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## Parade set for July 4th

BY MIKE GUINN

The Plymouth-Canton Community is gearing up to celebrate America's 214th birthday next Wednesday (July 4) with the annual Fourth of July parade along Main Street in the City of Plymouth.

It will be the community's single biggest July 4th event again this year.

The parade, put on by the Plymouth Jaycees, will once again include a wide variety of participants ready to display their talent for local spectators, according to parade co-chairpersons Fred Eagle and Cindy Estermyer.

"We're going to have all sorts of events, ranging from a Harley-Davidson motorcycle club to Fred Hill's Briefcase Drill Team," Eagle said.

Other notable entries in this year's parade include: the Plymouth Historical Society's antique cars, the Same Day Fire Service's antique fire trucks, the Farmington Elks Motorized Mini Bikes Drill Team, the Michigan Scottish Pipes and Drums, and the Plymouth Fife and Drum Corps.

Floats will be provided by the Plymouth City

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ACTIVE: A number of local residents are stationed around the world. For their story see pg. 29.



Dr. Nathaniel Leach, historian at Second Baptist Church in Detroit, talks about the Underground Railroad in front of a church mural depicting Route 4

and Plymouth's connection to the escape line. (Crier photo by Kelly Sauter-Dobson)

## Escape route's local stops

## Riding the road to freedom

BY SCOTT DANIEL
AND KEN VOYLES

The underground road to freedom for blacks escaping slavery in the South ran through the communities of Plymouth, Salem, Northville and Canton

If was often a long, arduous journey, a journey that ended at Michigan's main "terminus," the Second Baptist Church of Detroit and a secret boat ride across the Detroit River to the safety of Canadian shores.

Details about who ran the Underground Railroad "stations" in this area remains bard to come by, and, like the line itself, the names are shrouded in mystery and legend.

But evidence abounds that the people of Plymouth, Salem, Northville and Canton offered their homes, barns, sheds, and even churches, schools and shops as



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shelters to escaping slaves over a 20year period.

There is also some evidence that the now gone communities of Waterford and Meads Mills (in Northville) helped slaves along the "Freedom Unlimited" or "Midnight Express" routes to Detroit and Canada. Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti were also major "stations" in this area.

"Of course, you understand none of this can be proven. We're talking about an illegal operation," said Louisa Piper, staff director of the Ann Arbor Historical Commission.
"There's a fair number of places

where this happened but they are not documented very well."

Dr. Nathaniel Leach, historian of the Second Baptist Church, said that Michigan residents who acted as "conductors" along the seven routes through the state did so at their own risk.

"They just did it in spite of all the laws and rules against them," said Leach. "All of the routes were important, but it depended on how well they were watched.

"Plymouth was the last big organized stop on the way to

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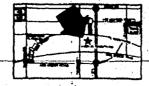
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## Mettetal purchase on ballot?

BY SCOTT DANIEL

Canton's decision to buy Mettetal Airport could come down to a vote by township residents in the state's general election Nov. 6, according to Mettetal Study Committee Chairperson Dan Calabrese.

The Canton Board of Trustees may consider putting the question of whether or not the township should buy the airport on the ballot in response to residents inquiries at last Wednesday's public hearing of the Mettetal Study Committee, Calabrese

"The possibility of it being on the ballot is a long ways away," said Calabrese. He said the study group is still working under the assumption that the issue won't be put on the ballot.

Calabrese said the original guidelines of the committee call for their recommendation to be made before the board Aug. 8.

The board would then review it in a study session before making any kind of decision, he said. When the board will do so remains undetermined, Calabrese added.

The idea of putting the issue on the ballot is being "tentatively" discussed to keep the options of the board open, Calabrese said.

If the board did decide to put it on the ballot, the study committee would likely make its recommendation by late July or the first week of August,

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## Crier hits street on July 5

Next week's holiday edition of The Community Crier newspaper will hit the streets one day later - Thursday (July 5).

With this year's Fourth of July celebration falling on a Wednesday, The Crier will push back its publication one day so as to provide the community complete coverage of the July 4th parade and other activities.

Deadlines for next week's edition, however, will remain the same.

The Crier and COMMA, offices will be closed Wednesday in honor of Independance Day. The offices will reopen Thursday (July 5).





Hitting the high note

Plymouth residents (from left) Brian Elliot, Norm Nettle, Dave Schmitt and Alex Cave — "The Four Gone Conclusions" — sing the national anthem before last

Wednesday's Tiger game against the Oakland Athletics. (Crier photo by Philip Tardani)

## For Miller Woods

## Twp. planners want fences as last resort

BY PHILIP TARDANI

Plymouth Township would like to see a fence around Miller Woods only as a last resort in preserving the area, according to Richard Gornick, chair of the township planning commission.

The commission tabled a proposal to fence in the woods at last Wednesday's

meeting.

Gornick said the township is waiting for the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools - who own the property - to legally designate what the beech-climax woods is so that the township board can pass proper ordinances to protect

"We have to get a clarification as to what they deem the property to be," he "We have no ordinances to enforce there, it (the woods) doesn't fall into the parks ordinance."

The Plymouth Kiwanis Foundation had applied to the commission for site plan approval of a fence. The Kiwanians have pledged to provide the money and labor to erect the fence.

James Anulewicz, township public services director, said the township's position is that a fence around the woods would be a last resort in preserving it.

"We think there are other mechanisms available that could be used (to preserve the character of the woods) that wouldn't be the intrusion a fence may be." he said.

The Friends of the Miller Woods and Kiwanians received unanimous support from the school board on April 23 to fence in the 50-acre site.

The two groups said a fence is needed to protect the woods from pollution and possible disruption of its delicate flora.

"It's an area that should be preserved for posterity," said Harold Fischer, of the Kiwanis club, "We want to restrict it to those walking."

Since that time, however, some residents who live near the woods have expressed concern that fencing it in is not necessary and may be prohibitive to people wishing to enjoy the property.

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## Budgets total nearly \$1 million

## ok at P-C's non-profit groups

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the second article in a two-part series on the major non-profit agencies serving The Plymouth-Canton Community.

BY SCOTT DANIEL

The seven top quasi-public, non-profit organizations in The Plymouth-Canton Community spent almost \$1 million on services last year.

Those expenditures range from the costs of putting on events such as the annual Fall Festival and Ice Sculpture تامسال و Spectacular-to-providing-funding for the construction of the turn-of-thecentury classroom.

There are seven major non-profit

organizations in The Plymouth-Canton Community.

They include: the Plymouth Fall Festival, the Educational Excellence Foundation of the Plymouth-Canton Schools, the Plymouth Community United Way, the Plymouth Chamber of Commerce, the Canton Chamber of Commerce, the Plymouth International Ice Spectacular and the Canton Foundation.

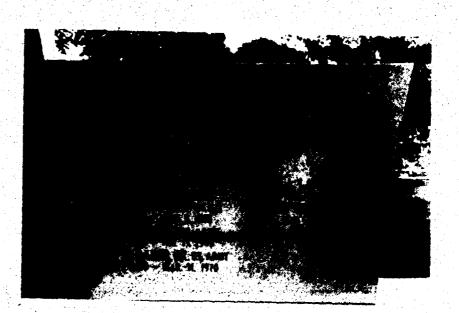
The biggest expense of putting on the annual Fall Festival comes in payment to the City of Plymouth for services to the fest, according to Fall Festival President Larry McElroy. - -

Of the nearly \$32,000 spent on the 1989 Fall Festival, \$7,769.78 was spent on city services, such as police and fire, said McElroy. About \$3,100 was spent on entertainment for the fest, such as bands and singers, he said.

Other major expenditures included about \$4,000 for tables at the Fest and \$1,500 for payment on a loan to construct "The Gathering" down-

"It is a big job to organize the Fall Festival," McElroy said. "It takes a lot of volunteers and a lot of time."





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## Local foundations spread the wealth

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Far and away the biggest expense for the Educational Excellence Foundation in 1989 was the "Geer School" restoration. Of the foundation's \$49,782.60 in expenditures last year, \$41,062.79 was spent on Geer School.

According to foundation member Carol Davis, the school is being renovated to duplicate a turn-of-thecentury classroom.

The bulk of the foundation's funding comes from contributions. said Davis. About \$28,000 of the foundation's \$32,096 in revenues last year came from contributions - much of it raised by the Geer School Committee.

The biggest problem for the foundation, in its five years of existence, has been funding, according to Davis. She said the foundation is working on establishing an en-dowment, with a goal of \$100,000, which would cover the costs of its programs.

"It will take a long time to establish

will be the foundation's focus for the next year."

The two chambers of commerce are membership organizations designed to promote business activity in the community.

For the Plymouth Chamber of Commerce major expenses came from day to day operations.

Fran Toney, executive director of the Plymouth chamber, said the chamber has three full-time employes, who earned more than \$50,000 in total last year. Annual rent for the chamber's office amounts to about \$15,000, she said, adding that other ex-penditures such as insurance and telephone bills also fall under day to day operations.

Funding for the Canton Chamber of Commerce, which raised about \$58,000 last year, came mainly from donations, said Executive Director Joan Bolek. About \$29,000 was raised in membership dues last year, she said.

Bolek and Toney agreed that expanding the chambers memberships is critical to funding.

## Fest meal remains open

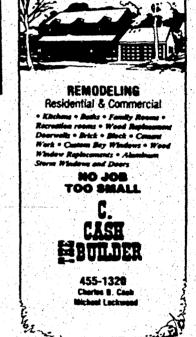
BY PHILIP TARDANI

A Friday dinner for the this year's Fall Festival has not yet been lined up nearly a month after the May 31 deadline for booths.

According to festival board President Larry McElroy, there is a possibility, however, that the Plymouth Canton Vietnam Veterans of America chapter may host the event along with the Plymouth Knights of Columbus.

Greg Huddas, president of the P-C Vietnam Veterans, said that the

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## Hoben contract extended

BY KEN VOYLES

John M. Hoben, superintendent of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools district, recevied a one year extension on his contract Monday night when the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education approved his performance evaluation.

Hoben received 50 outstandings, 35 satisfactories and only one un-satisfactory, during the board evaluation, said Trustee Roland Thomas.

Thomas said Hoben's rating shows that his "performance continues to be significantly above average." Hoben's rating this year was the same as last year, Thomas said.

(in 1989-90) was very acceptable to the board. The board is satisfied with his performance," said Thomas.

Hoben has told the board he will give the district one year notice when he plans to retire, said Thomas, "That will permit ample time for us to find a new superintendent."

During the recent board election campaign there was much speculation among candidates about how long the superintendent would continue as top administrator in the district.

"You can't replace Mike Hoben," Thomas said.

Hoben's contract was extended until the 1992-93 school-year. He was evaluated by all seven members of the ar, Thomas said. board in 15 different performance "The superintendena's performance coategories." \*\*Test, Ordan Said.

"All chambers face the problem of funding," said Toney. "We aren't a charity. We have to increase membership to improve funding."

For the Plymouth International Ice Spectacular, -cost such as ice, (\$20,500); sponsored carvings, (\$10,300); and the manager's salary, (\$10,000); were several of the major expenditures this year, according to Pam Kosteva, Ice Spectacular

The Plymouth Community United Way's major expenditures went to organizations dedicated to helping in

the community.

Of the \$477,147.73 spent by the United Way last year, \$113,265 was given to Growth Works, a substance abuse program in Plymouth, in allocations and grant money, according to Marge LeBlond, administrative assistant of the Plymouth Community United Way.

The Plymouth Family Service, which provides counseling for families, received \$94,700 from the United Way last year, LeBlond said. She said the Salvation Army was given \$40,000 and \$35,000 was also given to the United Way of Michigan.

Other expenditures included: the Boy and Girl scouts, \$17,000 each; the Michigan Cancer Foundation, \$13,000; Big Brothers and Big Sisters, \$3,300; the First Step program, \$8,000; the Plymouth Community Council on Aging, \$3,000; and the Plymouth Family YMCA, \$11,500.

The United Way also spent \$2,000 on the Plymouth Opportunity House, \$2,800 went to the Plymouth Senior Citizens group, the Visiting Nurse Home Health Services program got \$13,000, the Detroit Institute for Children got \$5,000 and the American Red Cross received \$10,000.

The Canton Foundation spent \$33,956 last year. The foundation's biggest expense was "support services," which accounted for \$20,308 of total expenditures.

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## Helping slaves through Michigan

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Detroit," Leach continued. "Many slaves used it but nobody wanted to know the names of the conductors."

The name of Plymouth is mentioned in most state records about the Underground Railroad.

It is listed as the last stop before Detroit along three of the seven routes through Michigan, but at the time "Plymouth" included parts of Northville, Salem and Canton. So slaves would have been hidden in various locations in the farm country that makes up the land between Ann Arbor and Detroit.

One Plymouth resident from 1824-1833, Erastus Hussey, later moved to Battle Creek and took charge of the station in that community.

The other communities — Salem, Northville, Waterford, Meads Mill and Canton — were basically branches of the Plymouth stop. Much of the railroad's history in those communities has been handed down orally; there is very limited documentation about any local Underground Railroad participation.

Salem, for example, is said to have had at least four sites, and maybe as many as seven sites, along the escape line. The Lapham, Walker and Thayer families are most often associated with helping slaves along the underground route through Salem.

"There just isn't much documented on the Underground Railroad in this area," said Don Riddering, president of the Salem Historical Society.

The little Village of Waterford (along Northville Road between Five and Six Mile roads) was also a "prominent" station, according to a Plymouth historian, Nettie L. Dibble. Dibble said escaped blacks may have worked in the mills and factories at Waterford until it became unsafe for them to stay and they fled to Canada.

Another Northville community, Meads Mills, also "served as an Underground Railroad" station, according to information from the Northville Historical Society.

Jame Purdy is often associated with the railroad in Northville. He reportedly ran a station on property at Five Mile and Sheldon roads (St. John's Seminary grounds). Some of the other possible station sites in Northville included the Ambler building in downtown Northville and the Starkweather barn along Seven Mile Road.

Although there isn't much information about Canton's connection to the escape line, it was important since one of the major underground routes, Route 3 (Old Sauk Road), ran along the course of what is today Michigan Avenue.

That route brought slaves east from Saline and Ypsilanti before skirting

southern Canton. Canton is not specifically mentioned among the railroad records for Route 3, only Plymouth, but it can be surmised that conductors were found there as well as in Plymouth.

Farther west, in Ann Arbor, two hideouts were reportedly located along Pontiac Trail.

All told hundreds of local residents may have been involved in one way or another with the underground escape route for slaves.

Today, there story remains an intriguing mystery.



This was the final stop for slaves on their way to Canada and freedom. The Second Baptist Church in Detroit operated two "stations" from 1836 to 1865. (Crier photo by Kelly Sauter-Dobson)

# Heroic residents along escape line

BY KEN VOYLES AND SCOTT DANIEL

The "Underground Railroad" was not a railroad.

According to Blanche Cogan's article, "The Underground Railroad in Michigan," the name Underground Railroad was a hypothetical term used to describe a co-operative effort of many people that enabled slaves to escape to freedom.

