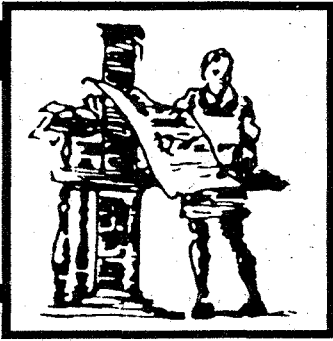


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A touch of Spring



Although today may be the beginning of yet another winter storm blast, the weekend was just pleasant enough to tease Michiganians everywhere — including these bikers and their goosedown brethren enjoying Saturday in Hines Park. (Crier photo by George Gentry)

Twp. goofs on zoning hearing; must do over

BY GARY GOSSELIN

Plymouth Township trustees were spared an unenviable decision last week after they discovered that the Planning Commission had failing to notify a property owner of an impending hearing.

The matter in question involves rezoning a 9-acre parcel of land on Ridge Road south of North Territorial. The property is situated due north of the Fox Pointe subdivision.

The potential developer, Thomas Casari, had asked the planning commission on Jan. 19 to rezone the parcel from R-1-E (one acre lots) to R-1-H (1/2 acre lots). The planning commission approved the change and sent the paperwork to the board for final approval.

The problem was that the neighbor on the northern adjoining property was never notified, making the entire rezoning request faulty. A fact that came up during the board meeting.

There was no indication by the planning commission when they presented information to the board that there was any problem with the proposal until Supervisor Kathleen Keen-McCarthy asked the audience for a show of hands regarding the proposal.

At least a dozen people — all but two of the audience, myself included — raised their hands. The crowd was mostly from the Fox Pointe subdivision which is

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'No politicking' letter issued in City

BY GARY GOSSELIN

Plymouth City Manager Steve Walters has fired-off a memo to city employees warning them of the vagaries of joining in the political process.

The three-page memo dated Feb. 14 points out that it is unprofessional for city employees — and especially department heads — to publicly support local candidates.

The reason, the memo states, is that citizens need to be assured that city employees are not tied to a candidate and will treat both supporters and opponents

of all candidates the same way.

The memo goes on to list 'guidelines' which employees should follow.

The guidelines, in effect, say that employees should have nothing at all to do with local, county, state and national elections — "if such participation would have potential of affecting the viability of their job performance."

Another helpful hint tells employees that if they're approached by any candidate at any level, they should report the incident to the city manager, who will file a report with the city commission pur-

suant to the ethics code.

A portion of the document explains the difference between between civil rights and viability as an employee.

He tells city employees that they do have a right to participate in the political process *but*, do not have a right to hold a specific job.

He explains that viability might be affected by placing the employee under undo pressure, and raise questions about the correctness of any decision.

Another instance is that an employee
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\$106,000

P-C school board sets salary minimum for new superintendent

BY CRAIG FARRAND

It's hardly a contract offer, but the Plymouth-Canton school board has established a preliminary minimum base salary figure of \$106,000 for Supt. John Hoben's successor.

The figure was arrived at Monday night during a workshop called to discuss the status of the superintendent search

process.

By comparison, Hoben receives \$116,000 in base salary plus benefits.

Initial advertising of the vacancy in a national trade magazine gave no salary figures, and district officials don't expect any changes to be made to the final ad insertion this week.

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Twp. must redo hearing process on zoning

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directly south of the property.

Most of the people present have yards adjoining the property, and explained to the board that a new development would have negative implications on their property.

They mentioned the fact that there are wetlands located on the nine acres and didn't see how the property could be subdivided and keep the wetlands intact.

During the emotional discussion with board members, Jim McAmund, the resident that lives on two acres north of the site told the board that he was never notified of the planning commission hearing.

News from McAmund caused a flurry of activity by Community Development Director Shirley Barney, sending her out of the meeting to look for records.

Citizens from the disputed area were still speaking to the board when Barney announced that the notice was never sent.

McCarthy then announced that the Planning commission hearing was flawed, and discussion would have to be tabled.

In comments after the meeting, McCarthy said that the turn of events at the meeting was unusual.

She said that when proposals come from the planning commission, everything's pretty well figured out, and that problems are resolved. Not this time she said.

"Somehow it didn't happen this time. We'll have to find out where the breakdown is and correct it.

"Everything is voided," McCarthy said. "The whole process has to be done over again."

In the meantime however, the residents adjoining the property are going to research the situation further, and said that they want answers.

"My developer told us that that that land could never be developed," said Fox Pointe resident Beverly St. Thomas. "Several of the residents in this area were told the same thing."

St. Thomas added that she knows verbal promises don't hold much weight, but said that there are wetlands on the property, and she and other residents are going to make sure they are preserved.

"I realize we can't stop someone from developing their own land," St Thomas said. "But we can sure try to stop them from destroying the wetlands."

As McCarthy pointed out to residents at the board meeting, other property owners have gotten zoning changes, and if Casari is denied for no just cause, the township would be wide open to a lawsuit.

She said that as long as the property is

developed under township ordinances, and the wetlands are preserved as outlined by the DNR, no one has the right or power to stop them.

Trustee Ron Griffith put the entire argument in perspective when he talked to The Crier.

"If I had stopped further development of the township when I first moved here, everything west of Lilley would be woods."

Gas station robbed

Plymouth Old Village was the backdrop for an armed robbery late Sunday night at the Total gas station on Mill and Wilcox.

According to police, a black male walked into the station at 1:20 a.m. Sunday morning, produced a small caliber handgun and robbed the employee.

Police said that the suspect fled on foot with \$120, and a search of the area produced no leads. Police are still investigating.

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Superintendent salary base is set

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Instead, the dollar figure will be used in the pre-screening process by members of the search firm, Bickert, Prophet and Assoc.

According to the district's own timetable, the next major step in the

search process is the appointment of the Citizen's Search Committee.

Members of that committee will participate in the actual interview of a final slate of about eight candidates.

Those appointments will be made March 21.

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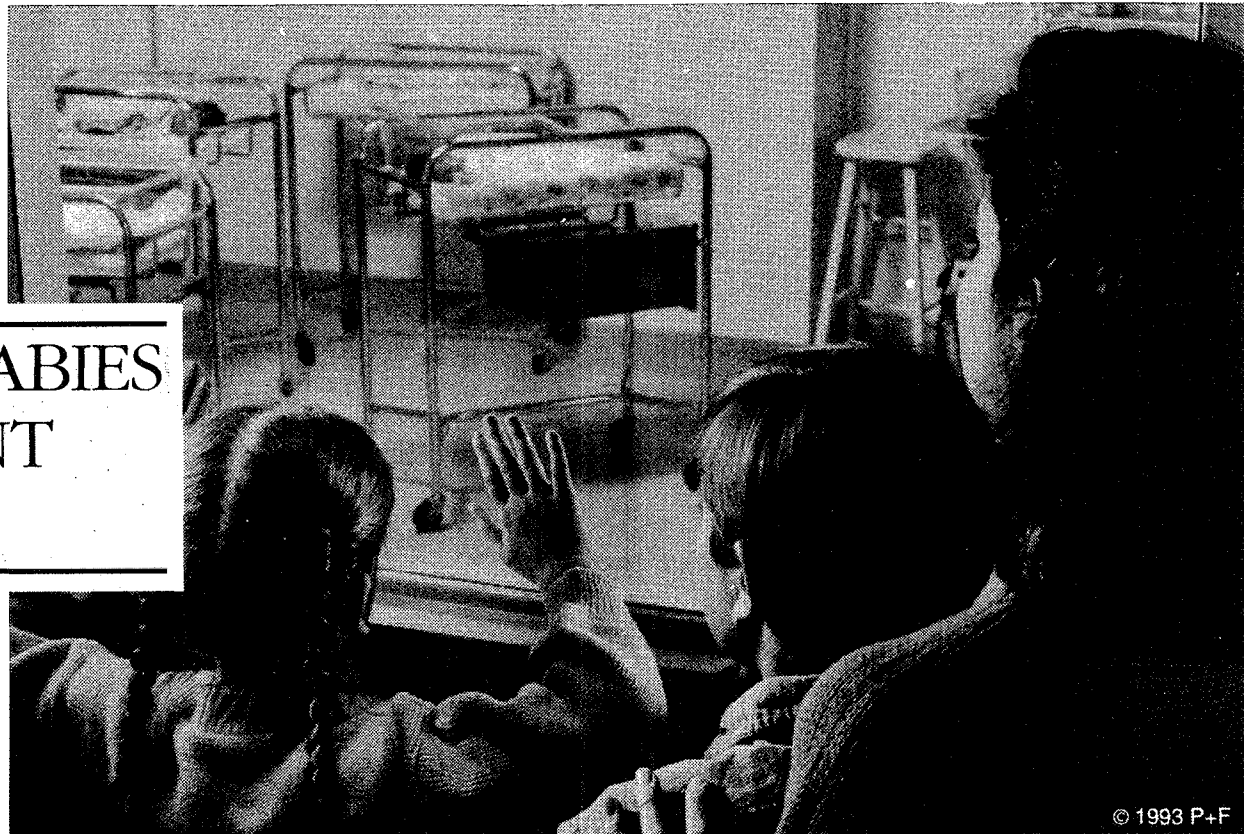
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Amann seeks facts on airport contract; says no conflict

BY CRAIG FARRAND

Wayne County Commissioner Bryan Amann (D-11th District) sees no conflict of interest in his search for additional information concerning Metro Airport concessionaire, Paradies-Metro Venture, and having taken county campaign contributions from Paradies representatives.

Amann says he was part of the five-member county team that held an extensive 1990 bid search for a sole concessionaire for the airport — a 10-year, \$22 million contract.

But, he adds, the awarding of the contract to Paradies took place more than a year before he ran for the County Commission.

• For a closer look at the first two announced candidates for U.S. Rep. Bill Ford's seat — Bryan Amann and John Schall — see pg. 5

Amann confirmed that he later learned of a "\$200 contribution from someone, who I was told later, was with Paradies."

"Had no one ever brought it to my attention, I would have never known," he said, adding that "there is no connection whatsoever with the contribution and the awarding of the contract; the contract was awarded long before I even considered running."

The current county search for informa-

tion about Paradies stems from the recent conviction of Dan Paradies on Atlanta-based federal corruption charges.

Paradies was convicted of being involved in the bribing of Atlanta's aviation commissioner.

Amann has asked the county's legal counsel to investigate whether there is any connection between the Atlanta case and Metro Airport operations.

According to most sources, there is no

direct ownership connection — the Metro Airport contract was awarded to a separate partnership between Paradies and Detroit accountant Lawrence Doss.

But Amann wants to know whether Dan Paradies is involved in any day-to-day operations.

If he is, Amann says, then there may be grounds to terminate the contract.

As a result, Amann has asked for a formal written opinion from attorneys for Wayne County that can be discussed at next week's regular commission meeting.

What Amann says he is seeking is any provision in the county contract that allows for dissolution should a vendor be found guilty of a felony.

A meeting of minds?



Dave Williamson (center) listens in as U.S. Sen. Carl Levin takes part in a spirited debate over health care with other members of last week's audience at the Plymouth Rotary Club luncheon. (Crier photo by George Gentry)

City readies new parking plan for downtown

Adjacent parking lots would be used by area business employes

BY GARY GOSSELIN

Plymouth DDA Director Steve Guile is taking down license plate numbers on Penniman Avenue.

Does this mean you might get a ticket in the mail one of these days for parking over the two-hour limit?

"No," Guile said. "I'm taking numbers for my own research on the subject."

Guile also said not to get too complacent about parking on streets for more than the limit because he said, his actions are a prelude to stepped-up parking enforcement by city police.

Guile said that Penniman is a test area

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— Where was Jack? —

Canton Economic Club gets stood up by Jack Kevorkian at luncheon

BY ALEX LUNDBERG

The guests came, the table was set and the lunch was served, but the guest of honor was nowhere to be found.

At last week's meeting of the Canton Economic Club,



Attorney Geoffrey Feiger, was there....

held at the Mayflower Meeting House, Dr. Jack Kevorkian and his attorney Geoffrey Feiger were billed as the featured speakers on the tickets sold for the event.

