

## Round Table Club hearing delayed; argument centers on lease amount

BY AMY KIDWELL

The legal fate of the Round Table Club (RTC) has been postponed to next Wednesday in Judge Paul Teranes' court room at Wayne County Circuit Court.

The club's status is up in the air because the hotel's receiver, Hotel Investment Services, and RTC owners could not agree on a new lease agreement.

The receivers sought \$10,000 a month, the RTC offered \$4,000. The RTC is seeking a permanent injunction to prevent the closing of the site.

The fallout from that breakdown in negotiations has been a proposal by the receivers to transform the club site into a banquet facility.

In the meantime, the club stays open for business as usual, as does the rest of the hotel and restaurants.

According to Ron Wilson, president of Hotel Investment Services, the RTC facility would better serve the hotel financially if it were used as banquet space.

The hotel's so-called "white knight," Al Hoover, was not  
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## A time to remember

*Parade, memorials, sports events mark this year's holiday*

Memorial Day 1993 will be celebrated in several ways in The Plymouth-Canton Community.

Friday marks the beginning of a weekend-long soccer tournament that will end on Memorial Day in Canton.

More than 100 teams from all over the U.S. and Canada will converge on Heritage Park (and almost all other soccer fields in the P-C area) to compete.

Monday's parade in downtown Plymouth starts at 10 a.m. at the Cultural Center.

Veterans of Foreign Wars chapters from Plymouth and Canton will lead the parade from the starting point on Theodore Street and will head south on Main Street toward Kellogg Park. The parade will end with a memorial service at the veterans' monuments.



Kent Armstrong, a Civil War re-enactor and member of the 24th Michigan Volunteers, made a special visit to Cherry Hill Cemetery in Canton Sunday to pay tribute to his great-great-great-grandfather, John Tait, who served with the Michigan unit during the war. (Crier photo by Eriq Lukasik)

## Myers remains in race even though he will resign if elected

*Minister's entire candidacy comes under fire by others in school race*

BY CRAIG FARRAND

Is the Rev. Bill Myers still running for the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education?

Based on a scenario that played out over the weekend, the answer is yes.

Which means that if the minister wins election on June 14, he'll resign his seat shortly after being sworn in, recommend Pat Liljestrand as his replacement — and then leave in July to lead a new congregation in Muskegon.

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But not only has his plan resulted in the loss of an important community endorsement, but also has brought a deluge of criticism from his rivals.

Myers himself described the plan as "wacky" on Thursday, but said Monday that he would follow through with his candidacy if Liljestrand rejected the idea of running her own write-in campaign.

Which she did only moments later: Liljestrand — who  
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## Cleanup of Canton dumpsite is delayed

BY ALEX LUNDBERG

The workers of the Roy F. Weston Co. are ready — but still waiting to start work on the cleanup of the former 3M dumpsite on Michigan Avenue in Canton.

In fact, the only reason the company hasn't started already is because experts are still finding out exactly what is down there.

According to Kirk Mills, environmental engineering specialist for 3M, the operation is still in the testing phase.

"We're monitoring the soils and doing the test trenching," Mills said.

One part of the project that already has been completed is the

walling off of the Lower Rouge River. One of the major concerns of the local residents was the possibility of contamination of the river.

He said that part of the problem is the presence of a "tar-like asphalt" substance. More testing will be required before they can start excavation.

Mills said that the December deadline for completion of the project was attainable, barring major problems.

"If the barrels are in really bad shape then the excavation will take longer," Mills said. "The 180-day timeline is still the plan."

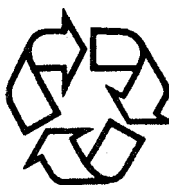
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### Holiday Crier hours

Because of Memorial Day, The Community Crier offices will be closed Monday.

In addition, advertising and news deadlines have been moved ahead. Classified deadlines are 4 p.m. Friday; retail advertising deadlines are 3 p.m. Friday; news deadlines are noon Friday.

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# Mettetal rumor is just that

BY ALEX LUNDBERG  
Contrary to a rumor circulating in the area this week, the state has not given up plans to purchase Mettetal Airport.

According to Bill Gehman, director of the Michigan Aeronautics Commission, the rumor is just that.

"No one in my office has said anything about it," Gehman said. "No decision has been made."

Gehman said that he and Pat Nowak, director of the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT), have been going over the report submitted by the Mettetal Airport Advisory Committee.

Gehman said that the final decision on the state's plans for Mettetal were still forthcoming.

"We'll probably take another week to go over the report," he said. "Then we'll decide how to handle the issue."

Gehman also said that the report itself was a good one.

"I think that the issues in it are well-defined," Gehman said. "(The committee)

did a good job."

The report is the product of the Mettetal Airport Advisory Committee, which is composed of homeowners in the community and was formed to define the issues that surround the proposed state purchase of the airport.

## Cleanup is delayed

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One thing that is still perplexing the representatives of 3M and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is the origin of the concrete and other construction refuse found in the site.

"We're still not sure where it came from," Mills said. "We've been talking to some of the locals who know the history of the site."

Mills said that he hoped that they would be able to offer more insight into the origin of the other waste at the site.

If all goes well, excavation of the site will begin in the next couple of weeks.

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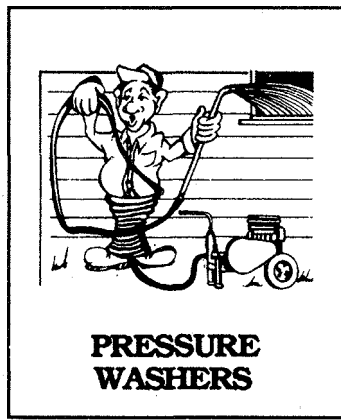
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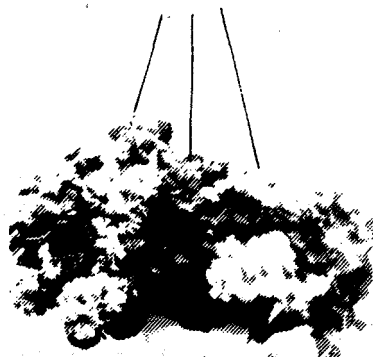
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# School candidates face off on issues

## Finances, communications top the list; not all 5 support 4-mill increase

**Name:** David P. Artley  
**Address:**  
 8350 Honeytree, Canton  
**Phone:** 459-1352  
**Age:** 48  
**Occupation:**  
 Resource development consultant  
**Area resident:** 15 years  
**Spouse:** Patricia  
**Children:** Sandy, 27; Kimberly, 26;  
 Sean, 24; Paul, 23; Matthew, 14



**Name:** Robert C. Burger  
**Address:**  
 41970 Lakeland Court,  
 Plymouth Twp.  
**Phone:** 420-2086  
**Age:** 68  
**Occupation:**  
 Retired school teacher  
**Area resident:** 26 years  
**Spouse:** Joan  
**Children:** Robert, 17.



**Name:** Terry E. Chuhran  
**Address:**  
 44184 Wiclif, Canton  
**Phone:** 455-1632  
**Age:** 46  
**Occupation:**  
 Metallurgical technician  
**Area resident:** 21 years  
**Spouse:** Linda  
**Children:** Scott, 17; Stacy, 16.



**Name:** Stephen Kilijanzyk  
**Address:**  
 6879 Brookshire, Canton  
**Phone:** 981-7225  
**Age:** 43  
**Occupation:**  
 Application programmer  
**Area resident:** 15 years  
**Spouse:** Gwen  
**Children:** Bridgette, 14; Kristle, 10;  
 Stephen, 8; Alyse, 7; Eric, 5.



**Name:** Rev. William P. Myers Jr.  
**Address:**  
 45445 Fieldstone, Canton  
**Phone:** 459-2199  
**Age:** 46  
**Occupation:**  
 Ordained minister  
**Area resident:** 7 years  
**Spouse:** Beth  
**Children:** Rob, 17; Sarah, 15.



BY CRAIG FARRAND

Finances, finances, finances.

For the five candidates running for the single open seat on the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education, all other issues in this year's campaign seem secondary.

The five are incumbent David Artley, Robert Burger, Terry Chuhran, Stephen Kilijanzyk and the Rev. William Myers.

That's not to say there aren't other issues, however: With a little more than two weeks left before the June 14 election, two developments have surfaced that give this year's election some unexpected twists.

•The announcement by Myers that he remains in the campaign even though he will be leaving the district by July to accept a clerical position with a Muskegon church.

His plan not only lost him the endorsement of the district's teacher's union, but also gained him the wrath of his rivals. (See related story.)

•Burger's recent emergency open heart surgery, with the candidate returning only Monday to his Plymouth Township home.

By phone late Monday, Burger said he was still in the race, and planned on returning to active campaigning in the near future. Clearly tired from his hospital stay, he offered to talk about the issues again at a later date.

Certainly, however, the biggest issue facing the district in the minds of the candidates, is the financial status of the system — especially in light of Proposal A and the two district millage questions.

Proposal A, a state plan to raise the state sales tax, cap property assessments and increase per-pupil funding for most districts, appears on a special June 2 ballot.

The Plymouth-Canton Board of Education came out in opposition to the plan last week.

The two local millage questions — a 17.74-mill renewal and a 4-mill increase — will appear on the June 14 ballot along with the open board seat.

According to district officials, the 4 additional mills are necessary to prevent nearly \$5 million in program cutbacks and layoffs.

### LOCAL MILLAGES

Of the challengers, only Kilijanzyk opposes the new millage, accusing the board of "deficit spending."

"They've just made bad decisions," Kilijanzyk said.

Artley voted to place the issue on the ballot and supports the issue completely; Chuhran said he was behind the 4-mill increase "110 per cent"

"We need the 4 mills whether Proposal A passes or not," Chuhran said. "We can't let these cuts go into effect."

Concerning the planned cuts themselves, Chuhran said the proposed list

was "reasonable" and that he commended the board for its actions.

Now, he said "we have to quit thinking about the cuts, and start thinking positive about the millage."

Kilijanzyk took exception to that view, though: "I think the (kinds of) cuts they came up with were intended to pass the millage; I think they could have structured the cuts differently."

Artley, who took part in the board debate on the cuts, said he was "not happy about making the cuts, but I'm pleased with the process we used."

"The board has been open, honest and above board in its deliberations," he said, adding that if the millages pass, in the future "we should be OK if there are no other wildcards from Lansing."

Myers, however, questioned that honesty: "The board has known since September that it was going to be in deficit, (and yet) they introduced that 2.5-mill alternative just a couple of weeks ago — knowing it was not going to do it."

"They were just trying to do whatever was politically correct."

### BOARD COMMUNICATIONS

Board communications was an underlying topic for several candidates, with Myers being the most vocal critic of current board members:

"(The board) has an 'ivory tower' attitude that 'we're smart and you're not.' It's been as if they're above it all and don't need to listen.

"It's a Coleman Young attitude; these people are out of touch."

Explaining one of the platforms of his campaign, Kilijanzyk said that if elected "one of my first moves would be to call for public forum meetings in which we discuss only those things the people want to talk about."

"Look how long it took for the board to make time to talk about the developmental program; these parents shouldn't have had to wait that long."

Artley, one of those on the receiving end of the criticism, acknowledged that "you can always improve your communication skills."

"We've made a lot of changes over the years — and (improved) communications is a 'work in progress.'"

"For example, we decided to allow citizen comments on non-workshop issues during our workshops; that was a change.

"We must make our system user friendly."