The Underground Railroad did not run underground. It was run at night, under strict secrecy. Fugitive slaves from the South traveled though midwestern and northern states until they reached exit points into Canada, escaping mainly from Michigan and New York.

Terms such as "station," which describes a stop on the Underground Railroad, and "operator," which describes the person that housed the slaves, are associated with the Underground Railroad, according to Coggan.

Often the slaves were taken from station to station by "conductors" on the line in wagons, hiding under bales of hay, tobacoo or wool. Many of the operators and conductors were white Quakers.

The Underground Railroad, which ran from 1830 to 1862, was started, in part, because of the Fugitive Slave Law of 1850, according to Sue Holstein of the Questers, a local historical study group.

The law levied heavy fines (\$1,000) and prison sentences (up to six months) for anyone aiding an escaped slave, but the "Underground Railroad acquired many new supporters" because of the law, said Holstein.

Probably the most famous conductor along the escape route was

Harriet Tubman, a freed slave who personally helped some 300 slaves. Tubman made at least 13, and maybe as many as 19 trips, back down South to lead fugitives.

In Michigan, the Underground Railroad had seven major routes (including some 200 stations) that crisscrossed much of the southern half of the lower peninsula and that also led to the northern part of the state.

Route One was the main line from Ohio, according to Nathaniel Leach, in his history of the Second Baptist Church of Detroit. It went from Toledo to Detroit.

Route Two went from Toledo to Adrian to Detroit. Route Three was labeled as the "Chicago" road, which is considered to be Michigan Avenue today. Route Four is termed the Old Territorial Road. Route Five was the Grand River Trail. Route Six went from Lansing to Port Huron and Route Seven went from Chicago north to Duluth, through the upper peninsula of Michigan to then south to Port Huron.

Many of the routes ended at the Second Baptist Church in Detroit, the second oldest black church in the midwest. It was founded in 1836 by 13 blacks who had broken away from the First Baptist Church because of discrimination.

According to Leach the church provided food and shelter to blacks, who came in at night and stayed until the next night before going to Windsorand freedom. He said as many as 15 blacks were kept in a basement room of the church.

That room, still preserved at the church on Monroe (in Greektown), is about 12 feet by 12 feet. It has no windows and a low ceiling. It is damp

and musty smelling, but was very much appreciated by those traveling towards their freedom, Leach said.

The Second Baptist Church operated its Fort Street Station from 1836 to 1857 and its Croghan Street Station from 1857 to 1865.

It is estimated that 20,000-30,000 "passengers" used Michigan's underground line with some 4,000-5,000 going to freedom through the Second Baptist Church,

It is mainly Route Four, the "Old Territorial Road," that connected Plymouth, Salem, Northville and Canton to the Underground Railroad. There were 14 stops along Route Four, with Plymouth being the last one before Detroit.

Routes Two and Three also connected to Detroit through those communities.

## On to Detroit

"Plymouth was the last big organized stop before Detroit," Leach said.

At the Second Baptist Church in Detroit is a mural of Route Four, the most prominent Underground Railroad line through Plymouth, titled "The Journey." It is in the same room where the church gave shelter to those traveling towards freedom.

The mural shows one Michigan leg of the route. It also shows figures of blacks running, underneath the route line, with napsacks thrown over their backs, towards the Second Baptist Church in Detroit.

The last figure in "The Journey" appears to be jumping for joy and in triumph, realizing that freedom had finally been won.

According to Leach, the origin of Route Four was in Illinois. He said the line went through Indiana picking up "passengers" on the way to Michigan.

There were many stops on the Undergound Railroad on Route Four in Michigan. The first stop was at Schoolcraft, in the southwestern part of the state.

From there the route went through Climax, Kalamazoo, Battle Creek, Marshall, Albion, Parma, Jackson, Dexter, Ann Arbor, Ypsilanti, Plymouth and then finally to Detroit.

A chief conductor of the Underground Railroad in Michigan was Erastus Hussey, according to Sam Hudson's history of Plymouth: Hussey was one of the first settlers in Plymouth, purchasing land in Plymouth Township in 1824. Hussey did not become a resident of Plymouth until 1826 and moved to Battle Creek in 1833.

According to Hudson, Hussey was approached by a "Quaker from Indiana who asked him to take charge of the underground station in Battle Creek. Hussey was the "leader of the

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## Conductors working for humanity

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Central Michigan line," he said.

Hussey spoke about his days as a conductor in an article from the Michigan Pioneer and Historical Collection, which Hudson quotes:

"I can't tell the names of the agents at Ypsilanti or Plymouth," Hussey said. "At the former place the route branched, leaving the Michigan Central for Plymouth. Sometimes they went to Plymouth from Ann Arbor.

"From Plymouth they followed the River Rouge to Swartsburg, then to Detroit," Hussey said, Hussey estimated that he helped about 2,000 slaves escape, according to Hudson, who quoted Hussey as also saying, "We were working for humanity."

Although the names of Plymouth residents who helped remains obscured by history, the Plymouth connection to the Underground Railroad doesn't stop there. According to Holstein's report. Plymouth had several stations

There was the Brink farm at Ann Arbor Trail and Ann Arbor Road that may have aided blacks, Holstein said.

Also, in Plymouth in the Saxton Feed Company building at Ann Arbor Trail and Penniman, there is a "false ceiling which is said to have housed runaways," according to Holstein.

A station may have been located at the present day site of St. John's Seminary at Five Mile and Sheldon roads and another on the Fuller homesite at Schoolcraft and Haggerty roads.

In Holstein's report she argued that Plymouth was a central stop on the Underground Railroad because of its proximity to Detroit and the Rouge River.

Besides Route Four, Plymouth is also mentioned in connection with Michigan's Routes Two and Three. according to Leach.

Route Two's main stops were at Tecumseh, Ypsilanti, Plymouth and Detroit. Route Three, which parallels today's Michigan Avenue, had primary stops at Coldwater, Saline, Ypsilanti, Plymouth and once again at Detroit.

## Horses ready

Much of the information on Salem Township's connection with the Underground Railroad comes from oral and written accounts gathered by the Salem Historical Society.

Among the Salem families most often associated with the escape route were: the Murrays, Laphams, Walkers, Thayers and Powers. It should be noted also that Salem's three cemeteries are named Lapham, Walker, and Thayer.

William Murray is said to have helped run the Salem station between Ann Arbor and the depot in Farmington, while Dr. George Walker and his brother Albert Walker may have acted as conductors, transporting the fugitives along the line.

One Salem resident told the historical society that Dr. Walker kept a team of fast horses harnessed at all times and ready to travel. The Walker family apparently had a reputation, according to a resident who knew Albert Walker's son Tisdale, for "wildfast, wagon horse owning teams.

In a 1952 history of Salem Union School, it is said that Murray and the Walkers smuggled slaves to freedom in straw covered wagons "to and from the way station near (the) Thayer School.

Although not associated as being a major stop along any of the seven Michigan routes, various accounts identify four major sites in Salem which were used as stations between Ann Arbor, Northville and Farmington.

The stations, according to a Salem Historical Society 1976 publication, were:

The Walker home, presenting standing on the south side of Six Mile Road between Angle and Tower roads. (There may also have been a site near the Salem Walker Church and cemetery, according to local residents.)

The three-story Murray home which once stood at the southwest corner of Six Mile and Currie roads (now the site of a golf course). The site is mentioned in a township history of Salem Union School.

· A grist mill which was located on the north side of Six Mile Road next to the railroad tracks.

The Thayer family property, somewhere in the vicinity of the Thayer cemetery at the southeast corner of Six Mile and Napier roads.

Other sites associated with Salem, but outside of the community, include: the old German church, located on the northeast corner of Seven Mile and Napier roads; the Starkweather barn located in the gravel pit on Seven Mile Road between and Napier and Beck roads; and the Ambler building destroyed by fire - located on the southeast corner of Main and Center streets in downtown Northville.

Another site may have been at

Chubb and Five Mile roads on the old Jehiai Davis farm (where the Wayne County prison farm is today).

Two other possible sites have also come to light in recent years, but there is still no direct evidence tying them to the railroad.



Was this a hiding space for fugitive slaves? Edna Terry, a Salem Township resident thinks so, but has no proof.

One site, along North Territorial Road near Curtis Road, is currently owned by the Graus, Martha and Roger. Under the barn west of the house is an unusual crawlspace which the Graus believe may have been a hiding place for fugitive slaves.

"We never paid any attention to it," said Martha Grau. "Two years ago the people that lived on this farm, at the turn of the century, called and wanted to see the farm.

"They came out and showed us a family album," she continued. "They said that their mom and dad would feed them (the slaves)." Unfortunately, the names of those former residents remain a mystery, but Martha Grau is convinced that there is something odd about her family's

"This was all at ground level at one time," she said. "We don't know what that space was."

The Graus, who bought the property seven years ago, said they have been unable to confirm the nature of the

Another Salem resident, Edna Terry, who lives along Napier Road between Five Mile and North Territorial, said she has always wondered about the unusual crawlspace and what appears to be a cistern in the basement of her 150-yearold home.

"But I have no documentation or any other physical evidence that slaves. were hidden there," said Terry who bought the house in 1972. "What I've heard is all hearsay."

## Tied to Salem

Northville's connection to the Underground Railroad system is tied closely with what happened in the Salem community, as well as in the little villages of Waterford and Meads Mills.

William Ambler, who moved to Northville in 1854, was an ardent abolitionist and is said to have helped fugitive slaves along the Underground Railroad.

The Ambler building, which has since been destorved by fire, may have been a sanctuary for the runaways. The site was located at Main and Center streets in what is today downtown Northville.

Ambler, in one account, told of slave catchers searching his home in Detroit (where he lived before moving to Northville) for slaves, but, according to the account, they "never found any blacks."

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Martha Grau examines a crawl space beneath her barn in Salem Township which may have been used to hide. . by Kelly Santer-Dobson)

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ex-slaves along the Underground Railroad. (Crier photo



## **Community opinions**

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## State: finish City audit

For the past year there has been a cloud hanging over Plymouth City Hall and over some of its employes.

The dark cloud first appeared soon after longtime City Manager Henry E. Graper's forced "resignation" on July 3 - almost a full year ago.

Hardly a week had passed before then-City Commissioner Robert Jones and Graper himself asked for a complete investigation into city funds amidst rumors of improprieties.

It was right to call for a full investigation from the state treasurer's office. That's the only way to clear the air.

But nothing is yet resolved - nor is anyone's name cleared - by silence from Lansing.

One year is too long to wait.

The silence is unfair to a number of people.

First, it's unfair to Graper himself. However substantial the backing for accusations against the former city manager — remember his Sept. 18 personal check to the city for \$17,300 in "over-payments" — he deserves a verdict on his conduct within a reasonable amount of time. Or he deserves a statement that there was no wrongdoing.

Next, City Clerk and Finance Director William Graham is implicated in the silence. As the man in charge of city finances, some have argued that he should have been aware of and put a stop to any alleged wrongdoings. That cloud probably, unfairly, cost him serious consideration for the city manager post. (The City Charter calls for certain checks and balances affecting Graham's position.)

City Purchasing Director Carol Stone — whom Graper at one point blamed for his overpayment — is another city employe with a stake in the outcome of the audit

The Plymouth City Commissioners themselves also would be best served by a clear verdict from the state. Not only do accusations of malfeasance reflect badly on the city, but — in accordance with the City Charter — the commission is supposed to be a check and balance the conduct of the city manager.

Also under the cloud to a degree are the city's outside auditors and the city attorney. Until the state audit reveals the extent — if any — of wrongdoing, even their functioning can be ouestioned.

And all city employes deserve a clear-cut answer. It cannot be good for employe morale to have accusations hanging over City Hall.

The city seems to be moving on to a new era after Graper's 10-year tenure. Gordon Jaeger, the new top administrator, has shown himself to be hard-working and effective in his first two months. It is also unfair for him to inherit a year-old investigation into city finances.

It is time for the state to either come up with solid accusations against Graper — or anyone else from his administration — or clear the slate.

Also under the cloud is State Rep. Gerald Law, R-Plymouth. He has offered to "make a few calls" in Lansing and use his influence to get the audit completed. But the good taxpayers of Plymouth are entitled to this state service, like any other community in Michigan, and not to the nonchalant attitude currently being demonstrated by the State Treasurer's Local Audit Division.

Plymouth Mayor Dennis Bila and Law should demand action.

Let's get the audit completed before the second year rolls around!

THE COMMUNITY CRIER

## Fire chief says

## Beware of grill fires

EDITOR:

As summer is nearly upon us, it is time for us once again to think about fire hazard and life safety practices related to outdoor cooking practices.

Thus far in 1990, the City of Plymouth Fire Department has responded to two (2) reported fires involving propane fueled barbecue grills. In both instances, the fires were determined to be caused by leaky fuel line connections.

The City of Plymouth Fire Department is asking the owners of barbecue cooking units to take time to inspect the barbecue units in accordance with the manufacturer's safety checklist, guidelines before lighting up.

In addition, be sure to check the following on propane type barbecue grills:

- After bringing the barbecue unit out of storage, remove debris, dust, dirt and grease from entire unit.
- 2. Be sure that the control valve on the propane tank is in the "Off" position.
- 3. Inspect all fuel line hose couplings to insure their tightness.
- 4. Inspect fuel line hoses for cracks, fraying and for dry rotting.
- 5. Inspect all other components of the barbecoe unit to insure that everything is in good condition.
- 6. With the High/Low limit control valve on the barbecue in the "Off"

position to pressurize the fuel lines. Look - listen - feel for leaks around hose couplings, entire length of hoses and around the fuel regulating device. A hissing sound may indicated that there is a leak.

7. If you note a leak of any kind, turn all fuel supply valves to the "Off" position, and refer to your owner's operating manual for the proper corrective action or have the barbecue unit serviced by an authorized serviceman.

Under no circumstances should a propune or gas fired barbecue unit-beoperated when it is leaking fuel from defective hose lines or couplings.

ALAN A. MATTHEWS PLYMOUTH FIRE CHIEF

## **Community opinions**

One view\*

Scott Daniel



Here's where the unexpected comes

in. In investigating the rumor, we

explored the crawl space underneath

the barn, dug through hay, waded

through manure and weeds and peered

barn to look at the unusual space from

the inside, using a flash light to inspect

the ceiling for a possible trap door of some kind. No luck,

bunch of old planks that looked like

they could have the original floor for

the barn. We noted that the current

floor looked relatively new compared

We kicked around some loose hay

off the floor of the barn, again looking

for a passage into the crawl space. We

also looked into a feed bin, which sits

on the barn floor directly above the

crawl space, looking for the passage.

We never found the "hidden" passage.

by three feet. It didn't look too

hospitable, but I'm sure that didn't

matter to the "fugitives" looking for

Detroit, on the other hand, provided

something else which was unexpected.

