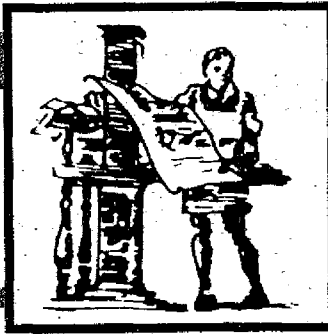


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First day of school

Canton's new Catholic school, the first in the Detroit Archdiocese in 22 years, to open after 6 months' construction

BY SCOTT SPIELMAN

For those who don't believe the world was created in a week, should take a look at All Saints School.

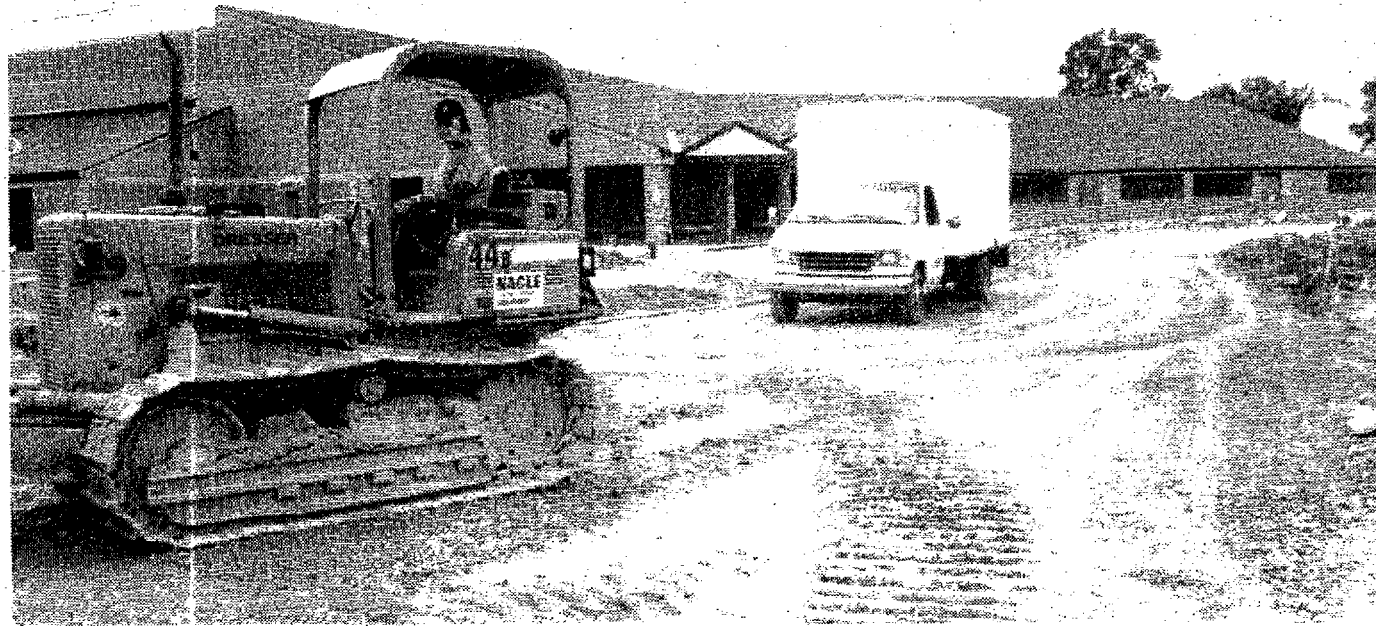
The school, located on Warren Road between Beck and Ridge is scheduled to open Aug 26, after only six months of construction.

"We've come a long way in a short time," said principal Mary Rita Allen. "We've got a long way to go, too."

All Saints is the first Catholic school built in the Archdiocese of Detroit in 22 years, Allen said. It is also the first regional Catholic school to be built.

The school will primarily serve the students of four parishes: St John Neumann, Resurrection and St. Thomas A'Beckett

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Plymouth District Library
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Bulldozers on dirt are to be replaced by school buses on asphalt as of next week, when All Saints Catholic School is to open to its first class of students. More than 120 children from four parishes have enrolled at the school. (Crier photo, R. Alwood Jr.)

Plymouths to rezone Ann Arbor Road

BY BRYON MARTIN

Businesses along Ann Arbor Road are one step closer to improved aesthetics after Plymouth's City Commission meeting Monday.

The commission gave the first reading of an amendment to zoning ordinances in both The City and the Township of Plymouth.

Ann Arbor Road is the boundary between the City and the Township and zoning along the corridor is different in each municipality, Walters said.

"The south side is the township and the north side is the city, and their zoning is

'Nobody has to change anything as a result of the amendment, but there's the potential for redevelopment to occur.'

Steve Walters
Plymouth City Manager

quite different in many respects," Plymouth City Manager Steve Walters said. Signage, setbacks, parking and land use regulations lack unity along the road, he said.

The amendment would create a common set of land use and regulation standards in the Ann Arbor Road Corridor (ARC), and would provide a unified vision and aesthet-

ic for the ARC, according to Walters.

The immediate impact of the amendment on businesses along Ann Arbor Road would be negligible, Walters said. "This is a 10-20 year process. Not much is going to happen in the next 12 months.

"Nobody has to change anything as a result of the amendment, but as time goes on and things change, there's the potential for redevelopment to occur," Walters said.

Creating the ARC zoning district will also provide opportunities, "for cost savings, consistent land use regulation and

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Lost & found

Dead man and family reunited again

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Hidden secret

Plymouth biz moves down and out in expansion

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Plymouth girl goalie attends Olympic training center

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named to State council

BY BRYON MARTIN

Margaret Chimielewski, of Plymouth Township, has been appointed to the Statewide Independent Living Council by Governor John Engler.

Chimielewski is director of the Office of Programs for Handicapper Students at Michigan State University, in East Lansing.

It is through her position at MSU and, more significantly, her long history of activity in various Michigan organizations and programs that she landed the appointment, she said.

Chimielewski, who has used a wheelchair since a car accident years ago, said the council works with "issues around people with disabilities in Michigan," Chimielewski said. "They have the right to be independent."

The council works to maximize the

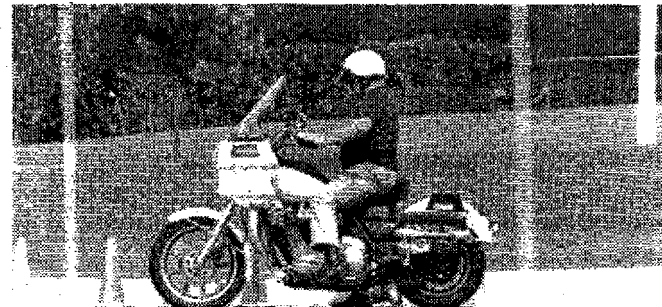
independence of people with disabilities by helping them find transportation, affordable and accessible housing, personal care assistance and assistant technology, Chimielewski said.

Her work at MSU aims to help people with disabilities to more fully integrate themselves into the school and society-at-large, she said. "We level the playing field."

Chimielewski said she likes to be very active: a list of her participation in professional and academic seminars and organizations is more than 25 pages long. She is also a founding member of St. John Neuman Church in Canton.

"I love saying yes to people and getting involved, helping to meet needs," she said.

Her first meeting with the Independent Living Council is Sept. 12.

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R. Alwood,

Hardee's to Hortons

BY BRYON MARTIN

At the corner of Plymouth Road and Mill Street, they're trading burgers for donuts.

Tim Hortons will replace Hardee's at the corner in a construction project scheduled to begin Sept. 8, according to The City of Plymouth Building Department.

The Hardees that had operated at the corner was demolished last month to make way for the 2,200 square-foot chain donut shop, building department sources said.

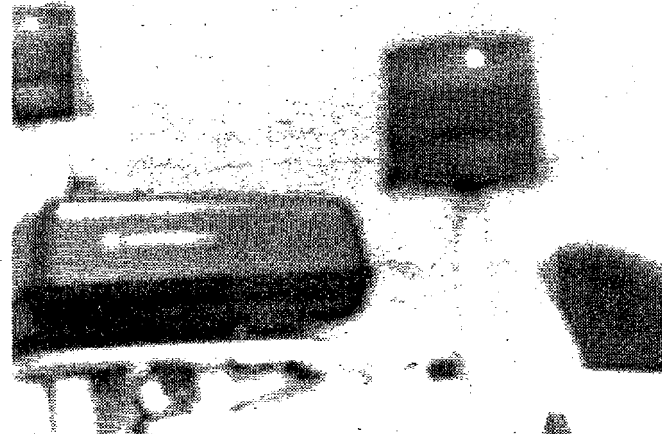
Changes to the site will be minimal, according to the department. The new building will be closer to Plymouth Road to allow for better use of the drive-through

which accounts for the bulk of Tim Hortons business.

