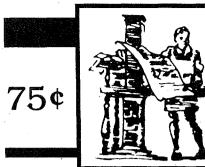
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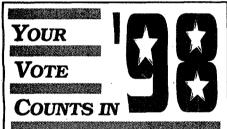
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# Yesterday's winners

See pg. 11 McCotter gets GOP nod, beats Whyman, Ryan **By Bryon Martin** 

#### See pg. 11 Law routs Mueller in **20th State House runoff By Scott Goodwin**





BY THE CRIER STAFF Plymouth-Canton-Northville residents turned out in force yesterday to narrow down the field of candidates for the Nov. 3 general election and

to make one thing clear: no more new taxes. Of the seven local millages proposed in yesterday's primary, six failed. All of Plymouth Township's proposed millages were turned down by voters, as was Canton's 2-mill road

proposal. Northville's 5.01 police and fire millage renewal was the only one that passed in that municipality.

The presence of so many local millage requests could have accounted for a higher voter turnout than expected. Northville Township reported about a 28 per cent turnout, while about 35 per cent of Plymouth Township voters showed up to reject all three of the township's proposed millages.

The City of Northville reported slightly more than a 12 per cent turnout, and about 23 per cent of registered voters cast ballots in the Canton Road millage election.

Terry Bennett, Canton Township Clerk, had originally projected a low voter turnout based on the number of absentee ballots received.

P-C-N residents also showed a strong support for Democratic Gubernatorial candidate Jeffrey Fieger, with Fieger coming out on top in both Plymouth and Canton.

The County ballot proposals fared far better than the local ones. Both Proposal A, the Super Majority issue, and Proposal J, the Juvenile Justice millage renewal were approved by P-C-N voters.

With updated equipment, election results was relatively quick in P-C-N. The computerized

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# **Canton police question 'bogus stop'**

#### BY SCOTT SPIELMAN

Canton police are investigating a Garden City man's report that another man posing as a police officer pulled him over, handcuffed him inside his car, maced and robbed him.

According to Canton Police Ofc. Leonard Schemanske, the incident occurred at about 3 p.m. Tuesday. A 43-year-old Garden City man said he was running errands for his employer, AutoNation, located on Ford Road east of I-275.

The man said he was on his way to the Secretary of State office and the NBD bank located at Ford and Canton Center roads, when he noticed a black, Chevy Impala behind him. The Impala had a flashing light on its roof, he said, suggesting a squad car. The victim pulled into the Target parking lot on Ford Road, Schemanske said. A man dressed in dark clothes with a patch on his sleeve then approached the victim's Chevy van and asked him for his license, registration and proof of insurance, according to police reports.

The victim gave the man his driver's license but told him that he was driving a company vehicle, and didn't have the other documents, according to reports. The man went back to his vehicle. When he returned he allegedly sprayed the victim in the face with mace, handcuffed him to the steering wheel, took two bags containing AutoNation's deposits off the van's passenger seat and fled, Schemanske said.

The victim began honking the van's horn to get attention after he recovered from the mace. Police were dispatched to the scene and a Target employe brought him water to wash the chemical out of his eyes. Schemanske said the police are investigating every aspect of the incident.

"It seems like if this had happened on Ford Road in the middle of day the we would have received more calls," he said.

Schemanske said he couldn't speculate on whether or not the incident was a hoax.

With a few tips, citizens can avoid incidents involving phony cops, he said.

For one thing, Canton Police do not patrol in unmarked cars, Schemanske said. Canton's semi-marked cars resemble regular cruisers without the external decals or overhead lights. They do, however, have additional lights that flash within the grill, on the rear-view mirror and in the rear.

Detectives drive unmarked cars, but they usually won't initiate traffic stops, according to Schemanske.

"If anything, they will call in for a

marked unit," he said.

Schemanske also said that common sense can be a tool in avoiding encounters.

"If you're ever in that situation and something doesn't feel right, pull into a well-lit or well traveled area," he said. "Keep your car in drive with the foot on the brake. You can at least start to come up with a plan in case something isn't right."

Schemanske also suggests choosing safe routes home, especially when driving late at night. If it feels like a bogus traffic stop, it is okay to continue to the nearest police station, he said.

People with car phones can call into the police station or dial 911 if they feel they have been pulled over by a person impersonating a police officer, Schemanske said-

"The station is going to know exactly where all their cars are." he said.

# City police nab repeat car thief in the act

BY SCOTT GOODWIN A suspect in several metro-Detroit robberies and car thefts was caught red-handed by Plymouth City police last week as he tried to heist three cars from B & L Radiator in Old Village, according to Det. Ed Ochal.

After his arrest, City of Plymouth resident Kriss Dimitri confessed to other unsolved crimes in The Plymouth-Canton-Northville Community, including a car theft on Starkweather and two thefts in Northville Township, according to Sgt. Steve Hundersmark.

"He's probably responsible for a lot of crime in Plymouth," Hundersmark said.

Police nabbed Dimitri in the B & L robbery after he tripped a silent alarm, Ochal said. Unaware of the alarm, Dimitri returned after stealing two cars from the shop. That's when police intervened.

"When officers arrived he was standing by a fence at the back of the property,"

eve Hundersmark said. "In his hand he had a cell phone from one of the stolen cars."

Also, Hundersmark said, Dimitri had keys to other cars on the lot stolen from inside the shop.

After arresting him, police recovered the two stolen vehicles parked a few blocks away.

"He planned on taking them down to Detroit," Hundersmark said.

Dimitri has been charged with four

felonies and a habitual offender charge, Hundersmark said. He now awaits trial in Wayne County Jail on a \$275,000 bond.

According to Ochal, Dimitri is suspected in several other crimes in communities around Oakland County and may face further charges.

"He claimed he had a drug problem," Hundersmark said. "He also claimed he was trying to get in with some people, so I don't know what to believe."

# **Spike in thefts from Northville autos**

BY CHIARA CANNELLA Thieves have been having an easy time in the Northvilles lately.

Northville township and city residents have reported 24 cases of larceny from a vehicle since June 5. In 16 of those cases the thieves simply opened the door.

In those instances owners of the vehicles reported either their car was not locked or they were unsure it was locked.

More than \$19,000 in property has been

Addenda & errata

State Rep. Gerry Law wrote a letter to the state Liquor Control Commission endorsing E.G. Nicks' application for a special stateissued liquor license.

A story that ran in the July 8 issue of The Community Crier reported that Law may have written a letter opposing the application.

Peoples State Bank may lease the property on Main Street that was home to a Farmer Jack grocery store. A headline in last week's Crier said they might buy the site. stolen, according to police reports.

Stolen articles include 11 cellular phones, a lap-top computer, a \$6400 ring left in a cup holder, about 200 compact disks, sunglasses and credit cards.

In one case, a pair of sunglasses was recovered and returned to the owner.

"Cell phones are a big thing," said Det. Fred Yankee of the township police. "I've heard thieves can get \$20-\$50 for them."

Yankee said that failing to lock car doors and leaving valuables in plain sight often result in thefts. Putting a cell phone under the seat can make all the difference to someone just walking by, he said.

"It's that out of sight, out of mind thing," he said.

Thefts from cars occur in waves of frequency, Yankee said. "For a while, we won't see them. Then we get hit real hard."

Often, thieves are kids walking by, trying all the door handles in a parking lot, Yankee said. When a door opens, they grab what they find.

Nancy Cain of AAA of Michigan said once the deductible has been met insurance companies pay to replace stolen items regardless of whether or not the car was locked.

But ultimately, she said, such thefts do cause rates to go up.



# A change of meters

Retirement at 50 brings music to the ears of City's outgoing police chief

#### BY SCOTT GOODWIN

When Police Chief Bob Scoggins retires from the City of Plymouth Police Department in Jan. 2000, he'll have a second job to fall back on: his singing career.

The City's head safety officer is also a gospel singer, and a very good one at that.

With his group The Chapels, Scoggins has produced four albums over the past three years. And so far this son of a hall of fame gospel singer is doing well and definitely has plans to continue.

'As a little kid, I was surrounded by all the great gospel singers," Scoggins said. "I guess it made a permanent impression."

Currently, Scoggins and his group sing mostly at church functions throughout the area, usually within an hour's drive. Scoggins said he doesn't know how far the singing career will take him. "I'll go whichever way the good Lord takes me.'

Until then, however, he's still the chief. His retirement announcement, made 18 months in advance, gives the City an opportunity to carefully choose the next police department head.

"It gives everybody ample time to discuss the future of the police department," Scoggins said. "I didn't want people to find out about this through rumors. I don't want to go out that way. That wouldn't have been fair to everybody in the department."

For Scoggins, the early announcement also gives him an opportunity for input.

"I'm still a City resident," he said. "They're my police department even after I walk out of here.'

When Scoggins, 49, departs, he'll end a 25-year career that was spent entirely protecting the streets of Plymouth.

Five weeks out of the Air Force, Scoggins first served as an ordinance officer for Plymouth in 1975, a job he grabbed only to serve as



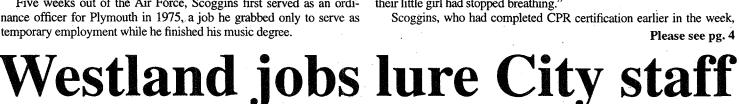
The man who would be Chief: Scoggins in his 'Green Hornet' days as a City ordinance officer in 1975 (Crier file photo).

"I never intended to make Plymouth my career," he said. "But I fell in love with it right away.'

A stint at the police academy and a degree in criminal justice from EMU followed, and by the mid-1980s Scoggins was a sergeant patrolling the streets. In April of 1991 he was named Chief.

Many of Scoggin's most memorable moments as a police officer involve his service to the community, he said, when disasters struck and e was there to help. One incident in particular stands out.

"It was in the early morning hours and we were at the end of our shift when the call came in," Scoggins recalls. "Two frantic parents told us their little girl had stopped breathing."



#### BY BRYON MARTIN

Ask Steve Guile and Linda Langmesser what Westland has that The City of Plymouth doesn't and they'll give you two answers: money and opportunity.

Guile, director of the City's Downtown Development Authority, has accepted a job with Westland as director of that city's newly formed

# **City's Daly habit** comes to an end

#### BY W. EDWARD WENDOVER

The region's last drive-in is going.

Daly's, at the corner of Ann Arbor Road and Main Street, will become a Rite-Aid Drug Store if the City of Plymouth Planning Commission gives site plan approval next week.

A woman, who would only give her name as "Rita" and the 20years owner of Daly's, said a closing date is not firm. "It'll be two more months. There's no exact date until I have to," she said, adding, "I don't want to talk about it."

In its hey-day, Daly's was one of three drive-ins on the circuit ----A&W on Ann Arbor Road (where Dot Moore protected the A&W mugs from cruisers' petty theft) and the A&W on Northville Road.

Rita said she would still own and operate the Daly's in Romulus for those Plymouth restaurant customers who can't live without a foot-long hot dogs.

DDA. City Clerk Linda Langmesser is a finalist in Westland's search for a new clerk. For each, the move holds opportunities they can't or don't find in the City.

'My job here is done," said Guile, looking back on his six years as DDA Director. "I was hired to create an atmosphere where development could flourish. I think we're at that juncture.'

In 1992, when Guile was first hired to head the DDA, businesses were closing in Downtown Plymouth. Shoppers spent their money in malls rather than downtown stores and the City became an example of the small town shopping district struggling to stay in the black.

Today, things are different.

Through the use of external surveys of the City's business climate, the Streetscape and promoting Plymouth as a regional shopping locale, Guile and the DDA have "won back shoppers' confidence," according to Larry Bird.

Bird owns and operates Gabriala's, a home furnishings and accents store in downtown Plymouth. Gabriala's moved to its current location on Main Street a few months before Guile was hired in 1992. That January, a story in the Detroit News carried the headline, "Store closings batter a once proud town; economy plays rough with many businesses.'

Before the move, Bird said, Gabriala's fit that story. Business had been at a plateau for about nine years. Since the move, and Guile's work, it's been boom time for Gabriala's. The DDA's surveys, mailings and free entertainment around town have been the key, Bird said.

Growth continues downtown today and two months ago when Guile's contract was renewed for 18 months - half his previous term - he said he expected to be around a few more years to the City prosper.

"I'm sorry to leave downtown but I feel I've left it a lot better than I Please see pg. 74

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#### **THIS WEEK**

Agenda

- Friday at 7:30 p.m., Rick Eddy's Rockin' Oldies
- Band will put on a free concert in the gazebo on Main Street in downtown
- Northville. Sponsored by the Northville Arts Commission.
- Friday at 6:45 p.m., Perry Hughes will play a free concert in Kellogg Park in downtown Plymouth, sponsored by the DDA.