Kevorkian never showed up.

According to Wayne County Commissioner and President of the Canton Economic Club, Bryan Amann, Kevorkian just decided not to come to the luncheon.

"(Geoffrey) Feiger said that Dr. Kevorkian didn't feel like coming," Amann said. "and that was that."

Amann said that Feiger told him that Kevorkian is the kind of person that, when they don't want to do something, they simply won't.

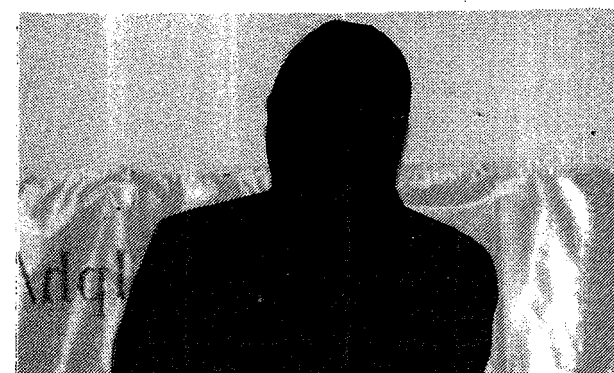
But, according to Canton Community Foundation Executive Director Bill Joyner, Kevorkian just couldn't get out to Plymouth.

"The way that it was explained to me was that Feiger came directly from Metro and didn't have time to pick up Kevorkian from Royal Oak," Joyner said.

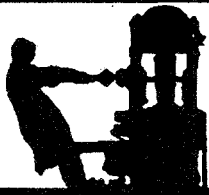
While the featured speaker didn't make it to the lun-

cheon, Joyner said that it didn't hurt the event.

"Feiger worked out really well," Joyner said. "Everyone that I've heard from was very impressed with his speaking."



...but Jack Kevorkian was not



Public notices

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH BOARD OF TRUSTEES - REGULAR MEETING TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1994

Supervisor Keen-McCarthy called the meeting to order at 7:32 and led in the pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. All members were present.

Mrs. Massengill moved to approve the minutes of the January 1, 1994 Work Session Meeting of the Board of Trustees as submitted. Supported by Ms. Arnold. Ayes all.

Mrs. Massengill moved to approve the minutes of the January 25, 1994 Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees as submitted. Supported by Mrs. Brooks. Ayes all.

Mrs. Massengill amended the agenda by adding under New Business, Item J. Appoint WTUA as Billing Payment Representative and removing Item G.1 Transfer of Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate for National Riggers & Erectors, Inc.. With those changes, Mrs. Massengill moved to approve the agenda as amended for the February 15, 1994, Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees. Supported by Ms. Arnold. Ayes all.

Mrs. Mueller moved to approve Resolution No. g4-02-15-03 granting the transfer of Commercial Facilities Exemption Certificate No.'s 3 and 4, for the PMC Buildings, 42171 - 42333 Ann Arbor Road, from The Michael Company to Country Farm Market of Pontiac, Inc. Supported by Mr. Griffith. The entire resolution is incorporated into the official minutes on file in the Clerk's Office. Roll call: Ayes: Arnold, Griffith, Mueller, Massengill, Keen-McCarthy
Nays: Brooks, Curmi
Resolution declared adopted.

Ms. Arnold moved to approve the extension of the Tentative Preliminary Plat to April 13, 1995 for Country Club of Plymouth. Supported by Mrs. Mueller. Ayes all.

Mrs. Mueller moved to approve the application of Thomas A. Casari, P.C. No. 1230/1193, to rezone property located on the east side of Ridge Road between Powell Road and North Territorial Road, tax identification number 038-99-0014, from R-1-E, Single Family Residential District, to R-1-H, Single Family Residential District. Supported by Ms. Arnold.

The following nearby residents opposed the development and expressed their concerns: Mr. Rao Palakodeti, Mr. Tim Boyd, Mr. & Mrs. Jim McAmmond, Ms. Vivian Kermon, Mr. Patrick Van Tiem and Ms. Beverly St. Thomas.

Mrs. Mueller moved to table the request from Thomas A. Casari to rezone property located on the east side of Ridge Road between Powell Road and North Territorial Road. Supported by Mr. Curmi. Roll call: Ayes: Mueller, Curmi, Arnold
Nays: Griffith, Brooks, Massengill, Keen-McCarthy
Motion defeated.

Mrs. Mueller moved to table the request from Thomas A. Casari to rezone property located on the east side of Ridge Road between Powell Road and North Territorial Road and referred the application back to the Planning Commission. Supported by Mr. Curmi.
Roll call:
Ayes: Mueller, Curmi, Arnold, Griffith, Brooks, Massengill, Keen-McCarthy
Nays: None
Motion passes.

Mrs. Brooks moved to approve the appointment of Dennis W. Blake to the Plymouth Township's Board of Review with a term expiring December 31, 1994. Supported by Ms. Arnold. Ayes all.

Mr. Curmi moved to approve the Utility Easements for Johnson Controls, Inc. Addition and Frito-Lay, Inc. Supported by Mr. Griffith. Ayes all.

Mr. Griffith moved to approve Resolution No. 94-02-15-04, designating WTUA as Plymouth Township's billing and payment representative with respect to the Townships use of the Rouge Valley Interceptor System (RVIS). Supported by Mrs. Brooks. The entire resolution is incorporated into the official minutes on file in the Clerk's Office.
Roll call: Ayes: Arnold, Curmi, Griffith, Mueller, Brooks, Massengill,
Keen-McCarthy Nays: None

Supervisor Keen-McCarthy updated the Board on the status of the E911 legislation.

Supervisor Keen-McCarthy recognized Fire Chief Groth and the Fire Department for their support with regard to the Salvation Army.

Mrs. Mueller moved to receive and file Communications and Reports as listed. Supported by Ms. Arnold. Ayes all.

Mrs. Brooks moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:34 p.m. Supported by Mrs. Mueller. Ayes all.

Marilyn Massengill, Clerk
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An environmental assessment of the property proposed for acquisition has been conducted and a report of the findings has been completed. A copy of that report is available for public review and can be obtained at the offices of:

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Michigan Department of Transportation
Capital City Airport
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The office is open between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Please specify the Plymouth-Mettetal Airport, Project No. B-26-0077-0193/0294. Parcel Nos. 2, 3 and 4, when making a request.

NOTICE REVISED 1994 CITY OF PLYMOUTH BOARD OF REVIEW ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

The Board of Review for the City of Plymouth will convene in the City Commission Chambers for an Organizational Meeting on Tuesday, March 8, 1994 at 12:00 Noon.

The Regular Board of Review session will begin after the Organizational Meeting is adjourned on:

Tuesday, March 8 1994 FROM 12:20 TO 6:00 P.M.
Wednesday, March 9, 1994 FROM 3:00 TO 9:00 P.M.
Thursday, March 10 1994 FROM 12:00 TO 6:00 P.M.
Tuesday, March 15, 1994 FROM 3:00 TO 9:00 P.M.
Wednesday March 16 1994 FROM 12:00 TO 6:00 P.M.
Thursday, March 17, 1994 FROM 3:00 TO 9:00 P.M.

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A WRITTEN PETITION MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE CITY TREASURER'S OFFICE before an appointment can be made to appear before the Board of Review to protest your property assessment. Petition forms can be obtained at the Treasurer's Office located on the first floor of City Hall beginning Monday, February 14, 1994.

Persons wishing to APPEAR IN PERSON before the Board of Review must file petition with the Treasurer's Office by 9:00 P.M. on Wednesday, March 9, 1994.

A resident or non-resident taxpayer may file a petition with the Board of Review without the requirement of a personal appearance by the taxpayer or a representative.

Copies of the notice stating the dates and times of additional meetings of the board of review will be posted on the official public bulletin boards of the City as soon as the additional meetings are scheduled, and also in the local newspapers. The City bulletin boards are located at: City Hall, Kellogg Park, Central Parking Lot and Starkweather at the corner of Liberty Street.

All Board of Review meetings are open meetings in compliance with the "Open Meetings Act".

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Who will replace Bill Ford?

After 30 years in the U.S. House of Representatives, Bill Ford announced last month that he will not seek re-election to another term in Congress.

As a result, the door is wide open to the 13th congressional district; a district that stretches from The Plymouth-Canton Community to Ann Arbor.

Already two candidates have announced their bid to inherit Ford's seat: Republican John Schall and Democrat Bryan Amann.

In addition, three others are also investigating a possible run for Ford's seat:

- Ford's legislative aide, Dave Geiss, has put together an exploratory committee, but has yet to announce his intentions.

- Republican Cynthia Wilbanks is also researching the possibility of running.

- Crier Publisher W. Edward Wendover is exploring the possibility of running as a Republican challenger.

Democrat Bryan Amann

Home: Wayne

Business: attorney with law firm of Brashear, Tangora and Spence.

Personal: 37, married (Mary); two children (Lindsay, 8; Lauren, 3).

Education: B.A., University of Michigan; law degree, University of Detroit.

Public service experience: member of Board of Directors of SMART; assistant county executive/criminal justice; chief deputy county clerk.

Elective office: County Commissioner of 11th Wayne County District (1991-present)

Estimated cost of campaign: \$1 million.

Republican John Schall

Home: Ann Arbor

Business: Self-employed labor consultant, with an office in Ann Arbor.

Personal: 33, bachelor, born and raised in Livonia

Education: B.A., University of Michigan; Masters of Public Policy, Harvard University's John F. Kennedy School of Government.

Public service experience: Chief of staff of the U.S. Labor Department (1991-1993); chaired Federal Task Force on GM layoffs; White House policy advisor to President George Bush.

Elective office: Never elected to public office.

Estimated cost of campaign: \$500,000 to start.

Amann worked on Ford's staff, but is 'not a clone'

BY CRAIG FARRAND

"I'm not running from the ghost of Bill Ford, but I'm not a Ford clone, either.

"In fact, I'm far from it."

Nevertheless, Bryan Amann's jump into the congressional race to replace U.S. Rep Bill Ford was almost a foregone conclusion, if you talk to the same people who talked to Amann.

"When Bill Ford announced he wouldn't be running again, I was as shocked as everyone else," he said, "but no sooner did he announce then I got calls from well-wishers encouraging me to run."

Which wasn't too surprising: Amann had served as a legislative intern and aide to Ford during the late '70s and early '80s, had been past chairman of the old 15th District Democratic party and had established himself in his own right as a Wayne County manager and, now, commissioner.

So his first inclination was to say "yes" — but...

"But I didn't want to just jump into this; my wife and I had to do a lot of talking and I had to do a lot of research first."

As it was, Amann spent two weeks literally canvassing the newly redrawn district — which extends from the suburbs of Western Wayne County to Ann Arbor — and, he says, it was only two weeks ago that he made his decision.

Of course, helping him make his decision was the fact that 70 per cent of the district's population resides in Wayne County — his region of strength. In fact,



his current County Commission district, he said, holds 27 per cent of the congressional district's population.

"After finishing my research it occurred to me that this (campaign) was doable," he said, adding, however, that "I also got a better appreciation of what it was going to require of

me; that it would completely consume the next 10 months.

With the blessing of his wife, Mary, Amann has since jumped in with both feet and has been actively gathering support for his bid to keep Bill Ford's district a Democratic possession.

In garnering that support, however, Amann has been cognizant of the unique nature of the new 13th District; a district that runs from Plymouth conservatism to Ann Arbor liberalism — with everything else in between.

But Amann feels he has a good grasp of what's needed to win.

"I'm fortunate; this district really is a microcosm of the American melting pot," Amann said. "We've got the similarity of culture in Ann Arbor and Plymouth, and yet the two (cities) couldn't be more politically opposite.

"I don't think people appreciated the integrity of (former congressman) Carl Pursell, who was able to represent everyone fairly.

"And that's what I offer.

"People have had a sense that Washington isn't listening, but I'm proud of my accomplishments on the (County) Commission of giving people input."

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Schall jumped in early; calls others 'opportunists'

BY CRAIG FARRAND

When Bill Ford was raising money last fall for a 1994 run at another term in Congress, John Schall knew he had a good chance to unseat an incumbent.