Leach, a church historian, and in-

vestigation of the church, I came away

with a great since of respect for the

blacks that struggled so hard for

admiration when learning about people

like Martin Luther King, But, to see

what they went through, the conditions

they endured, for freedom, up-close, I

room in the basement. The room is a

testement to human spirit. It is about

12 by 12 feet, no windows, no com-

stay in the room until it was safe to

make their way to Canada. He said

they would come in from the alley to a

back door of the church, where they

pot to go to the bathroom in. They had

nothing to pass the time, only their

Church from Plymouth, Leach said.

They slept on the floor and used a

They came to the Second Baptist

The church helped about 5,000 to

Leach said blacks traveling the rail

freedom, Leach said. He couldn't

estimate how many of those came

called Canada "the land of the free."

Seems like I've heard that somewhere

else. The energy world only the colu-

Leach said that more than 14 would

At the Second Baptist Church is a

felt in awe of their resolve.

were taken to the room.

thoughts and their hopes.

through Plymouth.

To a small degree, I felt that same

And that was a bit of admiration

The Second Baptist Church in

During an interview with Nathaniel

The crawl space itself was about 12

with other parts of the barn.

In the floor of the crawl space lay a

We even went so far as to crawl through an opening at the base of the

into a feed bin.

freedom.

freedom.

## Digging out a story ....

There should be a course in journalism school about dealing with the unexpected

In researching and interviewing a story about the Underground Railroad, I felt a little like Leonard Nimoy in the old TV show, "In Search

Our search for the connection between the Underground Railroad and The Plymouth-Canton Community led us to an old barn and a historic church in Detroit that served as a last stop on the way to freedom.

That barn belongs to Roger and Martha Grau of Salem Township. Our investigation led us there on the rumor that the barn was used as a "station" on the Underground Railroad.

Unfortunately, we couldn't come-up with any hard facts out of our visit to the Graus.

Martha Grau said the family that lived in the house originally fed and provided shelter to the "passengers" on the rail. She said a crawl space, underneath the barn, was used as the hiding place for the fugitives.

Grau told the story of how the family was allegedly involved in the secret system according to one of the grandchildren of the man who acted as that station's "conductor."

## Salem group says thanks

The Salem Area Historical Society wishes to thank all those who contributed to the success of our Barn Exhibit during the Flag Day Celebration in the hamlet of Salem.

First of all, we thank the barn owners who made the exhibit possible and the Salem Township Board for the use of the town hall: Matt Theeke for the original inspiration; Gilbert Terry for his model of an historic barn; Olive and Herb Conant for so many artifacts and the organization of the reception; Vicky Bragg for exhibit captions, for artifacts, for photography; George Pariseau for artifacts; and children; Betty Sutton, Karl Gierman, Marion Mathews for artifacts; and Clara Dickerson for an original drawing of a barn long vanished.

Thanks also are due to the many other members who provided oldfashioned refreshments at the busy reception for the barn owners.

The quality and enthusiasm of the whole affair were not diminished by the lack of coverage by the press.

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## Shot clouds two lives

Two unlikely men share a cloud of suspicion right now.

A single tragic event linked these two, who, up until 1:30 in the morning on May 21, were both riding high on recent developments.

One, who graduated May 13 from medical school with a bright future ahead of him, has since been recovering slowly in a hospital bed for the past five weeks.

The other, a police officer who was feted May 18 at a dinner in Traverse City, found himself - just three days later - in the midst of controversy for having been one of three officers who shot at the first young man for allegedly attacking the policemen with a knife.

Until the law enforcement and judicial systems sort out their intricacies, both men live under the same dond.

It hasn't helped either of them that the Michigan State Police, (who are routinely called in by Canton to independently investigate a shooting by police), have taken so long to complete their report and are now refusing to release its details. (This newspaper has filed to obtain the report in accordance with the Michigan Freedom of Information Act.)

Paul Vachher, 25, graduated from medical school eight days before his family called Canton Police to their house to help subdue him that early morning.

One of the responding officers saw deja vu unfold before his eyes. Dave Boljesic, a veteran Canton officer, had just received an award as one of Michigan's outstanding officers for his actions last Sept. 10 when he shot and wounded a Westland man who was allegedly attacking him and another officer with a knife following an armed

On May 21, Vachher came out of his

threw at police, say official reports. Boliesic, and two other Canton officers, fired their guns at Vachher, who was wounded three times, reports say.

Details of the incident are in question. The Vachher family accused police of over-reacting, the police officers' union has attacked the Vachher family's statement and defended the police.

Boljesic, particularly because he has personally been involved in the only two incidents in the Canton PD history where citizens were wounded, is under a cloud until the final investigations are completed. (An internal report will be conducted by Canton officials once the State Police report is released.)

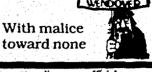
The officer, certainly in part because he's doing his job well by being in the right place at the right time, is also publicly hurt by the fact that the newspaper must forever use the term 'alleged" in the first knife attack. (Canton Police Chief John Santomauro said the Wayne County Prosecutor has apologized for allowing the 'assaulting a police officer' charge to be dropped from the earlier incident's defendant, but that still means he was only convicted of armed robbery. Even though citizen witnesses said that man attacked police with a knife - a judge or jury did not find

And in the incident a month ago, both the Boljesic and Vachher accounts are left as mere allegations until the legal-judicial system completes its

While a complete investigation is necessary, its delay does no service to

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## With malice



## Knights thank citizens

The Plymouth Knights of Columbus wish to thank the people of the City of Plymouth for the support they provided at our charity softball game on June 3.

The number of people that came to our outing with the Detroit Red Wings, as well as the behavior of the fans, is truly an example of the type of people that reside in our city.

The Knights of Columbus are proud to provide fand organize activities such as a charity softball game, and are equally proud to report that this event allowed us to collect over \$3,000 for Detroit Pediatric Hospice for children with cancer.

We also wish to make known the cooperation we received from the City of Plymouth, the Department of Parks and Recreation and the Department of Public Works was beyond our expectations.

The people of Plymouth can be proud of the city officials that watch over the local activities. We could not have done this without

Thank you all! STEVEN D. SOCHA GRAND-KNIGHT RICHARD W. GILLES DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT

## Bag-tag program may start this fall

A bag-tag program for solid waste disposal in the City of Plymouth moved one step closer to reality for residents last week.

At its June 18 meeting, the Plymouth City Commission authorized City Manager Gordon Jaeger to prepare a refuse collection plan, "whereby residents and small commercial users...will be able to purchase collection bags and tags to be used for weekly pickups."

The new system should be in place by September or October, according to Assistant City Manager Paul Sincock.

City Attorney Ronald Lowe said it will take him three to four weeks to formulate a solid waste ordinance after he gets input from the city administration.

"I don't envision that it's going to happen in the next 30 days that you'll see a garbage ordinance," Lowe said.

The program would require residents to place their refuse in special bags purchased from the city for \$1 or mark it with a tag costing the same amount.

The hope is that residents will reduce the amount of refuse going into area

landfills by taking appropriate materials to the city recycling center, where they are disposed of free, Sincock said.

Rising landfill prices have been blamed for the city's projected \$60,000 to \$75,000 deficit. They are rumored to be increasing again, according to city Finance Director William Graham.

Implementation of the bag-tag program would be accompanied by a reduction in the amount the mills levied for refuse disposal.

The resolution stipulates that the

new solid waste plan will also:

- · Be "fair and as equitable as possible to all users, both residential and commercial."
- · Continue to provide "a high level of service and a clean community."
- "Encourage, and when possible, mandate recycling."
- · Be cost-effective.
- · Address the needs of commercial users and provide a "clean and attractive business community."

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## Public notices

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF VOTER REGISTRATION DEADLINE

NOTICE OF VOTER REGISTRATION DEADLINE

Notice is hereby given that Monday, July 9, 1990 is the last day registrations can be accepted in order to be eligible to vote in the primary election to be held on August 7, 1990. Registrations will be accepted at the Township Clerk's Office Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. or at any Secretary of State Office.

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LOREN N. BENNETT CLERK

LEGAL NOTICE
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH
"TAKES DUE"

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that 1990 Summer Taxes collected by Plymouth Township are DUE
July 1, 1990 and are payable without penalty through September 14, 1990.

Payment is to be made to Plymouth Township Treasurer, Mary A. Brooks, at the Township
Hall 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, Michigan 48170. Summer hours are 8:00 a.m. to 4:00
p.m Monday through Friday. Telephone 453-8830.

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City of Ptymouth

Charter Township of Ptymouth

Close of Registration for Primary Voters

Please note that Tuesday, July 9, 1990 is the last day of Registration for the Primary Election to be held on Tuesday, August 7, 1990. Registrations for City electors will be taken at the office of the City Clerk at 201 South Main Street in Plymouth, registration for Township electors at the office of the Township Clerk at 42350 Ann Arbor Road, or for either at any Secretary of State office. The phone number of the City Clerk is 453-1234; that of the Township Clerk is 453-1840. The offices are open from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. If a resident is unable to register during the time the Clerk's offices are open, a call to the respective Clerk's office can set up a convenient time for the resident.

Linda Langmesser, Deputy Clerk
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
CITY OF PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN
At a regular meeting of the City Commission to be beld in the Commission Chambers of
City Hall on Monday, July 16, 1990, at 7:30 p.m. a public hearing will be held to discuss the
following:

following:

Vacating of an Alley described as

Public Alley, adjacent to lots 22 through 35
inclusive and lots 51 through 65 inclusive,
William A. Blunk addition, City of Plymouth
Wayne County, Michigan, L. 27 P. 39, WCR.
Also known as the alley between Arthur and Irvin,
William and Blanche Straus.

All interested persons are invited to attend this meeting and will be given an opportunity to participate in the discussion. At the close of the public hearing all comments and suggestions of those citizens participating will be considered by the City Commission, prior to rendering its decision.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON

PUBLIC NOTICE.

The report on uses of GENERAL REVENUE SHARING FUNDS for the fiscal year of 1989

has been submitted, as required, by the Charter Township of Canton.

The report is available for public inspection on weekdays at the Township Clerk's Office, 1150
S. Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan 48188, during regular business hours of 8:30 A.M. to

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Loren Bennett, Clerk

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan will accept sealed bids up to 10:15 a.m., July 13, 1990 for the following:

Exterior Remodeling

Fire Station 1

Specifications are available at the Financial Services Dept. The Township reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools cordially invites all interested and qualified companies to submit proposals for the management of our Food Service Program for 1990-91. Proposal forms are available at, and completed proposals are to be returned

Plymouth-Canton Community Schools 454 S. Harvey Street Plymouth, Michigan 48170 c/o Purchasing Office

Scaled proposals are due on or before

Scaled proposals are due on or before:

2:00 PM — July 19, 1990

A public meeting will be held immediately following the deadline for submission of proposals, wherein all proposals will be opened and read. Thereafter proposals will be referred to Administration for evaluation and recommendations to the Board of Education.

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

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Jeanette Wines, Secretary:

Board of Education

Jeanette Wines, Secretary Board of Education

#### ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

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Scaled bids will be received by the Charter Township of Canton Cierk's Office, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan until 10:00 a.m., July 13, 1990, at which time and place said bids will be opened and publicly read aloud for the approximate quantities of work noted below. The Contractor is advised that the work noted below will be bed in one contract.

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Each proposal shall be accompanied by a certified check or bid bond in the amount of at least five (5%) percent of the amount of the bid, payable to the Charter Township of Canton, as accurately for the proper execution of the contract.

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Contract documents must be picked up Englandring Servism. The Tourdakin reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids and to waive any informality in any bid should it consider same to in its best interest. Bids may not be withdrawn for the period of sixty (60) days after date of receiving of bids.

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## The Northville connection

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James Purdy is said to have operated an underground station on property at Five Mile and Sheldon roads (today's site of St. John's Seminary). Purdy apparently provided money to escaping blacks after sheltering them in "three log shelters" in the dense woods near the Five Mile. Sheldon site.

It is also reported, in some accounts, that homes in the Reservoir Drive area off of what is now Cass Benton were used to house the escaping slaves.

One resident told Holstein that her grandfather, Samuel Starkweather, led slaves to the barn in the back of his house which was used for quartering sheep. The barn was later moved to the Thomson Gravel Pit between Six and Seven Mile roads, west of Beck Road. After sheltering and feeding the slaves, they were moved by wagon to Redford and Detroit.

Just south of Northville (along what is now Northville Road), in what was once known as the community of Waterford, it has been suggested that there was a "prominent" underground station, according to local historian Nettie L. Dibble's 1931 paper on the

Dibble said former slaves may have worked in the mills and factories around Waterford until it became unsafe and they then fled on to Canada. There is also the story of a young male mulatto, Robert Wallace, who barely escaped a fire that destroyed the Waterford mill.

## The sources

A wide variety of source materials were used in generating the information about the local connection to the Underground Railroad.

Besides personal interviews — among others, Dr. Nathaniel Leach at Second Baptist Church in Detroit, several residents of Salem Township and various officials with local historical societies — a range of written records were examined both for general background as well as for direct information relating to Plymouth, Salem, Northville, Canton.

Leach's history of the Second Baptist Church, "The Second Baptist Connection: Reaching Out to Freedom," offered valuable background and specifics about the Michigan routes; Sam Hudson's history of Plymouth provided details of Erastus Hussey's life; and the Salem Historical Society's 1976 publication, "History of Salem Township, Washtenaw County," highlighted efforts in that community.

Other Salem Historical Society literature was also used as were documents in the Plymouth Historical Society (Nettie Dibble's 1931 paper on Plymouth history, for example).

Files were checked at libraries in Plymouth, Northville, Canton and Ann Arbor as were several newsletters from the Northville Historical Society.

Finally, a 1975 paper on the Underground Railroad written by Northville resident Sue Holstein for the Silver Springs Chapter of Questers (an organization interested in local history) proved invaluable in efforts to track-possible local connections.

It has also been suggested, in a newsletter of the Northville Historical Society, that Meads Mill served as an Underground Railroad station as well.

Further evidence to clarify the involvement of Waterford and Meads Mills is lacking, however.

## Along Michigan

The Canton connection to the Underground Railroad is linked to Route Three. Route Three followed what is now Michigan Avenue, which cuts through the southern portion of the township.

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Dr. Nathaniel
Leuch exits
from the
basement of
the Second
Baptist Church in Detroit
which was
used to
shelter escaping slaves.
The small
from aw
serves as a
museum to
tell the story
of the
escapees. (Crier photo by
Keily SauterDobson)

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## Riding the Underground Railroad

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Names of any Canton residents who may have helped along the underground road remain obscured by fog of time. But to the west, along that same route, there were stops in Ypsilanti and Ann Arbor.

Several sources point to Ypsilanti as having a number of stops on the Underground Railroad. Two important stations in Ypsilanti were run at the homes of Leonard Chase and Mark Norris, who were white leaders in that community, according to Ruth Bordin's illustrated history of Washtenaw County.

George McCoy, a former slave and cigar maker in Ypsilanti, is also mentioned by Bordin. McCoy allegedly aided blacks that had traveled to Michigan from southern Ohio, she

According to Bordin, McCoy sold cigars in Detroit and Wyandotte. It is believed that he carried the fugitives to Wyandotte in a covered wagon, that had a false bottom, when he went to sell the cigars. From there, the fugitives would go to Canada via a boat, she wrote.