#### **NEXTWEEK**

- Wednesday, The City of **Plymouth's Planning**
- Commission meets at 7
- p.m. in City Hall.
- Wednesday from 6 9 p.m., John Cleveland's Water Club Grill, 39500 Ann Arbor Rd., will host a silent auction to benefit First Step, a shelter and agency working with victims of domestic and sexual violence. Call 734-454-0666 for details.
- Thursday, The City of Plymouth's Downtown **Development Authority** Board meets at 7 p.m. in City Hall, 201 S. Main St.

#### **NEXT WEEKEND**

· Friday at 7:30 a.m., participants in the Canton Chamber of Commerce 1998 Golf Classic tee off at Fellows Creek Golf Club.

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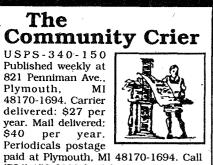
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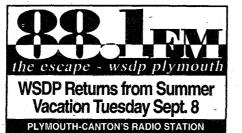


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# **Court will carry debt** for new building

**BY SCOTT SPIELMAN** 

With the adoption of articles of incorporation last week, Canton became the last community to approve the formation of the 35th District Court Building Authority.

The authority was established by the five communities that make up the 35th District in order to sell bonds to construct the new courthouse, according to Joel Piell, bond counsel for the 35th District Court Authority.

'The Authority is merely an agreement between the local governments to operate the court. It doesn't have any any financing power," Piell said. "The building authority is very much like the court authority except it has financing power.'

What this means is that the court building authority can sell bonds to rebuild the 35th District Courthouse that was destroyed by fire last year. All bonds sold count against the court's debt, not attributed to any of the five municipalities it serves, according to Steve Walters, Plymouth city manager and chairperson of the 35th District Advisory Board.

When the 35th District Courthouse three months, Piell said.

was built in 1980, the City of Plymouth sold the bonds to construct the facility. The court authority then leased the building from the City.

"None of the five communities wanted to be the sole holder of the bonded debt," Walters said. "That debt now sits wholly with the district court."

By selling bonds through the building authority rather than one of the municipalities, the court authority will be responsible for repaying the bonds with court revenues, rather than with tax increases.

The building authority has the ability to sell bonds without going to the voters for a bond proposal, according to Tom Yack, Canton supervisor.

Yack said the court authority is only official after the notice of incorporation is published in each of the five communities, after which the public has 60 days to respond.

"It allows individuals to circulate a petition requiring a public vote on sales of the bonds," Yack said. "If no one files, then the process moves forward."

This means that the building authority won't be able to sell bonds for at least

# **Court gets \$34K for** video arraignment gear

BY SCOTT SPIELMAN

Michigan Municipal Risk Management Authority (MMRMA) is like the Energizer Bunny of insurance companies: They keep paying and paying and paying.

In addition to the \$3.1 already paid out to the 35th District Court for their claim in last year's courthouse fire, the company has awarded a grant for new video arraignment equipment.

The grant was for a total of about \$34,000, split between the communities of the Northvilles, Canton and Plymouth Township, according to Kerry Erdman, court administrator

The City of Plymouth was not eligible for the grant because they are not a member of the MMRMA, Erdman said.

Although most of the communities already have some type of video arraignment capabilities, the grant would allow each communities to buy newer, more up-to-date equipment, according to Erdman.

"This equipment will be a lot better," Erdman said. "It has a higher picture and sound quality and newer technology. It will be quite an improvement. We were always having some kind of problem with the older system."

Erdman said the benefits of having updated video arraignment systems will be felt by the communities as well as the court. The system will allow the various police departments to keep prisoners lodged in their jails rather than risk transporting them to the court. It's more efficient for both sides, he said.

"It reduces liability for the communities," he said. "It usually takes two officers to transport a prisoner to the courthouse, using a car that could be out patrolling. This way that car can be back on the road."

Video arraignment also lessens the possibility of risk to the officers that would be transporting the prisoners, Erdman said.

The systems holds a special usefulness now that the courthouse is located in the modular buildings in the Unisys parking lot. The buildings were designed as practically as possible, but weren't designed for strict secu-

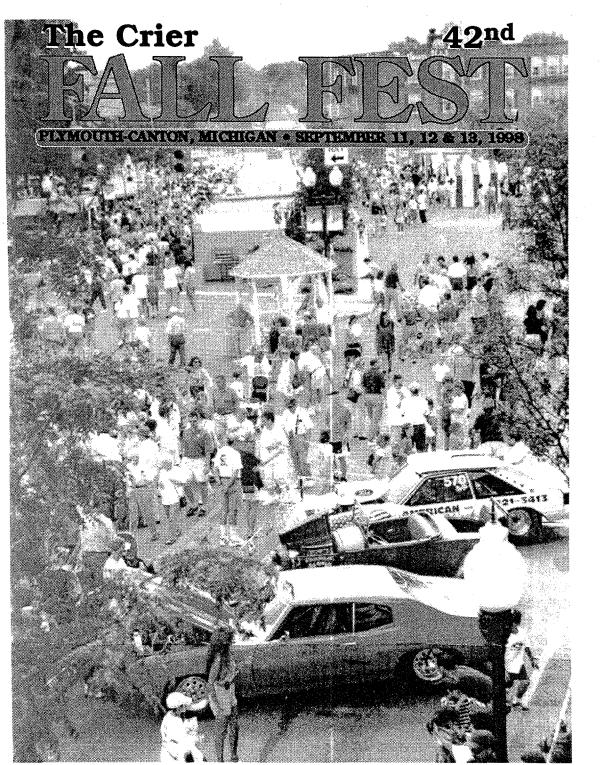
rity. "We don't really have a lock up facility," Erdman said. "We can do it if we have to, but the facilities are pretty spartan."

Erdman said prisoners have cost the court hundreds of dollars through kicked-in doors, ripped out thermostats and other costly vandalism.

The new video arraignment systems could be online next month, and will only cost the court the price of a high speed phone line, or about \$25 a month, Erdman said.

The City hopes to have a video arraigning system online shortly afterward, according to Chief Bob Scoggins. Scoggins said the City has been looking into the costs of such a system and hopes to have a vendor soon.

"We've been put on hold so far because we've been finding out about consolidations of our dispatch departments," Scoggins said. "It's unfortunate that we weren't a part of that grant, but I'm currently trying to find some other sources of revenue."



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# Friends & neighbors

### Neighbors in the news

Lisa L. Craven, daughter of Richard and Magddale Craven of Canton; Daniel J. Wrobleski, son of John and Kathleen Wrobleski or Northville; and Todd Falko, daughter of Larry and Grace Falko of Plymouth have graduated from Northwood University if Midland.

Kimberly R. Rinzema, daughter of Daniel and Dianna Rinzema of Northville; and Mark Warmbier, son of Paul and Sue Warmbier of Plymouth were named to the Dean's List at Calvin College.

The following students were named to the Dean's list at Ferris State University: from Canton: **Paul Britz**; from Northville, **Chartier D. Aimone;** and from Plymouth: **Matthew P. Mosley**, and **Heather Wilson**.

The following sutdents from Canton were named to the Dean's List at Michigan State University: Sara Anderson, Nicole Arnold, Julie Bak, Heidi Balatico, Stacey Beck, Anne Britz, Jennifer Bryan, Justin Buchop, Michelle Butske, Kathryn Chamberlain, Maria Cini, Laura Circla, Brian Confer, Jennifer Connelle, Melissa Delong, Xuan Do, John Donahue, Andrew Feierfeil, Jeffrey Fliss, Stephanie Frye, Courtney Garrett, Lora Hanson, Andrea Hartlund, Matthew Hucal, Brian Jansen, Barbara Karenko, Nancy Kindraka, Kevin Kovachevich, Karen Kowalski, Melissa Kraydich, Bryon Labumbard, Amy Lagrow, Marc Levitt, Jennifer Lyons, Stephanie Massucci, Christopher Mazur Lawrence Morris, Ann Peruski, Nicole Pomarski, Rebecca Pratt, Todd Price, Kyle Pund, Michael Ratkewicz, Marcus Sanborn, Heather Schafer, Scott Schopiery, Michelle Smith, Colleen Springer, Erica Stevens, Kelly Sturgill, Jessica Turza, Michele Vanootighem, Wendy Vea, Kristi Wade, Alan Scoot Wilson, Danielle Wren, Michelle Ziewacz, and Daniel Zoltowski.

John P. Levandowski of Plymouth was named to the Dean's List at Belmont University in Tennessee.

Marine Sgt. **Steven C. Sullivan**, a 1991 graduate of Salem High School, recently completed a six-month deployment to Okinawa with 2nd Battalion 6th Marines, home-based at Camp Lejeune, NC.

# Setting a higher standard

Canton grad is determined to make SMAC's dance program shine

#### BY SCOTT SPIELMAN

"I've been studying for this my whole life," said Michelle Langley, who was recently appointed Director of Dance Studies at the new Southeast Michigan Arts Conservatory (SMAC).

It's basically true. At 24, Langley already has as much experience in her field as most people have when they retire. She started dancing at the age of five, and said she found that she had a real love and talent for it.

"I've always loved performing," she said. "Even when I was little."

But for Langley, the desire to perform was always eclipsed by the desire to teach and pass her desire for dancing to others. It was a desire that would stay with her through high school and as she earned a bachelor's of science degree in dance and studio management from Eastern Michigan University.

"I never dreamed about dancing on broadway," she said. "I get a lot of satisfaction from teaching. It's such a satisfying thing to see someone else get excited about something you love."

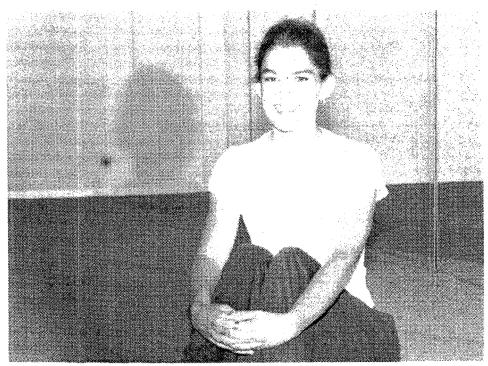
Langley said she had always wanted to open a dance studio of her own. In addition to her studies at EMU, which included teaching general dance classes, she has instructed CEP's color guard and winter guard.

The color guard performs along with the marching band in the summer, while the winter guard performs on their own, inside, during the winter, she said. Under her direction, both groups have received top honors in their Class A division.

Her time as color guard instructor was also when she met Jeff Myers, now director of SMAC.

When Langley heard that Myers was starting up the conservatory, she immediately wanted to be a part of it, she said.

"It was too good to be true. Usually



Michelle Langley has found a dream come true in the newly formed Southeastern Michigan Conservatory of Arts, located in the old Arnoldt Williams building (above).

when you start your own business you have to start from scratch," she said. "This was already several steps ahead."

Langley has spent the past two months getting ready for the conservatory's Sept. 8th opening. As director of dance studies, she will not only be one of the SMAC's four dance instructors, but also responsible for developing programs such as Creative Dance for children.

That program, which is designed as an introduction to dance for children aged three to five years, uses games and songs to get children ready for more more advanced dancing lessons.

"It makes them feel ready to go out and explore other things and builds their motor skills, which is a hard thing for children their age," she said.

In addition to the creative dance program, the conservatory will offer lessons in tap, jazz and ballet dancing. Other courses, such as ballroom dancing, may be taught if there is enough interest, Langley said.

The courses are designed to be a step above lessons at a typical dance studio, Langley said.

"We're really trying to set a higher standard and not focus so much n the glitz or the glamour," she said. "It's more educational. We're going to stress technique and discipline."

Langley said the conservatory will also offer a chance for students to perform more often. They will give one performance at the end of each semester, and a grand performance each year, she said.

But for her it's the opportunity to pass her love of the art to others.

"There's nothing better than instilling a little more love about something into someone and watching it grow," she said. "That's the greatest thing in the world."

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The Community Crier **Poetry Contest** 821 Penniman Ave. Plymouth, MI 48170 email@Crier.com

# **Canton water rates to jump slightly**

#### BY SCOTT SPIELMAN

Canton residents will notice a slight increase in their water and sewer rates next month.

According to John Spencer of Canton's Finance Department, effective Sept. 1, the rates will climb a total of \$.29 per 1,000 gallons of water.

"It's primarily due to increase in costs from the City of Detroit," Spencer said. "We also review what the service costs us and compare

it to our revenues to see where the rates are going. We were still a little bit in the red."