But when Ford announced last month that he would be stepping down after 30 years in in the U.S. House, Schall had to not only rethink his strategy, but also rethink his chances.

While Ford was in the race, Schall said, "voters were offered a genuine choice for the district."

"Ford had been a good representative for the '60s and '70s, but things have changed for the '90s."

After Ford's announcement, however, the 33-year-old says that he now not only offers a genuine choice, but also a choice who was there from the beginning.

"I was (in the race) when it was tough," he said, "when I was up against a 30-year incumbent."

"I don't think voters want someone who wasn't there when it was tough."

As a result, Schall looks at everyone else who enters the race after Ford's announcement as an opportunist — without referring to his early opponent, Bryan Amann, by name.

Although willing to talk about the political dynamics of the upcoming race, Schall clearly prefers discussing the issues he sees as important to the district and the nation in this decade: the budget deficit and job training, to name two.

But top on his list is health care reform, a point on which he is diametri-



cally opposed to the efforts of President Bill Clinton.

"Yes, we need reform, but not the president's plan," he said.

"The president wants to change 100 per cent of the system," he said, holding his hands three feet apart, "but 100 per cent of the system isn't broken.

"There is a problem, but it's only 15 per cent of the system," he said, narrowing his hands to one side.

Specifically, Schall identifies several "discrete" problems needing attention: the "portability of benefits" for workers who lose and change jobs; and the need to require insurance carrier to accept pre-existing conditions from employees.

"But all of that can be passed (by Congress) in a short period of time; we don't need to overhaul the entire system."

A third problem, he said, is the issue of "tort reform," the legal morass of medical liability lawsuits, malpractice insurance and astronomical settlements.

Yet another issue for Schall is what he feels are distorted figures connected with the Administration's health studies: Once you eliminate those individuals who, by choice, don't carry health insurance — young adults and the wealthy — Schall says there may only be "10 to 11 million Americans who really need coverage."

And how do you take care of them?

Again, he differs with the president and his party.

"The Democrats say, 'OK, small businesses, you cough up the money needed to pay for this insurance.'

"The Republicans, however, say 'OK, Please see pg. 14



Friends & neighbors

Neighbors in the news

New inductee named to Canton Hall of Fame; others get awards

The 1994 Canton Hall of Fame has welcomed in one new honoree.

The honors are presented annually to deserving residents, community leaders and members of the business, educational and cultural communities.

Joan Palmer, the only Canton resident to be honored this year, joins her husband among the ranks of the Canton Hall of Fame.

She is an author and co-author of three books on Canton history and a longtime officer and member of the Canton Historical Society.

The Community Achiever awards, given to those who have performed outstanding deeds and actions during the past year, were also given out.

Businesspeople Tom Adamusik and Janet Volante, Girl Scouts organizer Barbara Svec, Canton Lions and Canton Goodfellows founding member Ray Schultz and former Salem High basketball great Dena Head were named Community Achievers.

The Canton High School Quiz Bowl Team was also honored as Community Achievers for their winning of the state title and their eighth-place finish in national competition.

Those named to both groups will be formally honored March 26 at the Sixth Annual Canton Community Foundation Celebrate Canton Dinner Dance.

The dinner will be held at Fellows Creek golf club.

Flying high

Canton 17-year-old getting ready to soar to Eagle Scout

BY ALEX LUNDBERG

A Boy Scout is Trustworthy, Loyal, Helpful, Friendly, Courteous, Kind, Obedient, Cheerful, Thrifty, Brave, Clean and Reverent.

And if he wants to attain Boy Scouting's highest rank — Eagle Scout — he's got to be willing to work hard.

Canton's Marc Levitt, (Troop #854) is all those things, and he's well on his way to becoming an Eagle Scout.

In order to become an Eagle Scout, Levitt has to earn 21 merit badges, hold leadership positions in at least three other ranks and be at Life rank for at least six months. He must also organize a community service project.

The criteria for a proper Eagle Scout project are as follows: 1) Service to either the community, school or church; 2) Planned, organized and run by the Eagle hopeful; 3) Plan approved by the Scout Master; 4) The project must be original or a new plan for a previously attempted project; 5) A plan for the project must be set and followed; 6) The project must pass the Eagle Scout Board of Review.

Toward that goal, Levitt has 22 merit badges, has completed his time and leadership requirements and has just completed his community service project.

Levitt organized a blanket and clothing drive to benefit Wayne County Shelter for the Homeless. The drive was held at St. Michael's Church on Saturday.

With the help of 35 volunteers, Levitt collected 25 blankets, 60 pairs of gloves,



MARC LEVITT

21 scarves, 55 hats and more than 200 pounds of jackets and other clothing.

According to Levitt, the blanket drive was not his first choice for his Eagle project. He had attempted two landscaping projects (playground maintenance at his old middle school and the construction of a trail in Miller Woods) but both ideas ran into snags.

"A couple of other projects fell through," Levitt said. "My mom thought of the clothing drive."

Levitt, with the help of members of his

troop and the Centennial Education Park National Honor Society (NHS), sent out over 1,400 flyers promoting the event. he said that he expected to get a return on 25 per cent of those flyers.

According to Levitt, Troop #854 has produced more than its fair share of Eagle scouts.

"We just had a triple Court of Honor," Levitt said. "When I get mine it will probably be a double."

Levitt, besides being close to attaining Boy Scouting's highest rank, is also active in school activities. He is a member of the National Honor Society carrying advanced placement classes with a grade point average of 4.0.

Levitt is also a member of the Plymouth-Salem Varsity Swim team.

"I compete in the 50-meter freestyle, the 200-meter freestyle relay and the 200-meter Medley relay," Levitt said.

As if Levitt doesn't have enough things on his mind, he has decided to think big when it comes to higher learning.

He wants to attend the U.S. Military Academy at West Point.

"I went to a Jamboree in New York near West Point," Levitt said. "I fell in love with the place then."

Levitt said that after graduating from West Point he would like to work for the government.

"I'd like to be in either the Drug Enforcement Agency or the FBI," Levitt said.

Canton announces new season of concerts

BY ALEX LUNDBERG

What started as a secondary attraction to the Canton Liberty Fest has grown to have a life of its own.

The Canton Summer Concert Series, to be held in the Amphitheatre in Heritage Park, is already shaping up to be a big event.

According to Canton Recreation Supervisor Bob Dates, the first concert behind the administration building wasn't much to crow about.

"During the 1992 Liberty Fest we had a band in the Amphitheatre," Dates said. "But it was recently built and the grass hadn't taken at that point."

After the fest, Dates and others in Parks and Recreation thought it might be a good idea to hold a weekly series of free concerts at the park.

Dates said that the free admission was courtesy of a local business.

"We were sponsored last year by Woodland Meadows landfill, they donated \$10,000 to cover the costs of the bands and operation," Dates said. "We're trying to get them to sponsor again this year."

Dates said that, if a sponsor cannot be found for the series the necessary monies will be drawn from the general Parks and Recreation budget.

"Last year we held the first series of seven concerts," Dates said. "We had no idea what kind of success we would have."

The first show, which featured a brass band that played patri-

otic music, drew three hundred people to the park. After that, things began to snowball.

"As the weeks went on, we started to get bigger and bigger crowds," Dates said. "We also began to see the same faces at each show."

According to Dates, the variety of the music at the park has kept the series alive. The series has been expanded to eight shows this summer.

"The goal was to have a variety of music," Dates said. "This year we're going to have an oldies band, steel drums, a big band and Canton Project Arts has invited the Plymouth Symphony to attend this year."

Dates said that, while there was a lot of interest in the series last year, there isn't much room to expand the number of concerts.

"We thought about extending the series, but we would have to schedule around school nights and the Liberty Fest," Dates said. "In the future we might look at some later dates in September."

Why has the Canton Summer Concert Series been so popular? According to Dates, the reason is clear.

"It has a great family atmosphere," Dates said. "We don't sell any alcohol or allow any in the park, families like that."

"The music has less of a rowdy crowd."

"And the park is a beautiful place to have a concert, you can listen to the music as you take a walk around the pond and feed the ducks."

Parking plan readied

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for downtown parking, and the purpose for his experiment is to determine the turnover of cars that park along Penniman.

The DDA plan has also set aside 16 spaces in the Penniman parking lot for permit parking. So far, 15 permits have been sold for that area.

He said that the test is going well so far, with 15 spaces already reserved. He added that the occupancy rate in the reserved area is about 40 per cent.

The plan also includes a \$25 cash prize every month to encourage participation. It is unknown whether the prize program will extend into the new parking program.

Guile's actions come on the heels of increased activity on the part of the city commission to finally resolve the parking problem.

A city committee has been working with the owners of Forest Place Mall, Westchester Mall and Minerva's Dunnings in an attempt to turn those private lots into municipal lots.

The reason for the attempted change is to make sure that those areas are under city control and aren't converted into new developments.

City Manager Steve Walters said that the city is probably about two to three weeks away from reaching an agreement. He would not go into details about the ongoing negotiations.

The Penniman and Forest Avenue projects fit into the larger plan of ultimately abolishing the parking credits which are required under the present system.

Walters added that while this plan concentrates on downtown Plymouth, Old Village is not forgotten.

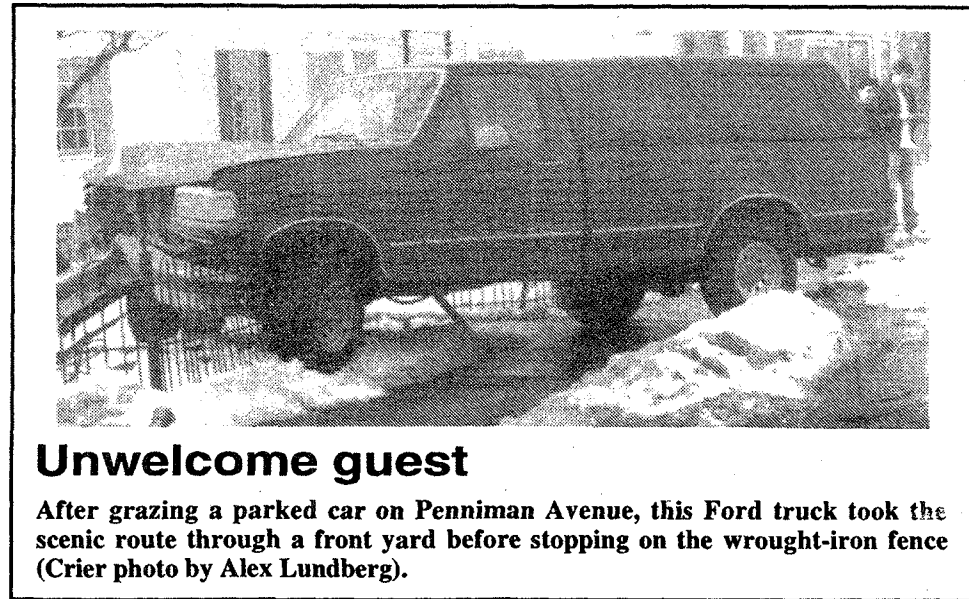
"We're looking at a similar plan for Old Village," Walters said. "We're looking at a similar parking policy and plan

This is the kind of parking permits that will be used by downtown business employes to use adjacent parking lots.



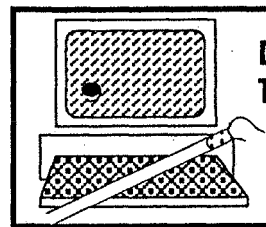
for development.

"We want to encourage development by not having parking regulations the way they were."

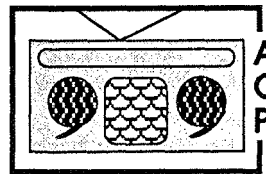


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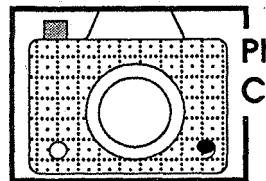
After grazing a parked car on Penniman Avenue, this Ford truck took the scenic route through a front yard before stopping on the wrought-iron fence. (Crier photo by Alex Lundberg).



