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Super soccer



The Canton girls soccer team trounced John Glenn Monday, 8-0. Despite the soggy field conditions, the Chiefs dominated the game. For more soccer coverage, see pgs. 28-29. (Crier photo by R. Alwood Jr.)

Polishing a Canton gem

Summit to receive banquet center facelift

BY ROB KIRKBRIDE

The "finishing touches" will be applied to Canton's Summit on the Park following the approval of \$85,000 to furnish the community center's banquet area.

The Canton Board of Trustees recently approved the funds to improve the aesthetics of the entry area, restrooms and

meeting rooms of the Summit's banquet/meeting center.

Canton Administrative and Community Services Director Dan Durack said the improvements are needed to make the facility more attractive to those wishing to hold a seminar, wedding or other gathering at the Summit.

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Golden year

Local VFW celebrates 50 years of helping veterans

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Tracking train problems

City will study rail crossing situation

BY LIZ SEYMOUR

They are the subject of every Plymouth resident's ire: railroad crossings.

Traffic backups because of trains are routine throughout the City, and the homeowners on York and Holbrook streets aren't strangers to the noise, congestion and speeding.

But a proposal to close one or both of those streets in hopes of alleviating some traffic woes was delayed by the Plymouth City Commission at its Monday meeting.

City Commissioners rejected a plan to hire traffic consultants Dietrich, Bailey and Associates of Plymouth to study the area for about \$5,500. Instead, City department heads were directed to come up with a traffic study of the area by early May.

Options to alleviate traffic problems include closing both York and Holbrook streets or closing one street and not the other. Officials could decide to make no changes and leave both streets open.

Holbrook resident Karen Gould surveyed residents on both streets to gain citizen input. Her informal polling showed most Holbrook homeowners want their street closed, but York residents are divided on the issue, according to a letter Gould sent to Mayor Ron Loiselle and City Manager Steve Walters.

Closing one street and not the other could create even greater traffic problems for homeowners on the street that remains open, Walters said.

"Holbrook residents fear a negative, big traffic impact if you close York," he told commissioners.

"That's what begs the issue of trying to look at them both," said Commissioner Douglas Miller.

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Changes to City's B&B ordinance causes confusion

BY LIZ SEYMOUR

Revisions to the City of Plymouth's bed and breakfast ordinance have nettled residents and local officials who can't agree on restrictions to the local law.

Last week, the Planning Commission recommended that the City Commission adopt tight restrictions to the existing ordinance. City Commissioners, who have the final say, will take a first look at the proposed ordinance changes at their May 6 meeting.

The Planning Commission, after months of research and public input, wants to limit bed and breakfasts to just two rooms in single-family neighborhoods and certain streets within the downtown area. Other downtown streets are barred from having a bed and breakfast.

"Restrictions were made in such a way that no one would want to do it," Building Official James Penn said.

"It won't have a negative impact on the houses on Penniman or any of the other houses," he said. "I think it will enhance the area."

Larry Chute isn't so sure. The planning commissioner said he wants changes to the law to enhance neighborhoods and renovate dilapidated, old homes. He speaks for the majority of the commission, which voted 6-1 in favor of the changes.

"I saw the bed and breakfast ordinance as an opportunity for economic development in areas that needed economic development," Chute said. "But I didn't

want it to detract from areas that are already doing well."

Opponents of the revisions argue that bed and breakfasts cannot be used to jumpstart neighborhood revitalization.

"The problem with that thinking is who's going to pay \$110 to live in a bad neighborhood?" said Diane Stamp.

She plans to open a bed and breakfast in her Penniman Avenue home in a few years. Because she had always planned to have just two rooms for rent, the ordinance changes wouldn't affect her. She said she is fighting the revisions for the good of the City.

"This will be one of the oddest ordinances in the county," she said.

She and other interested residents supplied the Planning Commission with ordinances from other communities and other research.

Jon Gary is one involved resident. He's renovating his Penniman Avenue home into a five-room bed and breakfast that's scheduled to open in time for Thanksgiving or Christmas.

His project was approved under the current ordinance, which allows six-room bed and breakfasts on Penniman. He said he'd never be able to recoup his investment under the proposed revisions that would limit him to two bedrooms.

"I couldn't do the extensive renovation to this house without some hope of pay back," said Gary, who estimates that he will spend about \$200,000 before the work is completed.

Canton adds to Summit's appeal

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"We've always had the feeling that the interior was not quite finished," he said. "We want to brighten it up rather than let it stay with an institutional feel."

Two interior design firms will help with the project, which will be completed over an extended period of time. Urall Interiors of Farmington Hills and Teich-Davis Interiors of Royal Oak have agreed to begin the work, which Summit on the Park Manager Debbie Bilbrey-Honsowetz said should be well underway by "wedding season" in May. Decorating will include the pre-function area, banquet rooms, restrooms, Professional Development Center, and the meeting room corridor.

Improvements will include decorating, purchase of furniture, purchase of decorative items, installation of blinds, and installation of wall coverings.

Durack said the purchase of furnishings for the Summit was built into the original cost and plans for the facility.

"It's my understanding that this finishing work needed to be done after the facility was complete," he said.

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Olympic student



Olympic gold medal winner Tatiana Gutsu was recently interviewed by NBC Sports for an upcoming "Olympic Moment" spot during the summer games. Gutsu is a student in the English as a Second Language (ESL) program — part of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools' Adult Education program. Gutsu, a Ukrainian-born gymnast who won both a team gold medal and an individual gold in the all-around event in the 1992 summer Olympics in Barcelona, took time out from her classes to answer questions. (Crier photo by Brian Corbett).

Animal control

Commission reviews first-ever animal control ordinance

BY LIZ SEYMOUR

The City's first animal control ordinance is under review by the Plymouth City Commission.

Many of the rules and regulations included in the written draft are stated in other City ordinances, City Attorney Donald Morgan said. This is the first document that includes both cats and dogs, as well as other animals.

"There are various ordinances that speak to these issues," he said.

At its Monday meeting, the commission conducted a first reading of the ordinance but took no action. After lengthy discussion, Mayor Ron Loiselle announced that review would continue at upcoming meetings.

Some commissioners questioned the need for an animal control ordinance.

Mayor Pro Tem John Vos III said there were state statutes that might render a local ordinance unnecessary.

Commissioner Douglas Miller asked the commission what prompted creation of such an ordinance.

"I hate laws and rules and ordinances

unless I know we're really trying to solve a problem here," he said.

There have been a few reports of stray dogs roaming the City and, about a year ago, an Old Village resident complained to police about a neighbor who allegedly owned dozens of cats that weren't trained or properly cared for, commissioners and

audience members told Miller.

Rosita Smith, a resident who said she had many concerns about the ordinance proposal, was unnerved by references to killing animals that may pose a danger.

"People think of their pets not just as animals, but as family, and this is going to affect a lot of people," she said.

Art contest deadline Friday

The Plymouth Community Arts Council (PCAC) is coordinating an art competition for high school students in the 13th Congressional District of U.S. Rep. Lynn Rivers.

The winning entry will be displayed this summer, along with artworks from districts across the country, in a corridor of the U.S. Capitol. The competition is being sponsored to recognize the creative talents of young Americans.

The competition is open to any high school student in the 13th district, which includes most of The Plymouth-Canton-Northville Community. Artwork must be an original concept, two dimensional, and no larger than 32" by 32" framed. Eligible categories are paintings, drawings, collages and prints. The deadline for submitting entries for exhibition is April 19, 1996.

The entries will be on display at the PCAC at 774 Sheldon Rd., April 23 through April 27. On April 24, entries can be viewed by the public from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

The winning entry will be announced at a reception on April 27 at 4 p.m.

For further information, contact Competition Coordinator Joanne Hulce at the PCAC (313) 416-4278.

Agenda

THIS WEEK

- Plymouth Township's 1996 curbside compost collection program begins this week. Acceptable containers for disposal of yard waste are 30 gallon reusable containers with sturdy handles marked "COMPOST" and/or 30 gallon paper refuse bags. Plastic bags will not be accepted for compost material. All residents living in the Township who have curbside solid waste pickup are required by ordinance to separate yard waste for composting.

THE WEEKEND

- The second Christian Michigan Poetry Festival will be held Sunday from 4-9 p.m. at St. John's Episcopal Church in Plymouth. The event features Rev. Rod Reinhart, Minister Gimbu Mullagotta and M.L. Liebler, Donna DeMeyer and other Christian writers. All are invited to the event.

NEXT WEEK

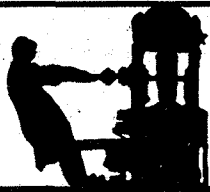
- The Canton Board of Trustees meets Tuesday at 7 p.m. for a regular meeting. The public is invited to the open meeting.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH BOARD OF TRUSTEES - REGULAR MEETING TUESDAY, APRIL 9, 1996

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

Mrs. Massengill moved to approve the minutes as submitted for the March 26, 1996, Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees. Seconded by Mrs. Brooks. Ayes all with Mr. Griffith abstaining due to his absence.

Mrs. Massengill moved to approve the minutes as submitted for the April 2, 1996, Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees. Seconded by Ms. Arnold. Ayes all.

Mrs. Massengill moved to approve the agenda for the April 9, 1996, Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees. Seconded by Ms. Arnold. Ayes all.

Mrs. Brooks moved to approve the extension of the Tentative Preliminary Plat for Country Acres of Plymouth, Subdivisions 2, 3, 4 and 5 to April 19, 1997. Seconded by Ms. Arnold. Ayes all.

Ms. Arnold moved to re-establish public hearing date for an Industrial Development District for Computware Sports Arena to the next regularly scheduled Board of Trustees meeting of April 23, 1996. Seconded by Mr. Griffith. Ayes all.

Mr. Griffith requested to abstain from voting on the appointments to the Zoning Board of Appeals as he is a member.

It was moved by Mrs. Massengill and seconded by Mrs. Brooks to grant Mr. Griffith's request to abstain from voting on the appointments to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Roll call:

Ayes: Arnold, Brooks, Curmi, Massengill

Nays: Mueller, Keen-McCarthy

Motion fails.

It was moved by Mrs. Massengill and seconded by Mrs. Brooks to approve the following appointments to the Zoning Board of Appeals:

Donald Sprogell with a term ending 6/30/96

Patrick McCarthy with a term ending 12/31/96

Greg Williams with a term ending 12/31/97

Jim Ventitelli with a term ending 12/31/97

Ron Griffith with a term ending 12/31/98

Roll call:

Ayes: Arnold, Brooks, Massengill, Mueller, Keen-McCarthy

Nays: Curmi, Griffith

Ms. Arnold moved to authorize a three percent (3%) salary increase for Department Heads, retroactive to January 1, 1996 and further moved to establish equivalency between the salaries of the Chief of Police and the Fire Chief based on comparability of scope of responsibilities. Adjustment will occur over a two year period with 50% of the adjustment to occur immediately and the remaining 50% to occur in 1997. Seconded by Mrs. Massengill. Ayes all.

Mr. Anulewicz gave a brief synopsis on the April 9, 1996 hearing at Judge Feiken's courtroom concerning the matter of the creation of the Intercounty Drain Commission and the impact it could have on the communities located within the Rouge Watershed Basin.

Deloris Newell, Executive Director for Western Townships Utilities Authority reviewed the 1994/1995 Annual Audit and answered questions from Board Members.

Chief Berry reported that the railroad crossing at Beck Road just North of M-14 will be closed for repairs the week of April 22, 1996.

Trustee Mueller announced that the Plymouth Symphony League will be celebrating their 50th Anniversary at Fox Hill Country Club, on April 26, 1996. Esther and Ken Hulsing will be honored at the event for their many years of support and contributions to the League.

Ms. Arnold moved to receive and file Communications as listed. Seconded by Mr. Griffith. Ayes all.

It was moved by Mrs. Brooks and seconded by Mr. Griffith to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. Ayes all.

Marilyn Massengill, CMC
Clerk, Charter Township of Plymouth

Kathleen Keen-McCarthy, Supervisor
Charter Township of Plymouth

The foregoing is a synopsis of the minutes of the Board of Trustees held on April 9, 1996. The full text is available in the Clerk's Office for perusal. They will be submitted for Board approval at the next regular meeting on April 23, 1996.