The City of Detroit increased its wholesale water rate from \$8.26 per 1,000 cubic feet (mcf) to \$8.80 mcf effective July 1, 1998, which meant Canton, in turn, had to raise their rates

Spencer said the increase in water rates from \$1.74 per 1,000 gallons to \$1.86 per 1,000 gallons will allow Canton to break even in 1999 or the year 2000. The sewer rate was

also increased from \$2.23 per 1,000 gallons to residential users. \$2.40 per 1,00 gallons.

Detroit raised their Industrial Waste Control Service Charge (IWC), which is charged to commercial and industrial sewer customers based on the size of their meter.

"We pass this cost directly through to the users," Spencer said. "The township doesn't mark it up. It's the same dollar amount Detroit charges.

Spencer said the increase will not effect

According to Canton Engineer Tom Casari, the amended ordinance also allows for a change in the tap fee for a two-inch irrigation system. Two-inch systems are primarily used for large landscaped areas, such as the entrance to a subdivision, Casari said.

The Board of Trustees tabled the amendments to the Water and Sewer System ordinance Tuesday.

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found it." It was one year ago that he first began to consider a change in employment when Southfield courted him for a directorship there. Westland will present new challenges, he said.

Guile tendered his resignation Thursday afternoon after accepting a position with Westland's newly formed DDA. He will leave his City post Oct. 2 and begin in Westland Oct. 5.

Clerk a finalist

Langmesser, a finalist in Westland's clerk search, said the move would mean "going from a city with a population of a little less than 10,000 to one of more than 85,000." And bigger cities pay bigger salaries.

Langmesser's base salary with the City is around \$52,000. Her starting base salary in Westland would likely be about

\$68,000, she said, but it's the benefits package that is especially attractive. Reports of internecine politics at play in Westland City Hall are less so.

Langmesser said she has received calls from parties who work with the Westland government warning her about the "topsy-turvey" politics of the environment.

Chuck Skene left his job as the City's director of Parks and Recreation to lead the same department in Westland. He left that position last spring as Westland took him to court over allegedly mishandling funds missing from the Parks & Rec. budget. A jury found Skene clear of those charges in November.

Unlike the former Parks and Recreation director, though, the City Clerk is not a department head. The clerk is an employe of the City Commission, not the Mayor.

"It's a different situation," she said. "I wouldn't have the interaction with the mayor that (Skene) had."

And despite Skene's troubles with the Westland government and Langmesser's "close" friendship with Skene, she said she doesn't expect the connection to hamper her candidacy.

"I would certainly hope it would never affect this (interview). I guess you never know."

And even if she is offered the job, she said, Langmesser isn't sure she'll take it.

"It's a real hard decision. I'm not sure I want to make the move, but the salary is certainly worth considering.'

Langmesser said she expects to have a final answer for Westland by mid-October.

# utgoing Chief looks back on years in City he loves

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was quick to the scene. He gave the child mouth-to-mouth, resuscitated her and got her to the hospital.

decided to leave now is financial, he said. As a police officer of 25 years, the value of his pension will plateau. Working past Jan. 2000 won't increase his pension.

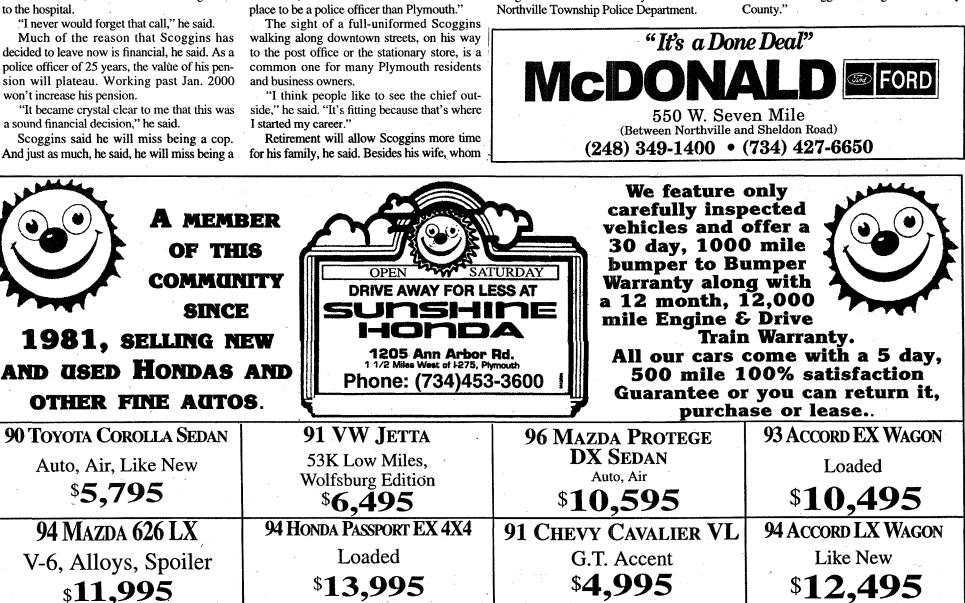
a sound financial decision," he said.

cop in Plymouth.

"I love what I do. I love being a cop. I love this town," he said. "I can't think of a better

he met while serving in Korea, Scoggins has three children, including two college-age daughters and a son recently sworn into the Northville Township Police Department.

"They allowed me to pin the badge on him," Scoggins said. "We're just thrilled we'll still have a Scoggins serving Western Wayne





# Getting down to business

### Neighbors in business

**Dave Brandon** of Plymouth has been elected to the Board of Directors of the Southeastern Michigan Chapter of the American Red Cross.

Brandon will serve one year as a vice chair and will help oversee the Chapter that serves Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties. Brandon is chairman of Valassis Communications, Inc.

The regular meeting of the Northville Chapter of Business Network International is scheduled for 7 - 8:30 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 27 at Kerby Koney Island, Eight Mile and Haggerty. The Plymouth Chapter meets at the Water Club Seafood Grill at Ann Arbor Road and I-275.

For more information, call the BNI regional office at (734) 397-9939.

September of 1998 will mark the beginning of the Plymouth Downtown Business Association downtown marketing program. The purpose of the program is to market all services and businesses that exist in the downtown commercial area.

The program will be explained at a meeting scheduled for Tuesday, Aug. 11 at 8:30 a.m. at the Plymouth Cultural Center.

For more information, or to attend the meeting, please call the DDA office at 455-1453.

#### The Canton Chamber of Commerce 1998 Golf Classic will be held Aug. 14.

Registration begins at 7:30 a.m. A variety of contests will be offered, such as longest drive (for a marshmallow); hole-in-one contest, and a raffle.

Sponsors of the outing include Blackwell Ford, Jack Demmer Ford, NBD Bank, CruiseOne, Executive Financial Planning, AutoNation USA, Michael Gerou and Corrigan Moving Systems.

For information about joining the event call the Canton Chamber of Commerce at (734) 453-4040.

Lynne Tomlinson has joined the staff of MEDHEALTH Wellness Center as an occupational therapist.

Tomlinson come to MEDHEALTH from Henry Ford Hospital, where she was a home health care professional. Lynne will handle all occupational therapy needs for the Plymouth facility.

# New Chamber exec takes control

Adding members, services top priority for Canton Chamber's new director

BY SCOTT SPIELMAN Dearborn's Ryan Ambrozaitis sees his position as the Canton Chamber of Commerce's new executive director as the culmination of all his experience.

At 29, that experience is pretty extensive. With a B.A. in Political Science from the University of Michigan-Dearborn, Ambrozaitis has worked in the political and public fields. He has served with many recognizable names, such as State Senator David Honigman and Rep. Deb Whyman. He has also been a professional realtor, and for two years served as member services manager for the Greater Detroit Chamber of Commerce.

"My primary responsibilities were membership development and membership retention," he said.

It was a broad role in the 2nd largest Chamber of Commerce in the Nation. Working with the nearly 11,000 firms that belonged to the chamber prepared him well for the Canton position, he said.

Ambrozaitis left the Greater Detroit Chamber in 1997 to become the promotions manager of Schools Now, L.L.C, an organization that sought to raise \$1 million for education.

"The chamber was down-sizing at the time, and although my job wasn't in jeopardy, I wanted to be promoted, and all promotions were frozen," he said.

It was a field he was happy to return to, " and his time working with Deb Wyman in 1992 gave him a little taste of what the community was like, he said.

His familiarity with the community was one of the things that drew him out from



RYAN AMBROZAITIS

the crowd of applicants, according to Bob Carrigan, chairman of the executive director search committee.

"It was really a combination of things," Carrigan said. "He had the experience with the chamber of commerce and a high level of social skills. He was someone we thought would be really aggressive."

Carrigan said the chamber received about 70 resumes from applicants wanting to fill the position created when Carleigh Flaharty left to become the executive director of the Farmington Hills Chamber.

Those 70 were eventually narrowed down to 12, and four were chosen from them to interview in front of the search committee. planned," Carrigan said. "We think we picked the best candidate."

Ambrozaitis started as director Monday and hopes to bring some of the concepts of the Detroit chamber to Canton. Ideas such as providing new benefits to chamber members to attract more businesses and strengthening the business base are among his priorities. He also wants to attract more larger firms to the chamber and diversify it's membership.

"You have to look for opportunities to improve services for members. The Detroit chamber provided health insurance and Air Touch Cellular discounts, as well as Internet access," Ambrozaitis said. "I'd like to look into doing something like that here."

Ambrozaitis said he also plans on moving to the area within a year because he likes the look and feel of Canton. The younger population and more open spaces provide quite a contrast to Dearborn, he said.

Still, it will be difficult to leave the community where he was so active. He is a member of the Dearborn Goodfellows, Community Arts Council, and Rotary Club to name just a few. He is also currently serving on that city's Planning Commission.

"I've learned a lot of leadership there," he said. "You have to listen to both sides of the issue and do what's best for the community. It's one of the best ways to get involved in a community.

"In a way it's like this position because it involves bringing people together to get things done."

"The search went pretty much as

### English pub planned for Canton Sports bar among first tenants of long vacant strip mall

BY SCOTT SPIELMAN

Bailey's English Pub and Grille will be the first tenant in the long-vacant Canton Village Center, on the southwest corner of Ford and Canton Center roads.

Bailey's is one of two restaurant concepts developed by Total Entertainment, Inc of Wichita, KS, according to Jim Zielke, chief financial officer of Total.

The firm started in 1989 in Texas, and merged with Fox and Hound restaurants to form Total in 1997, Zielke said. They have a total of 20 restaurants throughout the U.S. and plan to open another 16 this year,

including the one in Canton.

"We should be under construction soon, and hope to be open in October," Zielke said.

Zielke bills the pub as a restaurant, social gathering place and sports bar, that features a wide variety of food and beverages, as well as billiards tables, dart boards and other games of skill.

"We'll also have a lot of televisions," he said. "If there's a big game on, you'd probably think of it as a sports bar. If not, you'd just think of it as a restaurant with a lot to offer."

The Canton Board of Trustees has set a

Aug. 25 public hearing on Bailey's request for a Class C liquor license. The request includes a Sunday Sales Permit, a permit for the sale of food on Sunday, and an Entertainment permit.

Canton Village Center has been vacant since construction was complete last year. Canton building official John Weyer said that although Bailey's was the first probable tenant for the strip mall, others would soon follow.

"We're seeing some more construction activity and getting some more permit applications," he said. "They should be back under way in a short time."

# New hockey crew brews

New Canton group would handle hockey concerns at proposed Haggerty sports complex

#### BY SCOTT SPIELMAN

Canton hockey players may have a new organization to go along with a proposed sports complex.

With a wary eye on development, the Canton Hockey Association waits in the wings Canton residents and business persons are forming the association to help regulate teams that would play in the sports complex, according to organizer Wally Hill.

Hill has spent the past year assessing the need for an association, which would be a separate entity from the existing Plymouth-Canton Hockey Association, he said.

"It's coming along slowly but surely. It's a little premature right now because the sports park is about six months away from construction," he said. "The sense I'm getting from people is that they're waiting to see the shovel in the ground."

Hill said the association will oversee organizing hockey teams, interview potential coaches and perform other administrative tasks such as ordering jerseys and scheduling ice times.

The sports complex was proposed earlier this year by Griffin Properties, a Southfieldbased developer. Although originally planned as a community ice rink, the project soon grew to include other proposed facilities uses such as a basketball gym, indoor and outdoor soccer fields and volleyball courts. Other uses are possible, too, but nothing is definite yet according to Scott Griffin, president of Griffin Properties.

Griffin said that most of the sports park's operators have been lined up, at least informally. He has several firm commitments from a variety of users, but declined to name any because he doesn't want to affect firms that have not yet signed on to the project.

