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Mixed messages

Gov. Engler gets warm welcome from firm; hot hello from teachers

THIS WEEK

Gov. John Engler's 10-day re-election tour stop in Plymouth Township ended on a violent note Thursday when a School orchestras will per-Garden City teacher was arrested after he allegedly punched out the window of a vehicle leaving the lot.

Jim Walsh, 66, allegedly knocked out the window of a pickup truck cap as the vehicle exited the lot of Vico Products on Ann Arbor Road.

BY JOHN HORN

Plymouth Township Investigator Steven Mann said Walsh has been released pending the issue of a warrant. He is expected to be charged with malicious destruction of property.

The driver was attempting to make a right turn onto Ann Arbor Road from Vico's lot following the governor's speech.

According to one witness, however, the driver had come close to protesters who had lined the driveway, and Walsh may have simply been protecting himself.

The group, approximately 20 area teachers and Michigan Education Association members, had been shouting at certain cars leaving the lot. Words between the driver and Walsh were exchanged.

As the victim turned onto Ann Arbor Road, Walsh punched the truck's cap, shattering a bubbled plastic back window

Walsh, along with approximately 25 members of an anti-Engler contingency, were present to protest Engler's appearance

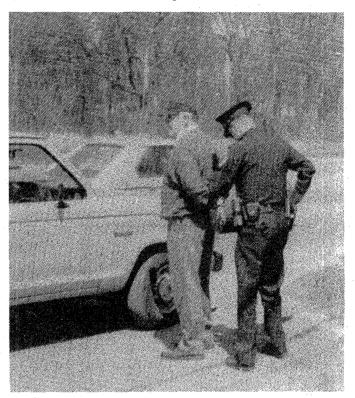
"I didn't want Engler to get this close to home without letting him know someone doesn't care for him here," Walsh said.

The group — which sported signs reading "Engler doesn't care about workers" and "I am the MEA" - is less than pleased with the prospect of the governor signing new teacher strike legislation into law.

The legislation — HB 5128 — is awaiting Engler's signature. (See story at right.)

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This protester was arrested during Gov. John Engler's stop in **Plymouth Township** Thursday. The man, a Garden City teacher, was taken into custody after allegedly smashing out a window of a pickup truck after its driver heckled the teachers. (Crier photo by John Horn)



Lawmakers, teachers at odds over new anti-strike legislation

BY CRAIG FARRAND The president of the Plymouth-Canton

teachers union says there isn't a lot of breathing room in the new teacher strike legislation awaiting Gov. John Engler's signature.

Calling the strike penalty provisions of the bill "too severe," Plymouth-Canton Education Association President Charles Portelli, said he could actually live with the anti-strike concept, "if the penalties configuration was fair.'

The legislation — HB 5128 — carries a \$250-per-teacher-per-day penalty if they strike, plus \$5,000 per day fine against the respective teachers union.

In the event of a teacher lockout, the bill calls for fines of \$250-per-day-perschool-board trustee and \$5,000 per day fine against the school district. All fines go back into the education fund.

"So each of my teachers would be assessed a per diem fine, but only seven board members would be penalized," Portelli said. "Don't you think there's something wrong with that configuration?"

In addition, Portelli also took exception to language that calls for a school district's "last best offer" to be imposed if, after 30 days, both sides have declared an impasse.

"What's forcing (the school board) to go beyond its first offer?" Portelli asked. "If we make it through mediation, that first offer becomes the last offer.

"And where's the bargaining?"

original or family recipes into the contest

as they choose, the only provision being

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Get ready for first **Crier** food cookoff

Are you a good cook? Can you turn the groceries - better yet the leftovers - into a culinary masterpiece?

If you are a good cook, and think that it's high time that everyone knew it, you'll have your chance as The Crier kicks off its first Cook-off.

Participants can enter as many of their

that each individual recipe must be sent in with their own entry form. According to Crier Cook-off Organizer

Karen Ochman, the competition will have three categories. "Competitors should send in recipes for

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Charge dropped against Morrell

A criminal complaint against Salem Township Builder Russ Morrell wasdropped following a probable cause hearing last week.

Morrell had been charged with bank fraud for allegedly falsifying federal income tax returns in order to obtain bank loans and lines of credit exceeding

United States District Court's Eastern District heard the complaint.

The count was dismissed last Tuesday and Morrell's bond canceled.

According to U.S. District Court records, Morrell has no other charges pending at this time.

TAG program to move to Miller school in fall

BY CRAIG FARRAND

The Plymouth-Canton school board stuck by its guns Monday night, confirming the move of the district's Talented and Gifted (TAG) program from Allen Elementary School.

What did change, though, was the program's destination: Instead of moving to Gallimore elementary, as had been decided a year ago, it will now move to Miller elementary in September.

The final vote on the move was 6-1, with Trustee Jack Farrow dissenting, saying his no vote was a protest "of the rather poor job we did of communicating with these people."

"These people" were the nearly three dozen TAG parents and members of the TAG Advisory Council in attendance at the meeting.

To a person, each of them either pleaded with the board not to move the program or complained that they had not been consulted on the move in advance.

The issue of moving the TAG program first arose last spring when the board, faced with severe budget cuts and iffy millage prospects, actually considered closing the program.

Instead, the board said it was possible to keep the program open if cost-savings in transportation and other areas were found by moving it elsewhere.

As a result, several parents in attendance said that was the only reason that Please see pg. 15

Money matters City zeroes in on '94-'95 budget

BY JOHN HORN

As he wrestles with a 1994-95 citv budget of approximately \$5 million, City Manager Steven Walters looks for ways to trim without compromising services or increase property taxes.

Walters said the city needs to find alternatives to in improve the revenue flow without burdening the taxpayers.

"We have to find a way to increase revenue other than raising property taxes," Walters said.

Some of those ways include raising non-property tax revenue like raising fees and selling city services outside the community.

Such fees, like those involving Plymouth's Parks and Recreation Department, could be raised for non-residents. Walters cited the ice rink in the Plymouth Cultural Center as an example.

"You can't just charge whatever you want for ice hockey time." he said. "There are other rinks in the area. People will look to programs in other areas if the fees are too high."

Taxpayers already pay out 1.5 mills to the recreation fund. An increased fee for non-residents would add to the revenue flow without taxing residents.

If there is one thing to the 1994-95 and future budgets that will save money is the proposed merger of township and city fire departments.

Walter expects Plymouth, over a tenyear period, to avoid spending \$1.3 million in purchases and maintenance.

"The fire department merger, if 1

biggest financial solutions," Walters said.

Other cost-cutting measures have included scaling back funding of the main street cruise and computerizing the city's general accounting and record keeping.

In seeking to promote city services to outside communities, Walters said the commission is in the early stages of developing a vehicle maintenance service program with Plymouth Township.

It would be offered through the Department of Public Works and its garage. The city could sell the services, which the township does not currently have, and the two would share costs.

"It is a revenue source to us and we can do that without raising taxes," Walters said. "It would greatly benefit one another.'

Producing a balanced budget with such tactics is imperative to Walters, despite some setbacks.

While those plans are in preliminary stages, the state has presented ongoing clogs in the revenue flow.

In 1991, the state adjusted cost-sharing formulas for developed communities. Walters said Plymouth did not get everything the formulas called for.

To make up for it, Plymouth was to receive a 12 per cent increase in stateshared revenues. Walters said the city will get only 4 per cent.

"They are the parents and we are the children," Walters said.

One revenue problem the city is facing is due in part to census results taken in worked out, will probably be one of the

One of these men will be the next P-C supt...

GARY HUGHES superintendent Durand (MI) School District YEARS IN JOB: 4 **DISTRICT SIZE: 2,600 students** TEACHERS: 130 **BUDGET: \$12** million SALARY: \$81,000 EDUCATION: B.A., Marquette University; M.A., Central Michigan University; Ed.D., International Graduate School.

and the board

BY CRAIG FARRAND

The Plymouth-Canton school board will whittle its list of superintendent candidates to one next Wednesday at a special meeting set for 7 p.m.

Originally, the board had considered a May 16 date for that selection, but to allow time for a visit to the candidate's home district — now set for May 10-11 — the decision was moved forward.

The actual search for a new superintendent continues through Tuesday, as school board trustees complete their second round of interviews of three finalists.

Hamburg (NY) Supt. Charles Little was interviewed Thursday; Westwood (MA) Supt. Robert Monson was

Fun times?

Township residents hope to erect new playscape in park

BY GARY GOSSELIN

"We noticed a lack of playground equipment in our parks, and that got us psyched-up to do this."

What Plymouth Township residents Kim Mizzi and Marybeth Yanek are psyched-up about, is a \$85,000, 15,000square-foot wooden playscape for McClumpha Park.

The women are newcomers to the township (both moved in last year: Yanek in January and Mizzi in May), and met at a local park last summer.

Both women said that they came from older, more established communities with more play areas for children.

"We both noticed the lack of playground equipment," said Mizzi, who has three children.

'We would drive to Ann Arbor or Farmington Hills, but finally said that we need a play area in our neighborhood."

Mizzi and Yanek (with two children) hope to collect the funds - all from citizen contributions - garner volunteers and erect the structure by spring 1995.

In December, the women gained approval from the township Board of Trustees to build the playscape, and the township's approval to maintain the structure once it's built.

The next step, they said is organizing for fund-raising efforts and volunteers for

CHARLES LITTLE superintendent Hamburg (NY) School District YEARS IN JOB: 4 **DISTRICT SIZE: 5,050 students TEACHERS: 365 BUDGET: \$40 million** SALARY: \$92.500 EDUCATION: B.A., Rutgers University; M.A.T., State University of New York; Ed.D., Indiana University.

The man he will replace

JOHN HOBEN

EDUCATION: B.S., University of Michigan; M.A.,

Michigan State University; Ed.D., Wayne State

YEARS IN JOB: 23

TEACHERS: 740

University.

BUDGET: \$85 million

SALARY: \$116,000

DISTRICT SIZE: 15,000 students

ROBERT MONSON superintendent Westwood (MA) School District **TIME IN JOB: 7 DISTRICT SIZE: 2,000 students** TEACHERS: 165 **BUDGET: \$14 million** SALARY: \$95.600 EDUCATION: B.A., University of St. Thomas; M.A., U of St. Thomas; Ph.D., St. Louis University.

will pick him next Wednesd

Hughes will be interviewed Tuesday.

Hughes was a last-minute replacement for S. Gene Denisar, superintendent of the North Kansas City School District, who removed his name from consideration 24 hours after the board had selected him as a finalist.

Altogether, six men made it to the preliminary round of interviews: Little, Monson, Hughes, Denisar and St. Cloud (MN) Supt. Ronald Jandura and Marshall (MI) Supt. Louis Giannunzio.

Expected to make the trip to the final candidate's home district will be board President Roland Thomas and Trustees David Artley and Carl Battishill.

