#### Omnicom officials point to start-up problems

### Is cable TV providing good service?

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the first part of a series examining the promises and performances of cable television in The Plymouth-Canton Community.

BY DAN BODENE

Cable television, for better or for worse, is here.

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will survive as it is, or change. And what will it become?

Omnicom of Michigan, Ltd. is the company holding cable television franchises for The Plymouth-Canton Community and Northville, as well as for other metro Detroit communities.

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a 20-minute presentation at each home.

He did well in Plymouth, where Omnicom began its marketing push in this area, and moved up in the company.

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THE SHOTS FIRED ON PLYMOUTH CITY HALL came from the rifle Detective Lt. Dan Carpenter is holding in his right hand in the top picture. Billy Wilburn Metcalf, accused of laying seige to City Hall Monday afternoon, was subdued after an hour. Officers from Plymouth, Canton Township and Michigan State Police barricaded the streets (below) during the tense situation. (Crier photos by Robert Cameron and Dick Brown)



# Rifleman fires on City Hall

A 33-year-old man opened fire on Plymouth City Hall Monday, sending city employes and neighbors running for cover and destroying thousands of dollars worth of property.

Police said Billy Wilburn Metcalf, of 183 Union Street, fired several shots from a 30-30 caliber rifle into the Fire Department quarters in the rear of City Hall and into a brand new fire pickup truck parked outside,

Metcalf was arraigned at the 35th District Court before Judge Dunbar Davis yesterday afternoon. He was charged with three counts, including assault with intent to do bodily harm less than murder, willfull and malicious destruction of property, and possession of firearms with intent to do bodily harm less than murder.

The first charge carries a 10-year maximum sentence, while the second carries a five year maximum and the third up to two years.

Metcalf stood mute and a plead of notgulity was entered. A \$50,000 bond was set. A preliminary examination is scheduled for this Monday (Jan. 11) at 10:30 a.m.

Personnel were evacuated from portions of City Hall in the line of fire as the alleged gunman retreated to his home after shooting from the back of a pickup in his driveway.

After an hour-long siege, Metcalf was arrested shortly after 4 p.m. by Plymouth Police aided by Canton and State Police.

Plymouth Police Chief Carl Berry said his department had received several irate phone calls from Metcalf throughout the day. "He was complaining that the police department was harassing and picking on him," Berry said.

Bullets shattered a window wall in the Fire Department quarters just after 3 p.m. Fire Cpt. Don Belsky, sleeping in one room, was narrowly missed by two rounds which lodged in a desk beside his bed.

After locating the source of the gunfire,

Plymouth Police quickly called for assistance from Canton and the State Police post at Northville, including their hostage negotiation squad.

Plymouth Det. Lt. Daniel Carpenter, who was acquainted with Metcalf, talked to the man on the phone and volunteered to enter Metcalf's home to convince him to surrender.

Meanwhile, streets around the neighborhood were cordonned off and heavily-armed police surrounded the house.

Carpenter entered Metcalf's home and talked to the man, to convince him to give up his weapons. Metcalf was armed with the rifle and a small-caliber handgun, and was heavily intoxicated, Carpenter said. Metcalf's wife, child and a friend of the family were also in the house.

Carpenter said Metcalf's chief complaint against the department had to do with the color of bullets in the handgun, which had figured in an earlier incident involving the pistol.

After negotiating with Metcalf, Carpenter disarmed him. 'I knew when he offered me a beer, everything was going to be OK,' Carpenter said.

While attempting to bring Metcalf in, however, a scuffle ensued and several police officers subdued the man. In the struggle, Patrolman Robert Henry injured his knee and was later transported to St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, where he was treated and released.

Metcalf, held in Plymouth jail, was expected to be arraigned in 35th District Court yesterday, Berry said.

Berry estimated at least \$5,000 damage was done by the rifle slugs.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Coverage of the attack on City Hall was the work of Crier staff members Robert Cameron, Dick Brown, Dan Bodene, Paul Leroue and W. Edward Wendover (with other staffers providing backup by phones and monitoring reports) and Free Lancer Rick

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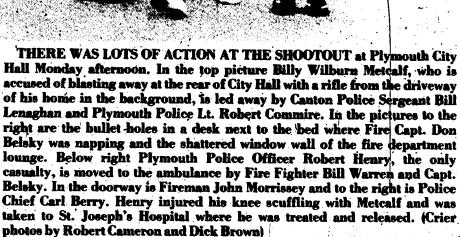


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# City Hall shoot-out disrupts office routine

BY W. EDWARD WENDOVER

While Plymouth City Hall was under siege Monday, officials and workers there huddled quietly in corners of the building.

"Sure, taxpayers are upset with the recent bills," said the look on the face of City Assessor and Treasurer Ken Way, who anchored the door of the city manager's office and waved in City Hall stalwards and visitors while police held down the rest of the building.

In the Fire Department, meanwhile, Capt. Don Belsky sat wondering what World War he had just stumbled into. After all, he'd just been snoozing on one of the fire department beds when the desk next to him took two bullets and the windows in the front room of the firemen's lounge were crashing into shards.

While Plymouth, Canton and State Police ran through City Hall wearing bullet-proof vests, rifles drawn, the workers and residential neighbors quietly hid-out — most of them in the office of City Manager Henry Graper.

Graper and the other city servants wondered what could prompt anyone to shoot at City Hall.

Parking Enforcement Officer Barb Carpenter figured it was somebody mad about one of her tickets. Ken Vogras' theories aren't printable.

Graper agreed with the worried look on

Way's face - must be a taxpayer, he mused.

Fortunately for the arrested suspect, the 35th District Court had just recently been moved from the second story of City Hall, where several windows stretched in the hallway. The court was full (in its new location) for the pre-trial examination of Darol Holbrook, charged with murder in the Dec. 3 slaying of Janet Reynolds, and probably would have been evacuated if in its former location.

The court hearing was disrupted when word of the sniper attack on City Hall arrived, several of the Plymouth Police officers waiting to testify jumped up and ran out of the courtroom.

But amongst the personnel who were working in City. Hall at the time, the events were something to tell their grandkids about.

To the few residential neighbors who sought refuge in the municipal huilding, the concern for family members still in the nearby homes and for property damage (especially if the siege turned into a shooting match) was evident.

When "all clear" was announced by Anne Brown, senior dispatcher and telephone monitor of the police, all breathed a sigh of relief that there were no serious injuries — and some departed for the watering holes to brace up their courage and spread the story of "The Day They Held City Hall at Siege."

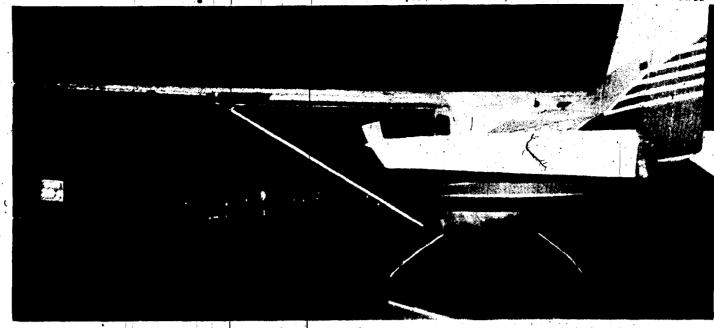


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BRIAN BLUNT, 18, of Farmington Hills was forced to land this plane on the I-275 freeway Jan. 1 after engine trouble forced him down from a flight that had just started out of Mettetal Airport. Brunt landed south of the Joy Road bridge on the northbound side of the freeway. From there he taxied north under the bridge to

the exit ramp at Ann Arbor Road (seen in this photo). According to Blunt he lost power shortly after takeoff and did not have enough altitude to glide back to the airport. He and his passengers came away from the incident safely. (Crier photo by Robert Cameron)

### Farmington pilot lands on I-275

A Farmington man made an unscheduled landing in a single-engine plane on Jan. 1, setting his aircraft down on I-275 in Plymouth Township.

State Police say pilot Brian John Blunt, 18, and three friends had intended to fly to Detroit City Airport and later have dinner. Aboard the plane were Kenneth Thompson, 18, of Livonia; Lynn Miles, 18, of West Bloomfield; and Mary Swanney, 17, of West Bloomfield. The plane is owned by Thompson's father

Larry, a Farmington Hills resident.

Blunt told State Troopers that shortly after takeoff at about 8 p.m. the aircraft lost power. He attempted to return to Mettetal, but lost altitude and was forced to set down on northbound I-275 south of Joy Road. Blunt then taxied on the expressway under Joy and up to the Ann Arbor Road exit ramp.

State Trooper Marc Schoeneich said that during the unscheduled landing, traffic on I-275 was apparently quite accommodating. "Cars ahead of the plane just kept going, and those behind slowed down and let him roll."

Schoeneich said a Federal Aviation Administration investigator was called to the scene, and speculated there might have been a problem with the aircraft's fuel.

The plane was restarted, and with the aid of Plymouth Police was taxied along Ann Arbor, Haggerty and Joy Roads back to Mettetal.

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The meeting will be held at Towsnhip Hall, 42350 Ann Arbor Rd., at 7:30 p.m.

#### Ypsilanti Twp. offers to provide sewer service to Canton

BY DICK BROWN

Canton Township Trustees have a new entry in the sewer sweepstakes to consider.

Ypsilanti Township officials have asked Canton to consider hooking into its new \$70 million sewage treatment plant instead of pursuing the idea of hooking into the Huron Valley "super sewer" system or the Detroit system.

Ypsilanti Township Supervisor Ron Allen and Wesley Prater, chairman of the Ypsilanti Community Utilities Authority made a case for Canton tieing in with the Ypsi system in a letter to Canton Township Supervisor Jim Poole.

Ypsilanti's new wastewater treatment plant which will go into operation in a matter of weeks, was designed to accomodate projected growth in the Ypsilanti area through the 1990's. Those projections were made before the slowdown in construction of new homes and businesses in the area.

The Ypsilanti officials point out that the plant's capacity would easily handle Canton's wastewater treatment needs.

What has caught the attention of Canton trustees is that the Ypsilanti offer could mean a savings of millions of dollars to Canton residents.

When the new Ypsilanti plant opens it will be operating at half its designed capacity. This excess capacity problem is forcing the Ypsilanti system to offer its services to other communities.

According to YCUA estimates the Canton tie-in would cost Canton \$2.4 million for 12 miles of YCUA sewerthrough Canton Township with the federal government putting up 75 per cent of the cost and the state coming up with another 5 per cent of the total \$12 million cost.

Current estimates peg the Canton hare of the Huron Valley Super Sewer share at \$11 million.

Canton officials have promised to look the Ypsilanti offer.

The Huron Valley Super Sewer plan has been on the drawing boards and in the planning stages for years. That plan akes in all of western Wayne County and southwestern Oakland County communities.

#### Twp. seniors to meet

Plymouth Township Seniors will meet hursday, Jan. 7, at 7:30 p.m. for their nonthly general meeting at the newlyamed Friendship Station center located t 42375 Schoolcraft Road at Bradner.

All Plymouth Township residents over 5 are invited to attend.

Refreshments will be served after the nstallation of newly-elected officers for 982.