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Smelser has security in hand for Summer Olympics

BY BRIAN CORBETT

Jack Smelser had better sharpen his ushering skills.

The Plymouth resident is off to the 1996 Summer Olympics in Atlanta as a volunteer security guard. "It's a security job at Olympic Stadium. I'll be checking packages, making sure there's no bombs," said Smelser with a slight laugh. "I'll be directing people to their seats and the press box area, things like that. Making sure there's no congestion."

Smelser applied to be a volunteer more than a year ago, filling out personal and work reference forms to verify his reliability. "It's been a life-long dream to go to the Olympics," he said.

So Smelser was obviously enthusiastic when he was notified of his acceptance a few weeks ago. "I was pretty excited," he said.

"All I got was a postcard stating I'd been picked, but it didn't say for what. I had to call to find out and that's when the guy told me."

To prepare, Smelser and the other members of the volunteer staff will take a four hour crash course in security, including a rehearsal of the Opening Ceremonies. "I ushered at U of M stadium one year," he said, "but that's nothing like this."

On his 18-day visit to Atlanta, Smelser has three days off. He has tickets to the Olympic Gold Medal baseball game and plans on touring local sites with his cousins who live in the area.

But he is hoping he will get a glimpse of his favorite event, track and field, while he's patrolling the stadium. "I don't know if I'm going to be able to," he said. "Maybe I'm going to be able to take breaks to watch, take a breather; I'm hoping."

There are other perks too. Smelser, who manages the Clark Gas Station at 950 S. Main St., will be able to keep his three dark green Olympic uniforms and a pair of black Reebok sneakers. "I asked about the uniforms, if we were going to be able to wear shorts," said Smelser. "And they said, 'No, because some of the Middle Eastern countries might frown on

that'."

With the 2002 Winter Olympics scheduled to be held in Salt Lake City, Smelser said he might use the experience from this summer's games to apply for a similar position.

"Hopefully, this will qualify me for something like that," he said.

Smelser is looking for individual and corporate sponsors to make his trip possible. He can be contacted at 459-5811.

Spring flowers will bring smiles in Canton

BY ROB KIRKBRIDE

Although the traffic flow won't change, the Ford Road-I-275 interchange will be pleasing to look at if Canton receives a grant from the Michigan Department of Transportation to beautify the area.

The Canton Board of Trustees passed a resolution last week approving the submission of the grant application to the MDOT Enhancement Activity Program.

Canton is applying for \$239,371 to install decorative landscaping at the interchange — a major entrance to the Canton community.

If approved, Canton would be required to come up with a 20 percent match — \$60,000 — and would also be required to maintain the area after it is planted.

Canton Supervisor Tom Yack said they should know if they are awarded the grant by this winter. If the grant is approved, work would likely begin next spring.



Public notices

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**A Community Crier
investigative report**

Soaking the consumer?

BY BRIAN CORBETT

*Water rate
increases
drain local
pocketbooks*

Are your water bills draining your pocket book?

By the time water has made its way from the Great Lakes to the kitchen faucet or bathroom drain, it has gone from being free to an expensive necessity.

The reason: a waterfall of rate increases cascading down from Detroit and local governments to residents, who pay service fees for the use of water and sewer lines.

In The Plymouth-Canton Community, where a typical resident uses 30,000 gallons each of water and sewer capacity during a quarterly bill, the average service fee increase is 132 percent.

The largest difference is in Plymouth Township sewer bills. According to January figures provided by the Detroit Water and Sewer Department-Financial Services, Plymouth Township pays \$22.60 per 30,000 gallons for sewer capacity, while it charges residents \$74.79 — an increase of 231 percent.

But before shutting off water lines and digging a well in protest, consider the plight of City of Northville residents who shoulder the burden of a 519 percent increase in a typical quarterly sewer bill.

Repair reserves and maintenance work are the most popular uses for the service fees charged to The Plymouth-Canton Community.

But does that make the increases fair to residents?

Local governments think so. "The money that is collected for water and sewer stays in water and sewer," said Plymouth Township Finance Director Rosemary Harvey. "It's not used for any other government purpose. Therefore, I believe it's appropriate."

Canton Financial Director John Spencer and former City of Plymouth Finance Director Bill Graham also believe the rates are justified. "We're running the equivalent of a private sector business," said Graham. "The difference is used to run the water and sewer system on a day to day basis, and to build reserves."

"You charge what it costs to provide the service. We're charging less than what it costs (to provide the service)," said Spencer.

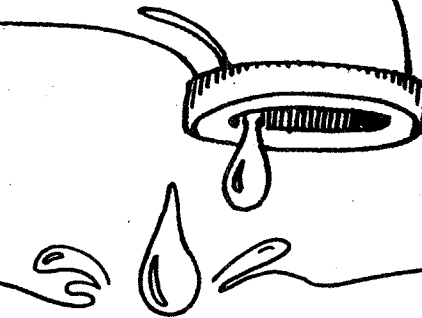
Plymouth Township and Canton purchase water from Wayne County/Detroit and sewage capacity from two sources, Detroit and the Ypsilanti Community Utilities Authority (YCUA), via the Western Township Utility Authority (WTUA), which also includes Northville Township. The City, meanwhile, buys water and sewage

capacity from Detroit and Wayne County.

Even though reasons differ in each community, government officials generally blame Detroit's yearly increases, with the exception of 1993-94, and bond payments for the turnaround rates levied on residents.

While Plymouth Township is home the largest increase, it also has the smallest. A 30,000 gallon water bill would cost Plymouth Township \$32.96, and its residents \$45.90 — a 39 percent increase. "Our philosophy is we try to break even," said Harvey. "We do have bonds to pay, and the bonds have to do with the WTUA. All the costs that are bonded out are paid for by these townships. And we have on going maintenance programs."

Harvey said typical maintenance includes sewer cleaning, replacing meters and repairing hydrants. "There's all kinds of things that go along with water pipes," said Harvey. "You know, if a water main



Water Rates

City of Detroit wholesale rate vs. local municipal rate charged to consumer

Typical quarterly residential bill based on 30,000 gallons

	Current (Jan.) Detroit Charges		Community Charges		Local markup
	Unit rate	Typical quarterly bill	Unit rate	Typical quarterly bill	
Plymouth	6.52	26.08	18.86	75.45	189.30%
Plymouth Township	8.24	32.96	11.48	45.90	39.26%
Canton	7.70	30.80	12.15	48.60	57.79%
Northville	7.33	29.32	14.85	59.40	102.59%
Northville Township	9.87	39.48	15.75	63.00	59.57%

Sewer Rates

City of Detroit wholesale rate vs. local municipal rate charged to consumer

Typical quarterly residential bill based on 30,000 gallons

	Current (Jan.) Detroit Charges		Community Charges		Local Markup
	Unit rate	Typical quarterly bill	Unit rate	Typical quarterly bill	
Plymouth	5.65	22.60	11.55	46.20	104.42%
Plymouth Township	5.65	22.60	18.70	74.79	230.93%
Canton	5.65	22.60	15.45	61.80	173.45%
Northville	5.65	22.60	34.95	139.80	518.58%
Northville Township	5.65	22.60	13.95	55.80	146.90%

For sewer, all communities wholesale customers of Wayne County Rouge Valley District

breaks, our (Department of Public Works) has to go out and fix it."

The City hikes its water bill up 189 percent, from \$26.08 to 75.45, and its sewer payment from \$22.60 to a fee of \$46.20 — an 104 percent increase. Graham said the City uses the funds for maintaining one of the older systems in the area. "There's no question it's probably higher than other cities," he said, "but there's various reasons for that."

These differences include basic operating costs, ongoing repairs and retaining earnings for future projects to avoid purchasing bonds. "We've tried to take a responsible role," Graham said. "We know it's an old system. We try to use the rates without overburdening the users."

In the growing community of Canton, residents pay a 58 percent increase in water (\$30.80 to \$48.60) and a 173 percent mark up for sewer (\$22.60 to 61.80).

Spencer said developers often extend water and sewer lines in the subdivisions they are constructing. Canton has saved a major construction headache because of such compliance. But Spencer said yearly increases are still required in order to pay for ongoing maintenance and upgrading. "Our system is, obviously, newer than Detroit's," he said.

"It's even newer than a lot of outlying communities. But they're always upgrading on water lines. Some of our lines are 30 years old. A lot of technology has changed."

Also, according to Spencer, Canton's increases are in the riptide of Detroit's, which has raised water rates four times in the last five years.

There was a time, Spencer said, of inactivity by the Canton Board of Trustees that has now come back to haunt the current government. "There were many years when the board didn't increase rates, from 1984 to 1991; they didn't pass on rates," said Spencer.



Friends & neighbors

Neighbors in the news

Plymouth residents Michelle Abel and Georgia Barton were recently inducted into Madonna University's chapter of the Sigma Theta Tau International Nursing Honor Society. In total, one faculty member and 24 students were inducted.

Richard Brinn, an artist from Canton, will participate in the 10th Annual Ecclesiastical Art Exhibit at Historic Trinity Lutheran Church in Detroit. The exhibit will be held from May 16 to June 2 at the church on Gratiot Avenue and will include painting, sculpture, wood-carving, print-making, pottery, fiber art, stained glass and photography. Most of the pieces on display will be for sale.

An infant and preschool special education teacher was given the "Extra Miler Award" at a recent meeting of the Plymouth-Canton School Board. Mary Kay Herr has been a teacher in the district for 20 years. She gave a computer workshop for preschoolers, organized volunteers for Special Olympics and developed the Grandma and Grandpa program, which unites students with residents at Plymouth Court.

Wayne County Commissioner Bruce Patterson issued a written tribute to Phil Petix, a Canton resident and county employee who retired March 30. Petix was a Department of Public Services employee who supervised road maintenance south of Joy Road to Huron River Drive; Rawsonville Road east to Second Avenue and I-94 in Detroit. He plans to leave Canton and move south for retirement.

A Plymouth resident has been named to the 1996 edition of Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges. Stephen R. Sedore is one of 37 Albion College students included in the book, which honors outstanding students from the U.S. and several foreign countries. Students are nominated based on academic achievements, community service, campus leadership and potential for success. Sedore is a senior at Albion with a major in computational mathematics and German.

Bands at East Middle School recently participated in the District 12 Band Festival at Stout Middle School in Dearborn. The seventh grade band received a first division rating and the eighth grade band received a second division rating.

Never Forget

BY LIZ SEYMOUR

Wanted: some Veterans of Foreign Wars.

But there haven't been any battles with foreign countries since the Vietnam War 30 years ago and the Persian Gulf War in 1991. And those veterans aren't as active as their comrades in earlier world wars, some VFW members say.

As a result, VFW Posts are seeing their memberships decline as active veterans get old or die.

"We need more active members, we really need them," said Carl Adler, the adjutant, or administrator of sorts, for the Mayflower-Lt. Gamble VFW Post #6695 on Lilley Road in Plymouth.

Nationally, VFW posts across the country are losing between 35,000 and 45,000 members every year, he said.

To honor active members in the Plymouth Community, the post is having a 50th anniversary dinner on April 20. Approximately 250 people are expected to honor the Mayflower-Lt. Gamble, which was formed on April 11, 1946. According to a press release, 36 people will receive a 50-year pin at the celebration.

Adler, 72, served in the Air Force during World War II and returned from Japan in 1946. Most of the members of the Plymouth VFW Post served in the second world war or in the Korean War, he said.

"We've got one from World War I and I don't even know if that boy's still alive," Adler said.

But Vietnam veterans are another matter. They are welcome at any VFW post, but most prefer their own organization, Adler said. The local Vietnam Veterans Association is based in Canton.

A VFW post, Adler said, is intended to support those Americans who fought the highest battle for their country.

"We've got to take care of the men who got the Purple Heart," he said. "If they were alone, they wouldn't be able to make their voice heard.

VFW Post celebrates 50 years

"There's still a lot of guys unhinged from World War II and Korea."

By extension, members of the post donate their time to the local VA hos-

pital in Ann Arbor. They run a Bingo game twice a month and the post's women's auxiliary members visit patients "to make sure the men know they're not forgotten," he said.