Woman gets \$10.4 million settlement in fatal '90 fire

More than three years after the fire that devastated a Canton woman's home and family, a mitigation settlement has been agreed upon to resolve the almost two year-old lawsuit.

Debra Dell'Orco of Canton settled her lawsuit over the Dec. 22 fire that took the lives of her husband and six of her nine children for \$10.4 million in Wayne County Circuit Court last Tuesday.

According to Canton Township Fire Marshall Art Winkel, the blaze that consumed the home began in the Dell'Orco's Christmas tree. Robert, 4; Michael, 5; Megan, 5; Sarah, 9; Katie, 8; Bonnie, 11 and Martin Dell'Orco, 38 died in the fire.

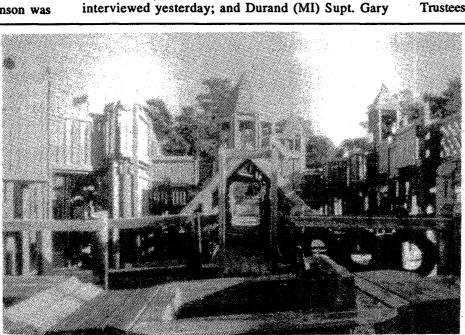
According to the Wayne County medical examiner, all seven died of smoke and soot inhalation.

The suit was brought by Dell'Orco in June of 1992 against the distributor, manufacturer, retailer of the light string and Underwriter's Laboratories, a product testing agency that rated the lights as safe to use.

The suit also named the manufacturers of the Dell'Orco's couch which caught fire in the house as well. The suit claimed that the couch gave off toxic smoke when flames engulfed it.

The settlement was for \$6.3 million plus lifetime payments that will bring to total to \$10.4 million over time.

According to Dell'Orco, she is looking into the possibility of creating an information service to track the safety record of. Please see pg. 15 فرغو فرفو فرفر خرف فرع



This is the type of "playscape" that Plymouth Township residents are hoping to erect in McClumpha Park.

all aspects of the project.

Mizzi said that Girl Scout Troop 210 from Bird Elementary has already held a fund-raiser, and have collected \$35.69 from selling hot chocolate at McClumpha Park.

The women are working with the Robert S. Leathers & Associates, and architectural firm from Ithaca, New York.

The firm, they said, has helped build more than 500 playscapes, and works closely with the community. The structure will also be handicap accessible.

The first order of business, Mizzi said, is to approach students, and have them draw their ideal play area.

She said that the drawings received by the children will be incorporated into the unique design of the playscape.

Mizzi also said that with the guidance from the Leathers firm, volunteers don't necessarily have to be experienced.

"Volunteers don't have to have experience," said Mizzi. "They'll have a coor-

dinator and teams with an experienced leader."

She added that during the five days of construction next spring, there will be food and on-site day care.

Mizzi and Yanek said that they're hoping to get everyone involved.

"We really want to get the community involved, the Lions, Kiwanians and other service groups," Yanek said.

"We'll need a lot of donations and a lot of time."

The women had an organizational meeting at the township offices last month, and said that they got a strong response.

They said that although there was a good response, more volunteers are still needed for various positions. They have scheduled another meeting at Fiegel Elementary for 8 p.m. on March 9.

To volunteer time, services or money for the project, or for information, call Kim Mizzi at 454-4829, or Marybeth Yanik at 454-9614.

BY ALEX LUNDBERG

Two new state laws set tougher assessment standards for P-C

BY CRAIG FARRAND

Reacting to what was termed a "Christmas present" from Lansing, Plymouth-Canton school officials Monday night presented a comprehensive plan to forever alter the educational assessment process used on children in the district.

The 14-page report outlined a laundry list of new testing procedures and exams, each of which is aimed at preparing the district to meet assessment, accreditation and graduation requirements spelled out in two new state laws.

Dubbed "Christmas presents," Public Acts 335 and 339 call for unprecedented changes in educational programming, ranging from strict definitions of core curriculum to tough building-by-building accreditation standards to increased pupil testing.

In addition, even the highly controversial MEAP tests gain new ground, as not only the standards are upgraded, but penalties are also attached for failure to attain those standards.

Specifically, any district that fails to meet these standards in any one building would lose 5 percent of its total state aid funding.

To help stave off such a future and prepare the district for the new standards, officials are considering a comprehensive package of tests and teacher improvement training that would cost the district a minimum of \$85,000 in its first year - not counting staff development costs.

Some of the highlights of the new program call for new performance testing at the beginning of third grade and toward the end of fifth, eighth and 12th grades; achievement testing toward the end of fourth grade and the beginning of sixth and ninth grades; and additional MEAP testing in new categories.

The bottom line, officials said, was that to meet the new state standards by 1997, Plymouth-Canton would have to implement the new procedures this fall.

The board agreed to discuss the entire plan in more detail May 16.

One killed, one injured in head-on car crash

One person was killed and another critically wounded in a head-on collission Friday night in Plymouth Township.

The accident occurred at Ann Arbor Trial and Francis Street.

One victim was transported to St.

Mary's Hospital and subsequently air lifted to University of Michigan Hospital in Ann Arbor and is currently listed in critical condition. The other motorist was pronounced

dead at the scene.



As Gov. John Engler spoke to supporters inside Vico Products Thursday, area teachers staged a protest outside against new anti-strike legislation expected to be signed by the governor in the near future. (Crier photos by Rob Kirkbride)

"He's not an educator and he does not

During his speech at Vico, Engler

"But we have invested in schools and

know what's good for kids. And that is

what education is all about."

education," Engler said.

Engler cheered, jeered at rally

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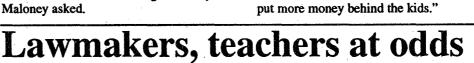
The group booed and jeered the governor as his bus entered Vico's lot.

Plymouth teacher Debbie Maloney

vaguely addressed some of his detractors. echoed the sentiments of the education "We haven't always made friends in

crowd opposing Engler. "Who is this benefiting and why?"

Maloney asked.



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All three members of the P-C delegation — state Sen. Robert Geake and Reps. Jerry Vorva and Deborah Whyman voted in favor of the legislation.

Both Geake and Vorva singled out the penalty provisions as a key component of their yes vote.

Geake: "This bill does not make strikes illegal — they have been for 29 years. The bill sets a reasonable enforcement mechanism for an existing law."

Vorva: "Entire communities are held hostage by the threat of illegal strikes and are torn apart each day they drag on.

"The measures we propose are not punitive; they simply put teeth into existing law and hold school boards to the same standards as teachers."

Portelli, however, doesn't buy the argument.

there were only two last year.

"The issue is that this has paved the way for future plans by Engler for changes; changes such as the out-sourcing of jobs; changes that won't be open to negotiation.

That seems to be what the intent is (of the legislation); to take away our ability to bargain."

Whyman, however, zeroed in on the cost efficiencies that she felt would arise from the new provisions.

"For years, school boards have been

unable to place a rein on costs, which far exceed the rate of inflation," she said. "That's why we were caught up in the millage game.

"The Legislature must provide school officials with the tools to trim costs without diminishing quality.

"These changes are a direct ticket to educational excellence," she said.

Portelli - who was among the nearly two dozen protesters at Engler's Plymouth Township visit Thursday ---said he and his fellow teachers were very frustrated by the situation.

Although his executive committee did not meet until yesterday - and, therefore, he hadn't had a chance to talk with everyone about the bill - Portelli said the frustration stemmed from its apparent targeting of teachers.

"We're the only labor union given these kinds of restrictions," he said. "If you're going to do this, do it to everyone. "But to just single us out ... "

Because the legislation, if signed into law by Engler, would not take affect until next April, current negotiations with the PCEA will be unaffected. These negotiations include a wage reopener and the setting of the new school calendar.

Next year, however, at least one aspect of the school calendar will fall outside of negotiations: the opening day of school - which, Portelli said, would have ramifications throughout the remainder of the 1995-96 school year.

project Farrand Elementary School, Additions and Renovations Work. Interested companies can obtain bid documents at the office of the Construction Manager, on or after April 25, 1994:

Barton Malow Company c/o Plymouth - Canton Schools 987 S. Main Street Plymouth, MI 48170 (313) 416-2965

All proposals must be submitted on or before 2:00 p.m., local time, May 12, 1994, on the approved bid proposal form to:

Raymond K. Hoedel

Associate Superintendent of Business/Operations Plymouth - Canton Community Schools 454 South Harvey Street Plymouth, MI 48170

The Board of Education reserves the right to accept any of reject all bid proposals, as they judge to be in the best interest of the Plymouth - Canton Community Schools.

Les Walker Secretary Board of Education

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Public notices

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Education of Plymouth - Canton Community Schools is soliciting proposals from qualified companies for the following construction



Friends & neighbors

Neighbors in the news

Mark Merlanti, a Canton attorney, will serve as co-moderator of the Law Fair this coming Sunday, May 1 at Tel-12 Mall from noon to 5 p.m. The event, celebrating law day, will provide free answers to legal questions on real estate, family law and other topics, Merlanti said.

Don Schneider, a Plymouth glass artist, will demonstrate his art again at the fouth annual Family Day at the Detroit Institute of Arts on Sunday, May 15. He has just returned from a western trip where his glass bead art was featured at major symposiums in California and New Mexico.

Long Island University has released the names of those appearing on the Dean's List for the Fall semester of the 1993-94 academic school year.

Christopher L. Harden of Plymouth has been named to the Dean's List. Harden was a graduate of Canton High School.

Douglas Smith, of Plymouth has completed the degree requirements from the Bloomington campus of Indiana University in Dec., 1993. Smith has received his Bachelor of Arts degree.

Indiana University Bloomington Campus has named those students who have made the Founder's Day List, formally known as the Dean's List, for the first semester of the 1993-94 academic school year.

Julie Jensen and Christopher Johnson of Plymouth have been named to the Founder's Day List.

Albion College has released the list of student names who have been named to the Dean's List and named an Albion Fellow for the fall semester. The following former, Plymouth

residents have been named to the Dean's List: Matt Berres, Rebecca McBee, Jeffrey Moore, Holly Quick and Stephen Sedore.

In addition, Jeffrey Moore and Stephen Sedore have been named Albion Fellow's.

Suburban Children's Co-op Nursery, located in the Newburgh United Methodist Church is having a farewell party for teacher Theresa Conley after her fourteen years of service on April 17 from 2-4 p.m. All former students are welcome to the party which will be held in the church hall.

The sound of silence

Plymouth Symphony Society will hold benefit auction to round out 48th season, begin fund drive for next year

BY JOHN HORN

Plymouth Symphony Society, in preparing for its 49th season providing area aficionados with live music, will host a benefit pops concert Friday night at Fox Hills.

The concert is an annual affair for the group, but this year is different as the PSS has incorporated a silent and live auction into the event.

Linda Alvarado, president of PSS, said the pops concert ends the season, with the benefit helping them to prepare for the next one.