In Ann Arbor, historians agree that the Underground Railroad has several stops. The homes of Guy Beckley and Josiah Beckley, both along Pontiac Trail, are mentioned as likely stations of the escape route Ann Arbor, according to records and members of the Ann Arbor Historical Commission.



Dr. Nathaniel Leach points out a spot on the Underground Railroad as he discusses the trail that ex-

slaves took to freedom. (Crier photo by Kelly Sauter-Dobson)

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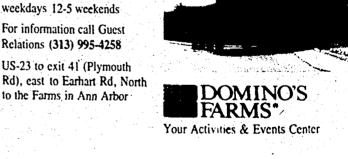
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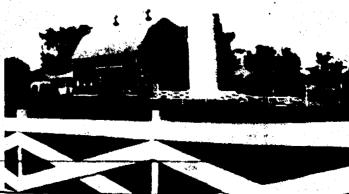


The adjacent Marriott offers full-service overnight accommodations. Reservations and information 313-769-9800. Enjoy the Sunday Brunch 10am-2pm.

on Petting Farm, gift shops, food concessions and more.







## Veterans 'fight' for peace

BY PHILIP TARDANI Thomas Grimm is trying to organize area residents for a cause he believes is very important - peace.

The Canton resident is a member of Veterans for Peace, an international organization made up of people who know a little something about war.

"This is basically an organization of combat veterans or relatives of combat veterans," Grimm said. "I told them I'd try to start something up here in Plymouth."

The 55-year-old is a Marine Corps veteran who served as a demolition expert during the Korean War, leading other soldiers through mine fields.

Though Grimm said he did most of his work at night and did not see much actual combat, the effects of the war were readily apparent.

"I could see the people starving and eating rats," he said. "One of the big things was how cheap life became in general.

"The people in that country were treated as less than people."

After a five year stint in the Marines, over a year of which was in Korea, Grimm recalls that he had trouble adjusting to civilian life and turned to a Buddhist lifestyle.

"Things didn't go very well - it's hard to adapt to being a civilian," he said. "I became a Buddhist and have been one ever since."

Grimm said he heard about Veterans for Peace through a Washington newsletter a few months ago and joined the organization right away.

"I thought, 'that's a great idea, to do some active participation,' " he said.

Grimm said though most veterans organizations are good for a community and make many charitable contributions, he thinks they spend a lot of time dwelling in the past.

"Veterans for Peace is more politically minded, I believe," he said.

Among the international group's

- · Increase public awareness of the costs of war.
- · Restrain the U.S. government from intervening, overtly and covertly, in the internal affairs of other nations.
- · End the arms race and reduce, and eventually eliminate, nuclear weapons.

· Abolish war and violence as instruments of policy.

"We're actively opposing the government because the government is in the war business," Grimm said.

Grimm is among a few other Veterans for Peace members in Michigan.

Sanderson is the Bruce organization's coordinator Michigan. He lives in Boyne City and is a member of the Veterans for Peace Northern Michigan branch.

A World War II veteran, Sanderson retired from the Army Reserve after 25 years of active and reserve service.

He served in General George Patton's Third Army Signal Corps, Sanderson said, and made combat landings in Morocco and Sicily.

In 1944, Sanderson said, he was sent to the Japanese island of Okinawa, where he saw first-hand the effects of war on non-combatants.

"In Okinawa I saw the destruction of cities," Sanderson said. "They (the American Navy) just pounded those population centers mercilessly until there was nothing standing.

"The people fled south and many civilians jumped off the cliffs down there because they heard about the dreadful things the Americans would do to them."

Sanderson, who is in his 70's, said he objects to the high human costs of war.

"War de-humanizes not only its



Thomas Grimm of Veterans for Peace poses next to the Plymouth Rock, which serves as the city's memorial to those residents killed in U.S. foreign wars prior to Korea. (Crier photo by Philip Tardani)

the people behind the guns," he said. There is also a high monetary cost to

war and its preparation, Sanderson

"The U.S. economy can ill-afford immense spending on gold-plated war toys," he said.

Sanderson admitted that other veterans organizations may have trouble accepting the Veterans for Peace goals.

"Patriotism as they've been given to

understand it is a bit different," he said.

replies, however, with his ization's motto: "Peace is He organization's Patriotic.'

Sandersons' wife, Charlotte, is also a member of the organization. She served for two years during World War II in the army's medical corps.

"We're in this together," said

Robert Krzewinski, of Ypsilanti, is another member of the organization, though he has never seen combat.

Krzewinski was a mechanic in the Navy from 1973-77. He said getting an inside look at the military changed his perspective on it.

"Your eyes really open up to some of the waste going on," he said. "After experiencing the military, your views on it get changed."

Krzewinski, 36, questions the need for the all the military hardware the Pentagon requests, as well as the need to continue to prepare for war.

He said he is also disturbed by the military mentality that shows a disregard for human life. Krzewinski said he saw that attitude during the Mayaguez incident in 1975.

The incident broke out when Cambodian forces seized a U.S. merchant ship. Krzewinski said many of the Marines he talked with were anxious to get into the fight.

"People were really excited about going over there and killing people, he said. "There's no thought behind who these people are."

Krzewinski said he would like to see people made aware of the true costs of war, monetary as well human. He said another big goal of Veterans for Peace is to restrain the U.S. government from intervening in the affairs of other

victims, but its perpetrators as well --

Two members of Veterans for Peace eye the Plymouth Rock veterans memorial about the time a "peace pole was installed near the monument two years ago. The

group was among those involved in the project. The pole has since disappeared. (Crier file photo).

As far as dealing with other vets

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## Plymouth's first settlers recalled

BY HELEN GILBERT

On April 20, 1820 Congress passed the "Land Act," which was the beginning of many new settlers' move into Michigan Territory.

Many newcomers came into the Plymouth-Canton-Northville area, and with the opening of the Erie Canal, in October, 1825, thousands more made their way into Michigan Territory. Thousands more have been moving this way ever since.

A.C. Parkins' "Historical Geography of Detroit" pictures the road through the "Black Swamp" which in the 1800s extended from Toledo to Sandusky and north to Monroe. Cadillac tried to bring some cattle and horses through there in 1702. Most of the cattle were lost in the swamps and only one horse survived to spend the rest of his life drawing French carts along the waterfront.

(This faithful old horse is glimpsed in the authentic picture used for the cover of "Tonquish Tales, Vol. 1." The right to use this print was obtained from the Burton Library.)

Of the Plymouth area, Parkin mentions that, "farmers carrying produce to Detroit by way of Plymouth Four Corners (now Plymouth), almost 35 miles, would need nearly a week to make the journey and return." So in 10 years not much progress had been made.

There is a bronze marker on the outer wall of Plymouth's famous Mayflower Hotel which proudly states,

## Glimpse At Yesterday

that the site marks the place where William Starkweather and his wife, Keziah, established their first home. This marker was placed in 1927 by the Woman's Club of Plymouth, and the Sarah Ann Cochrane Chapter of the

Take a look at this proud ornament sometime when you are downtown. When you think of the impassable roads and the weary swamps William and Keziah, and hundreds of other early settlers had to cross to get here only to find wolves, bears, and sometimes dangerous Indians barring their way, you feel more than a little pride in their courageous accomplisments.

The Starkweather family story has been well told in Sam Hudson's book, "The Story of Plymouth." Another account is found in the Nettie Dibble Papers which may read in the Plymouth Library. But if you really want to get down to the basic details of the Starkweather story check out Burton Library. The library has a very fine collection of books and papers about early Plymouth-Canton-Northville.

Space and time is limited so we must leave the Starkweathers with a lot



This painting of E.J. Penniman, an early Plymouth resident, hangs in the Plymouth Historical Museum, on Main Street. (Crier photo by Kelly Sauter-Dobson)

unsaid. As we walk away from the southwest corner of Ann Arbor Road and Main Street we glimpse Keziah doing Monday's washing in the pristine waters of Tonquish Creek while William is across the trail rounding up some lambs he keeps in a kind of common area which he will eventually share with other settlers

(This New England style "common" will become Kellogg Park many years later, and many years after that the City of Plymouth will build a covered market facing the park. This New England style shelter, "the Gathering Place," is built on land where Will Starkweather used to shear his lambs).

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## ew YMCA chief adds 'stability'

With a new director at the helm and settled in, the Plymouth Community Family YMCA may be entering into a new era of stability.

Director Joanne McCarthy says she is eager to stay in her new position and get things done.

"I'm here and I'm going to do it," she said. "I definitely think we're moving in the right direction."

The last couple of years have seen a few shake-ups in the directorship of the Y. Long-time director Janet Luce retired in 1988 and was replaced by Sue Smith.



## Friends & Neighbors

McCarthy took over the job in April 1989 after Smith "didn't work out" in the position.

director because I knew it all," she said

In February, McCarthy left the position for three months on a medical

"When she left I filled in as interim



Members of the YMCA board of directors take a break after a meeting. They include from left: Charles McIllersey, Mary Buti, Bill Patterson, Joe Henshaw, Tom Kalis, president, Mark Brown, Burt Dickinson, Al Califie and Daryl Dooley. (Crier photo by Philip Tardani)

leave. She has returned, however, to a job she says is demanding, but enjoyable.

"It (the job) is challenging," she said. "It's very interesting, though, because of the variety."

H. Kristene Rautio, vice president of the Plymouth Community United Way - a major contributor to the Y - said McCarthy will serve the organization

"She is definitely a qualified person to fill that responsibility," she said. "She is a real asset to the organization."

Thomas Kalis, the new president of the Y board of directors, said the Y will benefit from McCarthy's service and he hopes to see her stay in the position.

"We fully expect Joanne to be around for awhile," he said. "She adds stability to the staff, she has a lot of know-how.

The new board of directors took office in February.

For her part, McCarthy said she will work well with the board.

"I think with the changes in the board we're moving in the right direction," she said, "We have to move hand-in-hand."

Kalis said the board he leads is a good cross-section from the community, including Plymouth Township employes and representatives from education and real estate fields, among other areas.

He said the board is also a mixture of new and old members.

"We're adding some energy along with some experience," he said. "I think it's a very workable board."

So what do the new director and board have on the agenda for the

First, McCarthy said, there is a wide range of programming for both children and adults

For kids, she said, the Y is offering T-ball, soccer, backyard swimming and day camp, among other things.

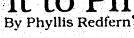
A brief list of adult activities offered this summer includes golf, karate, archery, funess, and Chinese cooking.

The Y is also coming off a Father's Day Run that went very well, Mc-Carthy said.

"The run was a great success," she said. "We cracked over 1,000 (participants) for the first time.

With Fall Festival just over two months away, McCarthy

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## Bares gets academy nomination

David C. Bares, of Plymouth, has received an appointment to the United States Air Force Academy at Colorado Springs, CO.

Bares has been on the honor roll during all four of his years at Canton High. He also participated in student council (as vice president) and was a member of the school's track, swimming and diving teams.

Bares is also a member of the Divine Savior Youth Group and has attended the Rainbow Conference for the last two years. He has been honored by the Rotary club, and has taken part in the Michigan Summer Institute in Computer Assisted Design, Youth Senate and the Michigan Freedom Academy.

Bares will pursue a degree in aeronautical and mechanical engineering while at the academy.

Drema Schuette, Diane Powell and Michael Miller recently received scholarships from the Plymouth Rotary Foundation for vocational-technical education.

Schuette, a Salem High student, has been involved in competitive roller skating. She plans to become a child care professional, and will attend Schoolcraft College.

Powell, a Canton High student, is seeking a career in office administration and will be attending Schoolcraft College.

Miller, a Salem student, will attend Northwood Institute and study business administration.

Michael Camp, of Plymouth, has been included in Early American Life magazine's Directory of American Craftsmen.

Camp's work was reviewed by an independent panel of experts, and his furniture entry was selected over hundreds of entries across the nation.

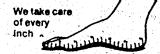
Walter Coleman, of Plymouth, has been chosen as the fifth Schoolcraft College Foundation Scholar Award winner. The award also includes a scholarship.

Coleman, a Canton High School graduate, intends to pursue a degree in electrical engineering. After college he plans to work in the automotive field, doing research or design work.

Esther Hulsing, of Plymouth, has been awarded the title of 'Certified Municipal Clerk' from the International Institute of Municipal Clerks (IIMC) for completing the organization's requirements:

Hulsing, the Plymouth Township clerk since 1978, holds degrees from Montana State and Ohio State Universities. She also belones to a number of community organizations.

Students from Canton who received advanced degrees from EMU are: Judith Bloomquist of Chichester, MA; Karen Bossieux of Burgundy, MA; Janet Buffa of Gatehouse, MA; Janet Eagle of Newton, MA; Eric Jasin of Murray Hill, MS; Jeannine Laderach of Hanford, MA; Kathryn Linder-Katz of Southwind, MLS; Rosalie McSurley of Maidstone, MA; Donna Meszaros of Ardsley, MA; Roxanne Moses of Fredericksburg, MA; Joanne Mouch of Ravenwood, MA; Francis Savola of Copeland, MA; Linda Sullivan of Walnut Ridge, MBE; Lee Tykoski of Scottsdale, MS; and Kathleen Weaver of Heritage, MA.



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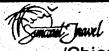
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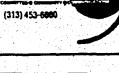




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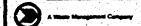
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## Community Band celebrates birthday

Plymouth residents gather around Kellogg Park's fountain Thursday to listen to the Plymouth Community Band. The band celebrated its 30th birthday with the park concert. (Crier photo by Eriq Lukasik)

## Fenced woods last resort

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Gornick said the township agrees that the woods should be preserved, but would like to see it as open as possible.

"We feel that an open area should be as accessible as possible to the public." he said.

Once the township gets clarification from the school board, it can pass specific ordinances to protect the woods, Gornick said.

Along with the ordinances, he said,

the township will try educating the public on what acceptable behavior in the woods is.

"We'll try that until September,"
Gornick said. "If that doesn't work (in preserving the woods) we'll try a fence."

Miller Woods contains fern specimens that are at least 500 years old, according to John M. Hoben, schools superintendent. University of Michigan students still use the woods as an outdoor laboratory, he said.

## Fish fry floundering

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possibility of their organization running the meal is still being looked into.

"We're still working on it," Huddas said. "We haven't committed to it yet."

The Plymouth Lion's Club has hosted the annual fish fry for the last several years. McElroy said that this year, however, the club chose not to

participate

Steve Socha, a Knights of Columbus member, said that his organization had volunteered their services to the veterans.

"We offered to help the vets do it because they're just getting organized," Socha said, adding that the K of C have a lot of experience in large cookouts. The festival is slated for Sept. 6-9.

## Show to benefit Geer

The Plymouth Geer Mothers' Club will host a Craft and Antique Show to benefit the restoration effort for the historic Geer School.

The show will be held Saturday (June 30) from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. at Trinity Presbyterian Church, 10101 W. Ann Arbor Rd., across from the Geer school house.