The fact sheet for the meeting says the purpose of this local study is to prepare a facilities plan assessing the township's water quality problems and needs; and the impacts of various sewage treatment alternatives."

The local study will evaluate both the costs and benefits of various alternative solutions as selected by the Wayne County Board of Public Works and participating communities.

The meeting will give township residents a chance to state their concerns on the project.

Plymouth Township is just one of many communities involved in the HVMCS. Other communities will also conduct such

hearings and the resulting input will be incorporated into the overall management study, through which several regional solutions will be developed.

Among the alternate solutions on the township's level, says the facility plan, are collector sewers, on-site wastewater treatment utilizing individual systems, on-site treatment utilizing cluster systems, and a no action alternative.

The facilities report adds that the average household in the Huron Valley service area could be charged from \$110 to \$250 per year for wastewater treatment through the control system. Those figures are approximations and do not include additional costs of building collector

sewers or the charge for individual service connections.

Five elements make up the cost to the average homeowner in the service area, construction of treatment plants, construction of interceptors, construcion of collector sewers, service connections to individual homes and operation and maintenance of facilities,

Construction costs for the North Service. Area (of which the township is part) are: \$5.9 million for treatment plant and \$16.1 million for interceptors, for a total of \$22 million.

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### Wyandotte man bound over for trial

Following a lengthy two-day preliminary trial at the 35th District Court, Darol Holbrook, 31, was bound over for formal trial yesterday on one count of first degree murder while perpetrating first degree criminal sexual

Holbrook is accused in the Dec. 3

slaying of Plymouth Township resident Janet Reynolds, 27.

Judge James Garber dropped a second charge against the Wyandotte man, for first degree premeditated murder after he could not find premeditation in the evidence that was presented.

Holbrook was bound over without bond at the Wayne County Jail until his Jan. 19 arraignment at the City-County Building. The charge against him could carry a life sentence.

Defense attorney Nichols Smith asked that both charges be dropped, citing improper arrest, illegal search and lack of probable cause. He said, "From the facts we have there is no factual basis for the legality of the arrest."

Garber disagreed, eiting facts presented by the prosecution during the examination upon which Plymouth Police acted in making their arrest; Holbrook was the last person seen with Reynolds, according to the sworn testimony of witness Beth Bialecki; and he was near the scene.

The other evidence pointing to Holbrook-blood samples found on his left shoe - were garnered after his arrest.

Garber said "The blood in of itself is not enough to raise probable cause, however, that coupled with the defendent being the last person seen with the victim at least raises the prosecution's case to the level of probable cause."

As for the improper seizure of Helbrook's shoes, Garber said it came as result of a search, not seizure.

According to the testimony of Plymouth Det. Lt. Daniel Carpenter. Holbrook himself admitted of his own free will to seeing Reynolds to her car parked in the Plaza Lanes parking lot, after the pair were seen heading toward the side door by Bialecki at 10:30 p.m. on that night.

Smith also attempted to dispute the expert testimony of Michigan State Police Lab Scientist Charles Barna over the findings of the major evidence brought forth at the preliminary examination, the blood samples found on Holbrook's shoes.

The blood samples were taken from Holbrook's left shoe after his arrest in Wyandotte on Dec. 5 and tested by Barna.

The expert testimony of John Smiliac of the Wayne County Medical Examiners office revealed cause of death from multiple blows from a blunt weapon, as well as stab wounds and strangulation. He said all three of those acts contributed to the death. His testimony also revealed that a struggle ensued at some time during the slaying.

### First winter snow storm puts REACT on alert

Winter's first major snowfall of the year on Dec. 23 put the Plymouth Area REACT team on alert for a 12-hour.

#### Pancake supper set

Canton Girl Scout Cadet Troop No. 346 will sponsor an all-you-can-eat pancake supper Wednesday, Jan. 13, from 5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at McDonald's Restaurant on Ford Road in Canton Township.

lickets can be purchased in advance for \$1.50 by calling Mrs. Ruby Monk at 98 - 1626 or Sue Buchan at 455-0142.

Girl Scouts will help serve. Proceeds from the pancake supper will be used by the troop to pay expenses for a trip to the World's Fair in Knoxville, Tenn., next

The CB base station Channel 9 went on the air Wednesday night at 9 p.m. and continued in constant operation until 9 a.m. Thursday morning working with area police units to spot accidents, power outages and snowbound vehicles.

In the 12-hour period five accidents were reported to police ingolving three injuries. Tow trucks were called for 10 stranded vehicles and the base station at the Plymouth Hilton passed along five reports of downed utility lines.

Plymouth Area REACT will have a general meeting on Dec. 11 at the Plymouth Township Hall. Interested persons 16 years and older are welcome to attend. For more information call Dick Merrill at 459-3339 after 4 p.m.

### Final decision is due on county re-districting.

Today (Jan. 6) is the day of decision on the Wayne County re-districting plan.

Indications are strong that the fivemember Wayne County Re-districting Committee composed of County Clerk James Killen, Prosecutor William Cahalan, Treasurer Raymond Wojtowicz and the Wayne County Democratic and Republican chairmen will adopt the Hubert Holley plan for mapping out the 15 commissioner districts.

Under that plan the present 27th District seat occupied by Commissioner

William Joyner will be split with the City of Plymouth, Plymouth Township, part of the City of Northville, Northville Township, the City of Livonia and a small portion of the City of Westland making up the 10th District.

Canton, VanBuren, Sumpter and Huron Townships, all of Romulus and portions of the Cities of Wayne and Westland would make up District 11.

Under the Holley plan several incumbent commissioners would end up in the same district.

### Canton infant gets first baby of '82 honor

Hello, Thomas.

After an informal Crier survey of area hospitals, apparently the first new resident of The Plymouth-Canton Community for 1982 is Thomas Delbert Whited, who was born at St. Mary Hospital on Jan. 2 at 8:26 a.m. weighing sevén pounds, 11 ounces.

Thomas is the son of Marcia and John

The second Plymouth-Canton baby born in 1982 arrived shortly afterward. She is Brooke Noel Wiginton, and was born at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital at 1:30 p.m., weighing seven pounds, three and one-half ounces. Brooke is the daughter of Rita and James Wiginton of Canton.

Congratulations to the families of the newest members of the community.

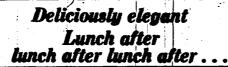
### Canton man held for pellet gun attack in the city

A Canton man was arrested yesterday in connection with the pellet-gun shooting of a Plymouth hair salon.

Walter Giefski, age unknown; of 1682 Morrison, Canton was arraigned on charges of felonious assault and malicious destruction yesterday afternoon and stood mute. A not guilty plea was entered for him by 35th District Judge Dunbar

Davis. He was released on \$5,000 personnel bond.

According to police, the owner of The Clippery at 412 N. Main St. saw Giefski pull up outside the hair salon in his car and fire towards him at about 10:30 a.m. vesterday. Several windows were shattered but no injuries were reported.



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### Armed robbers strike at Red Roof Inn motel

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The incident occurred Monday night when a suspect, described as a white male, 25 years of age, thin build, clean shaven with shoulder length hair, buzzed the front office to enter.

At the front desk, night manager Cathie Lewis, thinking the suspect wanted a room, let him in. After briefly looking around as he walked to the desk, the suspect reached over and grabbed

Lewis by the hair, pushing her down to the cash drawer.

He then stuck a small revolver in her stomach and told Lewis, who is six months pregnant, to give him money if she wanted to see her baby live.

Lewis turned over an undetermined amount of paper money and the suspect fled, leaving the scene in a blue Volkswagon driven by another suspect, according to police.

Police are continuing their investigation.

## Plymouth Police investigate township shooting incident

Plymouth Police reported a shooting incident in Plymouth Township yesterday morning.

#### Site plan tabled

Final site plan approval for the new Salvation Army church site on the west side of Main Street just south of Ann Arbor Road was tabled at the Dec. 11 meeting of the Plymouth Township Planning Commission.

Attorney Roger Haslick, representing, the Salvation Army, requested the item be tabled until specific engineering requirments can be met.

At 7:08 a.m. Donald Smith of Plymouth Township told police he heard a shot off in the distance. Seconds later two more rounds penetrated his bedroom, sending plaster throughout the room

Smith's wife was still in hed when the incident occurred, and he told police that the rounds stopped six to seven feet from his wife and himself.

Smith's son was walking the family dog when the incident occurred. He also told police he heard three shots fired. Police also obtained a description of vehicle from the son as being a small, dark foreign-type vehicle.

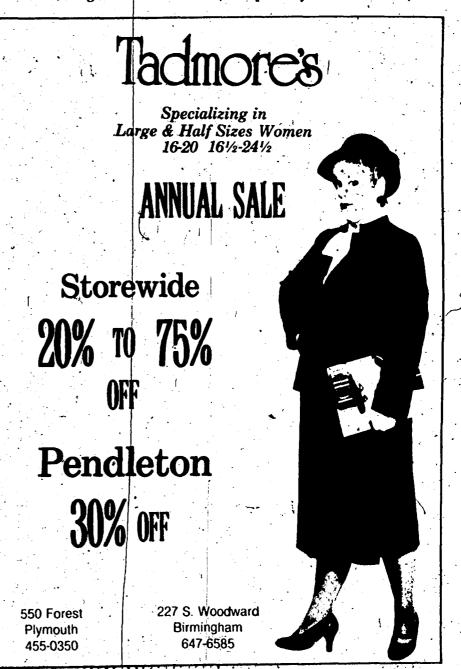
No arrests have been made



#### Flames gut Plymouth VFW Hall

THE VFW HALL ON Lilley Road near Ann Arbor Road was the scene of a fire Sunday night, sustaining almost total damage to the second floor and partial damage to the first floor. According to Capt. Tom Lenaghan of the Plymouth Fire Dept., the probable cause of the blaze is electrical. According to a night manager in the building that night, smoke was detected coming from a second floor storage area shortly before the blaze. Lenaghan speculates that the electrical lines were "cooking" for some time before the blaze broke out. As it was, 20 Plymouth firefighters fought the blaze for three hours after taking the call at 12:11 a.m. (Crier photo by Robert Cameron)





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#### Plymouth City Hall under siege

TENSE MOMENTS at City Hall Monday afternoon evaporated into an "all clear" with the fast, yet patient work of the Plymouth and back-up policemen. A popped knee sustained by Plymouth Patrolman Bob Henry (right) in the tussle following the suspect's surrendering his weapons was the worst of the situation. Det. Lt. Dan Carpenter, who knew the suspect, volunteered to walk into the barricaded house and calmly defused the siege of City Hall. Officers from Plymouth, Canton and the State Police cordonned off the area and arrested the man. Police deserve credit for defusing what could have been a life and death incident. (Crier photo by Bob "Hiding Behind the Woodshed" Cameron)

### Canton should consider Ypsilanti sewer offer

Canton Township officials have been concerned for years over the projected costs of getting rid of township sewage through the proposed Huron Valley Super Sewer system.

Ypsilanti Community Utilities Authority (YCUA) officials, faced with opening a new system designed to handle sewage treatment for estimated population figures for the 1990's which are falling way short because of the building slowdown, have proposed that Canton hook up with the Ypsilanti system.

