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Woman guilty of 1st degree murder

By Margaret Neubacher
staff writer

A Washtenaw County jury last week found Mabelle Pearson of Ypsilanti guilty as charged on three counts — armed robbery, first degree murder, and possession of a firearm — in the death of a Plymouth-Canton school employee.

The jury of six men and six women deliberated for about a day and a half before returning the guilty verdicts in the two-week murder trial of Nancy Faber who was a Plymouth-Canton speech therapist.

Pearson, 17, was remanded without bond to the Washtenaw County Jail until sentencing before Judge Ross Campbell July 6.

When the verdict was returned late

Friday, Pearson's reaction was described as emotional.

"She didn't cry until after the verdict of first degree murder was announced," said Prosecutor William Delhey.

First degree murder carries a mandatory life sentence.

"I think the issues were well presented by both the defense and the office of the prosecuting attorney," Delhey said.

"You could write a book about this murder, and the frustration of the police up until mid-December when Pearson appeared on the scene and began implicating innocent people," Delhey added.

Pearson claimed she was forced to rob Faber by her boyfriend Ricardo Hart, 21, who beat her. She testified that the 0.38 caliber revolver Hart

gave her went off accidentally in Faber's car Nov. 22.

Hart will be tried separately before Judge Campbell on identical charges. Jury selection for the Hart case begins today.

THE CENTRAL question in the Pearson case for the jury was, did she intend to shoot and kill Nancy Faber?

Judge Campbell explained to the jury that to find someone guilty of first-degree felony murder, they must have performed a "willful and wanton act, the natural tendency of which would cause death."

Defense attorney Donald Ferris argued that the gun went off by accident. "Unless the prosecution can prove she intended to kill Nancy Faber, she's not guilty," Ferris said.

Delhey called a firearm identification expert witness to the stand last week who said there must be some pressure placed on the trigger before it can be discharged.

In final arguments, Delhey reminded the jury of that testimony.

"The gun has two internal safety mechanisms and, if it is not cocked, the gun requires 16 pounds of pressure to be fired. Not only do you have to pull the trigger, you must hold it to fire the bullet," Delhey said.

Ferris argued that if the gun is cocked, it takes three pounds of pressure to fire. "I submit to you it is like a hair trigger."

It never was made certain in testimony whether the gun was cocked.

The judge told the jury before deli-

beration they had five alternatives if they found Pearson guilty of the fatal shooting.

Those verdicts included, first and second degree felony murder, two types of involuntary murder, (gross negligence or aiming a firearm intentionally but without malice) or negligent use of a firearm with death resulting.

Pearson faces a possible life sentence for the armed robbery charge. Possession of a firearm at the time of committing a felony carries a mandatory 2 year prison sentence.

Faber, 39, of Ann Arbor, was a mother of two. Her husband Don, who was present for much of the trial, is chief editorial writer and columnist for the Ann Arbor News.



Nancy Faber

Athletes to free-fall 10 miles to break record

By Diane Gale
staff writer

A group of American athletes plan to capture a world sports record held by the Russians, and in the process help settle a 50-year-old score for a South-field athlete held captive in Soviet prisons.

Dr. Victor Herman wrinkles his forehead and widens his large, water-blue eyes as he recounts the events that led to 1934 when he set the world's first free-fall record of 24,500 feet while he was living in Russia.

In honor of Herman, a group of 10 women and 10 men plan to break four high-altitude free-fall records all held by the Russian military. Working in the background in planning for the event is Robert Greenstein, attorney and long-time Canton resident.

ON JULY 4, the athletes plan to go in a specially-designed jet to 55,000 feet, and free fall more than 10 miles before deploying their parachutes.

"It's more than an honor. I couldn't believe it when they said they have a dream," Herman said shaking his head. "I told them it would cost more than \$2 million and they said in America anything can be done."

The multi-symbolic, four-day event — held the first week of July at the El

Centro Naval Air Station, Calif. — will cost more than \$2 million, commitments of private investors. The group, dubbed "Ten Miles High," began the project two years ago with a media blitz to attract supporters.

"THESE KIDS were so enthused, and wanted to get even with the Russians and show them that the private enterprise can do anything," said Herman explaining his visit to California to meet with the athletes.

The athletic display is given more meaning since the Russian government has forbidden its athletes to compete in the 1984 Olympics in Los Angeles, explains Greenstein.

"These people are jumping with scientific equipment, and to them it was like Victor was jumping in the stone age," Greenstein said. "He is their hero."

GREENSTEIN brainstormed the idea to use Herman's dramatic life story of Russian captivity and exile as the theme for the event.

"When Victor talked to the team there wasn't a dry eye in the room," said Greenstein.

He first met the aging athlete in 1976 when Herman was finally allowed to return to the United States. During that time Greenstein helped bring Herman's



Victor Herman (left) and Robert Greenstein

'I told them it would cost more than \$2 million and they said in America anything can be done.'

**— Dr. Victor Herman
1934 record setter**

wife, two daughters and mother-in-law to the United States.

Herman's slim body straightens as he recalls a long, arduous 45-year exile beginning in 1931 when his father went to the Soviet Union.

The true-life saga began in 1931 when the elder Herman took his family along with 300 other Americans under contract with Ford Motor Co. to set up an auto plant at Gorky.

