office on Main Street, Plymouth. Call 455-5260. Courses include: pottery, watercolor painting, oil painting, drawing, sculpting and much more. 455-8554.

ANNUAL PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY Y MEETING

The annual meeting of the Plymouth Community Family YMCA will be held Monday, Feb. 10 at 7 p.m. in the Y's administrative offices at 248 Union St., City of Plymouth. For information call 453-2904.

PLYMOUTH DANCE ENSEMBLE

The Plymouth Dance Ensemble, a non-profit performing arts group, will present two matinee performances of "The Ugly Duckling" on Sunday, Feb. 9 at 2:30 p.m. and 5 p.m. The ballet is a family event geared for children. It will be held in the Canton High Little Theater. Admission is \$5 for adults and \$3 for children. For further information call 420-4430.

FALL FESTIVAL BOARD MEETING

The Plymouth Fall Festival Board will hold its regular meeting Feb. 5 in the former Friendly's building at the corner of Lilley and Ann Arbor roads. Begins at 7:30 p.m. Civic groups and clubs in Plymouth are invited. For information call Joe Bida at 397-3173.

SIXTY PLUS CLUB AT CHURCH

The Feb. 3 meeting of the 60+ Club, which meets monthly at the First United Methodist Church, has been cancelled. Storm damage to the roof over the kitchen is being repaired. An alternative site is being considered for the March meeting. Stayed tuned.

ROLLER SKATING LESSONS

Canton's Parks and Recreation is offering roller skating lessons for beginners starting Feb. 3 and 6 at the Skatin Station. Open to ages six to 15 on Saturday and five and younger Monday/Thursday. Cost is \$28 for the Saturday and includes skate rental. Monday/Thursday class is \$24. Eight week program. For further information call 397-5110.

MOTIVATIONAL SPEAKER AT CHURCH

Motivational speaker Bob Wieland will speak at 6 p.m. Feb. 2 in the Calvary Baptist Church on Joy Road in Canton. Child care available. For further information call 455-0022.

PLYMOUTH NEWCOMERS MEETING

The Plymouth Newcomers Club will meet at the Cozy Cafe in Plymouth Feb. 6 with hospitality at 6 p.m. and dinner at 6:30 p.m. Cost is \$10 for the evening, which includes a fashion show. For further information or reservations call 420-9006 or 455-3315.

LIVING TRUST VS. WILL SEMINAR

A discussion of living wills will be held Friday (Jan. 31) from 1-3 p.m. at 303 W. Main St., Northville. Sponsored by the Northville Senior Citizens Center. Open to the public. Free of charge. For reservations call 349-4140. Discussion presented by Paul Leduc, a financial expert.

PCAC HOLIDAY CARD DESIGN CONTEST

The Plymouth Community Arts Council's (PCAC) design competition for the 1992 Christmas card is now open. Artists can submit a five by seven original sketch, photograph, watercolor or a familiar Plymouth scene. Should be identified as Plymouth or Plymouth Township. Deadline for submitting art work is April 3. Deliver to PCAC, 332 S. Main St., Plymouth, MI 49170. For further details call 455-5260.

FREE TAX ASSISTANCE FOR SENIORS

Free tax assistance for seniors is available in Canton, Northville and Plymouth, Feb. 3 to April 15. Made possible by AARP. Assistance can be found at the Canton Recreation Center (397-5444); Royal Holiday Trailer Park (397-5444); Northville Senior Center (349-4140); Tonquish Creek Manor (455-3670); Plymouth Cultural Center (455-6620). Home visits for handicap and shut-ins also available by calling the above numbers. Bring last year's tax returns, necessary forms and records.

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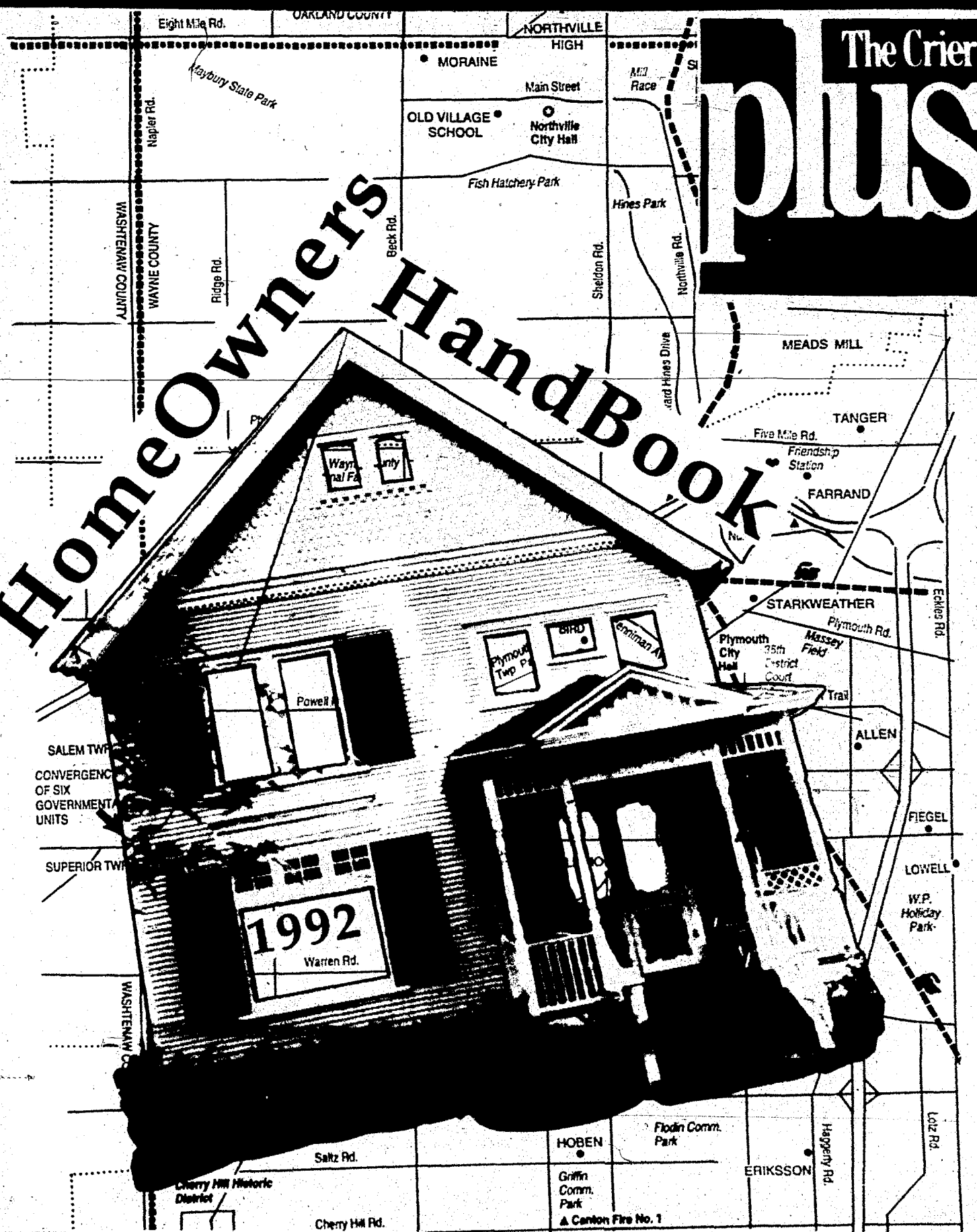
"Healing and Empowerment for God's People" is the theme for the Healing Mission to be conducted at Our Lady of Good Counsel (OLOC) in the City of Plymouth Feb. 10-12. Fr. Peter Rookzy will lead the mission. The Monday liturgy begins at 7:30 p.m., while Tuesday's healing service begins at 7 p.m. Wednesday concludes the mission with a healing mass at 7 p.m. Fr. Rookzy is a well known healing priest. For more information call 453-0326.

GUERRILLA MARKETING IN ACTION

"How a Guerrilla Can Improve Your Business," is a marketing seminar planned for Feb. 25 at the Mayflower Meeting House and sponsored by the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce and the Plymouth Downtown Development Authority. Register at 8 p.m., with the seminar from 8:30-11:30 a.m. The cost is 60 for chamber members and \$70 for non-members. Limited seating. For further information call 454-370. The marketing "boot camp" will be led by Jay Levinson, author of "Guerrilla Marketing" and "Guerrilla Marketing Attack."

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Healthful house limits harmful chemicals

Twp. couple constructs non-toxic home

BY ANNA MURRAY

Janice Jones says she is a canary.

The Plymouth Township resident makes the comparison recalling the days when coal miners kept these delicate birds in the tunnels with them. If poisonous gases filtered into the mines, the birds would die first and the miners would know to get out.

According to Jones, everyone is affected by chemicals in the environment, but people like herself feel it first. Jones' sensitivity to and concern about the toxic materials that go into constructing a new house

prompted her and her husband Jeff to build a virtually toxin-free, hypoallergenic home. The process took months of research, testing, working with the builder, and trial and error. But in the end it produced what Jones calls a "healthy house."