"We've been having the pops concert for approximately 25 years to end the season," Alvarado said. "The last three years, we've have combined benefit and this is the first year for the auction."

Jill Scypta is the symphony league president and is responsible for the fund raising arm of PSS. Friday's event will mark the end of one term and the beginning of another.

"This is winding down for all of us," she said.

"The league will then start working again very soon for next year.'

Items available for bidding include: pianist and harpist performances, gift certificates from Bon Homme and other area restaurants, Tiger tickets, cosmetic jewel-



Plymouth Symphony Society members Don Rupp (left), Pat Dadarion, Esther Hulsing, Linda Alvarado and Jill Scypta get ready for the upcoming fund-raiser. (Crier photo by George Gentry)

ry, Molly Maid gift certificates and an opportunity to be a guest conductor for "Stars and Stripes Forever'' during Friday's performance.

"For anyone who has every dreamed of conducting, this is the perfect opportunity," Alvarado said.

The symphony concert will feature the music of composer Andrew Lloyd Webber, along with a somewhat timely performance by the bell choir.

"They will help ring in the spring," Alvarado said.

The Plymouth Symphony Ochestra is led by seven-year conductor Russell Reed. He also directs orchestras at the Interlochen Arts Camp, the Michigan State University Youth Music Program and Indiana University.

Paul Russell, host of WQRS (105 FM) morning program, will serve as auctioneer. Tickets for the event are \$35 for the dinner and concert; and \$20 for the concert and dessert. Alvarado said she is expecting an audience of more than 350 people.

Liberty Fest looking for crafters, antique dealers

BY ALEX LUNDBERG

Now that summer is only a few weeks away, Canton Township is gearing up for their third annual Liberty Fest on June 25 and 26.

This year, the organizers of the Fest are starting early by accepting applications for fine artists and antique dealers to sell their wares from 10' by 10' booths under their circus big-top tents.

So far, 35 applications have been received. Last year, 75 fine artists were at the show.

According to Julie Giordano, owner of the Julie Giordano Studio in Northville, the show will be different from last year's presentation.

"Last year there was nothing but fine art," Giordano said. "This year we're also going to have crafters and antique dealers *as well.'

According to Giordano, those wishing to take part in the Liberty Fest should call to get an application, send it in with slides of what you want to sell and \$65.

Giordano said that the applicants will go through a jurying process, and those that pass will be notified.

"We want to make sure that the quality of the show is as good as last year," Giordano said. "The ones that don't get into the show will get a full refund."

She also said that the deadline for applications will be May 15, but if interest for the event is high enough, applications may be taken until the end of the month.

To get an application, either call Julie Giordano at 348-0282

mailed to D & M Studios, 39893 Fox Valley, Canton, MI, 48188.

or Sharon Lee Dillenbeck at 453-3710. Applications should be

Orchestras to perform tonight

"Mostly Mozart" is the theme of tonight's free concert by the Plymouth-Canton Symphony and the Middle School orchestras.

The performances, which begin at 7:30 in the Salem High School Auditorium, will also feature solos by three PCEP students: Canton sophomore Leslie DeShazor will perform on the viola; Canton senior Mariam Garcellano will perform a French horn solo; and Canton senior Derek Clemens will perform a trombone solo.

Conducting the high school orchestra is H. Michael Endres; Leslie Capozzoli, a 1989 Canton



gets ready for tonight's concert.

graduate, conducts the middle school orchestra.



Recipes must be complete, including measurements (no abbreviations), size of pan or dish, specific preparation directions, temperature and number of servings. Enter as many recipes as you like, but each entry must be accompanied by a separate entry form. Entries will be judged on taste, food appearance and ease of preparation. Finalists chosen by local food experts, will prepare their dishes for the judges during the day Saturday May 21, in the Plymouth-Salem High School Home Education Dept. (Preparation cooking time must not exceed one hour. If needed, extra cooking time in the morning of the cook-off can be arranged. Sorry we cannot accommodate microwave recipes). (Employees of The Community Crier and their families and professional cooks are not eligible).

Winners will be published in the Crier, June 1st.



Get ready for The Crier cookoff

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appetizers, main dishes and desserts," Ochman said. "The judges will select the finalists from the recipes."

According to Ochman, a panel of local chefs, restaurant owners, a dietitian and culinary instructors from area community colleges and the high schools will choose which recipes will move on to the finals.

"The finalists will need to provide their own ingredients, utensils and pans," Ochman said. "They will have 11/2 hours to cook, including preparation time."

The finals of the Cook-off will take

place in the Salem High School kitchen on May 21. Prizes will be awarded to winners in all three categories.

Look for the Crier Cook-off Entry Form in today's Crier (at left). Entries should be sent to The Plymouth-Canton Community Crier, 821 Penniman Avenue, Plymouth, MI, 48170 by May 16. For more information, call Karen Ochman at 453-6900.

The Crier is looking forward to seeing a lot of area cooks sending their best recipes into the contest.

Ochman said that if the event goes well, the Crier Cook-off will be an annual event.

Creating leaders New program aims at preparing next generation taking township into future

BY ALEX LUNDBERG

The Problem: a lack of service groups within Canton to generate community leaders.

The Solution: create a community organization that allows Canton residents to hone their leadership skills and get acquainted with the community as a whole.

Leadership Canton, a project of the Canton Chamber of Commerce, is currently looking for 25 people who either live or work in the Canton community to join together to take an exhaustive look at the township and the challenges and opportunities that face it.

According to Canton Township Trustee Phil LaJoy, the project will officially begin at the May 4 Canton Chamber of Commerce meeting.

"Woody Hollman, who works on Leadership Ann Arbor, will talk about their operation at the meeting," LaJoy said.

"The alumni list from their leadership program numbers in the hundreds."

LaJoy, who is also an alumnus of the Ann Arbor Leadership program, said that the leadership program is a good way to get people involved in the community.

The program will consist of 10 segments, each focusing on a different aspect of Canton as a community.

Part of the task of putting the program together is making sure that each segment offers something substantive to those taking part.

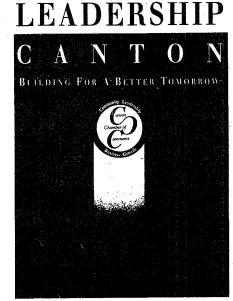
"We're going to try to make each segment a meaningful day," LaJoy said.

He said that the process would be interactive, citing that people learn more quickly when they are taking part in an activity rather than listening to a lecture.

For instance: during the segment on education, some members might go to a high school while others would be following a principal or sitting in on some classes.

Some would meet with the school board and some would talk to the students.

Later, the group would get back together and share what they had learned with each other.



"They would get a slice of education, not the whole educational process," LaJoy said. "We'll try to give as much information as possible."

He said that there would also probably be group projects involving either the whole group or several small groups. The group(s) would then work toward identifying and solving a community problem.

According to LaJoy, community improvement is the point of Leadership Canton.

"We want people to make a committment to the community," LaJoy said. "We want people to make a change for the better."

One possible stumbling block for those trying to join the Leadership Canton group is the price for membership: \$700 to cover meals, texts and other costs of the program.

According to LaJoy, there may be some help in that area.

"We're hoping to have some scholarships for the tuition," LaJoy said. "Maybe we can get some businesses to help sponsor those."

LaJoy said that businesses would be the primary source of members for the group.

Applications for Leadership Canton will be accepted at the Canton Chamber of Commerce no later than Aug. 14.



Getting down to business

Neighbors in business

Canton industrial building contractor **Rudolph/Libbe Inc.** has announced breaking ground on 138,000 square feet of industrial and R & D construction projects for three area companies.

They will began work for Waste Management, Inc., The Spiratex Company and Perstorp Components, Inc.

Downtown Plymouth's newest art gallery announced the addition of animation art from the Hanna-Barbera Studios. The Animation Station, which caters to the cartoon/animated film enthusiast has a large selection of vintage Walt Disney cels along with Warner Bros., Turner, Fox and Nickelodeon.

Paul Fessler of Plymouth, technical manager at the Fermi 2 Nuclear Power Plant, recently completed the Senior Nuclear Plant Management Course conducted by the National Academy for Nuclear Training.

The five-week course is designed to enhance participants' abilities to identify, analyze and solve management challenges typical to those they encounter at nuclear power plants.

Course attendees are nominated by member utilities based on their potential for assignment as plant managers or to other senior nuclear plant management positions. More than half of current U.S. plant managers are course graduates.

Plymouth resident **Debbie Cortellini** has been promoted to Gold Sales Director with Discovery Toys.

Cortellini began distributing the firm's products 11 years ago as an educational consultant.

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Into the light

The Sipapu Co. features Southwestern art and furniture

BY ROB KIRKBRIDE The ancestors of the Pueblo Indians, the Anasazi, settled in what is currently New Mexico thousands of years ago.

Anthropologists are uncertain of their origins, but the Pueblo believe they came from an underworld beneath the earth's surface.

This place was dark, ugly and damp, and they struggled to get out. After many tries, they emerged through the earth's navel onto the land and into the light. The point of emergence is represented by a small opening, or Sipapu (see-pah-pooh), the namesake of a new store at 298 S. Main Street in Plymouth.

The store will feature made in America merchandise exclusively from Santa Fe, Taos, Albuquerque and the seven Pueblos in the surrounding area.

Lisa Ritchie, one of the owners of the company said The Sipapu Company carries furniture, pottery, weaving, painting, sculpture from artists and craftspeople working in, and inspired by, northern New Mexico. "We got involved because we personally liked the art," she said. "Santa Fe is such a unique place.

"Since we were shipping things UPS for ourselves, we decided we could expose other people to the art as well."

Ritchie said the response since the store opened a few weeks ago has been amazing.

"I think people really appreciate the quality and beauty they see here," she said.

Quality and beauty do not come cheap. Pottery runs in price from \$200 to \$5,400 each piece.

But it is the quality and workmanship that set the pieces apart from other art.

"The furniture is handmade and we can have it made any way the customer wants," said Ritchie.

The weavings, which Ritchie said have been very popular, are crafted by the Zoptec Indians. Alma Concha, a southwest artist

whose work is on exhibit in the Please see pg.11



Lisa Ritchie and 'Judge' (English Bulldog) sit in front of a weaving featured at the Sipapu Company, crafted by Zoptec Indians. (Crier photo by Rob Kirkbride)



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Community Real Estate

Market forces

Although interest rates are rising, now is still the time to buy that home

BY ROB KIRKBRIDE

Interest rates are on the rise, but according to area mortgage company executives, it is still the perfect time to buy a house.

Since October, interest rates on a 30-year fixed rate home loan have risen 2 percentage points to around 8 percent, but with tax cuts on the horizon, buyers could get more home for less money.

Harry Glanz, executive vice president at Capital Mortgage said the interest rates have risen because the economy is growing stronger.

"When the economy gets better," he said, "the Fed (Federal Reserve) gets worried about inflation.