"My father belonged to the Communist Party, but it wasn't like it is today," Herman said. "He understood it to be a great trade union and everyone would be equal."

Herman, who was 16 years old when he left the country, set the free-fall record when he was 19. He competed in track, shooting contests, decathlon, weightlifting, boxing and sprinting.

AFTER HE SET the world's first free fall record, he was referred to as the "Lindbergh of Russia," and the Detroit Times dubbed him the "home-town-boy-made-good."

After being captured, along with the other Ford Motor Co. Americans, Herman survived more than 22 years of prison camps. Enduring continuing prodding from the Russian government, Herman steadfastly refused to give up his U.S. citizenship.

He tenaciously fought to leave the

country, and finally succeeded after his cousin, David Herman, a U.S. citizen, took up the cause and enlisted the help of American senators.

WHEN HE finally made it to American soil, his next goals were to free his wife, Galina, mother-in-law, Tityana, and daughters, Svetlana and Janna.

With Greenstein's assistance, he achieved the feat within two years.

"Before my mother-in-law came here, she made a white dress out of a sheet and said she was ready to die and go to heaven," Herman said.

"When we brought her in this house, and showed her a bedroom that would be for her alone she said, 'I don't want to die, because I'm already in heaven.'"

SINCE RETURNING to the United States, Herman has often given lectures, and has written three books.

His most-recent publication is "Coming Out of the Ice," which was made into a CBS-TV movie.

His latest book, "Ghost Village," will be in print in two months. This publication will be distributed in coordination with the Victor Herman Foundation, recently formed to help free captive Americans from Russia.

Herman's next stint in the public eye will be during the California free-fall assault on the world records.

Most school candidates support tax request

By Marie Chestney
staff writer

Most of the six school-board candidates grilled Thursday at a question-and-answer session at Plymouth Salem High School had two thoughts uppermost on their minds.

One was to repair the lines of communication apparently left tattered and torn by last year's contract negotiations between the unions and the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education and the subsequent 13-day districtwide strike.

"Better communication is the basis for my campaign," said Plymouth resident Nancy Quinn. "Last year, the district lost its cooperative atmosphere."

The second big concern of five of the six candidates at the forum was getting the proposed 1.74-mill increase passed in next Monday's election.

"The millage is a necessary thing," said Plymouth resident Lester Walker.

ELEVEN candidates are vying for five seats on the Plymouth-Canton School Board. Six of the candidates attended the session, sponsored by the League of Women Voters (LWV) of Northville, Plymouth, Canton, Novi.

The only holdout against the millage hike was Canton resident Richard Sumpter. Sumpter told the forum audience of about 30 that he "wasn't against the millage increase per se, but I think this present one is ill-timed."

"The board has me confused," Sumpter said. "They are asking for a millage increase but considering an adult-education program at Starkweather School that will lose money the first year. We should sell Starkweather. I think the money is there to run the district another year."

Incumbent Glenn Schroeder, a Plymouth resident seeking another term on the board, was the only one of the six candidates who didn't rake over the coals the school district's style of communication.

Challengers feel need for better communication

"There has been good communication," Schroeder said. "Communication goes both ways and has both a sender and a receiver. The receiver has to respond. In the school district, the receiver has chosen not to respond."

SUMPTER, Schroeder, Quinn, Walker and Plymouth residents Earl Swartzwelder and Karen Murphy all spoke at the forum.

An LWV spokeswoman read to the small audience remarks from Canton resident Harvey Fallor and Plymouth resident Daniel O'Day. Canton residents Carol Bollman and Kay Coral and Plymouth resident Chester Liana did not attend, nor did they submit remarks to be read.

Quinn said she backed the millage because the district hadn't had a millage increase in five years. Calling the present board "reasonably conservative with money," she predicted "definite cuts" if the district didn't get extra funds.

"With the millage, we'll maintain our programs and add things where feasible," Quinn said.

Quinn also backed using the soon-to-be-closed Starkweather School for adult-education classes. "It will add money to the system," she said.

Schroeder called the Plymouth-Canton school district "well-run" and "well-respected."

"Re-elect me," Schroeder urged. "But if there has to be a priority, vote for the millage rather than me."

WALKER criticized the school board for "not fighting for what's unique about our district."

"There has been an on-going deterioration of spirit and we've lost the uniqueness of the district," Walker said. "The board is isolated both from the public and from employees. For most

of the people who come forth with random selection appeals, that's their first time before the board and the board treats them with cold courtesy.

The policy is cut and dried, I know, but those appealing are personally involved. No parent is prepared for the environment they meet. The board meeting is a town meeting involving the audience, it's not a meeting of seven top administrators."

If the millage is passed, Walker said he would "put more money in those programs eliminated that represent the heart and soul of the district."

"Too many decisions are made on a monetary basis, not on an 'excellence' basis," he added.

When considering cuts, Sumpter called the classrooms "untouchables."

"If we had to, we should take the money from maintenance and operations," he said.

SWARTZWELTER presented a 12-point program which, if followed, he predicted would improve communications in the district.

Included on the list are holding board meetings in the little auditorium at Plymouth Canton High School, surveying parents to determine the district's strengths and weaknesses and setting up a "hot line" where board members could hear opinions from residents.