### PROPOSAL A

Concerning the state proposal to raise the sales tax and cap property taxes, Artley and his colleagues on the board officially opposed the plan last week (with trustees Barbara Graham and Jack Farrow dissenting).

Chuhran, however, is in favor of the

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## Public notices

### NOTICE

THE PLYMOUTH HOUSING COMMISSION WILL BE ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR THE SECTION 8 RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM ON FRIDAY MAY 28, 1993 FROM 9 A.M. TO 2 P.M. APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED ON THIS DATE AND BETWEEN THE ABOVE STATED HOURS ONLY.

THE SECTION 8 RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM IS FUNDED THROUGH THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING & URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD) AND ADMINISTERED BY THE PLYMOUTH HOUSING COMMISSION. THE INTENT OF THIS PROGRAM IS TO PROVIDE HOUSING SUBSIDY TO PERSONS BASED ON ELIGIBILITY AND AVAILABILITY.

APPLICATIONS WILL BE TAKEN AT THE VFW HALL, 1426 MILL, PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP. THIS HALL IS LOCATED NORTH OF ANN ARBOR ROAD AND 1 1/4 MILES WEST OF THE I-275 (ANN ARBOR ROAD) EXIT. FROM THE EXPRESSWAY, TAKE ANN ARBOR ROAD WEST TO MILL STREET. (SECOND TRAFFIC LIGHT) TURN RIGHT ... HALL ON THE LEFT.

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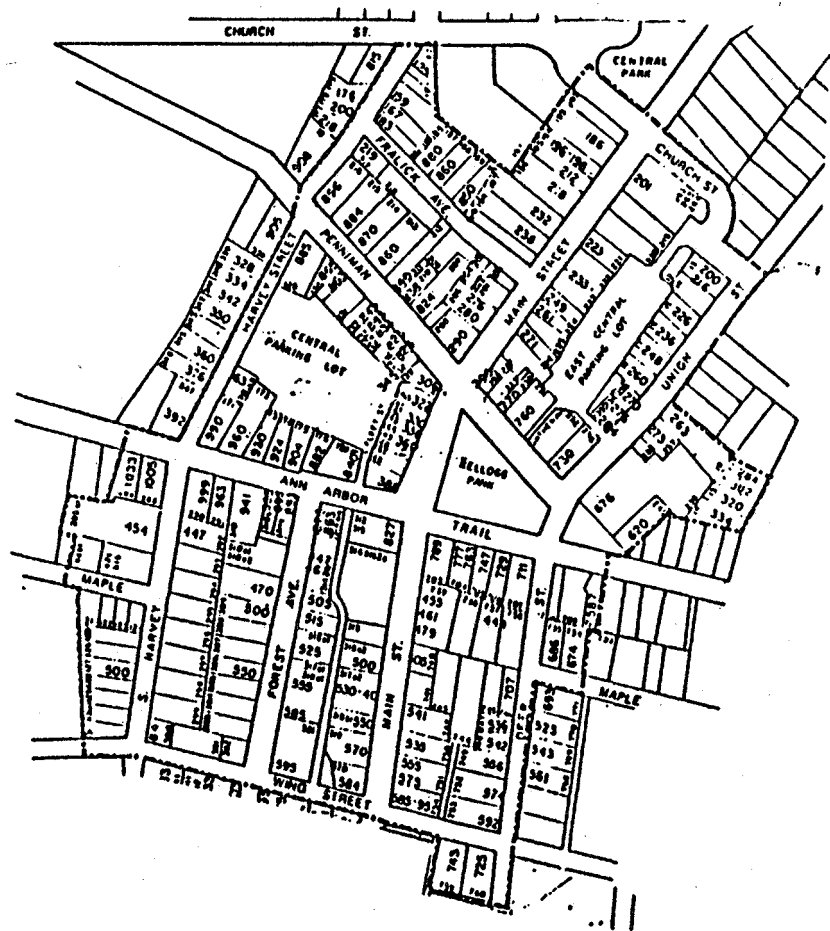
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### CITY OF PLYMOUTH NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Take notice that the City Commission of the City of Plymouth has hereby scheduled a public hearing to be held on Monday, June 14, 1993 at 7:00 P.M. in the Commission Chambers at City Hall, 201 S. Main Street, for the purpose of:

Consideration of an ordinance to amend the Development Plan and Tax Increment Financing Plan of the City of Plymouth Downtown Development Authority, for the purpose of amending the section regarding public facilities in the Downtown Development Authority District, and incorporating the Streetscape Plan and the recommendations of the Hyett-Palma Study.

The Downtown Development District boundaries, which are not proposed to be changed, are as follows:



--- BOUNDARY OF CITY OF PLYMOUTH DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY DISTRICT

Take further notice that the City of Plymouth Downtown Development Authority Development Plan and Tax Increment Financing Plan, including maps, proposed amendments, and documents proposed to be incorporated by reference therein, are available for public inspection at the City Clerk's office from: 8:30 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. Monday thru Friday beginning Tuesday May 18, 1993.

Linda J. Langmesser  
City Clerk

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## Woman complains to police

A Plymouth woman has told Plymouth Township police that she wishes to press assault and battery charges against a soccer coach who she says assaulted her son.

The incident allegedly occurred May 14 at West Middle School.

According to the report, the woman said that after the game the coach grabbed her 8-year-old son by both arms leaving red marks.

In a similar incident, a playground aid at Farrand Elementary School was accused of assaulting an 11-year-old boy on May 12. Parents of the boy said that after meeting with the principal, a school

district representative, the accused and her union representative that they were satisfied with the incident being handled internally and did not want to prosecute.

According to the report, the woman told the principal, Ann Kuhn, that the boy was holding another child down and she grabbed him by the arm and pulled him off the other child.

After talking with the boy, Kuhn noted in the report that she observed a small scratch on the boy's arm that appeared old and had been healing.

She also noted that she observed no redness or other signs of injury.

### LEGAL NOTICE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH PUBLIC TEST OF EL-PAC VOTING SYSTEM

PLEASE TAKE NOTE: A public test of the El-Pac Voting System will take place at 3:00 p.m., in the Clerk's Office at Plymouth Township Hall, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, on Thursday, May 27, 1993, for the Special Election scheduled for June 2, 1993. Phone Number: 453-3840 X 224.

The Public is invited and encouraged to attend.

Marilyn Massengill, Clerk  
Charter Township of Plymouth

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### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ELECTION NOTICE

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS of the Charter Township of Canton, notice is hereby given that a Special Election will be held in the Charter Township of Canton on Wednesday, June 2, 1993 from 7:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. for the purpose of voting on a proposal to amend the Constitution of the State of Michigan:

#### PROPOSAL A:

A PROPOSAL TO LIMIT ANNUAL INCREASES IN ALL PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENTS, REDUCE MAXIMUM SCHOOL OPERATING TAXES, INCREASES THE STATE SALES AND USE TAX RATES FROM 4% TO 6%, CONSTITUTIONALLY DEDICATE FUNDS FOR LOCAL SCHOOLS AND SET A PER-PUPIL FUNDING GUARANTEE

The proposed constitutional amendment would:

- 1) Limit for each property parcel (excluding new construction) annual assessment increase to 5% or the inflation rate, whichever is less. When property is sold or transferred, adjust assessment according to current market value.
- 2) Reduce maximum school operating taxes to 18 non-voted mills. Permit districts to levy up to 9 additional voted mills.
- 3) Reduce 50-mill maximum property tax limit to 40 mills.
- 4) Increase state sales and use tax rates to 6%. Dedicate this additional revenue and lottery proceeds to schools.
- 5) Establish a minimum state/local per-pupil funding guarantee, annually adjusted for revenue changes. Provide a minimum 3% per-pupil funding increase in 1993-1994.

Should this proposal be adopted?

Yes  
No

#### CANTON TOWNSHIP PRECINCT NUMBERS AND LOCATIONS

Precinct No.	Name of Facility	Address
1 & 23	First Baptist Church	44500 Cherry Hill Rd.
2 & 20	Canton Recreation Center	44237 Michigan Avenue
3, 10, 21	St. John Neumann Church	44800 Warren Road
4 & 13	Miller Elementary School	43721 Hanford Road
5 & 18	Field Elementary School	1000 S. Haggerty Road
6	Royal Holiday Clubhouse	39500 Warren Road
7	Plymouth Salem High School	46181 Joy Road
8 & 19	Faith Community Church	46001 Warren Road
9	Eriksson Elementary School	1275 N. Haggerty Road
11 & 24	Plymouth Canton High School	8415 N. Canton Center
12 & 14	Hulsing Elementary School	8055 Fleet Street
15	Walker Elementary School	39932 Michigan Avenue
16 & 17	Canton Administration Bldg.	1150 S. Canton Center
22	Hoben Elementary School	44680 Saltz Road

Handicapped Voters with an inaccessible polling place (that being Precinct 6, Royal Holiday Clubhouse, 39500 W. Warren Rd.) are eligible to vote without notice at the Office of the Township Clerk, 1150 S. Canton Center Road until the close of voting at 8:00 P.M. on Election Day. Absentee ballots will be delivered to qualified absentee voters in person at the Office of the Township Clerk, 1150 S. Canton Center Road from 8:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. on Saturday, May 29, 1993. The Clerk's Office will be closed on Monday, May 31, 1993 to observe the Memorial Day holiday. On Tuesday June 1, qualified voters shall receive their ballots and vote them in the Clerk's Office until 4:00 P.M.

For further information regarding the above, please contact the Township Clerk at 397-5452.

Loren N. Bennett  
Clerk

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## Walters gets a 3 per cent raise

On June 1, City Manager Steve Walters will see a 3 per cent increase in his pay check. He will now make \$68,000 per year, an increase of \$2,000.

The commission voted 6-1 at its last meeting to give Walters a raise after hearing how his pay compares to that of other city managers.

Commissioner Dennis Shrewsbury was the lone "no" vote.

After his "A-plus" performance appraisal last month, a small committee was formed to look at possible pay increases for the city executive.

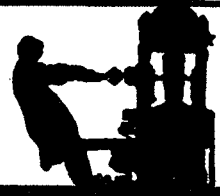
Commissioner William McAninch was on that committee and recommended the 3 per cent raise.

McAninch supported his recommendation by pointing out that Walters' salary is comparable to the median salary of his "comparable cities," cities that are about the same size.

Several commissioners agreed saying that he has done a "tremendous" job with saving the city money.

Shrewsbury, however, said Walter's work with the budget "has been excellent, but I'm concerned with the message we're sending to employees and tax payers.

"It has nothing to do with his performance, but for those two reasons, I'm not in favor of it."



## Public notices

### LEGAL NOTICE CITY OF PLYMOUTH

#### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH SPECIAL ELECTION - WEDNESDAY, JUNE 2, 1993

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Special Election will be held in the City of Plymouth and the Charter Township of Plymouth, Wayne County, Michigan, on Wednesday, June 2, 1993, from 7:00 a.m., to 8:00 p.m., for the purpose of voting on:

##### PROPOSAL A

A PROPOSAL TO LIMIT ANNUAL INCREASES IN ALL PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENTS, REDUCE MAXIMUM SCHOOL OPERATING TAXES, INCREASE THE STATE SALES AND USE TAX RATES FROM 4% TO 6%, CONSTITUTIONALLY DEDICATE FUNDS FOR LOCAL SCHOOLS AND SET A PER PUPIL FUNDING GUARANTEE  
THE PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT WOULD:

1. Limit for each property parcel (excluding new construction) annual assessment increase to 5% or the inflation rate, whichever is less. When property is sold or transferred, adjust assessment according to current market value.
2. Reduce maximum school operating taxes to 18 non-voted mills. Permit districts to levy up to 9 additional voted mills.
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5. Establish a minimum state/local per-pupil funding guarantee, annually adjusted for revenue changes. Provide a minimum 3% per-pupil funding increase in 1993-1994.