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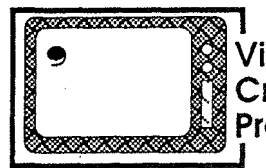
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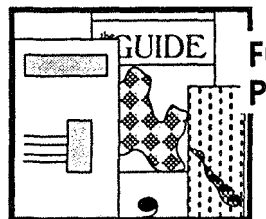
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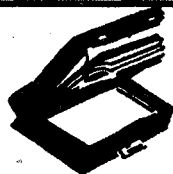
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Getting down to business

Neighbors in business

The Women's Business Owners of Southeastern Michigan will hold a mini-workshop at 6:30 p.m. on March 1, titled "Myers-Briggs: A Tool for Better Understanding in Client Communication."

Anne Harrell, a Clinical Psychologist will conduct the workshop, which will be held at the 777 building on Eisenhower at State St. in Ann Arbor. Cost is \$5. For more information, call Jennifer Ross at 313-662-5914.

The National Association of Career Women will hold a networking meeting at 11:30 a.m., March 10 at Meriwether's, 25485 Telegraph (north of 10 Mile).

The featured guest will be Vickie Elmer, assistant business editor for the Detroit Free Press. Cost is \$12 for members and \$15 for non-members. For reservations, call 268-7770.

Tryin' hard *Mark Taylor suffered through tough times to reach his level of success*

BY GARY GOSSELIN

If you don't succeed at first, try, try again.

That's a motto that Mark Taylor, president of Plymouth-based EVCOR (at 5 mile and Haggerty Roads) lives by.

The company provides computerized, cost-effective and rapid parcel shipping.

Taylor has been in the business world since his college days at Eastern Michigan University.

While working his way through school, Taylor got a job selling fire alarms. He had such an affinity for the business that he was soon sales manager in charge of ten employees.

Taylor had done so well working for an employer, he decided to quit college and go into business for himself.

Once in business, however, Taylor's assets — his lodgings included — were burned. The business was ruined.

"I was 18, and had just gotten married," Taylor said. "all of our wedding gifts, TV, furniture, books. It was all destroyed. Everything we owned except the suit on my back."

Taylor was in the process of getting

renters insurance, but hadn't signed the papers yet.

Taylor's business was effectively shut down, but he soon hit the streets again, and landed a job with Pitney Bowes as a sales rep.

He soon sailed up to the sales manager position, where he stayed for the next seven years.

He ranked in the top 5 per cent in nationwide sales, quite an accomplishment for one of the youngest managers companywide — he was 27-years-old.

In the meantime, Taylor decided to try again at earning his degree, and by 1980 he earned a bachelor's degree in computers and management.

He used his computer expertise to implement use of personal computers, automated sales reports and computerized trend studies.

When a computerized shipping system was to be implemented, Taylor was chosen for the job.

One problem, which Taylor noticed while on the shipping job, was the 1980's trend of downsizing.

Rather than wait for the possible pink slip, he decided to take the bull by the horns.

Taylor used his computer and by now shipping experience to form EVCOR in 1989.

In the first year of business, EVCOR employed two people, Taylor and his wife Vera.

"It was a wild time," he said. "We both worked fourteen hour days, seven days a week."

The hard work and long hours resulted in first year profits for the fledgling company, and by the third year, profits had tripled.

Taylor now boasts clients such as Ford Motor Co. and Unisys and has recently expanded and moved to Plymouth.

EVCOR now has 12 employees and annual sales of \$1.5 million.

Taylor is now working on his MBA through the University of Phoenix.

After dropping out of school — and going back — and losing his business — and starting again — Taylor surely believes in the motto; try, try again.

Young people shine



The Sarah Ann Cochrane Chapter of The Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) have honored five high schoolers in their Good Citizen contest. Pictured here are; Kiran Chaudhri of Churchill High School (back row, left), Jennifer Barrett of Ladywood High School, Wendy Ann Forster of Northville High School, Kristina Dassing of Plymouth-Canton High School (front row, left) and Sangita Baxi of Plymouth-Salem High School. Philip Michael South of L'Anse Creuse was also honored by the DAR. The winners of the contest will be honored at an official awards day in April and one of them will go on to the national contest to compete for scholarship.



Like Scarlett O'Hara at the ball, Heather Gentry was presented as the Polish Centennial Dancer's Debutante for 1994. Pictured here with her escort, Terry Zelek, Gentry is editor-in-chief of the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park yearbook, member of the marching band's Color Guard, and has a 3.9 gpa and is in the top 5 per cent of her class.

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Cameron Jacob Olds was born Oct. 7, 1993 at U of M Hospital in Ann Arbor at 8 lbs. 6 oz.

The son of Greg and Candi Olds of Plymouth, Cameron was 21.5 inches.

Grandparents are Doug and Judy Olds of Plymouth, Linda Bogart and Don Sowa of Plymouth and Jerry Musselman of Livonia.

Samantha Rose Partain was born Oct. 26, 1993 at St. Joseph Hospital in Ann Arbor at 7 lbs. 10 oz. Samantha is the daughter of Robert and Kristi Partain of Plymouth.

Nicholas Andrew Percin was born Nov. 12, 1993 at St. Joe's McAuley Family Birth Place at 6 lbs. 13 oz. The son of Kenneth and Melissa Percin of



Community births

Canton, Nicholas was 19.5 inches at birth.

Elizabeth Marylyn Roeser was born Dec. 18, 1993 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital at 8 lbs. 12.5 oz.

The daughter of Ada and Paul Roeser of Canton, and the sister of three brothers, Elizabeth was 20 inches at birth.

Grandparents are Joyce and Lothar Roeser and Leason Hitchins of Niagra Falls, NY.

Cody James Frisosky was born Jan. 1 at St. Mary Hospital at 6 lbs. 13 ozs.

Cody is the son of James and Kristyn Frisosky, and brother of Paige.

Michael Vincent Landini was born on Jan. 3, 1994 at Sinai Hospital in Detroit.

The son of Kristina and Mark Landini of Redford. Michael's grandparents are Ralph and Betty Landini of Plymouth and Bill and Janet Murphy of Canton.

John Michael and Eric Thomas Dooley were born on Dec. 28, 1993 At St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor.

The sons of Kathy and Roger Dooley of Plymouth. John and Eric's grandparents are Edgar Birchmeyer of Ann Arbor and Tom and Pat Dooley of Plymouth. The boys have a 21-month-old sister Brittany.



Community anniversaries

Daphne and Joseph Alphonso of Canton recently celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary.

The couple was married Dec. 29, 1968 at Cathedral of Our Lady Church of Mt. Carmel, India.

They have three children; Zarine, Patrick and Kevin.

Mr. Alphonso is a senior engineer at Ford Motor Co., and Mrs Alphonso is self employed.

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may have to make a favorable decision for the candidate they support. He said the decision may be justified, but the employee may face criticism.

The memo said that either of these actions may adversely affect an employees' official decision.

When asked if an employee could participate in a political campaign, Walters was very direct.

"Yes," Walters said. "Is it smart, in many cases no — do we have a professional obligation as administrators to maintain an appearance of neutrality, yes."

He said that while employees aren't excluded specifically from participating in political campaigns, he said that they have a professional obligation to avoid placing themselves in the political arena.

He said that when someone agrees to work for a governmental body, they lose some of their rights for the better good of the whole.

He said that these civil right restrictions should be a matter of pride for employees, rather than a matter of derision.

Walters said that the memo was sent because City Attorney Ron Lowe and Commissioner Dennis Shrewsbury have tossed their hats into the 35th District Court judge's race.

He said that some employees needed to be reminded about their responsibilities.

Walters said that if an employee does engage in political activity, they may not necessarily be fired, but if that employee is rendered useless by their actions, then they're subject to dismissal.

The decision, he added is up to the person normally in the position to make a termination decision, and that the employee still has the same rights of appeal and the same right under the law.



Community deaths

Martha Burcaw, 92, homemaker

Martha Burcaw, a homemaker in Plymouth, died Feb. 10, 1994, at the age of 91. She is survived by sons, Kenneth and Robert; five grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and a sister. Services were arranged by Vermeulen Funeral home and held at First United Methodist Church.

Julia Rogers, 86, homemaker

Julia Rogers, a homemaker in Plymouth, died Feb. 9, 1994, at the age of 86. She is survived by her step sons Donald and Richard; step-daughter, Sharon Franchek; seven step-grandchildren; and 10 step-great-grandchildren. Services were arranged by the Vermeulen Funeral home and held at St. John Neumann Catholic Church.

Richard Lappeus, 63, financial manager

Richard C. Lappeus of Canton, manager of a financial firm, died Feb. 13, 1994, at the age of 63. He is survived by his sons, David, Ronald and Robert; daughter Elizabeth Lisiski; two grandchildren; one brother and his mother. Funeral services were held at the Vermeulen Funeral Home.

George Galbraith, 40, long-time resident

George W. Galbraith, a longtime resident of Plymouth, died Feb. 13, 1994, at the age of 40. He is survived by his mother, Elizabeth; sisters, Marjorie Rockwood and Karen Gauthier; brothers James, Paul and Robert; and nine nieces and nephews. Services were held at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

Rosalind Joy Mangrum, 50, bookkeeper

Rosalind Joy Mangrum of Canton, a bookkeeper for a sales firm, died Feb. 7, 1994, at the age of 50. She is survived by her husband, Albert; step-daughters, Cheryl Tate and Sharon Mangrum; two brothers; and three sisters. Services, arranged by Vermeulen Funeral Home, were held at St. Thomas A'Becket Catholic Church.

Doris Ewald, 74, Kelsey-Hayes clerk

Doris E. Ewald of Canton, who worked for 43 years as an accounts payable clerk at Kelsey-Hayes, died Feb. 23, 1994, at the age of 74. She is survived by her sister, Shirley Smith; two nephews; one niece; and six great nieces and nephews. Services, arranged by the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, were held Monday at St. Michael Lutheran Church.

Louis Van Esley, 67, local resident, lifelong law enforcement officer

Louis W. Van Esley, a retired Detroit Police Officer, and resident of Plymouth, died Sunday at the age of 67.

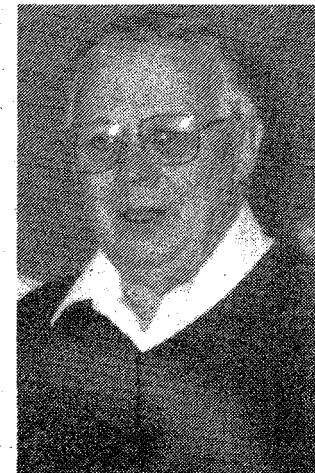
Van Esley spent his entire adult life in the law enforcement community. After retiring as a Lieutenant from the Detroit Police Department, he became a Branch County Deputy Sheriff.

Van Esley was active in the community, and a past member of the Plymouth Elks. He was involved in the Knights of Columbus, the Detroit Police Children's Choir and a member of Our Lady of Good Counsel Church.

He loved to garden at his Plymouth home, and was a religious man who read the bible and prayed daily.

Van Esley is survived by wife Rose, sons; Louis (Kathy), Thomas (Michelle), William (Marsha), Joseph (Kathy); sisters; Lois (Jack) Sherman and Evelyn (Richard) Smith; sister-in-law Dorothy Foss.

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Services for Mr. Van Esley are today at 10:30 a.m. at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, with the Rev. Fr. John Sullivan officiating.

Arrangements were made by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

June White, 67, Burroughs, Adistra worker

June White of Plymouth, who worked at both Burroughs and then Adistra Corp., died Feb. 18, 1994, at the age of 67. She is survived by her son, Lawrence Brown, and daughter, Kathryn Harrison. Services were arranged by the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

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Phyllis Salsinger

Phyllis C. Salsinger, 76, a homemaker from Plymouth died Feb. 14, 1994, at Courtyard Manor in Wixom.

Born on July 7, 1917, in Pittsburgh, PA, Mrs. Salsinger was a member of our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church, a member of the Garden Club of Plymouth and a member of the Women's Association at Ward Presbyterian Church.