If the millage didn't pass, Swartzwelder predicted the district could get through the 1984-85 school year "without cuts, but with no restorations."

House candidates told to file petitions

It's "business as usual" for state House of Representative candidates.

That word from Wayne County Clerk James Killen came despite the Thursday ruling of Oakland Circuit Judge George LaPlata that Michigan's legislative districts were drawn up unconstitutionally.

LaPlata's decision came in a challenge to reapportionment from five Oakland County residents. The Michigan Supreme Court immediately planned a review.

Filing deadline for state House candidates is still 4 p.m. Tuesday, Killen said. Until the high court rules, the clerk said, his office is accepting nominating petitions for the Aug. 7 partisan primaries on the basis of districts

drawn up by the Michigan Legislature last December.

"We submitted testimony (in the Oakland case) that any changes at this late date would lead to chaos," said Killen. He speculated the high court might not act until after this year's elections.

Generally, Republicans have been unhappy with the new reapportionment plan because districts slice across city and township boundaries more frequently than under an earlier plan. Majority Democrats contend their plan makes more equal-sized districts.

The ruling does not affect congressional and Wayne County commissioner-districts. State Senate elections are not due to be held until 1986.

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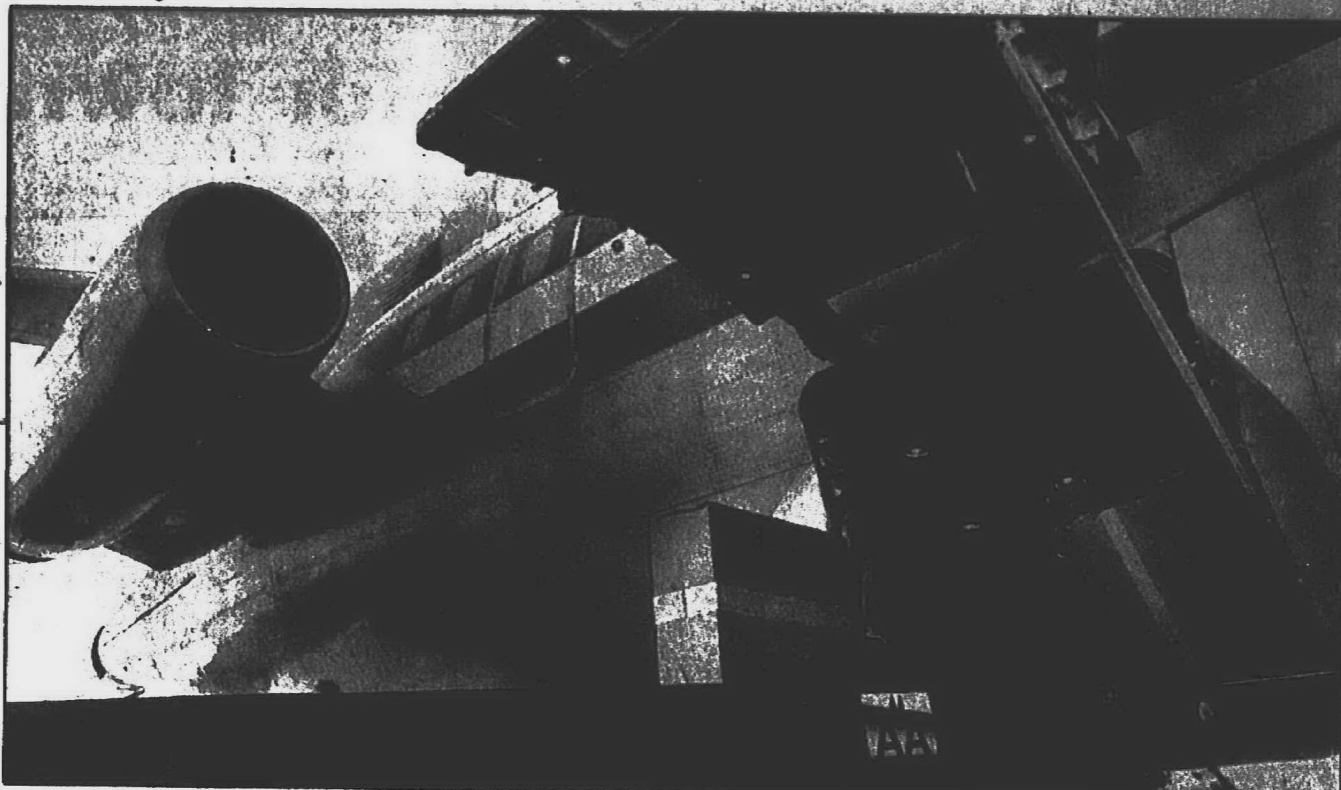


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One of American Airlines' few female fleet service clerks, Kay Padgett alights from the belly of a Boeing 727-Stretch, a compartment she's seen loaded with up to 10,000 pounds of cargo.

BILL BRESLER/staff photographer



American Airlines' Kay Padgett shoves cargo out of a Boeing 727-Stretch and onto a "jet veyor," to be loaded by fellow fleet service clerks into a cart.

BILL BRESLER/staff photographer

Anybody seen this gal?

By M.S. Dillon Ward
staff writer

Five feet 2, eyes of blue, and oh what those five feet can do. Has anybody seen this gal?