Modern dance



Two Chicago dancers-choreographers will perform four modern dance pieces next month at The Grange in Plymouth. Kelly Borcherts and Elaine Economou will showcase their original dance material, called "Hoedown," at 8 p.m. on May 9 and May 10 at The Grange on 273 S. Union Street. Borcherts is a dance teacher who holds classes locally at the Plymouth YMCA, the Performing Arts Academy of Novi and the Northville Senior Center. Economou is member of "Add Water and Stir," a contact improvisation dance company in Chicago. Music during "Hoedown" comes from k.d. lang, Robbie Robertson and the Indigo Girls, among others. Tickets are \$7. For reservations and other information, call 459-1477.



Community deaths

Obituaries

For more information on listing a paid obituary notice in The Crier, contact your funeral director or call (313) 453-6900

ROBERT JOSEPH NUISMER

Robert Joseph Nuismer, a San Diego, CA resident, died March 19, 1996 at the age of 45.

Mr. Nuismer was born April 27, 1950 in Alpena, MI. He studied dramatic arts at Brigham Young University and was an actor, director, choreographer and playwright who recently stepped down as artistic director of San Diego's Diversionary Theatre.

Mr. Nuismer is survived by his mother, Ruth Nuismer of Petoskey; brothers, Anthony Nuismer of Traverse City, Larry Nuismer of West Virginia, John Nuismer of Washington state and Donald Nuismer of Florida; and sister, Jo Ellen Ririe of Utah. He was preceded in death by his brother, Richard; and father, Joseph Nuismer.

A funeral service was conducted by Bishop Al Clark at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in San Diego.

LILLIAN NEBUS

Lillian Nebus, a Westland resident, died April 8, 1996 at the age of 82.

Mrs. Nebus was born Dec. 26, 1913 in Detroit. She came to Westland in 1970.

She is survived by her husband, William A. Nebus of Westland; daughters, Jacqueline (Thomas) Renkes of Frederic and Carol (Kenneth) Schultz of Westland; daughter-in-law, Florence Nebus; son, Charles (Roberta) Nebus of Livonia; sisters, Alice Seiter of Livonia, Margaret Shedell of Westland and Patricia (Al) Cox of Canton; brothers, Chester (Millie) Burke of Gaylord and Jack Burke of Livonia; eight grandchildren; and 13 great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her son, William Nebus; and sister, Fredis Hewitt of Wayne.

Services were held at St. Matthew Lutheran Church in Westland with Rev. Gary Headapohl officiating. Burial was at Glen Eden Memorial Park in Livonia. Arrangements were made by Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home in Westland. Memorial tributes can be made to St. Matthew Lutheran Church, 5885 Venoy, Westland, MI.

MARILYN STEBBINS

Marilyn Stebbins, a Canton resident, died April 12, 1996 at the age of 58.

Ms. Stebbins was born in Detroit. After moving to the community, she worked as a stockperson at the K-Mart warehouse in Canton.

Ms. Stebbins is survived by her daughters, Kim (Matthew) Watroba of Fenton and Kara Eddleman of Canton; son, Michael (Christine) Powell of Canton; and six grandchildren.

Arrangements were made by and services were held at Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home in Plymouth with Sr. Virginanne officiating. Burial was at Oakgrove Cemetery in Dixboro. Memorial tributes can be made to St. Jude's Childrens Hospital, 9339 W. Fort, Detroit, MI 48209.

BERNARD T. WAGAR

Bernard T. Wagar, a Westland resident, died April 13, 1996 at the age of 73.

Mr. Wagar was born May 9, 1922 in Bay City. He served in the U.S. Army during W. W. II and was a supervisor for the county, retiring in 1983.

Mr. Wagar is survived by his wife, Doris May Wagar; daughters, Connie (Dave) Talo of Fowlerville and Beth Olszewski of Fowlerville; sons, James (Lori) Wagar of Westland, Paul C. (Mary) Wagar of Redford, Daniel B. Wagar of Detroit, Patrick (Karen) Wagar of Plymouth, Michael T. Wagar of Detroit, Joseph (Judy) Wagar of Sterling Heights and Robert (Debbie) Wagar of Astoria, OR; sister, Joan Wagar of Livonia; and 13 grandchildren.

Services were held at St. Richards Catholic Church in Westland with Fr. Leonard Partensky officiating. Burial was at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Southfield. Arrangements were made by Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home in Westland. Mass offerings can be made or memorial tributes given to the American Heart Association, Central Metro Region, P.O. Box 721129, Berkley, MI 48072.

Mary W. Valicento, 74, homemaker

Mary W. Valicento, a former Canton resident, died April 2, 1996.

She is survived by three children; two brothers; four sisters; three grandchildren; one great grandchild; and a mother-in-law. She is preceded in death by her husband, Robert.

Arrangements were made by and services were held at the Schrader-Howell Funeral home in Plymouth with Fr. George Charnley officiating.

Josephine L. Chute, 95, homemaker

Josephine L. Chute, a Plymouth resident, died March 29, 1996.

She is survived by two sons; five grandchildren; and five great grandchildren.

Arrangements were made by and services were held at the Schrader-Howell Funeral home in Plymouth with Rev. James Skimins officiating.

William R. Henrion, 76, truck driver

William R. Henrion, a Canton resident, died April 2, 1996.

He is survived by his wife, Betty L. Henrion of Canton; three daughters; three sons; two brothers; 20 grandchildren; and 12 great grandchildren.

Arrangements were made by and services were held at the L.J. Griffin Funeral Home in Canton with Sr. Joanne Witucki officiating.

Dorothy Northrop, 85, homemaker

Dorothy Northrop, a Canton resident, died April 10, 1996.

She is survived by two daughters; one sister; six grandchildren; and eight great grandchildren.

Arrangements were made by and services held at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home in Plymouth with Rev. Roy G. Forsyth officiating.

Joseph L. Kennedy, 85, purchasing

Joseph L. Kennedy, a Canton resident, died April 6, 1996.

He is survived by his daughter, Barbara (James) Frawley of Canton; one son; two sisters; four brothers; four grandchildren; and five great grandchildren.

Services were held at St. John Neumann Catholic Church with Fr. George Charnley officiating. Arrangements were made by the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home in Plymouth.

Robert R. Barbee, 23, factory worker

Robert R. Barbee, a Canton resident, died April 7, 1996.

He is survived by his parents, Gary and Faye Barbee of Canton; brother, Brian Barbee of Canton; and his grandparents.

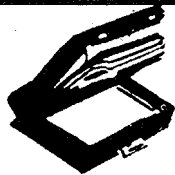
Arrangements were made by and services held at the McCabe Funeral Home Canton Chapel with Rev. Charles Raymond Clayton officiating.

Joan Patricia Louwers, 61, homemaker

Joan Patricia Louwers, a Plymouth resident, died April 9, 1996.

She is survived by her husband, William Louwers of Plymouth; son, David Louwers of Canton and two other sons; five daughters; three brothers; two sisters; and 17 grandchildren.

Services were held at Resurrection Catholic Church with Fr. Richard A. Perfetto officiating. Arrangements were made by the McCabe Funeral Home Canton Chapel.



Getting down to business

Neighbors in business

Plymouth resident Cynthia G. Owens was named customer service manager for Magic Line, Inc. by Chief Operating Officer David Lind.

Owens is responsible for the management of the customer service department and its staff, meeting Magic Line's strategic objective of maintaining optimum levels of customer satisfaction through operating procedures, staff training, planning and implementation for post-conversion/activation support and assessing member satisfaction through surveys and other research tools. Owens has a B.A. in accounting from Eastern Michigan University.

The Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce is holding a business seminar entitled "How to hire/fire without ending up in court" this morning from 8-9 a.m. at the chamber office. Non-members, \$30; members, \$5. The chamber of commerce is also holding a luncheon/fashion show honoring Secretary's Day will be held at the Water Club Grill on April 24 from noon to 1:30 p.m. \$16 per person. R.S.V.P. by Friday. Every secretary will receive a flower and has a chance to win a door prize. For more information on either chamber event, call 453-1540.

Are you ready for another new area code — again? Ameritech has announced Oakland County, which includes a portion of Northville, will receive a new area code in the spring of 1997. The results of the Citizens' Advisory Committee market research found that 58 percent of customers surveyed throughout the 810 area code preferred the Oakland County area code plan over two other proposed plans. Customers said boundaries for an Oakland County area code plan would be easily recognizable and the change would split the fewest communities. The research illustrated that almost nine out of 120 resident and business customers found the new boundary "easy" to recognize. It doesn't end there. The 313 area code will be split in 1998. The prefixes for the new area codes have not been selected. For more information, call 1-800-831-8989.

Plymouth-based Virtual Engineering has retained Quell Communications Group to provide public relations and marketing communication consulting and services. Virtual offers mechanical engineering design and analysis services.

Continental Cablevision customers in Canton, Plymouth and Northville can now do more than watch television via cable. The Sega Channel premiered April 1, featuring more than 50 new games every month.

Good Samaritans

Angela Hospice looks for help with golf outing

BY BRIAN CORBETT

Angela Hospice is looking for some "Good Samaritans" for its eighth annual benefit golf outing at the Links in Pinewood next month.

Angela Hospice, which opened Plymouth Court Nursing Center last fall, is holding its annual spring fundraiser to benefit the Good Samaritan Fund. "We

have two big fundraisers each year," said Director of Public Relations Tracy Muscat. "One is called the Light Up Your Life benefit held at Jacobson's, which last year raised \$20,000. The Golf Outing is held in May, and we hope to raise \$40,000 this year.

"All the proceeds from the event benefit our Good Samaritan Fund, which support patients with no money, or insurance or form of reimbursement. It allows us to still provide care for them."

Angela Hospice — sponsored and operated by the Felician Sisters of Livonia — cares for more than 120 patients daily, including 19 beds in Plymouth. "Most of our patients have six months or less to live," said Muscat. "They either live in their houses or in the Plymouth Court Nursing Center. They've decided to forgo curative treatment, but continue to live pain free."

Patients, who have ranged in age from infancy to 107 years old, are cared for by an adept staff of doctors, nurses, nurses' aides and social workers Muscat said. "It's quite an extensive team of professionals that follows the patient — and the family, because this is like holistic care."

But in order for this service to continue for less-fortunate patients,

Muscat said, help such as the Plymouth Community United Way's donation to the Plymouth Nursing Court Center and Phillips Service Industries support of the golf outing is needed.

Corporate packages, individual golfer packages and hole sponsorships are needed, according to Muscat, for the May 13 golf outing in Walled Lake. The day is set to begin at 11 a.m., and includes a buffet lunch, steak dinner, and 18 holes of golf. There will also be on-course activities, such as a closest to the pin competition, a skins game and longest drive. "We're looking at how we're going to do the scoring," said Muscat. "We've actually got a couple of individuals who are PGA professionals; we don't want them to run away with it. But we've got mens', womens' and mixed teams."

Amateurs and non-golfers are welcome to, Muscat said. "It's an all day affair," she said. "You can come just for lunch or dinner. You don't really need to be a golfer."

But you may want to become one after watching Angela Hospice President Sister Mary Giovanni drive her way down a luscious fairway surrounded by a pine forest. "This is her third straight year," said Muscat. "She enjoys it. She's good off the tee."

Ludorf appointed associate director



COLLEEN H. LUDORF

Colleen H. Ludorf was appointed associate director of medical education at Riverside Osteopathic Hospital in Trenton. She will direct the administrative matters concerning the hospital's extern, intern and residency programs.

Ludorf, a Plymouth resident, most recently served as a faculty development training coordinator for the Consortium for Osteopathic Graduate Medical Education and Training.

She has more than 20 years experience in the medical and allied health adult education arena.

Ludorf, who also teaches psychology, human development and human services at Saint Mary's College in Orchard Lake, is presently completing her dissertation requirement of a doctorate degree in educational psychology at Michigan State University. She holds a master's degree from MSU and a bachelor's degree from St. Mary's College.

Local businesses receive state help to expand services

The Michigan Strategic Fund (MSF) recently approved more than \$5 million in tax exempt bonds to two businesses in The Plymouth-Canton Community.

An estimated 19 new jobs will be created because of the expansion and renovation.