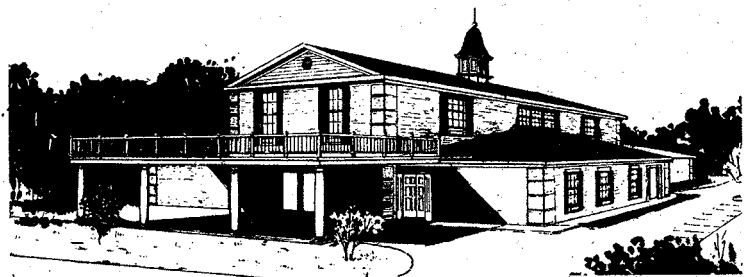
Mrs. Salsinger was preceded in death

by her husband, Larry, a former education writer for the Detroit News.

She is survived by her daughters Mary M. Salsinger of Massachusetts and Carol A. (Keith) Brewer of Texas, and grandchildren Jeffrey Grajek and Maureen Gindler of Texas.

Services, arranged by the Vermeulen Funeral Home, were held at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church in Plymouth.

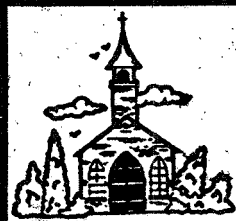
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PLYMOUTH THEATRE GUILD

The Plymouth Theatre Guild will be presenting its version of the classic musical "Guys and Dolls" at the Water Tower Theatre in Northville. The play will run Feb. 25, 26, and March 4, 5, 6, 11 and 12. Seats are \$10 for adults, \$9 for seniors and kids. For more information, call the Theatre Guild at 454-0056.

CANTON CAN!

The Canton Historical District Commission will be holding a fundraiser for their ongoing projects. Canton Can! will be collecting returnable plastic bottles and cans between May 15 through May 21. For more information, call Canton's Resource Development department at 397-1000.

MOM'S THERAPY GROUP

The Canton Community Foundation will be hosting a Mom's Therapy Group beginning Saturday and lasting through April 9. Fee for the group will be based on an ability to pay. For more information, call the Canton Community Foundation at 981-3002.

V.F.W. SCHOLARSHIPS

The Mayflower Lt. Gamble Post #6695 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars will give four \$1,000 scholarships to high school seniors in the Plymouth-Canton schools. Applications for the scholarships should be sent to Kenneth Fisher, Chairman at Post #6695 V.F.W., 1426 S. Mill St, Plymouth, MI, 48170 no later than March 15. For more information, call Archie Bunch at 453-8771.

UNITED WE STAND AMERICA

United We Stand America, Inc. will be holding a meeting at the Canton Public Library on March 9 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. to discuss ballot and statutory proposals and presentations by the MEA and chamber of commerce. For more information, call the library at 397-0999.

PLYMOUTH BPW SCHOLARSHIPS

The Plymouth Business and Professional Women is taking applications for their Elizabeth J. Szilagyi scholarship for women preparing to re-enter the business, educational, financial or technical fields. To apply, write to the EJS scholarship c/o Plymouth BPW, P.O. Box 5338, Plymouth, MI, 48170 by March 15. For more information, call 453-4845.

PLYMOUTH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

The Plymouth Symphony Orchestra will host Jazz Plus, featuring Alexander Zonjic and his quintet at Novi High School on Saturday. For more information and ticket sales, call the Symphony Society at 451-2112.

INTERNATIONAL YOUTH EXCHANGE

The Plymouth Rotary is currently seeking host families for international youth exchange students. Students are available immediately. For more information, call Marie Morrow at 453-6879.

6TH ANNUAL CELEBRATE CANTON DINNER DANCE

Canton Township and the Canton Community Foundation will host the 6th Annual Celebrate Canton Dinner Dance at the Fellows Creek Country Club on March 26, cocktails at 6 p.m.—dinner is at 7:15. Tickets will be \$35 per person. For more information and reservations call Darlean Francis at 981-3002.

KIWANIS BREAKFAST RAFFLE

The Kiwanis Breakfast Club will sponsor a raffle each month of 1994 for \$1,000. Drawings will be on the third Wednesday of each month. For more information call 455-3340 or 454-9555.

NEW MORNING SCHOOL AUCTION

The New Morning School will be holding their 18th annual auction on March 26 to raise funds for the school's programs. There will be dinner and an open bar. For more information, call 420-3331.

DEMARIS FINE ARTS AWARD

The Plymouth Community Arts Council announced the 16th annual Demaris fine arts award for middle school students. Applications will be accepted at the PCAC office and at both Canton and Plymouth public libraries. For more information, call the PCAC office at 455-5260.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE DISCUSSED

WSDS, 1480 AM will be holding a series of shows through Sunday featuring conversations about Christian Science. The broadcasts will be on Sunday mornings at 7:30 a.m.. It is sponsored by local Christian Science Churches.

HOSPICE VOLUNTEER TRAINING

Hospice Services of Western Wayne County will be holding eight-week volunteer training sessions at their Plymouth location. The classes will meet weekly February through March. For more information, call 459-0548.

LIBRARY RED CROSS BABYSITTING PROGRAM

The Plymouth District library will offer a babysitting program which will lead to a Red Cross babysitting certificate. Registration is limited and can be completed by phone. For more information, call the library at 453-0750.

CO-OP NURSERY SCHOOL OPENINGS

Suburban Children's Co-op nursery has immediate openings in their toddler with parent (Wednesdays 12:30-2 p.m.), 3-year-olds (Mon. and Wed. 9:15-11:15 a.m.) and 4-year-olds classes (Tuesday and Friday morning and afternoon). For more information, call Nancy at 729-1495.



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PLYMOUTH THEATRE GUILD AUDITIONS

The Plymouth Theatre Guild will be holding open auditions for four women and four men for its upcoming production of "Isn't It Romantic" on March 1 and 2 at the Water Tower Theatre, Northville Regional Hospital. For more information, call Katie at 454-0056.

CONGREGATION BET CHAVARIM

Congregation Bet Chavarim of Western Wayne County, a Jewish group of individuals and families in and around Western Wayne, announces their schedule of events. On Saturday they will hold their movie night, a trip to see Spielberg's "Schindler's List." For more information about the group and their events and meeting times call 630-8950 (Beeper, leave phone number after the tone).

AAUW MEETING

The Plymouth branch of the American Association of University Women (AAUW) will be holding their dinner meeting at Ernesto's tomorrow at 6:45 p.m. There will be an update on the organization's programs at 8 p.m. following a short business meeting. For more information, call Linda Witzburg at 459-4013.

MEET OTHER MOTHERS

Meet Other Mothers (M.O.M.) will be holding a seminar on how to photograph children by Focal Point Photography at their Friday meeting. For more information about the meeting and the group, call Lynzie Babala at 453-5407 or Toni Shepherd at 453-6134.

AN EVENING OF COMEDY

The Plymouth Community Chorus will present "An Evening of Comedy" with Norm Stultz at Fox Hills Country Club on March 17 at 7 p.m. There will be a cash bar and hors d'oeuvres. Tickets are \$12. For more information, call 455-4080.

CANTON WOMEN'S FORUM

The Canton Women's Forum will be holding their spring fashion show with items from Winkleman's on March 9 at 7:30 p.m. at the Cherry Hill school. There will be a \$5 donation taken at the door. For more information, call Melissa McLaughlin at 495-0304.

AMATEUR RADIO LICENSING CLASS

The Stu Rockafellow Amateur Radio Club in cooperation with the Plymouth Township Department of Emergency Management will be offering an Amateur Radio Licensing Class leading to the novice class license. The class will run for 10 weeks starting March 31 on Thursday nights.

PLYMOUTH WOMAN'S CLUB

At the next meeting of the Plymouth Woman's Club, the featured speaker will be Janet Repp, who will show slides of Australia and memorabilia on March 4 at 12:30 p.m. Past presidents of the club will also be recognized. For more information, call Joyce Roebuck at 453-5925

MICHIGAN OPERA THEATRE

The Michigan Opera Theatre will be bringing "An Evening of Broadway Music" at the Canton Little Theatre with music by Webber and Bernstein on March 12 at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$10. For more information, call 455-9009 or 459-4971.

BEGINNING CHEERLEADING

Canton Parks and Recreation will be offering beginning cheerleading classes for girls starting March 9. The fee for the class will be \$30. For more information about the class, call Canton Parks and Rec at 397-5110.

CANTON REPUBLICAN CLUB

The Canton Republican Club, which meets on the third Thursday of each month, will be meeting at Cherry Hill School at 7 p.m. For more information, call Mellissa McLaughlin at 495-0304.

PLYMOUTH FAMILY YMCA

The Plymouth Community Family YMCA will be offering school's out activities for the Easter (April 4-8) break. For more information about the activities and fees involved, call the Plymouth YMCA at 453-2904.

WILLOW CREEK OPEN HOUSE

Willow Creek Co-Op Preschool will hold its annual open house for registration in the fall semester on March 1 from 6 to 8 p.m. in Geneva Presbyterian Church (no affiliation). The program is for children ages two and a half to five years old. For more information, call Mary Spitzley at 459-4318.

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Kindergarten registration for the 1994/95 school year will be held March 7-11 for children five years old or older on Dec. 1, 1994. To register, parents must take the child's birth certificate, social security number and proof of immunization to the child's current attendance area. For registration information and questions about the process, call 451-3188.

PREMARITAL HEALTH EDUCATION CERTIFICATE CLASSES

The Wedding Chapel on Main Street will be offering counseling on transmission and prevention of AIDS and other sexually transmitted diseases. The classes are open to the public and will run every month this year. For information about the classes and dates and times, call the Wedding Chapel at 455-4800.

PLYMOUTH REPUBLICAN CLUB

The Plymouth Republican Club will meet Thursday night at 6 p.m. at Enrestos Restaurant on Main Street in Plymouth for a dinner-meeting to discuss candidates for state Senate, 35th District Court judge and the U.S. Congress. Call Carl Berry at 420-0782

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Who will replace Bill Ford in '95?

Democrat Bryan Amann



Bryan Amann currently serves as Wayne County commissioner in the 11th district, which encompasses The Plymouth-Canton Community.

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In fact, Amann feels that he's already been well-received in at least one town in the district — Canton — precisely because he has been responsive to residents' concerns.

"And I want to build on that; I want to make a difference."

To make a difference, Amann says there are several key issues that he puts at the top of his list to tackle if, and when, he's elected.

"Crime. Crime is an issue whose time has come for an overhaul of the system," he said, slowly spreading his arms.

"We've had giant programs built up around the crime issue for decades, but what I find encouraging is that Bill Clinton is willing to talk about tearing them down and rebuilding.

"You know, we spend about \$40,000 a year to house a criminal in prison, yet we debate whether we're going to spend \$4,500 or \$5,500 a year to educate our children.

"That's crazy."

Yet as crazy as the system may be, Amann is no more closer to the grail than anyone else: "No, I don't have any pre-packaged answer," he said, "but I'm also not going to be afraid of (considering) revolutionary ideas that might be the solution.

"The problem is that there's so much inertia in the current system; a system in which so many dollars are siphoned off by programs that don't work.

"We need to not be afraid of throwing them out; of taking a cost-benefit approach."

This apparent repudiation of the "Great Society" of the Lyndon Johnson era — an era that saw Bill Ford come to Washington — might seem out of place coming from a fellow Democrat, but Amann's more moderate views can be found in other issues, as well.

Concerning President Clinton's health care reform plan, for example, Amann says he has problems with major parts of the early version:

"Quite frankly, I'm a little nervous about Clinton's single-payer plan; it's a bit too monolithic.

"I just can't see wiping out the insurance companies and replacing them with

bureaucrats," he said, adding that an ideal model on which a national system could be based would be the current HMO plan being offered in Wayne County to help deliver health care to the county's indigent.

"Before we came up with this plan, we were running \$45 million in the hole, but by going to five providers we're now saving \$50,000 a day; \$15 million a year."

On the national scene, then, Amann is convinced that keeping insurance companies involved is key to making a plan work — but he does agree with trashing one aspect: the tremendous buildup of paperwork.

Nevertheless, Amann says he'd prefer to stay with the private insurance system, "but definitely streamline the paperwork and introduce universal forms."

"Those savings alone could pay for the uninsured," he said.

There are other issues — welfare reform, for example — that prompt an equal passion for solutions from Amann, but all of that seems to pale in comparison to his understanding of the role of the next congressman.