On the surface, the costs to the township for sending sewage west instead of east into the proposed super sewer appear to be far less.

The YCUA figures indicate that out-of-pocket costs to Canton for construction of 12 miles of sewer to hook into the Ypsilanti sewerage system would be \$2.4 million. Projected costs to Canton taxpayers for the super sewer tie-in run from \$11 million to \$16 million.

That is a cost differential that should certainly interest Canton

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# In addition by Dam Bodene

Yesterday I called up an old friend who lives and works up north. He's my life insurance agent."

My semi-annual bill is due in five days. That means I have less than a week to come up with the dough or if I die I'll go as a pauper.

Insurance is something you never think of all the time and never really see a tangible benefit from until, of course, the time you need it most. There are a lot of things like that.

Social Security, for example. I guess you could call that a type of insurance, but it's a little different. I've been paying into it for a few years now and I don't mind saying that I'm one of those people who are afraid they'll never see a return. But then again, if for some unfortunate circumstance (so far, I'd rather just work for a living) I qualify for it tomorrow, there it will be.

Good health. Ever since my first winter at The Crier, 'I bragged about never catching cold. My dad says it's the heritage of a Viking bloodline. I had a different theory. This may sound weird, but after my swine flu shot in 1975 (Gerry Ford later got my vote for that) I never got so much as a runny nose. Until last week. After six years it had been easy to forget all the misery from coughing, sneezing and sniffling. I'll never take health for granted again.

Some of the things you never see and don't think you need until the worst happens aren't so intangible.

Everyone has a horror story about the time the tire went flat and everything was there to fix it except one thing, such as the lug wrench to get the wheel bolts off. Or the jack. Or the spare. Just one thing.

Once I went camping, the first time with a backpack, really. Being the inexperienced pilgrim that I was in those tender years, I brought canned goods to eat. About 400 pounds worth, but that's another story. The one thing I didn't bring was, well, suffice to say most beef stew cans are rock-proof. Take it from me.

Public transportation is always a good one. I'm like most Americans – I'm so used to getting around with my own car that I don't pay much attention to any other mode of moving. When I have to take a bus or plane, I feel like an alien, which is more my fault than anything. But, at least it's there and you never miss it until you need it and don't have it.

And while we're on public services, the things I'm eternally grateful for on that odd occasion when I need them is police and fire protection. Take a look on the first few pages of this edition and you'll see what I mean. The Guardian Angels are still in Newark at this point.

Always remember -- pay your insurance and taxes, take lots of vitamin C, keep a spare in your trunk and a can opener in your pocket and you'll never go wrong.



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Best leaders are close to home

### Best of Year' tags often go sour

It's that time of the year when publications take surveys to pick out the year's top movies, the worst movies, the best dressed women, the worst dressed women, the most obnoxious TV commercials, the outstanding athletes, the comeback athletes, the world's most respected leaders, the nation's most influential leaders and on and on, ad

On a post holiday trip to the laudromat to put the Brown linen closet back in anticeptric shape after a three-week invasion of 25 sons, sons-in-law, daughters, daughters-in-law and assorted ages of grandchildren, I had a chance to read a dog-eared news magazine of January, 1976, in which the 1975 version of the most respected world leaders were listed. The list included Ralph Nader. Cesar Chavez, Gloria Steinham, Bella Abzug, Mayor Dennis Kucinich, the longsacked mayor of Cleveland, comedian Dick Gregory and comedian George

Great balls of fire! If these people represented the most respected leadership of 1975, no wonderswe are in such serious trouble as we start off 1982.

On the way home with the clean laundry, I came up with my own list of respected leaders of 1981. Here they are:

The Plymouth City Commissioners, Canton Trustees and Plymouth Township Trustees for providing adequate service their constituents in the face of



Coloring It Brown

By Dick Brown

declining revenues and increased expenditures while many other units of government in southeastern Michigan foundered on the rocks of rough economic seas.

Flossie Tonda and John Swartz plus a whole host of Canton people who put together another outstanding Canton Country Festival.

Canton Clerk John Flodin gets the outstanding athlete of the year award for his outstanding cow chip fling at the Canton Country Fest, even though he did it with a specially culled chip I had set aside for myself.

Jim Boyce and Roger Haslick for doing an outstanding job in heading up the Plymouth Community Fund drive and taking it over the \$340,000 top in spite of the area's depressed economy.

Fred Eisenlord and his Plymouth Fall Festival board for coming up with another outstanding extravaganza and picking dates that matched the beautiful September weather.

All those young people from Canton and Salem high school who took advantage of their educational portunities and compiled outstanding academic records on the way to marking up for their diplomas last June.

Then there are all those organizations, along with their leaders, which make the Plymouth-Canton Community click and help establish the reputation as a caring, . progressive community.

And last but not least there is my wife who should be recognized for her leadership but not her success in trying to

lead me down the diet trail in an effort to pare off 20 pounds of blubber.

The list of outstanding leaders all around us in our own back yards could go

Who needs, Ralph Nader, Bella Abzug, Sugar Ray Leonard and Burt Reynolds?

The trouble with these national polls is that they quite often don't stand the test of time. The 1974 poll put out by Time magazine as to the nation's outstanding leaders under 45 is a good example.

Just to show you how fragile reputation for leadership is, only half of those listed in the 1974 poll made the same magazine's 1979 poll, Particularly risky choices were those politicians named to the 1974 list. Of 65 selected in 1974 only 38 remained in office and a couple of those ran afoul of the law and ended up in the slammer.

### Plymouth Twp. firemen upset over staffing delay

Open letter to Plymouth Township **Board of Trustees)** 

.This letter is to express our concern over the Plymouth Township Administration's disregard for the safety of township residents by its apparent decision to reduce the level of fire and rescue service through attrition.

Early in 1981, we urged the board to maintain current eligibility lists for positions in the Fire Department by conducting tests prior to the expiration of the lists. You rejected this proposal based on your attorney's opinion that the law did not require this, but responsible management, prudence and the desire to continue the current level of Fire and Rescue service do.

A vacancy in the Fire Department was created in June by resignation. Because there was no current eligibility list, filling the position was delayed while the Civil Service Commission conducted testing.

You have now had a current eligibility list since November and have not filled the vacancy, apparently unconcerned about the reduction in Fire and Rescue service this lack of action has caused.

Unlike a great many of the Township Board's recent expenditures, funding for the Fire and Rescue service has consistently been approved by voters (including a recent 50 percent millage increase approved on your promise to maintain Fire and Rescue Service.) We. are deeply concerned over your failure to do so and urge you to fill the Fire Department vacancy emediately.

We are also asking all concerned Township residents to express their concern to Supervisor Breen at 453-2671 or 453-3020 as soon as possible.

> **CLAYTON H. MILLER** President Local No. 1496 International Association of Fire Fighters

### With Malice **Toward None**



A storm is brewing for local governmental units and the Plymouth-Canton School District that no officials there want to talk about.

It has to do with the assessment of your property.

At the moment, the figures used by the Wayne County Equalization Bureau to establish a new state equalized valuation of your property show INCREASES each year.

But what's going to happen when the figures begin to reflect the moreand-more-common occurrence of Plymouth-Canton homes being sold for lower prices than they were two and three years ago?

Supposedly, the SEV factors will be REDUCED - meaning a lower overall tax bill and DECREASED revenues for your county, your city or township, and your schools.

If that happens, you'll hear great moanings from the governmental units which are already strapped by cutbacks in the federal and state gravy trains.

But the question is: WILL the SEV figures reflect the current downward price trends in housing?

How you answer that now depends on your relative optimismpessimism about how SEV factors are determined in the first place.

If, indeed, the SEV factors continue to rise when homeowners are finding their home values plummeting, you can be assured the voters will support the severe taxation slashing that, thus far, has failed in the polling places. Whichever occurs, local governmental units and schools should prepare for greater than ever cutbacks.

### Community toy drive efforts bring 'Thank you'

**EDITOR:** 

I would like to thank everyone who contributed to the toy collection I ran at my shop again this year. With your gratious and heartwarming help I collected nearly 1,000 toys.

If you could have seen the happiness on their faces it would have more than made your Christmas. 15

Also, a special thanks goes out to the eighth and ninth grade kids at Pioneer

School who brought in a collection of their own for me and the members of the Plymouth Police Department who contributed \$200.

The Plymouth Human Development Center thanks you and I sincerely-thank you with all my heart:

See you next Christmas.

**MEL BOBCEAN** Mel's Golden Razor

### community

In Plymouth-Canton news this week



#### Last week's Crier editorial needs clarification

In last week's Community Crier opinion pages, we alleged that the Plymouth Township Board had held 10 fillegally closed meetings.

The editorial should have specified that

that is a charge made by Township Trustee Lee Fidge and had not been confirmed. The township has admitted to two "technical" violations of the law for two of those 10 meetings.





### Basically

by Ken Voyles



Increased awareness of and use of high technology, such as personal computers and satellite dishes, brings increased danger that someone, somewhere will try and keep people from gaining access to such modern educational dimensions.

Since t.v. (lower case for lower quality) no longer has anything substantial to offer the elite of America - leaving only the undefined masses who will never have anything more than the bland soap oozing from a t.v. box - the acquiring of high technology to expand an individual's awareness at home is a modern age must.

With the growth of technology it is now possible for many to become "elite" and there will be those who try and keep that from happening.

For example, there are a number of court cases across the country which seek to ban privately owned satellite dishes. The argument is that such dishes rob from corporation owned satellites and increase costs to paid subscribers.

Another way to look at it is the search by individuals for their own personal education.

Someday, when the handgun rules the street, people will no long venture from their secure homes out into crime ridden streets. Instead they will turn to the computer and call a friend half way around the globe or flip a switch to watch the latest gathering of the government, maybe even vote with the elected officials by computer.

Technological advances should be made available to every man, woman and child on this planet.

Space technology — as well as nuclear technology — was bought and developed by the people of this country and if some enterprising businessman comes along and makes it possible for you at home to stop being dependent on the t.v. box and other media sources — including newspapers — the technology was well worth its tremendous cost.

If we limit people to t.v. forever we'll have a society based on fantasy and the ignorance of reality. New access to technology prevents both big business and big government from stepping in and limiting what types of communication are

available for education of the entire society.

If laws are formed to prevent people from having access to technology such as satellite dishes what will happen to basic freedom?

Personally I'd rather ban the hand gunand rifles for that matter — and "threaten" my liberty that way, rather than be prevented from learning the uses of computers, satellites, video recorders and digital music.

Court cases are going on right now to decide if it's constitutional to put an age limit on playing electronic amusement games such as Space Invaders. Cities and towns all over the country are doing more than shout about what such games "do" to their children and communities.

Ordinances banning or limiting the devices are the newest attempts to curb access to high technology. The first step is always aimed at the youth of this country. And yet the U.S. Army has started training its volunteers using just such machines.

Obviously there is more good to the machines than the elders would have you think.

We are the most advanced society on this planet in terms of technology, but in terms of understanding ourselves and others, and educating all of our people in matters of earth and space, we are far from the most advanced.