##### SHOULD THIS PROPOSAL BE ADOPTED?

YES NO

Applications for absentee ballots may be requested from the City of Plymouth, Office of the Clerk, 201 South Main Street, Plymouth, MI., phone number 453-3840 X 234, for City of Plymouth Electors; and the Charter Township of Plymouth, Office of the Clerk, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, MI., phone number 453-3840 X 224, for Plymouth Township Electors.

Absentee Ballots will be handed to qualified absentee voters in person at both Clerk's Offices from 8:00 a.m., to 2:00 p.m., on Saturday, May 29. On Tuesday, June 1, absentee voters shall receive their ballots and vote them in the Clerk's Office until 4:00 p.m.

All polling places in the City and Township are accessible to the handicapped.

Polling places in the City of Plymouth are as follows:

Precincts 1, 4 & 5 -	Cultural Center, 525 Farmer Street
Precinct 2 -	Starkweather School, 550 N. Holbrook
Precinct 3 -	Central School, 650 W. Church Street

Polling places in the Township of Plymouth are as follows:

Precinct 1	Farrand School, 41400 Greenbriar Lane
Precinct 2 & 8	Friendship Station, 42375 Schoolcraft Road
Precinct 3	Allen School, 11100 Haggerty Road
Precinct 4	Clerk's Annex, 42350 Ann Arbor Road
Precinct 5	Bird School, 220 N. Sheldon Road
Precinct 6	West Middle School, 44401 Ann Arbor Trail
Precinct 7	Fire Station #3, 13600 Beck Road
Precinct 9	Church of the Nazarene, 45801 Ann Arbor Road
Precinct 10	Fiegel School, 39750 Joy Road
Precinct 11	First Baptist Church, 45000 N. Territorial Road
Precinct 12	Pioneer Middle School, 46081 W. Ann Arbor Road
Precinct 13 & 16	Risen Christ Lutheran Church, 46250 Ann Arbor Road
Precinct 14	Isbister School, 9300 Canton Center Road
Precinct 15	D.P.W. Building, 46555 Port Street

Please note that the City and Township Precinct locations may NOT coincide with your school precinct location.

Linda Langmesser, Clerk  
City of Plymouth

Marilyn Massengill, Clerk  
Charter Township of Plymouth

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### The Board Report

#### A brief review of actions at the regular Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Board of Education meeting of May 24, 1993

The meeting began with an "Extra Miler Award" presentation to Dr. Michael Homes, assistant superintendent for instructional services. The award culminates Homes' 16 years of dedicated service to the District. In August, Homes will leave Plymouth-Canton to begin a job as superintendent of the public schools in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin.

Under the Superintendent's Report, Beverly Wolkow, executive director of the Michigan Education Association, urged the Board to reconsider its position on Proposal A. Board Vice President Carl Battishill stated that the District was being penalized for its past fiscal responsibility.

The District's elementary, middle and high school counselors asked the Board to reconsider its decision to cut 55 percent of the District's counselors. Speaking on behalf of the counselors were Nancy Kline, Jan Dersey, Marcia Porterfield, Rick Wilson and Pat Butzin. The group cited many ways the reduction in counselors will negatively affect Plymouth-Canton students.

A number of parents, citizens and school personnel spoke in support of the counselors. Those speaking were: Evelyn Mason, Ellison Franklin, Milt Bolton, Jeff Fordell, Fran Weller, Dave Baranski, Marsha Droz and Suzanne Tihanyi.

Dr. Hoben discussed a recent proposal from Ameritech Mobile Communications, Inc. to construct a new tower or to replace the existing tower at the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park.

Under Citizens' Comments, students Jaelyn Conklin and April Bugarin of the Salem Executive Forum discussed recent activities of the group. They also stated that students will be hurt by the staff cuts which are proposed if the millage request fails. They stressed the importance of extra curricular activities and counselors. They also asked the administration to provide information to students on the millage and they offered to provide assistance in supporting the election. Board President Roland Thomas asked the Superintendent to arrange informational meetings with students.

Ted Bohlen cited several proposed cuts for next school year and stated that these were equivalent to the raise the Board granted to teachers.

Mike Licata spoke in favor of Proposal A. Jennifer Barnes spoke to the Board about the importance of sports for students. Deborah Trapp and Diane Mantsumoto stated the importance of the Alternative Education program. Board Trustee Barbara Graham thanked Deborah Trapp for the help and necessary intervention she has provided to many students and complimented the entire program for its outstanding success.

Kate DeRoche and Lori Wolfe, seventh-grade students at Central Middle School, expressed their views about the recent walkout that took place at Central. The students said they feel the shorts rule is "sexist" because it is being enforced differently for girls than for boys. Jeanne DeRoche, Kate's mother, stated that she witnessed the students being treated inappropriately at the walkout and asked for some intervention in this issue.

Alan Chenoweth expressed concerns about the funding for the TAG program.

The Board approved the Consent Calendar which included:

- payment of bills in the amount of \$3,188,998.12.
- the leaves of Carol Bachmann and Lisa Santioni and the resignation of Dr. Michael Homes.

The Board approved:

- the design development for the mechanical and electrical work at Miller Elementary School, Starkweather and Tanger Center and authorize Giffels Hoyem Basso, Inc. to proceed to working drawings.
- the adoption of the revised 1992-93 operating budgets, including the general operating fund, project fund, food service fund and community services fund.
- the purchase of assorted custodial cleaning products.
- four final adjustments and acceptance of the elementary school boundary proposal. Final adjustments were: Salem Township, north of North Territorial, will be moved from Farrand to Isbister; Area 16 (Old Village) will remain at Farrand; Sunflower #10 subdivision will be assigned to Tonda, with deviations; and students currently in the 4th grade can choose to remain with their siblings at their current school for one year, provided the parents transport their students and notify the District of this choice by June 30, 1993.

Speaking on the boundary issue, Bob Schafer thanked the Board for moving Sunflower subdivision #10 to Tonda. Linda Bernhardt and Debbie Majorana from Salem Township expressed concern over the moving of students from Farrand to Isbister.

The Board briefly discussed Developmentally Appropriate Practices and considered the general area of communication.

The Board will hold a workshop on Monday, June 7 at 7:30 p.m. in the Board Room of the E. J. McClendon Educational Center, located at 454 S. Harvey Street in Plymouth. The next regular meeting of the Board will be held on Tuesday, June 15 at 7:30 p.m. at the same location.

This report is brought to you as a means of communicating the actions of your Board of Education. For more information, please call Community Relations at 451-3188.



# Friends & neighbors

## Neighbors in the news

### 2 Scouts honored

SUZANNE CHANCE



SARA PETERHANS



Plymouth residents Suzanne Chance and Sara Peterhans were honored with the Gold Award, the highest honor in Girl Scouting. The award is given for outstanding accomplishments in the areas of leadership, community service, career planning and personal development.

Chance, daughter of Buddy and Sarah Chance, is a junior at Salem High School and is a member of the German Club, National Honor Society and National Art Honor Society. She earned her award by painting four murals in her senior-high youth room.

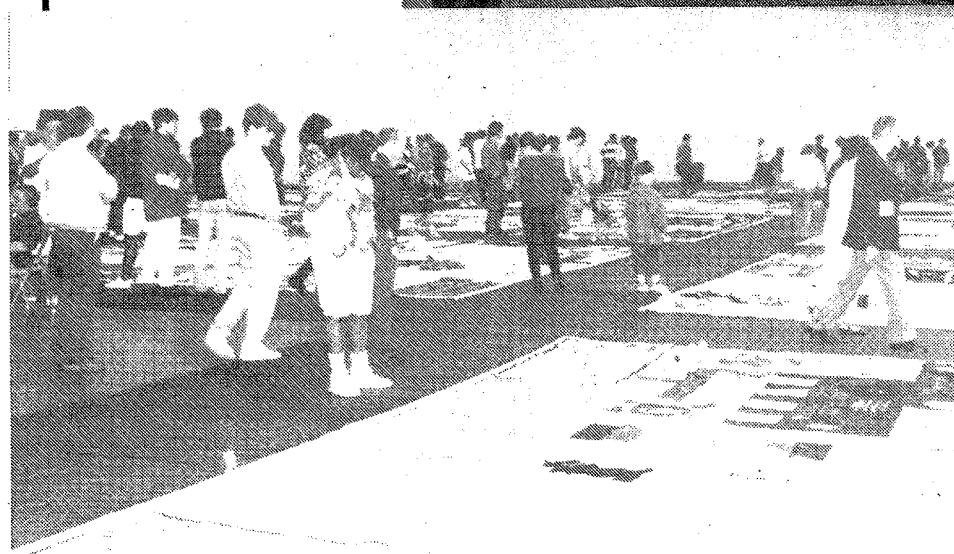
Peterhans is the daughter of George and Marilyn Peterhans and is currently a student at Michigan State University. Her award was given because of her work co-managing a day camp in August 1992.

She is studying international and social relations, a member of CHOICE, a campus group for alternatives to drinking and a member of Alpha Phi Omega fraternity, a service group based in scouting.

## In honor of our loved ones



Members of the Plymouth-Canton Choir Ensemble were among those who took part in the closing ceremonies of the AIDS Memorial Quilt display at Cobo Center Sunday. The quilt is composed of names of Americans who have died of AIDS. (Crier photos by Rudy DeChavez)



## Just call it 'Cheers' west

Rebecca (Joanne), Diane (Michelle) and Sam (Billy) — part of the crew at "Cheers" in Plymouth, otherwise known as the Sidestreet Pub — were part of the festivities held at the bar after it came in third in Detroit area balloting that picked those saloons that most closely resembled the atmosphere in the TV series "Cheers," which broadcast its last episode Thursday. (Crier photo by Jack "Frazier" Armstrong)



# Five school candidates face off on district issues

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proposal, saying that he realizes the plan "puts a burden on our district, but we have to look at the bigger picture here."

"I want my kids, when they end up choosing a place to work and live, to have the freedom to know that wherever they go, their kids will get a good education."

Myers, on the other hand, views the state plan as a "pig in a poke," with too many unanswered questions about its ultimate impact.

### TEACHERS' CONTRACT

On the issue of the recently settled teachers' contract — which gave the district's instructors a 3 per cent raise — Artley said that in hindsight he "would have liked to have seen something else there."

"I've been told that the teachers would have been willing to take a freeze — and I think the raises should not have been agreed to — but at the time, the consensus (on the board) was to (settle)."

Of three of his challengers, only one — Kilijanczyk — disagreed with the outcome:

"How can you give 3 per cent raises to people when you're already in deficit?" he asked. "This board has to learn to live within its budget."

"And it also has to think ahead: didn't they realize that by giving the raises they also increase the amount of FICA they have to pay — knowing that FICA was going to be (transferred from the state to local districts)?"

Chuhran, however, agreed with the settlement, "glad that it was done ahead of time." He also said he thought

the 3 per cent was a good, fair settlement, and commended the teachers for "not wanting more."

Myers, who, until late last week, had the endorsement of the teachers' union, was critical of the board's handling of negotiations, accusing the panel of ignoring viable alternatives to the settlement.