Yes. Kay Padgett of Canton, exactly 5 feet 2 and 120 pounds, was spotted in the belly of an American Airlines jumbo jet at Detroit Metropolitan Airport the other day. But she wasn't covered with pearls, diamond rings or any of those things.

Padgett — a fleet service clerk who handles baggage and acts as "wingman" directing pilots as they back planes onto the runway — wears boots, navy pants, a matching shirt, glasses, gloves and sound-deadening headsets just like her male counterparts.

But her height and long blond ponytail give her away.

It's a job Padgett, the lithe wife of Canton Trustee Robert Padgett, landed nearly six years ago when American employed only one other female fleet service clerk.

"My husband says I'm a hillo driver. But I've only done it once," laughed the well-muscled mother of four who's broken a foot and sliced open a hand while on the job.

The pursuit of Padgett began ordinarily enough — in an American Airlines

office shared by (to name a few) Plymouth's Richard Horner, vice president; Manager of Administration Thomas Hebel of Canton, and Karen Wisnke, secretary of airport services, also a Cantonite.

It ended in a near-gale on the tarmac (the cement apron planes park on). The stiff breeze, the scent of kerosene wafting upon it, and a deafening din came compliments of the plane's "APU," or electric generating system.

BENEATH the wing of a Boeing 727-Stretch, freshly-arrived from Dallas, a fuselage door had yawned open. Inside was Padgett looking like the Biblical Jonah, swallowed by a whale.

With a co-worker, Padgett lifted boxes, baggage and bulky packages onto the angled conveyor belt of a wheeled machine parked below. Four grounded fleet service clerks were hoisting cargo as it reached the end of the "jet veyor" into a cart.

That job completed, Padgett hopped out to consult with ramp supervisor Neil Frank, then on quality control duty. In the cockpit, pilots were preparing for take-off.

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BILL BRESLER/staff photographer

Kay Padgett, wife of Canton Township Trustee Robert Padgett, gives pilots the go-ahead to back up for take off.

neighbors on cable

CHANNEL 15 MONDAY (June 4)

- 2 p.m. . . . Trooper Talks — Lee Landes, a representative of Mothers Against Drunk Drivers (MADD), and a Michigan State Police sergeant talk about upcoming graduation season and other drunk-driving issues.
- 2:30 p.m. . . . Total Fitness — Jackie Starr demonstrates aerobics and interviews a doctor.
- 3 p.m. . . . Rave Review — Music and dancing from Center Stage in Canton.
- 3:30 p.m. . . . Sandy Show — Host Sandy Preblich talks with Dick Egli and Ray Hoedel from Plymouth-Canton Community Schools.
- 4 p.m. . . . MESC Job Show — More information on career planning and choices. Jeff Tressler also gives local job descriptions.
- 4:30 p.m. . . . Hamtramck Sports Talk — A look at women's weightlifting.
- 5 p.m. . . . Hamtramck Magazine.
- 5:30 p.m. . . . Cooking With Cas — Cas prepares a chicken-vegetable stir-fry.
- 6 p.m. . . . Citizens: 50 Years in Review — On the 50th anniversary of the Hamtramck Citizen newspaper.
- 6:30 p.m. . . . Chef Bui-Carb — The chef cooks up more tasty treats to fix while biking. This week he visits Hollway's Bakery to create desserts.
- 7 p.m. . . . Park Lecture Series '84 — The start of a new series of speaker programs from Plymouth-Canton Community Schools. Programs taped by Mark Even and students.
- 8 p.m. . . . 1st Presbyterian Church of Northville Presents "A Celebration" — This week's sermon topic is "I Am The Good Shepherd."
- 9 p.m. . . . Healthway Series — The total person concept of health is discussed with Dr. Sid Disbrow.
- 10 p.m. . . . Menopause: A Positive Experience — First in a series of seminars on women's health care at Southfield Civic Center Library with Dr. E.M. Lichten and Debi Silverman of "The Food Chain."

TUESDAY (June 5)

- 2 p.m. . . . Canton Update — More interesting stories from Observer Columnist Eddie Edgar with host James Poole.
- 2:30 p.m. . . . Human Images — Three student hosts from the Plymouth Centennial Educational Park (CEP) talk with drug dealers.
- 3:30 p.m. . . . Michigan Little Miss Contest — Some 64 children age 4-7 compete for the title of Michigan National Little Miss.
- 6 p.m. . . . Youth View — A visit to WYFC, a Christian radio station.
- 8:30 p.m. . . . '83 Highlights of Canton County Festival Parade — Relive

some of the excitement and fun of last year's parade and get prepared for this year's extravaganza on June 10.

- 6 p.m. . . . Shopper Comparison — Current price information for groceries from four area supermarkets.
- 6:30 p.m. . . . School Daze.
- 7 p.m. . . . State Marching Band Competition — Montrose High School and Flint Northern High School perform at State Marching Band Championship last fall at Plymouth Centennial Educational Park (CEP).
- 7:30 p.m. . . . Sports — First hour: 2 Wheels, 10 Gear & Yew; tips on how to buy a 10-speed bike from Town & Country Bike Store in Northville; second hour, Northville Recreation Baseball features Northville Azreos vs. Northville Phillies; and third segment is Plymouth Soccer with Plymouth Orange Creek vs. Northville vs. Northville Spurs.