Jones is a fair-skinned, auburn-haired writer who likes to play peaceful new-age music when she is at home. Her husband is an executive at Ford. She said she first conceived of building a healthy house when she and her husband were redecorating their old house. The chemical coatings on the building materials and carpets began to make her feel ill.

Later when they toured model homes she realized the standard method of construction was not for her. "We'd go into the models," she said, "about 10 minutes tops was all I could stand." She said she'd begin to feel groggy and grouchy.

Despite all the attention the media has given to the "sick house syndrome" -- a term given to new air-tight houses that make their owners sick because of all the chemical-laden building materials used in them-- Jones said obtaining information on building a healthy house was no easy process.

She relied heavily on a resource book, "The Healthy House," and hired the book's author, John Bower, as a consultant. Then she worked with a local builder, Walter Menard.

"I said 'I'm going to live in your back pocket and look over your shoulder. Can you live with that?'" she asked him. "He said, 'Sure.'"

Menard said working with Jones was a mutual learning experience. "It has made us aware there is a big need to be concerned about a healthy home and to be concerned with the products," he said.

Jones specified every material to be used in the house, but first she pretested everything herself.

"I spent months testing materials," she said. She'd buy several brands of caulk and put them on glass. "I'd see how long it took until it stopped smelling and I'd see how I reacted to it."

There were times when she'd have glass jars lined up in her garage, like a little laboratory for testing building materials. "I'd call Walt and I'd say, 'bring me some drywall, I'm testing paints,'" she said.

Jones said she would look for quick drying things because they emit chemicals for only a short time.

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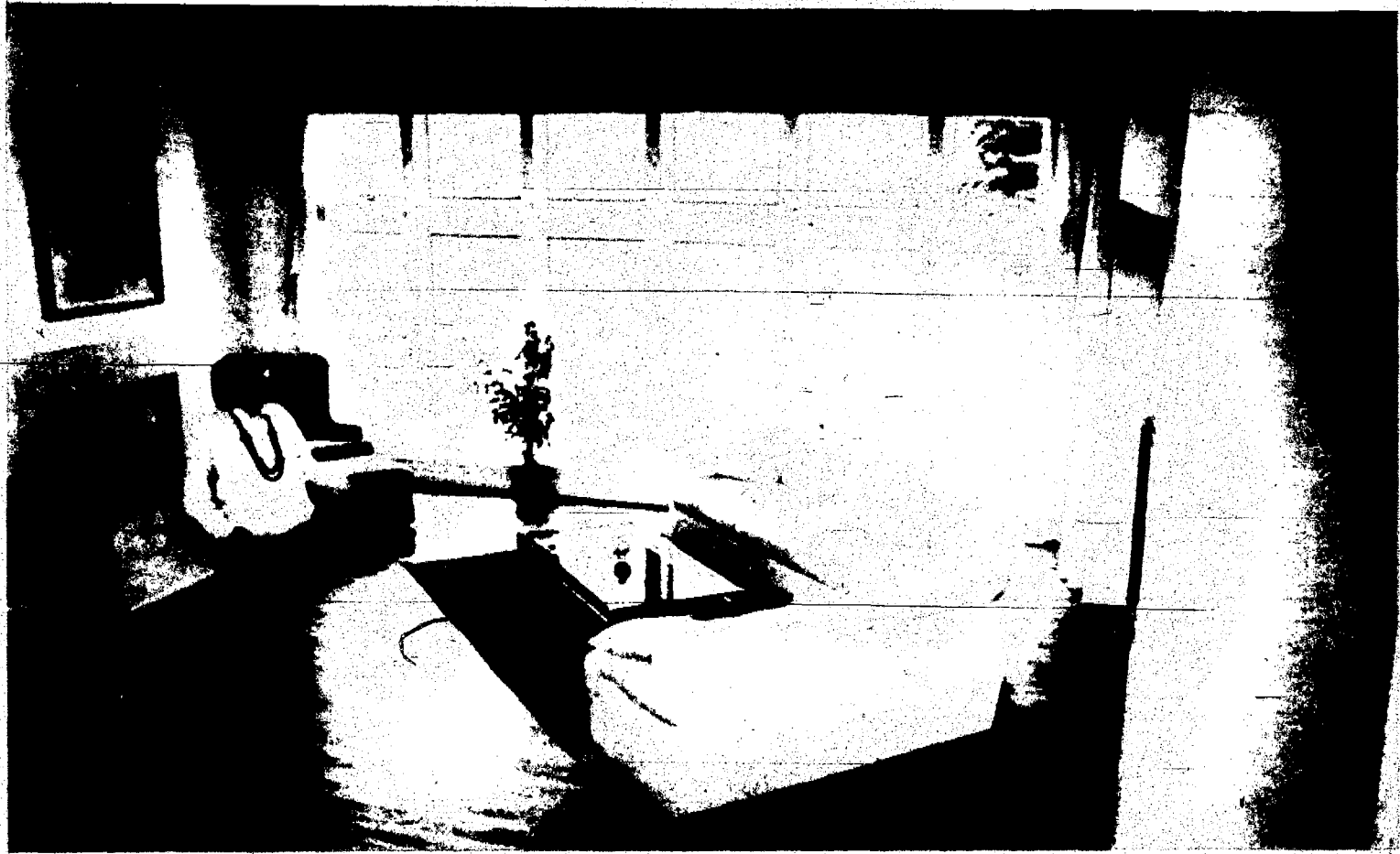
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Research lays foundation for clean environment



Janice Jones displays her non-toxic, hypoallergenic home. Concern about harmful chemicals in standard building materials motivated her and her

husband Jeff to construct their toxin-free home. (Crier photo by Eriq Lukasik)

She chose metal cabinets for her kitchen and installed wood and tile floors, which are virtually inert. Particle board and plywood, commonly used in kitchens and beneath floors, Jones said, are composed of too much toxic glue, which can contain formaldehyde and emit carbon monoxide.

She avoided carpet all together. "Carpet is a host of every chemical you can think of," she said. "Then they combine to form other chemicals."

Jones also made sure none of the plumbing pipes or heating ducts carried residue from the factories. They were washed free of any oil coatings.

But, according to Jones, just having all the right, clean materials in the house is not enough. "We wanted to build a house as a whole system," she said. This meant constructing a heating, cooling and ventilation system that would be as healthful as possible.

First, she said, they had to make the house air-tight. This meant using so much caulk they created a mountain of empty caulking tubes in their backyard. They installed foil-backed dry wall to further seal their living space.

"We don't have a furnace, as such," Jones said. They use a combination of hot water and forced-air heat. A sealed room in the basement lets in fresh air, which is heated by a coil carrying hot water heated in a natural-gas boiler.

Two air filtration systems purify the air to standards acceptable in microsurgery, and a plastic sheet under the basement floor prevents any radon seepage.

There is even a sealed-off laundry room with a shower next to the washer and dryer. Jones said if her husband comes in from mowing the lawn

smelling of gasoline, he can dump his clothes in the washing machine and shower without smelling up the house.

"Since I've lived here a year I've been in much better health," said Jones. But she adds a non-toxic building options shouldn't be limited to people sensitive to chemicals. "A healthy person might still want to build a healthy house," she said, to preserve good health.

"There's more and more concern about this subject in the industry," said Jones. "If we as consumers say we want to do it this way, then you're going to see a real turn around." Jones said a substance to substitute for particle board and plywood, the biggest toxic offenders, would revolutionize healthful construction.

Menard said since he has worked with Jones, he introduces the subject of toxins and non-toxic alternatives to all his clients.

Construction costs for a non-toxic house, Jones said, run 10 to 40 per cent more than usual. The house, she said, cost about 15 per cent more than a standard home.

Jones said for people who are concerned about a toxin-free home they should work with a builder, "who doesn't look at you like you're weird." They can also write for information about the materials that go into the house. Manufacturers are required to provide upon request a product data safety sheet giving the list of all the ingredients in an item along with all the known health effects.

"Our bodies are designed to eliminate toxins," Jones said.

A healthy house, she added is one that enhances this natural process rather than hindering it. "A healthy house," she said, "is one that doesn't poison its occupants."



Ways to beat 'sick house syndrome'

BY JANICE JONES

Decorating means bringing new paint, wallpaper, carpet, furniture and fabric into your living space. Most of these materials will have been treated in one way or another with chemicals that emit gasses during the aging process that account for that "new" smell. Any one thing by itself, such as a new sofa, may not cause problems for the occupants, but in the case of doing over a whole room or an entire house, the combination of so many new things at once can cause indoor air pollution known as the "sick house syndrome."

Occupants of such homes can be affected in many ways from sinus and lung irritation to damage to the immune system. Here's a list of the most troublesome items, and some non-toxic alternatives for the healthy house.

Wallpaper can be treated with insecticides, fungicides, plasticizer, vinyl coatings and self-adhesives that outgas into the environment from a period of several weeks to months, and should probably be avoided in decorating the healthy house. If wallpaper is to be used at all, a border can give much the same effect without covering the entire walls of the room.

Paint can sometimes serve as a good substitute for wallpaper. Borders can be stenciled or hand-painted, and attractive, up-to-the minute looks can be accomplished with rag painting.