Admission is \$1. There will also be baked goods and refreshments on sale during the benefit.

Geer School is located at Gotfredson and Ann Arbor roads in Superior Township. Restoration of the one-room school house (more than 150 years old) began more than two years ago through community donations.

For Saturn dealership

## Massey proposes new site

Donald Massey has apparently scrapped his plans to build a Saturn dealership on Ann Arbor Road west of Haggerty

The Plymouth Township Planning Commission last Wednesday set a July 18 public hearing date for Massey's request to build the dealership behind his Cadillac dealerships at Ann Arbor Road and I-275.

Massey has said he needs to begin construction on the new site in a timely manner.

"I do need to build a dealership and I do need to be in business by November," he said.

The township board voted 5-2 on May to deny Massey's rezoning requests at his site on Ann Arbor Road west of Haggerty.

Residents who live near that proposed dealership oppose it because they say it will mean an increase in traffic in the area, including around Allen Elementary School.

Richard Gornick, chair of the planning commission, said putting the dealership on that site would violate the township's future land use plan, which calls for a more residential character.

## State Police withhold report

BY SCOTT DANIEL

The Michigan State Police are refusing to disclose the results of an investigation into the May 21 incident in which a Canton resident was wounded by Canton Police.

A formal request for the completed report has been filed under the Michigan Freedom of Information Act by The Community Crier, but State Police refused to release the information by press time.

According to State Police Lt. Jack Moulik, the report has been sent to the Wayne County Prosecutor's office for action.

Bob Sage, of the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office, said it could take up to two weeks for their staff to review the investigation and make a determination if charges should be filed against Paul Vachher, who was wounded, or against police, who shot him three times, according to police and hospital reports.

Vachher's condition has improved to "good" after more than a month and several operations at St. Joseph Hospital in Ypsilanti, according to hospital officals. Vachher had been in critical condition for weeks after the incident, officals said.

## City trash

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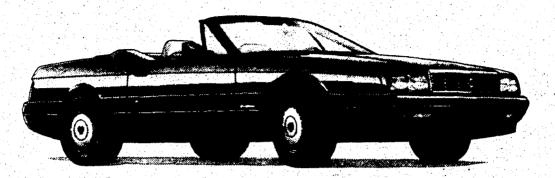
Jaeger said two solid waste options for larger commercial users include letting the businesses contract for disposal themselves or increasing refuse pickup fees and continuing pickup.

"This is something we want to look at and get some input," he said.

A tentative date for a new conmercial pickup plan is September of October, Sincock said.



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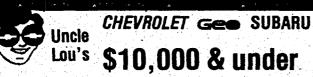
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#### **CLASS OF 1930 REUNION**

The Plymouth High School graduating Class of 1930 will celebrate its 60th class reunion this Saturday (June 30) at the Mayflower Hotel in Plymouth.

#### ART IN THE PARK

"Art in the Park," the 10th annual celebration of arts and crafts in the City of Plymouth will be held July 14-15 in Kellogg Park. More than 285 exhibitors will be on hand for the two-day event. Hours are from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. both days. Artisans will come from as far as California and Florida. There will also be artisans from 100 different communities in Michigan. Food and entertainment will be available.

#### SUMMER PARK PROGRAM

The Plymouth Parks and Recreation Department's 1990 Summer Park Program will be offered July 5 through Aug. 17 at various locations in the city. Locations include: Central Middle School, Kiwanis Park, Jaycee Park, and Garden Club Park. Activities include games, sports, contests, stories and arts and crafts. Also, weekly field trips and special events. Registration is set for July 5-6. For further information call the recreation department at 455-6623.

### HEAD START RECRUITMENT

The Plymouth-Canton Head Start program is recruiting children for the 1990-91 school year. Sponsored by the Plymouth-Canton school district. Children must be three or four years old on or before Dec. 1, 1990 and income eligible. The program is free and offered at Central Middle School: For further information call 451-6656.

#### **CLASS OF 1935 REUNION**

The Plymouth High School Class of 1935 will hold its 55th class reunion Aug. 25 at 6 p.m. at the Plymouth Elks Lodge on Ann Arbor Road. For further information call Marion Kehrl at 455-5917 or Eileen Williams at 453-1680.

#### ST. PETER'S OPEN HOUSE

St. Peter's Lutheran day school on Penniman Avenue in the City of Plymouth is hosting an open house Thursday (June 28) from 7-8:30 p.m. The public is invited to visit the school and speak with teachers.

#### **SCHOOLCRAFT REGISTRATION**

Schoolcraft College will conduct in-person registration for summer courses today (June 27). Summer courses begin July 5. For information call 462-4430.

#### **SUMMER BOARD HOURS**

The Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Board of Education office will have summer office hours from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. through Aug. 26. Then on Aug. 27 the office will revert back to regular hours of 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Also, registration for new students can take place at the board building, 454 S. Harvey, City of Plymouth. For information on registering students call 451-3137.

#### MOTORCYCLE SAFETY CLASS

Schoolcraft College is offering two motorcycle safety courses this summer on July 8 and again on Aug. 26, both from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. The fee is \$20. There will also be a course on July 15 for experienced riders. The cost is also \$20. For further information call 462-4448.

ANNUAL MADONNA CONFERENCE
The sixth annual conference, "We're Making It On Our Own," is set for July 14 at Madonna College and presented by Interdependent Living Council of Michigan. The conference is for "people who are or will be living on their own."
Register by July 6. The cost is \$15 per person by July 6 or \$20 per person after July 6. Includes breakfast, workshops, a pizza party and dance. For further information call 263-8941 or 455-8880, ext. 365. Starts at 8 a.m. and runs until 9

### CHILDREN'S SUMMER WORKSHOPS

The Plymouth Parks and Recreation Department is offering summer workshops for children ranging in age from five to 13. Some of the workshops include: pet plants, bead necklaces, doll pillows, mini-hat sachet, decorative magnets, and fabric wreaths. Costs (generally \$3 to \$11) and times vary for each workshop. For further information on each workshop call 455-6627.

### CITY RECYCLING CENTER

The City of Plymouth's Recycling Center will offer expanded operation hours for residents wishing to turn in recycling materials. Hours will be 4-9 p.m., Tuesday through Thursday, and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday. For further information call 453-1234, ext. 238.

### ICE SKATING PROGRAM

The Plymouth Cultural Center will reopen its ice arena on June 18. There will be open skating on Saturdays and Sundays. Call 455-6620 for more information.



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#### **CANTON GOLF DISCOUNTS**

Canton's Parks and Recreation is now selling golf discount coupons for Fellows Creek Golf Course in Canton. A book of 10 coupons (for Canton residents only) costs \$1. Each coupon is good for \$1 discount on a nine-hole round of golf. For further information call 397-5110. Proof of residency will be required.

#### HOST FAMILY NEEDED

The Canton Rotary Club is seeking a host family for Agustin Valdez, a 17-year-old student from Argentina. The family must be in the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools district. Agustin will attend Salem High. The family will not be expected to host the student for the entire school year. To help call Tom McNamara at 981-2352 or 932-0700.

#### COMMUNITY BAND SHOW

The Plymouth Community Band will begin its "Concerts in the Park," starting tomorrow (June 21) beginning at 8 p.m. with a Community Band Birthday. The free shows are held in Kellogg Park (in the City of Plymouth). Other show dates are: June 28, July 5, 12, 19 and 26. For further information call 453-5334.

#### MADONNA VOLLEYBALL CAMP

Madonna College will host a volleyball camp for junior high and high school girls July 9-12 (elite camp), July 16-19 (setters camp), and July 23-26 (hitters camp). Held from 8:30 a.m. until noon in the college gym. For further information call Jerry Abraham at 478-7107.

#### NOMINATING PETITIONS

Nominating petitions are available at the clerk's offices of the City of Plymouth and Plymouth Township for election in November to a four-year term on the Plymouth District Library Board. One seat will be up for election. Nominees must be over 18 and residents of the city or township. The filing deadline is 4 p.m., July 19. For further information call Patricia Thomas at 453-0750.

#### CLOWN CARE-NIVAL

Our Lady of Providence Center, in Northville, is planning its first "Clown CAREnival" to be held July 22 from 1-5 p.m. on the grounds of the school. There will be games, hot air ballon rides, clowns, music, a magic show, entertainment and lots of food. For further information call 453-1300.

#### PARADE PARTICIPANTS WANTED

All Plymouth businesses are invited to march in Plymouth's upcoming fourth of July parade. Businesses will carry their own display. Call the Plymouth Chamber of Commerce at 453-1540 for more information.

#### ICE CREAM SOCIAL

The 50-Up club from St. John Neumann Church will sponsor an ice cream social on July 10. New members and guests are welcome. For information call 495-1307 or 459-4091.

### SINGLES, DOUBLES TENNIS TOURNEY

Canton's Parks and Recreation Dept. is hosting a Singles and Doubles Tennis Tournament July 6-8 at Canton High School. Cost is \$5 for each singles player and \$10 for a doubles team. Single elimination format. Awards given to winners and runners-up. Open to all area tennis players of all ages. Register by July 3 at 5 p.m. For further information call 397-5110.

#### **ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUPS**

The Plymouth Family Support Groups of the Alzheimer's Association will meet July 2 at 7 p.m. and July 11 at 1 p.m. at the Arbor Health Center in the City of Plymouth. The support groups are for caregivers, family members and friends of persons afflicted by Alzheimer's disease. For more information call 477-8617.

#### **COMMUNITY FLIP FOR DARE**

Community Federal Credit Union, in conjunction with the Plymouth-Canton DARE Advisory Board, the Department of State Police, the local school district and law enforcement agencies, will host a "Community Flip for DARE" pancake breakfast July 28 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Cost is \$3 for adults and \$2 for children. Tickets at the credit union. Proceeds to benefit DARE (Drug Abuse Resistance Education).

#### CITY SOCCER REGISTRATION

City of Plymouth Parks and Recreation Dept. will hold registration for the Plymouth Soccer Club's fall season throughout the month of June. Boys and girls ages five to 18 can participate. Cost is \$34. Play begins in September. For further information call the recreation department at 455-6620.

#### CEP CLASS REUNIONS

The Salem and Canton high school classes of 1985 are hosting their five-year reunion Aug. 24 at 7:30 p.m. at Laurel Manor in Livonia. For further information write Sue Moyer at 9839 Hillerest, Plymouth, MI, 48170.

### BLOOD DONORS NEEDED

The American Red Cross is sponsoring a blood drive at St. Michael Lutheran Church in Canton. Call 459-3333 for an appointment.

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## Antique cars, bands, highlight July 4th parade





Speciators anxiously peer down Main Street at the start of 1989's. Fourth of July parade, sponsored by the Plymouth Jaycees (Crier photo).

A young viewer is functionted by the events passing by his location at last year's July Fourth parade in Plymouth. (Crier photo)

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Comissioners and Plymouth Township Trustees, the Polish Centennial Dancers, and the Plymouth Business and Professional Women's Club.

Area school bands will also appear. In addition, the Salem Rockettes and Canton Chiefettes Pompom squads will also perform in front of the reviewing stand.

Parade goers can also expect a variety of veterans groups throughout the parade route, including the Vietnam Veterans of America 528 Honor Guard.

There will be plenty of Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, Indian Guides and members of the Canton Lions football team in the parade this year.

Also represented in the parade this year will be members of the Plymouth, Plymouth Township and Canton Township police departments (including motorcycle officers). Look for local fire departments as well.

Grand marshall for this year's parade will be Richard Headlee, chairperson and chief executive officer of Alexander Hamilton Life Insurance Company. Headlee is also a former state gubernatorial candidate.

Master of ceremonies will be handled again this year by parade fixture, Dennis Campbell.

"Dennis has been handling the microphone for years and years," Eagle said.

A variety of local lawmakers who are up for election this year will also be visible along the parade route.

Based on the last few year's attendance, Eagle said that he expects the crowd size to be anywhere from 2,500 to 3,500.

Eagle expects a large part of the parade crowd to be made up of people who have seen and participated in past parades.

"A lot of the crowd is drawn through word of mouth," Eagle said, "People who have been in it and have seen it before keep coming back." Eagle also said that advertising has been done in



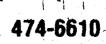












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One of the more popular events at last year's Jaycee's Fourth of July parade in Plymouth included the Vietnam Veterans' Color Guard. (Crier photo).

## Once again, no fireworks

#### BY MIKE GUINN

For the third consecutive year, fireworks will not be a part of annual Fourth of July celebrations in The Plymouth-Canton Community.

In 1988, fire hazard due to the severe drought forced can-cellation of the display. Last year's exhibition was prevented when the event's major sponsor backed out.

This year, organizers said they were unable to locate financial backing for the event.

Fred Eagle, Plymouth Jaycees co-chairperson of parade and holiday activities, said that community residents may be unaware how much money the fireworks display can cost.

"The fireworks show would run between \$15,000 and \$20,000," Eagle said. "In the past we have had the money donated to cover the cost so we have never had to ask for

"People are disappointed that we are not having fireworks, but I don't think they realize that it takes a substantial amount of money to put the show on."

Fireworks will be provided in other local communities, including Northville and Westland. Locations and starting times are yet to be determined.

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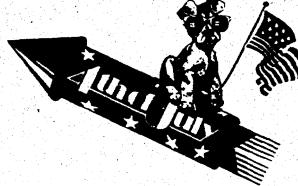
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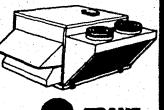
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## Bands, floats fill parade

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area newspapers and on the Omnicom Cable television station.

The parade will begin at 1 p.m. in front of the Plymouth Cultural Center, and proceed south down Main Street before turning toward East Middle School from Hartsough. Formation for the parade will take place at 11 a.m. The parade is expected to last about two hours.

Eagle said that various awards will be given to many of the parade participants.

"We're going to be presenting them at a later date," Eagle said. "Awards for first and second place will be given in the categories of bands, youth and adult floats, marching units and antique

One event held in the past currently on hold is the children's bicycle decoration contest. Eagle said that a volunteer is still needed to organize the event. Anyone interested in performing this function can contact Eagle at 464-6797.

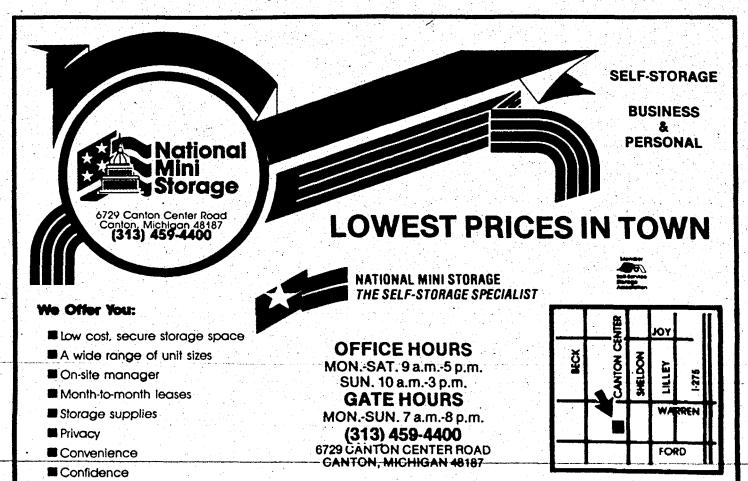
Concession stands will be set up in Kellogg Park and other sites along the parade route. Hot dogs, popcorn and pop will be available.