Griffin said he has secured an architectural firm, however. Kansas City-based HOC Sport will design the complex. The firm exclusively designs sports venues, and ranks among the world's largest, Griffin said. Other projects they had or are designing include professional sports stadiums such as the new Tiger Stadium.

Griffin said the architects will be meeting with Canton planners about uses allowed in the park, which will be developed as a Planned Development District (PDD). Later

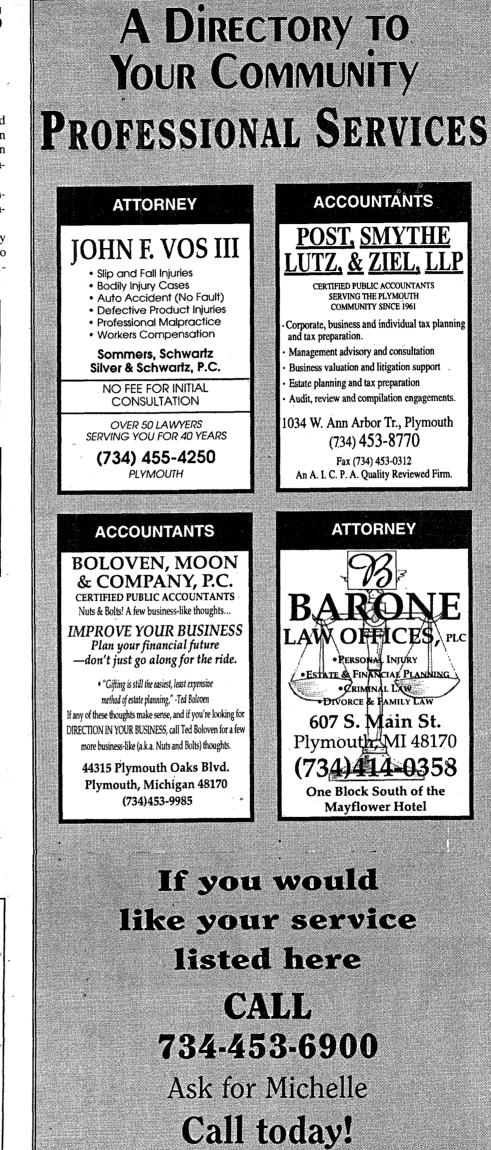


this year, early phases of construction could begin on the 20 acre site, which is located on Haggerty north of Michigan Avenue. Griffin said several of the facilities should be operational by next fall.

That would suit Hill just fine. When construction begins, he said he will begin to organize the hockey association more thoroughly.

Anyone wanting to serve on the hockey commission board, or business willing to sponsor a team can contact Hill at (734) 451-1538





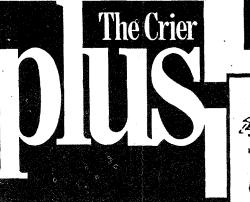
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# **McCotter defeats Ryan, Whyman**

#### BY BRYON MARTIN

Whether it was sound political strategy, his Supermajority issue or a solid reputation as a County Commissioner, it worked. Thaddeus McCotter beat out Jim Ryan and State Rep. Deborah Whyman for the Republican nomination in yesterday's primary election.

According to unofficial returns from the polls, McCotter took 7,723 votes in district. Whyman took 5,510 votes, while Ryan won 4,598.

McCotter said Ryan called him at his victory party in Livonia to concede the race. "It was a very classy thing to do."

McCotter will face Carol Poenisch Nov. 3 in the race for the 9th State Senate seat. The Plymouth-Canton-Northville Community's long and consistent record of voting Republican bodes well for McCotter's chances in that contest. Nonetheless, he said, he

won't be underestimating the Democrats' chances.

"It's been eight years," he said. "They want it."

His campaign for this fall's general election will continue to center on the issues he carried through the primary: tax cuts, smaller, open and accountable government. "It sounds cliché. But I haven't changed (my positions)" he said.

Even if he is keeping an eve on the issues and the Democrats, the better part of his energy will likely be spent "doing everything I can for Loren Bennett," who is up for re-election in the 8th State Senate district. Guarding the GOP hold on the 8th State Senate seat has long been a party priority in P-C-N, according to McCotter.

That becomes the overriding question when you're the favorite in a race, he said. "How do we make this work for multiple candidates?"

# **Poenisch wins soundly in 9th State Senate**

**BY BRYON MARTIN** 

Calling in from Colorado where she is on vacation, Carol Poenisch had a simple question last night: "What are the numbers like?"

For Poenisch, who soundly defeated Marc Susselman for the Democratic

that's the kind of race it was -- down tempo almost to the point of nonchalance.

Both she and Susselman were firstheld public office. Neither actively sought endorsements nor reported

nomination in the 9th State Senate race, spending much if any money in the enough name recognition to earn the campaign that lead up to yesterday's primary election.

Judging from the commanding victory time candidates who have never before over her opponent, however - Poenisch took 7.080 votes in the district versus Susselman's 3,814 — she had at least

chance to face Republican Thaddeus McCotter in the Senate race Nov. 3.

Most of that recognition can be traced back to her work with Marion's Friends an effort to create legislation supporting terminally ill adults' right to die in Michigan. Poenisch started the group to put a right-to-die proposal on the November ballot, naming the coalition after her mother who died of Lou Gherig's disease. Before they met on the campaign trail, Poensich and Susselman worked together through Marion's Friends.

If that race was noteworthy for here downhill coast to victory, though, the: road to a November win over McCotter will be a steep and exhausting uphill trip. She will be a little-known Democrat campaigning on GOP turf. McCotter is a popular Republican with a history of public service, a long list of heavy weight endorsements and political inroads to Lansing.

She's both optimistic and realistic at once.

"I'm very excited. I think I've got good chances for winning the seat because of (my stances on) education and health care," she said. "But it's a longshot. I'll be happy to come pretty close and Democratic issues out there."

# Law over Mueller in 4-1 landslide

BY SCOTT GOODWIN Maybe the next millennium will be better for K.C

Even as the final results from last night's Republican primary for the 20th State House run-off were trickling in, K.C. Mueller had conceded victory to her opponent Gerry Law and announced her candidacy for the same seat in the year 2000.

"I don't want to let my supporters down," she said on her announcement.

City Commissioner. Dave McDonald has also announced candidacy for the seat.

Somewhere across town, the incumbent Law was celebrating a landslide victory. Unofficial results show that Law clobbered Mueller by more than a four to one margin, 9,008 votes to 2.152.

The victory means Law will face Democrat Fred Dilacovo in the Nov. 3 election.

For Law, such a resounding triumph last night is a good signal for the general election.

"The winner of this primary has a big leg up in November," Law said. Traditionally, the 20th State House District has voted Republican.

If re-elected, Law will be the most senior Republican in the State House, a major point of his current campaign. For Law that holds a lot of possibilities.

'The biggest advantage will be whether or not the Republicans retake the house," he said.

For Mueller, she is still persistent in her claims that Law does not represent his district the way he should. Mueller used that claim as the basis for her campaign.

"I still don't think the local everyday citizen realizes how Gerry Law doesn't represent them," she said. "I will be watching our state representative very carefully over the next two years."

Mueller's campaign manager, Bill Joyner, put it more bluntly. "I marvel at Gerry Law's ability to lie and get away with it." he said.

Law maintains, however, that he does keep in touch with his constituents and his overwhelming victory last night proves it.

Both Mueller and Joyner contend that Law's last minute campaigning, including two critical newsletters mailed out the last week, hurt their chances in the primary.

"I think if the election had been held two or three weeks ago it would have been a lot closer," Mueller said.

Sullivan makes surprise showing in Canton

#### **BY SCOTT SPIELMAN**

The biggest surprise in the 11th County Commission primary — at least for Canton officials --- was the strong showing by Democratic candidate John Sullivan.

At press time, Sullivan seems the winner of the four candidates in Canton, with 1,213, or 19.6 per cent of the votes cast in his favor. Van Buren resident Dave Parrott followed with 657 votes and Canton resident Tom Hartnett finished with 534 votes. Fred Bolden drew 388 votes.

Official results from Van Buren and Sumpter townships and the City of Belleville - all within the 11th district — were not obtained and the final result of the election was not known at press time.

Canton Supervisor Tom Yack was one of the Canton officials surprised by Sullivan's strong support in Canton.

"I don't really know anything about him," he said. "I didn't think he had a lot of support here."

Likewise, candidate Tom Hartnett said he was also surprised.

"I thought Parrott did a good job of developing the issues in Van Buren, and I stuck with the things I knew about, like the family court and the roads, but Sullivan was a surprise," he said.

If Sullivan indeed won the Democratic nomination for the Nov. 3 general election, he will face one more hurdle before claiming the 11th County Commission seat vacated by 21st House candidate Bruce Patterson, and that is Republican candidate Melissa McLaughlin.

McLaughlin, a Canton Trustee, also has public service experience as a member of the planning commission and the Downtown Development Board. She also has experience at the county level, working with 11th district in what she dubs "The complaint department."

"Everything from getting pot holes fixed and dead skunks picked up to the noise issue in Huron Township," she said.

"My experience in the basics of government functions and the township board offers me a more realistic insight than people on the outside, looking in," she added.

# Patterson storms through House runoff

Commissioner elected by 3-1 margin

#### BY SCOTT SPIELMAN

The campaign trail continues for Bruce Patterson.

After his convincing victory over Republican candidate Patricia Fatyma, Patterson sets his sights on the Nov. 3 general election against Democratic candidate Ray Bailey.

At press time it appeared Patterson carried all of Canton districts, and won by a convincing margin, with 3052 votes cast. Fatyma ended up with 1038, or about 15.6 per cent.

"I thought the campaign went nicely," Patterson said. "I was on budget, had more volunteers than I deserved and a lot of friends helping me out."

Patterson said he was encouraged by the support of the voters, and hopes his strong showing in the primary will reflect well on November election against Bailey.

Bailey, 67, of Van Buren Township, is a retired union worker. His experience of 42 years working at the Hyrdomatic Plant in Willow Run give a perspective that politicians in general lack, he said.

"I thought the people needed someone to represent the middle class perspective. We haven't had that in a while," he said. "If nothing else, the people should have a choice."

Bailey has lived in Van Buren for more than 40 years, he said. He considers the status of the educational and road systems as among the most pressing issues facing the state.

"If we don't take care of our kids, who's going to take care of us? I don't think we're doing a very good job of that right now," he said.



As election returns come in, Bruce Patterson talks GOP politics with former U.S. Rep. Carl Pursell at The Crier offices last night (Crier photo by R. Alwood, Jr.)

"The road situation can't get much worse than it is now," he added. "All they're doing right now is putting band aids on it. We need to look at a complete fix.'

He'll face a tough candidate in Patterson, fresh from the strong showing at the primary.

"I feel like this is a promotion from the people I serve and that's the ultimate reward," Patterson said. "The people have expressed a great deal of appreciation for the things I have done. After working for nine hours at the polls today several people wished me well, and for that I will be forever grateful. It's an awesome privilege."

# Nield found with 'Vote no' signs

**BY CHIARA CANNELLA** Northville Township police said they were alerted to a suspected case of political signs theft Monday - election eve.

Public safety officers said they saw James Nield at the corner of Six Mile and Northville roads at 1:11 a.m. Monday. He appeared to be taking down pro-township millage signs, firefighters reports said. Nield is the husband of Martha Nield, vice president of the Northville School Board, which is in a courtsuit with Northville Township over building a new high school.

Questioned by officers, Nield said he was putting up "VOTE 'NO' TO TOWNSHIP TAX INCREASE" signs and denied taking any down any signs, reports said. Nield did not have promillage signs in his possession, police said, and police reported they found no evidence that he had been taking signs down.

Northville Township Police say they have reported the incident to the Wayne County Clerk's Election Division.

### McNamara victorious over McPhail in County Exec race

BY SCOTT GOODWIN

Unofficial results have Ed McNamara as the winner in yesterday's Democratic primary election for Wayne County Executive.

landslide victory, more than eight to one over his closest competitor Sharon McPhail.

On the Republican side, Edward proposals - the "Supermajority" tax

P-C-N results show McNamara with a Romanowski shows a slight lead over Herb Scott. Unofficial P-C-N totals: 7,435 votes for Romanowski, 5,787 for Scott.

> Yack said there were no plans for another millage on the November ballot,

and township officials will try to glean

It also appears both Wayne County

proposal and Proposition J for jail millage renewal - have won overwhelmingly in P-C-N

All results are pending other Wayne County results.