"The one thing that really scares me — and I'm at the tail end of the Baby Boomer Generation — is that we're going to be known as the first generation *not* to pass on the American dream.

"And I don't want that to happen.

"But to keep it from happening, we have to take control and make some meaningful reforms; we have to be willing to throw out the traditional paradigms and then learn to be a little less greedy.

"We need to be willing to go there and take the heat and share the burden of change."

But that change could well mean the dismantling of the federal social machine put together by the likes of Bill Ford

Does that mean Amann's distancing himself from his former mentor?

"I'm very proud of what he's done; I and many like me would never have been able to go to college if it hadn't been for Bill's efforts in making college loans and grants available.

"But I want to build on that — and I'm not going to think 'what would Bill have done?'"

Republican John Schall



John Schall's experience includes serving as chief of staff of the U.S. Department of Commerce

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in instances where we need to subsidize insurance for these people, let's go out and find the money and pay for it (together)."

The final issue on which Schall disagrees in approach is in the area of paperwork reduction: According to some estimates, nearly 24 per cent of American health care costs are tied up in medical forms and administration, not in providing actual health care.

By comparison, Canada's national system spends less than 8 per cent annually on paperwork by having only a single carrier.

"Yes, let's go after the paperwork," Schall said, "but you don't eliminate this administrative nightmare by creating new bureaucracies.

"And that's what the president wants to do."

What concerns Schall most about the building health care debate on Capitol Hill, however, is that it could be reduced to another "support your president" vote

"I think that as the year goes on," Schall said, "you're going to see the president push hard for a quick vote — which means we're going to end up with the same thing we did with a couple of other issues: vote yes to support your president.

"That's a terrible basis on which to make policy," he said.

Even with such pressure from the White House, however, Schall thinks the debate will extend beyond '94:

"No, I think it will be an issue for the next couple of years."

And if he's elected, it will "give me a chance to be a part of it."

Passionate in his assessment of the issues facing all of America, Schall nevertheless says, if elected, his role will be to maintain a balance between national needs and the concerns of the local district.

"Government has to do better in the '90s to work better for the electorate," he said.

"(So) the trick is to not get mired in every issue; an issue should only become important when it hits the person back home.

"If I'm elected, I'll immediately put my focus on the people in the communi-

ty."

The "community" in which Schall finds himself campaigning reflects, he says, a good cross-section of conservatism — from the "definably Republican" stronghold of Plymouth, to a much more moderate way of thinking in Ann Arbor.

"Ann Arbor is not the Democratic-liberal center most people think it is," he said. "In fact, no one there really has much interest in partisanship."

Instead, Schall sees the entire district as returning to its roots of being "home-grown, moderates."

"The '90s are shaping up as another Bill Milliken era," he said, referring to the popular former governor of Michigan.

"People want common sense answers, pragmatism; they want to know what works," he said.

"The Republicans have had that kind of common sense attitude for years."

Ironically, President Clinton offers "very similar rhetoric," Schall adds, "but there's a real dichotomy between his rhetoric and his actions."

In reviewing the upcoming campaign, Schall says that his experience puts him ahead of any pack that might arise.

As the U.S. Labor Department's chief of staff — and later as chairman of the Federal Task Force on GM layoffs, Schall says he "had the best apprenticeship in the world."

"It gave me the experience to work better for the people in the district."

But does Schall's Washington experience also paint him just as much a "Beltway" insider as he claims Ford is?

"No, I'm not an insider at all. I was born and raised in this area and retain all my ties here.

"What (those jobs) gave me was the experience that can be a plus for this district."

Experience, he says, that will pay dividends in the future.

"Bill Ford never really was the point," he says. "In this campaign — from the beginning — I've tried to talk about the issues that are important.

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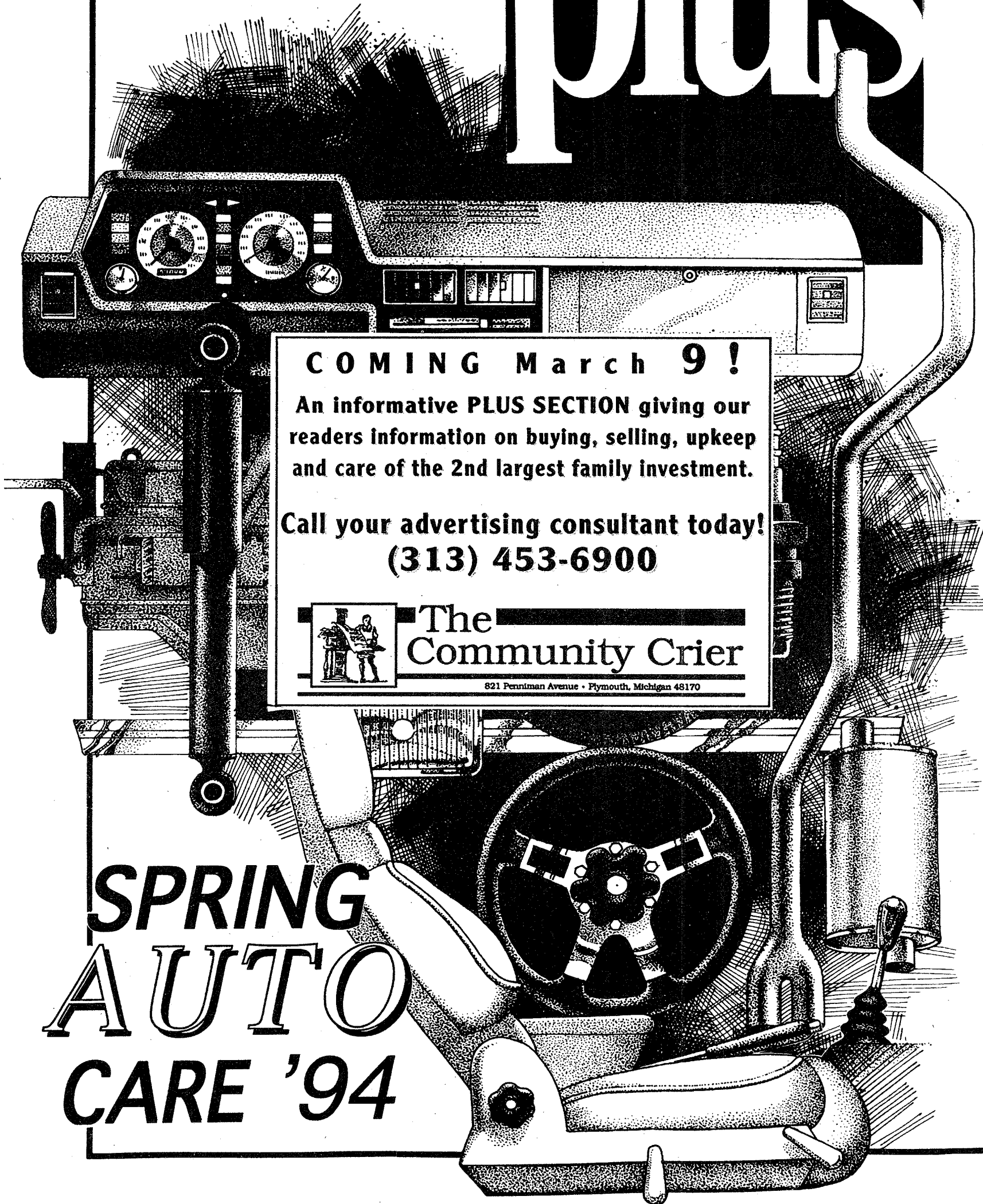
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Sports

Upset

Canton gymnasts hand Salem their first dual meet loss in three years

BY ROB KIRKBRIDE

In the battle of the Plymouth gymnastics teams Monday, Canton edged Salem 136.4-135.6 to hand the Rocks their first dual meet loss in three years.

Canton coach John Cunningham said confidence was a factor in the Chief win.

"The girls were very relaxed," he said. "It was a good meet for them. It was an excellent team performance."

Salem coach Johanna Anderson blamed herself for the Salem loss.

"I didn't expect Canton to be this strong," she said. "I watered down the line-up to give some of the other girls the chance to compete."

"We just had too many mistakes and not enough depth in the line-up."

Canton got off to a strong start in the

meet, winning the vault event 34.15-33.2.

Katey Gilles won the event with a score of 9.3 for the Chiefs.

Sara Makins took second place for Salem with a 8.55. In third was Canton's Kari Jackson with a score of 8.15.

The Rocks came back on the uneven bars to take a 67.5-67.0 lead into the third event.

Salem's Melissa Hopson scored a 9.1 to lead the Rocks on the uneven bars. Gilles won the event for Canton with a score of 9.35.

Canton regained the lead after the balance beam event.

The Chiefs were led by Gilles who posted a 9.3. Hopson was tops for the Rocks with a score of 9.15. Makins took third for Salem with a score of 8.4. She

was followed by Adrienne Brenner of Canton with a 8.35.

Canton held a slim 101.15-99.95 lead going into the floor exercise.

Salem won the event 35.65-35.25 with strong tumbling from Hopson, who tied Canton's Gilles with a score of 9.45 in the event.

The Chiefs were helped throughout the night by strong performances from their third and fourth gymnasts.

"Everyone did their part," said Cunningham. "We really showed depth at the fourth position."

Anderson said Salem needs to work out their problems before the conference meet on Thursday.

"We are a lot better team than this," she said. "Mentally, we need to be more

on top of things."

Canton also has room for improvement, said Cunningham.

"Lately, we haven't had a lot of practice time," he said.

"That will be about the same for Thursday's meet. But before the regionals and state competition, we'll have a chance to get some good practice in."

Cunningham said Salem simply had an off night. "They seemed a little nervous," he said.

Nerves were a factor, said Anderson, mainly because of the rivalry between Canton and Salem.

"They were competing against girls they know," she said.

"That always makes you nervous."

Canton falls to Northville, 70-56

BY ROB KIRKBRIDE

After trouncing Stevenson 105-39 last Tuesday, the Canton basketball team fell to Northville 70-56 Friday at home.

The Chiefs shot just 32 percent from the field against Northville, which Canton coach Dave VanWagoner said contributed to their defeat.

"The loss was a combination of their size inside and their zone defense," he said.

The Chiefs started out strong against Northville, scoring 19 points in the first quarter, while holding Northville to eight.

Northville took over in the second, scoring 21 to Canton's 12.

The teams played close in the third quarter, with Northville scoring 15 and the Chiefs scoring 12.

Northville sealed the victory in the

fourth quarter, outscoring Canton 26-13.

Canton senior Matt Paupore led the Chiefs in scoring with 16 points. Tadarus Rachal scored 14.

Ron Hunter and Rob Radney each pulled down six rebounds to lead Canton.

"We jumped on them pretty good early," said VanWagoner, "but they just wore us down."

"I think this might have been a wake up call for us. We were up after the Stevenson game and it might have hurt us. The guys were a little flat Friday."

With the conference playoffs coming up on Friday, VanWagoner said Canton cannot afford to have an off day.

"Any one of eight teams can win it," he said, "and we have as good a chance to win as anyone else."

"It is a very well balanced league."

Belleville takes Salem grapplers in districts

BY ROB KIRKBRIDE

The Salem wrestling team hit a brick wall at the district wrestling meet last weekend.

Although the Rocks started off the team meet by beating arch-rival Canton, Salem was ousted from the tournament by Belleville.