The ingredients in paints varies among different manufacturers, with flame retardants, preservatives, fungicides, anti-foaming agents, and insecticides being just a few of the more common additives. Non-toxic, water-based paint that does not contain unnecessary additives is available from AFM Enterprises, Inc. and Murco Wall Products, Inc. For custom colors, paint can be purchased in white and tinted locally by your own painter using the universal tint system.

New furniture can be a source of indoor air pollution either because of the glues in particle board and plywood or the finish. Solid wood furniture can be a healthful alternative if a non-toxic finish is used. Tables of glass and metal will often be more tolerable than newly-finished wood. Metal

furniture with a baked-on enamel finish is another possibility, though not very popular. Buy solid wood, unfinished furniture and use a water-based stain and non-toxic finish product. If your taste runs to antiques try to find items that have not been recently refinished.

Sometimes like-new used furniture in your desired style can be found. The older the piece, the more time it has had to outgas. Floor samples that have sat in the furniture store for several months are also a possibility, as they will have less outgassing than a just-manufactured piece.

Decorating with fabric takes in a broad range of applications including bedding, window treatments, and upholstery. Most fabrics currently available are chemically treated in some way, such as sprayed-on backings, soil retardant, or a non-wrinkle finish that gives off formaldehyde. One source for untreated cotton sheets and duvet covers is a mail-order house, The Company Store. There are also some big-name sheetmakers who are currently offering non-treated cotton sheets that are available in department stores.

Untreated sheets can also be used to make window treatments. The current trend toward minimalist windows also allows for leaving windows completely bare (if you have a great view and privacy isn't a problem). Metal mini-blinds with baked-on finish are another good option and are available in many colors through most major department and window treatment stores.

When buying new upholstered furniture, some manufacturers are willing to secure untreated fabric from their suppliers at your request.

New carpet contains dozens of chemicals that outgas toxic fumes in the form of soil repellent, pesticides, fungicides, dyes and glue, making it a major source of indoor air pollution. This outgassing does become less with time, but as carpet ages, it becomes an inviting home for dust mites and mold, and it creates dust as it breaks down. Then there is the added problem of the backing and padding which is an additional source of toxic fumes. Hardwood or ceramic tile floors can be a practical, healthful alternative with area rugs in place of wall-to-wall carpet.

Decorating with health in mind does limit your choices in that you are not free to pull together carpet, wallpaper, paint, and fabric samples at random. But it also challenges you to use your creativity in finding healthy alternatives to traditional toxic materials. If this still seems a bit overwhelming, the good news is that some major manufacturers are already responding to the increased demand for non-toxic products.

In the future, decorating with health in mind will become the norm rather than the exception.

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City homeowners remodel old home

BY ANNE SULLIVAN

Home ownership is part of the American dream. But what often is not realized in the pursuit and attainment of that dream, is that the dream isn't over once you sign on the dotted line.

In many situations, it's only the first mile in the marathon of home ownership.



Larry Cunningham removes the wallpaper in their 75-year-old home. The Cunninghams chose to do much of the renovation work themselves to save money. (Crier photo by Anne Sullivan)

With the cost of single family dwellings increasing, potential home owners, especially first timers, are trying to find means other than the traditional methods of home ownership.

Sometimes young couples will invest in an older home that needs fixing up, to save money, or to locate in a neighborhood they like.

That was what Larry and Mary Jo Cunningham did when they bought their first home in the City of Plymouth.

In 1985, the Cunninghams, who at the time were living in a trailer in Plymouth Township, had decided to start looking into the housing market. They were thinking of buying a house in a year or two.

While casually looking for a house, they learned through relatives that an older home in Plymouth was going to be sold through an estate sale. "The house was 75 years old, and it was going as is," said Larry.

They contacted the estate expressing an interest in buying the house. "The family allowed us to come into the house (to see its condition). It was a single owner house, the owner had died, and nothing had been done to it in 20 years or more, that was our guesstimate," said Larry.

The Cunninghams made an offer, it was accepted. They purchased the house in August 1986. And their dream was just beginning.

"We had a good idea of what we had to do," said Larry. "We knew it would cost a lot of money to get it (the house) to the point where we could move in."

Even before purchasing the house, Mary Jo and Larry worked on the yard. "The outside had become overgrown and we sickled the weeds down one month before we bought the house," said Mary Jo. Although she and Larry worked on the house before buying it, she doesn't recommend that practice.

"We had to cut back the thorn bushes, to get to the castle, to kiss the maiden," laughed Larry as he reminisced about the adventures in the yard.

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They sold their trailer in August to attain a down payment, and were temporarily living in an apartment with Mary Jo's father.

Both working full time, the Cunninghams started working on the interior of the house in their spare time, immediately after purchasing it. They did some of the work themselves and contracted the major projects.

The house has wet plaster walls which were covered with wall paper, and colonial style woodwork, with four-inch door jams and window frames, with a 12-inch baseboard throughout the house. All the trim had "several coats of paint" and the walls were covered with wall paper. It had an oil burning furnace and an electric hot water heater.

The entire house had to be gutted. "We wiped the house clean," said

Larry. "The basement had nothing but the chimney."

They experienced some unexpected delays, like the time it took to get a gas line hooked up. "We contacted the gas company in September and it took until November, they hooked us up Monday, and we moved in on the weekend."

They tackled many projects, and the projects continue today. Some of the projects were expected, others unexpected.

The first major project, to make the house livable, was to repair and redo the entire upstairs bathroom - a task Larry undertook himself.

"We stripped and primed the walls for papering, then hired a professional to hang the paper," said Larry. "We did the ceilings and the trim."

The old carpet was dug out and replaced. The oil burning furnace and

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'Old house' project takes dedication

electric hot water heater were replaced with gas. The cupboards were repainted, linoleum was replaced in the kitchen and bathroom, and the bathroom was redone.

Shortly after remodeling the bathroom, prior to moving in, the Cunninghams hired a plumber to replace the supply plumbing on the first floor. The rest of the plumbing would remain in tact.

While the plumbers were working at the house, the bathroom plumbing upstairs sprung a leak. "The plumber said he had to tear up the floor (to fix the leak)," said Larry.

Larry stood by, watched the plumber tear up his new bathroom floor, to fix a leak, and the Cunninghams were replacing the bathroom floor a second time, before they moved in. These projects were completed by November, the gas was turned on and the Cunninghams were ready to move in.

"Plumbing, without a doubt, was the biggest head ache," said Larry. Not only the episode before they moved in, but Larry ran into problems when they were redoing the first floor half-bath a year ago.

When they finished remodeling it, the sink wasn't draining properly. The drain cracked, and was leaking in the crawl space underneath the den addition added by the original owner.

Larry squeezed into the crawl space to replace the pipes, put on new pipe fittings, and drains. "It didn't take a long time," said Larry. "But it was one of the most difficult things I did."

A steady flow of projects has kept the Cunninghams busy since moving in. The first project tackled was redoing the second bedroom. It took five months to complete, a little longer than anticipated. In this room, they went through five layers of wall paper, one which had been painted over.

From 1988-89, they redid the bathroom upstairs. Mary Jo got pregnant, so they remodeled the small storage room off the bathroom into a changing room for the baby.

In 1989 their priorities changed.

The paint was chipping around the sills of the old windows. Concerned that the paint may be lead-based because of the age of the house, and there were many layers of paint on the sills, they wanted it off.

"Most of the windows were painted to the point of being non-functioning," said Larry.

Five windows were replaced on the first floor in the spring of 1991.

The front bedroom is now the major project. The Cunninghams are expecting their second child in May, and they want the room to be the children's room.

And it's the only room in the house that hasn't yet been tackled.

"The most time consuming, tedious (project) has been using a heat generator and spatula to remove paint from the door frames, window sills, etc. I started (in the front bedroom) in the fall and am still several months from getting one room done," said Larry. "I spend weekends doing it, and time here and there after work. It's very tedious, and tiring (on the body). The work goes slow. If it (the woodwork) was a flat surface, it would go fast."

In addition to all the interior work, exterior work also has been done.

The two major outside projects were a new roof, and replacing the front porch. For both of these projects, the Cunninghams hired a professional.

Even though the jobs were done professionally, they were not without problems.

"There were three layers of roof, including the original wood shingles," said Larry. They decided to replace the roof because it was old, not because there was anything wrong with it.

The new roof leaked in three spots. "It hadn't leaked before. It had new plywood, felt and shingles, I didn't expect that (a leak in the new roof)," said Larry.

The problem was resolved.

Also contracted at the same time was replacement of the front porch. The foundation on the south west corner of the porch wasn't satisfactory, and the porch was drooping.

The original porch was completely removed. Larry and Mary Jo had special reinforcements added to the porch in case they want to extend the living room in the future.

Both Larry and Mary Jo agree that these outside projects were a disaster.

The Cunninghams have spent \$17,000 on remodeling, including a loan for the porch and roof. Larry anticipates spending another \$8,000 before he's done with this round, and they have done most of the work, to save money.