Artic Rentals of Canton received a \$2.7 million limited tax-exempt bond issue to help finance an expansion project. Approximately 60,000 square feet will be added to the current facility. Machinery will also be acquired and installed for the company, which is engaged in cold food storage.

Artic Rentals currently employs 16 people; an estimated four new jobs will be created as a result of the expansion project.

Vico Products is a growing manufacturer of cold-headed steel fasteners. In a letter to the Plymouth Township Board of Trustees Controller Karen Johnson said, "in order to continue this growth and survive in our extremely competitive niche, we have found it

necessary to update and increase our manufacturing capabilities."

The \$3 million tax-exempt bond issue from the MSF, an agency of the Michigan Jobs Commission, includes the financing of building renovations and the acquisition and installation of machinery and equipment. It is the seventh addition to the Ann Arbor Road facility — home to Vico Products since 1965 — taking the square footage from 20,000 square feet to nearly 90,000 square feet. About 15 new employees will be added to a current workforce of more than 100 that produces brake components for the automobile industry.

The 1990s has been a prosperous decade for Vico Products. Founded in Plymouth in 1943 by Leo Schultz, the company has increased its sales from \$11.5 million in 1992 to \$18 million in 1995, adding one-fifth of its staff in the past two years.

Vico Products is embarking on a new product line and anticipates continued sales increases.

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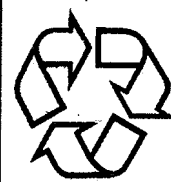
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Health...

GOLF FITNESS CLASS
IHS Therapy of Plymouth will conduct a golf fitness clinic from 8 a.m. to noon April 20 at the Summit on the Park in Canton. Focus on physical conditioning, mental training and golf technique instruction. \$60. Limited space. All golfers welcome. For more information, call 420-9015.

FITNESS CLASSES
At St. John's Church, 574 Sheldon Rd. Aerobics, step, weight and intro to step classes offered by Aerobic Fitness Co. Morning, evening and Saturday classes. Childcare available mornings. Classes ongoing, join any time. Six-week sessions \$33-75. For more information, call (810) 348-1280.

LUNCHTIME EXERCISE
Lunch hour open skate at the Culture Center, 525 Farmer St. Fees are reduced from regular open skate fees. Mondays: 12 noon to 1:20 p.m.; Wednesdays: 11:30 a.m. to 1:20 p.m.; Fridays: 11:50 a.m. to 12:50 p.m. \$2 for City resident or full time worker in the City (please bring pay stub). \$2.50 non resident. 50 cent skate rental. For more information, call 455-6623.

AEROBICS CLASS
The City of Plymouth Parks and Recreation Department will hold low/high aerobics classes. \$40-one day a week, \$54-two days a week, \$69 unlimited, from 9:30-10:30 a.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. For more information, call Kathi at (810) 349-7928.

EMERGENCY PHARMACEUTICAL PROGRAM
Qualified Plymouth seniors can receive a month's supply of medication, available at the township hall the second and third Fridays of each month. For an appointment, call 455-7526.

SMOKE STOPPERS
The McAuley Health building will hold a continuing stop-smoking clinic with a free assessment. Patch users are welcome. For more information, call Pat Harris at 712-4141.

Schools...

SCHOOLCRAFT-MSU TRANSFER SCHOLARSHIP
Schoolcraft College students transferring to MSU are eligible to win a \$500 scholarship. Students must have a minimum of 50 credits and transferring to MSU in the fall of 1996. The application deadline is May 3. For more information, call 462-4463.

CANTON/SALEM SENIOR CLASS PARTY
Committees need help in preplanning stages to provide a festive atmosphere on graduation night for students in a safe and controlled environment. Businesses are urged to donate. Parents are urged to volunteer. Call Steering Committee members Pam Capaldi at 455-3869 or Andi Schmiedel at 397-6936.

CANTON/SALEM GRADUATION
At Bowen Field House at Eastern Michigan University June 9. Canton at 1:30 p.m. and Salem at 5 p.m.

SALEM SENIOR PROM
At Burton Manor (formerly Roma Hall) on Schoolcraft Rd. east of Ladbroke DRC in Livonia, May 18 from 8 p.m. to midnight. Dinner served at 6:30 p.m. Tickets will be on sale from April 29 through May 10.

WSDP-88.1 FM NEW JAZZ SHOW
Every Friday from 8-11 p.m., featuring old and new jazz.

WSDP RADIO AUCTION
May 11 from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.. Funds raised will purchase new Alert Emergency System Equipment, scholarships and a new transmitter. All donations are tax deductible. Businesses interesting in donating should call the station at 416-7732.

PLYMOUTH HIGH SCHOOL/CLASS OF 1971 REUNION
The 25th class reunion will be held at the Summit in Canton Aug. 31. For more information, call Marilyn Miller Smith at (810) 486-6060 or (810) 437-8517.

CLASS OF 1976/SALEM HIGH SCHOOL
Aug. 10 at the Novi Hilton. Class Reunions Plus, P.O. Box 806010, St. Clair Shores, MI 48080-6010. Call 886-0770.

CANTON HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL TEAM
The Canton High School baseball team is selling discount cards good for free items and discounts at Plymouth Canton merchants. Cards cost \$5, and are good for one year. Cards are available from any baseball team member or by calling 420-0127 after 3:30 p.m. weekdays.

HOBEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP
Applications are currently being accepted for the \$500 Hoben Scholarship for a one-year period. To qualify, applicants must: be a graduate of Canton or Salem High schools; attended Hoben for six years or from its founding until graduation from fifth grade; intend to continue education in an accredited college, university, vocational or trade school in Michigan; participate in community activities. For more information, call 416-2755. The application deadline is April 19.

ELEMENTARY PARENT AWARENESS COMMITTEE NEEDS MEMBERS
Formed in the fall of 1994, the committee helps create a greater awareness among parents of the need for students to gain positive interpersonal skills at an early age. The committee is comprised of parents, educators and business representatives. For more information, call Betty Bloch at 416-4903.

P-C SCHOOLS NEEDS SPEAKERS
The Plymouth-Canton Business Education partnership program is looking for individuals willing to share their expertise with local students. To volunteer, call Betty Bloch at 416-4903.

KINDEGARTEN CREW REGISTRATION
The Plymouth-Canton Extended Day Program is holding registration for the Kindergarten Crew Program at Gallimore Elementary School. \$40 registration fee and the cost is \$30 a week.

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION 1996/97 SCHOOL YEAR
Registration is being held Plymouth-Canton kindergarten classes. To register, the child must be five-years-old by Dec. 1. Also needed for registration: child's birth certificate (call Michigan Dept. of Public Health at (517) 335-8655); proof of residency (ex. property tax bill — driver's license is unacceptable); child's social security number; child's record of immunization (call Wayne County Health Dept. at 467-3319).

PLYMOUTH'S CHILDREN NURSERY
Located at 5825 N. Sheldon Rd, applications are being accepted for fall registration. For more information, call 459-3111.

WSDP, 88.1-FM REUNION
WSDP, the student-operated station of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools is planning its 25th anniversary reunion for 1997. Former staff members are asked to send their current addresses to the station.

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Upcoming...

ASSET SEMINAR

"How To Protect Your Assets From the High Cost of Nursing Home Care," presented by Paul Leduc May 8 from 1-3 p.m. at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer. Free of charge. For more information, call 455-6623.

SALEM TOWNSHIP HERB FARM CLASSES

At Brookville Gardens, 7885 Brookville Rd. April 20: Herb Gardens Before and After; May 2: Container Garden Workshop; May 8: Hats Off to Mother. For more information on classes, times and cost, call Cindy at 455-8602.

NEW PLYMOUTH HISTORICAL EXHIBIT

"Plymouth-Canton Collects" will be on display until Oct. 27 at the Plymouth Historical Museum, 155 S. Main St. Judge Ron Lowe, Canton Township Supervisor Tom Yack and West Middle School Principal Judie Stone are among the many contributors. Admission is \$2; 50 cents for children. For more information, call 455-8940.

"TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALLGAME"

Special program at the Plymouth Historical Museum, 155 S. Main St., on April 18 at 6:30 p.m. \$3. Former New York Yankees Pitcher Bill Stafford. Hot dogs, peanuts and Cracker Jack. "Who's on First." Baseball history. For more information, call 455-8940.

PLYMOUTH PARKS AND REC SENIOR TRIPS

April 24 "Turkeyville's Dinner Theater." \$46 includes transportation, turkey dinner and "Those Fabulous 50's" musical revue. A casino trip to Windsor is scheduled for April 29. \$27 includes lunch, and \$10 in tokens. For more information on either event, call 455-6620.

PSO GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY GALA

"A Night in Casablanca," April 26 at Fox Hills Country Club in Plymouth Township. Tickets are \$100 per person. Packages available for businesses who would like to sponsor the event. Raffle tickets are being sold. For more information, call Michelle at 451-2112.

DUMOUCHELLE ANTIQUE APPRAISAL CLINIC

April 30 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Plymouth Historical Museum. \$6 oral appraisal per item and \$10 written appraisal per item. To schedule appointment, call 455-8940.

OLGC GOLF OUTING TO BENEFIT ATHLETIC PROGRAMS

June 1 at St. John's Golf Course, 14830 Sheldon Rd. \$85 per person, includes 18 holes (AM and PM shotgun starts), cart, food at the turn, sit down dinner and range balls. Cash and door prizes. Trophies. Hole-in-one contest for automobile. Reservation must be made by May 1. For more information, call Rich at 416-9177, Mike at 454-0847 or Steve at 455-6634.

PAUL MANZ HYMN FESTIVAL

Manz, an organist and composer, at the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth, 701 Church St., at 7:30 p.m. on April 19. \$10. For more information, call 453-6464.

GRIEF RECOVERY SERIES

A five-week program (April 25-May 23, 7-9 p.m.) at Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home, 46401 Ann Arbor Rd. in Plymouth, designed to help grieving people find hope and healing through group interaction. Learn the characteristics of grief, to share feelings and to receive support from others. Professional facilitator will lead the group that is limited to 20 people. For more information, call 459-2250.

PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP POLICE/DETROIT LIONS FUNDRAISER

The Plymouth Township Police have accepted a challenge to play the Detroit Lions in a fundraiser basketball game May 2 at the Central Middle School Gym, 650 W. Church. The game will benefit many local charities such as the United Way, Salvation Army and the Boy Scouts. Kids participating in Special Olympics will attend as honored guests. Family, \$45; couples, \$25; singles, \$15. For more information, call 453-1049.

Volunteer...

GIVE BLOOD

The American Red Cross Bloodmobile will be at the Plymouth Elks, 41700 Ann Arbor Rd., in Plymouth from 2-8 p.m. April 17. For more information, call 663-0014.

HOSPICE OF MICHIGAN

Companionship, patient/family care and office support volunteers are needed. Volunteers will provide a variety of services for patients and families as well as vital community relations support. Next training session will be held at Oakwood Healthcare Center in Canton. For more information, call 291-9700.

FISH VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

FISH of Plymouth/Canton is always looking for volunteers to assist in its purpose of aiding neighbors who cannot help themselves. If you would like being information on being a driver, a "caller," or just running errands, call 261-1011 and leave a message.

HOSPICE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Arbor Hospice needs volunteers to assist patients and families. Certified Volunteer Course meets from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturdays until May 11. The classes will be held in Plymouth. For more information, call 677-0500.

CHORE WORKERS NEEDED

The Chore Referral Program links seniors with workers who can mow lawns, shovel snow, wash windows, and do minor repairs. Workers are asked to charge seniors no more than \$6 an hour and must provide three references. For more information, call 722-2830.

HOSPICE OF SOUTHEASTERN MICHIGAN

The hospice is seeking patient care, patient companion and team support volunteers in The Plymouth-Canton-Northville Community. For more information, call 291-9700.

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The Plymouth District Library is looking for individuals, businesses and community groups to donate the cost of a magazine subscription to one of the over 300 periodicals the library keeps in stock. The sponsor's name will appear on the label and the donation is federal and state tax deductible. For more information, call the library at 453-0750.