"They raise the prime rate and it trickles down to mortgage rates.

"But when the economy is on the rise, more people are ready to buy homes."

New home starts are up about 12 percent and

Ken Moore, vice president and general manager of Great Lakes Mortgage said as long as interest rates stay in the single digits, buyers will find a great market.

"The rates are still about the same as last year for the most part," he said. "There is a large choice of homes and buyer activity has really picked up.

"The reduction in property taxes makes it a dynamite environment for anyone thinking about purchasing a home.

"Anyone contemplating buying a home

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Her line of work gives something back

BY MICHELLE CARON

"When I can bring someone into this town and help them to be successful in Plymouth it gives me so much satisfaction.

"I feel like I'm giving back to my community," said Pat Pulkownik, owner of the Patrician Group, a Plymouth corporate real estate firm.

"I'm convinced that I will be a 90-year-old lady shuffling up Main Street trying to cut a deal."

Through her work, Pat has introduced busi-

nesses such as the Subway on Ann Arbor Road, the Breadwinner, Silk Flowers & Things on Ann Arbor Trail, and others to the Plymouth community.

During her 20 years at home, raising four children, and participating as a community volunteer Pat wanted something more to do. So she went out and cultivated more interests.

Pat decided to go to college. It takes her eight

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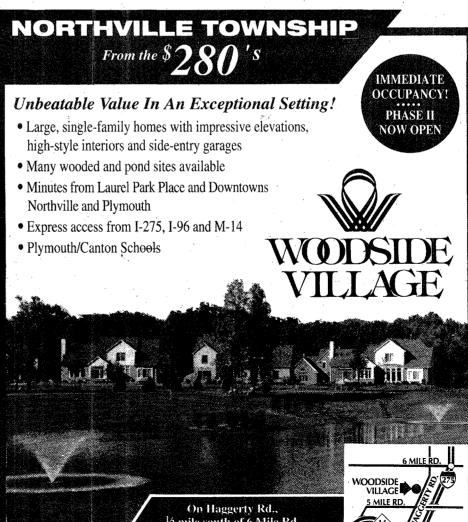
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Now is still good time to buy

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should do it now. The time is right."

Dan Smith, vice president and branch manager of Republic Bancorp Mortgage said the 8 percent rate should not deter buyers.

"If the rates go down in the future, the buyer can still refinance," he said.

Smith said the Plymouth-Canton market is excellent.

"For the first time in a long time we have buyers bidding on homes," he said. "People are bidding over the asking price.

"Realtor and new construction activity in the area is amazing.

"There is a ton of business in Canton."

Giving something back

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years to finish at Schoolcraft College.

Through those years Pat transcends from music major, to art major, and then decides on accounting as a solid foundation for eventually finding a job that she likes.

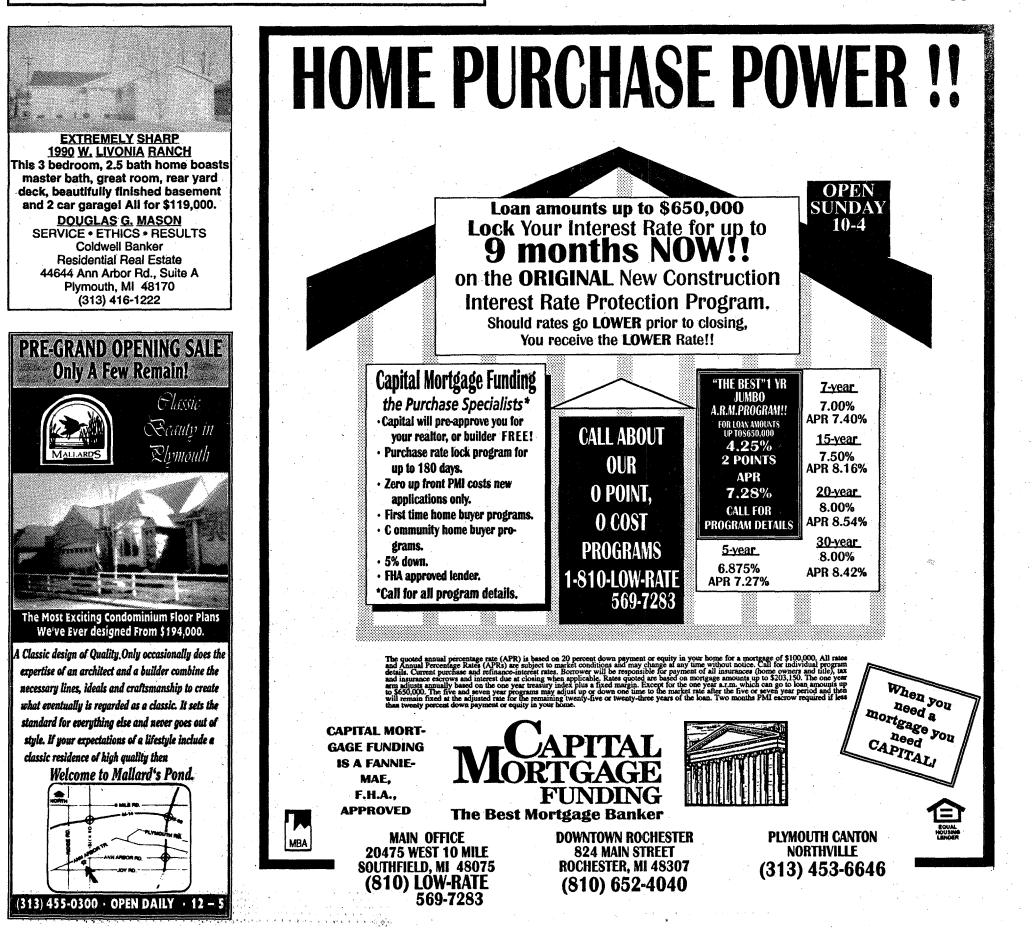
She transfers to Eastern on a community scholarship and receives her Bachelor's Degree in Marketing Promotions.

She wants to go into Shopping Center Development so she interns at Eastland and Southland Malls, putting together advertising campaigns.

She designs and writes commercials for radio.

Then, through associates and contacts she ends up in commercial real estate working for some big firms.

She plays with the big boys in **Please see pg. 10**



Now she's giving something back to her community

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the high rises in Detroit. Pat negotiates big real estate deals.

She is noted as the first woman in commercial investment. She gains visibility and respect.

But guess what? She decides not to play in the those circles anymore and in 1989, Pat opens her office in Plymouth. Pat searches for a synergy; a chemistry between herself and a group of people she can work with.

She finds this in the Plymouth

community.

"If I'm doing my job right I'm bringing more businesses in and keeping the economy in this town.

"And that provides a lot of jobs for people," she said.

Pat served as the President of the Plymouth Chamber of Commerce (1992), currently is on the Board of Directors for Our Lady of Providence, a home for developmentally impaired women, a Board member of the Ice Sculpture, she writes a column for

the Plymouth Chamber of Commerce, makes pottery, likes to read, she sings for her church choir and tours to different churches with them internationally. Pat bumped into and old school friend and she asked what Pat was

up to. Pat told her. Her friend laughs and says, "You haven't changed, you were always doing 10things at once."

Will she be cutting a deal on Main Street when she's 90? No doubt.



PAT PULKOWNIK

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Matt Utley

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School news

Bird Elementary School will be the site tonight of a special dedication ceremony: The school's media center will be officially named the "Raymond A. Buckman Media Center."

This dedication falls in the midst of a series of media center functions, all of which have been designed to draw attention to what historically have been known only as school libraries.

These new "centers," however, feature state-of-the-art computer centers, interactive video and audio-visual teaching aids, as well as the traditional shelves of books.

On May 13, Allen Elementary School will hold a media center open house in conjunction with the school's 40th birthday.

Tonight's dedication ceremony at Bird begins at 6:30, and will be followed at 7 p.m. by a "Young Author's Celebration and Art Fest."

Plymouth-Canton musicians were tops in their class in recent district and state competition.

The 12-member PCEP Chamber Orchestra earned a first division rating at the state Solo and Ensemble Festival at Eastern Michigan University.

And the 40-member PCEP Symphony Orchestra earned a first division rating in the District 12 Orchestra Festival held at Ypsilanti High School.

Both groups are under the direction of H. Michael Endres.

Two Plymouth-Canton student writers received special recognition recently when West Middle School eighth-grader Nicole Mashni earned an honorable mention in READ magazine's 16th annual Writing and Art Awards.

Mashni won the award for her short story, "The Nightmare that will never end.'

The other honors will come tomorrow night to more than 50 district writers: Those students will receive Laureate Prizes for Literature, a program developed by the district's learning specialists.

The awards presentation will take place from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at Hoben **Elementary School**

West Middle School eighth-graders placed 16th out of 320 schools from across the country in Global Challenge '94, a national competition that tests students on current events, history and geography.

In addition, two students - Chris Machnacki and Ethan Mosley placed in the top one percent in the country.

The West students took the exam under the direction of social studies teachers Jeannie Martin, Bill Nelson. Mike Shay and Ray Sypniewski....

Residents band together to address problems

BY JOHN HORN

Residents of Mayflower Townhouse Cooperative attended last week's City Commission meeting, blasting the complex's owners over a lack of adequate services.

In a letter sent to the commission, Rita Lanci and 13 other residents cited numerous violations, from cracked foundations to improper and nonexistent dryer ventilations.

The tenants are also upset with the way in which work has been done in the complex.

"When new roofs and gutters were done on all buildings, no permits were obtained for the work," Lanci said.

According to Lanci, 28 units are in need of gas dryer vents. Since January, only two units have been vented.

The residents are frustrated at a series of other housing problems within Mayflower. Lanci cited rotted wallboards, plumbing leaks, broken sewer lines and a carbon monoxide-emitting furnace in one building as problems concerning renters.

The townhouses, located at 400 Plymouth Road, consist of 17 buildings and 102 cooperative dwelling units.

According to City Manager Steve Walters, the cooperative is governed by a board of directors elected by and from the cooperative members. The Board also hires a property management company for maintenance purposes.

Walters stressed if tenants are having problems, they should take it to the board. He said the residents' complaints are of more concern to the owners, rather than the city.

"If some of the members are dissatisfied with the workmanship of the repair crews, they should voice their complaints to the Cooperative Board," Walters said.

The complaints were fielded at the meeting by Cooperative Board representative Ron Weaver.

He started by saying the residents' complaints were political in nature, due

Shop features western art

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Smithsonian Institute will be at the store in May to sign books and work on a sculpture.

Ritchie and partner Brian James, who is also an attorney whose office is located above Sipapu, are fairly new to the Plymouth-Canton area.

The uniqueness of Main Street and the park across the street drew us to the area," Ritchie said. "This building became available the week we made the decision on where to move.

"We really liked the central park and the people."

Ritchie said two things are readily apparent at The Sipapu Company.