Why? Because we let the minds of our people slip away from learning the hard way, creating a race of zoombies instead of supermen - that's t.v.'s fault. It's to bad many parents look to t.v. as a tranqualizer for their children and themselves.

Some argue that t.v. is still a technological wonder on its own, but for others it's as menacing a product of our society as the so called Red menace.

Voyager can be our guide to the future, not t.v.

# Horror stories about snow removal prove true

EDITOR:

I expected that most of the stories I had heard about the Wayne County Road Commission and its snow removal service were probably close to the truth when I moved from Saginaw to a Canton Township subdivision six weeks ago.

But I wasn't prepared for the last 10 days of "super road clearing service" in the season's first major snowfall.

I expected that subdivisions streets would be the last priority but it would

seem that waiting 9 days for the first Wayne County Road Commission truck to make a pass down my street is way too long a waiting time.

First it was deep snow, then it was rutted ice and then it was open water before it became solid rutted ice again.

That's when the truck made one pass.
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Where does one send his bill to the county for a new exhaust system and front wheel allignment?

PAUL KEELY



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- \*Recipes must be received by noon, Fri., Feb. 5. Don't rely on the mail to deliver your lastminute entry on time.
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#### Lots of snow art

LOTS OF ICE SCULPTURE was in evidence in Plymouth-Canton Community yards thanks to the heavy, wet blanket of snow that came down over the holidays. This one was erected in the yard of the David Richards residence at 10591 Brookwood, Plymouth. Smurf was built by Cindy and Chris Richards and Doug Rowe. With Sunday night's rain and balmy weather, Smurf was beating a hasty retreat on Monday. (Crier photo by Robert Cameron)

# Plymouth commissioners amend amusement code

**BY KEN VOYLES** 

With further changes added, the Plymouth City Commission passed the second reading of an amendment to the city's mechanical and electronic amusement device ordinance at Monday's regular meeting.

The new revisions -- as well as the complete ordinance -- will take effect Jan.

Among the changes from the first reading include a better definition of what an "arcade" facility is; the commissioners classified arcades as any business that has six or more electronic machines (15 is the maximum allowed) or any business where a substantal portion of the business carried on is in the form of amusement devices.

Also in that definition machines will not have to fit along a continuous row, as was suggested at the first reading. Also, the age of supervision at arcades must be 21 instead of 18 years as first suggested.

A restriction on the number of persons around a given machine at a given time (four) was also added to the amendments, as was an off-street parking requirement which calls for one off-street parking place per machine and two off-street places for management personnel.

Bicycle racks will also be mandatory.

The final change is a drop from 200 to 100 square fee per machine for an arcade building.

The only change in fees will be the licensing fee for an arcade, down from \$500 per year to \$500 the first year and \$200 thereafter. There is also a \$25 transfer fee.

Other fees - \$100 per year for the first machine and \$50 for each additional machine - were not changed.

#### Crime prevention seminar planned

Canton Township Police Department Crime Prevention office is sponsoring a crime prevention seminar Monday, Jan. 11, from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., at Field Elementarty School, 1000 Haggerty Road.

The public meeting is open to the public and will feature District Judge James Garber, Oakland Prosecutor L. Brooks Patterson, Canton Police Chief Jerry Cox and Steve Kellerman of the Canton Township Police Canine Corps.

A special invitation has been extended to all Canton neighborhood watch groups.

The program will be video taped by Omnicom Cablecasting for future TV programming.

#### In charge of wardrobe

Janet Roberts, Plymouth, a sophomore at Central Michigan University, was involved in the University Theatre's fall production of "She Stoops to Conquer."

She served the production as costume

Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. William Roberts of Plymouth.

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If this Plymouth analyst gets a look at it

### Your handwriting will give you away

BY DICK BROWN

The future as well as the past is uncovered just by the way a person crosses his "t's" and dots his "i's" in writing his name of any other words.

It's handwriting analysis, a studied science, and Al Woods, 9353 Marilyn, Plymouth, is an experienced graphoanalytic counselor who lays claim to being able to identify a broad spectrum of facts from innermost thoughts to personal abilities-all based on handwriting study.

If Woods gets a hold of a person's handwriting and takes a close look at the

slant, intensity of stroke, size and width of writing and its pressure, he claims he can open the door to the future and unlock

Woods, a handwriting analyst, says he has the unique ability to look at handwriting and with amazing accuracy describe the character traits, personality, past achievements and future expectations of the writer,

Woods, 52, is no amateur practitioner. He has refined his talents over 32 years of concentrated study and carries certification from the International Grapho-

Analysis Society.

A full-time hospital pharmacist, Woods jokes about sharpening his handwriting analysis techniques by reading doctor's prescription orders.

'I look at a prescription and think, is that doctor ever enjoying life, or observe that he should be on guard because he is going to have a bad today," Woods said. to adult education courses to promotional appearances for business and industry. who are all somewhat shocked, en-

Woods uses his handwriting analysis ability for all types of group demonstrations from Parents Without Partners tertained and enlightened by his talents and psychic powers.

When performing in front of a group, Woods says he tries to be keenly sensitive to the feelings and needs of people, revealing only entertaining, innocent or harmless information in public.

It is a different story in private consultations, though. He tries to use his ability and knowledge to detect problems and uncover personal concerns for use in helping the individual reassess his or her character values or personal traits.

### ohnson-Cook vows spoken at Plymouth

Martha Johnson, Plymouth, and homas H. Cook of Plymouth were wed Nov. 28 in candlelight ceremonies at First United Presbyterian Church of Plymouth. The vows were spoken before The Rev. Philip Magee.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George H. Johnson of Plymouth. The bridegroom is the son of Mrs. William M. Follis and the late Dr. Hugh K. Cook of Bay City.

The bride wore a Piccione original gown of ivory organiza trimmed with ivory satin and a fingertip matching veil. She carried cimbidium orchids and ivy.

The matron of honor was Cheryl Neu of Plymouth. Bridesmaids were Patti Davenport of Ann Arbor and Sue Cook of Bay City, sister of the bridegroom. They all wore ivory lace blouses and cranberry satin skirts. They carried red roses and

Best man was Fred Cook of Bay City, brother of the bridegroom. Groomsmen were Tom Hagen of Bay City and Bruce A. Johnson of Edenton, N.C., brother of the bride.

The guests were seated by G. Craig Johnson of Saginaw and Jeffrey L. Johnson of Green Bay, Wisc., both brothers of the bride.



The new Mrs. Cook is a department manager for Lord and Taylor in 12 Oaks Mall. The bridegroom is assistant minister of First United Presbyterian Church of Plymouth.

After honeymooning at Grand Cayman Cay Island, the couple returned Plymouth where they will make their



#### Craddock-Mattson vows repeated

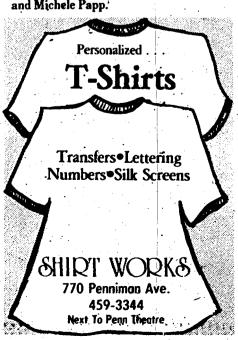
Karen Lynn Craddock and Derrick Mattson were married Nov. 7 at Bethesda Missionary Temple in Detroit, with Pastor James Beall officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Craddock of Plymouth and is a 1979 graduate of Salem High. 'She is currently a junior at Eastern Michigan University.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Mattson of Farmington Hills. A 1978 graduate of Farmington High and 1980 graduate of Ferris State University, he is now a diesel mechanic at Dreisbach

The bride's gown featured a Queen Anne neckline trimmed with Venice lace and pearls, with chapel length train, aline skirt with ruffled hemline

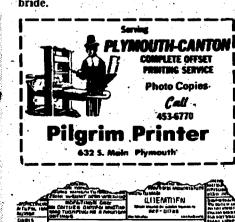
The bride was attended by maid of honor Sue Nagy and bridesmaids Jayne Westbrook, Linda Craddock, Marsha Roe and Michele Papp.





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Best man was Jim Subjuck and ushers included Steven Mattson, Gary Jolley and David and Ron Craddock, brothers of the bride.





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### tell it to Phyllis



got my first ride in an ambulance recently. Believe me, it's not as exciting as one might think. From the inside looking out, you get a whole different prospective than when you're driving a car and have to pull over to let an ambulance go by.

Fortunately (for me) I wasn't the person lying on the stretcher in back. However, it doesn't make you feel much better when it's your hoss.

The accident happen a week ago last Tuesday morning when the staff members were moving their cars so the parking lot could be plowed. Ed Wendover, publisher of The Crier, slipped on a patch of ice and fell flat on his back. Honest, I didn't push him down the steps (although the idea had crossed my mind a few times in the past).

Not knowing how serious his injuries were, we covered him with coats until the ambulance arrived to take him into the emergency clinic.

When we got to the Oakwood Clinic in Canton, the boss was wheeled into the examining room while I was greeted by people who recognized me because I had been there a few weeks before with my son. I didn't do any better at answering their questions this time than I did the last time I was there. Thank heavens they accepted my guesses and said they would get in touch with the patient if they needed more information later.

When Ed's mom arrived, I wasn't much help at comforting her. I remembered when my son was in there thinking that hopefully he would grow up some day and I wouldn't have to go through things like this. She reminded me that once sons grow up and move away from home, you're not as concerned about their day to day living, but when they get hurt, they re still your sons and you worry just as much as when they were little.

Luckily the boss didn't break anything, but the doctor said with a sprained back he wouldn't be doing much for about a week, then he would probably be grouchy for a couple of weeks after that. I'm glad he's all in one piece, but I'm not real excited about listening to him growl until he starts to feel better. Oh well, button down the hatches and hopefully we'll all get throught the next few weeks.

Canton High School held a battle of the bands recently. The winning band was Apocalypse comprised of four students, John Falkiewicz, Karl Schwartz, Mark Kesson and Bill Taft.

Students from Plymouth and Canton receiving degrees from The University of Michigan-Dearborn are; Randall Nelson, Lorna Fraser, Helen Gompers, Kathleen McDevitt, Janet Krick, James Wolf, Mary Bammel, Robert Perkins, Stanley Dzierwa, Philip Arvin, Nicholas Kozar, William Lawton and William Roesler.

Marine Military Academy Cadet Stephen Robert Geisler of Plymouth was placed on the Dean's List at the Harlingen, Texas school! The son of Mr. and Mrs. Allan Geisler of Plymouth, he is a jumor at MMA.

### Plymouth BPW initiates drive for new members

achievements are being sought by the Canton Business and Professional Women (BPW) Club.

The club is looking for candidates for the Young Career Women program, which was inaugurated by the national club chapter in 1963 and is presently sponsored by state and local BPW groups.

The year-old Canton chapter is participating for the first time in the which "highlights the program, prominent accomplishments of young career women and is one of many sponsored by the Michigan

Young women with outstanding career Federation to elevate the status of women," according to spokesperson Pat Gresock.

A panel chosen to evaluate candidates includes Samantha Florek, Schoolcraft College counselor; Francis Gambena, a Garden City Schools instructor; and Cathy Cole, a Dale Carnegie, Inc. representative.

Resumes of interested candidates must be submitted by Jan. 16.