Corporate sponsors to date for this year's parade include: the City of Plymouth, the Michigan Bell Telephone Company, the University of Michigan's M-Care, the Unisys Corporation and the National Bank of Detroit-Plymouth District.

Private sponsorship is being provided by Ken and Esther Hulsing, and John and Suzzane Dempsey.



One of the younger spectators at last year's July Fourth parade is entertained by a clown along the parade route. (Crier photo)



## Canton approves community center study

BY SCOTT DANIEL

A community center feasibility study was unanimously approved two weeks ago by the Canton Board of Trustees.

Canton Parks and Recreation Director Mike Gouin said the township will spend \$24,500, from Block Grant funds, on the study. He said the Novi firm Hastings and Chivetta will conduct the study, which will take four to six months to complete.

"The study will assess the needs of the community," Gouin said.

The study will determine if the community needs the center; what would be in the center, such as

recreation facilities and office space; and the costs of a center, among

others, said Gouin.

If built, the township community center would likely be located behind the Canton Administration Building, he said.

A millage request to fund a community center project was on the ballot during the 1988 township election, but was voted down, Gouin said. He said if the community center was built, funding could come from other sources than a millage, such as grants or township revenues.

"This study dosen't necessarily mean the township will build a community center," said Gouin. "But if we (Canton) do, we don't want to use a millage to fund it."



## Places to be

## For 10th year ...

## City hosts arts show

Discover the next Vincent Van Gogh at Plymouth's 10th annual "Art in the Park" celebration of arts and crafts July 14-15.

The show will be held in the City of Plymouth's Kellogg Park.

Some 290 artists from as far away as California and Florida will display their works from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. both days.

Michigan artisans from approximately 100 different communities will also be on hand displaying their works.

There will also be plenty of food and entertainment during the two day gathering.

"Art in the Park" is one of Michigan's largest arts and crafts

## Park concerts begin

It's time again for Music in the Park, the annual string of concerts in the City of Plymouth's gracious Kellogg Park.

Sponsored by the Plymouth Community Arts Council (PCAC), this year's Music in the Park series begins June 20. That's when Skylark will perform traditional American music on hammered dulcimer, banjo and mandolin.

All park concerts are free to residents. They begin at noon and run for one hour each Wednesday in Kellogg Park.

The concert schedule is:

• June 27: Jubilate Bell Choir, traditional hymns, classical music and popular music performed on handbells.

• July 11: Mary Ann Stokes and Friends, Irish and folk music played on hammered dulcimer and guitar.

## Clown 'CAREnival' set

Our Lady of Providence Center (OLPC), home for approximately 100 developmentally disabled children in Northville, is planting its first "Clown CAPE in 1972.

CAREnival" for July 22.

The "CAREnival," held from 1-5 p.m. on the center's grounds, will features games with prizes; face painting; hot air balloon rides; clowns; caricatures; music; a magic show; gymnastics; and entertainment.

Ronald McDonald, McGruff the Crime Fighting Dog, and a Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtle will also make special appearences. Hot dogs, chips, pop, ice cream and popcorn will be for sale as well.

The event is designed to address the "visibility and image of OLPC and the perceptions people have about the developmentally disabled." said the carnival organizers.

Our Lady is also still looking for volunteers interested in helping with the event. Interested residents should call OLPC at 453-1300, ext. 203.

All proceeds from the carnival will go to support OLPC. The event will also be a chance for residents to obtain information about OLPC and the developmentally disabled.

## Park fun in Plymouth ...

Kids of all ages are invited to attend the 1990 Summer Park Program sponsored by the Plymouth Parks and Recreation Department.

The program runs from July 5 through Aug. 17, and is offered at Central Middle School, Kiwanis Park, Jaycee Park and Garden Club Park.

Activities include games, sports, contests and arts and crafts. Weekly field trips and special events will also be provided.

Call the Plymouth Parks and Recreation Department. at 455-6623 for more information.

## Veterans 'fight' for peace

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organizations. Krzewinski said peaceful coexistence is the best policy.

"We don't really go for confrontation," he said. "What we say is, 'You've been through the military, you've been through war, you know what it's like."

Grimm said he will have a Veterans for Peace booth at the Ann Arbor Arts Fair and may also be at the art fair in Plymouth. He said he will be passing out fliers and answering any questions he can.

Grimm, whose personal hero is Mohandas Ghandi, the famous Indian advocate of non-violence, said he will be looking for people willing to write letters and make themselves a political presence.

"I'd like to see a group of likeminded people come about who are willing to do what they can by peaceful means to assert new changes in policy," he said.

Veterans for Peace is working peacefully to prevent the violent death that war has brought to so many, Grimm said.

"No bands or speeches or monuments could ever attempt to right the injustice done to heroes on both sides," he said. "We may know the story, but the heroes lie in the graveyards and where they fell in silent testimony.

for those who remain and we say, snever again -- never again.

## ... and Canton too!

Canton's summer long Supervised Playground Program begins this week and runs through Aug. 2 at some 23 park locations in the township.

The playground program provides supervised lesiure activities for youths of all ages within the community. Activities include field trips, arts and crafts, group and individual games, sports and talent shows.

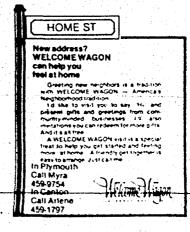
The program, sponsored by the Canton Parks and Recreation Department, is free and open to Canton residents only (special events may require a small fee). It will be held Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2-5 p.m.

The park locations are as follows:

Windsor East and West; Laurel Woods; Kingsway; Flodin; Carriage Hills — Paul Revere, Umberland, Hanridge; Pickwick; Wagon Wheel; Franklin Square; Franklin Palmer; Woodbridge (Stonegate); Brookside; Honeytree; Forest Trails; Canton Country Acres; Canterbury Mews;

Forestbrook; Sunflower North and South; Griffin; and Century Farms.

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## Getting down to business

## New apartments aim for quality

BY SCOTT DANIEL

Pretend for a moment that you are a young professional who wants to live in Canton, but can't quite afford to buy a home. What other options are available?

The Village Green Apartments, Haggerty Road south of Ford Road, will present renters with "the highest quality in apartment living," according to Jonathan Holtzman, co-chairman Holtzman and Silverman Development Company.

"Everyone wants to be proud of where they live," said Holtzman. "I think our renters will be very proud to live at Village Green because of the superior design, amenities and services the development will offer."

Construction on the 31 acre site began in October of last year. Holtzman said the development will consist of 272 apartment and townhouse residences.

Completion of the development is slated for January of 1991. Holtzman added that the first occupants are expected to move in late this month.

"Canton is probably the most unique town in the metro-area for a new apartment development," Holtzman said, "because of its access to other cities, which encompass the broader rental market.

"It's also the closest new development to the airport." Holtzman said Village Green

Holtzman said Village Green Apartments will target the "top of the unfurnished market." He said the cost of renting an apartment in the complex will range from the "high \$400s" to the "low \$700s."

Business people ...

Plymouth resident Lorraine Watt-Corradino was recently named research supervisor at the D'Arcy Masius Benton & Bowles-Bloomfield Hills (DMB'B-BH) advertising firm.

Watt-Corradino's former positions include director of research services at Casey Communications Management in Southfield, and senior systems analyst at Detroit's Wayne State University.

Currently pursuing a doctorate in higher education at the University of Michigan, Watt-Corradino also holds a bachelor's in education and a master's in urban planning.

Fox Hills Chrysler-Plymouth owner James J. Schebil has been elected one of the 121 members of Chrysler's "1989 Mopar Masters Club."

Mopar Masters are Chrysler products dealers who have demonstrated excellence and outstanding achievement in delivering quality parts and service to their customers.

To honor his selection, Schebil will be recognized at a meeting with Chrysler executives and presented with an engraved place.

Former R.A. DeMattia Company Vice President . Kares . Burrill . has: .

"Our market is the second and third time renters," said Holtzman. "Typically, Village Green communities (there are 20 in the Detroit area) attract young professionals and young families that want to live in an apartment for a year or two, then move on to a home."

The 272 units will offer a variety of sizes to potential renters. Everything from studio apartments, 16 total, to 68 two-bedroom with two bath units will be available. Holtzman said.

"We have 35 per cent of the apartments already leased," Holtzman said, "We expect to have 50 per cent of the units rented before the complex opens."

The apartments range from 615 to 1135 square feet. Featured in the apartments will be woodburning fireplaces, cathedral ceilings, seperate living and dining areas and dens with double-door entries, among others, Holtzman said.

Holtzman added that the development is extensively landscaped. The development features ponds, waterfalls, many trees and Fellows Creek, which meanders through the property, he said.

The idea behind Village Green Apartments is to create a community atmosphere, Holtzman said. He said residents can be involved with activities in the complex, such as using the tennis court or aerobics studio, or enjoy their privacy.

"We want Village Green to be the best apartment community in town," Holtzman said.

formed a new marketing company,

Market Express, in Northville.

The creator of many advertising campaignss while with DeMattia, Burrill was with the company for eight years. She holds a bachelor's degree in human ecology and advertising from Michigan State, and a master's degree in husness management.

James A. Dane, of Plymouth, has recently been promoted to Field Audit Officer at Manufacturer's Bank.

With the bank since 1982, Dane formerly served as managr of the accounts receivable department. His new duties will include supervision and training of the bank's field and audit staff.

The Christian Association for Psychological Studies (CAPS) has awarded the Distinguished Member Award to Dr. Mary Franzen Clark, of Plymouth Township.

Clark, a psychotherapist who runs Alpha Psychological Services in Livonia, becomes only the third person in 36 years to receive this honor. The award recognizes Clark's contributions both nationally and in the midwest region for the pass six years.



A work crew breaks ground on the building site of Village Green Apartments, scheduled to be completed in January of 1991. (Crier photo by Kelly Sauter-Dobson)



## Plymouth city audit still held back

Closing in on one year since it was first requested, an audit into the City of Plymouth's 1988-89 fiscal year remains on back-log at the state treasurer's office in Lansing.

The audit was requested by former City Manager Henry Graper and thencommissioner Robert Jones in early July of 1989. Graper resigned July 3, 1989, amidst rumors of financial improprieties.

Representatives from the state treasurer's office came to Plymouth to gather documents and information for the audit late last year.

Lynn Rycus, public information officer for the treasurer's office, said that as of Monday, it was still on

is the city our community that spans two counties? Answer: see pg. 107 in The '90 Guide to the Plymouth-Canton-Northville communities.

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can I contact Senator? Answer: see pg. 66 of The '90 Guide to the Plymouth-Canton-Northvillecommunities.

Plymouth Mayor Dennis Bila said that as far as he knows, the state is moving onto the audit as its workload permits.

"We assume they're doing their

we're being taken care of."

State Rep. Gerald Law, R-Plymouth, who has asked the state to

move ahead with the audit, said his influence is still available.

"If they (the city) are having a problem, I'd be happy to make a couple calls," he said.

## W to host holiday barbecue

What is Fourth of July without savory chicken sizzling over a charcoal grill? Could Independence Day go on without a zesty side of cole slaw? Of course not.

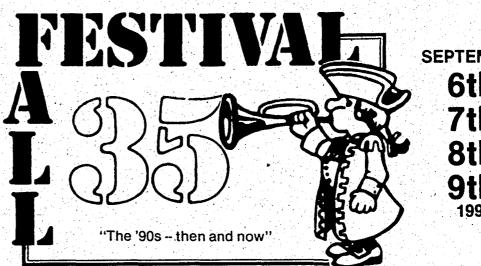
And a chicken barbeque can be all the more fun when someone else is doing the cooking and cleaning.

Post 6695 VFW and the VFW Ladies Auxiliary will do the cooking next Wednesday (from noon to 5 p.m.) - all residents have to do is the eating.

Tickets for the fete are \$4.50 for a dinner of chicken, baked potatoe, cole slaw, roll and butter, coffee, tea and

Diners will be able to eat outside on picnic tables, inside the post's hall or carry their dinners out.

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## All over the world

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BY MIKE GUINN

While serving the United States may not demand havit, to defend it with force in this age of glasnost, men and women in the armed forces who have roots in The Plymouth-Canton Community are stationed throughout the world, ready in case the need arises.

Although there are advantages to being a member of the military, many sacrifices are being made by these men and women to protect America. Families are often left behind. A foreign lifestyle must be learned. And language barriers must occasionally be overcome.

Last week some of this community's men and women on active duty discussed their activities and feelings as a part of today's U.S. military.

They include:

2nd Lt. David Eblen, and Pvt. John Patterson, both from Canton, stationed in Germany; Airman Recruit Andrea Yeagy, also of Canton, serving duty on a naval air station in central California; and Lt. Cmdr. Richard Schimizze, who grew up in Dearborn and has parents residing in Plymouth,

recently arrived in South Carolina following a tour of sea duty.

David Eblen

"I'm still trying to learn the language. It's been kind of tough," said Eblen, an Air Force weapons control officer stationed in central Germany, who has been at his current assignment for about five weeks.

While his current position caused him to be somewhat vague on certain details, ("It's not advisable to talk about over the phone.") Eblen was able to discuss his feelings about military life and a portion of his responsibilities.

"The military is always something I wanted to do," Eblen said. "I feel like I'm doing something with a purpose. It's more than just working for a dollar."

Eblen's duties as a weapons control officer put him in a vital position of serving as an additional pair of eyes for aircraft involved in attacking specific targets. It is not a job that clockwatchers would covet.

"We come in early (in the morning) and don't leave until the flying is done," Eblen said. "We work whenever we are needed."

Being fluent in the preferred language is just one of the things that Eblen misses about the States. Stores closing early was also one of the prominent items mentioned. A self professed "news junkie," Eblen said that information from America was hard to come by,

"The thing I miss most is being able to watch CNN," Eblen said. "It's only on for 20 minutes a day here."

Even with the minor discomforts, Eblen is hard pressed to recall anything about the military that he does not like.

"I can't think of anything I don't like about it," Eblen said "Everything has been okay so far. As of right now, I'll probably make a career of it."

A 1989 graduate of Purdue University, Eblen received his commission through the college's ROTC program. He expects to be in Germany for about two years



JOHN PATTERSON

John Patterson

"I miss mostly the little things," said Patterson, a combat engineer, serving with the 78th Engineering Battalion 'Company Delta' near the Rhine River in southwest Germany. Prior to joining the army, Patterson lived in Canton for 12 years. He is a 1988 graduate of Canton High School.

Patterson's duties as a combat engineer cover a wide spectrum.

"We do anything from working with explosive ordinances to dismantling," Patterson said. "We clear away trees for roads and other projects."

It is not the safest job to have. At the moment, explosives training has been put on hold due to a mine blast that caused 11 casualties, including two deaths.