"One, the items from northern New Mexico have a unique, and very pleasing style," she said.

"And two, simply viewing many of these items calms the soul and soothes the

to displeasure in results of a recent board election.

"We recently had an election and some people lost," he said. "These complaints are mean-spirited."

Weaver acknowledged the complaints and said management is doing its best to comply.

Violation notices were sent out from the city to the cooperative board. Weaver said his office did not receive them

BY ALEX LUNDBERG

After a break during the bitter cold of January and February, the cleanup of the 3M dumpsite on Michigan Avenue is almost ready to go into its second phase.

The site, which was a dumping area for a 3M facility that closed in the early 1980's, is filled with a solid, tar-like substance composed of lead, zinc, chromium and tolulene.

According to 3M's on-site environmental engineering manager, Robert Paschke, the sub-zero temperatures put both man and machine at risk.

"There were safety concerns during the cold weather," Paschke said.

"Some of the Roy F. Weston people who had been in the business for years said that it would be best to stop."

of the operation.

suits began to freeze, ice and snow made

promptly due to a mail forwarding problem.

Weaver stressed the apartments fulfilled a recent mortgage company inspection. He believes the residents could be overreacting.

"It's not as gloomy as the picture that has been painted here," he said. "There are no more or no less problems there than you would find in any 25-year-old building."



Dumpsite cleanup continues

heavy equipment difficult and possibly dangerous to operate.

"When you excavate, you run into pockets of groundwater," Paschke said.

"We were having a problem when the pumps began to freeze."

The cleanup operation officially resumed on March 14 with the reactivation of the chemical sensors and air monitors.

According to Paschke, while the cleanup was delayed during the cold there was valuable work being done.

"We did 80 borings (drilled samplings of the earth at the site) to pinpoint where the remaining wastes are," Paschke said. "Now we'll be able to finish the job."

Paschke said that, barring any surprises like strong winds from the north or the finding of more pockets of waste that weren't detected before, he is confident that the major excavation will be done in

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COMMITTED COMMUNITY COMMUNICATIONS

The Plymouth Symphony will be holding their spring tea on tomorrow from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Bonadeo Model Home in Heather Hills. Tickets are \$10 and are available at Me and Mr. Jones Petites. Passage-Gayde Post 391 of the American Legion will be holding their 25th Annual Recognition dinner Saturday at the Mayflower-Lt. Gamble VFW Post. Tickets are \$20 each in advance and \$25 at the door. For more information and ticket reservations, call Jim Maahs at 455-5541 or 453-3888.

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. 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.

What's Happening

calendar (space permitting).

4 at the Mayflower Hotel at 7:15 a.m. For more information, call 453-7091.

The class will run for 10 weeks every Thursday night.

May 5. For more information, call 348-9531.

KIWANIS BREAKFAST CLUB The Kiwanis Breakfast Club of Plymouth will be holding an open house for prospective new members on May

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.

NATIONAL FARM AND GARDEN ASSOCIATION The Northville Woman's National Farm and Garden Association will be offering two \$1,000 scholarships for women in the Northville area and attend or wish to attend Madonna University. Applications must be received by

PLYMOUTH SYMPHONY SPRING TEA

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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.

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. WSDP RADIO AUCTION

WSDP radio, 88.1 FM, will be holding their 6th Annual Radio Auction at the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park on May 14 from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. WSPD is also looking for guest auctioneers to help with the event for 45 minute blocks. For more information about the auction and being a guest auctioneer, call 416-7732. **GOD'S GOLDEN GIRLS**

Christ the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church invites women over 50 to join "God's Golden Girls." The organization meets the third Friday of each month, at noon. Lunch is free but reservations are a must. For more information. call Pattie at 981-0286.

GRIEF RECOVERY PROGRAM

The Vermeulen Funeral Home will host a grief recovery program which will meet from 7 to 9 p.m., tomorrow and May 5. Registration is required due to limited capacity. For further information call 459-2250. SENIOR GROUP HOSTS VACATION GET AWAY

The St. Kenneth Senior Group is hosting a four day, three night vacation get away to Wildwood and Cape May, New Jersey. The group will leave on May 31 and return June 3. The four day trip will cost \$249 with a \$50 dollar deposit. For further information contact Helen Clinansmith at 416-0078 or Mickey Pennybacker at 420-0819.

PLYMOUTH-CANTON CIVITAN MEETING

The Plymouth-Canton Civitan club will hold their monthly dinner meeting on the third Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at Italian Cucina. For more information, call Margaret at 455-6989.

POSITIVELY PLYMOUTH

The Plymouth Chamber of Commerce will be celebrating "Positively Plymouth" on May 3 at the Mayflower Meeting House from 5 to 7 p.m. Admission is free. For more information, call the chamber at 453-1540. INFERTILITY SYMPOSIUM

Resolve, an infertility support group, is hosting their annual infertility symposium Saturday in Ann Arbor. For more information contact Sheila Malkowski at (810) 680-0093.

ROTARY LITERACY COMMITTEE HOSTS SPELLING BEE

The Canton Rotary Literacy Committee is sponsoring their fourth annual Spelling Bee on May 21, at 2 p.m., at Plymouth-Canton High School. For further information call Julie at 416-4900.

D.N.R. TO HOST HUNTER SAFETY CLASSES

The Board of Directors of Western Wayne County Conservation Association have announced a spring series of D.N.R. sanctioned Hunter Safety classes. Classes are scheduled for May 9, 11, 14, 16 and 18. All classes will be held on the grounds of Western Wayne County Conservation Association. A \$4 fee will be charged to cover the cost of ammunition and range fees.

The Plymouth Optimist Club meets every 1st and 3rd monday of the month at 6:30 p.m. in the Mayflower Hotel. Meetings include dinner and a speaker. For further information contact Felix Rotter at 453-2375. YMCA OFFERS MAINTENANCE PROGRAM

The Westland YMCA will be offering a Summer Swim team. The Swim team will begin on June 13. The fee for members will be \$30 as opposed to \$60 for non-members. For more information call Jim Davis or Chris Cooper at 721-7044.

PLYMOUTH ROTARY GOLF CLASSIC

The Golden Fox, Fox Hills Country Club is hosting the 7th annual Plymouth Rotary Golf Classic on May 23. The day will include use of the Driving range, locker rooms, a buffet lunch, 18 hole scramble with cart, and steak dinner at 7 p.m. Check-in will be at 10:30 a.m. Tickets will cost \$150 per person. For reservations or further information contact Jack Tornga at 455-1459.

RUMMAGE SALE

The National Association to Advance Fat Acceptance is hosting a rummage sale at the Plymouth Hills mobile home park Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

SPRING CONCERT

Our Lady of Good Counsel Music Ministry will host its ninth annual spring concert, "The Spirit Sings," May 1. The concert will begin at 7 p.m. at the Our Lady of Good Counsel Church. Tickets for the concert are free and available at the door and from choir members. For further information call the church office at 453-0326.

CANTON LIBRARY FEST

Fine artists and Antique dealers are wanted for Exhibition and Sale for the Canton Library Fest June 25 and 26. Booth fee for 10'x10' covered space is \$65. For further information, contact Julie Giordano at (810) 348-0282 or Sharon Lee Dillenbeck at (313) 453-3710.

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CHAMBER PRESENTS FARMER MARKET TRI-KOR The Plymouth Chamber of Commerce will once again present the annual Farmer's Market beginning May 7 gouland from 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The market will run every Saturday through October 15, with the exception of the BUCKET OF BALLS Fall Festival. For more information contact the Chamber at 453-1540. **Driving Range BLOODMOBILE HITS AREA** EXPIRES 10/31/94 The American Red Cross will hit Southeastern Michigan this May with one of their blood drives. The Red 5988 Gotfredson Rd. Cross will be in the Northville area on May 7 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at St. Paul's Lutheran Church and in Canton on May 23 from 2:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at St. Michael Lutheran Church. (313) 453-7280 Between M-14 & N. Territorial SPEECH AND HEARING SCREENINGS Catherine McAuley Health Center will offer free speech and hearing screening in Canton at 42180 Ford Road from May 2 through 6. For an appointment, call the health center at 981-0100. PLYMOUTH REPUBLICAN CLUB "Sweets To The Sweet" Give The Plymouth Republican Club will hold their next meeting tomorrow at Ernesto's at 6 p.m.. All those wishing to be politically active are encouraged to attend. For more information, call Carl at 420-0782. COUNTRY CHARM HOSTS POPULAR ARTIST "Mom" the Best! (Country Charm will host well noted Atlanta artist D. Morgan this Saturday from noon to 4 p.m. For more Homemade information contact Larry Bird at 455-7717. **50-UP CLUB MEETING** Chocolates The 50-Up club has scheduled a meeting for May 3 at St. John Neumann's Church between Sheldon and Canton Center off of Warren. The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. For further information contact Betty Gruchala at from Plymouth's 459-4091. **Sweets Experts BROOKVILLE GARDENS TO OFFER CLASSES**. Brookville Gardens will offer classes focusing on herbs this Summer. An introductory herb growing class is scheduled for tomorrow at 7 p.m. The cost for this class will be \$8. The next class will focus on how to plant spe-WE SHIP UPS cific plants and is scheduled for May 12 at 7 p.m. Free garden walks are also available at 2 p.m. on May 15, 29, June 12 and 26. For further information contact Cindy Brautigan at 455-8602. ANYWHERE-CO-OP NURSERY CLASS OPENINGS FOR FALL 1994 **ORDER EARLY** Suburban Children's Co-op Nursery has openings in their 3-year-old class, Mondays and Wednesdays from 9:15 313-453-0480 to 11:15, and toddler class, Fridays from 9:30 to 11 a.m. for Fall 1994. Contact Janet at 453-9018 for further infor-MILLER WOODS FLOWER WALKS 896 W. ANN ARBOR TRAIL Miller Woods will host their annual wild flower through the woods on May 7 from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. The walk PLYMOUTH will take place at the Miller Woods between Beck and Ridge Roads. CANTON WOMAN'S FORUM The Canton Woman's Forum will host the Keller & Stein Florist and Greenhouse Tour this Saturday at 2 p.m. For further infromation call 495-0304. **CARRIAGE PARK DERBY DAY** Carriage Park is hosting their 2nd annual Derby Day Friday. For further information call 397-8300. WEST HOSTS ORIENTATION Orientation for 5th grade parents will be hald at West Middle School on May 18 from 7:30 to 9 p.m. in the West cafeteria. All parents who will attend West during the 1994-1995 school year as 6th graders are invited to AMERICAN LEGION CAPTAIN VISITS PLYMOUTH American Legion, Department of Michigan State Commander, Henry Sacha, of Canton, will visit with **FRESH & READY FOR DINNER!** Plymouth's Passage-Gayde Post 391, Saturday. This visit will be in connection with th 25th Annual Recognition Night Dinner/Dance. For further information contact Jim Maahs at 455-5541 or 453-3888. NATIVE WEST PRESENTS NATIVE AMERICAN ART Native West presents Native American art from May 13 through May 28. The show will be on display at the Native West Gallery. For further information call 455-8838. ANNUAL USED BOOK SALE NOW The AAUW will hold its annual used book sale at Starkweather Gym, on May 5 and 6. Friday sale hours are from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. The sale will continue Saturday at 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY CHORUS The Plymouth Community Chorus will celebrate 20 years of music at their Spring Concerts Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 4 p.m.. Tickets are \$7 for adults, \$5 for seniors and students. For more information, call 455-4080. CONDOMINIUM RUMMAGE SALE The Bradbury Adult Condominium (north of Joy and east of Haggerty) will hold a rummage sale on May 14 **OPEN** for lunch starting Secretaries' Day, April 27 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at their clubhouse at 4185 Newport Drive. For more information, call 416-1656. **BIBLE STUDY** Christ the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church is holding a nine week bible study series on the book of Hebrew through June. For more information, call 981-0286. CHRISTIAN SCIENCE DISCUSSED 39500 ANN ARBOR ROAD WSDS 1480 AM will host weekly discussions of Christian Science every Sunday morning at 7:30 a.m. through May 29. This Sunday the topic will be "How do Christian Scientists deal with financial concerns?" The series is produced by the Christian Science Committee on Publication for Michigan and sponsored by local PLYMOUTH, MI Christian Science Churches. **T-BALL LEAGUES FORMING** City of Plymouth Parks and Recreation will be holding registration for their t-ball leagues for Plymouth chil-313-454-0666 dren 5 and 6 years old this week Monday through Friday. League is limited to the first 110 children and birth certificates are required. For more information, call Plymouth Parks and Rec at 455-6623. POSITIVE PARENTING Northville public schools will present "Positive Parenting" with lecturer Jim Fay on May 10 at Northville High School. 4 p.m. to 6 is "Parenting with love and logic," and from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. is "Parenting Adolescents with love and logic." For more information, call 344-8453. **ALLEN ELEMENTARY 40TH ANNIVERSARY** Allen Elementary will hold an open house on May 13 to celebrate their 40th birthday. Alumni are encouraged to attend and contribute any Allen school memorabilia. For more information, call 416-3050.