Tim Hortons is owned by the Wendy's hamburger chain, which bought 26 Hardee's restaurants in southeastern Michigan.

All the Hardee's are being converted into or torn down to make way for the donut shops, according to Cindy Pruzinski at Tim Hortons. Such conversions have already taken place at Ford Road in Canton and Six Mile Road in Northville.

The City has issued building permits, but Pruzinski said Tim Hortons is still trying to secure a contractor for the project.



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Sign to govern speeds on Morton-Taylor

Installed to address residents' safety concerns

BY SCOTT SPIELMAN

Speeders beware!

Residents concerned over the safety of Morton Taylor road between Warren and Joy roads may be getting some relief soon, thanks to a new fiber optic changeable message sign.

The sign will display a slower speed limit during school hours, and will raise the limit after school is out, according to Canton public safety Director John

Sauntomauro.

"It's not so much a continuing problem with speeders as it is an issue with public safety," said Sauntomauro.

The request for the sign was just the latest step that Canton Public Safety has taken to address safety issues in the area, Sauntomauro said. "We've been working with residents and the county for some time now," Sauntomauro said.

The concerns were raised when the county raised the speed limit on the road from 35 to 40 m.p.h. according to a national engineering standard. The county can raise the speed limit on a county road if it determines than 85 percent of drivers would drive the proposed speed limit.

"I think it's totally unreasonable," said Supervisor Tom Yack. "It shows how out of touch county planners can be. It's a perfect example of why you don't want politicians setting speed limits."


Other steps that Canton has taken include changing the stretch of road into a school zone, and marking crosswalks at Township expense, Sauntomauro said.

The roadway will also continue to receive heavy reinforcement, Sauntomauro said.

The sign, which will cost about \$20,000 will be in place within three months, Sauntomauro said.

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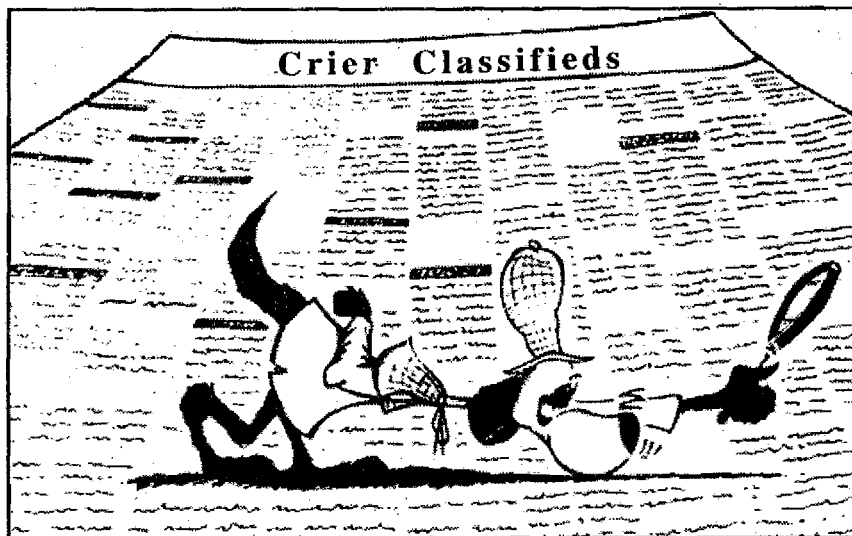
The McDonald brothers (l to r) Jason, 11, and Steve, 14, went on strike Monday because their dad wanted them to pick rocks from the yard—during summer vacation!

With lawn chairs and homemade placards, the boys were dug in for a long

picket until dad turned on the sprinklers.

The afternoon wasn't a complete loss though. The labor impasse was a good experience for Steve, who said he wants to become a lawyer (Crier photo, Matt Hucal).

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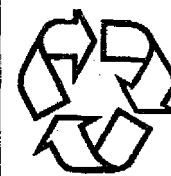
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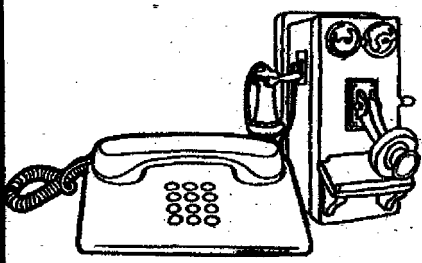
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Getting down to business

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Nissle has more than 34 years of banking experience and was previously a bank officer at Manufacturers Bank in Northville.



DENIS T. NISSLE

David Brandon of Plymouth has been appointed to the Michigan Strategic Fund, which serves as the state's lead business development finance agency.

Brandon is president, CEO and director of Valassis Communication, Inc., a Fortune 500 company which prints and distributes coupons.

Michaels & Associates, food service/deli marketing specialists, has added five new marketing specialists to their growing staff. New hires are: Brad Vargo, John Evarts, Jim Wehrly, Michael Kardes, and Joel McIntosh.

Michaels & Associates was established in 1981, with corporate headquarters located in Grand Rapids, and metro-Detroit branch located in Plymouth. Their clients include Nestle Foodservices, Stouffers, Quaker Oats and The Perrier Group.

The Canton Chamber of Commerce is looking for nominations for people to serve as Chamber Board members.

Nominations will be accepted through Friday, Aug. 22. For additional information contact the Canton Chamber of Commerce at: (313) 453-4040.

Gabrial's unveils 'Hidden Secrets'

BY SCOTT SPIELMAN

Plymouth's best kept secret is getting bigger.

Gabrial's, which opened in 1987 and moved to Main Street in 1991, is expanding again.

The specialty gifts and home accents store has been going through extensive remodeling, right under the nose — and feet of loyal customers.

The extra work will be unveiled Friday, with the grand opening of "Hidden Secrets," an additional 1,000 square feet of retail space which is an extension of Gabrial's line of home furnishings and accents.

Hidden Secrets will occupy the lower level of Gabrial's, where the Little Hangups store was until March of 1997. When the last tenant moved out, landlord Jim McKeon lowered the floor about eight inches, making room for an addition to the popular store above.

"McKeon is really good in working with tenants," said Gabrial's owner Larry Bird.

Lowering the floor to provide more headroom was just one of the modifications Bird provided for his expansion, he said. Support beams were moved, columns were added, and a fireplace was built in; all to give Gabrial's Hidden Secrets a homey feeling, he said.

The addition to the store is designed just like a house, he said, with examples of decorating in every room. There is a home office room with office furniture, a bathroom with bathroom accessories, a lamp section, a one-of-a-kind night-light gallery in a room that at one time was a coal bin and a sentiments section, among others.

Everything in each of the sections is for sale, Bird said, "Except for the staff. They can't be bought."



Larry Bird is expanding Gabrial's again, with a lower level full of home furnishings such as lamps, mirrors, clocks and furniture. The addition was named "Hidden Secrets" because many customers refer to Gabrial's as Plymouth's best kept secret. (Crier photo, R. Alwood, Jr.)

The expansion is in response to a survey of Gabrial's customers, Bird said, 1,000 of whom were mailed surveys earlier this year.

Listening to customers is just one of the reasons for Gabrial's success, according to Bird. The business has grown at a fantastic rate, from two employees in 1987 to 20 today. The business has also grown from 1,000-square feet to 7,000 with the new addition, which was enough to nominate it as one of the 100 fastest growing businesses in Michigan from 1990-1995.