Persons interested in becoming a candidate or desiring more information can contact Doris Johnson at 455-1207 or Nancy Morrin at 522-8622.

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#### Pioneer sixth graders helped spread cheer

COMBINED 6TH GRADE CLASSES of Shelly Rybarsyak and Fred Palmer at Pioneer School display their "Food Thermometer" representing 630 cans of food collected for donation to the Salvation Army Food Drive. The school's total donation totalled 1,000 food items. These students will send a letter to President Reagan to show their response to his "People Helping People" campaign. (Crier photo by Robert Cameron)

Cong. Ford seeking nominations for congressional awards

### It's outstanding youth honors time

Congressman William D. Ford of the 15th District is again seeking nominations for his sixth annual Congressional Medal of Merit Awards program for outstanding youth in each of the 21 communities in the 15th District.

Originally conducted in 1976 as part of the Bicentennial celebration, the program has been continued through the efforts of volunteers in each of the communities. Doug Ritter is the Canton representative on the citizens committee.

Two awards will be available in each of

the 21 communities. One will be for boys and girls aged 14 through 18 who are still in high school. The other will be for high school graduates 18 through 22. The medals will be personally presented by Cong. Ford in May.

Nomination forms are available from Cong. Ford's district office in the Wayne Post Office Bldg. They can also be picked up from most city or township clerks' offices in the 15th Congressional District. Deadline for nominations is March 18.

To qualify for consideration, ac-

complishments of these young people should be outstanding and meaningful and represent a broad range of activities and interests.

Accomplishments for which a nominee has received financial payment do not qualify.

Consideration will also be given to nominees who have contributed time and effort toward meaningful projects such as volunteer practices, heroic acts and humanitarian efforts.

#### Theatre Guild issues first casting call for 'The Fantasticks'

First casting call - tryouts are being scheduled for the Plymouth Theatre Guild's production of "The Fantasticks."

Described as "a fanciful, sophisticated, innocent musical about a boy and girl in love," the show features several songs and includes a cast of eight.

Tryouts will be held Jan. 7 and 8 beginning at 7:30 p.m. at Central Middle School, Church and Main Streets in Plymouth. Openings in the cast include those for The Boy, The Girl, The Boy's Father, The Girl's Father, The Narrator, The Actor, The Man Who Dies and The Mute(s).

With music by Harvey Schmidt and words by Tom Jones, the play will be directed by Gregg Zellen. Musical director is Mike Gross. Performances will begin in early March.

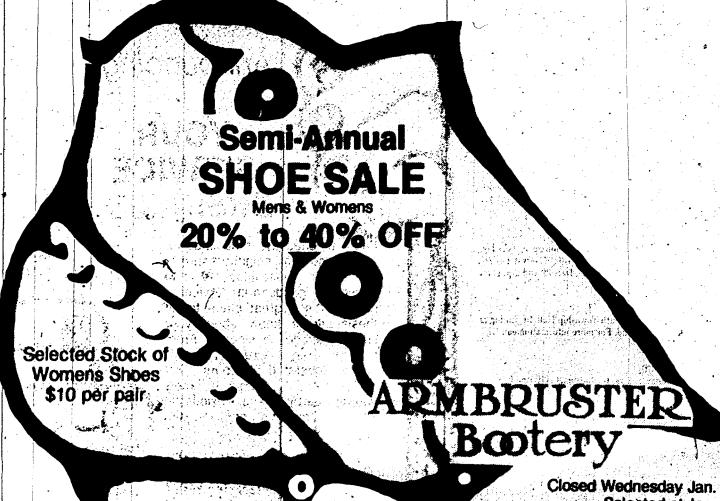
For more information, call 348-1136 or 464-8454.

### Plymouth Newcomers to meet Jan. 7

The Plymouth Newcomers Club will have a luncheon for all members and prospective members on Thursday, Jan. 7, at the Mayflower Meeting House.

Jack Wilcox will speak on the history of Plymouth and the Wilcox family. Former Mayor Mary Childs will also address the group.

The luncheon will feature brisket of beef and will cost \$7.



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#### **CANTON TOWNSHIP INCOME TAX SEMINAR**

Leonard Bialecki of Michigan Department of Treasury will conduct a tax return training session in cooperation with Canton Township Treasurer Maria Falkiewicz at the Township Administration Building on Wednesday, Jan. 13, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The seminar will deal with property credit forms such as Homestead, Hesting and Seniors Credit and will also answer any questions dealing with tax returns in general.

#### PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP SENIORS

Plymouth Township Seniors will meet Thursday, Jan. 7, at 7:30 p.m. at Friendship Station Senior Citizen Center at Schoolcraft and Bradner. The monthly general meeting is open to all Plymouth Township residents 55 or older. Refreshments will be served after the installation of newly-elected officers for 1982.

#### GIRL SCOUT TROOP 346 PANCAKE SUPPER

A pancake supper will be sponsored by Girl Scout Cadet, Troop 346 Wednesday, Jan. 13, from 5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., at McDonald's Restaurant on Ford Road in Canton. All the pancakes you can eat for \$1.50. Tickets may be purchased ahead of time by calling Mrs. Ruby Monk at 981-1626 or Sue Buchan at 455-0142. Girl Scouts will be serving seconds. Proceeds will be used by troop for trip to World's Fair at Knoxville, Tena., in summer.

#### CANTON CRIME PREVENTION SEMINAR

Canton Police Department Crime Prevention office vill sponsor a seminar on crime prevention Monday, Jan. 11, from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., at Field Elementary School, 1000 Haggerty Road. Speakers will be Judge James Carber, Oakland Prosecutor L. Brokks Patterson, Canton Police Chief Jerry Cox and Steve Kellerman of the Canton Canine Corps.

#### PLYMOUTH-CANTON PANHELLENIC

The Plymouth-Canton Panhellenic will meet on Jan. 11 at noon at the home of Mary Childs. Bring a sandwich lunch. The Jan. 25 Scholarship Card Party at St. John's Episcopal Church will be discussed and finalized. For more information, call Joyce Kelly at 453-3888.

#### ST. JOHN NEUMANN WOMEN'S GUILD

St. John Neumann Women's Guild will meet Jan. 13 at 7:30 p.m. at the church hall. A demon serobic dancing will be given by Jackie Rundell - please wear leotards or loose-fitting clothes and tennis shoes. Refreshments will be served.

#### PLYMOUTH-CANTON LA LECHE LEAGUE

"The Advantage of Breast Feeding" will be the topic at the next meeting of the Plymouth-Canton La Leche League on Tuesday, Jan. 12 at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Peggy Fisher, 44259 North Umberland, Canton. All interested mothers, pregnant women and nursing babies are welcome. For more information call Barbara Persensky, 459-5117 or Laura Lang, 459-6585.

#### INCOME TAX CHANGE SEMINAR

William M. Perrett Lodge No. 524 will present a program on income tax changes at the Plymouth Masonic Temple Jan. 21 at 8 p.m. Dinner will be served at 7 p.m. at \$4 per person. For dinner reservations call Bill Argo at 538-0276. Those attending the tax seminar do not have to attend the dinner.

#### CANTON BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL WOMEN'S CLUB

Canton Business and Professional Women's club will celebrate its first birthday anniversary Jan. 11, with a dinner at Cypress Gardens. Cocktails will be served at 6:30 p.m. with dinner at 7 p.m. To make reservations call Robin Koelbel at 455-4230.

#### **WE-WAY-CO SWEET ADELINES**

We-Way-Co Chapter of Sweet Adelines, women's barbershop harmony singing group, will have a rehearsal Wednesday, Jan. 6, 7:30 p.m., at Bailey Receration Center, behind Westland City Hall on Ford Road. All Plymouth-Canton women who enjoy singing are invited. For more information call 425-0017 evenings or 538-

#### · WOMEN'S CLUB OF PLYMOUTH

The Women's Club of Plymouth will start off the new year with a meeting at Presbyterian Church at 12:30 p.m. on Jan. 8. Program will feature Lucille McKenny, handwriting analyst.

#### PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP SENIOR CITIZEN TAX ASSISTANCE

Plymouth Township senior citizens will be able to get assistance from Barbara Pray in filing Homestead Property Tax Credit and Home Heating Credit claims. She will be at Friendship Station Jan. 7, 14 and 21 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; at Bradbury Club House Jan. 5 and 12, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; and at Township Hall Jan. 6, 13, 20 and 27 from 9 a.m. to noon and from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

#### **NEWCOMERS TEA**

On Wednesday, Jan. 6, Dorothy Hennis will host two tess for prospective members of the Plymouth Newcomers group. One will be from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. and one from 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. For more information call 459-8017 or 459-9119.

#### PLYMOUTH NEWCOMERS LUNCHEON

The Plymouth Newcomers Club will have a luncheon for all members and prospective members on Tuesday, Jan. 7, at the Mayflower Meeting House, featuring brisket of beef. Cost is \$7 per person. Reservations are required and may be made by calling Barb Tomaszycki at 455-4706 between Tuesday, Dec. 29 and 2 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 5.

#### PLYMOUTH AREA REACT TEAM MEETING

Plymouth Area REACT Team will have a general meeting Jan. 11 at Plymouth Township Hall, beginning at 7:30 p.m. Interested people 16 years of age and older are welcome to attend. For more information call Dick Merrill at 459-3339 after 4 p.m.

#### CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S CLUB.

Christian Women's Club will meet Jan. 7 at 12:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Jo Hudson, 44110 Candlewood, Canton, for a prayer coffee.

#### P.A.C.T. GENERAL MEETING

There will be a general meeting of the Plymouth Area Citizens Teams (P.A.C.T.) on Jan. 12 at the Plymouth Police Station at 7:30 p.m. Training officer Fred Clement has scheduled a presentation by Detroit Edison on electrical safety. Anyo Clement at 453-8836 or Charles VanVieck at 453-7377.

#### EXERCISES FOR PREGNANT WOMEN

A six-week course of exercises for pregnant women, based on Yoga principles, will begin Jan. 7 at 7 p.m. in the Kingsmill Cooperative clubhouse on Northville Rd. between 6 and 7 Mile Rds. Enrollment is limited. For more information, call 459-2678 or 459-2360.

#### ROCK AND MINERAL SOCIETY

The Plymonth Rock and Mineral Society will meet Jan. 11 at 7:30 p.m. in the crafts room of the Plymonth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer. Program will be a film on fossils. Guests are welcome.

#### TONQUISH CREEK GARDEN CLUB

A demonstration on "Garnishes Galore" given by Bonnie Kline will be featured at the Jan. 12 meeting of the Tonquish Creek Garden Club, at 7:30 p.m. Hostess will be Mrs. F.C. Curtis, assisted by Mrs. Robert Henry and Mrs. Aaron Romine.

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### community deaths

#### Stewart, noted volunteer

Robert J. Stewart, 69, of Plymouth, died Dec. 14 in Ann Arbor. Funeral services were held Dec. 17 at Schrader Funeral Home, with The Rev. Philip Rodgers Magee and The Rev. Thomas H. Cook officiating. Burial was at Riverside Cemetery.