PLYMOUTH COURT NURSING CENTER

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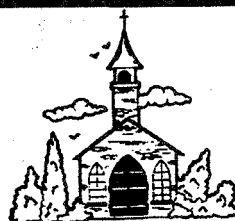
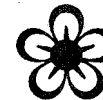
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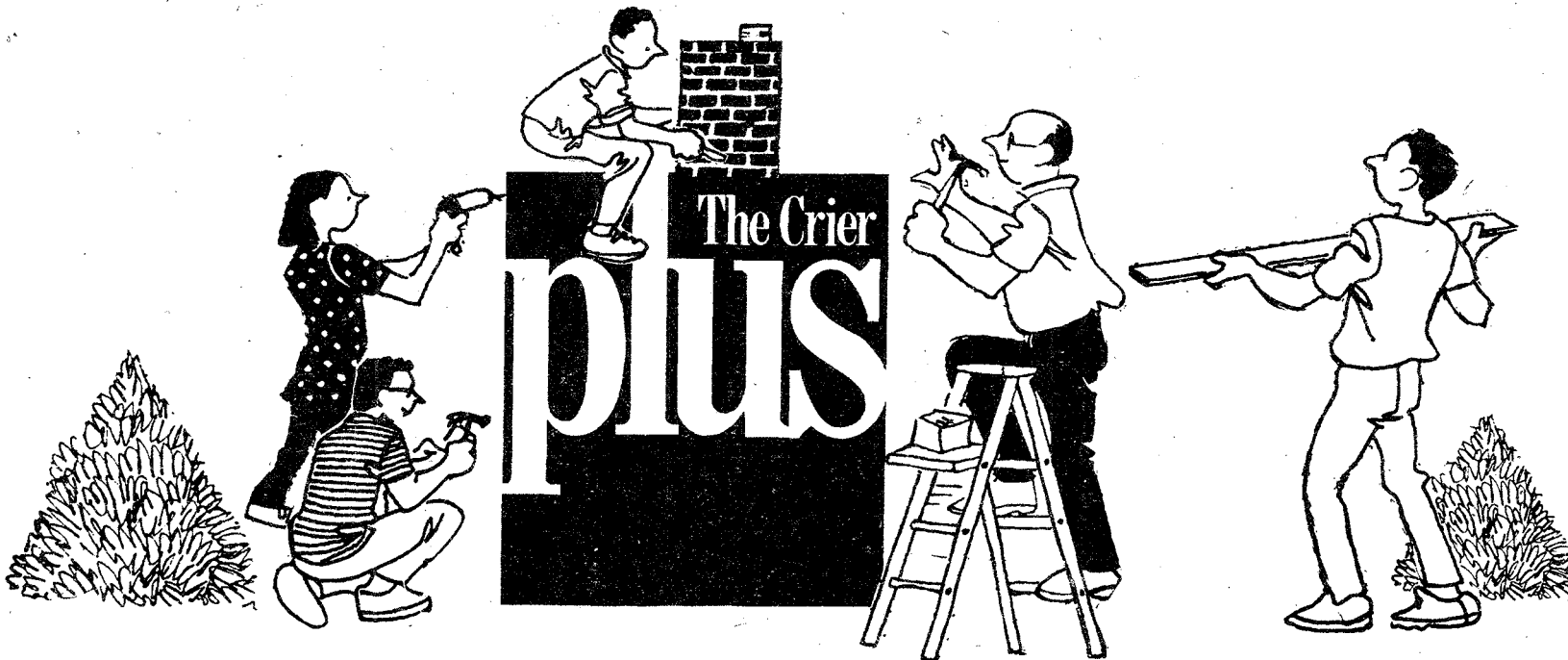
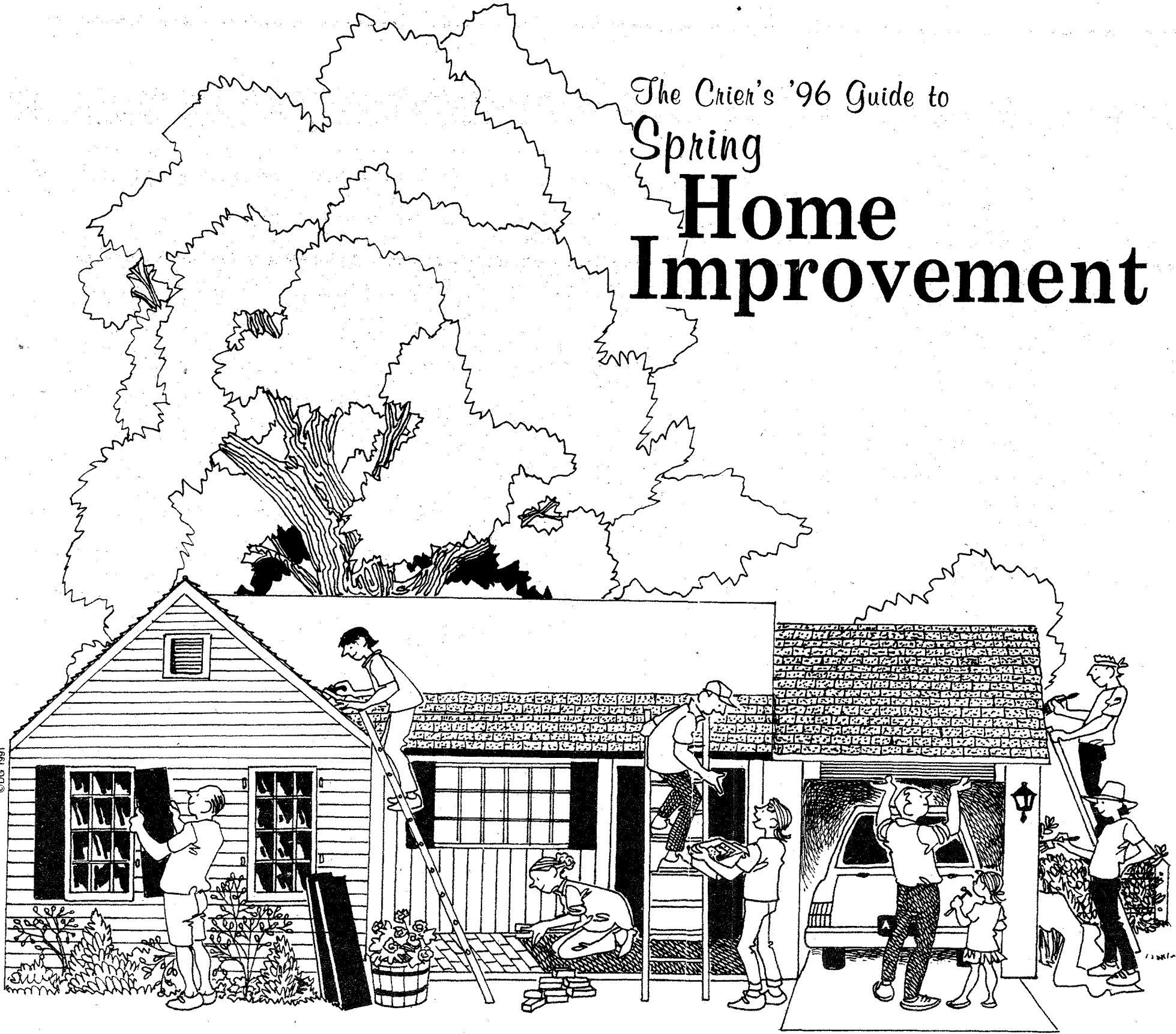


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Deck design ideas limited only by imagination of builder

Do-it-yourselfers can complete decks in no time at all with the right tools, enough time and plenty of patience

BY ROB KIRKBRIDE

When designing decks, imagination is the limit.

Deck add-ons continue to be one of the most popular home improvement projects. It is also a project that has a very high return for money invested.

Rick Boyce at Lumber Mart in Plymouth said decks continue to evolve. "Decks range from add-ons similar to a porch that can cost a couple hundred dollars to multi-level projects that can run tens of thousands of dollars," he said.

The first step when choosing a deck is design.

"The homeowner needs to find out how many levels they want, what type of style, if they want handrails and what type of wood will be used," said Tom Adamusik, owner of Regal Construction

in Canton.

Although it's not often thought of when building a deck, the type of wood that is used may be the most important component. Deck builders can choose between Wolmanized lumber, lumber chemically treated against rain, or naturally rain-resistant wood such as cedar or redwood.

"We try and ask our customers if they like the Wolmanized look," he said. "Some like the grey-green look of Wolmanized lumber, others say they couldn't live with that. There's all sorts of different options."

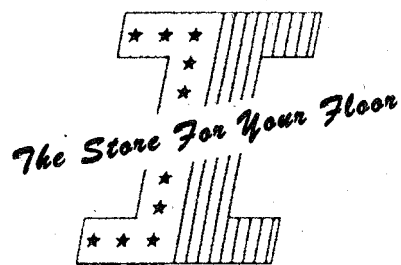
Decks weren't always this popular. Boyce said 20 years ago, very few homes had decks. Now, he said, they have become an important part of the home.

"Building decks is an easy way to add living space without a major expense," he said. "It becomes a part of the landscaping value of the house."

Boyce said Lumber Mart has all the materials necessary for the do-it-yourselfer and has crews ready to build a deck for those building novices.

Whether the deck project is bid out to a contractor or built by a homeowner, the sky is the limit.

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On solid ground

Decorative bricks add durability to home improvement projects

BY ROB KIRKBRIDE

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Until recently, these builders were limited to the color and shape of the rocks they could find or create.

All that has changed. Brick pavers, which are gaining popularity as material for driveways, decks, gardens and other areas around the home, come in a variety of colors, shapes and textures. Gone are the days of the stonecutter, shaping rock to fit the needs of the homebuilder.

Helena Scappaticci and her husband Marco, who own the Rock Shoppe, say the possibilities are endless when creating with the modern brick pavers.

"There are so many different styles, designs and color patterns that can be created," said Helena Scappaticci. "The possibilities are endless."

Scappaticci said colors can be used independently or mixed to make patterns. Outside borders can be added as well. Paving brick patterns and colors can be as diverse as those found in ceramic tiling. Colors range from traditional earth tones to blues and western-design shades.

The uses of brick pavers are almost as endless as the colors and shapes available.

"The homeowner can use the bricks in lieu of the traditional deck," she said.

"There's so much more that can be accomplished as far as texture and design is concerned."

Scappaticci said decorative bricks are also used for walkways, borders around swimming pools and around garden areas.

Perhaps the most useful functions of decorative bricks can be found in driveways. Although brick pavers are more expensive than traditional concrete or asphalt, they are far more durable and beautiful.

"They are more expensive," Scappaticci said, "but they last forever. They don't crack because they can move a little bit as the earth shifts and settles."

More importantly for the value-minded homeowner, decorative brick pavers add value to a home.

And according to Scappaticci, they are easy enough for the average homeowner to install.

"It's really quite simple," she said. "The most important thing to remember when installing them is to keep them level."

If more help is needed, the Rock Shoppe has installation videos and pamphlets at the store, and have staff who are able to answer just about any question that might arise.

Scappaticci said homeowners shouldn't worry about having to move the bricks themselves. Delivery is available.

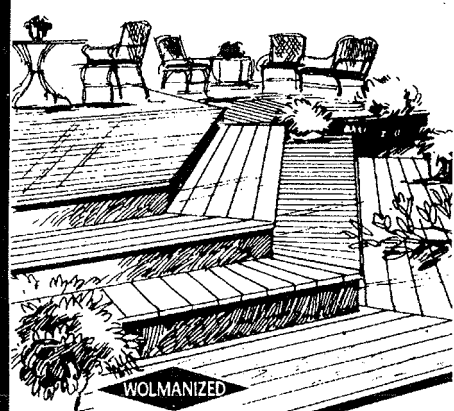
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Call early for central air conditioning add-on to beat summer heat wave

BY ROB KIRKBRIDE

As the old saying goes, "The early bird gets the worm." This is especially true when planning an air conditioning add-on project this spring. Although the weather has been cool, the scorching summer sun is just around the corner.

Joe Dunlap, owner of Dunlap Heating & Cooling, said customers should plan early to be sure the air conditioning unit is in place before the heat and humidity of summer set in.

"We're already a week to 10 days backed up," he said. "Last year, when it really got hot, we were backed up almost four weeks."