It was a little bit of good luck and an opportunity to live in a neighborhood they both liked, that led Larry and Mary Jo to purchase the house on Blunk Street. They both love the house, neighborhood and locations. But when asked if they'd move into another old house that needed repair they both gave an emphatic: no.

"Buy a new house," said Mary Jo. "There are so many other things I'd rather do with my weekends," said Larry. "Playing music, spending time with the kids."

For those who truly want the "old house" experience, the Cunninghams advice is to go in with your eyes open, and realize you'll spend a whole lot of money and time on the projects, unless you're wealthy enough to hire it all done.

"There are three main areas in a house that need to be sound, plumbing, electricity, and the structure," said Larry.

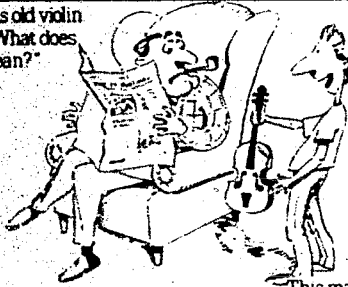
"This house has excellent structural integrity. You could land a 747 on top of the house with no problem. The walls are nice and straight."

Research in the library can help, Larry admits. "Talk to people you know. Lots of people have worked on homes, and they can give you useful advice," said Larry. "Watching Bob Vila is interesting, but on that program, those people are spending \$40,000, \$50,000, \$100,000 (renovating)."

Larry believes the best thing you can do is be sure the structure is sound.

"If you don't have a relative in the business, hire someone," said Larry. "I'm sure a lot of people don't know what to look for, and some real estate people don't know either."

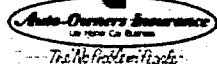
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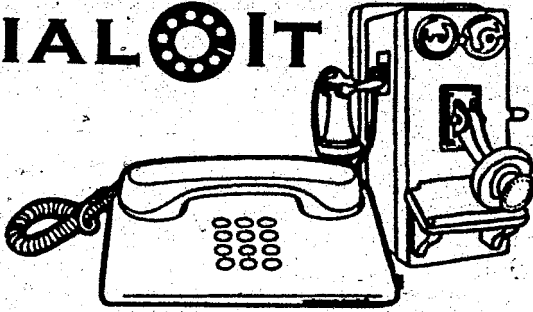
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The Plymouth Theatre Guild will present Lerner and Loewe's musical about King Arthur, "Camelot," Jan. 31, Feb. 1 and Feb. 7-8 at the Water Tower Theatre in Northville. Tickets are \$9 at the door for adults or \$8 in advance, and \$8 at the door for seniors and youths or \$7 in advance. For reservations and information call 349-7110. Student and group rates available. Tickets at the Penniman Deli and Sir Speedy Printing in Plymouth.

SPRING SOCCER REGISTRATION

The City of Plymouth Parks and Recreation Department will be holding registration for the Plymouth Soccer Club's spring season from now through Jan. 31. Boys and girls ages five to 18 are eligible. League play begins in April. The cost is \$34. Birth certificate necessary upon registration. Register at the Plymouth Cultural Center. For further information call 455-6623.

CANTON HALL OF FAME NOMINATIONS

Nominations for the Canton Hall of Fame can be made now through Jan. 31. The 1992 nominations are being sought along with winners for a new Community Achievers award. To make a nomination contact Dan Calabrese at 397-5472. Nominations will be considered in early February. The winners represent individuals who have made long lasting contributions to Canton.

SYMPHONY LEAGUE CARD AND GAME PARTY

The Plymouth Symphony League will host a Card and Game Party Jan. 29 at the Mayflower Meeting House. Open from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. A luncheon and fashion show begin at 11:30 a.m. There will be plenty of prizes, food, raffles and assorted fun. Tickets are \$10. For information or tickets call 455-7367 or 459-0607.

PCAC DAMARIS STUDENT ART AWARDS

The Plymouth Community Arts Council (PCAC) is holding its annual Damaris Student Fine Arts Awards for middle school students in Plymouth-Canton. Applications will be accepted until Jan. 31. Competition dates are March 5-6 at Canton's Little Theater. For further information or applications call 455-5260. A total of \$1,500 will be awarded in such areas as dance, photography, writing, and music.

KIWANIS, CHAMBER COMMUNITY MEETING

The Kiwanis Club of Colonial Plymouth and the Plymouth Chamber of Commerce will host a community meeting Feb. 6 at noon in the Mayflower Meeting House. Dennis Archer, former Michigan Supreme Court justice, will be the speaker. Lunch is \$8 per person. Open to the public. For further information call the Plymouth Chamber at 453-1540.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S THRIFT SHOP

The Presbyterian Women's Thrift Shop located in Plymouth's Old Village will offer expanded hours -- Thursdays 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturdays noon to 4 p.m. Proceeds go to support mission work for the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth. Donations of clothing and small household articles are accepted at the shop. For details call 459-1250.

CEP MARCHING BAND PIZZA SALE

The national champions Centennial Educational Park (CEP) Marching Band is conducting its Third Annual Pizza Sale. Band members will go door-to-door taking orders the week of Jan. 29. Delivery will be on Feb. 8. The 12-inch cheese pizzas are \$4 (extra items are more). Proceeds go to the Plymouth Canton Music Booster general fund used to fund marching band activities during the fall season.

AN AFTERNOON OF ROMANCE

"An Afternoon of Romance" is planned Feb. 16 from 1-4 p.m. at the Sweet Afton Tea Room in Plymouth's Old Village. Luncheon with British tea and local romance authors. Lucy Taylor and Shelly Thacker will speak. The cost is \$15 for lunch. For reservations call Sweet Afton at 454-0777. Seating is limited.

WINTER WALK PLANNED AT HOLLIDAY PARK

The William P. Holliday Nature Preserve Association will host an association meeting Feb. 12 at 7:30 p.m. in Livonia Churchill High School (guidance room). Winter tours planned Feb. 15, March 5 and March 28. For further information about the group or the nature walks call 261-3633. Part of Holliday Park is located in Canton.

PCAC PRESENTS ONE-MAN PLAY

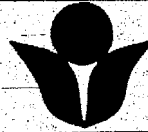
The Plymouth Community Arts Council (PCAC) is bringing performer John Maxwell to Plymouth in his one-man play "Oh, Mr. Faulkner, Do You Write?" It will be presented as a dinner theater at the Mayflower Meeting House Feb. 1 at 7 p.m. The cost is \$25 per person and includes dinner. Call 455-5260 for tickets.

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The Canton Chief Football Booster Club meets the second Wednesday of the month at Canton High in room 168. Meetings held at 7:30 p.m. Call 455-2308 to help the booster group.

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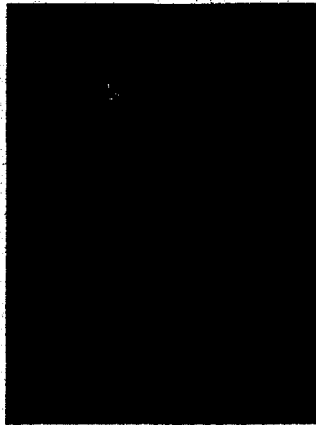
Clubs host state justice

Dennis W. Archer, former justice, Michigan Supreme Court, will be the guest speaker at a community luncheon meeting hosted by the Kiwanis Club of Colonial Plymouth and the Plymouth Chamber of Commerce.

The luncheon will be held at the Mayflower Meeting House Thursday, Feb. 6, at noon.

The cost is \$8 per person. The public is welcome.

For reservations, call the Plymouth Chamber of Commerce at 453-1540.



DENNIS W. ARCHER

Police DARE 5th grade

Plymouth and Canton police departments are daring fifth-grade students to stay away from drugs.

A 17-week Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) program has started for students in the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools. The program is a joint effort of the Canton and Plymouth township police departments.

"The main target of the program is to make kids more familiar with ways they can resist the pressures to experience drugs," said Leonard Schemanske, an officer with the Canton Police.

Graduations for students who completed the first semester program are currently being held at Bird, Eriksson, Field, Hulsing, Isbister and Smith Elementary Schools.

The graduating students receive DARE certificates of completion and perform skits to show what they learned through the drug awareness program.

On March 7, a fundraiser benefiting DARE is scheduled at the Skatin' Station in Canton. The event will begin at 6:30 p.m. and continue until midnight.

Anyone interested should call the DARE office at 453-3492.



Places to be

Seminar teaches marketing War tactics for business

An upcoming seminar will show area business owners how to take on marketing like a guerrilla.

"How a Geurrilla Can Improve Your Business" is the topic of a seminar scheduled for Feb. 25 at the Mayflower Meeting House starting at 8 a.m.

The event is sponsored by the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce and the Plymouth Downtown Development Authority (DDA).

The presenter for the seminar is Jay Conrad Levinson, a successful author, award winning advertising executive, nationally-syndicated columnist and president of Jay Levinson and Partners. He hosts "guerrilla" workshops on a regular basis.

This is his only scheduled Michigan appearance.

The cost for the seminar is \$60 for chamber members, \$70 for non-members and \$55 for additional employes from a workplace.

The first 100 people also will receive a free copy of "Guerrilla Marketing Attack," by Levinson.

For further information call 453-1540.