#### anton road millage fails by 800 votes

#### BY SCOTT SPIELMAN

For the second time in three years Canton residents have been asked if they want to contribute local funds for road improvements and for the second time in three years, they have said no.

surprise to Canton officials however: as of votes, or about 23 per cent.

press time, the unofficial results were 4,286 for and 5,042 against.

"I personally thought it would be very close," said Canton Supervisor Tom Yack.

The issue was clearly a strong one within the community, with about 9,328 of The strength of the vote was the biggest Canton's 41,200 registered voters casting

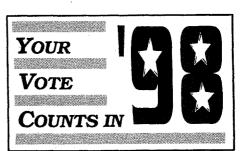
some information from the process. "Its difficult to tell why it failed because

we didn't get a whole lot of feedback from the public at the informational meetings." he said. "We don't really know why it didn't pass. We didn't hear that it was too much to ask for, though."

Canton's last request for road improvement funds was a bond request in 1995 that failed by 48 votes. The nearly 800 vote margin in this election cast a decidedly stronger objection.

"Some people may have thought that they've already paid their taxes and it's someone else's responsibility to fix the roads," Yack said. "In the future, we shouldn't hold our breath to think that someone else will pay, because it just isn't going to happen.

Yack did say that Canton would



continue to fund road improvements as they had in the past, by applying for federal aid, requiring developers to pay for improvements and with general fund dollars. Canton usually spends between \$500,000 and \$1 million from the general fund on road improvements.

Yack said Canton will also continue to foster a better relation with Wayne County to try and get more funds.

'We've lived with the roads for as long as we have. We'll have to continue to live with them this way."

### anton results tarried

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computerized equipment in both the City of Plymouth and the City of Northville provided results within minutes of the 8 p.m poll closing.

A possible expception was Canton. With a total of 31 precincts to account for --- including absentee ballots - Canton still relied on the punchcard method of tabulation. Results were displayed on computer screen in Township Hall until printouts coudl be obtained. Final unofficial results were not ready until almost midnight.

"We're actually quicker than we were in the past," Bennett said. "We used to finish tabulating votes until about 3 a.m."

Bennett said the results of the election are not official until approved by the election board of canvassers.

# **Voters reject all 3 Twp. millages**

#### BY SCOTT GOODWIN

The voting results were posted at the Township Clerk's office around 9:30 p.m. last night, more than a dozen white sheets of printed numbers taped to a window.

Among those waiting for the results was Township Treasurer Ron Edwards. Edwards had been campaigning for fellow trustee K. C. Mueller earlier in the day, and now he was hoping to see if his efforts for her candidacy and his efforts with the Township millage proposals had paid off.

In one swift moment he saw that they hadn't

'Well," Edwards said with a disappointed sigh, "the people have spoken"

In this case, however, he was only half right. The voters of Plymouth Township have done more than spoken, they've shouted: "We don't want higher taxes."

Of the three millage proposals - 3.0 mills for increased police and fire services, 0.5 mills for recreation, and 0.75 mills for a WTUA transfer — only recreation made a respectable run of it.

Here are the final numbers with more than 6300 voters: Proposition 1 for police and fire lost by more than 1200 votes; Proposition 2 for recreation failed by 800 votes; and Proposition 3 for a WTUA transfer was shot down by more than 900 votes.

"I'm disappointed," said Sandy Groth, who co-chaired a citizens committee advocating a "yes" vote on the millages. "I guess we didn't do a good enough job of educating the voters. I think if people had truly understood the issues they would have voted for it."

Many at the Township expressed similar dismay at the resounding voter disapproval.

Township Trustee K.C Mueller, who also lost her primary bid for 20th State House, said, "All we wanted to do was give the voters a choice, and the people's voice was heard.

"Apparently the old guard doesn't want change," she added. "We thought the time for the new families moving into the area had come'

Not everyone, however, was disappointed. Jerry Trumpka, the most vocal opponent to the Township millage proposals was thrilled with the turn-out.

"I'm real happy," he said.

Trumpka had criticized the Township for seeking such a large tax increase. "It was simply a matter of too much, too fast," he said. Among the theories on why the millages failed several people noted the lack of a recreation plan and the size of the police and

fire increase "The police and fire proposal was just too much money," Trumpka said. "I knew that was going to fail.'

On the WTUA transfer millage, Trumpka blamed the voter's "fear of the unknown" for failure

Bill Joyner, co-chair of the "Say Yes" citizens committee and author of the Township millage information letters, said while some issues may have been unclear, the millage proposals weren't unfair.

"In hindsight, there probably should have been better knowledge of how recreation was going to be administered," he said. "However, my sense is that with the passage of time people will recognize that the community has these needs.'

It will take months before residents and officials can gauge the true effect of the millage failures.

Police Chief Lawrence Carey said the millage failure will inhibit his department's ability to solve more crimes and cover emergency situations.

"We just can't provide the quality type of services the citizen's deserve" without extra funds, Carey said.

Township voters will see no change by defeating the WTUA millage. The WTUA fee, for sewer access, will remain on the water bills. The garbage collection fee, expected to be covered by the Township if the police/fire millage had passed, will also remain on residents' water bills.

Possibly the most noticeable effect of the millage failure will be recreation.

Plymouth City officials are expected to meet Monday to discuss what a recreation millage defeat means to them. Several City officials have said that the City program, which currently provides recreation for both communities, will be severely reduced if the

Township can't garner their share of the costs. That could force Township residents to

seek recreation refuge elsewhere, possibly Canton or Livonia.

Township Supervisor Kathleen Keen McCarthy said she doesn't see this overwhelming millage failure as a defeat of the Township Board.

"It's up to the voters to decide what level of service they want," she said. "That's been our position from the get-go."

Asked whether or not residents would see more millage requests on the November ballot, Keen McCarthy said "No. Not unless I'm outvoted."



Jerry Trumpka, lead opponent of the Township's millages, discusses their failure with Crier reporter Scott Goodwin after last night's election (Crier photo by R. Alwood, Jr.)

# 1 of 3 N'ville Twp. millages passed

#### Parks & Recreation Dept., seniors and youth programs may be eliminated

#### BY CHIARA CANNELLA

The Northville Township municipal building was subdued as officials received good and bad news. And while some departments had reason celebrate, their mood was dampened by disappointing verdicts.

Northville Township residents passed the 5.01-mill public safety millage by a scant 43 votes, and denied the other two township proposals.

The .58 mill shared services millage failed 2017 to 2431, and the .75 mill park development and acquisition proposal was struck down 1978 to 2433.

The unofficial tally for the public safety millage was 2276 to 2233.

"I think there was a lot of misinformation," said Karen Woodside, township supervisor.

People thought the millages called for a larger tax increase than the township board

actually proposed, Woodside said. The Detroit News incorrectly reported that the millage would increase 6.34 mills if all proposals passed, resulting in a 10.66 mills township tax.

The total township levy would have increased 2.02 mills above current rates to 6.34 if all millages passed because the current 4.32 mills tax expires in December.

The slim success of the public safety millage caused "an awful tense moment" before passage was confirmed, said Chip Snider, public safety director. He said confusion over a special assessment district may explain the closeness of the race.

Snider is looking forward to crafting a plan for the next fiscal year with funding secure, he said. "The first order of business is to target areas that need improvement and areas of growth '

Some voters didn't support the millage

because they feel commercial growth is putting financial strain on residents.

"We aren't asking for them to build a new Farmer Jack," said resident Ron Brotherton. "But if they're going to do it, they should pay for the improvements. There is an increased need for services because of commercial businesses, and they need to pay their share."

"It doesn't all have to be put on residents," said Karen Brotherton.

Other voters felt the proposal was reasonable.

"You need services and they aren't free," said John Willis.

Woodside said she is glad to see voters recognize the value of the public safety department. "This will support the current level of services," she said.

But the rejection of the other two proposals was troubling to many members of the

township hoard.

"The [township] board is very committed," said Woodside. "We will have to reassess."

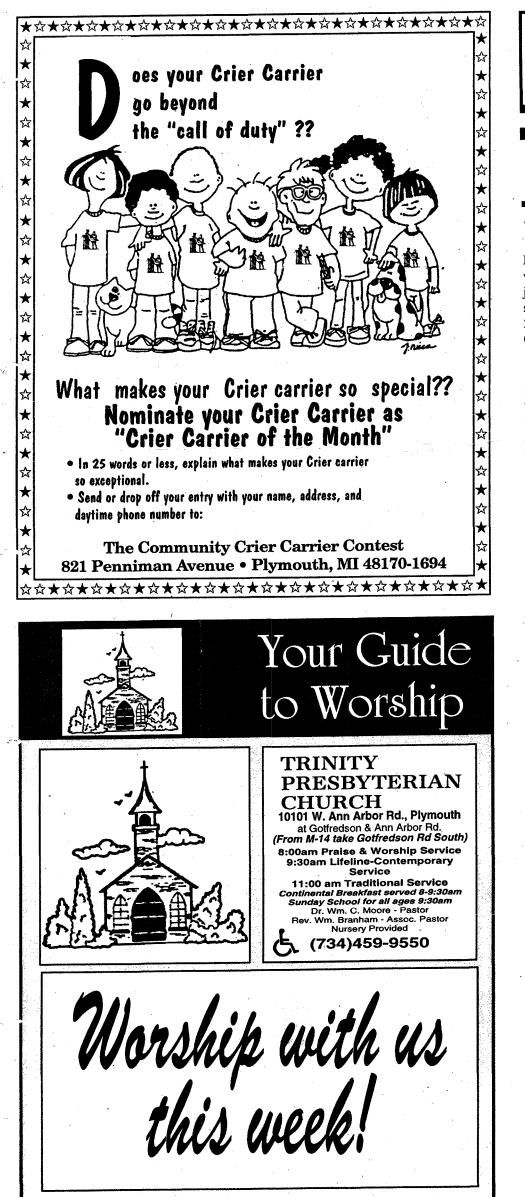
The title of the shared services millage confused some people, she said.

There is a possibility the board will amend the failed millage for the November 3 election, according to Woodside.

"There is no other way to deliver the services we currently provide," Woodside said, than the millages.

The millages failures could result in the elimination of the shared services, Woodside said. These services include senior programs, general parks and recreation, and the Northville Youth Assistance, all of which are shared with the City of Northville.

"It's an extremely efficient way to run programs," Woodside said.



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#### BATIK WORKSHOP

If you like color, you'll love batik! Stop by the Arts Council to see the wonderful works that novices have produced using this ancient Javanese wax-resist method. You just might get addicted to creating hanging works of art for your home. \$20 each session, all materials included. Wednesday, Aug. 12 1-3 p.m. and/or Thursday, Aug. 20, 7-9 p.m. Additional sessions as scheduled. For more information call the Plymouth Community Arts Council, 774 N. Sheldon Road (734) 416-4ART.

#### **OLD TIMERS PICNIC**

To be held **Thursday, Aug. 27 at noon** at Plymouth Township Park. Call Howdy Schryer for reservations (734) 453-0114.

#### MIDWEST STAMP SHOWS

On Aug. 21, 22, 23 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Midwest Stamp Shows will present another stamp show at the VFW Hall, 1426 Mill Street. More than \$500,000 worth of rare and interesting stamps, documents and old stamps on letters will be offered for sale. Entry to the stamp show is free, and all visitors will receive free literature, newspapers and expert advice concerning their stamp collections — or advice on how to start one. for more information call toll free: (888) 305-9918.

#### FRIDAY NIGHT CLOCK CONCERTS

Northville Arts Commission is sponsoring Friday Night Clock Concerts at the Gazebo on Main Street. This **Friday** Rick Eddy's Rockin' Oldies Band will perform. This free concert begin at 7:30 p.m.

#### SUMMER CONCERT SERIES IN THE PARK

Canton's Summer Concert Series in the Park continues this **Thursday at 7:30 p.m.** with Hot Ice. Concerts are at the Amphitheater in Heritage Park, off Canton Center Road, south of Cherry Hill.

#### DDA'S ENTERTAINMENT ON US

The Downtown Development Authority of Plymouth presents Perry Hughes, who George Benson called the best jazz guitarist in the country 7-9 p.m. this **Friday** at Ann Arbor Trail and Main. An irresistible combination of voice and guitar and guest soloists.

#### HISTORICAL SOCIETY FLEA MARKET

The Canton Historical Society is holding its annual Flea Market Sale Saturday, Aug. 8. The market will be held on the grounds of the beautiful historic Cherry Hill School located at Cherry Hill and Ridge roads. Spaces are available for rent for \$15. No resale clothing, but antiques, crafts, collectible, garage sale items are welcome. Donations are also accepted. For more information contact Ronni Curtis at (734) 981-1475.