WEDNESDAY (June 6)

- 2 p.m. . . . The Oasis.
- 2:30 p.m. . . . Park Lecture Series '84.
- 3:30 p.m. . . . 1st Presbyterian Church of Northville Presents A Celebration.
- 4:30 p.m. . . . Healthway Series.
- 5:30 p.m. . . . Menopause: A Positive Experience.
- 6:30 p.m. . . . Trooper Talks.
- 7 p.m. . . . Total Fitness.
- 7:30 p.m. . . . Rave Review.
- 8 p.m. . . . Sandy Show.
- 8:30 p.m. . . . The MESC Job Show.
- 9 p.m. . . . Hamtramck Sports Talk.
- 9:30 p.m. . . . Hamtramck Magazine.
- 10 p.m. . . . Cooking With Cas.
- 10:30 p.m. . . . Citizen: 50 Years in Review.

CHANNEL 8

MONDAY (June 4)

- 7 p.m. . . . Tell Me A Story — Gina talks with the children about signs this week and why they should read them carefully.
- 7:30 p.m. . . . The Letter Writer — Ginny Eades talks with Joenne McCoy.
- 8 p.m. . . . Prescription For Health — Doctors talk about ophthalmology and cataracts.
- 8:30 p.m. . . . Woking Fancy — Pam Miracle makes sweet and sour pork with shrimp.
- 9 p.m. . . . So It Can't Happen To You — A crime prevention series from Schoolcraft College.
- 9:30 p.m. . . . Single Touch Live — J.P. McCarthy and Dana Von Weber talk about local singles groups on this live phone-in show.
- 10 p.m. . . . '83 Highlights of Canton Country Festival Parade.
- 10:30 p.m. . . . Jokes-A-Plenty — Wacky,

mad-cap comedy with jokes galore from area residents. Also a pyrotechnics demonstration with Mr. Fuse and his assistant Sparky.

TUESDAY (June 5)

- 7 p.m. . . . Kids Round Town — Nicki Jones talks with the Webb brothers, two young country singers at the Airport Hilton. Part of their performance is taped.
- 7:30 p.m. . . . Homework Helpline — A review of Better Education for Michigan Citizens: A Blueprint for Action (The Michigan State Board of Education plan). Presentation of what is being proposed for high-school graduation requirements. Guest is Harvey Falor.
- 8 p.m. . . . It's A Woman's World — Judi Thomas, owner of Judi's Bag Factory and Bernadette Strickland, owner of Plymouth Modeling and Finishing Academy, are Deb Williams guests.
- 8:30 p.m. . . . The Food Chain — Guest Diane Ksiazkiewicz of EMU discusses the Wellness Program at Snow Health Center on campus. Hosted by Debi Silverman.
- 9 p.m. . . . Psychologically Speaking — Host Bob Goodwin talks with Al Lebow, executive director of Fathers for Equal Rights, about fathers as nurturers.
- 9:30 p.m. . . . Single Touch — Hosts J.P. McCarthy and Dana Von Weber talk with local singles.
- 10 p.m. . . . Get on Board — A look at 40 rainy days and nights performed by Northville Christian Community School.
- 10:30 p.m. . . . Hamtramck Rotary — Guest speaker is John D. O'Hare, Wayne County Prosecutor.

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- 10 p.m. . . . '83 Highlights Canton Country Festival Parade.
- 10:30 p.m. . . . Jokes-A-Plenty.

CHANNEL 10 CANTON TOWNSHIP FRIDAY

- 6 to 10:30 p.m. . . . Canton Township Board meeting.

SATURDAY

- noon to 4:30 p.m. . . . Canton Township Board Meeting.

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Hulsing announces for township clerk

Esther Hulsing has filed for re-election as Plymouth Township Clerk.

She has lived in the Plymouth community for 42 years of which the last 17 have been in the township. She has been Plymouth Township Clerk for six years.

"As clerk I also wear a policy-making hat on the Board of Trustees which determines the course that the township is moving in," she said when announcing her candidacy. "As new residents come needing services that gov-

ernment must provide we should continue to provide them in the most cost-effective manner possible.

"At the moment the township has a good mix of business, industrial and residential areas. We are developing more industrial areas in appropriate areas in the township.

"Continuing cooperation with the city of Plymouth is necessary in the areas of police protection and furnishing of library services. We need each other as we support our churches, our

schools, recreation for the entire community and our service organizations.

"The Plymouth community is a splendid place to live — it behooves all of us to work to keep it that."

BORN IN Montana, she earned her bachelor of science degree from Montana State University and a master's from Ohio State University.

For 18 years she was a member of the Plymouth-Canton Board of Educa-

tion. She is among those elected to the Plymouth Hall of Fame.

Hulsing is a member of the Plymouth Woman's Club, Plymouth Community Fund, AAUW, Plymouth Community Arts Council, D.A.R., Pan-Hellenic, Plymouth Symphony Society, BPW and the Episcopal Church in Plymouth.

Before being elected clerk, she was a member of the Plymouth Township Civil Service Commission. She serves as chair of the Rouge River Watershed

Council, as treasurer of the Wayne County Clerk's Association and on the board of trustees of Garden City Osteopathic Hospital.