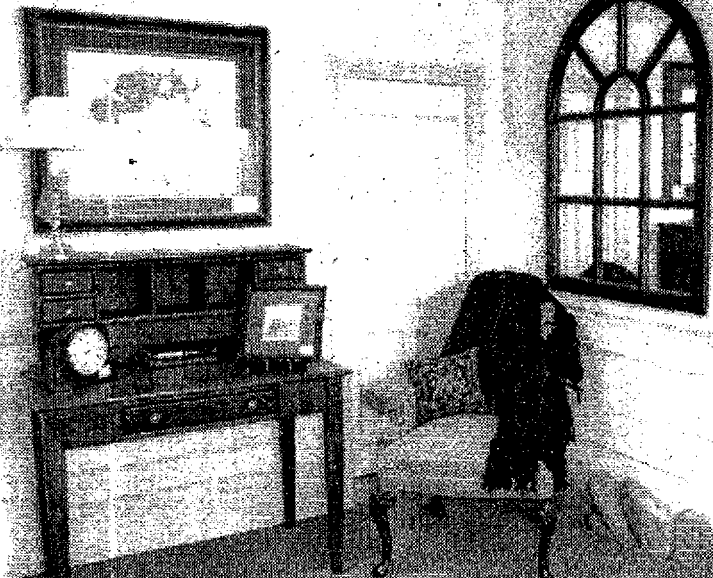
Bird attributes the business success to his loyal customer base, he said. It was also one of the reasons why he decided to stay in Plymouth and expand instead of

moving elsewhere.

"In 1990 our Plymouth mailing list was 12 percent of our customers. Now it's 31 percent. People here are very loyal to our business," Bird said. "They have a sense of pride in the town, and they want it to succeed."



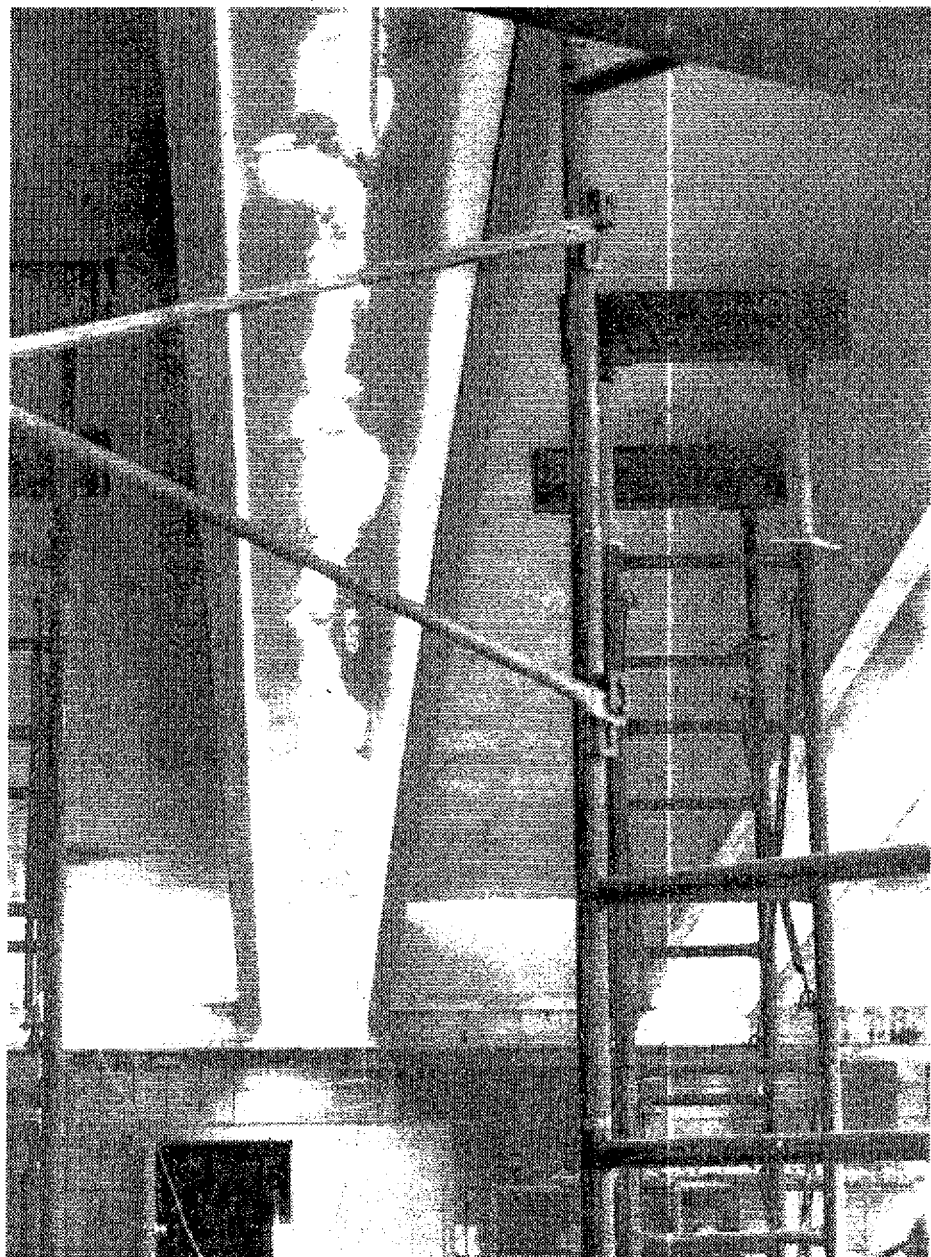
Four months of strenuous work went into remodeling the lower level of Gabrial's, which had hosted many businesses over the years, including a stable in 1893 to, most recently, Little Hang Ups. A picture from the early stages of reconstruction shows some of the 26 yards of field stone removed by conveyor belt, as well as a workman's hammer (Crier photo courtesy of Larry Bird).



Each room in Gabrial's new Hidden Secrets boutique will be designed like a room in a house, such as this home office room which features furnishings for home offices (Crier photo, R. Alwood, Jr.)

All decked out

Plymouth parking ramp project nearly done



The downtown Plymouth parking deck ramp was cut open to install an ice-melting system in a repair project which is nearly complete (Crier photo, R. Alwood, Jr.).

The Downtown Development Authority (DDA) has nearly finished the installation of a new ice-melting system on the ramp of the parking structure in downtown Plymouth.

DDA Director Steve Guile said the \$200,000 project is expected to be complete by Sept. 3. He said using a boiler sys-

tem through PVC pipe under the ramp concrete replaces the electronic melting system abandoned by the city in 1986, three years after the deck was built.

Adjustments to the upper-level lighting and maintenance on the lower level have also been accomplished during the project.



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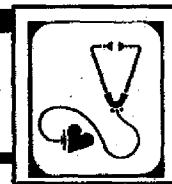


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Annual picnic to be held at Plymouth Township Park, Aug. 28 at noon. Make reservations by Aug. 25. Call Howdy Schryer, 453-0114 or Russ Ash, 453-2649.

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Calvary Baptist Church, Canton presents "Repeat Performance" Aug. 31, 6 p.m. The church is located at 43065 Joy Rd. Call 455-0022 for more information.

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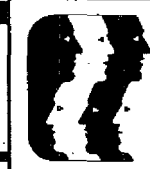
Detroit All Stars perform at Lowertown Grill in Plymouth Sept. 5. Call 451-1213 for info.

LOCAL RESIDENT'S CONCERT

Johnny Little performs Sept. 20, 7:30 p.m. at Salem Auditorium. \$7 tickets available at Repeat the Beat, half of sales go to PCEP Choral and Performing Arts programs.



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CHORUS AUDITIONS

Plymouth Community Chorus needs tenors, basses, baritones, altos and sopranos. Auditions for Christmas concert Tuesday, 7:30 p.m. Auditions follow. Call 455-4080.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

Plymouth Symphony League and Plymouth Optimists each selling entertainment books offering 50 percent off restaurants, other services and events. For info call the Symphony at 451-2112 or for Optimists call Bill Von Glahn, 453-8253 or Ken Fisher, 728-7619.

SPEAKING SUCCESS

Oral Majority Toastmasters Club meets Sundays, 6:45 p.m. Aug. and Sept. in the Friendly Building at Ann Arbor and Lilley Rds. Call Marc Sullivan at 455-1635 for info.

PLYMOUTH-CANTON CIVITAN MEETING

P-C Civitan Club holds their monthly dinner meeting, third Thursday of each month, 6:30 p.m. at Water Club Bar & Grill. Call Margaret at 455-6989 for more info.

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Oakwood Hospital gives \$21,000 to Canton park

BY SCOTT SPIELMAN

Work has started this week on a new 20-acre park at Sheldon and Palmer roads.

The park received site plan approval earlier this year, according to Parks and Recreation Supervisor Mike Gouin.

"This is just the initial phase of construction," Gouin said. "In the first phase we'll be putting in the driveway, the parking lot

and the playscape."

The eastern half of the site will also be graded and balanced for two soccer field and picnic area, Gouin said.

"Planting for the fields could start next year," Gouin said.

The park will eventually have a place for every sport, and more, Gouin said.