"The teachers offered a buyout plan, but the administration turned it down," he said, adding that 25 to 30 teachers would have been willing to retire early if given the proper incentive.

Throughout the contract talks, however, neither the district nor the union would discuss negotiations, and Artley would only say that "a lot of things were talked about," and that the buyout option "could have been discussed."

# Budget hearing set for June 7

The Plymouth City Commission will hold a public hearing to consider the 1993-94 proposed budget at 7 p.m. June 7 in City Hall.

The commission and administration have met four times for budget study sessions.

The proposed \$4.8 million budget is based on 13.08-mill tax levy next year, a reduction of 3.6 per cent from the 1992

tax rate.

The commission is proposing an increase in the waste and recycling fund and a Headlee roll back in the operating and debt retirement millages.

If the state plan known as Proposal A passes, the commission estimates a 3.1 per cent increase in average residential property tax and a 0.1 per cent average increase in business property tax.

# Woman, 22, hurt when car leaves road and plunges into Wilcox Lake

A Redford Township woman was injured Thursday night when her car plunged into a shallow portion of Wilcox Lake.

Tina Marie Eklund, 22, was trapped in her car and was taken to St. Mary Hospital in Livonia after rescue workers pried her car open.

When the accident occurred, the woman said that someone else was in the car, leading police to do a water search of the area.

However, police later confirmed that she was alone in the car and called off the search, according to Police Chief Robert Scoggins.

According to the police report, the woman was traveling west down Wilcox Road when the car hit a cement block and

landed in the lake's shallow water.

The report also stated that the woman had been drinking. The woman was listed in good condition Monday afternoon.

# Plane nosedives into tarmac at Mettetal

The landing of a small Cessna airplane was made a little rough when the wing caught a sign and the plane nosed into the runway.

According to Canton Township police, the plane was coming into Mettetal Airport when the left wing of the plane hit a sign. After hitting the sign, the plane's nose went into the runway, bending the plane's propeller

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# Hearing postponed on fate of Round Table Club

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present Thursday in the court room. He has been identified by hotel owners as a potential investor of the hotel.

According to Scott Lorenz, Hoover has the "wherewithal" to invest in the hotel and wants the RTC as it is — an argument the Mayflower attorney, Robert Peurach, used when the restraining order was first sought.

The hotel was ordered into receivership on Dec. 21 after operating for a year in Chapter 11 bankruptcy. Heritage Federal Savings Bank holds a \$3.5 million mortgage on the hotel and has not yet foreclosed on the loan.

Wilson told the court that the suggestion to transform the RTC into banquet facilities was made by the Robert Myman Group, a food and beverage consulting group from New York that he hired to review the hotel's operations.

"Meeting space drives room sales," Wilson said. "Without space, it's hard to attract business."

"Banquets are very efficient because

there is very little waste."

Randy Lorenz, part owner of the hotel and 12-year general manager of the club, disagreed.

He took the stand Thursday and testified that the receiver is falsifying club documents by overestimating expenses and underestimating revenue.

Because Wilson's testimony was interrupted and postponed, he has not had the opportunity to respond to many of Lorenz's claims.

According to Lorenz, the RTC has more than 1,400 members, each of whom pays \$150 per year. Members pay the fee by credit card and are charged in advance on their anniversary date.

He later testified that refunding an unused portion of the fee has always been an unwritten practice.

Lorenz also testified that the RTC had a 60 per cent mark up on food and a 75 per cent mark up on alcohol.

Lorenz also testified that he has seen "inaccuracies" in the receiver's figures for RTC profits:

According to his testimony, the

receiver recorded the RTC lunch sales to be zero for January and February — he estimated the sales to be \$6,583 for January and \$6,031 for February.

Lorenz also testified that February's dinner sales were underestimated by \$15,000. And that the receiver overestimated February's alcohol costs by almost \$3,400.

Part of Lorenz's figures came from daily reports.

Wilson did not get the opportunity to respond to these allegations in the courtroom, but did say Monday that "not one dollar was misreported." He will give his response to the allegations when the case resumes next week.

Another problem Wilson testified was that the RTC did not have a "landlord/tenant relationship" with the hotel.

According to Wilson's testimony, the club does not have a set amount for rent; instead, rent consists of whatever the club collects in membership dues that month and the hotel supplies labor, food and beverages, he said.

"There is no money figure attributed

to rent," he said. "There is no consistency of revenue; we can't keep this type of relationship."

Wilson said he presented RTC officials with a lease in February, and in March he said that he told RTC owners he needed an answer within 60 days.

Part of the problem, Wilson said, is that the two sides were too far apart on rent: Wilson said he needed \$10,000 per month and that \$4,000 was proposed.

Lorenz also said in his testimony that Wilson's figures for profit if the space were used as a banquet facility were inaccurate.

He backed this claim by saying the Miles Standish Room, located in the basement of the hotel, has the same approximate seating capacity — 80 people — and does not make nearly as much as Wilson figured for the RTC space.

In response, Wilson said, "They are not similar rooms at all."

The factors he gave were that the RTC space is on the first floor, accessible to the street, has a better decor, has bathroom facilities and is closer to kitchen facilities.

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# As he neared his doctorate, hemophiliac dies of AIDS



Jon Downie Freeman, a graduate student at Michigan State University who would have received his doctorate from MSU's Department of Medicine within the next few weeks, died Monday, May 24, 1993, at the age of 27.

Mr. Freeman, a hemophiliac, died of AIDS contracted during a blood transfusion.

According to his professors, Dr. John Penner and Dr. Houria Hassouna of MSU, Mr. Freeman's studies involved research with primitive life forms to discover more about the workings of the human

JON FREEMAN

body.

Mr. Freeman, who was born on Oct. 28, 1965, in Detroit, went to Detroit Country Day and Albion College before going on to do his graduate work at MSU's Department of Medicine.

Mr. Freeman had completed all the requirements for his doctoral degree, his thesis dissertation and was a graduate assistant in the Department of Medicine.

He was also a teaching assistant in the College of Human Medicine.

Mr. Freeman was a member of the Society of Vertebrate Paleontology, the French Colonial Heritage Society, the Western Wayne County Conservation

Association and the Port Huron Museum of Arts and History.

He is survived by his parents, Evelyn and Bernard Freeman of Plymouth, and his uncle, John C. Miller.

Services for Mr. Freeman will be held 11 a.m. Friday at the Schrader Funeral Home with the Rev. Drex Morton officiating.

Interment will be at Oakland Hills Cemetery in Novi.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Jon D. Freeman Memorial Fund through the MSU Department of Physiology.

## Myers still in race, but won't serve

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serves as citizen co-chair of the district's millage election committee — told The Crier that she "can't campaign for (the board) and for the millage" at the same time.

"I really can't spend the time necessary on a campaign," she said.

As a result, she's taken herself out of write-in consideration — but not out of consideration for a board opening should Myers win and then resign.

When asked if she'd be interested in filling a vacancy on the board, she said she "wouldn't be un-interested," and that she would submit her name for consideration if the board began a search.

As of early Thursday, Myers had said his then-mystery replacement actually would be "screened" and approved by the school district's teachers union.

By late Thursday, however, union president Chuck Portelli said his membership would "not take part in this," and that his union had withdrawn its endorsement of Myers' candidacy.

"I guess if he wants to do that, it's his decision," Portelli said, "but not with our blessing."

Portelli did say that Myers had asked the union's opinion about two people — people Myers said were on his short list of replacements — "but we did not want to get involved in the process," Portelli said.

And on Friday, board President Roland Thomas — who had just heard of Myers' plan — declined to comment on the minister's proposal, and would say only that if a vacancy appeared on the board, he would "review the qualifications of anyone interested in the position."

For Myers, his decision to stay in the race, even though he's expected in Muskegon on July 1, was made after "people told me they were going to vote for me anyway."

Myers will be joining the Lakeside United Methodist Church, which has a congregation of more than 360 people, according to the minister.

"My initial intention was to bow out of the race," Myers said. "The easiest thing to do would have been to pack my boxes and move — but I'm (staying in the race) because the people are encouraging me to do it."

"I know this whole scenario is wacky, but what do you do? Do I say, 'no I didn't mean it?'"

Wacky was not the word used by several other board candidates, however:

Incumbent David Artley, called Myers' actions "a subjugation of the system," adding that it was "crazy and bizarre."

"I have several problems with (Myers') scenario," said Artley, whose single seat is being challenged by three others besides Myers: Robert Burger, Terry Chuhran and Stephen Kilijanczyk.

"First, why is he still running? On May 5th he made a commitment that if elected, he'd stay with the district for four years.

"It sure was a short four years, wasn't it?"

"I don't understand how he can have a candidacy here while he's in the process of taking a role in another community," Artley said. "It strikes me that the system is being manipulated."

Kilijanczyk also had problems with the Myers scenario, calling it "fraught with a lot of potential missteps."

"If the board were to appoint the person he selects, then it would look like an inside job," he said. "And, besides, this person wouldn't have gone through the same scrutiny as the other candidates."

"It just looks bad."

Kilijanczyk said that if a vacancy did appear on the board, he favored the idea of the person with the second-highest vote totals receiving the appointment.

The most blunt criticism came from Chuhran, however, who said he was "totally outraged" by Myers' plan, and that the minister had "made a mockery of the election."

"The thing that bothers me most," Chuhran said, "is that he was looking for a job (when he announced his candidacy); he knew he would be leaving."

"I think he's been less than honest with the people who signed his petitions and those who campaigned for him."

"I just can't believe that he's telling the board 'let me pick my successor, and if you don't, we'll start a recall; I can't believe he'd consider submitting the taxpayers to more dollars being wasted on (such an election)."

"He's now gone from (being) a concerned citizen to a pure politician," Chuhran said.



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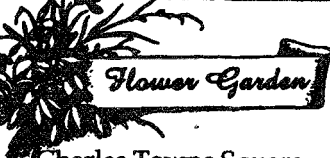
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### WRITER'S CLUB

The Writer's Club will meet every second and fourth Thursday of the month beginning tomorrow. The group will meet from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. on the second floor of Plymouth's Dunning Hough Library. The group will provide an opportunity for writers of all experience levels to share their work with fellow writers. For further information contact Brian Anderson at 416-0418.

### MILLAGE ELECTION DISCUSSION

Gallimore Elementary Schools Principal Larry Cole will answer questions regarding the June 14 millage election tomorrow from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the Canton Public Library. Refreshments will be served.

### TOWN HALL MEETINGS ON PROPOSAL A

State Representative Deborah Whyman, R-Canton, will conduct two town hall meetings to discuss the statewide property tax relief/school finance reform ballot proposal slated for June 2. The meetings will be at the Plymouth-Salem High School Library today at 7 pm and Van Buren Township Hall tomorrow at 7 pm. For more information call Whyman's Lansing Office at (517) 373-2575.

### SUMMER ART CAMP

D&M Art Studio is taking registrations for its Third Annual Kids Summer Arts Camp. This years theme is "Everything Under the Sea," and the camp gives kids the opportunity to learn about art.

For early registration discount, register before May 28. For information or to register call the studio at 453-3710.

### VIETNAM VETERANS PARADE SEEKS PARTICIPANTS

The Canton Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 528 is looking for organizations who wish to participate in their Memorial Day Parade. The parade will be held at 10 a.m. on May 31, and will honor the veterans. For more information, contact either Henry Giles (591-3068), Tim LaGrow (981-2848), or Mike Schlott (455-9381).