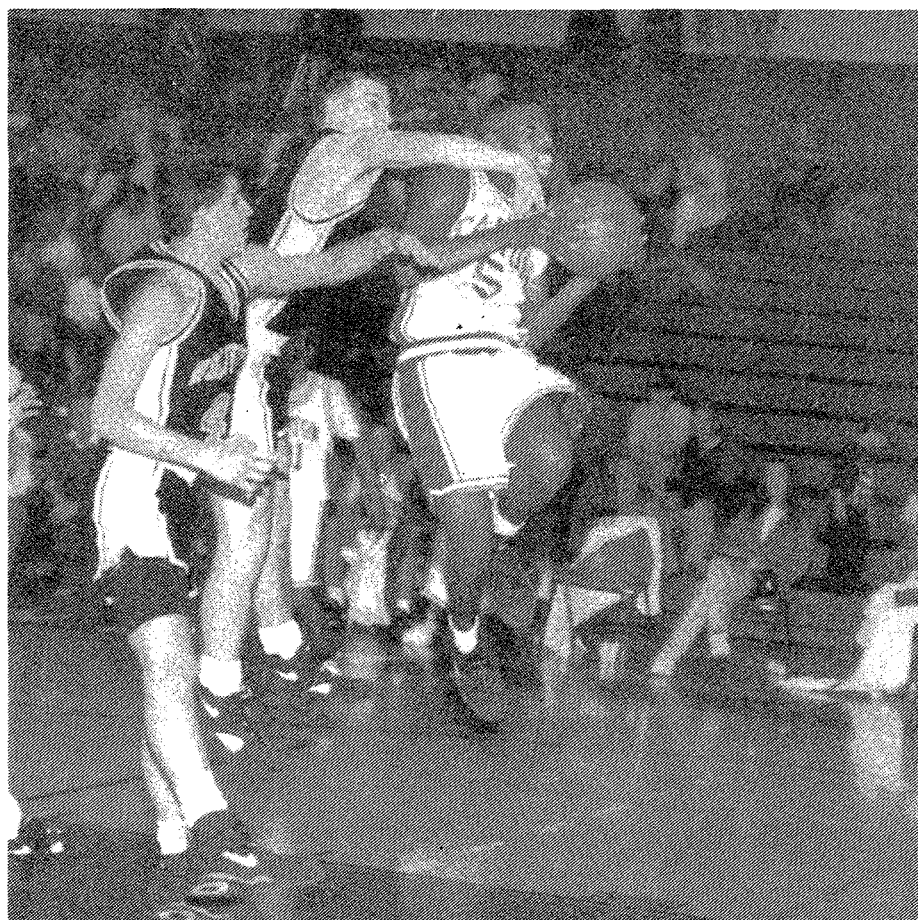
The team finished the season with a 6-2-1 dual meet record.

"We won all the matches against Canton except the heavyweight and 171

classes," said Salem coach Ron Krueger. "Canton didn't wrestle 103, 112 or 160 (pound weight classes), so it wasn't a true meet."

The Rocks only placed one competitor in the regional meet.

John Svec took third place in the individual competition in the 160 pound weight class. "No one else wrestled well," said Krueger. "I was very disappointed. I felt a couple of other wrestlers could have done well."



Canton's Ron Hunter is fouled as he goes for a layup against Northville Friday (Crier photo by George Gentry)

Gus Macker 3 on 3 charity basketball returns to Ypsilanti

The Gus Macker 3-on-3 Charity Basketball Tournament will return to Ypsilanti in 1994. Tournament action will take place Saturday and Sunday, May 21 and 22.

As in previous years, the tournament will be held on the grounds surrounding Eastern Michigan University's Rynearson

Stadium on Hewitt Road.

Applications for team entry into the tournament will be mailed out to all 1993 players March 25.

The deadline for returning applications will be April 22. Tournament officials will limit the field to the first 1,500 teams that register.

Parks and Rec to offer co-ed softball leagues

BY ROB KIRKBRIDE

The City of Plymouth Parks and Recreation Department and the Canton Parks and Recreation Department will begin registration for its Coed Slow Pitch Softball League in March.

Returning teams may register starting March 1 and new teams can register starting March 14. There is an 18 team limit on the league.

This year's entry fee is \$340 (\$50 of which is a refundable forfeit fee), plus \$15 per non-City of Plymouth resident or non-Canton Township resident.

Teams are allowed six non-resident players.

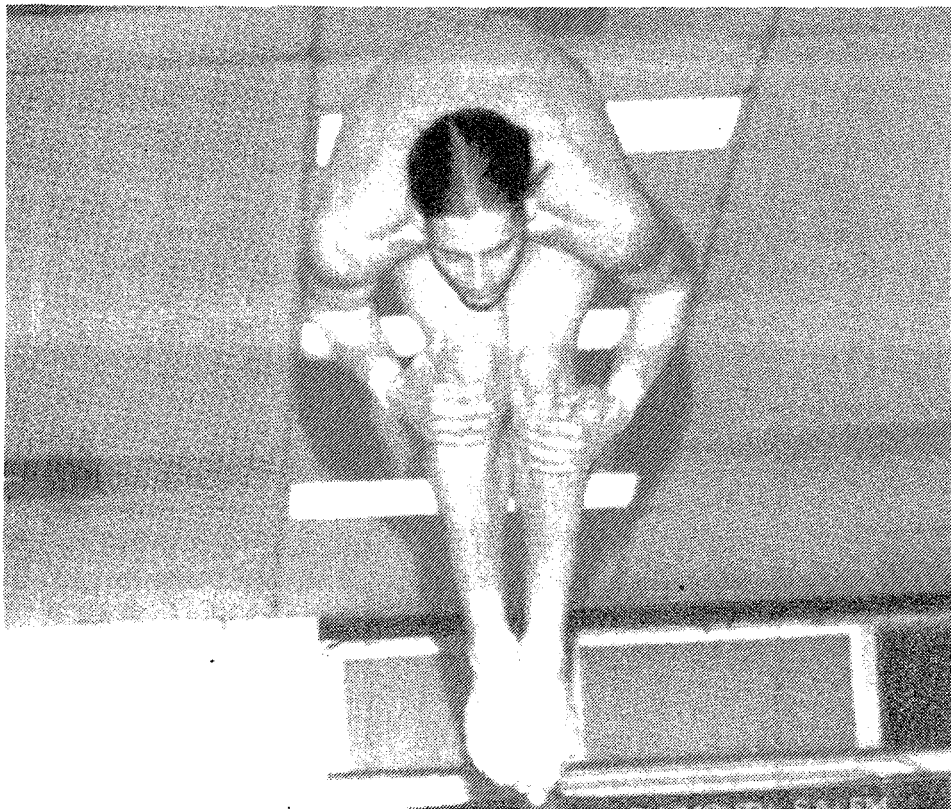
The entry fee includes the following: a 14 game schedule, ASA registration, awards, and scorekeepers.

The home team will pay \$16 per game for the umpire at the field. The home team will also supply a new 11 inch and 12 inch softball per game.

Games will be played on Sundays in both Plymouth and Canton, and each team will play a few Monday evening games in Canton during the season.

League play will begin the first week of May.

For further information, contact Tom Willette, recreation director for the City of Plymouth at (313) 455-6620.



Woodie Thomas caught in mid-air during competition against Farmington. (Crier photo by George Gentry)

Rocks drown Farmington, prepare for district play

BY ROB KIRKBRIDE

The Salem swimming team crushed Farmington 106-79 in the final duel meet of the season Thursday.

Rock coach Chuck Olson said the team swam well in duel meet competition all season long.

"We worked our way back into the position of being the favorites again," he said. "We are excited about the possibilities at the conference meet."

Olson said he expects Canton to challenge the Rocks during conference competition, which starts Thursday at Salem. "They have some excellent swimmers," he said.

Olson said it is critical the Rocks do not have a let down before the conference meet. "In this league, if you don't swim real well each and every time you compete, you're going to end up out of the competition," he said.

Farmington is expected to be very competitive in the conference meet.

"They have a well balanced team," Olson said. "They have a lot of depth."

"That's the same reason we've done so well in the past."

North Farmington is also expected to be tough in the conference competition. "They have the possibility of winning a lot of events," Olson said.

"Northville has a lot of tough kids up front and I'm sure Stevenson will let everyone know they are there."

"It could be a pretty wild meet."

Overall, Olson said Salem is looking strong.

"Our kids are really looking good," he said. "I am very impressed with the way they are swimming."

The Rocks ended the duel meet season with an 8-2 record.



"Dog" shows perfect form Saturday during the KOFC Frostbite Horseshoe tournament. (Crier photo by Rob Kirkbride)

No curves

By Rob Kirkbride



Snow 'shoes' competition is far from Olympic games, far from snow as well

Competitors signed in for the games that were about to begin.

The participants checked the field of play to plot their strategies while checking out the competition.

Was this an event in the 1994 Winter Olympics? No, it was the fourth annual Frostbite Horseshoe Tournament sponsored by the Knights of Columbus in Plymouth held on Saturday. And it was about as far as it gets from Lillehammer.

None of the competitors needed to worry about getting frostbite with temperature reaching 63 degrees.

"Burr" was replaced by "splat" as the dominant sound heard during the event. Instead of shooting at snow-covered, icy horseshoe pits, the competitors shot into mud holes.

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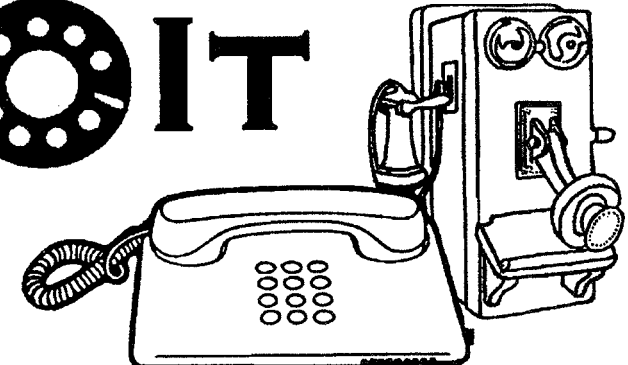
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ANDREA - Just what are Screaming Yellow Zonkers?!

"Trustme, I'll give you \$5"

Who is the person known as the \$5 man and trust me.

Baseball registration for the Plymouth-Canton Junior Baseball League will be March 12 and 19 at the Canton High School Cafeteria.

Geneva - always remember to leave your house wearing the same pair of shoes on." from your fellow footwear friend.

WHY IS IT?

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WHY IS IT?

BEAUREGARD eats Rose's lasagna.

VOTE on March 15

Happy Birthday Colleen, I won't tell anyone you're 39 today. B.S.

BRACE your porch - here comes THE GUIDE NEXT WEEK

VINCE vacations in the Virgin Islands

Curiosities

CRAIG FLEMING missed bidding on legal work during the Symonds-Bakewell Auction

"AM I THE PRINT MONITOR manager here?" (said with a genuine whine) - Steph, 1994

DAVE PUGH loses 50% of his new hat's price in 30 seconds.

WAS BRENT late Monday morning?

SALLY REPECK gets older real soon.

BETTY STREMICH has another birthday! Call her and wish her well.

THE ONLY THING ERNIE ARCHER hasn't broken lately is an Olympic record. Mend soon -- Beauregard

Suprise! I think OSU won & basket ball game

Jenny - it's almost over. Of course, there's always Easter & the woman's section to look forward to.

What do people do with the weekend off.

Donna must have kids. She lets it go in one ear and out the other.

Who got the last GUIDE ad?

Who is the new butcher at Porterhouse? Oh, Jack just lost 5 lbs. of hair.

"Ed. Please don't work Grandpa so hard." Thank you. EMMA ROSE

Boots is a great nickname. Almost as good as BARE FINGERS Rob.

Now you see him, now you don't. Amy must have brought the cat into work.

Thanks Ed. The food, drink & company was great.

"I paid how much for the hand made basket." Boots.

Curiosities

Rob, I know where you can get a great deal on a Walt Disney wall clock

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It's Amy, not Kim - Sorry about that. I hope that makes you mad at men.

Everyone at The Crier needs a raise after going to the auction.

I wonder if Brent played cops & robbers yet.

I bet Michelle has. Right Joy.

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COLLEEN "39" STOUT

Curiosities

WHITNEY G. - HOPE YOU DIDN'T LET YOUR DAD EMBARRASS YOU at the Valentine dance. He isn't Northville's greatest dancer. BET YOU HAD A GOOD TIME.

ERNIE ARCHER - Don't you dare break anything else YOU'RE IMPORTANT TO US.

MARTHA & DUNBAR - SPRING IS IN THE AIR. Start thinking of coming back to us. THE CRIER

THE CRIER STAFF - IT ISN'T TRUE that I wore mis-matched shoes to work. I had another pair just like them at home. G.G.

JACK MURDOCK - You forgot to leave my Valentine!