"When it's done it will have a picnic area with a shelter, a play structure, horseshoe pits, sand volleyball pits, tennis courts, basketball courts, an in-line hockey surface, practice soccer fields and a nine hole disc golf course."

Gouin said the park will be designed to meet the needs of anyone who wanted to use it, and would also include paved walking and bike paths.

"It's a good-sized parcel," he said.

The Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center Foundation donated \$21,000 for the park's playscape, Gouin said.

"The playscape is the most used recreational feature of a park," said Supervisor Tom Yack. "There aren't a whole lot of things for small children to do at a park besides play on a playscape or kick a ball around. When you look at it that way, the cost makes perfect sense."

The initial phase of the park could be ready for use sometime late next year, according to Gouin.

"I think it's going to be a nice addition to that area," he said.



A Canton Twp. cameraman got it all on tape Tuesday as (l to r) Matt Autocuy, Jill Hunsberger, Jerry Gray, Bob Dickerson and Jerry Steinbauer from Oakwood Hospital gave a \$21,000 check to Canton Parks and Rec. Supervisor Mike Gouin and Canton Supervisor Tom Yack for the construction of a playscape at a new 20-acre park in Canton (Crier photo, R. Alwood, Jr.).

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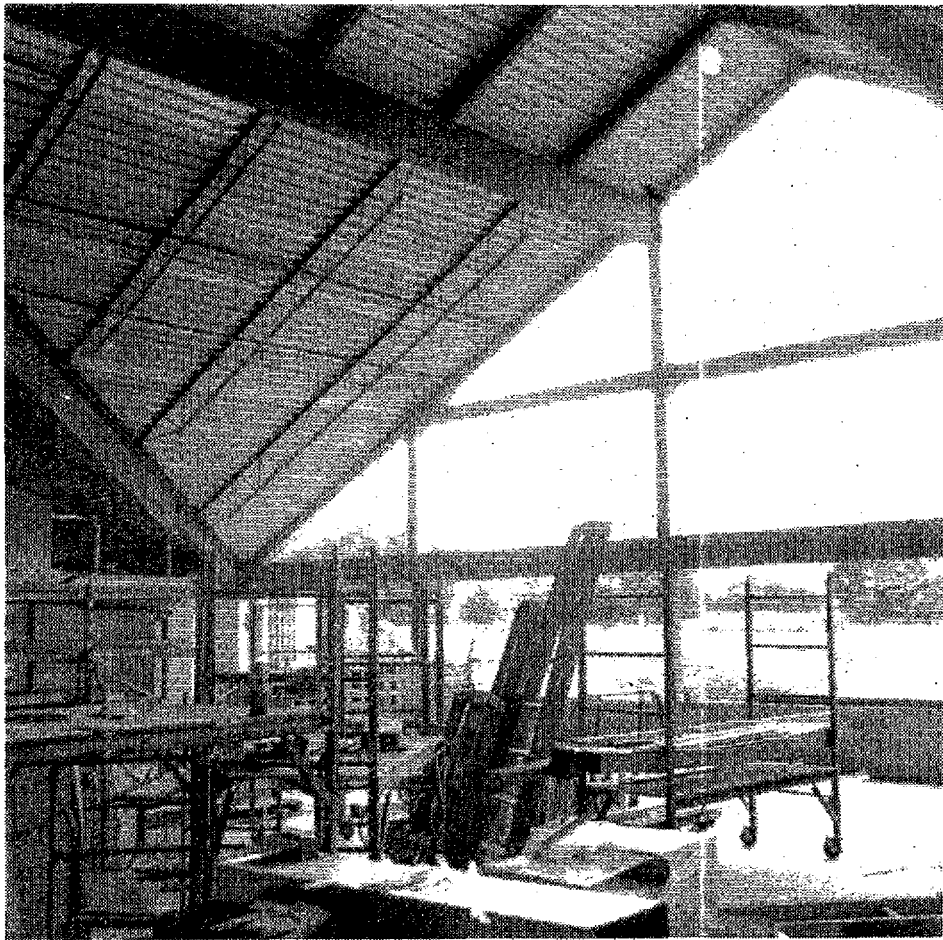
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All Saints miracle: open in 6 months



All Saints Catholic School, though still under construction now, will begin classes Tuesday. Completion of the school is expected by Jan. 25, 1998 when Cardinal Adam Maida is to make a dedication at the site (Crier photo, R. Alwood Jr.).

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churches in Canton and St. Kenneth's in Plymouth.

"There will be a number of eyes from the Archdiocese on the school. They will all be interested on how it turns out. It's very exciting," Allen said.

The school will open like an angel, one wing at a time: "We'll have eight classrooms and part of the administration offices ready by Tuesday," Allen said.

"There are a few things that will be cliffhangers, but we hope to have them resolved by then."

Allen hopes that the main hallway will be ready; as of yesterday it still needed work. So, too, did the driveway which had yet to be poured.

"We have been promised that it will be ready," Allen said. "It's not behind schedule now. The ground just has to be thoroughly dry before they can pour anything over it. They're already pouring the sidewalks and curbs, which are concrete, but the rest will be asphalt."

The other wings will be opened and filled as the school grows, Allen said.

According to Allen, enrollment is growing already. The school has two full, all-day kindergarten classes, and one full half-day kindergarten class, two first grade, one second grade and one third/fourth grade combination, Allen said.

"We had too much for one first grade class, so we split it into two to leave room for more students. And we didn't have

enough for a separate third and fourth grade class, so we combined them."

Allen said enrollment is already growing, with students signed up for classes until the year 2002.

All Saints, which will eventually enroll students in grades K-8, is the answer to countless request from area parents, Allen said.

"Many parents thought we needed it," she said. "The only other Catholic school in the area is Our Lady of Good Counsel, and they have a tremendous waiting list."

Like OLGC, students will have the option of being bussed by P-C school busses, although Allen said that because All Saints and most of the students are so young, she expects a lot of them will be driven to school by their parents.

The project has taken on a special place in Allen's heart, she said. Formerly an assistant superintendent for Catholic schools, Allen is excited that her grandchildren may be able to attend a catholic school.

"I'm thrilled. This is personally very exciting," Allen said. "It's something that I've wanted for a very long time, so I became very involved with the project."

The school will charge each family a \$3,500 one time registration fee, and \$2,500 per child for each year's tuition, all of which will be worth it, Allen said.

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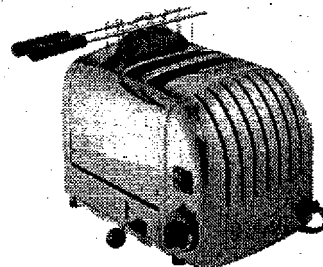
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Victorian Fest Ball tickets sell quickly

BY BRYON MARTIN

There's still time to buy tickets to the Northville Victorian Festival Ball, but not much.

According to Laurie Marrs of the Northville Chamber of Commerce, the ball is the premiere event at the City's annual festival, which runs Sept. 12 - 14 on Center

and Main Streets in downtown Northville.

"That's the one thing people really need to hurry on," Marrs said. "We only sell 200 tickets and they go pretty fast."

The ball is held at the Northville Community Center which, like the rest of the downtown, is swathed in nineteenth century decor.

Throughout the festival, Victorian dress encouraged: many from the city and township of Northville, especially downtown business owners, don the suspenders, knickers, white lace and frill popular at the time Northville was founded.

Entertainment is also taken from the period: a circus with high-wire acts, a puppet show, a walking brass band and vintage-bicycle riders will make appearances. A traveling medicine man will hawk "remarkable roundies" from the back of his wagon.

A giant slide, swings and the queen's castle (a Victorianized moonwalk) will cater to the little tykes in the Kids' Korner.

Saturday and Sunday the Northville Arts Commission holds its fine art market on Center Street. Works from the juried show will be on sale.

Admission to the festival is free.

According to Marrs, this has helped bring and bigger crowds in each of the event's seven years.

"Compared to the Renaissance festival where you pay about \$15 to get in, there's no charge for our festival," Marrs said.

About 10,000 people are expected this year, she said, and the ball is certain to sell-out.

"It's the highlight of the festival," Marrs said. Learning the steps to Victorian dances isn't as hard as it sounds. "You can have 14 left feet and still know how to do it because it's shown to you."

"People get hooked and can't wait to come back."

Tickets to the Victorian Ball are \$50 and can be purchased through the chamber of commerce at (248) 349-7640.