She is a member of the board of the Friends of the Library and the Plymouth Township Economic Development Corporation. As a member of the Township Board of Trustees she has served as chair of the Election Commission, on the board's compensation committee and on the board's negotiation team.

Hulsing says she has taken courses pertinent to the township clerk's job from the continuing education department of Michigan State University.

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Munfakh to seek trustee position



Abe A. Munfakh

Abe A. Munfakh has announced his intention to run for the Plymouth Township Board of Trustees.

Munfakh, a Republican, is a vice president of the Ann Arbor engineering and architectural firm of Ayres, Lewis, Norris & May. He has been a resident of Plymouth Township for the past seven years.

A civil engineer and registered professional engineer, Munfakh earned a bachelor of science degree in civil engineering from Louisiana State University and did graduate work at University of Michigan.

He is a member of the Plymouth Township Planning Commission and serves on that body's land split and Northville Corridor committees. He has served on the Trailwood Homeowners Association Board of Directors for the past five years, and currently is board president.

"In order to continue and increase present services without increasing property taxes to the residents of the township, we must increase the tax base in the township through economic development by attracting small, clean industries and other commercial establishments to the community and to our industrial parks.

"I believe my work in management in the private sector together with my work on the Plymouth Township Planning Commission provide me with the background and abilities necessary to accomplish these goals."

Munfakh is a member of Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church in Plymouth where he serves as an usher captain and a lector. He is a member of the Kiwanis Club.

Volunteer is honored

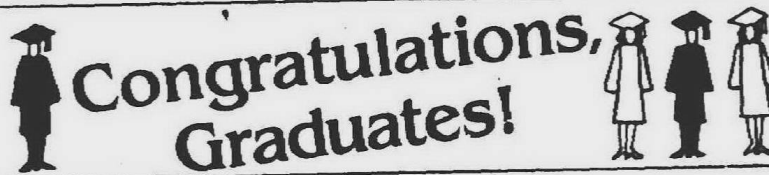
Plymouth resident Peter Pellerito is one of 10 volunteers in the state to be honored with a 1984 Volunteer Leadership Award from the Greater Michigan Foundation.

Pellerito received his award from Michigan Gov. James J. Blanchard at the foundation's annual awards luncheon in Marshall.

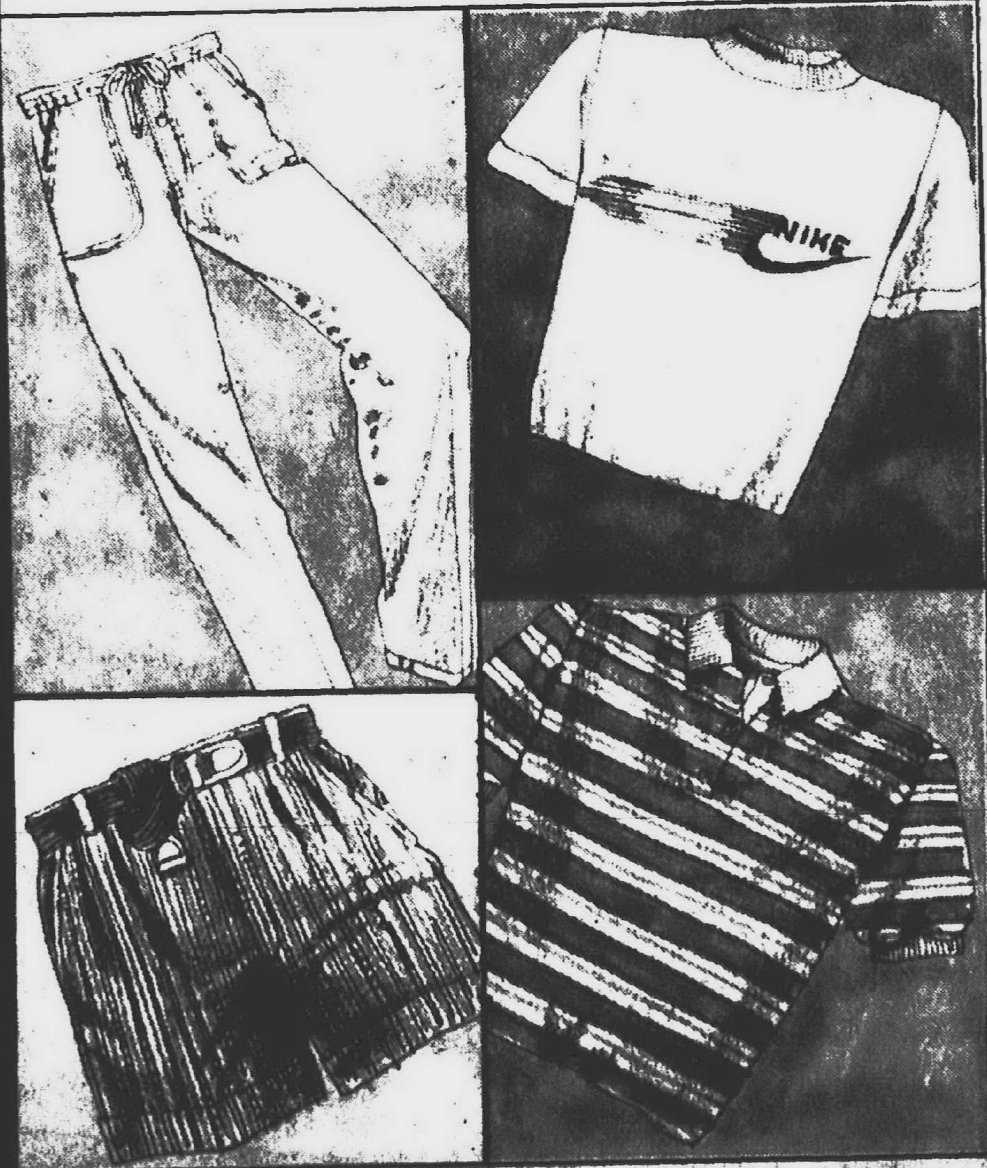
Pellerito was cited for his 10 years of work for the American Lung Associ-