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attend.

SENIOR TRIPS City of Plymouth Parks and Rec will be offering senior trips to Holland, Roscoe Village, the Freedom festival,

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. For more information about the group and their

the Mystery Tour and the Chesaning Showboat. For more information, call Parks and Rec at 455-6627.

events and meeting times call 630-8950 (Beeper, leave phone mimber after the tone).

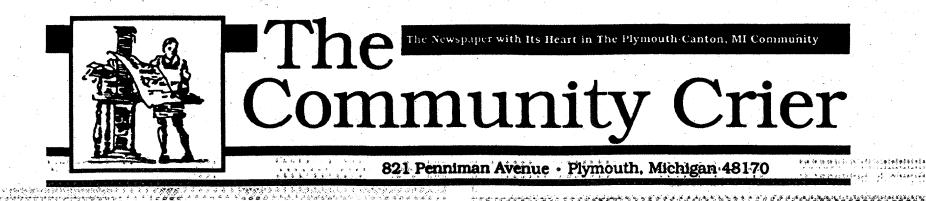
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City gets closer to new budget

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1990. Figures from that census show the average number of people per household in Plymouth as being 1.7. That number is down from the previous 2.4

Walters stressed those numbers help skew the perception of Plymouth's growth.

and building permits are up, the consensus is to believe there is growth. However, Walters said the numbers do not lie.

"That decline caught developed communities by surprise, because people were relying on building permit numbers," he said.

The next budget session hearing is 7 p.m. tomorrow

Located on Haggerty Road between

Ann Arbor Trail and Ann Arbor Road,

Allen sits on a busy thoroughfare, creat-

ing huge jams when school bus and par-

of elementary school children being

affected by the new boundaries were noti-

In addition to TAG parents, all parents

ent traffic is added to the normal flow.

fied yesterday of their child's moves.

Community deaths

Mark Ryan, 45, sales representative

Mark P. Ryan of Plymouth, a sales manufacturing representative for the automotive industry, died April 22, 1994, at the age of 45. He is survived by his wife, Lynn; daughter, Holly; brothers Timothy and Lawrence; and father, William. Services, arranged by the Vermeulen Funeral Home, were held Monday at St. Paul Lutheran Church.

Frank Marcewicz, 76, retired machinist

Frank A. Marcewicz of Canton, a retired machinist, died April 20, 1994, at the age of 76. He is survived by his wife, Lottie; daughters, Barbara (Larry) Monticello, and Marilyn (Frank) Fitchett; two grandchildren; and two sisters, Ann Kopec and Helen Yezefsky. Services were held Saturday at the Vermeulen Funeral Home.

Loretta Pankiw, 81, retired bookkeeper

Loretta L. Pankiw of Plymouth, a retired secretary and bookkeeper at Sinclair Oil Co., and Firestone Tire, died April 8, 1994, at the age of 81. She is survived by her sister, Zenia Kosh; brother, Orest Rankin; four nieces and nephews; and five great-nieces and great-nephews. Services were arranged by the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

John McIlhargie, 80, GM millwright

John A. McIlhargie of Plymouth, a retired millwright who worked for General Motors for 22 years, died April 5, 1994, at the age of 80. He is survived by his daughter, Janet (Donald) Nickerson; two grandchildren; two nieces and two nephews; a brother, Edward; and a sister, Edna Furner. Services, arranged by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, were held Saturday at St. John's Episcopal Church.

Pamela Cannady, 29, formerly of Livonia

Pamela L. Cannady, a Livonia Churchill High School graduate who recently moved to Canton, died April 14, 1994, at the age of 29. She is survived by her parents, Gail and Sonny Cannady; sisters, Terry (Gerard) Dugas, and Suzanne Cannady; one nephew; and her grandmother, Dollie Cannady. Services were held April 18, at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.



Because the number of dwelling units

TAG program to move from Allen

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hadn't fought harder to block TAG's move in 1993: They were more concerned about keeping the program operational.

As part of the discussion Monday night, charts were presented showing the planned shifting of hundreds of elementary school children in order to fill the two new elementary schools - Bentley and Tonda — and even out the pupil distribution across the district.

In addition to the need to realign the pupil population, another issue central to the move was that of existing space and

In addition, they were asked to indicate a preference for fifth graders only: finish out grade school at his or her current site, or accept a move now.

Woman awarded \$10.4 million settlement

accessibility at Allen:

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products on the market.

"My attorneys and I have discussed working with the Consumer Products Safety Division (CPSD) to create a consumer hotline," Dell'Orco said. "People would be able to call the hotline to check the safety record of a product." The hotline, which has not progressed

past the idea phase, would be created using the CPSD's own records of product safety.

Dell'Orco said that she is looking forward to the marriage of her daughter, Kelly, to Michael Bida in late July.

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BOB STOUT IS

OLDER

Whenever I listen to Simon & Garfunkel's song

"Mrs. Robinson" these days I suddenly think of

Beatles trivia question of the week: This song

is heard during the Beatle's movie "Help" skiing sequence which was largely spontaneous

because the Beatles were all amateur skiers and fell down a lot. Answer to last week's

The roses are beautiful. You know how to

"SPEEDY" TONY GRECH opened his pool

R. JOHN THOMAS does spring yard work. But

To all 'The Boys' I don't have to talk to yew . .

question: The Ballad of John and Yoko."

I'll be thinking of you at 2:00. Best of luck.

Check out The Crier's cook-off entry form.

already -- what time is the barbecue?

Lori's perm will be remembered.

make a person feel better!!

does he hire out?

.Steph

2 hours beware

Karen

MOM: two cars into one!

REGISTER TO VOTE!

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Curiosities

Healthy dogs have taken on a new meaning eh hon'? Yay Congratulations on your determination & spiritl LUPE

Jack, you've been pretty spicey lately!!

Debbie wins. Amy has to lose the fringe. I never heard from Larry on the bathing suit status.

I guess we will have to do breakfast instead of lunch because the only thing I can think of to put Ginger on would be french toast. Trouble is can you get up that early?

Thanks Henry. It worked out great. She didn't buy anything & she's happy.

Be sure & try Karl's for Happy Hour 3-6. They are located on Gotfredson off N. Territorial.

Watch for Porterhouse Meats annual free bar-b-que for SCAMP May 7th

Be sure & let the community know the importance of your women employees and at the same time pay tribute to them with a photo in next weeks Women's Plus Section.

Boy Steph, sure has been pleasant the last few weeks to work with. Karen too. Must be the weather.

Amy could wrap it up with a new bathing suit. Go for it.

Karen is going to have to concentrate more on darts.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY BILL CORRIGANI

Tawas City is a six-and-one-half-hour drive -- if you go through Au Gres twice . . .

KATRINA AND ALEX have their pins from Russia

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Curiosities

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those who dropped by to pay their disrespect

CONRAD THORPE was late for dinner --

CARL BERRY WAS RIGHT (don't ask how

STEPH, JERRY, MIKE, BILL, SALLY, ROB,

STEVE H.: good luck on the back. What do

CRAIG - great progress Saturday.

you mean "earplugs!"?

Curiosities

OUT SMARTED BY SMELTI (and brookies, steelies, etc.)



DUNBAR - OK So you knew the "Barefoot Bay Poem", did you? Now try this one - "Fe, Fi, Fo, Fum I smell the blood of an Englishman" Maybe you're not old enough to know it, MARTHA, HELP HIM

all weekend

AGAIN

far) again.

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Curiosities

MIKE C. You seen your duty, and did it . Thank youl

DING-DONG,

ALI - HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!!!!! Jen

DONNA G. WENT UP THE HILL on single roller blades DONNA G, came down the hill broke her elbow and cracked a couple of ribs. DONNA G. won't celebrate her birthday on Roller blades ever again! In fact, she may not wish to skate on roller blades at anytime. Hard lines, Donnal

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ALISON had a birthday ANDREA is going to have a birthday. HAPPY BIRTHDAY - YOU

Curiosities

TIM SWEENEY still knows paint even tho' he's got pasta on the brain.

mushrooms! (First, and oldest, stall at the Eastern Market)

Fred is cool, but Bill is older.

Curiosities

Happy birthday to Jeannine! (Did I spell it right this time?)

Okay, stove-meisters! Get your recipes in to Mr. Vacation's cookbook calendar & be semifamous for up to 31 days next year!

SNAKEBITE: I LOVE YOUL -MIKE

Curiosities

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some of those stories.

Not many flags at half-mast in northern Michigan this week...

IS DEAD.

Watts: Wheels?

TWO.