Spiritual healing service

A spiritual healing service is scheduled for mid-February at Our Lady of Good Counsel in the City of Plymouth.

"Healing and Empowerment for God's People," the theme for the service, will be held Feb. 10, 11 and 12 with Father Peter Rookey.

The Feb. 10 healing service will begin at 7:30 p.m., the Feb. 11 service will begin at 7 p.m. and the last service will conclude with a Healing Mass at 7 p.m.

Father Rookey is internationally known as a healing priest.

For more information, call the parish office at 453-0326.

Dinner theater at Mayflower

A special dinner theater is planned for Feb. 1, starring John Maxwell in his one-man play titled "Oh, Mr. Faulkner, Do You Write?"

The play is scheduled for 7 p.m. at the

Mayflower Meeting House and the cost is \$25 per person.

Dinner will feature southern cuisine while vocalist Bethany Mehr will add to the atmosphere by singing songs from the south.

The show, written by Maxwell in 1981, has been performed around the country and overseas.

Sponsored by the Plymouth Community Arts Council (PCAC), tickets for the event can be bought by calling the PCAC office at 455-5260.

Bowlathon

The VFW Mayflower-Lt. Gamble Post and Auxiliary No. 6693, in Plymouth, will host its annual Bowlathon, Saturday (Feb. 8), at the Plaza Lanes.

Proceeds from this year's Bowlathon will go to the "Paws With a Cause" organization of Michigan. Paws provides service dogs for hearing-impaired and handicapped individuals.

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All bowlers are welcome as well as pledgers from the general public.

For more information call 459-6700 or 728-7619.

Valentines party

It's nearly Valentine's Day and the Canton Parks and Recreation is sponsoring its annual Children's Valentines Party for Canton children ages three to 12.

The party is planned for Saturday, Feb. 8 from 10-11 a.m. The free event will be held in the Canton Recreation Center.

The special party features Sloppy Joe the clown. There will also be games, a cartoon, refreshments and more.

For further information or advanced registrations call 397-5110.



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Community deaths

Schoeb, Ford employe

Agnes Schoeb, 88, of Plymouth, died Jan. 12 in Plymouth. Funeral services were held Jan. 15 at St. Kenneth Catholic Church with the Rev. Louis officiating. Burial was in St. Hedwig Cemetery, Dearborn Heights.

Ms. Schoeb retired in 1968 from Ford Motor Company after 45 years with the company. She worked in the parts assembly in Ypsilanti, and started at the Phoenix plant in Plymouth during the 1920s. She was the last of the 13 original workers at the Phoenix Ford Plant.

Ms. Schoeb was born in Donne Quarte Vents, France and came to the United States in 1913. She moved to Plymouth in 1930 and lived for a short time in Ypsilanti. She was a member of St. Kenneth Catholic Church and a former member of Our Lady of Good Counsel.

Survivors include: six nephews, four nieces, 12 great nephews, 13 great nieces and several great-great nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be sent to the Adrian Dominican Sisters, 1257 E. Siena Hts. Dr., Adrian, MI 49221.

Krivitz, bowling manager

Barbara Jean Krivitz, 56, of Canton, died Jan. 9 in Canton. Services were held Jan. 12 at the Schrader Funeral Home with the Rev. Andrew J. Forish officiating. Interment was in Fort Howard Cemetery, Green Bay.

Mrs. Krivitz worked for five years as a receptionist and weekend manager for the Plaza Lane Bowling Alley, retiring in late August. She came to Plymouth in 1969, then moved to Green Bay in 1984 for two years. In 1986 she moved to Canton. Mrs. Krivitz was an avid bowler and loved to play bingo. She was a member of the Ladies Auxiliary to the Mayflower, Lt. Gamble Post No. 6695 of the VFW, Plymouth.

Survivors include: sons Kenneth, of Dearborn, David, Dale and Jim, all of Canton; brothers Michael and George Pearson, of Green Bay, WI; sisters Susan Marks, of Green Bay and Margaret LeMay, of Moline, IL; and grandchildren Jordan and Candice.

Memorial contributions may be sent to the American Cancer Society.

Hart, a homemaker

Elva Hart, 75, of Plymouth, died Jan. 10 in Plymouth. Services were held Jan. 13 at the Schrader Funeral Home with Pastor Robert Beddingfield officiating. Interment was in Riverside Cemetery.

Mrs. Hart was a homemaker and cook at East Middle School in the late 1960s. She worked at the old Kresge store in downtown Plymouth during the 1950s. She moved to Plymouth from Kansas in 1942 and resided there until 1974, when she moved to South Lyon. She lived there until 1991, when she returned to Plymouth. Mrs. Hart was a member of the First Baptist Church of South Lyon, and the Church of the Nazarene in Plymouth.

Survivors include: son Kenneth, of Brighton; daughters Virginia Weinburger, of South Lyon, Judy Detherage, of Plymouth, Alberta Meyers, of Wayne, Janet Simmons, of Florida, and Brenda Davenport, of Royal Oak; sister Lillian Sawyer, of Florida; 17 grandchildren; and eight great grandchildren.

Memorials may be sent to Arbor Hospice, 3810 Packard, Suite 200, Ann Arbor, MI 48108.

Pettifor, Ford employe

Sidney Charles Pettifor, 88, of Canton, died Jan. 17 in Westland. Services were held at Vermeulen Memorial Trust 100 Funeral Home Jan. 20 with the Rev. Earl L. Habecker officiating. Interment was in Oakland Hills Memorial Gardens, Novi.

Mr. Pettifor worked as a grinder at Ford Motor Company for 25 years.

Survivors include: his wife Inez, of Canton; daughters Hannah Goetz, of Belleville, Donna Bishop, of Oxford, and Sharon Rajace, of Minnesota; son Robert, of Alger; sister Rachel Poole, of Concord; 18 grandchildren and 14 great grandchildren.

Arrangements were made by Vermeulen Memorial Trust 100 Funeral Home, Westland.

Thorpe, firefighter

Edward Thorpe, 22, of Fenton, died Jan. 14 in Fenton. Services were held Jan. 18 at Phillips Funeral Home in South Lyon with Father Robert Shank of St. Johns Episcopal Church in Plymouth officiating.

Mr. Thorpe was a 1989 graduate of Whitmore Lake High School and a long time resident of the South Lyon area. He worked as a volunteer firefighter for the Fenton Township Fire Department. He was also an U.S. Army veteran currently serving as an inactive reserve. Mr. Thorpe was a member of St. John's Episcopal Church in Plymouth and the American Veterans of Westland.

Survivors include: wife Teana; daughter Samantha; father John D. Thorpe, Jr., of Southfield; mother and step-father Mary and Kieth Grandeen, of New Hudson; brothers John and Jamie; step-brothers Jeff, Mike and Jody; grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stott, of Plymouth, and Irene Thorpe, of Southfield; great grandmother Annie Stott, of Plymouth; in-laws George and Bonnie Saupp of White Lake; and several aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews.

Memorial contributions may be made to a fund established for Edward Thorpe's daughter Samantha. Please make checks payable to: Teana M. Thorpe c/o Phillips Funeral Home, Inc. 122 W. Lake St., South Lyon, MI 48178-1304.

Wnuk, a homemaker

Irene L. Wnuk, 71, of Plymouth, died Jan. 12 in Ann Arbor. Funeral services were held Jan. 15 at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church with the Rev. Joseph Plawecki officiating. Burial was in Pinecrest Cemetery, Lake Worth, FL.

Mrs. Wnuk came to Plymouth in 1948 from Detroit. She was a homemaker and a member of Our Lady of Good Counsel Church.

Survivors include: several nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be made through mass offerings.

Local arrangements were made by the Schrader Funeral Home.

Clark, N'ville graduate

David Clark, 47, of Kentucky, died Jan. 11 in Cincinnati. Funeral services were held Jan. 15 at the Schrader Funeral Home with the Rev. William P. Myers, Jr. officiating. Entombment was in Riverside Mausoleum, Plymouth.

Mr. Clark was a resident of Hebron, KY for the last two years. Before that he resided in Carmel, IN, and lived in Plymouth 21 years ago. His wife Jeri was born and raised in Plymouth. Mr. Clark attended St. Peter's Lutheran School in Plymouth and graduated from Northville High School. He attended Schoolcraft College and Ferris State College. He worked as a builder/developer with Sebron and Smokler Builders.

Survivors include: his wife Jeri; son David, of Hebron, KY; daughter Kelley Rees, of Atlanta; brother Douglas, of Florida; sister Sonia, of Novi; and mother Sonia Thompson, of Florida.

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Field is crowded in election races

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In the Northville Public Schools, terms expire for both Carol Rahimi and Donald Klokenga. At least 20 signatures are required to file for these seats, with the election June 8.

On the Plymouth District Library Board the terms for Cathy Doetsch, Steve Harper, and Carol Davis are expiring. The filing deadline is May 12 with the limit of signatures not yet set.

A possible bond vote for a new library may also be on the ballot in August.