#### ILLUSIONS AND REALITY

Internationally popular illusionist Lou Leventhal will present his fun and highly entertaining program Illusions and Reality on **Saturday**, **Aug. 8**, at 8 p.m. at Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church, 40000 Six Mile Road in Northville.

#### FIELD TRIPS

The Canton Parks and Recreation Department Field Trip **Thursday**, Aug. 6, will be to Rolling Hills Water Park. Canton Parks and Recreation playground leaders will supervise the field trips. Participants must provide their own lunch and or/money. Cost for the park is \$7.50/ The field trip is open to all Canton residents, who may sign up at the Canton Parks and recreation Office, or by calling 397-5110.

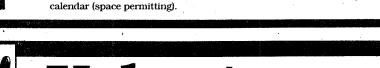
#### FALL FESTIVAL

Plymouth's non-profit community showcase is coming to town Sept. 11, 12 and 13. Enter The Crier's Poetry Contest by submitting a poem, any style about Plymouth or the surrounding areas to Poetry Contest, 821 Penniman, Plymouth, MI 48170 or email@Crier.com.

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### What's Happening To list your group's event in this calendar, send or deliver the notice IN WRITING to: The Crier, 821 Penniman Ave., Plymouth, MI 48170. Information received BY NOON FRIDAY will be used for Wednesday's





#### HIGH SCHOOL EXCHANGE PROGRAM

The SHARE! Program still needs host families for students ages 15-18 arriving in August from over 28 countries including Germany, Japan, Brazil, China, and Poland. The students will be staying for 5 to 10 months. Interested Plymouth area families should contact Beth Schumann at the SHARE! National Office at 1-800-321-3738.

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#### PLYMOUTH-CANTON HEADSTART PROGRAM

Plymouth-Canton Head Start located at Central Middle School is looking for volunteers to help in the classroom with group activities, recess and learning centers. If you have mornings or afternoons free please call 734-416-6196. Seniors and retiree's are very welcome.

#### **CARRIAGE PARK SENIOR COMMUNITY**

Contact Heather at Carriage Park. Share time, skills with seniors. Call 397-8300.



#### VIETNAM VETERANS OF AMERICA

Vietnams Veterans of America are holding their general meeting Monday, Aug. 10 at 7:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at 9318 Newburgh Road (Between Joy and Ann Arbor Trail). All veterans on active duty January 1, 1959-May 7, 1975 regardless of duty station, are eligible. For additional information, call Don Dignan (313) 446-3492 or (734) 525-0157.

#### **PLYMOUTH-CANTON CIVITAN MEETING**

P-C Civitan Club holds their monthly dinner meeting, on the third Thursday of each month, 6:30 p.m. at Water Club Bar & Grill. Call Barb Kobiela, 464-1129.

#### HEART CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

The heart cancer support group meets the second and fourth Monday of each month, 7pm, at Northville's Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church. Call 422-1826.

#### **GOD'S GOLDEN GIRLS**

Christ the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church invites women over 50 to join "God's Golden Girls." Meet third Friday of each month, noon. Free lunch with reservation. Call Pattie, 981-0286.

#### **CANTON REPUBLICAN CLUB**

Canton Republican Club meets on the third Thursday of each month at Cherry Hill School at 7 p.m. Call Melissa McLaughlin, 495-0304.

#### **PLYMOUTH YMCA "Y" KIDS**

For children ages 3-5. Openings for afternoon sessions. Age 3 meets Tuesday and Thursday, ages 4-5 meets Monday, Wednesday, Friday. Call YMCA, 453-2904. PLYMOUTH ORATORIO SOCIETY

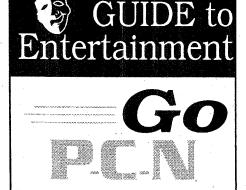
Society invites interested singers to join this year's performances, including Brahms' Liebeslieder Waltzes and the Duruflé Requiem. Practices held weekly. No audition necessary. Call Clark or Karen Chapin, 453-4765.

#### **VILLAGE POTTERS GUILD**

Guild is dedicated to advancement, education of ceramic arts; 25 members share space, equipment for pottery production. Classes each semester. Call 207-8807.

#### PLYMOUTH OPTIMIST CLUB MEETINGS

First, third Monday of month, 6:30 p.m. Mayflower Hotel. Includes dinner and speaker. Call Felix Rotter, 453-2375.



Your GUIDE to commercial entertainment i the Plymouth-Canton-Northville Community Also note community and non-profit group events, listed in this Crier under What'. Happenina

#### CANTON CINEMA 6

734-981-1900; "Madeleine" "There's Something About Mary" "The Negotiator" "Disturbing Behavior" "Mafia" "Ever After"

- CENTER STAGE 734-981-5122; Fri.–Sat.: Dance to alternative music and more.
- CROWS NEST 734-459-4020; Tues.: live 50's and 60's music. Fri.: Live Piano Bar Music. Sat. Karaoke
- ERNESTO'S 734-453-2002; Mon.-Thurs.: Strolling Musicians; Tues.-Sat. Live Music in Piano Bar.

GENITTI'S HOLE IN THE WALL 248-349-0522; Live Interactive Dinner Theater: "I Do...I Think."

KARL'S COUNTRY CABIN 734-455-8450; Thurs.:Live music: Big Dave and the Ultrasonics

MARQUIS THEATRE 248-349-8110; Live Musical Theatre "Raggedy Ann & Andy.

MR. B'S PLYMOUTH 734-459-4190; Wed.: Karaoke. Thurs.: Film Clips. Sat.: Live music

PENN THEATRE 734-453-0870; Now playing: "The Horse Whisperer"

PLYMOUTH COFFEE BEAN 734-454-0178; Thurs. Plymouth Poets, Open mic Sat. DJ Brian spins jazz.

STATION 885 RESTAURANT 734-459-0885; Wed. – Sat.: Live music with Wally Gibson;

WAGON WHEEL LOUNGE 248-349-8686: Thurs. and Sat. Live blues

WEST SIDE SINGLES 734-981-0909; Every Fri. Friday dances at Burton Manor.

These listings are free of charge and are accurate as of noon Friday, prepared for Wednesday's Crier. Bookings, reservations, cover charges and capacities may change, so please call to verify information. A venue wishing to be listed or to update information should call The Crier at (734) 453-6900 by noon Friday.



#### WHAT IS VOLUNTARY PAY?

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#### **EDWARD J. BOHANON**

Edward J. Bohanon, an Ann Arbor resident, died July 26, 1998 at the age of 55.

Mr. Bohanon was born April 21, 1943 in Wayne, MI. He worked for Ford Motor Company for 19 years. He came to the Ann Arbor Community in 1987 from Canton. He was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints and a former member of the Canton Lions Club.

He is survived by his wife, Gleee; sons, Frank (Judith) Bohanon of Canton; grandchildren, Melissa, Frank and John; arel sister, Lawanda (Walt) Syroid of Canton.

Arrangements were made by and services held at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with Kenneth W. Stoffers officiating. Burial was at Leland Cemetery in Northfield Township. Memorial contributions can be given to Leader Dogs for the Blind.

#### **JAMES L. ATTRIDGE**

James L. Attridge, a Plymouth resident, died July 28, 1998 at the age of 68.

Mr. Attridge was born Jan. 18, 1930 in Flint. He retired from General Motors (Willow Run Plant) in 1989 where he worked as a purchasing agent. He came to the Plymouth Community in 1982 from Livonia. He was a member of the Canton Calvary Assembly of God Church. He liked all outdoor activities such as golfing, fishing and kayaking. He enjoyed a warm fire, reading the Bible and his favorite books and was a faithful master of his dogs, Samson and Mariah. He and his wife Elaine were planning a trip to New Zealand.

He is survived by his wife, Elaine of Plymouth; daughters, Nancy McKendrick of Beverly Hills, MI, Lisa (Mike) Kirk of Dearborn, Laura (Eric) Thuma of Plymouth, Margaret Attridge (David Masko) of Ferndale, Julie Nordberg of Bloomfield Township, Carla (Chris) Wisari of Howell, Sarah (Terry) Schlusler of Howell; step-son, David James Philpot of Indianapolis; step-daughters, Michelle Ann Wilson of Irvine, CA, Jennifer Philpot of Chicago, IL; 12 grandchildren; one step-grandchild; mother, Hilda Attridge of Jacksonville, FL; and sister Annabelle (Boger) Lehr of Lacksonville, FL; sister, Annabelle (Roger) Hehn of Jacksonville, FL.

Arrangements were made by and services held at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home in Plymouth. Memorial contributions can be given to Canton Calvary Assembly of God Church.

#### **ARDIS E. EDINGTON**

Ardis E. Edington, a Plymouth resident, died July 28, 1998 at the age of 84.

Mrs. Edington was born Feb. 25, 1914 in Detroit. She worked for the Detroit Public Schools as a secretary, retiring after 20 years of service.

She is survived by her daughters, Karen (Donald) Shine of Wilmette, IL, Kathleen Badgley of Lansing; son, James (Judy) Edington of Plymouth; grandchildren, Jamie (Nichole) Sanifippo, Edward Shine; and great-grandchild, Ethan Sanifippo.

Arrangements were made by and services held at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home in Plymouth with the Rev. Gene McCornack officiating. Burial was at Acacia Park Cemetery in Birmingham, MI. Memorial contributions can be given to the Alzheimer's Disease Association.

#### **BETTY LOU WALKER-WROE**

Betty Lou Walker-Wroe, a Plymouth resident, died Aug. 1, 1998 at the age of 71.

Mrs. Walker-Wroe was born July 14, 1927 in Detroit. She taught school from 1949 to 1979 in Plymouth-Canton. She taught first grade and was a learning specialist. She presented several times at the Michigan Reading Conference. She initiated and led reading programs for the Plymouth-Canton Schools. She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth, the M.E.A., the N.E.A., the Michigan Association of Retired Personnel and the A.D.K. Teaching Sorority. She loved to travel, visit the ocean, and spend time with her grandchildren.

She is survived by her husband, James of Plymouth, son, Mark C. (Barbara) Walker of Winona, MN; daughter, Rita (James) Walker Kennedy of Plymouth; step-children, Sandy Wroe of Grapevine, TX, Amy (Corey) Hand of Long Beach, CA, Elizabeth (Tim) Gilmore of Phoenix, AZ, James M. Wroe of Columbus, OH; grandchildren, Jonathon Walker and Leslie, Walker; sister, Rita J. Ritchie of Dearborn; and brother, Robert Lyberg of Taylor.

Services will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, Aug., 6 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home in Plymouth with the Rev. Tamara J. Seidel officiating. Arrangements were made by the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home. Memorial contributions can be given to the Educational Excellence Fund Plymouth-Canton Schools Betty Walker Reading Fund.

#### MARY ESTHER THOMAS

Mary Esther Thomas, a Westland resident, died July 29, 1998

at the age of 63. Mrs. Thomas was born June 4, 1935 in Munising, MI. She was a homemaker.

She is survived by her husband, Peter W. Thomas of Westland; daughters, Patricia (Roger) Ann Ferguson of Redford, Pauline (Donald) G. Schmidt of Canton; son, Peter W. Thomas, Jr of Wayne; brother, Clarence W. Peterson of Detroit; sisters, Clarice Prunick of Munising, MI, Cynthda Rushlow of Skidway Lake; granddaughters, Doreen Green, Stephanie Ferguson, Angela Ferguson, Niccolle Schmidt; grandson, Carl W. Schmidt; great-granddaughter, Emily Green; and greatgrandson, Alexander Aldridge.

Arrangements were made by and services held at the Vermeulen Funeral Home in Plymouth with the Rev. Mark E. Auernhamer officiating. Burial was at Glen Eden Memorial Park in Livonia. Memorial contributions can be given to the American Cancer Society, 29350 Southfield Road, Suite 110 Southfield, MI 48076.

#### **THOMAS A. PALMER**

Thomas A. Palmer, a Pontiac resident, died July 29, 1998 at the age of 51.

Mr. Palmer was born March 8, 1947 in Cynthiana, KY. He was self-employed.

He is survived by his son, Thomas A. Palmer II of Plymouth; daughters, Mona P. (Larry) Ortiz of Plymouth, Betsy Palmer of Plymouth; brothers, Charles (Donna) Palmer of Georgetown, KY, David R. Palmer of Cynthiana, KY; and sisters, Mary Ann (Jessie) Slade of Cynthiana, KY and Marsha (Larry) Nichols od Cynthiana, KY.