Adding air conditioning to an existing furnace is almost impossible without the proper training and tools. This is not the average handyman job. Tin is not easy to work with for the average do-it-yourselfer and custom tinwork is often needed to retrofit or remake the plenum — the portion of ductwork that rises immediately from the top of the furnace.

For the professional, adding air conditioning to an existing furnace is usually a snap. "Depending on the furnace," said Dunlap, "it's usually a half-day job."

The cost of an air conditioning add-on ranges from approximately \$1,000 to \$3,000, depending on the size of the house and efficiency of the unit.

Owning a central air conditioning unit is no longer a spoil of being rich. The units are easily installed, and most importantly,

don't cost an arm and a leg to run.

Dunlap said depending on how often the system is run, the electric bill shouldn't break the budget of most homeowners. "I ran my air conditioning consistently last summer," he said, "and my electric bill was under \$20 per month."

Don't think buying a window air conditioner will save money on the electric bill. The "window shakers" as they're known in the business, can suck more electricity than their central air counterparts — without the benefit of cooling the entire house.

Dunlap said many efficiency levels are available in central air conditioning units. "The higher the efficiency, the more the initial cost," he said. "But the homeowner is paid back in reduced energy cost."

When adding a central air conditioning unit, the homeowner also might consider changing the furnace. "Central air can be added to just about any furnace," said Dunlap, "but if the furnace is between 10 and 15 years old, they might want to look at changing it. It just depends on how the furnace was maintained."

Spring is also the time of year to perform maintenance on existing central air conditioning units. Schedule appointments early to clean the outside unit, charge the coolant lines if necessary and make sure the system is running efficiently.

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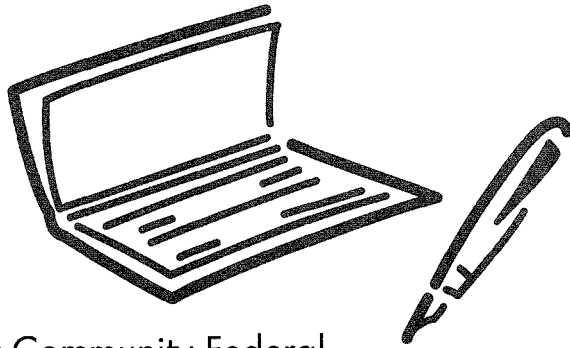
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D. Morgan began receiving formal training at age 16 at the Atlanta College of Arts. But she continues to credit her father, the late John Lovic Whitten, as her most influential teacher. It was from him that she inherited her love of painting and received the encouragement to practice it.

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BY ROB KIRKBRIDE

Spring cleaning and home improvement projects often include one of the most dreaded chores around the house: window cleaning.

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Gary Weston, owner of Weston Window Replacements in Plymouth, said in addition to cutting the spring workload, new windows can add beauty to a home, and reduce utility bills.

"Depending on the house, it can reduce energy cost for heating and cooling by 20 to 30 percent," he said.

Window cleaning from a ladder is a thing of the past with new replacement windows. The windows tilt in for cleaning.

"They are so convenient to clean," said Marty Peck, general manager of Artic Window Replacement. "It's a time factor. They (tilting windows) make it a lot easier."

New windows can also improve the safety of a home. Locks on new windows are much harder for crooks to pick. "Casement windows, which crank into their own frame, are the safest," said Weston.

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Peck said the majority of window replacements are custom-fit. "Vinyl and wood frame windows are custom-made to fit exactly to the size of the existing window," he said. "You don't have to tear the drywall and brick apart to resize."

Although most homeowners choose to have a contractor install the windows, the job only takes a couple of days, depending on the size of the house.

As with most construction products, new technology is changing windows.

"The latest thing is options in the glass itself," said Peck. "We have a product call 'Low-E Glass'. Low-E stands for Low Emissivity Glass, which has a clear film between the insulated panes of glass. It lets the sunlight in, but keeps the heat out in the summer and heat in in the winter."

According to Peck, changes are also being made in the aesthetic value of replacement windows. Gone are the days where the homeowner is limited to plain white.

"In vinyl windows," he said, "people have the option of 12 exterior colors. This makes it easier to match the different colors of brick and siding."

In addition to new color options, customers looking for a change can also turn a plain kitchen window into a garden or bay window, which Peck said can change the entire feeling of a room.

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Spas can reduce daily stress

BY MAURA CADY

The end to a rough day could be resolved by partaking in the bubbly stuff of the non-alcoholic sort. Spas (a.k.a. hot tubs or Jacuzzis) are a welcome addition to many neighborhood homes. If you want to keep up with the Joneses and are considering this relaxing and therapeutic addition to your life, read on.

Owning and maintaining a spa is the easy part. But, researching and testing the many units offered takes time. There are several deciding factors which you'll want to consider before pulling out that checkbook. To help clear up any confusion, here are a few tips to help you unwind while trying to reach your relaxing goal.

As with any major purchase, start by shopping around. There are many spa manufacturers on the market and not all are alike. Check out the reputation of the manufacturer as well as the servicing dealer. Make sure each has a good track record when it comes to product quality, service and customer satisfaction.

Spas with acrylic shells might seem appealing since, for the most part, the purchase price is lower. However, these types have fiberglass backings which tend to crack and, therefore, are not as durable as the newer weatherable polymers. The weatherable polymers can take much more abuse and stand up to the heat as well as provide an all over non-slip surface. In addition, better manufacturer warranties are the icing on the cake for these weatherable polymers.

When testing spas in the showroom, climb inside several models for a "dry test." Spa guru and owner of Poolmart of Michigan Pete Gagnon suggests you ask yourself, "What model is most comfortable and fits me best?" The different locations and number of jets

In the workshop

by Maura Cady



contained within a particular model is an equally important factor. Gagnon said that approximately 80 percent of the time spas are used by one person. In a 30 minute time period, you should have the capability of moving to a different location within your spa at least 5 times for a total body experience. Keep that in mind when you return to the showroom for your "wet test."

It's a proven fact that spas do not work on water alone. Insulation is a big factor in retaining the preset temperatures. Check on the amount of foam insulation contained on the underside of the spa. Also, the right filtration system can mean more efficient water cleaning.

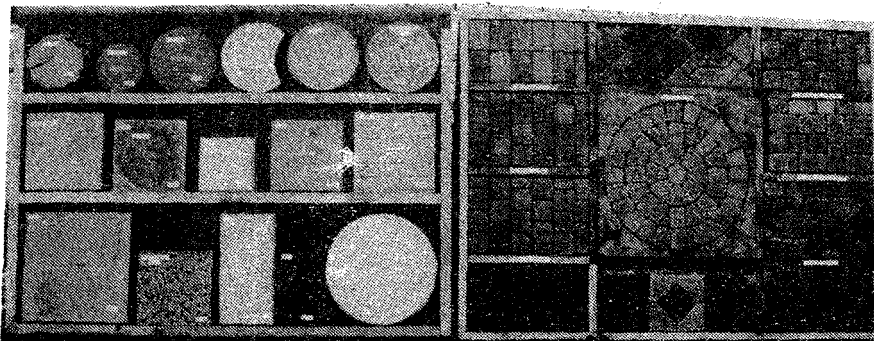
It's safe to say that the bigger the filtration system, the better. Most importantly, study the quality and the efficiency of all of the electrical parts contained.

Hiring a licensed electrician to install the correct power supply will ensure your safety as well as help in keeping those electrical parts running at peak efficiency. If you've done your homework, your electric bill will reflect the time you've spent researching the right systems for your spa.

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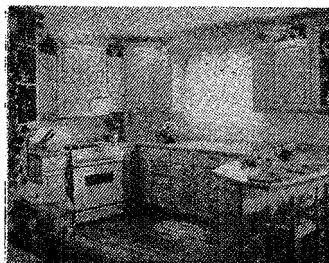
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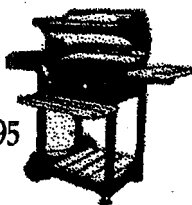
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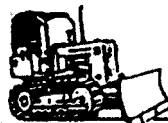
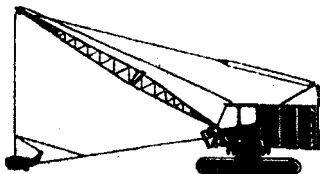
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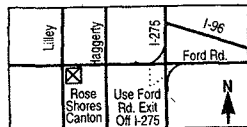
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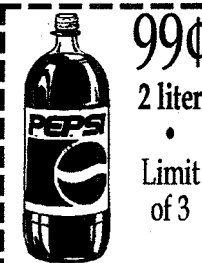
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Back to high school

Ambassadors will get glimpse of school operation

BY BRIAN CORBETT

A chance to get an insider's look at one of the largest high school complexes in the state is being offered by the Plymouth-Canton School District.

Ambassador Day is scheduled for April 24 at the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park (PCEP). Created by Salem High School teacher Cathy Hunt, parents, residents, business owners and employees in the community are invited to attend high school from 9 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. and participate in several scheduled events. "It's brand new, first time," said P-C Schools Community Relations Judy Evola.

"It's been on my mind for four years," said Hunt, "but I haven't been able to get it to the forefront; people have been retiring. But this year it's blossoming."

Registration is limited, about 20 spots remain, and reservations can be made by calling the P-C Schools' Community Relations office at 416-2755 or by fax at 416-7819. Hunt and selected Student Ambassadors will provide tours and visits to classroom settings in many PCEP departments. She credits the assistance of Dr. Jerry Morris, Rita McGuire and Superintendent Charles Little for implementation of the program. "(Little) was very supportive," said Hunt. "I've been very lucky to have these people helping me. They're just wonderful people."

Visitors will also be treated to lunch in the cafeteria with a Student Ambassador and a question and answer session closing out the day.

The day is scheduled to begin with an orientation at 9 a.m. Small tour groups disembark at 9:30 a.m. for a tour of the PCEP with a student docent or staff member.

The afternoon will provide time to visit classrooms as an individual or in groups during fifth hour, depending on a teacher's plans. "Sometimes lesson plans won't comply," said Hunt. "It wouldn't

be good if (students) were having a test. They'll be in groups of three to five, and there will be more action, not quizzes."

That means visitors should be prepared to participate in whatever subject they are observing. "That's what we're hoping for," Hunt said. "I'm not sure what other teachers have planned. I'm a foreign language teacher, and I know foreign language teachers will pick on them."

Hunt said the idea for Ambassador Day was born out of a visit to a Ford Stamping Plant for a Schoolcraft College

class. "Four to five months later I was just driving by (the Ford Plant) and I sort of felt like I was part of the building because I'd seen it," she said. "I was very inspired by their work."

Hunt hopes to pass on the same feelings to visitors during Ambassador Day. "Plymouth-Canton has excellent teachers — the most dedicated," she said.

"We have excellent students, excellent staff, excellent administrators. We really do try our best to do everything we can. We need the community to realize the job we're doing for them."

Bullet proof glass not result of robbery spree

BY BRIAN CORBETT

The installation of bullet proof glass at two Plymouth banks is part of a regionalization effort, and not a direct result of a recent rash of robberies, said a First of America Security official, Ann Arbor Branch.

First of America branches at 535 S. Main St and 39475 Ann Arbor Rd. were equipped two weeks ago with bullet proof glass along counter tops and tellers windows.

Since January there have been three bank robberies in Plymouth Township. Elijah Washington Jr. allegedly robbed Standard Federal Savings and Loan on Jan. 5; he was arrested three days later. Police are still searching for two suspects in the Feb. 26 heist of the Ann Arbor Road First of America branch. Three suspects were arrested in a matter of hours after allegedly robbing Comerica Bank on Wilcox Road March 8.

"I wouldn't say it's a direct result (of the robberies)," said

Glenn Penzien, First of America Security, Ann Arbor Branch. "First of America is going regional. Most other First of America's in that region have it (bullet proof glass) already, we're just trying to make it all the same."

In addition to stopping bullets, the glass also prevents potential thieves from leaping over the counter to steal cash from tellers' drawers, he said. "It just acts as a deterrent from jumping over the counter, which happened at the one in March, to someone walking in and seeing it, to preventing fraud," Penzien said.

Reactions have differed, according to Penzien. "There's always positive and negative when you put something up," he said. "Some say it's impersonal, but it's not that unusual to have it. Sometimes insurance even requires it. But by far our customers are receptive to it. So it didn't look like a fortress, we don't have it going from counter to ceiling. It keeps that openness, friendliness."