Traveling to Germany and getting GI Bill benefits were two factors motivating Patterson to enter the service. He has also found other pleasing aspects of military life.

"Being able to go across the world and get paid for it is one of the things I like most," Patterson said. "You learn a lot about people."

Although he enjoys Germany, there are many things about home that Patterson misses. No late-night stores was one that he shares with Lt. Eblen.

"Everything here closes at 4 p.m.," Patterson said. "I miss the people of Canton, 7-11, McDonalds." Family, friends, his fiance and television were also high on the list of things Patterson misses most.

But being overseas has allowed Patterson a different perspective on America's relations with the Soviet Union.

"During war games, the Russians are not considered the enemy anymore," Patterson said. "If you ask the military people here who the enemy is, they would probably say the middle east."

Patterson's plans after his tour of duty ends include studying commercial art at Detroit's Center for Creative Studies. He is planning to wed in June of 1993.

Andrea Yeagy

"We're right out in the middle of

nowhere," said Yeagy, a 1989 Salem High School graduate, stationed at the Lamore Naval Air Base in northcentral California.

Yeagy works as a plane captain on the flight-line. Her duties include servicing the planes, doing pre-flight inspections and directing taxling of aircraft.

"I have always wanted to work around aircraft," Yeagy said. "It was kind of a childhood dream."

Being in a fairly remote site is somewhat difficult because of the lack of activities, Yeagy said. There are some advantages to this, however. During his 16 years in the service, Schimizze has found many advantages to Navy life.

"I have gotten to see almost every continent and ocean," Schimizze said. "I like the travel. I was also given the opportunity to get a college education."

Although Schmizze enjoys the travel, the husband and father of six admits that it causes a lack of stability in his personal life.

A wide range of events came to mind when Schimizze was asked what he missed most about the local area.

"I miss going down to the old



Airman Recruit Andrea Yeagy visits with U.S. Navy recruiter Dong Ford while home on leave.

"The people here are one of the things I like about being in the Navy," Yeagy said. "Everybody supports one another."

Like her counterparts in other places around the world, Yeagy said the misses being with her family and friends the most. She also said she misses the local events in Plymouth-Canton

"There's so many things I miss," Yeagy said. "The festivals. You can walk down the street and know everyone."

After completing her service requirements, Yeagy plans to return to school, determining her course of study at a later date.

Richard Schimizze

"We're constantly being moved around," said Schimizze, who, unlike the others interviewed, has made the military his career. A naval industrial officer based near Charleston, SC, Schimizze recently completed sea duty on the destroyer USS Sellers.

Schimizze works in the station's consolidated brig, equivalent to a medium-security prison. He oversees day-to-day activities for the prisoners. Schimizze describes it as similar to being a counselor.

ballpark, (Tiger Stadium) and Memorial Day parades," Schimizze said. "Cider mills. The seasonal things. The traditional things that midwesterners do."

A 1979 Purdue University graduate, Schimizze is pursuing a masters degree in civil engineering. Schimizze plans to retire from the Navy in four years, and start a second career in his graduate



RICHARD SCHIMIZZE

## Board moves on building

BY KEN VOYLES

With opening of bids Monday night, the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Board of Education paved the way for the start of construction on the board building addition (and renovation) later this summer.

The project, which is divided into two phases, will cost upwards of \$1.4 million.

The first phhase of construction will be an addition to the current structure and cost \$925,000. The second phase, renovation of the existing building at Harvey and Ann Arbor Trail, will cost another \$450,000.

The district administration will review the bids and come up with a recommendation for the board by the next meeting (July 9).

Ray Hoedel, associate superintendent for business, said construction could start by the second week of July. He expects "building construction" to be complete by the end of this year with occupancy by spring of 1991.

Funding for part of the work falls under the 1986 Bond issue, which allotted more than \$900,000 to renovate the current building or build a new district main office.



JOANNE MCCARTHY

## Plymouth memories of yesterday

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Most of us realize that we have one of the finest small museums in the Middle West. I have traveled extensively throughout the Ohio-Indiana-Illinois-Michigan area with "Tonquish Tales" (more than 5,000 sold to date) and everywhere I go I find people interested in Plymouth and in its museum. Some folks here in town do not realize what a gem we have over there in the beautiful Dunning Memorial.

I often spend time browsing in the museum's archives, hoping to find something that I didn't know, or hadn't read about. The other day I struck pay dirt, as a miner would say, and I would like to share this find with you.

Kate Penniman Allen's husband was a gentleman named William O. Allen as many older Plymouthites know, but they may not have known who the Allens really were or where they came from. Among the thousands of historical papers at the museum is one which tells the Allen story.

William Oscar Allen's parents were John and Mary (Cady) Allen. Mary was born in Perrington, Monroe County, New York, Sept. 29, 1820, and when she was seven years old she came to Michigan with her parents, David D. and Mary Britton Cady.

The Cadys journeyed from Rochester to Buffalo on an Eric Canal boat. They crossed Lake Eric on the famous old ship "Superior," which navigated with the help of machinery taken from the older ship, "Walk-on-

the-Water," which had sunk on a rocky shore during a storm.

In Detroit, the Cadys leased a team and a wagon and began the tedious journey through the heavily wooded forest to the four corners where the Starkweathers had built their cabin two years earlier. They came over trails that still had stumps cut low so the cart could cross. Their first night on the trail was spent at Tenneykes Tavern below Dearborn.

Their further adventures along the trail will be looked at in a future issue of "Tonquish Tales."

EDITOR'S NOTE: Helen Gilbert is a local historian and author of "Tonquish Tales," which is available in local book shops. Her writings appear in The Crier periodically.)

# YMCA head sets new direction

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preparations for the Y's Italian sandwich booth have her on her toes.

"We're gearing up for Fall Fest," she said, adding that recruiting volunteers to staff the booth is "tremendous work."

The Y will also rent the old Plymouth Grange building on Union Street for ballet, aerobics, pre-school creatives and dog obedience classes, McCarthy said.

The need to rent a building to hold classes brings up a long-talked about Y plan — a full-service community center.

McCarthy said the Y has discussed the need for its own facility for "at least 15 years." The plans are still on the agenda, however, she added.

"We're looking, hopefully we'll find something at the right price and in the right location," she said.

Kalis said that a new Y facility is something the community needs.

"I think the area could support and is asking for a full-service Y facility," he said. "I think it's one of our primary goals."

McCarthy vowed that the com-

munity will see a Y facility eventually.
"There will be a Y in Plymouth,"
she said.



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## Engagements & Weddings

## McKendry, Petroff to wed



MCKENDRY-PETROFF

Mr. and Mrs. William J. McKendry, of Plymouth, announce the engagement of their daughter Eileen Margaret to Ensign Mark A. Petroff, USN.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Canton High School and Eastern Michigan University. She holds a bachelor's degree in family and child development.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter T. Petroff, of Plymouth. He is a graduate of Canton High School and the United States Naval Academy. He holds a bachelor's degree in aerospace engineering.

A September wedding is planned at St. Peter and Paul Jesuit Church in Detroit.

## Kik, Vermeulen will marry

Shelly Jo Kik, daughter of Malcolm Balk of Grand Rapids, and Elizabeth Balk, of Grandville, will wed Kenneth Wayne Vermeulen, son of James and Sylvia Vermeulen, of Plymouth, on Aug. 11 at Beechwood Reformed Church in Holland, MI.

Kik is a graduate of Kenowa Hills high, Hope College and Western Michigan University, and is a fourth grade teacher at Hamilton Community Schools. Vermeulen is a graduate of Salem High, Calvin College and Harvard School of Law, and is employed with Warner-Norcross and Judd.

Following a honeymoon in northern Ontario, the couple will reside in Wyoming, MI.



**KIK-VERMEULEN** 

## Lee, Budlong to marry



Laurel Michele Lee, daughter of Richard and Linda Lee, of Flint, will wed Sean Alan Budlong, son of Robert and Judy Budlong, of Plymouth, on Aug. 25 at Woodside Church in Flint.

Lee is a 1989 graduate of Alma College. Budlong is also a 1989 graduate of Alma College and is employed by Lanier Voice Products of Livonia.

LEE-BUDLONG

## Klepack, Mueller wed

Kristina Ann Klepack, daughter of George and Katherine Klepack, of Plymouth, and Brian Joseph Mueller, som of Raymond and Carole Mueller were wed in June during a cerémony at St. Kenneth's Catholic Church.

The bride is a graduate of Ladywood High and attended Schoolcraft College. She is employed by the Northville Public Schools.

The groom is a graduate of Canton High and Michigan State University, and is employed Indiana Wood Products

After honeymooning in Toronto, the couple will reside in Indiana.



## To halt flooding

## Canton okays pump plan

BY SCOTT DANIEL

Canton's Board of Trustees unanimously approved a pilot program last week that calls for the installation of sump pumps in about 100 township homes in order to alleviate flooding and excess sewer flow problems.

According to Municipal Service Director Aaron Machnik the sump pumps will go to homes, at a cost of about \$150,000 to the township, on a voluntary basis, in Windsor Park, Brookside Village and Mayfair subdivisions.

In addition to alleviating flooding, the township is aiming to reduce the amount of rain water that flows into the sanitary sewer system with the insallation of the sump pumps, said Canton Engineer Tom Casari.

The pumps will collect the rain water and shoot it into the backyard, of most homes, where it will be absorbed into the ground or filter down to the storm sewer system, Casari added.

"The sump pumps should minimize the affect of rain water flowing into the

system." Casari said.

Machnik said one of the main reasons for reducing the rain water flow into the sanitary sewer system is the township's participation in the Western Townships Utilities Authority (WTUA). He said the design of the WTUA sewer system requires Canton to reduce the rain water flow by 40 per cent.

Machnik said the cost of installing the sump pumps, by Wade-Trim Associates, will save Canton money down the road. Without the pumps, new piping would have likely had to been installed, costing as much as \$1 million to the township, he added.

"The township is optimistic about the plan," said Machnik. "I think we can achieve our goals and make the type of savings that justifies the price

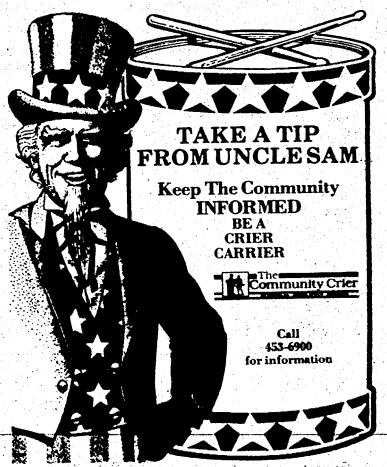
(of the pumps)."

Machnik said the township's DPW superintendent, Jake Dingeldey, had devised a "cost effective method of installing" sump pumps restricting the wet weather flow that gets into the township's sanitary sewer system.



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## Races for the thrill

## Quest for speed drives local man

BY PHILIP TARDANI

For Jonathan Purdy the speed of a race car means an unequaled emotional high.

The Plymouth resident and 1986 graduate of Canton High School says the thrill is hard to explain.

"You feel like you're unplugged from the rest of the world," said Purdy, paraphrasing driver Emerson Fittipaldi. "It's just you, the car and the road."

His quest for speed began at an early

age.
"I've always liked to go fast, even when I was little," Purdy said, remembering how he tried to bury the speedometer on his first two-wheeled

From a bicycle to a Formula Ford race car, Purdy has come a long way.

And he's getting a chance to race his dream track with a national racing school, a road he hopes will eventually lead to a day of victory at the Indianapolis 500.

Purdy has been a student of the Skip Barber Racing School since 1988, the largest instructional racing school in the world.

It was established in 1975 by John "Skip" Barber III, who raced in a number of car categories from 1959 to 1975. Among other awards, Barber was Sports Car Club of America National Champion three times.

As might be expected, learning to race can be a very expensive undertaking. Purdy said it costs him \$1,600 for three days of racing and instruction.

It is still much cheaper however, he said, compared to what he would spend trying to race on his own.

"When you think of the quality of equipment and instruction you get, it's unreal," he said, noting that he gets the use of a \$28,000 race car with limited liability. "It keeps the costs down, all you do is arrive and drive."

Purdy's love of racing began at the Michigan International Speedway near Brooklyn, MI, in 1981, where a friend invited him to an Indy car race.
"From there I was hooked," he said

In 1985, Purdy saw an advertisement for the Barber school but was not able to save the money to race until 1988. That's when he went to Indianapolis Raceway Park to drive competitively for the first time.

"It's a beautiful place," he says of the park. "That's where it all started for me in '88.'

The school starts its drivers out on Formula Ford cars with a 4-cylinder, 1600 cubic centimeter engine. The cars are an "extremely light" 900 pounds, and hit a top speed of 125 mph.

The cigar-shaped car also sits low to the ground and has a cramped cockpit. "it's not exactly comfortable," Pardy said.

ine races take place on street ses with winding curves that can speeds down to 30 mph and itaways allowing drivers to push Str. to its limits.

year, Purdy raced at Moroso Sports Park in West Palm Beach FL. That course had an extra



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incentive to keep the drivers on the track, he said.

"A couple places on the track didn't have a gaurd rail, and if we went off, we'd go right in a swamp," Purdy said, noting that the swamp was already occupied - by alligators.

Suiting up for a race is a lot like preparing to be set on fire, Purdy said.

First, he dons a suit of long underwear and a long-sleeve turtleneck top made from Nomex, a flame resistant material.

Then comes a red bodysuit, made of two layers of Nomex sandwiched around a layer of Kevlar, the same material in a bullet-proof vest.

The Kevlar will help to keep the flame resistant suit intact in case of crash, Purdy said.

Next, Purdy said, is a Nomex head sock, a helmet skirt to keep the dust out, and a two-inch thick neck roll.

"If I flip and the roll bar breaks off," I'll be skidding on my coconut and the neck roll will help to keep the neck upright," he said, adding that in that position it is less likely to be broken.

Finally, Purdy said, comes a helmet and three-layer pair of Nomex golves,

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Jounthan Purdy waits for the next heat to begin (top) at the Moroso Motor Sports Park in West Palm Besch. FL. Of auto racing, Purdy (below) says "You feel like you're being unplugged from the rest of the world. It's just you, the car and the road." Interested in racing since 1981, Purdy began participating in the sport in



Runners cross the finish line at the annual Canton Five-Mile Run. (Crier photo by Eriq Lukasik)

## Racing through life

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"one pair of which is autographed by my idle, Mario Andretti."

Purdy said that though he doesn't dwell on the danger of a race, he does keep it in the back of his mind.

"You've got to realize it's there," he said. "You're cautious, but I wouldn't call it scared."

Thus far, Purdy has been in two races, but he hopes to participate in as many as 12 this year.

To finance his hobby, Purdy works "full, full-time" at the Round Table Club in Plymouth. He's also seeking some outside help.

"I'm always looking for a sponsor," he said. "It's a never-ending battle."

In October, Purdy is moving to Florida where he will compete in the Skip Barber Florida series. In 1992, Purdy plans on competing in the Barber-Saab Pro Series, where he'll have a chance at money prizes.