Arrangements were made by and services held at the Vermeulen Funeral Home in Plymouth with the Rev. Drex Morton officiating Burial was at Southern Michigan Service in Livonia.

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#### **GENE A. HARRIS**

Gene A. Harris, a Plymouth resident, died July 30, 1998 at the age of 65.

Mr. Harris was born in Springfield, MO. He was a machine repairman at the General Motors Livonia Fisher Body Plant, retiring in 1996 after 41 years of service. He came to the Plymouth community in 1970. He loved to travel the country in his motor home.

He is survived by his wife, Wanda F. Harris, daughters, Tamara (Dale) Brown of Grass Lake, MI, Roberta L. Harris of Northville; son, Philip (Leisa) Harris of Newport, MI; sister, June Brown of Washington; brother, Jack Chandler of Washington; and four grandchildren.

Arrangements were made by and services held at the Vermeulen Funeral Home in Plymouth with Frank Cruise officiating. Burial was at Knollwood Memorial Park in Canton. Memorial contributions can be given to Angela Hospice, 14100 Newburgh Road, Livonia, MI, 48154.

#### WESLEY B. LANE

Wesley B. Lane, a Plymouth resident, died July 29, 1998 at the age of 67.

Mr. Lane was born Sept. 11, 1930 in Lisman, NY. He was the vice-president of Computer Methods Corporation, retiring in Februaury of 1993. He was a member of the Fraternal Order of United Irishmen. He loved to play golf and socialize.

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United Irishmen. He loved to play golf and socialize. He is survived by his wife, Susan of Plymouth, children, Patrick Lane of Hawaii, Colleen Jackson, Christopher Lane of Livonia, Daniel Lane of Detroit, John Lane of South Lyon, Kathleen Wansing of Livonia; four grandchildren; and sister, Audrey Jacobs of Wyandotte, MI.

Arrangements were made by and services held at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with the Rev. Fr. Thomas J. Duffey officiating. Burial was at Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth. Memorial contributions can be given to the St. Patrick Senior Center, 48 Parsons, Detroit, MI 48201.

#### MARGARET M. ZAUHN

Margaret M. Zauhn, a former Plymouth resident, died July 31 at the age of 73.

Mrs. Zauhn was born July 10, 1925 in St. Mary's Kansas. She was a retired cardiovascular technician. She worked at St. Mary's Hospital for 30 years in the cardiology department. Her enjoyments were found in her children, grandchildren and greatgrandchild and reading.

She is survived by her children, Larry Zauhn of Westland, Linda (Jerry) Hawes of Boyne City; grandchildren, Ty, Shani, Erin Hawes; and great grandson Davey Hawes.

Memorial services are pending at a later date in the Boyne Falls area. Local arrangements were made by the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home in Plymouth. Memorial contributions can be given to Angela Hospice.





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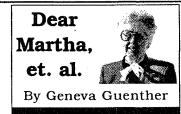
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If you have been wondering how the new residents of Independence Village are getting along, this is the latest. Residents started moving in around the 20th. Most everything in the building was on "go" with the exception of the kitchen. Their food is being catered by Station 885 and the residents love it. Not bad, eh?

Jack Wilcox drove east to Stockbridge last week to visit his sister on her ninetieth birthday. A year of so ago she went with Jack to China, climbed the steps, all of them and walked the wall. What a girl! Happy birthday Julia! (She was born in Plymouth in the old Wilcox farm house, where I live.)

Wilcox farm house, where I live.) Linda McNutt, Ernie Archer's cousin called. What a nice person. She is concerned about her cousin. He needs company, or possibly cards. It would be great if a few of his friends would respond.

would respond. Wish you were here. It's a wonderful day. The Annual Sidewalk Sale is going full tilt and at least half of Plymouth is here in person. Lots of fun seeing people you probably haven't seen all winter.

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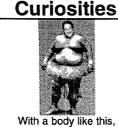
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Curiosities

Sept 10, 8 p.m. you know where. --E (See? The bartender network does work.) CONGRATULATIONS INDEPENDENCE VILLAGE

NEIGHBORS

Welcome! SHARON PUGH: thanks for the gifts, but

didn't you have any XXL? SHARON & DUANE BORDINE: nothing like a farm-fresh dinner like Nana used to serve.

Great fun solving all those problems for the world --Sally and Ed "THAT'S THE DIFFERENCE between **Republicans and Democrats** --wearing socks or not wearing socks." Jess Wendover in D.C. two weeks before elections.

ERICA MANSFIELD had another birthday -- you don't have to check her

ID anymore. KIBILKOS -What do you have against turkey burgers anyways? P.S. We'll be back for "our" van again soon. Thanks! It's awful quiet down in COMMA, these days. I wonder why that is.

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# Sports

# Sports shorts

Canton High School girls tennis begins Aug. 10 at 8 a.m. at the high school courts. A current physical is a must. For more information call Lisa at 207-8681.

Three Girl Scouts, trying to obtain the prestigious Silver Star Award, are hosting a **Sports and Crafts Day** for area kids at McClumpha Park in Plymouth Township.

The camp will be held on Wednesday, Aug. 12 from 2-5 p.m. and is open to all girls from kindergarten to third grade.

For more info call Katie at 451-7944.

Plymouth's Stefani Szczechowski, 13, was named to the Olympic Development Program's (ODP) Regional Team by the US Soccer Federation for the secong year in a row.

Szczechowski, an eighth grader at Our Lady of Good Counsel, will represent the 13-state Region II team at the National Training Camp, Aug. 13-19. The camp will be held at the Olympic Training Center in Chula Vista, California.

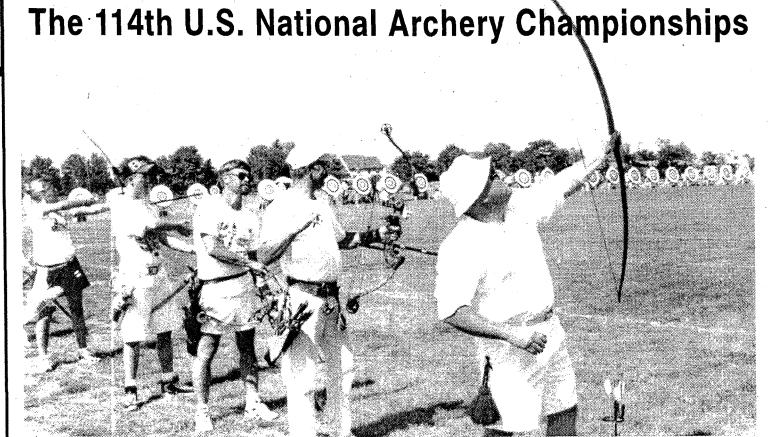
To earn the position, Szczechowski beat out 24 other goalies from 12 states at ODP's regional camp held at Northern Illinois University July 11-16.

Currently, Szczechowski is beginning her fifth season as goalkeeper for the '84 Michigan Hawks, a Livonia YMCA-sponsored under-15 soccer team.

#### Salem High School will begin holding tryout for the Boys Golf team on Monday, Aug. 10 at Hilltop Golf Course.

Proof of a current physical is a must, and should be brought to the tryout.

For more details and times call Coach Rick Wilson at 416-7762.



Competitors compete in the National Clout Championship Sunday at Heritage Park. Different than traditional shooting, targets are laid on the ground where archers must aim high into the sky, bringing the arrow down on the flat bullseye (Crier Photo by R. Alwood Jr.)

# On the mark, get set, bow

BY SCOTT GOODWIN Archery is a quiet sport.

Despite a line of more than 100 competitors, when the first wave hits, it hits with a whisper.

The hush of an arrow as it's pulled from the quiver, the purr of the bow as the arrow is mounted and the near-silent whoosh as the arrow cuts through the air.

They come in a series, almost to a drone. Hush. Purr. Whoosh. Hush. Purr. Whoosh. No cheering from the crowd, no bantering between players. Just a polite zone of competition.

Then with a belch from a loud whistle, it all stops and the next wave hits.

As the National Target Championships continue this week, more than 550 archers have taken aim on The Plymouth-Canton Community.

But have they done it too quietly for The Plymouth-Canton Community to notice? And for that matter, should the community notice?

Bill Kellick of the National Archery Association thinks so.

"If I had a chance to watch Olympic Gold Medalists compete in my own backyard, I would want to watch," he said. And that really is the draw of this event.

(beside the fact that it's completely free).

To see the best of the best. Precision at its finest. The "World's Greatest" always has an

intriguing ring to it.

If you go this week, watch for Butch Johnson, number one ranked player in the world, or Justin Huish, defending U.S. champion. On the women's side look for top ranked Natilia Nasaridze.

Go Thursday to see the national champs

b. U.S. Open Elimination round.
But you better do it quickly, because next
year it may not return.

crowned. Go Friday to see the one-on-one

Without even knowing it, the tournament will have hushed, purred and whooshed its way by you.

# Archery terms to know

If you are going to attend the Target Championships this week, you might want to freshen up on your archery lingo. Trust us, knowing the difference between a limb and a kisser could be crucial.

**Bow Sling** — A strap fastened to the bow or the archer's bow hand that keeps the bow from falling after release.

**Cast** — The ability of the bow to propel an arrow at a given distance.

**Clicker** — A thin metal strap mounted on a bow which signals a draw of exactly the same length of each shot.

**Draw** — The distance the draw string is pulled back.

**Draw Weight** — The force, measured in pounds, necessary to pull the bow string a specific distance.

**Fletching** — The feathers, vanes, or other devices attached to an arrow shaft which stabilize the flight of an arrow.

Handle Raiser — The thick portion of

the bow from which the limbs are extended. Kisser — A raised of thickened area on

the bowstring that touches the archer's lips at full draw.

**Limb** — The upper and lower parts of the bow above and below the handle raiser; where energy is stored before release.

Mat — Disk of woven straw or other materials that holds the target and stops the arrows.

Nock — The attachment placed on the bow string that holds the arrows to the string.

**Snap Shooting** — A fault in which an archer releases without first sighting and aiming carefully.

String Walking — When the archer varies the finger position location on the bow string with different shooting distances.

**Tackle** — An all-inclusive term for archer equipment.

Vane — Fletching that is made of plastic.

# Canton couple packs light for championships



Jim and Jane Nickell have been together shooting archery for the last three years. Jim had began target shooting out of bowhunting more than 15 years ago. Today, however, it's almost all target for Jim. "I just don't get the thrill out of killing deer anymore," he said. (Crier photo by Scott Goodwin)

frée continental breakfast. But it still

doesn't compare to home. There's fum-

bling through baggage, waiting for the

bathroom and wondering if the wait at

Bob Evans is less than an hour to worry

about. The everytime hassles of travel-

For Jim and Jane Nickell, Monday

#### BY SCOTT GOODWIN

On Monday morning, as a warm summer sun peaked its early rays over the streets and businesses of The Plymouth-Canton Community, many of the contestants in this year's National Target Championship woke to the confines of a room at Quality Inn or the Budgetel.

That's fine, comfortable even with a morning was like any other. They awoke

in their own bed, in their own house. They too attended the Target Championships, only for them it was little more than stepping into their own backyard.

Jim and Jane are among the few competitors in this year's tournament from The Plymouth-Canton Community. While some competitors traveled more than 5,000 miles, across oceans and continents, the drive for the Nickells was less than three minutes.

And they like it that way.

"You don't have to drive 20 miles to eat," said Jane.

"Everybody I've spoken to loves it in Canton," said Jim. "I wish it would stay. Although I heard rumors it's not going to return for a couple of years."

This is the second year Jim has competed in the National Championships in Canton. It's Jane's first.

But Jim and Jane know the circuit. They've competed in more than a dozen national and state events, including ones in Las Vegas and Canada, over the past year. They know the archers, the judges and the organizers and vice-versa.

"If the Nationals were held in Florida I would probably still go," Jim said.

At last year's tournament, Jim won gold in the team competition. Along with friend Jim Davis, who this year is staying with the Nickells up from Kentucky, Jim and teammates knocked off the Canadian team to grab the club-division championship.

This year Domino's pizza has agreed to sponsor Jim's team with T-shirts for the competition and free pizza all week.

While archery has been a passion of Jim's for more than 15 years now, it wasn't always his first love. From 1985-96 Jim threw himself into a much more dangerous sport: motocross.

"It was just something I had to do," he said.

But after several injuries and complaints from his wife over \$15 entrance fees to watch him race, Jim quit the motorcycle business.

To fill the void, Jim took up the bow again. Along with bowhunting, he had competed in archery several years before.

"Now, instead of broken bones I have to deal with mental anguish," a slightly miffed Jim said after a less-than successful round Monday.