In Wayne County the clerk, sheriff, prosecuting attorney, treasurer, register of deeds and all the commissioners, including Maurice Breen and Bryan Amann, are running with the primary Aug. 4 and the general election Nov. 3. Breen and Amann currently sit on the county commission in two districts that cross Plymouth and Canton, but under redistricting plans those

commission districts will be combined into one large district.

In the 35th District Court, a third judgeship will likely be created this year with an election primary in August and general vote this November. Legislation to create the judgeship has not yet been approved, however.

The probate court has two incumbent positions up, and the Circuit Court has 10 incumbent positions, two non-incumbent positions where the judges have reached retirement age and two vacancies that need to be filled.

In state races this year, both seats currently held by State Representatives James Kosteva and Georgina Goss will be contested.

On the national front, Congressmen Carl Pursell and William Ford are running this year.

Many communities may also have ballot proposals (such as millage increases) during their elections this year. But, according to the various clerks in the cities, county and township, such proposals had not yet been finalized.

GOP, Dems offer different primary plans

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receive an absentee ballot anytime through March 14 but are not allowed to declare on election day.

Democrats, however, can register right up to election day. Party preference declarations will be processed on election day if they are made any time after Feb. 18.

Those residents who have registered as "no party preference" through Feb. 18 will not be able to vote as Republicans, but can change to Democratic up to and including election day.

Bennett said that the state attorney general has ruled that party rules take precedence over state election law.

The Democrats have called for same-day declaration of party, while the Republican party is following state election laws requiring registration 30 days prior to the primary.

"I would prefer to have open primaries," said Goss, "but if not then we need same-day declarations.

"This kind of election is ridiculous," she added. "If it's a party thing then the parties should pay for it."

Goss said she hoped a solution would be found this week.

Bennett was also hoping for a resolution of the rules this week, especially since the county needs to print the ballots as soon as possible so that absentee ballots can be mailed to residents.

"I'm going to have a very difficult time explaining the current set-up on election day," said Bennett.

Canton has some 32,941 registered voters, he said. As of Friday there are 2,684 registered Democrats and 4,478 registered Republicans.

Bennett also expects the final rules to be ready by the end of this week since the state is beginning a series of 21 classes to explain to clerks what will be expected during the election. The first session is Monday (Feb. 3).

"It's important to remember also that this does not affect the township election in August or any other votes," he said.

POLITICAL PARTY PREFERENCE DECLARATION

- To vote in the presidential primary to be held in Michigan on March 17, 1992, you must declare a political party preference by February 17, 1992. This form can be used to declare a political party preference for the presidential primary.
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"Bottom line the people are paying for this.

"If I said this isn't an election I'd sound like an idiot," he added. "But this isn't an election, it's a party function, a replacement of the party caucus system."

Bennett agreed that the new system was an attempt to open up the primary to more residents, but added that a lot of voters don't like having to reveal their party preference. "I can't blame the citizens who don't want to declare," he said.

He added, "This election looks like a duck, talks like a duck, but it isn't a duck."

Bennett said the parties are afraid of "games being played" at the polls without party declarations. But even with the declarations, Bennett will have to use two different ballots marked R and D and each will have to be hand screened for possible cheating.

"All you need to know is what punch hole to punch out," he said.

"We can administer any system the state chooses to throw at us, but it's going to upset people still," Bennett continued.

Once the rules have been "absolutely

finalized" Bennett plans to print up a letter explaining the system to voters.

On election day Bennett said he will have to be prepared for a large turnout, but he will have no way of knowing how large if Democrats can walk into the polls and register that day.

polls and register that day.

"The state has made the rules and the Republicans are following what has been adopted," he said. "The Democrats don't want to play by the same rules."

Esther Hulsing, clerk of Plymouth Township, said Michigan used the closed presidential primary system until the 1930s.

"Now we have had one and a half generations who are not used to this kind of voting," Hulsing said. "I would much prefer that everyone starts with a level playing field."

"I can't imagine telling someone at the polls that they are a Democrat so they can vote, but then telling a Republican they can't vote because they haven't registered prior to the election," Hulsing added. "That will go over like a lead balloon."

Plymouth Township has approximately 16,500 registered voters, said Hulsing. By Friday there were 1,200 registered Democrats and 2,847 registered Republicans.

"Everything is still up in the air," said Hulsing. "We have to have a decision so the county can start printing the ballots."

Mass media focus of Civitan essay contest

How does the mass media affect the American public?

This is the question the Plymouth-Canton Civitan Club is asking essayists to answer in its annual Citizenship Essay contest. Any student under 21 years of age enrolled in any school -- public or private -- in the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools district area is invited to compete for the prizes.

First place awards are \$125, second place, \$75, and 3rd, \$50. But these amounts will be increased \$25 for each group of five entrants after the first 10 submissions.

Entries will be judged by a panel of eight -- three teachers from Canton and

three from Salem High, and one judge apiece from The Crier and Observer newspapers. Essays will be judged upon originality of thought and expression, factual accuracy of supporting data, sentence structure, spelling, capitalization and punctuation.

Students must address the topic, "Mass Media: The Effects on the American Public."

All entries must be submitted to Jerry Thompson, Canton English, room 224, extension 344 by midnight March 13, 1992.

Further questions may be directed to Joe Henshaw, of the Plymouth-Canton Civitan, at 453-7569.

Sports

Canton tankers finally beat Rocks

BY ANNE SULLIVAN

History was made for the Canton boys swim team last Thursday, as the Chiefs tanked the rival Salem swimmers 104-82, for the first time in the 20-year history of the school.

"Every other athletic team (at Canton) had beaten Salem in one-on-one (competition), except swimming," said Canton coach Hooker Wellman. That record no longer stands.

The Chiefs put forth a valiant effort as they captured first place in all but one event Thursday evening, to the surprise of the home team.

Canton qualified for the state meet in one event and set two personal bests. Salem also had a personal best, as the two teams met at the Salem pool.

"We swam well," said Salem coach Chuck Olson. "We just didn't get enough first places."

The Chiefs captured first and second in three events.

Taking first place in the 200 yard medley was the Chief team of Mike Orris, Craig Steshetz, Mark Ealovega, and Jeff Clark, who finished the race in 1:42.96. The time qualifies the team for the state meet.

The Salem team of Scott Helmstader, Phil Hoffmeyer, Matt Erickson and David

Bracht took second in this event, with a time of 1:47.3.

Orris took first place in the 200 freestyle for Canton, finishing the event in 1:54.19. Aaron Berlin came in second with a time of 1:56.7.

In the 50 yard freestyle, Clark took first place, finishing his race in 23.32. Just behind Clark was Bracht, for Salem, finishing this event in 24.1.

Diving, perhaps was the most competitive event at Thursday's meet. Both school's top finishers set personal best records.

Nick Atwell, diving for Canton earned 255.40 points. He beat his opponent, Steve Salhaney, who scored his personal best with 241.9 points.

Canton captured first and second in the 100 yard butterfly. Taking first place was Ealovega with a time of 58.39, a personal best. Joe Foster took second place, finishing the race in 59.95.

In the 100 yard freestyle, Clark took first place with a time of 51.77. Pat Lancaster took second for the Chiefs, finishing his race in 52.99.

Orris captured first place in the 500 yard freestyle, finishing that race in 5:03.80. Berlin took second place for Salem, finishing the race in 5:18.3.

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Canton hoop squad pulls off win

BY ANNE SULLIVAN

It wasn't quite the game they were expecting, but the Canton Chiefs hoop team pulled off a win against Livonia Churchill Friday night, defeating the Chargers 53-35.

Churchill did everything but charge up the court Friday night, as the Chargers took control of the game by stalling the ball in three of the four quarters. The technique used by Churchill kept the score low.

But there were peaks for the Chiefs. "Owen Crosby played his best game all year," said Canton coach Dave Van Wagoner. He scored seven points for Canton.

Battling the Charger's stalling system, Canton had to maintain a strong defense throughout the game.

After the first eight minutes of play, Churchill scored six points and Canton five.

The second quarter saw a little more shooting action as Canton scored 16 points, and Churchill tossed in 12, to end the half with Canton leading by three, 21-18.

"They figured the only way they could beat us was to hold the ball," said Van

Wagoner. "We don't have a shot clock in our game, so if they kept the score low they thought they could beat us."

In the third quarter, Canton added eight to its score, and Churchill tossed in 13. This gave the Chargers a two point lead at the end of the third, 31-29.

"They were stalling the ball and not looking to score," said Van Wagoner as he assessed his opponents strategy. "For three of the quarters they did a real nice job (of stalling), but our kids hung in there and played a good fourth quarter, one of their best all year."

In the final quarter, Canton outscored Churchill 24-4, to bring home the win.

Mike Stafford led the Chiefs, in scoring with 13 and in assists with five.

Tony Coshatt and Hal Heard each scored 10. Coshatt led the team in rebounds with 13.

"I'm really proud of our team. This was one game they had to find hard to play (with Churchill) holding the ball. My kids really hung in there and played together as a team. Their play, defense and rebounding was good."

The Chiefs are now 3-0 in league competition and 5-3 overall.