Spring? Heck, welcome SUMMER!! Try an omelette with Don S.'s "hedgehog"

THE WITCH

Craig Brass: I still think you should write down

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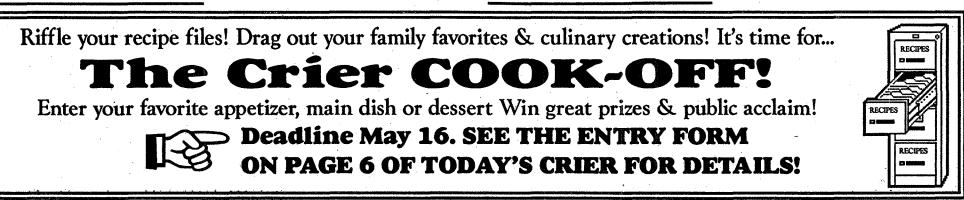
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Not all fun and games Canton girls hoopsters named All-State Academic Team

Canton Parks and Recreation Services has announced the following programs:

Sports

shorts

•A Senior Golf League is set to begin on Tuesday, May 10 at Fellows Creek Golf Course.

The league is open to all area seniors age 50 and over and will be held every Tuesday at 8 a.m. through mid-August.

There is a \$14 registration fee plus weekly greens fees.

A league meeting will be held today at 4 p.m. at the Township Administration Building in the first floor meeting room.

•An Early-Bird Softball Tournament for adult men's class "D" and "E" teams on May 14 and 15 in Heritage Park.

The fee for the tournament is \$100 for teams in Canton Parks and Recreation leagues and \$115 for other teams.

•A Women's Friday Morning Golf League is set to begin play on May 6.

The league is open to residents and non-residents.

Each week, league members play nine holes and establish a handicap.

A general league meeting will be held at Fellows Creek Golf Course on Friday, April 29 at 10 a.m.

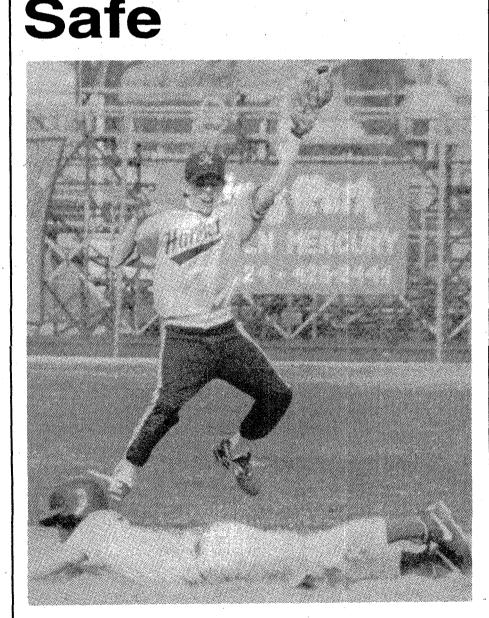
There is a \$14 registration fee plus weekly greens fees.

The league will tee off at 9 a.m. until mid-June, after which the tee time will be 8 a.m. The league will last 16 weeks.

For information or to register for any of these programs, call 397-5110 or by mail to Canton Parks and Recreation Services, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188. accomplishments."

As a team, the Chief hoopsters carried a combined 3.6 grade point average, which is the highest team total ever recorded by the coaches association.

"They are not only involved in basketball," said Blohm. "Most of them are involved in at least one other sport in addition to being enrolled in advanced placement classes and being members of the National Honor Society."



A Canton baserunner slides safely into second, as the throw goes high during Monday's game against Farmington Harrison. (Crier photo by George Gentry)

'Kicks for Kids' challenge set for Plymouth-Canton

The Children's Leukemia Foundation of Michigan is sponsoring "Kicks for Kids", a soccer skills competition at Plymouth-Canton High School on May 14, 15 and 20. Kids ages 6 through 16 will compete in kicking accuracy, dribbling and juggling.

BY ROB KIRKBRIDE

The Canton girls basketball team was

named as one of the Class A Academic

All-State Basketball Teams by the

Basketball Coaches Association of

"They are a hard working group of kids," he said. "They excel on and off the

court and they should be proud of their

Coach Bob Blohm said the honor is

Michigan.

well deserved.

The grand prize is tickets to a World Cup soccer game and a ride to the game in a Dodge Viper to the player who collects the most pledges for the foundation. Other prizes include soccer camp scholarships, equipment, and tickets to Detroit Rockers games. Each participant Blohm said more and more people are recognizing that sports is more than just achievement on the court.

Sports

"Things are changing and people are recognizing that academics are important to sports," he said. "It's a great honor for all the players on the team."

The team not only excelled off the court. They posted a 21-2 record on the season, losing in overtime to Mercy in the first round of the regional tournament.

Rock golfers take Churchill

BY ROB KIRKBRIDE

The Salem girls golf team squeaked by Churchill Monday, winning 239-241 at Churchill.

Coach Jim Stevens said the team played very well considering the windy conditions on the course.

"I'm very happy with our progress and enthusiasm," he said. "We have 16 people out and eight of them are ninth graders, two of which are starters."

Katey Collins was the top finisher for the Rocks, posting a score of 55.

Kelly Collins was next for Salem with a score of 59.

She was followed by Kati Murinas, who shot a 62 and Jennifer Massey with a 63.

The Rocks compete in the Brighton Invitational on Friday.

Stevens said there are a few areas of the game the team needs to work on.

"We need to get some special work with wind conditions," he said. "The wind was tough out there (Monday).

"A professional golfer once said the game is 80 percent mental and 20 percent physical, which is something we need to remember and work on."

Stevens said the rules of the game are an important part to remember and learn.

"Rules are one area of the game that are often overlooked," he said. "The rules are there to assist people, not only to penalize them. We will work on learning the rules to improve our games."

Stevens said the win is important to the young team. "It's good to get the win," he said. "Whenever you have a team as young as ours, every victory is important to keep the spirit up. We're getting better every week."

will receive a free T-shirt. Registration is \$10 per participant. Registration can be made to the

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Registration can be made to the Children's Leukemia Foundation, Kicks for Kids, 29777 Telegraph, Ste. 1651, Southfield, MI 48034. For more information call 1 (800) 825-2536.

Canton boys track lags in field events, falls to Northville, 80-57

Even though the Canton boys track team won eight out of 11 running events, the Chiefs could not defeat beat Northville last Thursday at Northville.

Canton lost 80-57 after falling behind 38-7 in the field events.

Coach Bob Richardson said the deficit was to large to overcome.

"We lost it in the field events," he said. "We ran well, but we just couldn't come back."

The Chiefs won the 3200 meter relay event, with Todd Smith, Ian Bedford. Colin Astley and Jeff Keith setting a time of 9:01.2.

John Martin won the 110 meter hurdles for Canton with a time of 16.4 seconds.

Keith won the 1600 meter race for the Chiefs, posting a time of 4:36.

Martin won the 300 meter hurdles for Canton with a 44.6 second mark

Chief girls track still undefeated

The Canton girls track team improved their perfect record last week by beating Northville Thursday, April 21 101-27.

Coach George Przygodski said the team is ran a pretty good meet.

"We'd like to improve in every area," he said. "If we don't show improvement, there is no way we can reach our goals for the season."

Olive Ikeh won the shot put event for the Chiefs with a throw of 31 feet, 6 inches.

In the 100 meter dash Ndu Okwumabua of Canton set a time of 13.2 seconds, a mark no one could match.

Becky Wolfrom set the pace for the Chiefs in the 1600 meter race with a time of 5:42.5.

Tracy Cavin won the 400 meter race for Canton with a time of 59.7.

Nancy Hoffman took the 300 meter hurdle event for the Chiefs with a time of 50.3 seconds.

Megan Barresi was the winner in the 800 meter, posting a time of 2:30.8. In the 100 meter hurdles, Ikeh set the pace, turning in a time of 16.5 seconds. Ikeh also won the 200 meter race with a time of 27.4 seconds

Laura McWilliams took the 3200 meter event with a time of 12:25.6. The 3200 meter relay team of Joselyn Cruiz, Erin Barresi, Laura Dean and Brooke Larson set the pace with a time of 10:51.4.

Canton won the 800 meter relay with a time of 1:51.5 with a team consisting of Becky Bockstanz, Hoffman, Becky Uryga and Shawn Champlin.

The Chiefs also took the 400 meter relay, with Bockstanz, Ikeh, Champlin and Okwumabua setting a time of 52.9 seconds.

Canton also posted a first in the 1600 meter relay with Barresi, Brandy Bernard, Tiffany Williams and Cavin setting a time of 4:32.7.

"At this point in the season," said Przygodski, "we're running very well."

Keith won the 800 meter race, setting the pace with a 2:03.5.

Casey Moot Hart won the 3200 meter for the Chiefs with a time of 10:22.1.

In the 1600 meter relay event, the Canton team of Dave Gay, Ben Greanya, Mike Erickson and Keith set the pace

with a 3:43.9. 'Seniors Jeff Keith and John Martin had a big day for us," said Richardson. "They really helped us."

The Chiefs face Churchill at home on Thursday and Richardson said that although Churchill lost a few early matches, the meet would be a challenge for Canton.

'We are going have to get a great effort from everyone to beat these guys," he said. "They have some excellent individual runners. We're going to have to have a great meet."

Richardson said he is pleased with the

team's performance so far this year.

"We are basically ahead of last year as far as time," he said. "We are trying to lighten the load for a couple of our runners who have been competing in a lot of events for us. We want to spread them out a little bit."

Richardson said that with a few changes in line-up and a little recovery time for injuries suffered this year, the Chiefs will be competitive by the end of the season.

Canton travels to Belleville to compete in the Belleville Tiger Relays on Saturday.

"It should be a good meet," said Richardson. "There should be about 10 teams involved.

"It'll be good to race against some different teams that we haven't seen yet this season.

"We'll be ready."



School should come before sports

Every year we see more and more college athletes giving up their studies for the big money they are offered to play in professional sports.

It is sad to see the sport come before the education of the athlete.

This is not the case for the Canton girls basketball team.

The team was recently honored as being the top Class A Academic All-State Basketball Team in the state.

The team posted a combined grade point average of 3.60 (just over a B+) and a 21-2 season record.

Wow! Now those are impressive numbers and the team should be congratulated for their efforts on and off the court.

It's tough enough to carry a 3.60 GPA, but add to that the long practices and game schedule and it's easy to see what a major accomplishment these student-athletes have earned.

We often forget athletes are students as well.

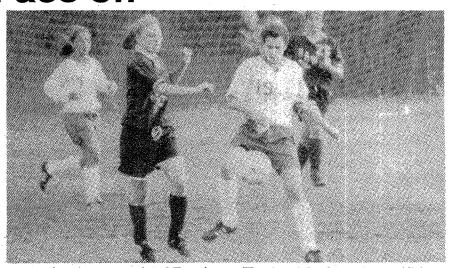
School should take precedence over sports. Sports should enhance school, not the other way around.

It's refreshing to know the girls basketball team at Canton hasn't forgotten.