ation. He has served as the association's public service chairman for Traverse City and also chaired a statewide public information committee, working with news agencies throughout the state.

Pellerito, president of the association's 80-county organization, is employed as director of governmental relations for the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor.



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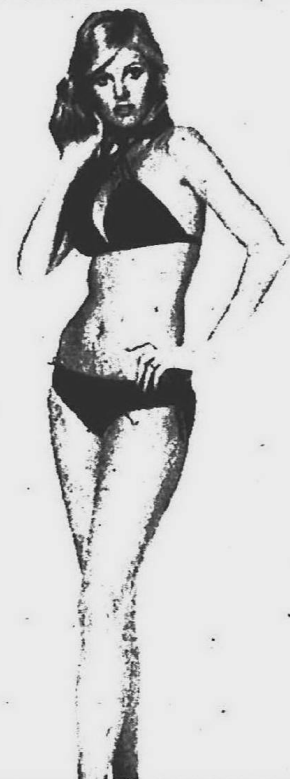


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She wears boots to work

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Next, Padgett rolled a cargo container up to a chain-driven hoist in front of the wing and loaded New York-bound baggage. She then heaved the rounded door shut, the sage advice of co-workers to "get your face out of the way," now seeming old hat.

ENGINES FIRED UP and the jetway was withdrawn.

With a fluorescent signaling stick, Padgett assumed her wingman's post to the rear of the plane. Wind-blown observers were handed headsets to preserve their hearing. Padgett's raised arm, and identical signals from the opposite wingman and "guide" up front told the captain the coast was clear.

The thrill of watching the big bird back up, zoom forward and take flight apparently grows old. Workers headed inside where there was time for a breather before the 45-year-old Padgett gassed up equipment and unloaded the next plane.

Inside a buzzing terminal, fellow fleet service clerks were coming and going, conversing and playing cards.

The staff of more than 100 (seven of them female) is trained to search for explosives during a bomb threat (a job strictly for volunteers); for cabin duty; ground work for commuter airlines; baggage loading, and "mail, freight, bag, and john running."

The latter, called "dumping lavatory trucks" and several other names, is Padgett's weak spot. (She doesn't seem all that eager to brush up in that area.)

"I try not to bid cabin either — it makes for dishpan hands," says the Ypsilanti-born Padgett, adding she hasn't yet volunteered for bomb-search duty. ("I have this misconception that maybe the family needs me," she says.)

Unexpected pluses have arisen for Padgett at American.

"I've lost 37 pounds in the last year, and the job has a lot to do with it. Some people cram food in their mouth — I cram cargo into bellies," joked Padgett, who's helped unload as much as 10,000 pounds of cargo from a single plane.

"Sometimes it's exhausting. I've been on the other end of 400-and-some pounds. One of the things we chucked out the door today was over 400 pounds. If the belly is smooth, you can chuck it out pretty good," added the former real estate broker.

BACK IN 1978, having done domestic "men's work" probably impressed Padgett's interviewer — a "tough woman who was like the watchdog" at American.

"She said she wanted someone who was a good worker, didn't take much sick time, and wasn't afraid of heavy work or of getting dirty," recalled Padgett.

"I told her I'd poured cement with my husband, I hauled a whole load of gravel with a wheelbarrow for days, and to fix a leak in the house, I dug an eight-foot hole with a pick axe and shovel.

"My husband refused to help me, and once I got started, I refused to let him help me. Now it doesn't leak."

American called Padgett in for a physical exam, and hired her.

A flapper? No. She's not one of those.

from our readers

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League backs millage request

To the editor:

The League of Women Voters of Northville-Plymouth-Canton-Novi strongly supports an adequate and, if possible, improved education for all children enrolled in the district.

To maintain necessary programs in the schools the League endorses the 1.74 millage increase requested by Plymouth-Canton Community Schools.

This millage increase will cover budget expenditures for the 1984-85 school year and beyond. The projected budget reflects reasonable increases in contractual salaries, fringe benefits and utilities.

The League believes that the other projected increases in areas such as transportation, building

maintenance, block grants, and community education are necessary to keep existing programs and prevent further deterioration of buildings and equipment.

Plymouth-Canton Community Schools has not had a millage increase since 1979. Even with the additional 1.74 mills, the Plymouth-Canton schools will have one of the lowest millage rates in the area.

The League of Women Voters is a national non-partisan organization. The purpose of the League is to promote political responsibility through informed and active participation of citizens in government on selected governmental issues. The policy of the League is to study and to take action on governmental issues and policies in the public interest.