### PLYMOUTH YMCA CLASSES

The Plymouth YMCA is offering several classes for local residents. "Half Pints in the Kitchen," "Supersitters," "Driver's Education," "Bumper Bowl," "Pillo Polo," and "Arts and Crafts" are just some of the classes available at the YMCA. For further information, please call 453-2904 during regular business hours, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday

### HIGH SCHOOL REUNIONS

The Class of 1973 of Plymouth High School is holding its 20 year reunion at the Holiday Inn Hotel in June 26.

The Class of 1983 of Plymouth Salem-Canton High School is holding its 10 year reunion at the Novi Hilton on August 20.

The 1943 class of Chadsey High School in Detroit is also planning a 50th year reunion scheduled for Sept. 19 at Vladimir's on Farmington. For information, call 278-6249, 565-4543, 278-5970 or 561-8389.

The Class of 1943 of Cass Technical High School in holding its 50th year reunion at the Sterling Inn in Warren on June 25th and 26th. For information call Stan Kovacheff at 459-6829.

The Class of 1988 of the Centennial Educational Park is having its five year reunion on August 7 at the State Theatre in Detroit. For more info write to Class of 1988 Reunion Committee, P.O. Box 700091, Plymouth, Michigan 48170-0942.

### HOST FAMILIES NEEDED

American host families are being sought for high school students from Western and Eastern Europe, Asia, South America and Australia for the 1993-94 school year in a program sponsored by the American Intercultural Student Exchange.

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### HEAD START PROGRAM RECRUITING

The Plymouth-Canton Head Start program is recruiting children for its 1993-94 season. The program, sponsored by the school district and federal government, provides education to parents and 3 to 4-year-old's. The program is free to those who qualify. For information, call 451-6656.

### ART FOR SALE AT LIBRARY

During the entire month of May the Plymouth Community Arts Council will be selling selected works of art on the second floor of the Plymouth District Library (Dunning-Hough), and will be open on Wednesday from 10 am until 8:30 pm.

### SENIOR PARTY

Attention senior students at Canton or Salem High School. You are invited to a senior class party scheduled to begin at 9 a.m. on June 13. The party will run until 4 a.m. and will be held at Plymouth Salem High School. It is a closed party and only graduates will be admitted. Also, nobody will be admitted after 11 p.m.

Advance sale tickets include a T-shirt and are \$20. Tickets at the door are \$22. Advanced sale tickets can be purchased during lunch hours starting May 25 and at graduation rehearsal June 9.

### RUMMAGE AND BAKE SALE

The Ladies Guild of Christ the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Canton will sponsor a Spring Rummage and Bake Sale to be held June 3 and 4 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 42690 Cherry Hill. For more information, call 981-0286.

### BLOOD PRESSURE COURSE

The American Red Cross will be presenting "How To Measure Blood Pressure" on May 26 between 5:30 and 9:30 p.m. at the American Red Cross Northwest Service Center, 29691 W. Six Mile, in Livonia. Cost for the class plus materials is \$5.

To register, call 967-0336. For information, call 494-2744.

### HUGE GARAGE SALE

On June 2-5 there will be a garage sale at St. Thomas a'Beckett Church. The Church is located on the southeast corner of Cherry Hill and Lilly. The times will be 9 am to 7pm on the second, 9 am to 4 pm for both the third and the fourth, and from 9 am to 2 pm on the fifth.

### JAYCEES MEETING

The Plymouth Canton Jaycee's will host its monthly meeting at 8 p.m. tomorrow at the Plymouth Cultural Center. The Public is welcome to attend.

### 1993 JULIETTE LOW OPEN

Tee times are still available for anyone who wishes to participate in the 1993 Juliette Low Open sponsored by the Huron Valley Girl Scout Council. The event is scheduled for June 11 at Fox Hills Country Club in Plymouth. The day will end with a steak dinner at the clubhouse and prizes will be given. Interested golfers should call the council at 483-2370 or (800) 552-4929 ext. 224.



## 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).

### A NOVI PLAYERS PRODUCTION

The Novi Players, in cooperation with Moosehead Productions, will close their season with "Masters Degrees," a three act comedy at the Novi Center. The show is the third produced for local authors Marc Holland and Michael Davis-both Canton High School graduates.

The show will run the first three weekends in June with 8 p.m. performances on Fridays and Saturdays and 2 p.m. performances on Sundays. Tickets are \$5 in advance and \$6 at the door.

### CANTON FIVE MILE RUN

On June 19, Canton Parks and Recreation will host the 15th annual Canton Five Mile Run. Men and women of all ages can participate. Registration is \$8.50; late registration, anything after June 17, is \$10. The race begins at 9 a.m. and starts on Proctor Road next to the administraton building. Awards and prizes will be handed out after the race. This year's grand prize is a travel gift certificate.

Register in person or by mail to: Canton Parks and Recreation, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan 48188. For more information, call 397-5110.

### "RING OF FIRE"

Beginning June 19, the Detroit Science Center, located at 5020 John R at Warren in Detroit's Cultural Center, will feature the new Omnimax film "Ring of Fire." The film features scenes of a fiery volcanic eruption in Hawaii and the flattened forests on Mount St. Helens. Viewers will experience the center's six-track total-surround sound system and a 67 foot domed screen that literally wraps around them.

A special opening rate of \$4 will be offered on June 19 and 20. The film will be shown daily through Dec. 31. For more information call 577-8400.

### "LIFE WITH DIABETES"

Annapolis Hospital, located in Wayne, will offer "Life with Diabetes," a six week course covering topics like diet, exercise and medications. The class starts June 9. To register call 467-5555.

### ARTHRITIS PRESENTATION

The Arthritis Foundation will present Dr. Joseph Weiss and Occupational Therapist Michelle Green at a public forum offering information about dealing with arthritis and providing a question/answer period. The presentation will be held at 7 p.m. June 8 at the Plymouth Cultural Center. Pre-registration is required. Call (800) 968-3030.

# Readers Rate

BY CHRIS MACHNIAK

The results of the events and cultural sections of The Crier's First Annual Reader's Rate were very high.

Topping the list was CEP's Marching Band, with a rating of 3.571 out of a possible 4.0. The only written comment about it in that section stated that CEP was the "wrong name,"

Bringing up the rear of these two sections was the Celebrate Canton Dance with a "C" average of 2.015. One reader wrote that it was a "waste."

The Plymouth Theatre Guild, which was in the "B" range received some rave reviews:

"It was great! I've taken a group each year." "The ticket people are most cooperative." "The plays are just great."

Another respondent was also positive with his remarks on other subjects by saying, "The Plymouth Fall Festival, Canton Library Feast, Ice Sculpture and Art-in-the-Park are all excellent and I really enjoyed them."

As for other comments, one reader made this suggestion about the July 4th Parade-Fireworks: "No fireworks!"

Here is the complete list of Events and Cultural ratings:

CEP Marching Band	3.571
Plymouth Fire and Drum Corps	3.470
Plymouth Community Band	3.424
CEP Symphony	3.333
P-C Chorus	3.333
Art-in-the-Park	3.296
Ice Sculpture Spectacular	3.258
Plymouth Symphony	3.228
CEP Park Players	3.227
Plymouth Historical Society	3.166
Canton Seniors' Kitchen Band	3.129
Plymouth Theatre Guild	3.125
Plymouth Comm. Arts Council	3.072
Thanksgiving Celebration	2.985
Plymouth Christmas Kickoff	2.982
Canton Historical Society	2.971
Canton Fall Festival	2.963
July 4th Parade-Fireworks	2.922
Canton Liberty Fest	2.825
Santa Comes to Canton	2.571
Canton Small Business of Year	2.557
Celebrate Canton Dinner Dance	2.015

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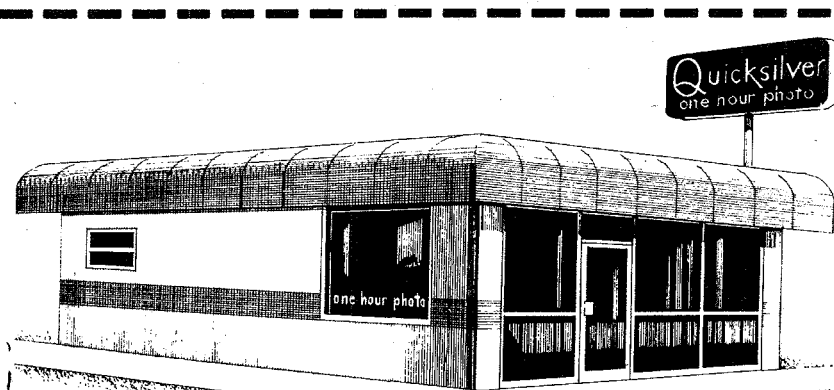
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## Warren-Sheldon construction taking longer than anticipated

BY ALEX LUNDBERG

Construction and traffic tie-ups are a hassle already, but the improvements to the intersection of Warren and Sheldon Roads will take slightly longer than expected to complete.

The first stage of the project, to widen and upgrade the pavement, was to be completed by May 17.

But according to Canton Township Assistant Engineer Susan Folsom, the project now may take as long as another month to complete, "weather permitting."

"It could be done sooner than that, it depends on how fast we can work," she said.

One factor that has slowed the work is a group of utilities that have to be

rerouted before the work can be continued.

"The light pole (with the traffic signals) has to be moved and it has cable and electric lines attached to it," she said. "We've got to wait for them to reroute those lines before we can continue."

There was also a problem, Folsom said, with an underground gas line.

"We knew it was there," Folsom said. "It turned out that it wasn't as deep in the ground as we had thought."

Folsom said that, when the project is finished, Sheldon Road will have a right turn lane, a through lane, and a left turn lane on both the north and south sides of Warren Road.

## Township board expected to decide fate of new community attorneys

BY AMY KIDWELL

The Plymouth Township Board of Trustees was expected to make a decision at last night's meeting regarding the hiring of its legal services.

Supervisor Kathleen Keen-McCarthy said the board is looking at hiring two different firms, one for general and prosecution cases and one for labor cases.

"Labor and employment issues are becoming more specialized. Having a firm strong in labor would give us better

representation," Keen-McCarthy said.

For its general legal purposes, the board looked at Dipietro & Day and Hemming, Polaczyk & Cronin. For its labor legal services, it looked at Butzel Long and Barlow & Lange.

Hemming, Polaczyk & Cronin is the firm that the township is currently using. According to Keen-McCarthy, the firm proposed a \$200,000 cap which she said would save money if the township were to get tied up in a court case.



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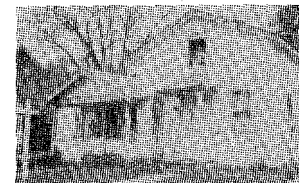
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## Main Street sidewalk gets ramp in front of NBD

Watch your step in downtown Plymouth: some sidewalk construction is under way in front of the NBD branch at Main and Penniman.

Although long-range plans call for a complete facelift of the downtown area as part of a so-called "streetscape" project, this work has nothing to do with it.

Instead, it is merely the creation of a sidewalk ramp to accommodate handicapped pedestrians.

And while the gathering of newsstands will be a little awkward getting to — and around — they shouldn't pose any particular inconvenience for Main Street strollers.



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Decision of the judges is final. 4. One winning entry will be awarded a \$250.00 Shopping Spree consisting of: One \$100.00 Gift Certificate good toward purchases at Steve Petix Clothier (Plymouth, MI); and One \$100.00 Gift Certificate good toward purchases at Man's Do-It Center (Canton, MI); and One \$50.00 Gift Certificate good toward purchases at Little Professor On The Park Book Center (Plymouth, MI.) The winning entry will appear in The Community Crier June 16. Runners-up will have their entries printed in The Community Crier.