All the parents and the entire coaching staff, along with the school and community should take pride in their accomplishments.

They are an asset to this school district and the Plymouth-Canton community.

Face off



Salem varsity soccer team faced Farmington Harrison Monday at home. (Crier photo by George Gentry)



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CANTON VARSITY BASEBALL

The Canton varsity baseball team will face North Farmington today at 4 p.m. at North Farmington.

The Chiefs play Franklin Friday at home at 4 p.m. and Churchill at Churchill Monday at 4 p.m.

SALEM

VARSITY SOFTBALL

The Salem varsity softball team faces Harrison today at Harrison at 4 p.m.

The Rocks play John Glenn at home on Friday at 4 p.m. and Stevenson at Stevenson Monday at 4 p.m.

CANTON VARSITY SOFTBALL

The Canton varsity softball team plays North Farmington at home today at 4 p.m.

The Chiefs face Franklin at Franklin Friday at 4 p.m. and play in the Chelsea Invitational Saturday at 9 a.m.

Canton plays Churchill Monday at home at 4 p.m.

SALEM BOYS TENNIS

The Salem boys tennis team plays Franklin at Franklin today at 4 p.m.

The Rocks face Canton Friday at 4 p.m. and Walled Lake Central at home Monday at 4 p.m.

CANTON BOYS TENNIS

The Canton boys tennis team faces Churchill today at home at 4 p.m.

The Chiefs play Salem Friday at 4 p.m. and travel to Walled Lake Western Monday for a 4 p.m. match.

SALEM BOYS TRACK

The Salem boys track team runs against Stevenson Thursday at Stevenson at 3:30 p.m.

The Rocks compete in the Belleville Tiger Relays at 10 a.m. Saturday.

CANTON BOYS TRACK

The Canton boys track team faces Churchill at home on Thursday at 5:30 p.m.

The Chiefs compete in the Belleville Tiger Relays at 10 a.m. Saturday.



Community opinions

Festival school

Canton's third Liberty Fest is just around the corner, and there are lessons to be learned from its success, on both sides of Joy Road

Summer is here, no matter what the calendar says. Monday afternoon's high was 87° and that means summer is here.

Now that we know what season it is, its time to look at one of the newer fixtures of the Plymouth-Canton summer, the Canton Liberty Fest coming up June 25 and 26.

Without criticizing other older (and regrettably outdated) summer festivals around the state, the three-year old Canton festival is worth checking out. It doesn't suffer from the maladies that other festivals do.

Unlike the State Fair (we'll start big here) the Liberty Fest does not have to contend with a big-city crime image. While Detroit is nationally well-known for its crime, Canton is a community that a lot of people aren't aware of yet. Because the Liberty Fest is held right next to the Canton Police Department, patrolling and crowd control won't be a problem

Unlike the Bluegrass Festival (or the Traverse City Cherry Festival or the St. Johns Mint Festival) Canton has left their fest open to many different themes and events. It's a Canton festival, the rest is just window dressing

I guess that they used to have the "Canton Cow Chip Festival," and it's probably a good thing that they dropped it. You can't have a cow chip festival and try to attract upscale professionals to the community.

I wonder, what kind of finger food did they serve?

The bottom line of the Liberty Fest is that it is a successful event. Last year 40,000 people showed up over the two-and-a-half days of the Fest, 25,000 for the fireworks alone. A 25 per cent improvement over the previous year and within the expectations of the Fest's organizers.

That's only 20,000 less than the 1993 Plymouth Fall Festival drew two



months later, and the Plymouth festival was a half-day longer. Both events saw a little rain.

The difference is that the organizers of the Fall Festival were expecting a crowd of 400,000 people. How can a much less well known event (there have been two Liberty Fests in contrast to 38 Fall Fests) be almost as well attended?

What gives?

Here's the point. The reason that the Canton Liberty Fest has done so well is because it is a young event and its schedule of activities is open to change from year to year. It has not become self-important yet.

The problem with the Plymouth Fall Festival is that it is not allowed to grow and change as time goes by. In the interest of keeping that "smalltown festival" theme alive, the organizers of the Fall Festival are missing the point of holding a festival.

Having fun, not maintaining an outdated image of what fun is.

If that problem is not corrected and soon, the Plymouth Fall Festival will cease to be a crowd-drawing event.

In all honesty and with respect, the organizers of the Plymouth Fall Festival would do well to learn from the organizers of the Canton Liberty Fest.

The reverse is also very true.

Residents are pleased with stance on Old Village

Thank you for your interest in the newest edition of the Old Village Resident's Organization. We certainly feel that articles in The Crier help bring attention to our issues and bring other interested residents to our meeting.

We do want to make a comment on the assistance given us in our organizational meeting by Mr. Bill McAninch and Mrs. Stella Greene of the Plymouth City Commission.

They helped us immensely in getting our group off to a good start.

Their input was very valuable and they make lots of suggestions to help us be more effective in our dealings with the City Commission and the Zoning Board.

They both were proud of our initiative and enthusiastic in their support of our group.

In fact, we felt that we had been patted on the back, not the head.

We, the undersigned, are the founders of the Old Village Resident's Organization and do not know who it is that you spoke with concerning our group.

We did not feel it was necessary to correct any misunderstanding about our experience with these two fine Commissioners. Finally, one of the lessons Mr.

McAninch shared with us was to be patient and try to work with the City to get the support we need to sucessfully achieve our goals.

Something that I read recently seems

to summarize McAninch's words to us... "Impatient people get things started, Patient people get things done.'

Thanks again for your interest.

SUSAN WIERCIOCH

Lawmakers, writer deserve credit for tax reform plan

EDITOR:

During two decades of crusading for school finance reform in Michigan I have observed how reluctant most politicians become when faced with a crisis.

Despite overwhelming evidence about senior citizens losing their homes due to skyrocketing property taxes and the possibility of many school closings, the vast majority of politicians had to be dragged, kicking and screaming, into the tax reform agenda.

They ran for the hills when confronted with a need for change and snorted a plethora of excuses about their desires to cling to an antiquated tax system.

Bob Geake deserves recognition for his many years of hard work for school finance reform but, when I introduced the Vandermolen Plan early in June of 1993 only one state senator had the courage to step forward and introduce the bill advocating huge property tax cuts emerging directly from my plan.

State senator Debbie Stabenow was the only politician willing to take this courageous step.

She should not be roasted in the lions den by labor unions and the Michigan Education Association for daring to stand alone on this issue

Instead we should admire her for her willingness to work on tax reform.

Too many people are afraid to champion such a cause but they are eager to castigate those of us who carry the ball into the end zone.

On the other hand, a Vandermolen Profiles in Courage Award should be sent to our governor for his contribution to the tax reform movement.

He deserves a place in the Michigan Hall of Fame for his hard work, tenacity, and aggressiveness while campaigning for many of my proposals during the successful campaign for Proposal A.

I would like to think that I deserve some credit for providing the spark to motivate the above politicians to take action on school finance reform. LARRY D. VANDERMOLEN

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Community opinions

Thanks to volunteers during Library Week!

EDITOR

In celebrating National Library Week, April 17-23, we would like to thank all of the volunteers who have worked behind the scenes at the Plymouth Dunning-Hough District Library.

Thanks also to the library director, Pat Thomas, and her capable staff. March was the biggest circulation month that we have had as we continue to grow

in the community.

On behalf of the preschoolers who attended the National Read-Aloud on Wednesday, April 20 at the library, we would like to specifically thank our readers-Cindy Thompson, Bill Breslar, Ruth Burr, Mary Catherine Komar and Ed Wendover. You were wonderful!

JUDY MORGAN

Canton Foundation

Charity needs direction, not necessarily a director

As the Canton Foundation looks toward a new direction in the future, one of its key decisions will be the hiring of an executive director.

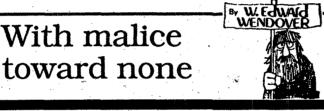
With Bill Joyner's exit under criticisms of erratic driving politicizing the Foundation, it is understandable that control of the executive director is a touchy subject for the Foundation board.

The top position is currently being advertised as a full-time \$15-18,000 per year job.

That's the mistake.

Not the money — that's an appropriate portion of the budget.

But the type of person the Foundation will get for that money — on a full-time basis — is likely going to be someone young and starting out. This will be less



than what Joyner brought to the table — he did know the ropes of the community.

A better solution might be for the Foundation board to seek a well-connected part-time person to lead the fund-raising and the program.

Past problems can be avoided by hiring the proper person and giving appropriate direction.

Swartzwelter should be honored for contributions

EDITOR

I am often moved to write a letter to the editor about some issue or concern that I feel needs public attention. Fortunately, some other matter usually grabs me before acting and the community survives without learning of my opinion.

This is not about one of those issues. There is a community-wide debt we owe to a person whose public service might be undervalued, overlooked or even forgotten unless we address it now-that is Dean Swartzweller's service on the Plymouth-**Canton Community Schools Board of** Education.

As a School Board Member, Dean was a noble citizen, a capable leader, a thoughtful planner, a creative thinker, a selfless and fair-minded presider, and a worthy colleague.

It would be easy to let a dedicated person like Dean quietly walk away because his personal life prevented him from continuing to serve. It would also be wrong.

A newspaper story explored with Dean his views on the problems, issues and opportunities which confront the

schools now and in the future. This was good but it couldn't say much about what we owe him. The many years I served with Dean gave me a perspective on his performance that most people would not have had an opportunity to hold.

He was quite willing to let others take his best ideas, work to promote them, and take credit for the results.

His goals were to seek, discover and implement those policies and programs which would provide the best education for our children and youth.

Dean clearly understood the difficulty in deciding whether Board members' decisions should be driven by Citizens' opinions and desires or by her/his own best judgment about what would be best in the long run for education.

It is the old dilemma of being a statesmen or the people's representative.

Dean seemed to be able to walk the fine line that permitted him to accommodate both of these images.

He had the enviable talent, as Board President, to encourage the Board to address critical matters without even appealing to force particular problems or solutions on the members.

Leading the Board's deliberations toward meaningful decisions without exercising excess authority was his forte.

Disagreeing without being disagreeable was his ethic; and he would listen carefully to different views and alternational EJ. McCLENDON Concernation of the

tives even when his own mind was well made up.

After having said many positive things(and acknowledging that I could add many more) I should remind myself and readers that Dean is human.

He has a few characteristics that make him real-that make him human.

He can become indignant at injustice and he has a temper that can be fired up if goaded.

He can't stand just waiting when he sees something that needs to be done. He doesn't panic when problems suddenly arise, but he wants corrective action taken promptly.

I could go on listing Dean's good qualities but nothing I can say or not say will add or detract from his achievements

It seemed that these things "cried out" to be said, and all the years I served with him really nominates me to say them.

He would surely say that his reward will be all the children(including those as yet unborn) whose education and thus their lives are made better because of what he did.

Best closing says, "Hey Dean, we remember-thanks a lot."



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