ERNIE ARCHER - "Lady Slippers?" It's what the little folk wear. Thank you.

CREON - Your Valentine was shared with us. Thank you. THE CRIER STAFF.

If my mom, Colleen Stout, was born 2/23/55, does that make her 39 today? Justin

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Curiosities

AMON: Happy Birthday - Nine Years!! Love, Jessica, Uncle Ed, Aunt Sally and Beau

HANKS TO EVERYONE who donated their hard-earned dollars to the "A" team at Ymonds-Bakewell Auction.

Christy Slinky...who gave her the mike.....?

RICK IT! (or Hit a hoop)

'STONS' Fantasy Camp: will the 'Stons learn to?

If there is no struggle, there is no progress. Those who profess to favor freedom and yet pronounce controversy are people who want crops without ploughing the ground." Frederick Douglass (1817-1895)

Advice for the day: Don't give away gold jewelry to complete strangers no matter how cute they are. -Rob.

Garen: How big will that tattoo be?

Cheryl Eberwein & hubby John: Welcome back to the neighborhood and congratulations twice!

Snakebite: I think that was the medicine I needed. You too?

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Ballot forums queue up in community; first is Monday

Four different organizations plus state Rep. Deborah Whyman are sponsoring public forums to discuss the pros and cons of the upcoming March 15 sales tax election.

Whyman (R-21st District), will conduct the first informational meeting Monday at 7 p.m. at Canton Township Hall.

That will be followed by a March 3 meeting at the Belleville High School cafeteria.

Canton will then host Gov. John Engler himself at a public meeting from 2:30 to 4 p.m. on March 4 at Fellow

Creek.

Another forum is being sponsored by United We Stand America, Ross Perot's grassroots political organization, and will be held at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 9, at the Canton Library.

Organizers have confirmed Al Short of the Michigan Education Association as the "con" speaker and a "pro" speaker from the governor's office for the evening session. The Canton Library is located on Canton Center Road alongside Township Hall.

A forum being sponsored by the Kiwanis is set for

noon on March 10 at the Mayflower Meeting House.

Speaking in opposition of the ballot plan will be Michael Duggan, deputy Wayne County executive; speaking in support of the measure will be Art Ellis, the state Commerce director.

Seating will be limited, so call 455-8120 for reservations.

The last forum is set for 7:30 p.m. March 10 at the Canton High School Little Theater.

It is being sponsored by the district's "I Care" committee.



Community opinions

Assisted suicide would create the 'duty' rather than the 'right' to die

EDITOR:

I am responding to Alex Lundberg's recent column in your Feb. 16 issue supporting physician-assisted suicide.

I am a family physician and a geriatrician who has had the privilege of helping many people through the last days of their lives.

The available choices are not limited to suffering or being killed, as he suggests. When a person has been diagnosed

as having a terminal illness they can choose to stop diagnostic and treatment procedures at any given time and go with hospice treatment or comfort treatment outside of a hospice program.

Pain can be relieved, depression can be helped, symptoms can be treated, and these last days of life can have a special value both for the ill person and their families.

Once available, the option of assisted

suicide would subject the disabled to subtle or overt pressures from families, insurance companies, or government to kill themselves so precious resources wouldn't be wasted. The "right to die" would become the "duty to die."

Finally, precisely defining when a person is terminal is not as exact as it might seem. Things such as remissions of a cancer or other illness, where it stops or even regresses do occur. I have seen this in my

own practice.

Indeed, we must not let emotions obscure a discussion of what is realistically available to help terminally ill persons and their families make their remaining days as good as possible.

With techniques available today, suffering is not a necessary part of our last days and good can come during this precious time.

THOMAS R. PALMER M.D.

Bus drivers performed well during spell of bad weather

EDITOR:

The bus drivers and mechanics at the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools would like to thank everyone for the patience and support in the last few weeks. Particularly, the infamous ice storm of Jan. 27, 1994, reminded us that mother nature is still in control.

An extremely stressful and long day for our bus drivers was made more bearable by many kind, selfless acts by men and women from out community. Farmers used tractors to pull buses out of ditches, parents offered their homes to warm drivers whose buses had slid off the road.

Many of our drivers had children at home and they were concerned with their safety. However, instead of going home after their work day, they drove their buses out on hazardous road and into neighborhoods that they were not familiar with so that their children could be home as soon as possible.

Because so many buses were disabled in the snow and ice, many drivers who were helping out were not familiar with the bus routes. Drivers had to rely on the students for directions. At no time would any bus driver knowingly leave a child in a dangerous situation, let alone at the wrong end of a road.

The transportation department at the Plymouth-Canton Schools has justifiably prided itself in its efficient operations. I am sure you can recognize from your own workplace, that as organizations

strive to be more efficient (right sizing, down sizing, ect.), they can no longer be prepared for all situations that can arise, without a noticeable loss in service or response time. In times of crisis, like Jan. 27, a lean and efficient department like ours does not have the surplus buses or drivers to draw from. Our drivers are proud public employees and live in our community. Thanks to a bond issue approved by you, we drive safe, efficient and well-maintained buses. We are here to serve the children of our community.

Again, on behalf of all of us in the transportation department, I would like to thank you for your continued support.

Alice Horstead,
Chief Steward,
Transportation

Attack on McAninch unfounded, Vos says, state will vindicate him of election charges

EDITOR:

I recently read Mr. Manderachia's letter to the editor which appeared in the Feb. 16 edition of your newspaper.

Evidently, he is a bit confused.

I am representing an individual who Commissioner McAninch has accused of violating the election laws.

This individual is my client and a member of the DDA.

The only assault involved in this case was an assault on my

client's reputation and character.

I believe that he has been falsely accused and I am of the firm belief that he will be vindicated by the Secretary of State's office once their investigation has been complete.

I would be more than happy to discuss this further with Mr. Manderachia at one of our City Commission meetings.

We usually meet on the first and third Monday of each month.

JOHN F. VOS III

Miller Woods debate brings out 'mean spirit'

EDITOR:

Why, why is there a mean spirit in this community?

The fence around Miller Woods was not something that was installed without much soul-searching.

I'm 80 years old and have lived in this community for 15 years. If memory serves me right, shortly after I was here, I heard of the problems at Miller Woods.

Today (Jan. 14) I drove around the Miller Woods. The fence is not obtrusive nor it is very visible.

The people who oppose it should offer some constructive measures to make it invisible by planting shrubs around the fence. Offer some financial support for the service of a professional landscape, help finance the cost of the shrubs and help with the planting.

How fortunate they are that they have a treasure in their back

yard. There are not many such areas around our country that have a stand of trees 500 years old and some maybe older.

We are here on this "good Earth" but a short time. The Miller Woods was here for several hundred years before us, it will be here a long time after we are gone if we protect it.

Let's preserve it for other generations to enjoy.

We are not setting a good example for our young people. Let's all behave like the civilized individuals we are.

Disagree, yes, but please let's not destroy.

Again, if memory serves me right, I did receive notice of an annual meeting that was to be held on Sunday, Oct. 3, however, I was unable to attend because I had planned to hear a concert in Ann Arbor. I was disappointed as there were to be some very good treats at that meeting.

MARTHA SUCHANSKI

Marching band wishes that it could perform more often in community

EDITOR:

As President of the Plymouth-Canton Music Boosters I see it's time I respond to the article on Feb. 16 by Kevin Dault. This is not the first time someone has questioned why the Marching Band is not in the 4th of July parade.

So let's set the record straight for the last time. It's very simple. The band, the music program, the students and the parents would love to march in the 4th of July parade in Plymouth. Let's go over why we don't.

First of all and most important, the staff and out director are away all summer at Drum Corp or teaching at a music camp so there would be no director or staff to bring the band to the parade.

Second, the seniors have graduated meaning in most years we lose 60 band members. Well that still leaves 120 members of the 180 right?

Wrong! Another 20 or more are at Drum Corp for the summer. Of the balance that would be left a great number of our students are at a music camp somewhere in Michigan or around the country.

So I have to ask, is it practical for us to march in the parade with only a few members

that wouldn't have a director to guide them? I think not!

Lets take a look at Canton. I have tried for two straight years to take the band to an event in Canton where they could perform.

Mr. Yack and myself have met on numerous occasions to find an event in the fall that the band could perform at. So far we have been unsuccessful but not for lack of trying. I would like to let everyone know that we do perform at the Memorial Day and the Fall Festival.

But I would like to go a step further and tell everyone the band does perform every October at the high school in a competition that the music boosters sponsor and 20 to 30 bands from Michigan, Ohio and Indiana perform in the day-long event and also lets not forget the "Variety Is" show at the park in February.

So Mr. Dault, if you wish to see our community award winning band there are plenty of dates for you to attend. Who knows, maybe you could be my guest Oct. 15 at our show at the park this year give me a call.

JIM VASSALLO
PRESIDENT OF P.C.M.B.



Community opinions

Who do you like?

Don't fish for endorsements from City employes, they might lose their jobs for their political opinions

Who's backing whom?

And is it proper?

With all the elected offices up for grabs this year, the war of the endorsements has begun.

Canton Supervisor Tom Yack, a Republican, is backing Ron Lowe for 35th District Court judge — a non-partisan office.

Yet Kathleen Keen-McCarthy, the Republican Plymouth Township supervisor, is sitting out the 35th judgeship because, she says, she'll have to work with the new judge.

So will Yack, who endorsed a candidate for judge — as did Northville Mayor Chris Johnson — be hampered or helped on the 35th District Advisory Committee? Should partisan elected officials endorse non-partisan candidates?

Dennis Shrewsbury, another 35th District candidate, has also won endorsements from Republican Township Trustees K. C. Mueller (Plymouth) and Phi LaJoy (Canton).

They don't sit on the court's ruling committee, but they do pass an annual budget and set police department policy — both of which affect the court.

Yack also jumped in The Endorsement Soup by backing Democratic Congressional Hopeful Bryan Amann. A Republican backing a Democrat? He's not alone.

Northville Township Supervisor Karen Baja, a GOP, is also on Amann's list. What happens to those township's clout in D.C. if Amann loses?

Who should endorse?

Should police chiefs endorse judicial candidates?

Should court staffers back hopefuls for judge?

Should other candidates in unrelated — especially partisan — races back candidates for the bench? Bruce Patterson, who will seek Amann's current job as Wayne County Commissioner (except as a Republican), is backing Lowe.

Should City of Plymouth employes endorse anybody for anything? (The judicial race is tricky with at least one City Commissioner — Shrewsbury — and the City Attorney — Lowe — in the hunt.)

Plymouth City Manager Steve Walters latest memo suggests that city employes who *simply want to exercise their First Amendment rights* should seek employment elsewhere.

"It is unprofessional for City employes, and especially City department heads, to publicly support local candidates," wrote Walters.

"Some employes have raised the question in the past whether the above policy is a violation of their civil rights. You should consider the following in this regard," the city manager continues. "You have a civil

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By W. Edward WENDOVER



right to participate in the political process, but you do not have a civil right to hold your specific job.

"If you feel that the requirements of your job and the requirements of your professional ethics are in conflict with your need to participate in the local political process, then you should probably consider finding a different job which is not so limiting," states Walters to City folks who have worked for the Plymouth citizens much longer than he has.

Certainly the city manager should warn his colleagues about the dangers of local politics, but there's a fine line of appropriate advice vs. unconstitutional threats.

His memo, dated Feb. 14, might well be termed: The St. Valentine's Day Massacre if City employes decide to start licking stamps and stuffing envelopes for candidates anyhow.

Who should endorse?

Every interested voter.

The more the merrier; the more that get involved, the more the issues get debated; the more voters who are swept into the process.

Dare to take a stand and let the chips fall! Endorse as many candidates as conscience allows — meaning, of course, that it be appropriate and fully cognizant that repercussions are a part of politics.

Except, of course, City of Plymouth employes, who are exempt from the First Amendment by edict of the City Manager/King/Despot. And the final question: will City of Plymouth employes be allowed to vote?

Probably, coming next is a City of Plymouth policy on fraternizing amongst City employes.

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EDITOR:

It is hard to believe that 1974 was the year you established that "Hometown Newspaper."

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FRANK A. McMURRAY

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