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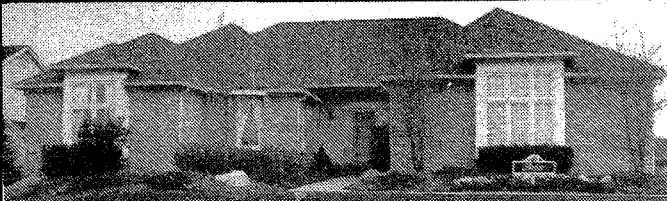


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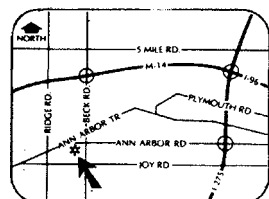
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
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# 1993 Real Estate How to sell your own home

By Kathy Weaver

So you want to sell your home on your own.

Statistics are stacked against you, but maybe, just maybe, you can become one of the less than five percent of home sellers who successfully complete a F.S.B.O. (for sale by owner) transaction.

If you're still convinced you can go it alone, be prepared to wear many different hats and do some hard work.

The first hat you will wear is a hard hat as you make your home sparkle from top to bottom.

Ann Kelly, Associate Broker for Century 21 Today in Livonia, believes first impressions are extremely important. She gives these suggestions for sprucing up your home.

- \*Inspect your attic and basement for water damage and clutter.
- \*Check walls and ceilings for overall condition. Patch and paint if necessary.
- \*Check windows and doors for proper working condition. Repair damaged hinges, glazing, weather stripping, and glass.
- \*Repair damaged tile, grouting, caulking, faucets and toilets in the bathroom.
- \*Make kitchen as clean as possible by cleaning appliances and exhaust fan. Keep cupboards clutter free.
- \*Clean out closets to give a larger appearance.
- \*Check overall condition of electrical system. Make repairs if necessary.
- \*Inspect plumbing for leaks and slow-running or clogged drains. Repair if necessary.

\*Clean furnace and air-conditioning filters.

\*Check roof for damaged shingles and gutters. Clean gutters.

\*Inspect exterior walls and foundation for damage, decay and warping. Repair, patch and paint if necessary.

\*Check garage for clutter and damage. Keep driveway clear and in good repair.

\*Keep yard manicured and weeded. Sweep sidewalks, porches, and patios. Plant flowers in the spring.

"Just make your home as presentable as possible. Keep it clean and clutter free," Kelly added.

Now that your home is in tip top shape, it may seem that the work is done, but for an F.S.B.O. it's just starting.

The next hat you will wear is one of a marketing agent.

"Your next task will be setting a price," Kelly said.

Do your homework. Look at comparable home sales in your area and set your price accordingly.

Kelly gives the following suggestions to the success of your marketing endeavor.

- \*Show your home by appointment, but try to be flexible.
- \*Advertise in local newspapers.
- \*Display an attractive sign on the lawn with telephone and by appointment specifications.
- \*Hold an open house. Have guests sign in with telephone numbers. For your own safety, don't hold the open house alone.
- \*Prepare a fact sheet that includes year built, style home, 'square footage, room dimensions, amenities, lot size, schools, price and taxes. A recent photograph is also helpful.
- \*Keep relevant paperwork handy such as utility bills, recent repair or renovation receipts, and all warranty certificates.

\*Be prepared to answer all kinds of questions.

\*Above all, be honest about the condition of your home.

\*Be prepared to negotiate.

Then prepare yourself for the next hat, that of negotiator.

Some F.S.B.O.'s negotiate on their own, however Jim Lewandowski, an attorney with Lowe and Lewandowski, P.C. in Plymouth, said the majority hire an attorney at this point.

"Don't sign anything without an attorney," Lewandowski cautioned.

An attorney will act as negotiator and prepare all necessary paperwork for the sale of your home.

"The most important aspect of your home's sale is the purchase agreement," Lewandowski said. "It controls the events of the sale."

The purchase agreement includes the agreed upon sales price, amount of time

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for mortgage approval, contingencies, occupancy, amount of deposit and terms of deposit forfeiture, and lists the status of amenities and fixtures.

Debra Clancy, an attorney with Draugelis and Ashton in Plymouth, said "the purchase agreement sets forth all rights and responsibilities of both parties involved through the closing."

Both attorneys stressed the importance of a home inspection which is done at the buyers expense.

"Give the purchasers the opportunity to have a home inspection and be clear in the purchase agreement about the ramifications of the inspection," Clancy said.

"Set a dollar amount on repairs and whose responsibility the repairs are if necessary."

With an approved purchase agreement and mortgage, your ready to go to closing and the process begins again as you search for your new home.

## Preparing to sell

BY MIKE McGLINNEN

"First impressions are often the most important."

This statement usually true in all facets of life, and is particularly crucial when attempting to sell a home, according to realtor Stephanie Miller of Robert Bake Realtors of Plymouth.

"If your house makes a first impression that is bad, then you often won't attract that much interest," Miller said.

She stressed the importance of cosmetically improving a home before putting it on the market.

"We recommend washing the windows and light fixtures and perhaps moving some furniture to make a home appear less cluttered," said Miller.

It is also critical to give a good first impression from the outside of the home.

"You need to make a good presentation from the street," Miller said.

"You should just try to make everything as clean as possible," she added. "If the everything is clean, then people will sometimes overlook the fact that a house might be a little smaller than they would like."

Another advantage to improving a home before placing it on the market is the tax benefit, according to real estate broker Bill Grady of ERA Real Estate in Canton.

"The government allows tax deductions for capital gains improvements. So if the carpets need to be redone or the house needs painting inside or out, it is worthwhile to have it done," Grady said.

"It is a known factor that if there are two houses that are both pretty much the same and one is cleaner than the other, the clean one will sell faster," said Grady.

Grady also emphasized making sure all major components of a house are in good operational condition. Furnaces, air conditioning units, dishwashers and laundry equipment should all be functional.

"With major stuff like that, you have to have it right. You don't want to tell a prospective buyer that the furnace just went out two days ago," Grady stated.

Taxes, taxes, taxes. Who wants to think about taxes in the face of two tax proposal decisions?

Despite that, taxes are an important subject in the face of selling a home.

The government wants to know if you have made a profit on the sale of your home in order to collect any taxes dues.

The tax consequences of the sale of your home are determined by the adjusted selling price less the adjusted basis.

Bill Larsen, a certified public accountant with Dearnley, Larsen and Schrage in Troy, explained "the adjusted basis is calculated, in general, by the cost of the home plus any improvements."

The adjusted selling price is the sales price of your home less the commission and costs of selling your home.

In most scenarios, you will realize a profit in which case the gain is subject to tax in the year of the sale.

To avoid a tax bill there is an easy solution.

"To avoid taxes, replace your old home with the purchase of a new home costing at least one dollar more than what you just sold," Larsen said.

Such a purchase, when done within a two-year period will defer your tax bill indefinitely.

To defer a tax bill on any gain of the sale of your home invest all of the gain into a new home.

"If you continue to buy and sell in an upward motion, you will continue to defer your tax bill," Larsen said.

You will eventually reach a point in your life when you will want to downsize.

"A one-time deal is offered to persons aged 55 years or older to permanently defer a tax bill on a gain of up to \$125,000," Larsen said.

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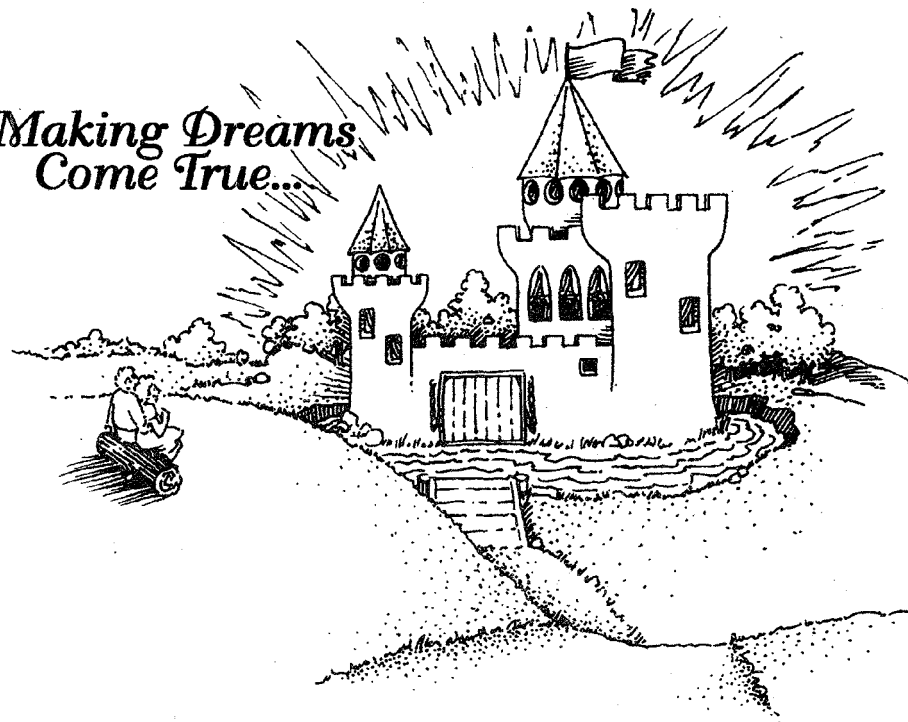
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# Lady Chiefs win regional, Salem second, head to states

BY ANNE SULLIVAN

Salem and Canton girls track teams dominated the region 5 meet Friday at Novi, finishing first and second.

Salem captured its first regional championship, scoring 111.5 points. Canton was second with 99.5 points.

"It was really exciting to win," said Salem coach Mark Gregor, regarding his team's first regional championship. "Now we want to carry the momentum into the conference championship meet (today) at home."

School records and personal best times highlighted the meet for both teams. Salem and Canton each qualified in 11 events for the state meet scheduled for June 5, in Grand Rapids.

Those who finished first or second

place, or met state cutoff times for an event, qualify for the state meet.

Salem set two new school records and took first place in seven events.

Stacy Witthoff, Kelly Stankov, Lynda Sebestyen and Courtney Sheldon broke their own school record in the 3200-meter relay, finishing in record time, 9:42.7, good for first place.

Sarah Hamilton, Witthoff, Sheldon and Tonya Wheeler set a new school record in the 1600-meter relay, finishing in 4:04.1, taking first.

Hamilton, Dana Driscoll, Marcia Parker and Wheeler were first in the 800-meter relay, finishing in 1:45.7.

Wheeler, the defending state champion in the 400-meter dash, will defend her title at the state meet. She

finished first in this event, 57.8.

Hamilton also qualified for the state meet in the 400-meter dash finishing in 58.9, good for second. Hamilton took first in the 200-meter dash, finishing in 25.9.

Sarah Makins took first place in the 100 hurdles, in 15.5. She also qualified for the state meet in the long jump, leaping 16-4-3/4, good for second place.

Witthoff was first in the 800 dash, 2:24.0.

Vanessa Benning qualified in the 100 dash, taking second place in 12.6.

Melissa Hopson will represent Salem at the state meet in the high jump. She cleared the bar at 5-0 taking third place.

Hopson, Driscoll, Parker and Benning qualified for the state meet in the 400

relay, 51.1.