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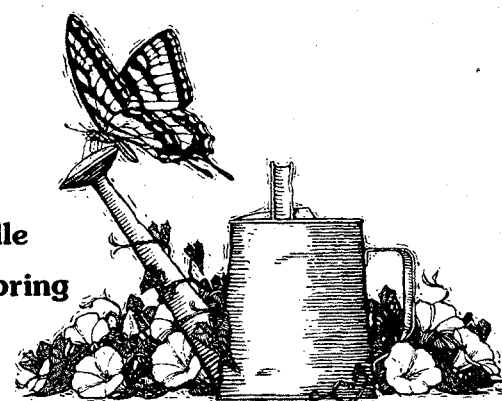


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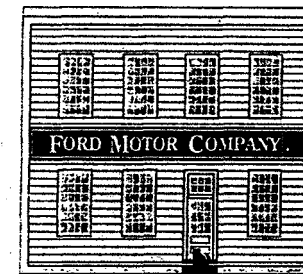
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VINCE HERBRUCK GETS OLDER

JIM MANZO--are you sure The Navy wants a 50 year old man on their ship?

Bet it's still snowing in MADISON! Last year this week they had a blizzard!!

Crier Classifieds

Curiosities

This year, for the first time in years, we missed seeing the Azaleas of Spring at our Georgia Daughter's home. However, we are enjoying them in our own home. Thanks Geneva! Love, Pat & Erick

Ed-Getting your car washed when its raining is like reading that "other paper on Thursday after reading yours on Wednesday. It simply isn't necessary. Thanks, Phil

SISSY, BEKA & JOSH--better bring those calendars over so we can plan all our outings!

Someday that "scintillating man about town"—the answer to every maiden's prayer, and a few older-- is going to know what him. He will awaken one morning with eyes slightly out of focus, a ring on his finger, and find his coffee being served by a gorgeous creature whose name he cannot quite remember, with his following, this hazard is understandable. Not so?

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Sorry to Ken Robert at New Life Lutheran Church. Please add them to your 1996 Guide Church Directory. Their worship address is 730 Penniman Ave., Plymouth, MI (in the Masonic Temple). Their mailing address is 340 N. Main St., Suite 302, (313)459-8181

"I fish because I love to: because I love the environs where trout are found, which are invariably beautiful, and hate the environs where crowds of people are found, which are invariably ugly; because of all the television commercials, cocktail parties and assorted social posturing I thus escape; because, in a world where most men seem to spend their lives doing things they hate, my fishing is a t once an endless source of delight and an act of small rebellion; because trout do not lie or cheat and cannot be bought or bribed or impressed by power, but respond only to quietude and humility and endless patience; because I suspect that men are going along this way for the last time, and I for one don't want to waste the trip; because MERCIFULLY THERE ARE NO TELEPHONES ON TROUT WATERS; because only in the woods can I find solitude without loneliness; because bourbon out of an old tin cup tastes better out there; because maybe someday I will catch a mermaid; and finally, not because I regard fishing as being so terribly important but because I suspect that so many of the other concerns of men are equally unimportant—and not nearly so much fun."

"Stop worrying about Rob--Worry about me" Prod. Boss

"I wandered lonely as a cloud that floats on high o'er vales and hills," Thank you, Jack, for the daffodils. I needed them! G

HEAR YE! HEAR YE! It is spring! My very favorite person is leaving the nest and furnishing another. Bless you both!

We should have closed the doors Monday!

FLORENCE PANATTONI--Wonderful to hear your voice. So happy you are back to your old self.

ORDINARILY ONE WOULD THINK OF A FAX MACHINE AS OFFICE EQUIPMENT, but family who have suffered the loss of their mother is putting it to a more personal use. They have installed a fax machine in their Dad's home, and now they can relate to him in a flash and he can reciprocate. Isn't that great?

Curiosities

Skating is easy, all you do is get a push and glide until you stop" E. (Ms. Volleyball) M.

Janet is gone to a better place.

MARTHA DAVIS: Bless your heart! Thank you for calling. You make my Sundays. When the telephone rings, it is most heartwarming for I know its you.

Rob and Steph have gone west--enjoy and come back well rested.

COBLEIGH MODRACK, a big girl four years old, and her teenage cousin Nicholas are going to fly to Florida, where her Daddy is attending a forum, and is already there, the two cousins will visit Disneyworld. Isn't that great?

HANK BERGHOFF get well soon! (Friends can write him at Room 4028, St. Joe's Hospital, Ann Arbor or call him at (313)712-4656.)

"Don't misjudge my show of kindness as a sign of weakness."—As told by Ted Boloven on Tax Eve.

"And think not you can direct the course of love, if it finds you worthy, directs your course..." Gibran. This beautiful quotation was the theme of a lovely occasion of vows engaged between Anita and James Jabara at their recent wedding. Would that all marriages were as sincere and special. Bless you both.

JOANN OSMER put her cat food in the sink so the dog wouldn't eat it—but Sally then spilled her beer on the cat food. Like Master(ess), like Dog.

FRAN TONEY got older and all her friends celebrated.

BILL BEITNER is famous again.

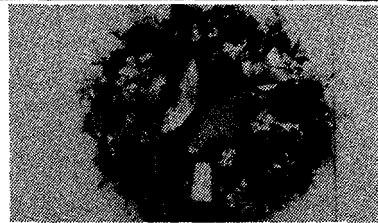
JIM AND JUNE LUNN, although your return home probably was a hard one, we wish you well, and hope the way ahead is brighter--Love Steph and Rob



LORDY, LORDY, LOOK WHO'S FORTY
HAPPY BIRTHDAY, JOY!

If you loved "Raising Arizona" (Nicholas Cage and Holly Hunter), you will also love " Fargo" now playing at your local theater. Don't miss it!

As I told Greg Norman on the phone Tuesday, Greg if you will just keep your head down and roll those wrists, you can do well at Augusta this year. You can take the advice or leave it. It is up to you. We Kirkbrides are just trying to keep you in your game.



HAPPY SPRING!

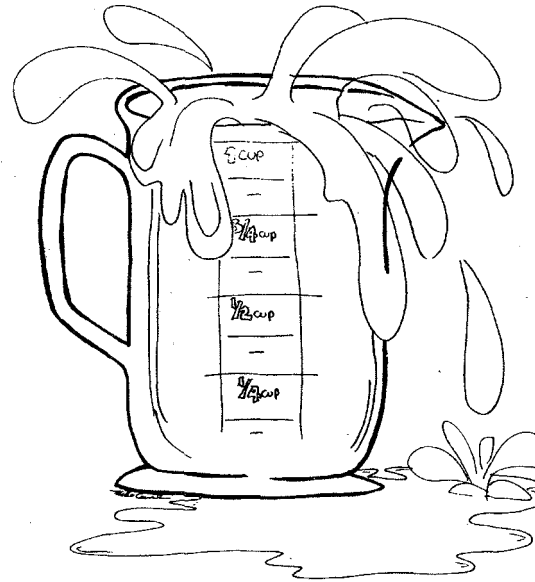
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One more win and one more tie and the Tampa Bay Lightning are in the Stanley Cup playoffs. "GO BOLTS"

TOM EVERITT, JESSE VARGA, NANCY VENDITTELLI, JESS WENDOVER HAPPY BIRTHDAY (BELATED)--Funny how so many terrific people came from one day! Hope your celebrations were wonderful! Steph

PETE your bagels are great, but your beer is better--Thanks Phil

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Sports

Sports shorts

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T-Ball Leagues are forming. The Plymouth Parks and Recreation Department is taking registrations for five and six-year-old T-Ball players from April 22 to May 3 at the Cultural Center, 525 Farmer St. Players must be born between July 31, 1989 and July 31, 1991. Birth Certificate is required for all registration. For more information, call the Plymouth Parks and Recreation Department at 455-6623.

Canton resident and Canton High School graduate **Kelly Holmes**, a U of M softball pitcher, recorded her 17th career shutout against Northwestern this month. Holmes is currently 12-5 with seven shutouts in the 1996 season. She has pitched 114.7 innings, posting an earned run average of 1.47, and fanning 68 batters. The Wolverines are 28-9 and ranked 10th in the nation.

Beginning golf lessons and clinic for ladies, offered by the Canton Parks and Recreation Services. Each session consists of four lessons taught by PGA professionals, including instruction in chipping, putting sand shots, iron play, wood play, and golf course management. \$60 per person. Clinic #1 begins April 23; Clinic #2 begins April 30. For more information, call 397-5110.

Women's Friday Morning Golf League, offered by the Canton Parks and Recreation Services. The league is open to residents and non-residents alike. Each week league members play nine holes and establish a handicap. A general league meeting will be held at Fellows Creek Golf Course on April 26 at 9 a.m. For more information, call 397-5100.

Men's Golf League, offered by the Canton Parks and Recreation Services. League members will be paired as two-man teams for league play, to be held at Fellows Creek Golf Course. Limit is 36 golfers. Duration is 20 weeks. 5-6 p.m. tee times. For more information, call 397-5100

Swinging for the top

Rocks lose, gain valuable experience

BY BRIAN CORBETT

Conference heavyweight Stevenson visited Salem on Monday at Hilltop Golf Course, but it wasn't much of a home field advantage for the Rocks — yet.

The Salem girls golf team dropped its first home meet of the season — the first ever at Hilltop Golf Course — to the Spartans, 219-197. "I was not disappointed at all," said coach Rick Wilson. "Some of the girls were disappointed with their scores, but I told them, 'We've got a long season to go, a lot of matches'."

The Rocks, who are defending Western Lakes Activities Association champions, moved from Fellows Creek Golf Course to Hilltop this season.

Juniors Katie Collins and Katie Murinas were key contributors to last year's success, and returned to the links in championship form posting scores of 46 and 47 respectively. Chrystal Kopacz, who saw very little action in 1995, chipped her way to a career best 57 dual meet score. Julie Licata's 69 rounded out the scoring for the Rocks. Sophomores Jessica Hedges, 72, and Michelle Anger, 75, finished fifth and sixth for Salem. Freshmen Grace Yeloner and Corin Wydendorf did not play.

Wilson, who has coached boys golf for more than a decade and is in his first season as girls mentor, said it will take a few outings to become accustomed with Hilltop's challenging nature.

"They haven't changed the golf course too much," said Wilson about Hilltop's new management, American Golf. "It's too earlier to tell the difference in the greens. What makes Hilltop Hilltop is the greens. If you've ever played it, you know the greens are undulating. But we've already accomplished a lot; we'll play better."

If Salem's going to have any quick learners to their new home, bet on The Katies. "She's got a pretty good swing," Wilson said of Collins. "She has a pretty good all around game. Her strength may be her short game."

Murinas, meanwhile, "She's opposite of the other Katie," said Wilson. "She hits the ball long."

But even The Katies can't provide the senior leadership that was so crucial to last year's team. "We don't have any senior leadership," Wilson said, "and I think that made a difference last year. They had some senior leadership and that

helped. But I told these kids we're going to do two things this year: improve and have fun. I'll know we'll do that. And maybe a couple of these kids will be able to do something individually, medal in the conferences or qualify as a state finalist, Katie or Katie, either one of them."

The Rocks will have a chance to take a step in that direction at the Ann Arbor Invitational on Friday at U of M Golf Course.

"It's a big one," Wilson said. "There's a lot of teams. Real strong teams, competitive teams. Plus, it's an outstanding golf course."

Chiefs win first match

BY BRIAN CORBETT

The Canton girls golf team was able to beat Walled Lake Central and the approaching storm clouds to the west on Monday at Bogey Lake Golf Course.

It sure wasn't the weather at the Master's Tournament down in Georgia last weekend, but nonetheless, it was the same game as the Chiefs prevailed, 232-255.

"It was pleasant enough," said Chiefs coach Dan Riggs. "We just beat the rain, the last girls were coming off when it started. If I had to grade it, I'd give it a 'B.' It could've been better. It wasn't really bad; it wasn't really good."