Salem basketball players show tough defense in stopping this Raider scoring try Friday night at home. (Crier photo by Eriq Lukasik)

Steady Salem hoopsters knock off Raiders

BY ANNE SULLIVAN

It was a steady, methodic pace, where the lead just kept increasing that led the Salem boys basketball team to a 61-41 victory over North Farmington, Friday night at home.

"We did a good job of holding them to perimeter shots," said Salem coach Bob Brodie. "We forced them to score from the outside."

Both teams had five three-pointers, but Salem was able to get more inside shots

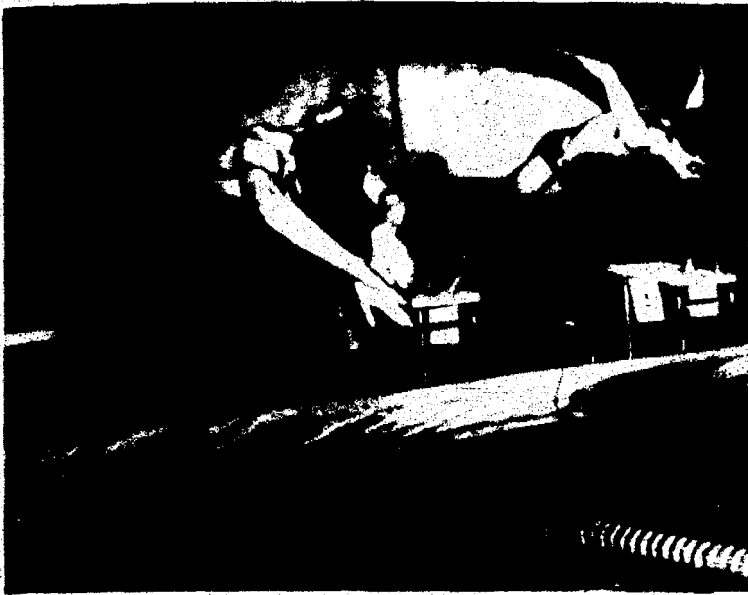
and went to the free throw line more than North.

Salem scored 12 points in the first quarter, and North scored nine.

In the second quarter, the Rocks tossed in 15 points to the Raiders 12, to end the half with the Rocks leading by six, 27-21.

When the teams came back from halftime, the Rocks kept the pressure on. Salem scored 16 points and held North to nine, to end the third 43-30. In the final

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Salem (left) and Canton swimmers take off during one race Thursday when the rivals clashed at the Rocks' home pool. (Crier photo by Erik Lukaszik)

CEP swimmers clash

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The Canton team of Lancaster, Staszetz, Matt Tertel, and Clark took first place in the 200 yard freestyle relay with the time of 1:34.65. Swimming for the Rocks in this relay was Bracht, Brett Petroskey, Erickson, and Fred Locke, who finished their race in 1:37.3.

Salem's only first place was won by Helmstader in the 100 yard backstroke, with a time of 1:45.

In the 100 yard breaststroke, Staszetz captured first for Canton in 1:07.14. Andy Deding placed second in this event in 1:09.4.

Lancaster, Ealovega, Tertel and Orris took first place for Canton in the 400 yard freestyle relay, finishing the race in 3:34.14. Finishing this race in 3:39.42 for Salem was Petroskey, Joe Ervin, Helmstader and Berlin.

"We swam pretty well as a team," said Olson. "There were no big drops by anyone. You hate to come up on the short end of the stick, but it happens sometimes. Canton swam better. We'll work harder. We won't see them again

Salem hoop squad

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quarter, the Rocks totaled in 18 and held the Raiders to 11.

Leading scorers for Salem were Mike Abraham with 16. James Head scored 12 for the Rocks and grabbed 11 rebounds.

Bobby Schneider, who was playing his first game suited as a Rock, scored 10 points. It was the first game Schneider was eligible to play after transferring from Catholic Central to Salem.

It's a well balanced team that Brodic believes gave his team the edge Friday night.

until the conference meet."

Salem is now 0-5-1 overall. The Rocks tied with Novi 93-93, Jan. 16.

"I was real pleased, they did a great job," said Wellman of the Chiefs' performance against the team they had never beaten before. "The seniors did an excellent job.

"Atwell won the diving, and that was an upset. Ealovega had his best time in the 100 yard butterfly. Matt Tertel did a great job, taking first in an individual and first in two relays. Lancaster came in second in the 100 yard freestyle, third in the 200 yard freestyle, and first in the 200 and 400 yard medley relays."

The Chiefs also competed in the Monroe Invitational Saturday, and placed fourth out of seven teams.

"We didn't swim well," said Wellman. "The team was emotionally and physically whipped (from Thursday's meet against Salem) and some of the swimmers were at an invitational in Indiana."

The Chiefs will face Farmington Harrison, Thursday at home.

"(Friday's game) was well balanced play and all 12 players contributed," said Brodic, regarding his team's win. "When you've got your second and third players on the court, and they're as good as your starters, you'll wear the other team down. "Bobby Schneider gave us more fire power from the perimeter. He scored two (of the teams five) three pointers. He handles the ball more and gives a lot of depth (to the team) that helps us in the game and practice."

The Rocks' overall record now stands at 5-3. They are 1-0 in the Lakes Division of the Western Lakes Activities Association, and 2-1 in play.

At Romulus invite Salem wrestlers 2nd

BY JAY KEENAN

Salem's wrestling squad reaped its share of accolades Saturday as the Rocks garnered a second place finish at the eight-team Romulus Invitational.

Host Romulus won the meet with 157 points followed by Salem with 132 and Grosse Pointe North with 110.

Jeff Shumate claimed first place for the Rocks in the 145-pound division when he pinned a Romulus wrestler in the final match.

Tally Sny., at 171, also bested the field at his weight class when he decisioned an Essex, Ontario wrestler in his fourth and final match of the day.

Second place honors for the Rocks were collected by Dan Bonnett (125), Phil Haynes (189) and Jamie Breithaupt (heavyweight).

Scott Martin (119) and Doug Wind (160) took third, while Pete Tembrocek (152) finished fourth for Salem.

On Thursday, the Rocks raised their league dual record to 3-0 when they trounced Walled Lake Central, 60-17 in a Western Lakes Activities Association match.

Chief grapplers

BY JAY KEENAN

Canton's wrestling team took its show on the road Saturday and took two out of three teams at the Portage Northern quad meet.

The Chiefs defeated East Kentwood (37-31) and Portage (48-25) but dropped their final meet of the day to Holland, 43-21.

"As a team, we looked very good," said Canton assistant coach Jim Eddy. "It was good to see some competition on the other side of the state. I thought our kids rose to the caliber of wrestling they were up against."

Against Holland, Nick Spano (130 pounds) raised his record to 18-1 when he pinned Carlos Esteves at 3:30. Jerry Flynn (135) upped his individual mark to 13-7 when he decisioned John Mata, 12-6.

Rich Geiselhart handed Canton's George Young his first loss of the season with a 10-7 decision. Young is now 23-1.

Joe Hunter (152) emerged victorious for the Chiefs with a pin at 4:40 against Jason Hitchcock, while Andy Strahan, now 18-4, won on a void at 103.

In the last Kentwood match, Canton tallied pins by Young, Hunter, Flynn and Spano.

At 160, Canton's Chris Christesen scored an 1-1 technical. Strahan, meanwhile, decisioned his foe, 11-1, while Mike Borich and Dave Smith drew ties for the Chiefs.

In competition with Portage, Young came away with a win over Chad Price in 48 seconds.

On Thursday, Canton fell to a strong Walled Lake Western squad, 37-23 in a Western Lakes League dual.

Salem tallied nine victories on pins in that meet. They were recorded by: Haynes, Sny, Wind, Tembrocek, Shumate, Dan Phillips, Bonnett, Martin and Steve Hughes.

Breithaupt won the Rocks' other match.

Salem, now 5--6 overall, will face league nemesis North Farmington on the road Thursday at 6:30 p.m.

Canton gymnasts

BY ANNE SULLIVAN

It was a strong showing against tough team at the gymnastics meet last Wednesday between Westland John Glenn and Canton.

The Chiefs earned 140.5 points in Wednesday's meet to the Rockets 127.15 score.

Canton coach John Cunningham expected a very tough meet and lined up his strongest team to compete against the Rockets. At the time he didn't know one of Glenn's strongest gymnasts was ill and unable to attend the meet.

Primed for a tough meet, the Canton gymnasts came to each event tuned for battle.

Although it wasn't the competition they were expecting, the Chief gymnasts gave a stellar performance.

Kim Rennolds set two school records and tied one. Her records were set on the floor, where she took first place, scoring a 9.4. She held the previous school record, 9.35. She took first in the all around, earning a 36.45, setting a new school record.

Rennolds took first on the vault scoring 9.4, and on the beam, earning a 9.15. On the bars, she placed second, with an 8.5, behind teammate Jenny Tedesco, who earned an 8.6 on the bars.

Tedesco finished second on the beam, earning an 8.25 for the Chiefs, and she also placed second in the all around, scoring 35.2. She took fourth on the vault, with an 8.9, and fourth on the floor with an 8.85.