He is survived by his wife, Altha; sons, Robert G. of Plymouth Township and Richard J. of Longmont, Colo.; and granddaughters, Heather, Janet and Kristin.

#### Hinks

- Alfred J. Hinks, 76, of Plymouth Township, died Dec. 17. Funeral services were held Dec. 21 at Schrader Funeral Home, with The Rev. Philip Rodgers Magee officiating. Burial was at Grand Lawn Cemetery.

He is survived by his wife, Evelyn Saunders; daughter, Barbara Hacker of Plymouth; son, David of Redford Township; and six grandchildren.

Mr. Hinks came to the community in 1971 from Detroit. In 1970 he retired from Detroit Edison, after 48 years of

Memorial contributions can be sent to the Pediatric Cardiology Unit of Children's Hospital, Detroit.

Mr. Stewart was retired from Ford Motor Company, where he had worked in the personnel department. He came to the community in 1945 from Ann Arbor, and was a member and former trustee of the First United Presbyterian Church. He was also a member of the board of directors of the Plymouth Community Fund, and served on the Personnel Appeals Board for the City of Plymouth.

Memorial contributions can be sent to the Michigan Cancer Foundation.

#### Verdoliva

Grace L. Verdoliva, 69, Holly, died Dec. 23 in Hurley Hospital, Flint.

Funeral services were conducted at Schrader Funeral Home, Plymouth, on Dec. 28, with Lt. William Harfoot officiating.

Born Jan. 31, 1912, in Yale, Mrs. Verdoliva had worked the past 12 years at Hendry Convalescent Center in Plymouth as an appartment manager.

She is survived by her husband, Joseph; a daughter, Mrs. Barbara J. Clark of Romeo; sisters, Mrs. Jane Cobb and Mrs. Laura Moore, both of Charlotte; six. grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Burial was in Knollwood Cemetery in Canton Township.

### Partridge, former City resident

Mrs. Aletta J. Partridge, 77, of Vassar died in Vassar Dec. 27. Funeral services were conducted by Schrader Funeral Home, Plymouth, Dec. 30 with The Rev. Samuel F. Stout officiating.

Born Sept. 14, 1904, in London, Ontario, she resided in Livonia from 1950 to 1964 and was a resident of Plymouth from 1964 to 1981. She attended the First United Methodist Church of Plymouth since 1972 and was a member of the 60 Plus Club of the First United Methodist

She is survived by a son, Howard Partridge, of Vassar; a daughter, Mrs. Dale (Marilyn) Good of Plymouth; and seven grandchildren.

Burial was in Parkview Memorial Cemetery in Livonia.

Memorial contributions may be made

to the Tuscola County Chapter of American Cancer Society.

### Craigie

Joseph H. Craigie, Plymouth, died at St. Mary Hospital Dec. 27. Funeral services were conducted by Schrader Funeral Home, Plymouth, Dec. 30 with The Rev. Jack Gigiere officiating.

Born Oct. 8, 1920, In Castor, Alberta, Canada, he came to Plymouth in 1971 from Wixom. He was sales dispatcher for a manufacturing firm)

He is survived by sisters, Miss Madeleine M. Craigle, Plymouth, and Mrs. Grace VanDyke, Plymouth.

Burial was in Southfield Cemetery,

### Wesley, quality control engineer

Lonny R. Wesley, 42, Plymouth, died Dec. 23 in Oakwood Hospital, Dearborn.

Funeral services were conducted Dec. 28 at Wilson-Schramm Memorial Home, Middletown, Ohio, with arrangements made by Schrader Funeral Home, Plymouth.

Mr. Wesley was born Sept. 5, 1939, in Cincinnati, Ohio. A graduate of Ohio State University with a bachelor degree in Industrial Management, he moved to Plymouth in 1973 and was employed as a quality control engineer, a position he had held since 1967.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Ellen; son, Steve, and daughter, Dianna, both living at home; and mother, Mrs. Mildred Wesley, of Arlington Heights, Ohio.

Burial was in Woodside Cemetery in Middleton, Ohio.

### Concert set at church

On Sunday afternoon, Jan. 10, at 3 p.m. the Bel Canto Ensemble of Lathrop will present a concert in the sanctuary of the First United Presbyterian Church of Plymouth.

The 90-minute program will include selections from Bach, Mozart and S. Pizzetti and will conclude with the

#### Plymouth churches to hold pulpit exchanges

Using the theme, "All One Body We," three large Plymouth churches will initiate a January-February series of clergy pulpit exchanges, demonstrating the cooperative ecumenical spirit which exists among Plymouth congregations.

The exchange involves Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church, First United Presbyterian Church of Plymouth and Plymouth First United Methodist Church.

The series begins Sunday morning. Jan. 10 when The Fr. Kenneth McKinnon, pastor of Our Lady of Good Counsel Roman Catholic Church, preaches from the pulpit of First United Presbyterian at the 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.

Fr. McKinnon will occupy the pulpit at irst United Methodist Church at the two morning services on Feb. 14 and The Rev. John Grenfell, Methodist senior minister, will preach at two Sunday masses at Our Lady of Good Counsel on Feb. 21.

Revo Grenfell will preach at both Sunday morning services at First United Presbyterian on Feb. 7 and its senior minister, The Rev. Philip Rodgers Magee, will preach sermons at two masses of Our Lady of Good Counsel on Jan. 17 and two services at First United Methodist Church on the morning of Jan. 24.

Christmas portion of the Messiah, an inspiring conclusion to the Christmas

season. The Bel Canto Ensemble consisting of 17 singers and 12 instrumentalists was founded and is directed by Sergio Pezzetti, whose experience includes singing performances in opera houses throughout Europe.

The public is invited to the performance. Tickets are \$1.50 for children 12 and under and \$2 for adults. There will be a reception in the church hall

following the concert,

Featured singers will be Aleatha Miracle, soprano; Angela VanDorp and Kathy Naaktgeboren, mezzo sopranos; Robert Fisher, tenor; and Buckner Gibbs, bass. Janet Holt of Plymouth and a member of the First United Presbyterian Church of Plymouth, is a cellist with the

Ticket information is available by calling the church office at 453-6464 or Lowanda Jarvis at 455-6577. Tickets may also be purchased at the Paper Parade and the Health Shoppe, both on Ann Arbor Trail just west of Main Street.

#### Separated, divorced Christians to meet

Bethany, a gathering of divorced and. separated Christians, will meet Jan. 15 at 7:30 p.m. at Cypress Gardens in Canton for a general business meeting and dinner.

Bethany is a group composed of people who seek to meet the social, educational and spiritual voids in their lives.

Madge Cline, M.S.W., will speak on the 'Benefits of Counseling," For reservations call Pat Towne at 455-

1128 or Pat Suiter at 464-3539.

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Surety Federal Savings and Loan of Southfield, which operates a Plymouth branch as one of its seven offices, will merge with First Federal Savings and Loan of Oakland.

The two firms announced on Dec. 30 an agreement to consolidate their assets. An application for the merger has been approved by the state and forwarded to Washington, D.C. for final consideration. Completion of the action is expected within 60 days.

James Clarkson, president and chairman of the board of First Federal of Oakland, said, "This is a mutual agreement, and is quite unique in that both associations are strong. It's not a

case where a strong one is merging with a weak one.

"There is no additional conversion cost," noted David C. Collins, president of Surety Federal of Southfield

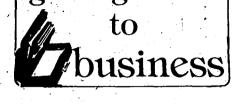
Both firms currently operate using the same computer system, and both contract with the same auditor. Both associations will also retain their present corporate names after the consolidation, with Surety as a division of First Federal. No one will be laid off, although some staff may be transferred. | "It's an ideal marriage, made in heaven," Collins said.

The merger will combine Surety offices in Detroit, East Detroit, Southfield, Warren, Rochester and Plymouth with 30

First Federal branches in Oakland, Macomb, Lapeer, Sanilac and St. Clair counties. Assets will total more than \$750 million after the consolidation.

First Federal is negotiating with several other savings and loan associations for possible mergers, Clarkson added.

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### VanHull joins business think tank

Paul A. VanHull, 46331 Curituck, Plymouth, owner of March Tire Co., has been named a trustee of Partners in Michigan Foundation, a non-profit educational think tank concentrating on researching and solving Michigan's problems with business.

Other trustees are Richard Headlee of Oakland county, Dr. Barbara Murray, associate professor of Business School of Management at University of Michigan-Dearborn, and Vic Caputo, St. Clair Shores

VanHull graduated from University of. Michigan in 1965 with a degree in mechanical engineering. From 1965 to 1970 he was sales representative with Exxon. From 1970 to 1972 he was

national sales manager of Palson Rubber Co. In 1973 he became president and



PAUL A. VANHULL



Anne lives it up

CHRISTMAS 1981 WAS BRIGHTER THAN USUAL for Anne Lucas (left). Fellow employees Ed Mirkut, store assistant manager, Mike Stone, area supervisor, and Mark Geoff, store manager, at Wendy's Old Fashioned Hamburgers on Ann Arbor Road in Plymouth, presented her with a \$1,000 cash award for her performance in the "Live It Up" game run by all Wendy's establishments in the Detroit area last summer. Anne, currently attending Eastern Michigan University, will use the money to continue her college education at Schoolcraft Community College.

chief executive officer of March Tire Co. with 4 stores in the Detroit area and a fifth opening in January in Eastland Mall.

He is a director of Michigan Alliance on Small Business.

### Daliere to head Adistra Corp.

John F. Daliere has been elected president and chief operating officer of Adistra Corporation, Plymouth.

Before joining Adistra early this year, Daliere worked for GTE Unistrut International, Inc. as an officer and director of subsidiaries in the U.S., Canada, Mexico, England, Holland, New Zealand and Australia.

Daliere has also held public appointments to the executive committee of the U.S. Department of Commerce, District Export Council and as International Task Force Chairman for Governor Milliken's 1981 Small Business Conference.



LARRY OLDFORD

#### Newest agent name

Larry Oldford, 48144 Colony Farm Circle, Plymouth, has joined Farm Bureau Insurance as a new agent serving the Plymouth-Canton community.

Oldford recently completed Farm Bureau Insurance's month-long career development school for new agents.

Prior to joining Farm Bureau Insurance Group, Oldford was a sales representative for Metropolitan Life.



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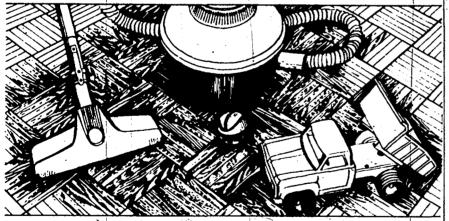
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ON MICHIGAN AVENUE, JUST A FEW MINUTES WEST OF 1-275 UP IN THE AIR goes Canton's Steve Hamblin in his 147 pound wrestling match against Bruce Bachman of Salem. Hamblin won the match, then went on to take second place, while Bachman finished third on the day. (Crier photo by Robert Cameron)

#### **Canton Soccer Club**

The Canton Soccer Club will conduct its spring season registration at the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Rd., from Jan. 11 through Jan. 16.