Kim Stafford and Anne Alioto both scored 55 for the day, tying the seniors for the second best score of the dual meet. The Vikings' Kristie Bonner was five strokes ahead. Junior Alyson Young, 60, and senior Nancy Newcom, 63, finished third and fourth for the Chiefs. Sophomore Sandra Pavlo, 65, and junior Jessica Dumas, 68, also contributed.

"I'm looking for some improvement," said Riggs. "Some places were really wet (Monday). But as soon as Kim and Anne got going, they started hitting the ball really well."

Stafford, Alioto and Newcom will be crucial to the Chiefs' success this season, especially since Canton has moved its home course from Fellows Creek Golf Course to Hilltop. "The seniors will have to be leaders, like they were (Monday)," Riggs said.

"The other kids are going to have to contribute too. We're not going to be world beaters, but we're going to be competitive."

While the change in scenery will be a short term hindrance at home, Riggs believes it will benefit the Chiefs as the season progresses. "It'll be interesting, but I think it will help," he said.

"As we continue to practice and play this golf course, when we go to play other golf courses, they'll see it's nothing like Hilltop."

Chiefs crush John Glenn on soggy soccer field

Freshman forward Jennel Cobar scores two goals in Chiefs' 8-0 victory over Rockets

BY BRIAN CORBETT

The John Glenn Rockets girls soccer team probably knew it would be tough scoring against Salem goalkeeper Sarah Warnke.

Not only did the Rockets not score in the Rocks' 8-0 romp Monday at the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park, but John Glenn didn't get a shot on net. Senior midfielder Kristie Drinkhahn scored Salem's first goal 15 minutes into the first half, and the Rocks began to roll. "(The Rockets) are just building their program," said coach Don Smith. "This is only their second year. They're struggling, and the weather wasn't conducive to struggling (on Monday)."

If the outcome wasn't a surprise, some of the Rocks' goal scorers were. Freshman midfielder Kelly Connell scored one goal, and freshman forward Jennel Cobar hit the back of the net on two shots. Senior midfielder Julie Majewski,

senior forward Lisa Reissenweber, and junior forward Jenny Parviainen each scored one goal. Beth Knight finished off the scoring in a game played in less than desirable conditions.

Even with a slippery field and a heavy, wet ball Salem peppered the net with 15 shots in the first half, and nearly as many chances in the second half. "We were working them up close," said Smith, who plays the 4-4-2 formation. "We were putting it (the ball) in the air. Trying to get a cross on a slippery field is tough, but we had some good headers in there. In the last 25 to 30 minutes, we did a pretty good job getting it in the air."

The season is young, but Smith hopes Monday's blowout is a precursor to the 1996 season. "We were 12-6-1 last year," said Smith. "I didn't think that was successful. It was our worst record in 10 years. We have to do better than that."



Sports



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Offensive Attack





Community opinions

B&B ordinance changes will stall community growth

With the improvements to downtown Plymouth and the community's charm, it would seem bed and breakfasts would be a natural.

But if the Plymouth City Commission passes the revised Bed and Breakfast Ordinance, growth in this area of lodging would be stifled.

A new bed and breakfast ordinance was approved last week by the Plymouth Planning Commission.

Although bed and breakfasts should be regulated, several sections of the new ordinance go too far in restricting business.

If the ordinance is passed, the bed and breakfast will be limited to just two lodging rooms. For some homes, two rooms would be adequate, but for large homes, limiting the bed and breakfast to two rooms would be foolish — and a waste of space for the owner.

The argument that bed and breakfasts hurt neighborhoods is unfounded. If run properly, bed and breakfasts increase business in downtown districts. They are often well kept and add value to a neighborhood.

Bed and breakfast districting should be designed to enhance the neighborhoods surrounding downtown Plymouth. Bed and breakfasts can boost shopping and restaurant business throughout downtown Plymouth.

Although restrictions are necessary to control the development of the community, the updated bed and breakfast ordinance goes too far. The Plymouth City Commission should send the ordinance back to the Plymouth Planning Commission for revision.

The planning commission is headed in the right direction on the bed and breakfast ordinance, but they're not quite there.

THE COMMUNITY CRIER

Water bills soak community

Water is critical to life.

In addition to the obvious uses to sustain life, water is used for cleaning, cooking and many other ways around the house.

So why are local governments soaking water customers? Maybe because water is so necessary.

The extravagant water rate increases passed on to consumers by local municipalities should stop now.

There is no reason for water and sewer rates to be marked up as much as 500 percent.

It's true. Our water system demands upkeep. Maintaining water and sewer pipes is not cheap.

Local municipalities should rethink their pricing structure to better reflect the actual cost of the water and sewer service.

THE COMMUNITY CRIER

Thanks for help with Veterans Park project

EDITOR:

I would like to take a line or two to thank the Plymouth City Commission and all those involved in the Veterans Memorial Park project.

Included in the park project is the return of the Civil War monument, which was removed from Kellogg Park in 1969 and has resided in Riverside Cemetery since that time.

Plymouth is a small town with a strong military history. There was a Plymouth man in every battle of the Civil War.

Plymouth men have sat in the blood-soaked trenches of France, walked into hell in Normandy, braved the cold of Korea, whipped the enemy wherever he could be found in the jungles of Vietnam and showed

Sadam that we Americans are not paper tigers.

Anywhere in the world where freedom has been overrun, somehow a Plymouth soldier was there to help take back the freedom that was lost.

The park project, when completed, will be a central location in Plymouth to honor these gallant men and women who without their courage and gallant spirit, there simply would be no freedom.

To those of you who said yes to the Veterans Memorial Park project and to the return of the Civil War monument, my committee and I tip our hats graciously to you.

JOHN PAPPAS

CIVIL WAR COMMITTEE

'Family curse' calmed by arrival of Edwards

For as long as history has been recorded, my family has suffered a sweet tooth for pastries and other baked goodies, myself included.

Now that Edwards Bake Shop is up and running on Forest Avenue, it looks like my waist size is going to grow a few inches.

My wife and I stopped by Edwards Saturday morning for the first time. From the moment I walked through that door, I knew my family curse would get the better of me.

Scones are a particular weakness of mine. My eyes were immediately attracted to the raspberry-white chocolate scones in the display case. My wife tried a fat-free cherry muffin. We rinsed down the treat with a generous cup of cafe latte.

I was in heaven. It is surely the best scone this side of Devonshire. The cappuccino was excellent as well.

Scones and coffee are just the beginning. Edwards also carries treats such as cinnamon rolls, fresh bread and other freshly-made bakery items. But the decadent goodies are what makes the mouth water. Edwards also bakes up sweets with such devilish names as Chocolate Mousse Architecture, Chocolate Oblivion,

No curves

By Rob Kirkbride



Tiramisu Cake, Granny Smith Apple Cake, Double Peanut Butter Chocolate Chunk Cookies and Raspberry Swirl Brownies.

In addition to the great pastries and baked goods, Edwards is simply a nice place to visit. It is tastefully decorated with a homey, French cafe feel. It's a comfortable place to sit and read a newspaper.

Edwards Bake Shop opened last week. It is the new pastry division of the successful Edwards Catering in Northville.

Edwards Bake Shop is a welcome addition to downtown Plymouth and is sure to flourish. Stop by and pick up some of Edwards sweet treats. I know I will.

With Edwards Bake Shop in town, my family weakness for baked goods may be a blessing in disguise — It will just be a little harder to get into my clothes.

STORY ADDITION: Since originally writing this, I have also sampled the Double Peanut Butter Chocolate Chunk Cookies. Mmmmm.



Community opinions

Facts confused in school board candidate article

EDITOR:

I would like to correct a few points made in your introduction to the school board candidates article (April 10, 1996).

First, I was not "almost a candidate last year," I was a candidate last year. The 986 other people that voted for me would be dismayed to think that they had wasted their votes on a non-candidate.

Second, I was not "indecisive about running for the board," at all. I do not consider it indecisive to ensure that my priorities can be rearranged, when necessary, in order to

be an effective board member. I carefully considered all factors and did not lightly enter this race.

Third, my "busy schedule" already includes attending school board meetings, as I have regularly attended almost all of the meetings since December 1994 and occasionally before then.

The only adjustment to my schedule, if I am elected, would be to stay at each board meeting a while longer for the (closed-to-the-public) executive session that normally occurs at the end of each meeting.

JEFFRY M. PHILLIPS

Stop for pedestrians in crosswalk

EDITOR:

To help make downtown Plymouth more pedestrian focused, as the March 8, 1996 Crain's article mentioned, let's show the shoppers we care about them.

Let's stop our cars to let pedestrians safely cross the street and when on the sidewalk, greet the other pedestrians as you approach them.

It's so simple and only takes a second. People learn by example, so

be a leader and start showing you care.

A little kindness goes a long way in making our community a safe and friendly place.

PHYLLIS J. WORDHOUSE

Fun at the Summit



This is what the governor and Canton officials really talked about at the Summit recently. Seriously, The Community Crier hopes the governor enjoyed the state-of-the-art facility (before he runs for vice president with Bob Dole).

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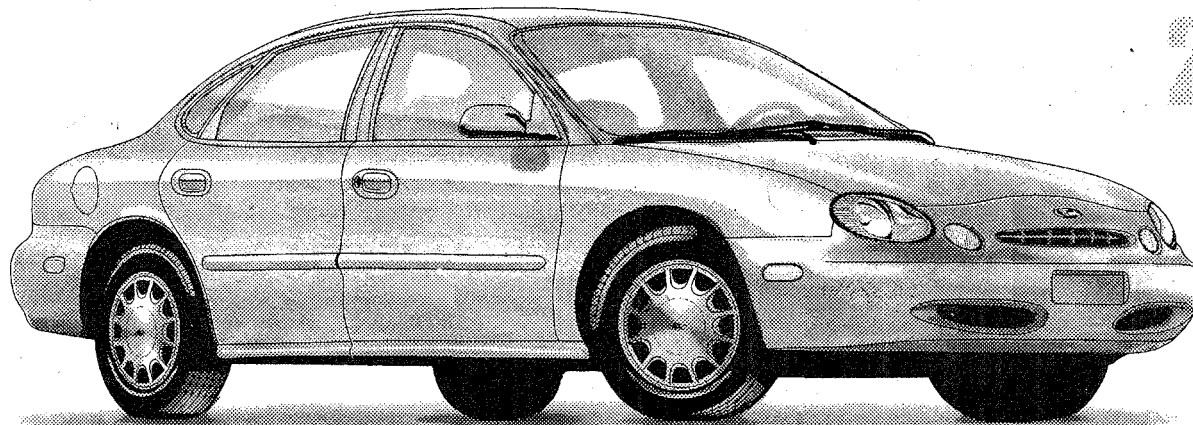
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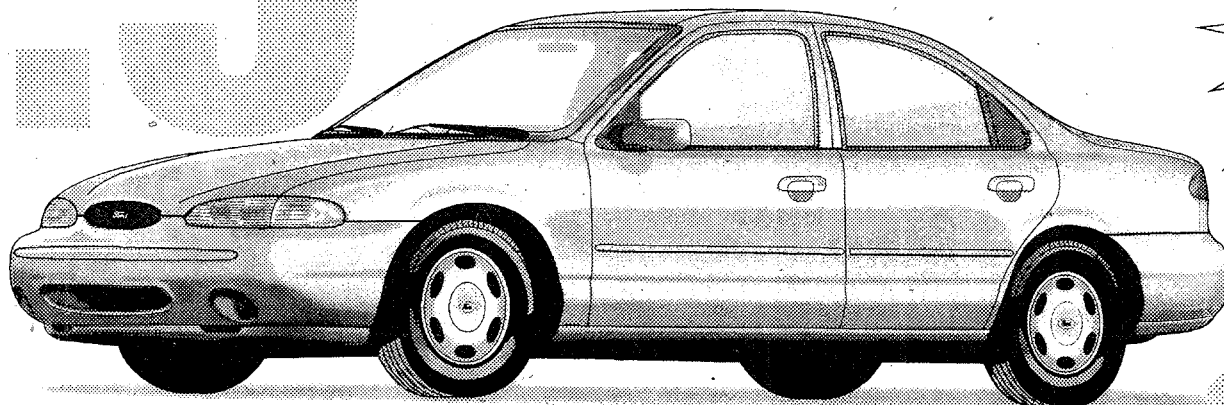
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