Kim Lewke tied for second on the vault with Glenn's Lori Trussler, earning a 9.1. She took third in three events, on the beam, 8.65, on the floor, 8.9, and in the all around, 34.95. On the bars, Lewke captured fourth place with an 8.3.

"Kim Lewke and Kim Rennolds had their best meets of the year," said Cunningham. "Jenny Tedesco had some of her highest scores of the year. The kids scored well consistently. Kim Rennolds pushed her best performance, and Jenny Tedesco has come so far from last year."

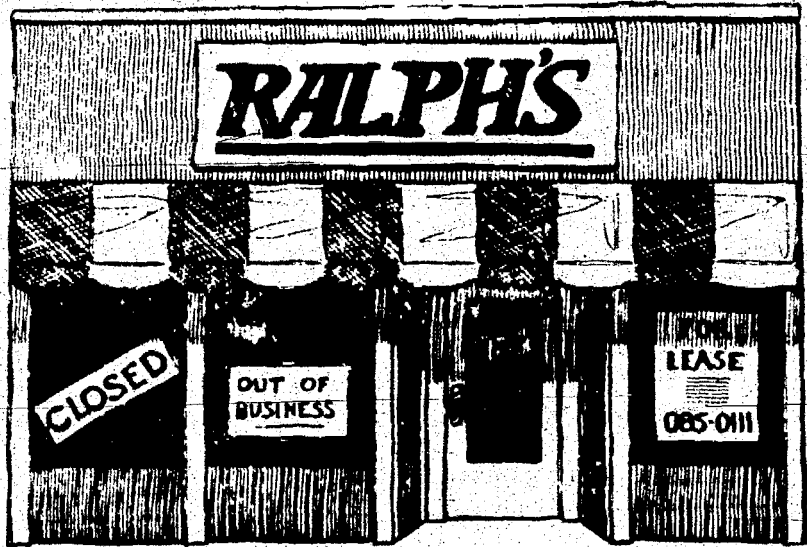
Canton had a make up meet Tuesday (results were not available by deadline time) against Ann Arbor Pioneer, which was canceled because of snow, Jan. 14.

Saturday, Canton will have an opportunity to compete against Salem in the Plymouth Invitational.

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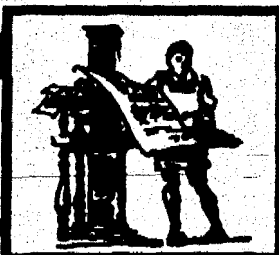
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Court addition favored over renovation

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building. "Our concern," he added, "was absorbing all that space and shorting the court on storage and future expansion areas."

The other two options considered by the group included moving the civil and administrative areas to the basement and remodeling that space for the third court, or building a third court in the basement and doing some renovating upstairs.

That last option was the least expensive option, said Yack, at \$419,000, but would have created traffic and security concerns in the building.

Yack said only three of the five

governments in the district were present at the meeting -- Law, supervisor of Plymouth Township, and Gary Word, city manager in Northville, were not on hand.

Yack added that he was "surprised" that the option of adding onto the back of the current building was cheaper than moving administrative areas downstairs and renovating space for a third courtroom upstairs.

"We'll be meeting again soon to look at more detailed plans," he said. "That will give all of the communities one more opportunity to have a say before we take bids."

Bids are expected to be let later in the spring, said Belding, who also expected

the detailed drawings to be ready in less than a month.

The project is estimated to take six months to complete, she said.

As for the third judge, legislation to add the judgeship will be introduced in February, Belding said.

Cloverdale shuts shop

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"The recession has been real hard on us and we couldn't make our overhead," said Phyllis Kownacki.

The Kownackis fired their 15 employees and officially closed Monday at 5 p.m. "It's really a hard time," said Kownacki who said all her employees are now looking for other work.

Downtown, she said, will suffer from this additional business failure. "We're all pulling for each other and you want to see everything work, but so many stores are moving," she said.

Kownacki is a former special education teacher and her husband is a former electrical designer. She said she and her husband will try to go back to their former careers and spend time with their family, a privilege they couldn't enjoy while running a restaurant.

As Kallos worked Tuesday in the dimly lit area where lines of customers used to buy ice cream cones, she said she

did not know what would become of the building.

She said two possible restaurants had inquired about the property.

"Plymouth doesn't need Cloverdale to be a vacuum," said her husband, George Kallos.

Court records said the balance due from the Kownackis was \$289,560.

"It's the end of the business for a reason," said the Kownacki's attorney, David Frost.

"It was tendered over as a going concern and her (Kallos') response was 'no,'" he said. "Is (Cloverdale's closing) because the economy was bad or because they paid too much?"

Cloverdale's, founded by the late Herm Bakhaus, celebrated its 50th anniversary in 1986 and once supplied ice cream to many retail outlets as well as operate its own restaurant. One of those retail outlets complained last year about the ice cream's quality and switched to another supplier.

Firefighter files suit

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It was noted that Wittboff was not permitted to withdraw her motion.

Because Givens alleges the board violated the state Open Meetings Act, he is seeking the invalidation of Hamilton's appointment; that the board hold all interviews for candidates of employment

in open meetings with adequate notice so the public can attend and comment; and an injunction requiring all voting at the board meetings be conducted in accordance to the Open Meetings Act by recording how each board member votes on each issue made known to the public.

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What would you buy?
Some coat a passing bell;
Some a light sigh
That shades
from Life's fresh crown
Only a restless dawn,
If there were dreams to sell,
Merry and sad to tell,
And the stars hang the ball,
What would you buy?

T. L. Seddoes

ASK LARRY McELROY, "What's a booby?" (SNARK, SNARK)

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Do you want some 77 calorie coins? (N's 2-0-0)

Smiley Garage -- what a dedicated Member you are! Remembering a request six-months-ago, finding the book in a friends library -- then delivering it yourself, is beyond the call of duty. Thank you for the art book on December.

KHOB says that you can't call her Kristine until she gets old!

ASK LARRY McELROY who washes his truck.

BOB RUFFLE has art.

"BLITZEN, VIXEN and NIXON" -- famous reindeer according to _____

Curiosities

MIKE: this paper mache stuff tastes good. - Beuregard

PHYLLIS: a 5 to 1 vote seems clear to me. The 1 wins.

STEVE: a ruptured disc would explain the pain.

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WHAT'S QUICK FOR DIN-DIN? Twice-baked taters by Kristin. They're at Porterhouse Meats, along with other treats. ... Call 455-6770 for menu ideas

CHECK OUT THE RIVIERA ... see pg. 32

Curiosities

VINCENT FISHES for Reese's Peanut Butter cups.

WALT DOZIER, 1;
GOV. JOHN ENGLER, 2.

PHYLLIS: aren't we glad year end comes but once a year? Ed

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ELEANOR HAMMOND CAN'T FIND LILLIAN HARTMANN, with two 'ns. Lillian, come out, come out wherever you are!

The best antiques are old friends.

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"We have two ears and one mouth so that we can listen twice as much as we speak." Epicurus

TALK ABOUT CHINTZIE! Paying off a bet with an invitation to a wedding including reception. NOW THAT'S CHINTZIE!

Curiosities

The Mayflower in 1820 didn't have smooth sailing either.

Larry, Larry -- my only friend -- what shall I do without you? Carry the trash out by myself, I guess.

RALPH AND TERRY -- Come back, come back, wherever you are!

Is it true that a local "pub" is in trouble because two of their patrons quit drinking, and another one left town?

SONIA BABY, thank you for taking such good care of my wife. She needs all the help she can get.

MCKIE BEYER -- thank you for the pictures. Your friends, however look a little "worse for wear." Could it have been the "rummers" they were holding?

DICK KIRCHGATTER -- Have you any idea what an inspiration you are to others? Thank you for being "YOU".

TLT -- NO FAIR -- the local slot machine is yelling "uncle" half the population of Plymouth is in Florida -- drinking up -- the sunshine.

GILLIAN DeARMOND -- Happy Belated Birthday. Now that you have lectured in Alaska, Hawaii, Taho, Colorado, Florida and Michigan in the past 4 months, please park your broom and have a class for the shoemaker's children.

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Bill Lawton and Ron Carlson is it euchre time yet?

Who decides when year end should be?

Eula, I think it's almost time for us to get in trouble again - your cousin.

Brant! You're a "WHAT-And-a-half" kind of guy!

Curiosities

Luann - THANKS for all your help! Phyllis

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See Mike run.
See Mike run to Coldwell Banker.
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Curiosities

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Pat & Wil Suomela - Did you get your Crier?

Lucky Henry - Most of the time -

C. J. loves YAH! How about that, a real celebrity.

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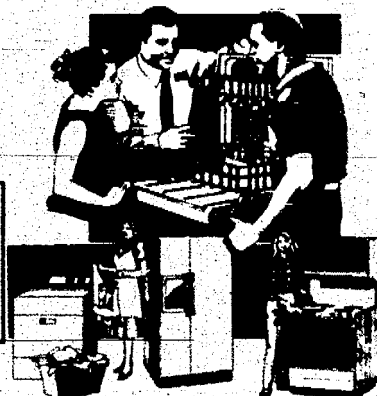
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