Registration will be open from 3-5 p.m. Jan. 11-15 and from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on land 16

Teams will be available for both boys and girls ages five to 19 years.

Cost for children in the under eight age group is \$11 per player. Players registering in the under 10 to under 19 age groups will be charged \$14. Family rates are available.

A late fee of \$5 will be charged it registering after Feb. 1. A birth certificate is required for all those registering.

For additional information call Joe Kuchmay at 397-0073 or Steve Kozusko at 981-6327.

#### Hockey meeting

The Plymouth-Canton Hockey Association will conduct its monthly board meeting this Monday (Jan. 11) at 7:30 p.m. in the Plymouth Community Cultural Center.

All interested parents are invited.

### Lincoln wins Canton Invitational

#### BY DAVID CALLAHAN

Warren Lincoln High showed that it deserves its second place ranking among Class A wrestling teams, by walking away with the Canton Invitational Wrestling Tournament, last Wednesday.

Lincoln wrestlers captured four championships at the tourney, leading the team to a total of 172 points. Wayne Memorial finished second, with 151.5, while Salem High took third, scoring 132.5 points.

Host Canton High grabbed fourth with 109.5 points. The Chiefs were followed by West Bloomfield High, Birmingham Brother Rice, Redford Thurston, and Dearborn High.

"We had a chance at winning it," said Cantoin coach Dan Chrenko, "but we didn't score at enough weights."

Chrenko said his team is able to wrestle with the better teams, but lacks the needed experience. "I think that we just have to learn how to win," he said.

Salem, along with Lincoln, had four tournament champs, while Canton scored one.

Heavyweight Marty Piper was the Rocks first victor, as he pinned Chris Makdisi of Warren in their championship match at 3:10. Piper also pinned Barger of Dearborn and Alex Young of Canton on his way to the finals.

John Woochuk won a tourney title at 187 pounds as he bested Hovan of Lincoln, 4-0, in the finals. Woochuk also defeated Jim Spada of Wayne 5-4 and drew a bye.

The Beaudoin brothers, John and Randy, brought the other two titles home for the Rocks. At 140 pounds, John beat Brett Haarala of Canton before winning a 6-1 in the finals against Joe Samples of Wayne. Brother Randy pinned Jim Nesbitt of Wayne at 2:49 in the finals of the 169-pound class.

Canton's lone tournament champion came at the 100-pound division, where Todd Gattoni shutout Brian Reemmer of Lincoln, 8-0, for first place honors. Gattoni also beat Cohen of West Bloomfield and Davis of Wayne of his way to the finals.

In addition to Gattoni, Canton had two tournament runners-up. Todd Bartlett, at 107 pounds beat Kern of Lincoln before losing, 7-4, to Paul Justice of Wayne in the finals.

At 147 pounds, the Chiefs Steve Hamblin lost his final match to Greg Bobchick of Lincoln, 7-3. Before losing to Bobchick, Hamblin beat Krawer of Brother Rice and Bruce Bachman of-Salem.

The Rocks scored four third place finishers. Mike Doumanian took third at 114 pounds, beating Art Johnson of Wayne, 8-6, in the consolation finals. Doumanian also beat Byrnes of Dearborn before losing to Ken Kaercher of Lincoln,

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TODD GATTONI, (face shown) Canton's lone champion at last weeks Canton Wrestling Invitational, is shown here in one of his preliminary matches, early in the days competition. Later that afternoon, Gattoni blanked Brian Reemmer of Warren Lincoln, 8-0, to capture first place in the 100pound weight class. (Crier photo by Robert

### Rocks score 3rd at invite, host Chiefs a close 4th

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the eventual tournament winner.

After losing to Hamblin, 2-0, Bachman went on to, win the consolation finals, pinning Rick Glass of Wayne at 4:33 of their 147-pound match.

Jay Roberts was also third for Salem, as he bested Marty Heaton of Canton, 6-5, to take third at 157 pounds.

Before the Heaton match, Roberts beat Moran of Brother Rice. Heaton also beat Moran in his first round match, before losing to Bob Petrillo of West Bloomfield, who was the tournament champion. Heaton came back to defeat Stano of Thurston before losing to Roberts for fourth place.

Tom Walkley was Salem's other third place finisher as he defeated Canton's Don Page at 200 pounds, 5-4.

The Chiefs also placed three grapplers in third place. Tim Collins took third at 121 pounds, beating Mark Osterhoff of Dearborn, 40, in the consolation finals. Collins had lost to Osterhoff, 5-0, earlier in the day.

At 128 pounds, Canton's Kevin Decker lost to tournament winner Darryll Weitzel, 5-0, before coming back to beat Hubbard of Wayne, and Chuldler of West Bloomfield to capture third place.

After losing to Beaudoin, Haarala defeated Harvath of Brother Rice, before winning third place with an 8-0 win over Jeff Gowman of West Bloomfield.

Brian Lee picked up a fourth place finish for the Chiefs, beating Randall of West Bloomfield before losing to Kurt Cambell of Thurston in the third-fourth place final.

Canton also placed fourth at 187 pounds, when Paul Fletcher lost to Spada of Wayne in the consolation finals.

Salem coach Ron Krueger said that his team did as well as it could at the invitational, despite the fact that the Rocks were critically undermanned. "We had three weights where we had a void, and two weights where we didn't place, but all eight of our people in the finals won their matches.'

Krueger added that his team is going through a rough time, after losing several wrestlers. "We're searching for ourselves right now," he said.



SAEEM'S JOHN BEAUDOIN (on top) attempts to lift Canton's Brett Haarala off the mat to set up for a possible pin. Beaudoin won the match, 6-1, and went on to win the 140-pound title for the Rocks. (Crier photo by Robert Cameron)

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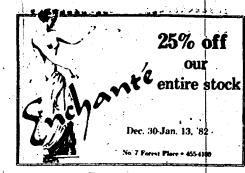
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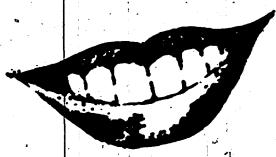
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# Salem volleyball squad ready to put talent to test

BY KEN VOYLES

"We have excellent talent, but the question remains whether we can put it all together to our advantage," said Salem High's new womens volleyball coach Jean Martin about her 1982 squad.

"We are going to be an excellent hitting team – our offense looks strong. Our defense is our weakness. The biggest difficulty we have right now is passing the ball up to the front off the serve," Martin continued. "If we execute well we should be able to play with everybody."

Martin, an eight year veteran in the Plymouth-Canton School District, teaches and coaches at West Middle School. She has also assisted coaches at several area Catholic high schools and is the Salem junior varsity softball coach.

The Rocks are 12 players strong this year with four seniors returning from last

Seniors include Lorianne Gengk, Kelly Tucker, Carol Ross and Linda Lybarger. All four are strong hitters, says Martin, while Tucker and Ross are the better all around players.

Salem's junior crop includes Jacque Merrifield and Ann Glomski, returners from last year. Both players can set and spike and Glomski is a standout blocker.

Other juniors include Diana Murphy and Lisa Granger, both setters, and Lynn McUmber and Joanne Mulaski, both hitters

Sophomores Kelly Beamis and Sarah Wallman, setter and hitter, repsectively round out the team for 1982.

"We're running a new offense right now and that may have a lot to do with the difficulties we've experienced thus far," Martin said. "We have a good amount of experience and some very good leadership. We'are looking forward to this season."

As for the Suburban Eight League Martin says that both Trenton and Livonia Bentley will be tough squads in 1982. "But I keep saying we have comperable talent to any team around, it's just going to be a matter of execution," Martin said.

Salem opens its season with Bentley's Bulldogs this Monday (Jan 11) at home. Match time is 7 p.m.

#### Salem Wrestle Invite this weekend

The Salem Wrestling Invitational will be held this Saturday with 16 teams from around the state expected to vie for tournament honors.

Host Salem will be joined by Canton High, last year's tournament champions Belleville, Ann Arbor Huron and Pioneer, Clarkston, Dearborn Heights Annapolis, Fenton, Flushing, Westland John Glenn, Montrose, Mt. Clemens, Trenton, Portage Northern, North Farmington and Ypsilanti.

Belleville won last year's competition with the Rockets of John Glenn second. The Rocks were fourth last year.

Salem coach Ron Krueger said, "We shold have some real tough competition. I

expect it to be one of the toughest tournaments around. Some teams dropped out this year but we have some tougher teams who came in."

Wrestling will start with the preliminaries at 11 a.m. at Salem's gym. Consolation finals will begin at 6:30 p.m. with championship finals to follow immediately afterwards.

Cost is \$1.50 for students for each of the two sessions on Saturday, or \$2.50 for an all day pass. Adults can see the preliminaries for \$2, the finals for \$2, or all the competition with an all day pass for \$3.50.

The Plymouth Elks will provide medals and trophy.

#### MicMac edges Flyers to win classic

Detroit MicMac held off the Plymouth Flyers on New Year's eve to win the annual Mite Christmas Hockey Classic staged at the Plymouth Community Cultural Center throughout the final weeks of December.

MicMac won 64. Goal scorers for the club included Donald Moody and Ronny Burton with two apiece and Vince Vella and Daryl Schimmelpfenneg one each.

Plymouth's goals all came from the stick of Chris Smith. Flyers goalie Scott Golenlak also had a good game, according to Flyers coach Ray Lucska.

In the consolation match the Livonia Leafs blanked the Livonia Blues 2-0.

Earlier in the competition the Flyers defeated the Leafs 5-3. The squad also fell to MicMac for the first time, 6-5. Still earlier in the competition the Flyers bested MicMac 4-3. The Flyers, other game was with hew Livonia Bluess which ended 4-4 after sudden death.

MicMac beat the Leafs 8-4 and the Livonia Blues 3-2.

#### Groundhogs softball

Canton's 3rd Annual Groundhogs Day Softball Classic is fast approaching.

Last year 12 teams battled the snow and wind in the area's most unusual softball tournament. On Jan. 30, of 1982, 12 more teams will square off for the classic to be held at Griffin Park.

Cost is \$25 for team registration. The tournament is played only in winter conditions and will only be canceled by good weather.

Besides the weather conditions, a 16inch orange softball will be used by all teams.

Registration information and further details about the competition are available at the Canton Parks and Recreation Department at 397-1000.

### Canton gymnasts ready for season despite key loss

BY DAVID CALLAHAN

One of 36 gymnastics teams classified as All-American nationwide last season—Canton High's -- will have a long way to go to equal that accomplishment this year

Returning to the Chiefs line up will be two standout performers from last year. Gone, however, is senior Laurie Beale, who placed fourth in regional competition last season.

"The loss of Laurie will definitely hurtus," said coach John Cunningham. "We will be able to qualify for regionals, but we won't be an All-American team again."

Senior Laura Michalik and sophomore Linda Beale will anchor this year's squad. Both were high scorers for the Chiefs last year and are strong in all four events; floor exercise, vaulting, parralell bars and balance beam. In addition, Michalik placed fourth at the regional competition.

Lisa Lovich and Amy Albaugh, both sophomores, will add to the teams strength. Lovich and Albaugh will give the squad increased depth, says Cunningham, important because the scoring this season will be based upon the top

four finishers in each event. Before the change, scoring had been based upon the top three finishers in each event.