His ultimate destination, however, is the oval of the Indianapolis Motor Speedway. Purdy carries a picture of the Indianapolis 500 trophy in his wallet to keep it close.

"I wrote in everyone's yearbook in high school that I was going to be in the Indianapolis 500 by the year 2000," he said. "Hopefully, I can do it before then."

The aspiring racer said he doesn't let the skepticism he encounters dissuade him.

"I run across people who literally laugh in my face," Purdy said, "and I think, 'some day, I'm going to get the last laugh.'"

Purdy seems to already see the

checkered flag waving him to victory.
"I know what I want to do," he said. "Just go like hell."

## In Canton parks

## Tennis tournament slated

Get into the swing of tennis this summer with the Singles and Doubles Tennis Tournament sponsoredd by the Canton Parks and Recreation Department.

The competition will be held July 6-8 at the Canton High School tennis courts and is open to all area tennis players.

The cost is \$5 per person for singles and \$10 for each doubles team. Each player or team must provide their own can of USTA approved tennis balls.

The format will be single elimination and awards will be presented to the winners and the runners-up of each division.

Depending on the size of the draw, some matches may be played at Griffin Park.

The registration deadline is July 3 at 5 p.m. For further information call 397-5110.

Kristen Harrison is the tournament director this year.

## Despite rain

## Canton run held

BY RITA DERBIN

Miserable weather didn't stop the 12th Annual Canton Five-Mile Run. Unseasonably cold weather mixed with wind and rain kept the number of participants down from last year, but more than 100 runners took to the streets of Canton Saturday morning.

"The total of runners was lower than last year," said Canton Parks and Recreation Director Bob Dates. "But the run was quite a success considering the rainy, cold and miserable weather we had on Saturday.

"I'm real happy with the turnout considering," he added.

Winning the run with a time of 26:58 was Jay Swiecki, a 20-year-old Canton resident.

There was also a new run record set by 19-year-old Noelle Dixon of Livonia in the 15-19 year old category. Dixon was the top woman finisher with a time of 30:00 flat.

Eric Larsen, a 10-year-old from Canton won the boys 14 and under race (41:05) and Romeo Cairo, 12, also of Canton, finished second (45:46).

In the 15-19 year age group, Jon Borke, eighth overall, of Canton was first (29;47), Matt Johnson of Wayne was second (31:04) and Canton's Todd Bolton was third (32:36).

Swiecki won the 20-29 year age group. He was followed by 28-year-old Brett Milley, third overall with a time of 27:32, and 22-year-old Tony Atwell, seventh overall with a time of 29:20, both of Canton.

Joe Lasher, 33, of Marysville finished first in the 30-39 year old age group and second overall with a time

of 27:28. He was followed by 30-yearold Michael Webster, fourth overall, of Northville (27:47); and 32-year-old Tom Gerou of Canton, who finished sixth overall (28:34).

Winning the 40-49 group was 45year-old Richard Pankow, fifth overall, of Plymouth (28:13). He was followed by 41-year-old Charlie Brien, 10th overall, of Baldwin, MO (30:06), and 49-year-old Bill Boyd, of Plymouth (31:05).

In the 50 years and over category, Larry Mishler, 53, of Plymouth finished first with a time of 33:23. He was followed by Del Sisler, 54, of Livonia (38:24) and Tom Sigworth, 50, of Canton (43:39).

In the womens categories, Noelle Dixon, of Livonia, finished ninth overall and won the 15-19 group in record time (30:00). Malia Dixon, 15, was second (35:18). In the 20-29 age group, Annette Wilson, 29, of Flat Rock, finished first (38:26); Amy Rose, 29, of Canton, was second (42:34); and Karen Donovan, 25, of Livonia was third (44:35).

In the 30-39 group, Donna Swanson, 38, of Northville, was first (33:35); Diane Klinebriel, 33, of Westland, was second (33:49) and Carol Brockschmidt, 33, of Canton (38:50) was third.

Janet Ruggiero, 49, of Plymouth (40:13) came in first in the 40-49 age group. She was followed by MaryAnne Dixon, 43, of Livonia (41:50), and Paula Cairo, 40, of Canton (47:01).

In the 50 years and older categorie, Carolyn Wilson, 58, of Southfield, finished first (46:47) and Anne Zielinski, 70, of Canton was second (1.00:17).

## July volleyball camp ready

Schoolcraft College is sponsoring two volleyball camps in July. Interested boys and girls age 10 through adult can sign up for sessions to be held either Monday July 16 to Thursday July 19 or Monday July 23 to Thursday July 26.

Morning sessions are from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and afternoon classes run from 12:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

The camp, which is directed by Tom Teeters, costs \$70 per session and includes free t-shirts, and experienced staff of coaches and players, and a choice of one or more sessions and six different ability levels to choose from.

Teeters, head coach of the Schoolcraft College (NJCAA National Champions in 1988) and Ladywood High School (State Class A Champions in 1987-88 and 1988-89), heads the program, which will teaches the basics of proper warm ups and stretches, development of skills, competition at the end of the program and swimming each day at the end of the sessions.

Advanced registration is required and the full payment is due by July 6 at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty Road in Livonia. For further information call the Schoolcraft College Physical Education Building at 462-4400, ext. 5249.

## College holds hoop camp

Schoolcraft College is holding its 14th annual girls fundamental basketball camp for youths who will be in fourth through sixth grade in the 1990-91 school year.

The camp is held at the Schoolcraft College Physical Education Building from July 30 to Aug. 3 for a cost of \$75 per person. Registration forms may be picked up at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty Road, Livonia 43152.

Sessions are Monday through Thursday from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and Friday from 9 a.m. to noon with a 45 minute lunch break.

Cost of enrollment includes

coaching from Jack Grenan, head coach of the Schoolcraft women's team. Grenan and his staff will put a strong emphasis on learning and improving fundamental skills such as dribbling, passing, shooting, defensive techniques and offensive moves with or without the ball.

Individual instruction will also be provided, along with contests on the last day, free basketball and camp t-shirts for each player and symming each day at lunch.

Class-sizes are limited. It early registration will guarantee a mission. For more information call S. solcraft College Physical Education 462-4400, ext. 5249.



## Community Deaths

## Olson, Daisy employe

Firnie B. Olson, 92, of Plymouth, died June 1. Funeral services were held June 5 at the Schrader Funeral Home with the Rev. Kenneth Fresh and Dr. David A. Hay officiating.

Burial was in Oakland Hills Memorial Gardens in Novi.

Mr. Olson was an employee of Daisy Air Rifle Company and Stahl Manufacturing, both in Plymouth. He was a long time member of the Western Wayne County Conservation Club.

Survivors include: wife Eythol, of Plymouth; son Daniel, of Oceanside, CA; daughter Miriam, of Livonia; and six grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Frank B. Smith Memorial Fund.

## Mandral, a volunteer

M. Jane Mandral, 90, of Novi, died June 5 in Garden City. Funeral services were held June 9 at the Schrader Funeral Home with Pastor Thomas A. Scherger officiating.

Burial was in Glen Eden Cemetery in Livonia.

Mrs. Mandral came to The Plymouth-Canton Community in 1972 from Detroit. She was a member of the Plymouth Senior Citizens and a volunteer at "Friendship Station" in Plymouth Township.

Survivors include: daughter Dorothy Nichols, of Novi; two granddaughters and three great grandsons.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Spirit of Christ Lutheran Church.

## Brandt, a college teacher

Stephen R. Brandt, 41, of Plymouth, died June 8. Services were held June 12 at the Schrader Funeral Home with the Rev. LeLand L. Seese, Jr. officiating.

Burial was in Crown Hill Cemetery in Indianapolis.

Mr. Brandt was a physics instructor at Henry Ford Community College. He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth. Mr. Brandt came to The Plymouth-Canton Community from Bloomington, IN, in 1977.

Survivors include: wife Linda, of Plymouth; children Jeffrey and Kellie, both of Plymouth; parents William and Nellie Brandt, of Indianapolis, IN; and two

Memorial Contributions may be given to the Stephen R. Brandt Memorial Cancer Fund.

## Smith, longtime resident

Irene E. Smith, 75, of Gaylord, died June 10 in Petoskey. Services were held June 13 at the Schrader Funeral Home with the Rev. Philip Rodgers Magee officiating.

Burial was in Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth.

Mrs. Smith was the manager of food services at Eastern Michigan University. She was a resident of The Plymouth-Canton Community for many years.

Survivors include: daughters Marrilynn Burley, of Atlanta, MI, and Louise Kleinsorge, of Gaylord; sons James, of Colorado, and David, of Whitmore Lake; five grandchildren; and two great grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be given to the charity of your choice.

## O'Connor, Korean veteran

John M. O'Connor, 54, of Tecumseh, died May 15. Memorial services were held May 18 at the Schrader Funeral Home with the Rev. Fr. Joseph Plawecki officiating.

Mr. O'Connor, a former Plymouth resident, was maintenance superintendent for Wacker Silicone Company in Adrian since 1967. He served with the U.S. Army in Germany during the Korean War.

Survivors include: wife Geraldine, of Plymouth; daughters Kathleen and Therese, both of Plymouth and Aimee Bird of Westland; son Kevin, of Plymouth; Mother Claire O'Connor, of Westland; brother James, of Northville; and one grandchild.

## Moore, from New Jersey

Lulu M. Moore, 91, of Plymouth, died June 15. Private memorial services were held at the Schrader Funeral Home.

Mrs. Moore came to The Plymouth-Canton Community from New Jersey in 1932. She was a member of the First Church of Christ, Scientist, the Plymouth Historical Society and the Plymouth Garden Club.

Survivors include: daughter Helen Pocklington Hopkins, of Plymouth; son Richard, of Plymouth; six grandchildren; and 10 great grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Salvation Army of Plymouth, the Plymouth Historical Society, or the First Church of Christ, Scientist.

## Currie, Detroit priest

R.T. Rev. Donald R. Currie, 56, of Detroit, died June 20. Services were held June 25 at St. Mark Church.

Fr. Currie had recently been appointed a bishop of the San Jose, CA, Diocese of the Old Roman Catholic Church. He was a member of the Detroit Athletic Club.

Survivors include: brothers Kenneth, of Plymouth, Thomas, of NY, and William, of GA; aunt Florence Pieper, of Detroit; and several nieces and nephews.

Fr. Currie's brother, Kenneth, is the president of the First of America Bank-Plymouth.

Local arrangements were made by the Detroit Chapel of the Calcaterra Funeral

## Scott, a homemaker

Elsa E. Scott, 90, of Stow, OH, died June 15. Services were held June 21 at the Schrader Funeral Home with the Rev. Fr. Matthew Ellis officiating.

Burial was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Southfield.

Mrs. Scott was a homemaker and former resident of The Plymouth-Canton Community.

Survivors include: son Kenneth, of Stow OH; four grandchildren; and five great grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to the charity of your choice.

## Gunniss, a homemaker

Gertrude Gunniss, 80, of Salem Township, died June 1 in Westland. Funeral services were held June 4 at the Schrader Funeral Home with the Rev. Phillip Rodgers Magee officiating.

Burial was in Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth,

Mrs. Gunniss was a homemaker and life-long resident of Livonia.

Survivors include: daughter Shirley Becker, of Plymouth; three sisters; two grandchildren; and seven great grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association.

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Calabrese said. The Canton Board of Trustees would then have to review the committee's findings before Aug. 14, the deadline for getting the issue on the ballot, he said.

Several Canton residents raised the question of voting on the issue at the public hearing.

Bill Brown, a long-time Canton businessman, asked the committee to have the board "put it down to a vote."

Canton resident Verna George agreed with Brown by saying, "I think the people should vote (on the buying of the airport)."

"Put it on the ballot for Canton residents to decide," said Canton resident Tom Brown, "Let us (the residents) decide what's best for us.'

Supporters for buying the airport outnumbered those opposed to purchasing the airport at the hearing, which lasted almost four hours. About 100 people were in attendance at the

Canton resident Robert Lett said the township should buy the airport. "I think it would be a mistake to close it," he said.

Edward Purdy, a Canton resident, said he was "pro-airport" because of its convenience to residents for recreational use.

Bill Saxon, a City of Plymouth businessman, said he uses the airport in connection with his work on a regular

basis.
"Mettetal has been a fantastic business tool for me over the years," Saxon said. "It has been a main tool in helping my business to grow."

Plymouth Township resident Tom Kennedy supported the idea of Canton buying the airport by saying it could be used in an educational program for the school district. He said the aviation industry is currently lacking pilots and mechanics. The airport could be used to train the district's students in those fields, Kennedy added.

Jan Mueller, owner of the airport in New Hudson, said the township shouldn't buy Mettetal Airport. He said if Canton buys the airport the township would be "bailing out the current owner (the Klochko family)."

Canton's purchase of the airport would be a "no win situation," Mueller said. "The airport should remain in private hands to stand or

Canton resident Barbra Cover asked, "Why should I as a taxpayer pay for it?" She said the township should spend money in other areas.

## **Board puts money into pool**

The reopening of Central Middle School's swimming pool was officially approved by the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Board of Education Monday.

Last week the board had agreed to budget for the pool's use (to the tune of \$47,700), and this week followed that up with a move to implement a variety of programs using the pool, including offering high school swimming for eighth graders.

The board also approved spending up to \$4,000 to cover extra transportation costs associated with bringing eighth grade students from other district middle schools to Central.

Outgoing Trustees Marilyn Schwinn and Jeanette Wines dissented on a 5-2 board vote.

Wines said allowing eighth graders earn a high school graduation requirement at the Central pool during the regular school year might open a

"Pandora's Box."
She added, "I just don't think this should be part of this (plan to use the pool)."

The move will also force the district to reconsider its current graduation requirements, said Trustee Roland

## Summer school signups set

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Dennie, Dennie, all that in such a small

Congratulations to Plymouth-Canton Bungee Jumpers - Laurs, Carrie, Steve, Dan, Fred, Shawn, Rick, Chris, Dave and Matt. Would you go again?

Chris, Bo and Gary - we enjoyed seeing all of you in L.A.

Jan Munday will be older on Sunday. Happy Birthday, Jani I'm glad you're not as old as you feel right now. (Sorry - I couldn't resist!) Love, Your Favorite Sister.

Scott, your visit was too short - see you in

#### Aunt Hazel cruises Main St.!

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Jamle — when is it winter — I need winter in July.

Good luck David at the Air Force Academy.

Mom - aren't birthday grand? I'm happy we could celebrate together.

Melinda - back to pasta ber and burgers. Have fun!

Gypsy: are your fingers needle numb yet? Only 10 more days til Greenfield Village.

Happy Birthday to KITTY -- born on the 4th of July! (What birthday surprises are in store for you? I'll never tell.)

Roger, as the Beatles say, "Happiness is a warm gun." Will your's be done? July 7 is

Why doesn't KITTY ever have to work on her birthday? It's just not fair.

Steph: will we get to hear the six-hole at Greenfield Village?

I'm glad you're wearing the bearskin rather then the bere skin.

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