"If we stay healthy we could improve on last year," said Gregor. "If things fall into line, we could score a lot of points."

It was a glorious day for the Chiefs Friday at the regional meet as the Chiefs set five new school records, took two first place finishes and will be well represented at the state meet.

Ndu Okwumadua set a new school record in the 100-meter dash, finishing in 12.2, taking first place. The record was set at Canton High by Veronica Gray in 1976. To break the record, Okwumadua cut her previous best time by .5 seconds. She will also be competing in the high jump, where she took second, clearing the bar at 5-3.

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## Sports

# Canton, Salem split

*Errors cost Chiefs first game, solid defense and Rovinelli's pitching earn Canton win in the second game*

BY ANNE SULLIVAN

Canton's baseball team performed at both ends of the spectrum Monday in a doubleheader against Salem. Only a couple similarities could be found between the two games as Canton and Salem split.

Errors hurt Canton in the first game and Salem was able to capitalize on it and win 10-7.

Solid defense behind the pitcher in the second game led to a 5-1 Canton victory.

In the first game, Canton scored early in the game. All Chief runs were in the first three innings, two in the first, one in the second, and four in the third.

Salem battled back several times and was able to take advantage of Canton's errors.

The Rocks were on the board in the second inning on a Canton error.

Three runs were scored in the third, two on errors. And the Rocks crossed the plate once in the fourth inning and five

times in the fifth.

Mike Stafford had his first loss on the mound. He is now 5-1.

Salem's Mike Marsella was the winning pitcher. He is now 6-3.

The gremlins were out of the second game for Canton. Dean Rovenelli came to the mound and pitched a great game, according to both coaches. He is now 3-2.

"The key was Dean Rovenelli pitched the way he is capable of pitching," said Canton coach Mark LaPointe. "He threw strikes, he got ahead of the hitters and got them off balance. And we had good defense behind him."

Craig Benedict was in as a pinch hitter in the seventh inning when his ball cleared the left center field fence. And Adam Gilles' single drove in Ryan Ostach in the seventh clinched it for the Chiefs.

"The real story is Dean Rovenelli,"

said Salem coach John Gravlin. "He beat us. You gotta tip your cap to a kid who can pitch that way."

Canton scored two runs in the first inning.

Salem's only run was a solo home run by Jamie Owens as the leadoff batter.

The Rocks got close a couple times, including loading the bases in the fourth, but Rovinelli got his team out of the inning.

Defense came alive behind Rovinelli and Canton didn't make mistakes in the field.

The Chiefs scored one run in the fifth inning and two in the seventh, including the solo home run by Craig Benedict.

Salem is now 16-13 overall. Canton is 19-11.

Last week Canton won the Western division championship and will play today against John Glenn for the conference championship.



Salem's Charlie Winstel almost picked off Canton's Dean Rovinelli at first base in Monday's doubleheader. (Crier photo by Eriq Lukasik)

# Salem kickers move along

BY ANNE SULLIVAN

Salem took the first round of district play in a 1-0 win over Ann Arbor Pioneer Monday night.

The only goal of the game was kicked in by Caryn Tatterton on an assist from Marie Hoff halfway through the second half.

Salem plays Arbor Huron tonight in the second round. If they win tonight, they will compete for the district championship Friday, possibly against Canton.

Salem kicked it out to a 2-1 win on the soccer field last Wednesday for a third

place finish in the Western Lakes Activities Association.

Marie Hoff tied the game at 20 minutes, on an assist from Sue Parrish, and the teams were tied 1-1 at halftime.

Coming into the second half, coach Ken Johnson made some changes. He moved Mackenzie Emmet from her defense position to offense and Hoff went to midfield. His goal was to confuse the opponents and utilize the versatility of his players. "She had a rocket shot," said Salem Coach Ken Johnson. "She kicked the shot from outside the penalty box and got it in the net."



# Chief kickers win first at districts

BY ANNE SULLIVAN

Canton may be traveling up the same road it went last year to the state championship game as they defeated Adrian 6-0 in the first round of district playoffs.

Jori Welchans and Sarah Warnke shared the goal.

Amy Westerhold kicked in the first goal 39 seconds into the game on an assist from Colleen Connell. Dawn Koontz scored at 21 minutes with an assist from Angie Page. Then Page scored on an assist from Robyn Vachow with two minutes left in the half, and Canton led 3-0 at halftime.

Leah Hutko scored one minute into the second half on an assist from Melissa Tomei. Page scored with 23 minutes left in the game, assisted by Koontz. And Koontz knocked in the last goal on an assist from Tomei.

Canton is now 15-1-1. The Chiefs play Pinckney Wednesday. If they win Wednesday, Canton will battle for the district championship in Ann Arbor, possibly against Salem.

Canton won its second consecutive Western Lakes Activities Association championship last Wednesday when the Chiefs defeated Livonia Stevenson 4-1 at PCEP stadium.

The Chiefs were on fire right from the start as Colleen Connell kicked in the first goal on an assist from Leah Hutko at 1:30 into the game. Canton led 1-0 at halftime.

Hutko scored twice in the second half. Her first goal went in with 24 minutes left in the game on an assist from Amy Westerhold. Julie Majewski scored two

minutes later on an assist from Dawn Koontz.

Stevenson was on the board five minutes later.

With four minutes left, Hutko scored

the final goal of the game on an assist from Koontz.

Canton made 13 shots on goal, Stevenson had 12. Jori Welchans was in the goal for Canton.



Canton's Colleen Connel moves the ball in the conference championship. Canton won 4-1. (Crier photo by Eriq Lukasik)

# Canton, Salem track shine in region

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Lana Boroditsch took first in the 1600-meter run, finishing with a new school record, 5:15.9.

Becky Bockstanz, Olive Ikeh, Karina Kilpelainin and Okwumadua will head to the state meet to compete in the 400 relay. The foursome finished in 50.6, good for second place and a new school record.

Bockstanz, Ikeh, Shawn Champlin and Okwumadua took second in the 800 relay, setting a new school record with a time of 1:46.6.

Celena Bastine qualified in two field events. She finished second in the discus, with a 111-0 throw, and in the shot put,

throwing it 34-4.

Ikeh will compete at the state meet in the 200-meter run. She finished second in 26.7.

Christy Saffron was second in the 800-meter run, finishing in 2:28.2.

Kilpelainin qualified in the 100 hurdles, finishing in 16.0, taking third.

Lana Boroditsch set a new school record in the 3200-meter run, finishing fourth in 11:40.5.

"Lana, Ndu and Olive were outstanding," said Canton coach George Przygodski.

Canton finished its dual meet season with a 6-1 overall record and finished undefeated as Western division champs with 5-0 division record. It is the ninth consecutive year Canton has won the

division championship.

The Rocks finished their dual meets season undefeated, boating a 7-0 dual meet record and Lakes Division champions.

Both Canton and Salem will compete today for the conference championship at Plymouth Canton Educational Park. And head to the state meet on June 5.

## Johnson to run at states

BY ANNE SULLIVAN

Don Johnson is the only Salem runner making the trek this year to the state meet next Saturday in Grand Rapids.

Johnson qualified in the 110 high hurdles at Friday's regional meet. Johnson finished in 14.5, was his season performance in the hurdle event and was good for second place.

The Rocks scored 13 points at the regional.

Salem finished its dual meet season coming from behind to pull off a 69-68 win over John Glenn. The Rocks are tri-division champs with John Glenn and Farmington.

June 1, Salem will compete in the conference meet at Churchill.

## Canton boys track performs

BY ANNE SULLIVAN

Canton's Jeff Keith qualified for the state meet in the 1600-meter run at the regional competition Friday. He and three other teammates will head to the state meet June 5, in Grand Rapids.

The Chiefs scored 22 points and set two new school records at the regional meet.

Keith's state qualifying time was 4:28.7 in the 1600, good for third place.

Justin McClain, Matt Demey, Keith and Kevin Gudeth set a new school record in the 3200 relay, finishing third in 8:04.2, the state cutoff time.

Tom Ravin set a new school record in the shot put with a 48-1 throw, good for fifth place.

Martin, Mike Gurchak, Neil Haremski and Rob Lemasters gave season best performances in the 800 meter relay, finishing in 1:34.4.

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Congratulations to Matt & Cindy - it was a beautiful wedding & a good time was had by all.

Question of the week! Why were Jack's back, feet & legs so sore Monday morning?

MOM ON MELTON: Hope you don't get tired of seeing us so much.



HA! HA! Thought you'd skip town for your birthday and miss out, didn't you? HAPPY BIRTHDAY Carol Moore from all the folks at Schraders.

Alex: How hot is the water in Meijer's rest room?

Thanks to all the folks who helped make Porterhouses 2nd annual SCAMP BAR-B-QUE a great success. Including all the volunteers, vendors, and the people who dropped it and donated. Remember if you missed it, donations can still be dropped off at the Porterhouse.

Margaret dresses to impress!

## Curiosities

"We're drinking wine... we're going to party" SURE!

Ed - miss you! (Had my fingers crossed)

Happy Birthday Mom! Love, Elaine

Congratulations to The Side Street Pub - 3rd place bar in the WDIV-4's Cheers contest.

Lisa & Jack took it easy on Steve & Joy - They let them win a couple games so they wouldn't quit playing.

When is Carol's BIG BIG PARTY?



Cliff (Diet Coke Steve), Norm (Steve Mc.), Rebecca (JoAnne) and What's His Name (R.B.) watch themselves on TV at Cheers (Side Street Pub)

Answer to question of the week! Lynn, dancing, or golf? All of the above.

SAY SOMETHING NICE ABOUT ME!

Craig is a wizard!

How many people remember what Memorial Day used to be called.

## Curiosities

JODELLE - bakes a wonderful pecan pie, signed Fred.

Fred wonders if there is anyone else who would care to make a judgment of their pecan pie. He also likes apple.

Jan F. - Andrea and Geneva are wondering if the vitamins you gave us are for energy. We really tear around after we take the dose you recommended. Really we do thank you. And we do know you have our well-being at heart. But really, Jan, does it have to taste like that?

Chelsea was all dressed up and went to a beautiful wedding. Privately, her "pseudo" Grandma thought she looked better than anybody.

Her Grandma's looked pretty good too.

Donna & Mike - thank you. You saved my life and Phyllis' too. Your coffee was the best ever.

Holiday!! Celebrate!!!

High thighs, boomers, a good swing & red nets, and you'll be playing like Arnie Palmer.

## Curiosities

JESS will be on the streets in July. Oh my!

Seniors - 8 more days of school left!

Alex was actually thinking - for a whole minute!!!

Mike Dunn II - I swear I'll wash your car.

Is it rabbit that tastes like chicken or chicken that tastes like rabbit?

Elaine drinks diet beverages.

Break out the Tequila!!!

Geneva is a great dinner partner!

"HUMMERS" burst into song, Happy Birthday, Terry L. and Dorothy S.

The "Hummers" met for the first time this spring to celebrate the birthdays of two of its members, they ate, they talked, they sang, they talked, they drank a toast, a magic potion, to the two birthday girls. And talked even more. A very good time was had by all!

What's the next holiday to follow Memorial Day?