Sophomore Ruthann Trout is the other returning member of last year's squad. Leslie Woodruff is the lone junior on the squad, and Cunningham's team is rounded out by Lisa Kovaleski, Helene Zahn, Maureen Brophy, and Carmen Baker, all sophomores.

The Chiefs will face a harder schedule than they did last year, and Cunningham said that he would not be surprised to lose three or four dual meets. The Chiefs were 10-2 last year in dual meets.

"The Dearborn Invitational (Dec. 16) should tell us where we stand," said Cunningham. He added that most of the better teams this year will be at Dearborn.

In the Western Six League, the Chiefs chances appear good, with their only Northville, conference champs last year, standing in their way. "Northville has Paula Broderick, a strong all around gymnast, but they may not have a lot of depth," said Cunningham.

The Chiefs begin competition today, when they travel to Farmington High.

Meet time is 7 p.m.

### Rookie Salem gymnasts to go through a learning season

BY KEN VOYLES

For Salem High women's gymnastics fans, 1982 will be yet another year of learning and building.

Not only is first-year coach Kathy Kinsella a rookie, but of the 13 gymnasts out for the squad this year just two could be classified veterans.

Kinsella, a former South Lyon teacher, came into the Plymouth-Canton School District in 1979 and has taught gymnastics in the Plymouth Community Education program ever since. She also taught gymnastics in South Lyon and participated in gymnastics with Belleville High. She replaces Lisa Marrone.

, Says Kinsella, "I wanted to get an assistant position on the Canton team, but I found out the Salem job was open. I've never coached a team before so this is as much a learning year for me as for the team.

Kinsella's team comprises eight sophomores and five seniors. "Our sophomore group is very dedicated. The sophomores are actually pushing the seniors," she said."

Kinsella has two goals for this year. First, to stay away from any injuries to her squad, and second, to get each gymnast a fair chance to compete and learn the sport.

"A lot of teaching is going on right now. I'm exposing the squad to different coaching methods and teaching them how to spot so they can help each other," Kinsella said.

Salem's seniors include Sarah Rubadue, Darla Doumanian, Kathy LaVoie, Sherrie Grenillo and Laura Aldrin. Most experienced among: those gymnasts are Rubadue, Doumanian and LaVoie. Doumanian suffered through a

knee injury last year.

Sophomores include Maria Psychogios, Suzanne Gibbons, Julie Mann, Sue Kozar, Sue Limburg, Vickie Grenillo, Laura Aneiros, and Debbie Bahna.

"This team has improved a lot already. I don't know what the competition on the circuit is like yet so there are no predictions," Kinsella said. "We'll chalk up our first meet to experience."

She added that for most of her squad the team's season opener with Suburban Eight League foe Livonia Bentley on Monday (Jan. 11) will be their first meet. That match starts at 7 p.m.

"This is a learning year for the team. I want to stress that to the girls and for them not to worry about competing with others. I want them to compete against themselves and with each other and learn," said Kinsella. "We're all rookies, that's for sure."

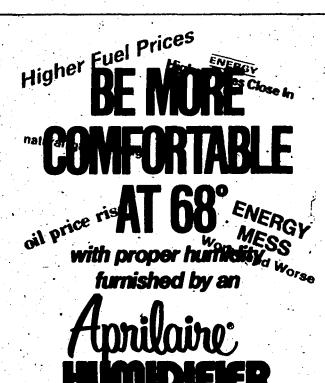
### Plymouth Aces to host Gems

The Plymouth Aces Junior C hockey team of the Plymouth-Canton Hockey Association will host the Dayton Junior Gems in a weekend hockey exhibition at the Plymouth Community Cultural Center Inc. 16-17

On the 16th, the two teams will play at 7 p.m., while on the 17th starting time is noon. The ice arena is located at 525 Farmer in Plymouth.

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LOOKING FORWARD to a good season, Canton High's womens volleyball team begins competition tonight against Walled Lake Western. Pictued here are (left to right) junoir varsity coach Pat Musselman, junior varsity players Jennifer Gorecki, Lisa Egan and Kathleen O'Conner. Varsity players include Missy

Aiken, Missy McMurray, Kim Elliott, Kris Harrison, Polly Roberts and coach Cyndi Burnstein. Not picture are varsity spikers Renae Edwards, Denise Wright, Debbie Dickinson, Kelly Arvin, and Amy Knickerbocker. (Crier photo by Robert Cameron)

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### Chief spikers aim sights at West 6 title

**BY DAVID CALLAHAN** 

With a emphasis on communication and cooperation on the court, Canton High's volleyball squad will aim to repeat as Western SixLeague champs. Last year, the Chiefs shared the conference title with Walled Lake Western and Livonia Churchill.

That (the conference title) is what we are aiming for, and I think we have a good chance to win," said coach Cyndi Burnstein, whose Chiefs were 8-5 last year, while posting a 5-3 conference

Burnstein also said that because the Chiefs are a rather small team, they will have to play good defense. "We don't have much height, so we will rely on our defense quite a bit."

This years squad will be built around a foursome of seniors, three of whom are returning from last years team.

At five feet, eleven inches, Debbie Dickinson will be the tallest of the Canton spikers. Returning to the team with her will be seniors Missy McMurray and Kelly Arvin. The teams other senior, Amy Knickerbocker, is new to the squad.

Along with McMurray, juniors Polly

Roberts and Denise Wright will be the teams main setters. "We have experinced setters," said Burnstein, "All of them have been setting for three years."

Another junior on the squad is Kris Harrison, one of the teams better passers. She will be joined by juniors Renae Edwards and Mellissa Aiken. Kim Elliott is the lone sophomore on the squad.

Burnstein has limited her squad to 10 players, what she called a "purposeful decision." She explained her decision by saying, "In past years, there seems to

have been a lot of unhappiness when people don't get to play. Because cooperation and communication are so important in volleyball, I decided to keep only 10."

Burnstein expects some good competition in the Western Six this year. "Churchill had a very good junior varsity last year, so I expect them to be good, and Walled Lake Western has been improving

The Chief spikers begin their season today, when they face Walled Lake Western at home. Game time is 7 p.m.

### Group ice skating lessons available

Registration for winter group ice skating lessons will be held on Jan. 22 and Jan. 23 at the Plymouth Cultural Center Ice Arena.

Registration will be 3-7 p.m. on Friday and 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday.

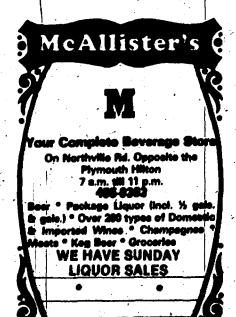
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### Is cable TV working out?

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He now directs a staff of 12 salespersons who have their hands full. And the results are showing.

"We're making from 80 to 100 installations per week now, as opposed to about 40 six months ago," he says. "There have been so many new subscribers, we've had to increase the number of installation crews."

Carlson estimates by Christmas Day there were 8,344 subscribers in Northville, Plymouth, and Plymouth and Canton Townships, "9,000 if you count the backlog." He thinks by next year at this time there will be 15,000 homes with cable service.

"We have quite a bit to go in Canton," Carlson adds. "Sales are really beautiful there. We've got salesmen literally dragged in off the streets."

Not that there haven't been slightproblems with selling the service to area
residents—"One of our salesmen said a
lady wouldn't buy because she thought
cable TV could look in at her," Carlson
says with a chuckle. "She said (TV
Channel 4 newscaster) Mort Crim's eyes
followed her around the room."

One of the attractions for many, persons buying cable service is the discounts offered under charter rates. Carlson says although Omnicom's rates are comparable among all communities in the area, subscribers in a newly-franchised area are eligible for reduced rates for a specified time, usually two years.

Charter rates knock \$1 per month off the basic monthly service charge of \$7.95, and a charter subscriber doesn't have to pay the usual \$25 installation fee.

Although most new business comes under charter rates, some potential subscribers choose to wait. "The only group we've had problems with is senior citizens," says Carlson. "They have fixed incomes and some don't watch a lot of TV. For the most part, though, they're just leery of cable TV. I think they believe it's too good to be true."

#### Tax seminar set

Canton Township residents will have an opportunity to get assistance on filing tax returns, according to Township Treasurer Maria Falkiewicz.

A tax seminar is scheduled for Wednesday, Jan. 13, from 9 a.m. io 1 p.m. at the Canton Township Administration Building.

Leonard Bialeki of the Michigan Department of Treasury will be on hand to offer information on the procedures for filing various property tax credit forms such as Homestead, Heating and Seniors credit. He will also answer any questions relating to income tax returns in general.

## community births

Micheal and Patti Lindstrom of Milford announce the birth of a son, Bryan born Dec. 16 in Providence Hospital.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. George Teahan of Plymouth and Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Linstrom of Livonia. The biggest attraction for cable television, however, is the range of programming available.

Shawn Bredin, of Omnicom's programming division, says there are a total of 32 stations available under Omnicom's service. Of those, seven are locally originated.

Local stations include Omni 8, Eagle-Vision channel 9, Plymouth and Plymouth Township channel 10, Plymouth-Canton Schools channel 11, Video Services Cable 13, Schoolcraft Community College channel 20 and Dunning-Hough Library and public access channel 29. (The Plymouth-Plymouth Township channel and the library channels will be split off once Canton counterparts begin programming.)

Most broadcast with "character generators," typed messages that change, but two channels include a range of local programming including interviews and news — Omni 8 and Video Services Cable 13. In addition, Eagle-Vision has worked on cooperative programming with both.

Running the technical aspect of the Omnicom operation isn't easy either, although here too the opportunities for employes as well as subscribers are great.

Bredin, a Ferris State College graduate, began with Omricom as an intern. Along with Program Director Hugh Jencks and programming assistant Michele McHale, she now comprises the paid programming department staff.

Bredin is a jack-of-all trades in the department, as is Jencks, who comes from an educational background. Together, they are responsible for an extremely complex operation involving equipment, logistics, programming and staffing.

They must also deal with some of the more aggravating aspects of cable broadcasting, coming from the technology itself. Signals are often garbled, equipment breaks down and there just isn't enough staff to handle all the demands on the department.

Bredin says one persistent problem, for example, was a power failure. "It used to happen every weekend," she said. "We found out Detroit Edison was 'browning out' power to the area (Omnicom's 'headend' located in an industrial area off Joy Road in Westland) on weekends." The problem was solved, she said.

Another problem is the difficulty of providing broadcast coverage of community events such as elections, governmental meetings and sports activities. "We just don't have the time or staff to cover those types of things on a regular basis," Bredin explains. "If a local government asks for something, we can do it for select things, such as the 'State of the City and Township Address' scheduled for Jan. 15."

Omnicom's sales are booming, programming is increasing and opportunities abound. But there are problems, and many residents, government officials and individuals and organizations involved in cable television in our community are not happy with what has been delivered.

NEXT WEEK: Critics of Omnicom's promises and performances as well as comments from public leaders in The Plymouth-Canton Community will appear next week. Omnicom President Peter. Newell will also be given an opportunity to respond.

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