City, Twp. change ARC zoning

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sound planning practices," in the ARC, Walters said in memo.

The joint amendment would not limit the autonomy of the city or township, according to the memo. "Creation of the district does not change the independent authorities and powers of each government to adopt, enforce and amend its zoning ordinance."

The intent of both Planning Commissions, however, is for the regulations and affect of the ARC ordinance "remain the same in both the City and Township."

"A vote to adopt the amendment is planned for a joint meeting of the City and the township Sept. 29 at the Plymouth Cultural Center.



Obituaries

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

BERNICE E. WRISKA

Bernice E. Wriska, a Canton resident, died Aug. 13, 1997 at the age of 79.

Mrs. Wriska was born March 23, 1918 in Plymouth. She was a baker for 16 years in Northville Public Schools.

She is survived by her brother, Kenneth E. Witt of Canton; nephew, Robert W. Leszczynski of Mikado, MI. She is preceded in death by her husband, Walter.

Arrangements were made by and services held at Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home in Plymouth with the Canton Police Chaplain E. Wayne Byrum officiating. Burial was at Maple Grove Cemetery in Westland.

BENNIE J. HANSEN

Bennie J. Hansen, a Dearborn resident, died Aug. 13, 1997 at the age of 80.

Mr. Hansen was born April 28, 1917 in Detroit. He was a tool and die maker for Faigle Tool and Die Company for 47 years. He was raised in Plymouth and graduated Plymouth High School in 1934. He was a member of the Dearborn Evangelical Covenant Church, the Dearborn Early Engine Club and the Depot Town Early Engine Club in Ypsilanti.

He is survived by his wife, Kathryn E. of Dearborn; son, John of Waterford; grandchildren, Sarah Avery of Lake Orion; Amy Cates of Davisburg; Eric J. Hansen of Madison Heights; great-grandchildren Kimberly Avery, Scott Avery, Zachery Cates; sister, Frieda Muir of Farmington Hills; and brother, G.W. "Bob" Hansen of California.

Arrangements were made by and services held at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home in Plymouth with the Rev. Thomas G. Beeghly officiating. Burial was at Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth. Memorial contributions can be given to Dearborn Evangelical Covenant Church or the Karmanos Cancer Institute.

DIANA T. KEIFFER

Diana T. Keiffer, a Big Rapids resident, died Aug. 15, 1997 at the age of 51.

Mrs. Keiffer was born Jan. 12, 1946 in Wyandotte. She was a homemaker. She graduated from Redford High School in 1964 and was a former Plymouth resident.

She is survived by her husband, Bernard C. Keiffer of Big Rapids; daughter, Maureen (Rob) Radzikowski of Jackson; son, Douglas Kelly

Community deaths

of Westland; stepson, Robert Keiffer; sisters, Jeanette Myers and Sandy Kuerth, both of California; brother, Dennis Hickey of New Jersey; and granddaughter, Michelle Radzikowski.

Services were held at St. John Heumann Catholic Church in Canton with the Rev. Jack Kuinlan officiating. Arrangements were made by the Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home in Plymouth. Mass offerings can be made or memorial tributes given to Home Hospice, 315 Ives Street, Big Rapids, MI, 49307.

Andrew Alexander Celso II, 40, die barber

Andrew Alexander Celso II, a Plymouth resident died Aug. 1, 1997.

He is survived by his parents, Andrew and Theresa Celso of Plymouth; one brother; one niece; one nephew; and several aunts, uncles and cousins. He is preceded in death by one brother, Thomas.

Services were held at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church in Plymouth. Local arrangements were made by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home in Plymouth.

Grace M. O'Flaherty, 78, homemaker

Grace M. O'Flaherty, a Wyoming, MI resident, died July 29, 1997.

She is survived by her sons, Dennis (Ann) O'Flaherty of Plymouth, Chuck (Christal) O'Flaherty of Plymouth; three sisters; 11 grandchildren; two brothers; and two sisters. She is preceded in death by her husband, Jack, and son, Jon.

Services were held at Our Lay of Good Counsel Catholic Church. Local arrangements were made by the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home in Plymouth.

Rownaldia (Sis) Elizabeth Tomlinson, 76, waitress

Rownaldia (Sis) Elizabeth Tomlinson, a former Plymouth resident, died.

She is survived by her son, James (Kathy) Watson of Plymouth and one other son; two daughters; one sister; two brothers; 10 grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

Local Arrangements were made by the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home in Plymouth.

J. Craig Bowlby, 85, insurance salesman

J. Craig Bowlby, a former Plymouth resident, died Aug. 12, 1997.

He is survived by his wife, Frances; two daughters; one son; eight grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Memorial service in Plymouth to be announced.

Howard F. Wendel, 76, bakery owner

Howard F. Wendel, a Canton resident, died Aug. 10, 1997.

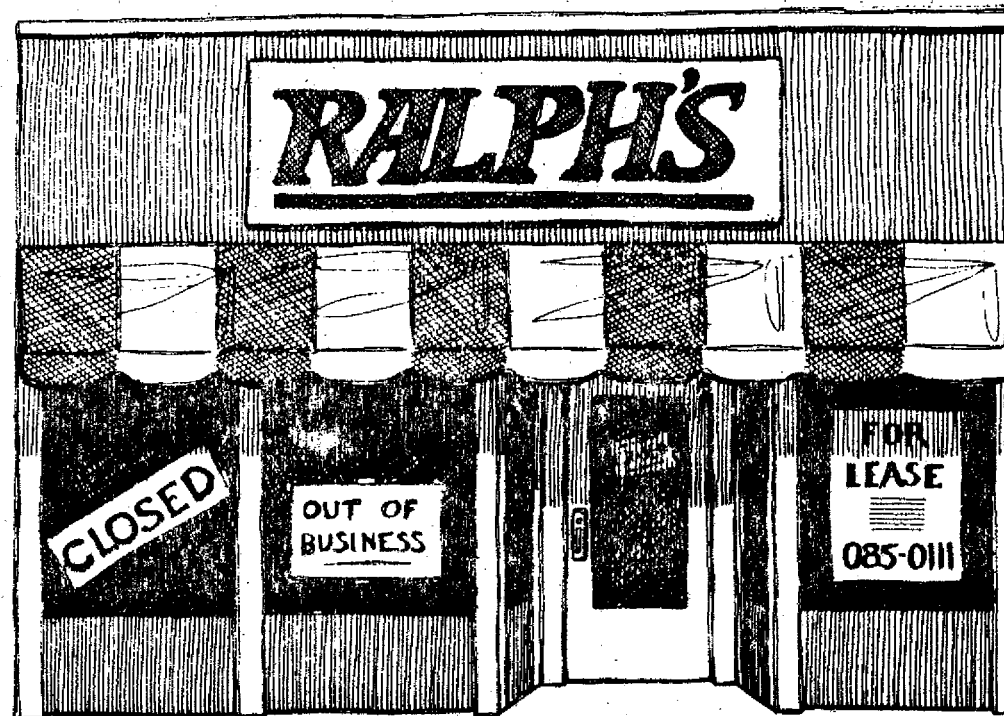
He is survived by three sons; five daughters; 30 grandchildren; and 19 great-grandchildren. He is preceded in death by his wife, Alice.

Arrangements were made by and services held at McCabe Funeral Home in Canton. Burial was at Parkview Memorial Cemetery in Livonia.

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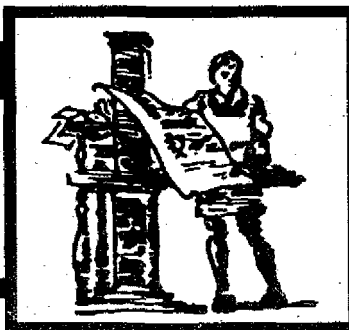


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#54 I only need the yellow pages.
#59 My customers don't read.</p> | <p>#68 My competitors advertise.
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#84 My cousin's next-door-neighbor's kids are putting flyers on windshields downtown — I think.
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#93 I don't get any advertising allotment from the home office/parent company.
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#137 The newspaper prints "negative" letters.
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#148 The newspaper prints too much Plymouth news.
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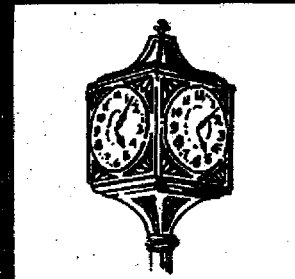
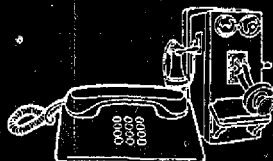
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Curiosities

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Under the glassy, cool, translucent waves, In twisted braids of lilies knitting The loose train of thy amber-draping hair; Listen for dear honors sake. Listen and save."
Milton - "Paradise Lost"

I'm telling you more than you really want to know - However several of you have asked for the source of the film title and here it is.
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NEW RESTAURANT NOW HIRING FOR ALL POSITIONS Ginopolis' Parthenon Restaurant at the Compuware Sports Arena. Apply in person at the snack bar. 14900 Beck Rd. Plymouth. Monday thru Friday 9am to 5pm

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Sports

Sports shorts

Plymouth-Canton Junior Baseball League Travel Team Tryouts are this Saturday at 10 a.m. Age 11: Plymouth Township Park (McClumpha #1). Age 12: Plymouth Township Park (McClumpha #2). Age 13: Griffin Park East (Field #5). Age 14: Pioneer Middle School (Field #4, southwest corner). Age 15/16: Pioneer Middle School (Field #2, northeast corner).