Hoping to spend more time with her husband, Jane also took up archery when Jim dropped motocross.

Now it's in their blood.

"It would be nice to win the lottery and just do archery," Jane said.

Even their daughters, Sara, 11, and Ansley, 9, are getting into the act.

"Archery is really a family-oriented affair," Jane said.



**Champions: Canton Ice Cream Center** 

ing.

#### **Runner-up: ASAP Machine**

After losing a division tie-breaker game versus Shark Club I Wednesday, Canton Ice Cream Center charged back through the playoffs, finally defeating ASAP Machine twice, 24-1 and 17-8, to secure the championship.

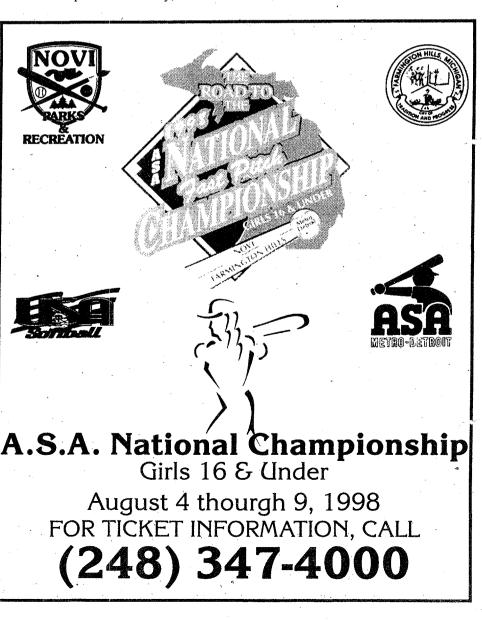
Division Champions Red League: MSA Delivery White League: Shark Club #1 Green League: Prudential

#### **Final Standings**

**Red League:** MSA Delivery, 13-1; Equitrust Mortgage, 11-3; Don Coleman & Associates, 9-5; Shark Club #2, 8-6; Canton Friendship Church, 6-8; Mobility Transportation, 5-9; Shark Club #1, 2-12; J & B, 1-13.

White League: Shark Club #1, 12-3; Canton Ice Cream Center, 11-4; ASAP Machine, 10-4; Shark Club #2, 9-5; Mexican Fiesta, 7-7; Fairway Club, 6-8; Greyhounds, 2-12; Geneva Church, 0-14.

Green League: Prudential, 13-1; 9 Jerks and a Squirt, 10-4; St. Michael #2, 10-4; Dental Diplomats, 9-5; Rose's Restaurant, 5-9; Fisher Group, 6-8; Rusty Nail, 3-11; St Michael #1, 0-14.



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# Are we holding tightly enough?

It's not that hard to find: a small switch, right on the door, usually next to the handle. It's in the same place everyday

And all you have to do is flick it. No 37-digit secret codes, just a brush with the fingers.

Yet some people seem to have a hard time finding the switch to lock their car doors.

Not only do people fail to lock their doors, they leave things on the seat. Valuable, desirable things, like cell phones, lap top computers, \$6,400 rings. Yes, \$7,000 worth of jewelry was left in plain view, in an unlocked car.

And so 16 cases of larceny from a car with no signs of forced entry have been reported to Northville City and Township police since June 5, totalling almost \$20,000 in theft.

Such carelessness strikes me as a little cocky.

Northville is not a small, isolated town. It is nestled among three major freeways, and the community is growing. Residents are fooling themselves if they think they can trust everyone who blows through the Office Depot parking lot or their neighborhood streets.

It's not that I care that much about cell phones. Frankly, I'd be happy to see fewer cell phones and more people paying attention to their driving. But leaving your car unlocked is such an agreeable way of getting your car broken into.

If you're going to mess up, make it a doozy. Go out swinging.

Get your window smashed.

There'll be glass all over the seat, maybe on the asphalt below. Dashboard cracked in two places from where the crowbar pried out the radio. Airbags gone. Perhaps the garage door opener gone too, for good measure.

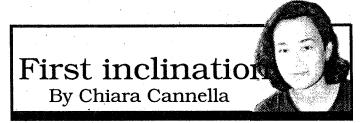
But larceny with no force. What a piece of cake for someone looking for quick dough.

I say make them work for the \$60 they'll get for your sunglasses and wallet. Force them to take a risk while taking your goods. Don't just hand it to them. Make them draw blood cutting their hands on the glass. That's the way to go down fighting.

I parked my car on the streets of Washington D.C. for a year. A friend encouraged me not to leave my rainbow of rubber bands for my hair in plain view: "They're like bugs---they'll go after anything with bright colors." I was careful, but I still lost some things.

The worst part is not the loss of CD's or even my favorite running shoes ever, but the "worthless" tiny leather folio with the word "STAMPS" barely legible, embossed on the front. It was my grandmother's, my sole remnant of her elegant writing desk in her elegant apartment after the dust of family bickering settled.

I enjoyed mailing letters all the more because I got to think about her strong and graceful hands against the dark; worn leather. It made me feel close to her.



I suppose it is in a landfill now, discarded by the thief who emptied my trunk.

That thief thought it was worthless.

But now my horrible secret: I don't really blame people for stealing.

It may be shocking to say, but as a culture, we place so much value in things, in the possession of stuff, we can't be surprised that everyone wants a bigger and bigger piece of the pie. And because money and affluence have become more important to most people than honesty and respect for others, people steal.

It's not that I care how many cell phones are stolen. But doesn't such carelessness reveal anything about our disregard for the value of everything?

There are the things that truly do not matter when we lose them.

But if we are letting those go so easily, are we holding tightly enough to the things that insurance won't replace?



Election weekend and all is quiet relatively.

It's with a mixture of relief and jealousy that I've watched the last minute campaigning happening in other races, such as the 9th Senate District and the 20th House race. Most of the politicking has been negative, a shadow not cast in the contests for party nominations in the 21st State House and 11th County Commission.

No matter who wins, the candidates should be congratulated. When they came to the Crier for our group candidate interviews, each one made one political promise that they kept: to keep the mud out of the race. They succeeded.

The temptation must have been there. It could be that the best way for Patricia Fatyma to succeed was to point out things Bruce Patterson had done, or not done, that would influence voters. Instead she concentrated on what she would do if she were elected to 21st House District. Part of the reason for her campaign was to get people interested in politics, and a positive campaign is a good start.

Likewise with County Commission candidates Tom Hartnett. David Parrott and Fred Bolden. Their debate, which aired on WSDP, sounded more like a group of

friends talking politics than a competition for a county seat. At the end of that debate, they all shook hands, promised not to run negative campaigns and wished each other luck.

What's more, they meant it. No reports of signs coming down, no daily updates of what the other candidates are doing, a la K.C. Mueller or Deb Whyman. Maybe it's because they thought the stakes weren't as high, or such information wasn't as readily available. Regardless, an important lesson was learned about how to campaign, and they should be congratulated on keeping the mud out of the race.

Another lesson learned this election year is when not to ask for public money: When the public body is asking for money.

When Burton-Katzman developers asked for \$3 million in bonds to help get their Ford Road mega-development project off the ground, they knew they would have to overcome a number of impediments. Wetlands regulation permits, state right-ofways, dealing with more than a dozen landowners and securing a variance from Canton's tree ordinance were some of the obstacles they foresaw.

Bad timing was one they didn't.

Two weeks ago, Canton's Board of

### Off the cuff By Scott Spielman

Trustees adopted a 'Sense of the Board' resolution, something they had never done close, it was best not to take chances. before. The rationale was to go on record and take action on something they hadn't decision. With the amount of development officially been asked

to take action on. The reason was because Burton Katzman's request

for public funds threatened the 2 mill increase for road improvements Canton had on yesterday's ballot. At the township's informational millage on the proposed meetings, the

question kept coming up: Why do you want give their recommendation and Burtonmore money for roads if you have money to give to developers?

The answer is that it's a different kind of

In their defense, the board made the right

developer for a new shopping center ---no matter how upscale it is, or what it contained — would be a tough sell.

Still, if it had not been an election year and the roads were not in the equation, the DDA would have had the chance to

Katzman would have had the chance to give their presentation.

But that's politics, quiet or not.

funding. But with the primary looming

already going on in Canton, contributing money to one

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# **Community opinions**

# Plymouth City Hall: Who'll turn out the lights?

What's going on at Plymouth City Hall? Police Chief Bob Scoggins is retiring he'll be singing more gospel music. (Another senior officer may be quitting too.)

City Clerk Linda Langmesser is a finalist for the job as City Clerk of Westland.

DDA Director Steve Guile is leaving to become the DDA Director of Westland.

(And those two Westland-bound folks even know all about the Westland City Hall political snakes' nest that turned on Chuck Skene, who served as Plymouth P&R Director before moving from Walters to Westland. Maybe they're banking on having Skene as Westland Mayor once his civil suit against that city is resolved.)

So why are all these folks moving on? Really? Each claims a different reason. But is there a common thread?

City Manager Steve Walters is known as a manage-everything-myself kinda guy. His style doesn't make for happy department heads in the long term in a place where historically the city department heads ruled themselves by default (City Manager Henry Graper) or with blessing (Managers Fred Yockey and Gordon Jaeger).

Until Walters came along.

In addition to those now going (or "maybe going" in Linda's case), there were also department heads Ken West (City Engineer) and Bill Graham

(Finance Director) who left City Hall during Walters' regime.

And Fire Chief Al Matthews was merged out of his City job when the two fire departments joined.

How much does Walters' management style have to do with this? At least some, if not most.

But what does the City Commission say? "Walters' review was not made public at his request." This, of course, allows the Commission to go merrily along while the City loses its veteran leadership. Take the Guile departure.

The DDA Director told the DDA and others at City Hall that Walters offered to match the bid that Southfield made for Guile's services.

Not so, says Walters.

(Each Steve is still sticking to his story — somebody is lying.)

Then the Guile salary — split between the DDA, Old Village and the general city —



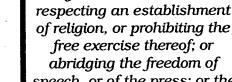
became curious in its confusion in the budget process. Was Walters trying to pull one over the Commission and or DDA by obfuscating the funding sources? Did Walters think he could slide Guile into the Assistant City Manager position without DMS Director Paul Sincock, the DDA or the Commission noticing? (Sincock is still, after all, the "Assistant City Manager" as well as his other functions.)

Ask the City Commissioners what's up.

They met secretly with Walters to start their assessment of how he's doing. A second secret meeting is to be held to review his performance.

They're keeping him on. And the Commission will likely even give him a raise.

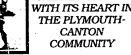
Probably because they'll need him to turn out the lights at City Hall after everyone else is gone.



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"Congress shall make no law

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# **City is wrong on telecom ordinance**

The Plymouth City Commission is in dangerous territory.

How can the City's newly hired legal counsel advise that the City should pass a new Telecommunications Ordinance as an "emergency" ordinance without the normal citizens and community review time?

If indeed the MediaOne promise of equal or better service to Ameritech at lower prices is true, the full time period of inspection is worth it. MediaOne's sales pitch is also hard to believe in light of its higher pricing and reduced local cable TV service.

The Michigan Telecommunications Act calls for 90 days from the application date — so why must the City waive its normal ordinance process time?

This is NOT AN EMERGENCY if MediaOne and the City administration and lawyers couldn't act quickly enough. In fact, to pass this ordinance as an "emergency" is not only a sham, but opens the door to legal

#### Whaddya think?

Have you checked out The Crier's new website? You can hit it at

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challenge of this City ordinance.

At least three members of the City Commission must be awake! Tell them to consider the Telecommunications ordinance only under a standard City ordinance due diligence period with all of the appropriate questions asked and answered satisfactorily. THE COMMUNITY CRIER

# Vorva support

#### EDITOR:

I'm behind Vorva 100 per cent because when 716 names are void out of 12,000, you don't need a PhD behind your name to tell you that something is wrong. You need common sense, which they don't teach in college. You either have it or you don't.

The voters were using a new machine and weren't instructed properly about pushing the exit button when voting was over or your vote wasn't recorded. Vorva has offered a solution by having another election but Superintendent Charles Little and the School Board are having nothing to do with it. They would rather spend the money on legal fees because they know they have a darn good chance of losing it. They know it and I know it.

I wish them luck on the next School Board election because they will need it. DEAN LENHEISER

# A spartan response

EDITOR'S NOTE: The following letter was sent in response to a Crier editorial run last week which criticized the similarity between the Plymouth Township's green and white 'informational' fliers and those the millage support campaign circulated.

Joyner designed both.

EDITOR: Gee whiz. And I though you guys liked green and white.

Next time I will try for maize and blue. Your friend.

**BILL JOYNER** 

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