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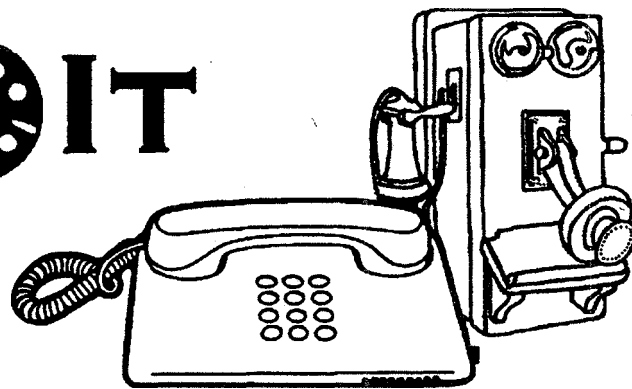
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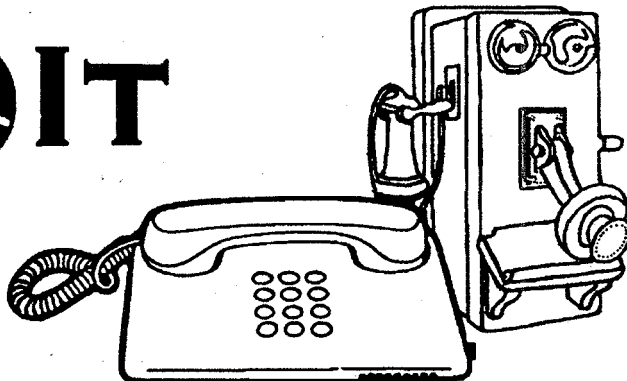
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# Community opinions

## Myers' candidacy:

*Machiavellian plan diverts voter attention from real issues, viable candidates in race*

OK, let us cut to the chase here: The Rev. Bill Myers is no longer a viable candidate for the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education, and his proposal for filling his seat should he still be elected is at best farcical, and at worst fraudulent.

The fact is that the minister is leaving the area and cannot serve if elected, and that any further connection between his candidacy and the future of the district is quite nearly irrelevant.

Of course, were he to be staying in the district, then his candidacy would be given all the legitimacy of the other four. As it stands, however, a careful distinction must be made between the political intentions of his *candidacy* and any good ideas and sound observations he may have about the district as a member of the community.

That out of the way, then, let us go one step further — in order to diffuse any lingering ideas about the Machiavellian proposal he has in mind. What Rev. Myers plans to do is this:

- Continue his candidacy for school board.
- If elected, be sworn in.
- After being sworn in, resign.
- After resigning, recommend that a hand-picked individual be appointed to fill his vacancy — and expect the other board members to comply.
- Move to Muskegon around July 1.

Of course, of all these steps, two stand out as problematical, to say the least: Will Rev. Myers even win? And why would the school board even consider appointing his anointed heir?

As far as the Board of Education is concerned, the best solution — if Rev. Myers were to be elected — would be to simply de-politicize the decision for a replacement, and appoint the individual who came in second. In this way the people — and not a single individual or group of six individuals — will continue to have spoken.

But these factors still fail to come to grips with the central point here: That Bill Myers' candidacy — and his "wacky" plan (his own word) — should never have become an issue in this campaign; that the real issues facing this district are finances, educational delivery systems, millages, teacher contracts, proposed cutbacks and the very future of the system.

Those issues, and the views on those issues by the four men remaining to run and *able to serve* — David Artley, Stephen Kilijanczyk, Robert Burger and Terry Chuhran — are what's important on June 14.

And concerning Rev. Myers' political machinations? It is, ultimately, quite a shame that his final act as a member of the community he cares about will be remembered as something so profoundly ridiculous, manipulative and deceiving.

And why so harsh a commentary? Simply because there will be those in the community who, knowing of Rev. Myers' good relations with the school district, will cast their ballots in blissful ignorance of his real intentions. They will, in essence be voting for a person who has said he won't exist after the election.

And in that way, he should not exist from here on out as a candidate for the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education.

THE COMMUNITY CRIER

## Salem board displayed too much arrogance concerning road issue

EDITOR:

The Salem Township board meeting of May 4 was a public display of elected officials' arrogance toward the taxpayers that were present.

A taxpayer in the township requested time on the agenda to state publicly alle-

gations that he had against a trustee and how it affected Vorhies Road.

His request for time on the agenda had been granted.

This taxpayer was laughed at, belittled and treated in a very disrespectful manner.

## People are a priority in Township? It should be businesses, abatements

EDITOR:

That saying in Plymouth Township — "People, our priority" — is a joke; what should be said is "business and abatements, our priority."

The reason was proven at a recent board meeting. The meeting started with public comments about the closing of Fire Station No. 3 and not hiring three men and laying off the last three they just (hired) to save money.

The board said how bad (of shape) the Township is in financially. Then the regular meeting starts and the first thing on the agenda a business comes in and gets an eight-year tax abatement on a lease and even some board members wanted to give a 12-year abatement.

Then two senior citizen groups comes in asking for a donation to help the community seniors on fixed incomes — approximately \$7,500 between the two groups — for meals on wheels and for a senior newsletter.

The board's answer was we do not have the money. Then some of the board members wanted to know if these home-

bound seniors could donate a little more so the Township would not have to donate so much. How nice. These people have paid their dues to this community; how insensitive is this board.

I urge all people of this Township to attend the next board meeting and voice your concerns about closing fire stations, laying off firemen and policemen, then turning around and giving tax abatements or will it take a house fire, with deaths of a family, to motivate this board into making "People, our priority?"

Finally, a comment was made by a female member of the board saying the reason for the lack of money for the two senior citizen groups was due to the two firefighters unions not agreeing to consolidation.

(That comment) was totally uncalled for because she was not in any part of the negotiations.

And if you ask how much of a tax break the Township residents will get if we consolidate, you will find out there will be none.

PARNELL JOHNSON

## Township residents need to support millage to prevent service cutbacks

EDITOR:

According to the May issue of the Plymouth Township newsletter, the Board of Trustees are faced with a critical financial condition and essential services are in jeopardy.

If you read the newsletter, I believe you will agree it is abundantly clear the Township trustees have no acceptable choice except to request a substantial millage increase.

If you did not read the letter, I urge you to do so. If you did not retain the letter, you can more than likely get the information from the Township supervisor, (and) any one of the board members would welcome questions and suggestions.

The current administration did not create this situation, but to say the previous administration did not take timely or proper corrective action will not solve the problem.

It is now the responsibility of the current administration and, in my opinion,

the only solution is to request voter approval for additional millage.

Plymouth Township taxes compared to neighboring communities are extremely low. Only 7 cents of each tax dollar we pay goes to support our Township government.

The remainder goes to schools, library and other government agencies.

We must not continue to permit a potentially dangerous condition to exist due to inadequate staffing of fire, EMT and police departments.

Lack of adequate services also will have a serious impact on growth and property values, as no one wants to build or buy property in a community that has a poor level of response for fire, EMT, police or other services.

I hope other Township residents that have opinions and suggestions will contact the supervisor or one of the board members.

EUGENE SUND

The rest of the board show no remorse for their actions.

I'm worried about the future treatment of all citizens who may wish to address the board.

JOHN GOWANS



# Community opinions

## Gotta love the free flea market in the city

One week each year, city of Plymouth residents are freed from the politically-correct restraints of the bag-tag recycling program, and allowed to throw out almost anything.

They generally respond to this annual event with all the apparent joyous abandon of certain prehistoric Pagan societies celebrating a one-day relaxation of the normal rules of behavior.

In Canton Township, residents may bring most items to the Township's recycling center on Fridays and Saturdays throughout the month of May.

Plymouth Township provides year-round pickup of large items.

This was the week in Plymouth.

A drive-by survey of the neighborhoods showed that Plymouth residents were gleefully throwing out anything and everything.

Curbs were piled chest-deep, and driveway to driveway, with a wonderful array of old lumber, furniture, kitchen sinks and you-name-its. The most prevalent category of curbside castoffs this year? Chairs. Recliners, kitchen chairs, dinette chairs, and tons of old lawn chairs.

(Note to the guy who picked up MY old lawn chairs: they are death-traps, don't even think about using them.)

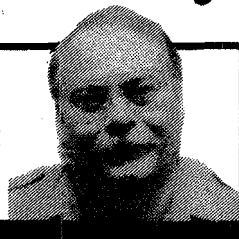
Right behind chairs was a surprising number of old toilets. Maybe, since we jettisoned all these items we normally sit upon, this can be taken as a sign that we're all getting off our duffs and exercising more.

Probably we're just buying more new chairs.

The spring ritual that goes hand-in-hand with free trash day is the sight of dozens of otherwise sane people prowling down the streets at two and a half miles an hour, searching the piles for treasures.

## Curio shoppe

By Mike Carne



This presents some problems with terminology. When I was a lad salvaging radio speakers from trash bins in the alleys of Highland Park we called it "alley picking."

The city's official missive refers to this phenomenon as "scavenging," and reminds us that it is technically against the law. These are both ugly terms, unsuitable for use in the polite Plymouth-Canton of the nineties.

Fortunately, a sharp reader from Old Village has come to our rescue, coining the term "curb shopping."

Good term, because free trash day is just like the world's largest garage sale (the items offered are not discernibly different from those offered at most garage sales) with one wonderful difference: EVERYTHING IS FREE.

One odd thing we noticed: not only were folks taking stuff from our pile, but a few also left something behind. Maybe they felt our trash was so great that they should leave something to "pay for it."

Maybe the guy's wife made him leave the wheelbarrow that only had one handle. Who knows?

When you suspend the rules, anything can happen.

Now that this pastime has a more acceptable name, I might even engage in a little curb shopping myself. Actually, that's just what I did this year.

My thanks to the folks on Holbrook: your old spool table will look great on my deck!

## Board is right to retain policy-making authority

EDITOR:

I just finished my third reading of the media coverage of shared services, including the union president of the iremen, who predicts a second Waco apening as a result of Kathleen Keen-ficCarthy's rejection of the union's plans or fully staffing the township station at ertorial and Beck.

Township residents should recall that he township board actually is

conforming to a policy that all previous Plymouth Township boards have followed in the past — namely, keeping policy in the hands of our elected officials and not being swayed by those "would bes" who stand to gain at taxpayers' expense.

For years, the adjoining governments have enjoyed mutual aid. Although not in writing, they all respond to emergencies when needed.

I confirmed this today.

Isn't it suspicious that this simple fact is never mentioned in various meetings as being the logical answer, although this knowledge is in the minds of all and is a major factor, in my opinion?

I continue to put my full faith behind each board member, based on my knowledge. This is why we made the big move in the township.

FRANK MILLINGTON

## Riegle does not support public acquisition of Mettetal

EDITOR:

I'm concerned that an article in the April 14 Community Crier might have left some of your readers with the misimpression that (U.S. Sen. Donald) Riegle supports the public acquisition and possible expansion of the Mettetal airport.

He does not.

Earlier this month, Sen. Riegle did announce that the Federal Aviation Administration had designated money for the state of Michigan, and included a list of airports that had applied for the funds which included Mettetal Airport.

With regards to the Mettetal Airport proposal, the senator is working to ensure

that the concerns of the local residents receive the highest consideration before any plans for the acquisition and expansion at the airport are considered.

He is currently drafting letters to both the Michigan Department of

Transportation and the Federal Aviation Administration to ask that these concerns be heard.

MIKE CASEY,  
COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR  
U.S. SEN. DONALD RIEGLE

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EDITOR:

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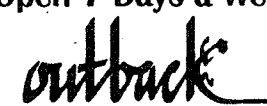
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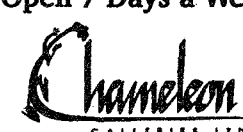
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