Salem High School girls softball camp will run Aug. 23 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. (check-in at 8:45 a.m.) at the Salem girls softball field.

The cost is \$25, includes lunch, and those entering seventh grade through seniors are eligible.

Softball fundamentals will be taught at the camp in the following areas: base running, hitting, fielding, throwing, plus a scrimmage game.

Limited space available. For a registration form, call 455-6853. For more information, call 416-0843.

The City of Plymouth Recreation Department and the Plymouth Soccer Club are looking for youth soccer coaches. Any adult interested in coaching, contact Steve Anderson at the Plymouth Recreation Department at 455-6620.

The Canton Softball Center on Michigan Avenue will hold tournaments every weekend through Sept. 21.

The Plymouth Whalers 1997-98 regular season schedule will include 33 home games and 33 away games.

Their Dec. 29 home matchup with Erie will be the OHL Game of the Week.

The Whalers open their season at home on Sept. 20 against London and finish their home

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California dreamin'

Szczechowski spending week in California at Olympic Training Center

BY BRIAN CORBETT

As a three-year-old, Stefani Szczechowski welcomed any chance to play soccer, even against her older brother and his friends.

"You know boys," says Szczechowski's mother, Marg. "They'd say, 'You can play with us if you play goalie.'" So she grew up taking shots from her brother, who's four years older than her, and his friends, so I think maybe that's how she got so good."

And just how good is "so good?"

Szczechowski, a 12-year-old Plymouth resident, is currently in Chula Vista, CA representing 13 states in the National Training Camp at the Olympic Training Center. And once again, Szczechowski is playing against older competition.

"She's definitely the baby. They've never had anybody this young at the National Training grounds," Marg said.

Suits Szczechowski just fine, she's used to the age difference — and the gender difference.

Seems Szczechowski developed her crashing goaltending style while playing on boys teams — there were not girls teams available at the time — until she was eight. Szczechowski was also a midfielder, but it quickly became clear that



Plymouth resident and soccer goalie Stefani Szczechowski takes as much pride in her field wardrobe as she does stopping shots. "I've got one that's neon yellow. When it's sunny out, it hurts your eyes to look at it," she says. Well, no wonder the competition can't score on her. Szczechowski is spending this week in California at the Olympic Training Center. (Courtesy photo)

her fearless attitude was more useful between the pipes.

"I was just good at it, so I stuck with it when I started playing on the girls team. I just like the competition and the challenge of taking the shots," she said.

Szczechowski has spent the last several years playing goal for the Livonia YMCA-sponsored '84 Michigan Hawks

soccer team. Last season, she allowed one goal in 12 games.

In July, Szczechowski attended the Olympic Development Program's regional camp for 13-year-olds at Northern Illinois University.

There were players from 13 states, including two dozen goalies.

"I was little nervous at first because the girls were older than me. I was born in November of '84 and these girls were '83 birthdays. The girls were really big, and really good soccer players," Szczechowski said.

She was one of only two goalies to make the cut and travel this week to Chula Vista, which is located near San Diego.

Before leaving, Szczechowski said she would feel apprehensive again about her age — until her unique goaltending instincts takeover.

"I just like to make saves. I like to dive, and I'm not afraid of breakaways. I just like a challenge," said Szczechowski, in a soft-spoken, humble manner.

"I'll just try to play my best, and I'll do to OK. I'll do good."

Depending on her performance in California, Szczechowski might continue her Olympic training in Florida this fall.

Szczechowski, a student at West Middle School, will undoubtedly continue her gold medal-like performances against local teams.

She is being recruited by several private high schools, but may opt to follow in her brother Nick's footsteps, and play at Salem High School

Fore! (Check?)

Compuware Hockey Club fund-raiser set for Monday at Fellows Creek; sponsors needed

BY BRIAN CORBETT

Fore! Check?

Is that what hockey players yell when they hit the golf course? Find out Monday at Fellows Creek Golf Course in Canton, site of the first annual Compuware Youth Hockey Club and Plymouth Whalers golf outing.

The golf outing serves as the primary fund-raiser for the Compuware Hockey Club, which includes the Whalers, the Ambassadors and seven youth teams. Previously, the hockey teams held separate fund-raisers, but a decision was made to combine their efforts this year.

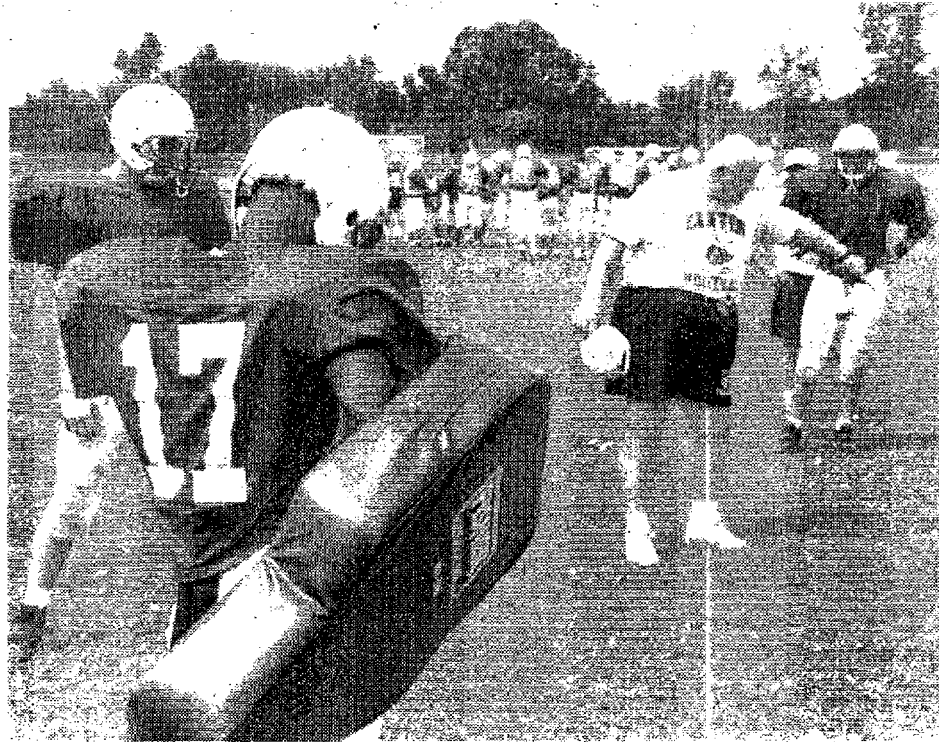
"The money we raise will be split equally among the teams to pay for ice bills, jackets or whatever else they may need," said Dan Elland, the fund-raising coordinator for Compuware Youth Hockey Club.

Several Whalers are expected to attend the golf outing, scheduled to begin after lunch with a 1 p.m. shotgun start. For \$175 per person, groups of four golfers will play a scramble format over 18 holes, ending with dinner at the Summit on the Park community center.

Along the way, golfers will pick up a golf shirt and gift package, participate in a closest to the pin contest and have a chance to win a car with a hole in one shot on a par three. Door prizes and a raffle are also scheduled during the outing, which concludes with a silent auction featuring NHL autographed jerseys including Wayne Gretzky, Brendan Shanahan and Brian Leetch.

The golf openings are quickly filling up, but Elland says hole sponsors are needed. The cost is \$500. For more information, call 453-6400.

WSDP to broadcast 3 fall sports; PCEP teams hit practice field



The Canton Chiefs — and their cross campus rivals, the Salem Rocks — hit the gridiron last week, when fall football practice opened statewide. Girls basketball practice also started on Aug. 11. (Crier photo, R. Alwood Jr.)

...Speaking of practice

Whalers training camp opens Aug. 28,

The Ontario Hockey League Plymouth Whalers begin the 1997-98 season by opening training camp to the public at no charge on Aug. 28 through Aug. 30 at Compuware Sports Arena.

The three-day camp boasts a 45-man roster featuring nine players drafted by National Hockey League teams, including second-round picks Harold Druken (Vancouver Canucks, 1997) and Russian Elite standout Yuri Babenko (Colorado Avalanche, 1996).

Other Whaler roster members David Legwand of Grosse Pointe, Kevin Holdridge of Novi and Jeff Jillson of Woonsocket, RI are slated as early first-round picks in the 1998 NHL entry draft.

The Whalers will return 15 players from last season's roster including forward Andrew Taylor and goalie Robert Esche.

Taylor, a New York Islanders fifth-round selection in 1995 and the Whalers leading goal scorer last season, registered 32 goals and 39 assists in 65 games.

Esche, a sixth-round pick of the Phoenix Coyotes in 1996, posted a 3.60 goals against average and a 24-28-2 record in 58 games last season. He had two shutouts.

The Whalers begin exhibition play in Windsor on Sept. 4 at 7:30 p.m.

On Sept. 6-7 at Compuware Sports Arena, the Whalers, Erie Otters, Windsor Spitfires and Ann Arbor's Team USA will go head to head in tournament billed as the "Can-Am Challenge."

Tournament tickets are \$10 per day or \$15 for a weekend pass.

For tournament and ticket information, call 453-8400.

1997 PLYMOUTH WHALERS OHL DRAFT SELECTIONS

RD #	NAME	POSITION
	(1996-97 TEAM)	
1	9 David Legwand	LC
	(Compuware Ambassadors-NAHL)	
2	27 Jeff Jillson	RD
	(Mt. St. Charles High School-RI)	
3	45 Andy Burnham	RW
	(New Liskaerd midgets)	
5	84 Brian Passmore	LC
	(North York midgets)	
6	93 Kris Purdy	LW
	(Smith Falls Jr. A)	
6	101 Sheldon Keefe	RW
	(Quinte Jr. A)	
7	117 Brandon Sacco	G
	(Port Colborne Jr. B)	
8	128 Mark Ridout	LD
	(Tecumseh Jr. B)	
8	131 Adam Hall	RW
	(Bramalea Jr. A)	
9	153 Nathan Mandigo	LD
	(St. Thomas Jr. B)	
10	171 Stephane Campea	RD
	(Hearst midgets)	
11	189 Jamie Lalonde	L
	(Cumberland Jr. A)	
13	225 Michal Zeibaq	LD
	(Syracuse NY Jr. A)	
14	243 Troy Ferguson	RC
	(Kitchener Jr. B)	
15	261 Dan Cavanaugh	RC
	(Springfield MA Jr.)	
16	279 Milan Sloboda	LW
	(Waterloo Jr. B)	

The early weeks of August can mean only one thing: the beginning of the fall sports season. Well, practice anyway.

Canton and Salem High school teams began doing just that last week, preparing for the upcoming season, which kickoffs — literally — on the first Friday of September with football. If you can't attend the games, the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park radio station, WSDP, 88.1-FM, will broadcast Salem and Canton High School football, basketball and soccer this fall.

The schedule opens Sept. 5 with football featuring Salem versus Belleville at 7:30 p.m.

The first soccer game is Sept 10 with Salem going up against Westland John Glenn. The girls basketball schedule opens Sept. 18 with Salem taking on Livonia Franklin.

WSDP's broadcast team features Denny Kapp and Scott Griffin. Mike Wickett, Mike LaMasse, Sam Plymale, Dave Merrick and Niraj Patel are co-sports directors.

WSDP broadcasts are sponsored by Wordhouse Financial Planning and Education, World Wide Net Premier Internet Services, Canton Center Market and Mirage Communications. "Our sponsors are greatly appreciated because they make it possible for us to follow the teams on the road during the post-season," said Bill Keith, WSDP station manager.

For copies of the following broadcast schedule, call WSDP at 416-7732.

Football:

Sept. 5 — Salem vs. Belleville

Sept. 12 — Canton vs. John Glenn

Sept. 19 — Canton vs. Walled Lake Western

Sept. 26 — Salem vs. North Farmington

Oct. 3 — Canton vs. Farmington Harrison

Oct. 10 — Salem vs. Farmington

Oct. 17 — Canton vs. Churchill

Oct. 24 — Salem playoff

Oct. 31 — Salem vs. Canton

Girls Basketball:

Sept. 18 — Salem vs. Livonia Franklin

Sept. 25 — Canton vs. Farmington

Sept. 30 — Salem vs. Flint Northern

Oct. 2 — Canton vs. Livonia Franklin

Oct. 7 — Salem vs. Northville

Oct. 14 — Canton vs. Livonia Stevenson

Oct. 16 — Salem vs. Walled Lake Central

Oct. 21 — Canton vs. Salem

Oct. 23 — Canton vs. Northville

Oct. 28 — Canton vs. North Farmington

Oct. 30 — Salem vs. Livonia Stevenson

Nov. 6 — Canton playoff

Nov. 11 — Salem playoff

Nov. 14 — WLAA finals

Nov. 17-22 — Districts

Nov. 24-26 — Regionals

Dec. 2,4,5-6 — State finals

Soccer:

Sept 10 — Salem vs. John Glenn

Sept. 15 — Canton vs. Northville

Sept. 24 — Salem vs. Livonia Stevenson

Oct. 6 — Canton vs. Livonia Churchill

Oct. 8 — Canton vs. Salem.

Sports shorts

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season March 11 versus Windsor.

Women Drivers...Yes!, Visiting Nurse Association's (VNA), fourth annual golf invitational will return to the Meadowbrook Country Club in Northville on Aug. 18.

Women Drivers...Yes! raises money for VNA's Driving Care Home Fund, a transportation assistance program for women employed as home health aides. Funds are raised through corporate sponsorships, players' fees and a silent auction.

The Plymouth Recreation Department continues registration for its **Summer Park Program**.

The five registration locations are Kiwanis Park (Auburn and Junction streets), Jaycee Park (Harding and Joy), Garden Club Park (Sutherland and Forest), Rotary Park (Wing and Herald) and Fire House Park (Holbrook and Spring).

Each location will provide a schedule of supervised activities from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Arts and crafts, active games, street showers, bowling, miniature golf and table games will accent the daily program.

Friday field trips are planned to the Detroit Zoo, the Skatin' Station, Rolling Hills Water Park, Kensington Metro-Park and Oakland County Wave Pool.

A fun-filled field day is planned for the final date on Aug. 15.

Call the Plymouth Recreation Department at 455-6620 for more information.

The program is free and participants must be City of Plymouth residents.

The Salvation Army Senior Volleyball team is looking for more players. If interested, stop by on Monday, Wednesday or Friday between 10 - 12 a.m. Players' annual fee is \$10. 453-5464 for info.



Community opinions

Truth about bond between camps

Lawsuit decision requires 'wisdom of a King Solomon.'

EDITOR,

There are two sides to every story. And somewhere, sandwiched between the conflicting camps of opinion, are the facts.

The ultimate resolution of the bond lawsuit brought against our school district, begs for the wisdom of a King Solomon.

During the past 4 months since the bond vote, it has been both an enlightening and disturbing experience to read some of the thoughts expressed in several letters to the editor.

While everyone is entitled and encouraged to express their own opinion (as I'm now doing,) every writer has an obligation to take care that opinions expressed are not being conveyed to the reading public as if they were facts.

For instance, several letters to the editor printed in all the local papers accused our publicly elected school board and the district administration of: election engineering (both through the choice of the voting device and the date of the election "arguing away this loss of votes...through some technicality of the election commission," "using public money to silence us," and

"making thinly veiled threats to our constitutionally guaranteed rights." Another recent writer added— "this superintendent...this school board would rather play the legal system than abide the ethical system."

We should all think long and hard about these opinions. Is there any substantive evidence that would validate these allegations as facts? Or, like a tiny

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snowball, are they gathering credence the more they're rolled around? Ethically and legally speaking, does any public figure deserve to be accused of wrongdoing in the absence of concrete, valid proof?

On the other hand, facts are easily substantiated by

research, studies, supportive evidence, etc. It's a fact that there are always miscast votes whether voting machines, paper ballots, or computer screens are used. It's a fact that there is no 'good' time to hold an election—March, June or November. It's a fact that the local board of canvassers and state election officials are bound by laws governing the election process—laws that 'we the people' put in place.

If anyone feels those laws are outmoded due to current technology, the opportunity exists for 'we the people' to do something about it. Chastising the board of canvassers for upholding those laws is neither logical, ethical or productive.

In my own opinion, our school board and school district officials have always conducted the public's business in a professional, ethical and legal manner. They have vigorously sought public input on issues, they have consistently made the effort to keep the community informed and have tried to to make responsible decisions on our behalf. Our public school district pursues the betterment of the entire community through the education of this community's children.

It is now up to the judge to consider all the facts surrounding the bond lawsuit issue before making a decision. With the wisdom of a King Solomon, perhaps the greater community will emerge as the winner.

MARTHA TRAFFORD
Canton

Off the cuff By Scott Spielman



American dream, part 2

Last week I wrote about the American Dream alive and well in P-C-N, except I forgot one important, inevitable aspect.

Into every dream, a little rock—or boulder—must fall.

Let me explain.

Saturday morning I woke to the sound of the severe weather siren. I was later assured by the policeman who was visiting my home that the storm had not caused any mass destruction, and that we weren't under attack. Easy for him to say.

As I went out that morning to see if I remembered to roll up my windows the night before, I noticed that it wouldn't have mattered if I had.

My car's tailgate had been utterly demolished by a rather large rock which now rested on my back seat.

Strangely, this didn't upset me too much. I thought about the size of the rock (it was so big, the police officer remarked on the size of it, and my father wants to use it for landscaping). I went inside, called the police, then told work I wouldn't be in until later. I guess that was the silver lining.

Officer Bruce Setzer showed up within 10 minutes, and exhibited considerably more cheer than I was feeling. He looked over the

car, whistled at the size of the rock, and quickly ruled out a crime of intelligence.

He asked if I had any known enemies and I reminded him I was a reporter (he and I had met previously during my rounds at the station). He remembered, but said that being a reporter just meant I didn't have any friends.

As we talked inside his police car, Setzer's affable, easy sense of humor went a long way towards keeping me calm and collected. He used phrases like "bottom of the food chain," (and I don't think he was talking about me) while I used phrases that rhymed with "rain on the glass" and "flickin' grits."

I want to thank Setzer, and the police department, for handling my situation and dozens like it every day, often without recognition or gratitude. Although a strange sense of pride prompts me to remind him that the rock weighed much more than 20 pounds and that I don't work for the Observer.

And, to whoever threw through it, thanks for the rock. It'll be a nice addition to my parent's garden.

Maybe that's the lesson for the week: when life gives you rocks, make a garden.

Thanks for blooms in the midst of dust

EDITOR,

Downtown Plymouth might have all the streets torn up and construction signs everywhere, but the flowers are beautiful. We wanted to thank The Old Village Lanscapers for all their hard work and for a spectacular display.

GREG AND LINDA WILLIAMS

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at The Crier.

Drop us a line about anything that's on your
mind.

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Community opinions

'Silly taxes' only sure thing in city

Do you need any further proof of the administrative boondoggle that will result from the City of Plymouth's three mil promotion tax?

Please see the Legal Notice posted about the new five-year "SILLY TAX"....

"Necessity of Constructing Sidewalks" reads the header. OOOOOPS!!

This new proposed tax is one of those great ideas, but it just won't work.

If the City can't even get the notice right of the proposal in the first place, do you really believe it could manage the entire program?

Sure, and the City of Plymouth can manage a simple parking deck too.

If it isn't a pigeon-plagued-health-hazard or a skateboard-attractor, the parking deck is a maintenance nightmare and budget-buster. DDA monies are going to support the deck -- not what those funds were originally meant for.

When City Hall first proposed the deck, it was because it would help the McAuley Health Center and the deck was being built (by the same architects) to accommodate the emergency room-doctors' office. But lo and behold!

The City and the hospital hadn't quite agreed to the same thing. OOOOOPS!

Or ask Don Wurm or Bill Saxton about the current ongoing project on Ann Arbor Trail. They're real fans of the City's ability to manage anything.

Actually, former mayor Jack Kenyon had the best idea... just flood the big Ann Arbor Trail ditch and hold gondola races or ice skating depending on the season.

With malice toward none

By W. Edward Wendover



Or take the past attempts by the City, the Chamber, the Retail Committees at PR -- which is the proposed excuse, or use for this "SILLY TAX" -- that have flopped thus far. One advertising/PR firm hired had to be threatened with a lawsuit, another advertising/PR firm hired to boost downtown Plymouth walked into The Crier one Friday afternoon with a press release informing the paper that Art in the Park started the next day.

With help like that, no wonder the City feels it needs PR.

But its own cumbersome, who's in charge?, political ups and downs, and committee burnout traits make this collective effort an administrative mess. Remember how one year the Chamber of Commerce and the DDA had competing information booths across Main Street from each other during Ice Fest? Both groups were struggling to find volunteers, but couldn't work together.

This inspires confidence in administering a TAX?

This is the "SILLY TAX." Who really believes that City Hall can adequately administer "marketing" which it knows nothing about? The state law allows this tax, yes, but the state law also allows the City to build a grade separation at the railroad tracks and you don't see that happening do you?

Fortunately, enough businesses are now kicking up a stink -- petitions are starting, a lawsuit to block the tax has been discussed -- that City Hall will find it hard to pass this tax.

How fair is this tax to little businesses that don't have enough money to pay rent now?

How fair is this tax to the retail businesses that are savvy, good-budget advertisers who already reach out?

How fair is this to offices downtown?

How fair is this to residences downtown?

How fair is this to seasonal businesses?

How much of the money will go towards: patching the parking deck, paying for Steve Walters' salary, paying for Steve Guile's expense account, paying for Marx Layne hauling Guile around as an "expert," buying golf carts for police, or replacing the bunker doors for the police chief?

Or maybe, as the public hearing legal notice says, how much of this tax goes towards constructing sidewalks?

TO OPPOSE THIS "SILLY TAX" write City Hall, prepare to vote against the incumbents up for election this fall (Mayor Ron Loiselle and Don Dismuke), and attend the public hearing at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 2 at City Hall.

Where is Bennett for P-C?

State Senator fails to represent constituents

EDITOR,
As an educator in the Plymouth-Canton school district, I was once again dismayed to see Gov. John Engler veto \$340 million in line items for the Michigan public schools.

This community has shown with recent bond approvals that they do support quality education. Yet the state continues to send mixed messages to local school districts.

In all of this I wonder where Sen. Loren Bennett has been? How has he helped the Plymouth-Canton district? He claimed to be working closely with the Governor and the Wayne-Westland district to give them additional financial support, which they did not receive, either! Again, where has Sen. Bennett been for Plymouth-Canton.

As we begin the 1997-98 school year, we need Bennett to represent all of the district and not to be a tool for the Governor in the name of Public Education.

CHRIS JOHNSTON MAYO

"The state continues to send mixed messages to local school districts."

Park neighbor 'dropping' hint

EDITOR,

May I address the dozen or so people who walk their dogs along the Tonquish Creek path?

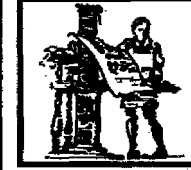
Many of our apartments border close to the path. I have had to shut my windows because of the odor from dog droppings.

Would you want your neighbor to bring a dog to mess under your bedroom or living room window?

Why are you so thoughtless?

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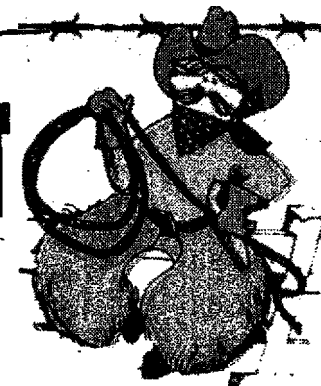
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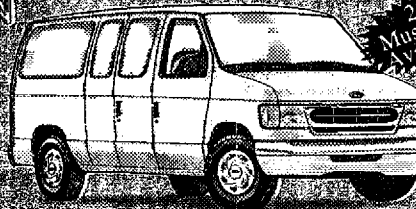
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