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Cherry trees once grew on site of parking deck

(Part I)

The 275-space parking deck on the Central Parking Lot, behind the business block, is scheduled for opening in August. Its construction marks the latest in a number of changes at the site during the past 50 years.

In the late 1920s and early '30s, the lot had not yet been invaded by what an earlier era called the gas buggy. Most of the lot was made up of the backyards of residences then fronting on South Harvey Street. Frogs still croaked on a summer evening in the

swamp behind the Main Street business block. Tonquish Creek was visible as it meandered through what later was to become the parking lot.

A horse or two might have been seen, cropping grass by the side of the creek, and perhaps even a cow, but no automobiles. In those days all the autos in Plymouth could be accommodated at curbside. The pressure for off-street parking still was to come.

ONE OF THE HOUSES on S. Harvey that backed up to the lot was near the corner of Penniman. It was owned by



past and present

Sam Hudson

Mr. and Mrs. Eli Nowland.

Both were born in New Boston — Eli in 1854, Ida Tice Nowland in 1861. They were the grandparents of Mary Lou Voorhies Alwood who now lives at

360 S. Harvey St., facing the parking lot.

While Richard Alwood made us some coffee recently, I sat in the front room of the Alwood home and listened as his

wife spoke of her childhood visits to Grandma Nowland's. She recalled the area as it looked when she was a girl in the 1920s.

As she talked, we looked through the front window across S. Harvey as work progressed on the new parking deck. Four workmen connected cables from a huge crane to a section of the prefabricated concrete floor of the structure. The men rode on top of the slab as the crane hoisted it into place.

Before Mary Lou was born, her father, Don Voorhies, worked at the Plymouth United Savings Bank on Main, in the space later occupied by the Community Drug Store. Grace Ermine Nowland, his bride-to-be, ran the switchboard of the Plymouth Telephone Co. in a building on Penniman Avenue facing Kellogg Park, about where Margaret Wilson's computer store now stands.

In 1910, after they were married, the Voorhies moved to Detroit. There Don Voorhies worked for The People's Bank, later transferring to the National Bank of Detroit. The family lived at Rosedale Court, near Woodward and Burlingame. Mary Lou and her older brother, the late Don Voorhies Jr., were both born in Detroit.

As children they often visited their grandparents in the frame house on S. Harvey in Plymouth.

They liked to play in the back lot along the creek. Mary Lou recalls some beautiful cherry trees along the Tonquish. She was often sent to pick an apron full of cherries, enough to make a pie.

S. Harvey were shaded by huge trees.

"Marigolds and sunflowers were usually in abundance in most of the gardens," Mary Lou recalls. "The marigolds looked pretty. They were also popular because they kept the bees away."

"Tonquish Creek ran across Harvey Street, going east through the lot until it came near the Main Street stores. Then it veered south across Ann Arbor Trail. My mother often told me about putting a piece of red flannel on the end of a pole and dangling it into the stream to catch frogs."

"Harry Robinson, whose livery stable on the south side of Penniman Avenue backed up to the lot, used to conduct auctions in his building at night. Horses, wagons, wheels and trappings were sold to the highest bidder."

"Lanterns would be passed along as the men moved about. Although Plymouth was a dry town at the time, a bottle would also be passed around as the bidding increased."

"Harry Robinson was known not only here in Plymouth, but in Detroit and throughout the state. He was a big man with a big voice. He always wore a big watch on a long gold chain. He usually had a wide brim hat on."

"He kept a dray running on a regular schedule between his livery and the railroad station. One dray bought passengers, the other their luggage. My grandfather, Eli Nowland, drove the dray for Mr. Robinson for many years."

THE FRONTS OF the residences on

(To be continued).

'Short, stout softie' stymies lazer beam

From the day he was born going on nine decades ago, The Stroller has been burdened with excess weight. As a child he was described as pudgy. When he was old enough to start school he was too round to sit at a regular desk and the first morning he had to sit on the floor next to the teacher.

Even when the handy man moved the regular seat back, the rest of the students laughed while watching him squeeze into place.

Year after year he was laughed at and had all sorts of nicknames such as pudgy, fatty and softie. When our class in school organized a baseball team The Stroller wasn't invited because he couldn't run fast enough.

It was a different story when the football season came around. He was invited to play center. He was the choice because, as the coach explained, "You just pass the ball, then fall down and no one can go through you. You will be a fine center." And that's exactly what happened.

THEN AS a young man when the boys started to wear "knickers" or "plus fours" as they were called, he was denied this privilege because he would look too wide. So he had to have regular men's pants cut off at the knees. The weight problem got him into many odd positions.

When The Stroller's mother took him shopping for his first pair of long trousers, the clerk measured him around the waist and then, smilingly called, "short stout." And so it has been all these years.

As he grew into manhood the problem brought new descriptions. He was now "Mr. Five by Five,"



the stroller

W.W. Edgar

or "The Little Round Man." But all those things are gone now and The Stroller has good reason to let by-gones be by-gones.

The new switch came recently when he had trouble with one of his eyes. The doctor removed a cataract, with the advice that the draining would end in a few weeks. Well, two years have gone by and the draining continues.

THE DOCTOR stitched it at the side to pull the flesh together. It didn't help. Then he said that because I was "a little fat" he would remove the scab beneath my eye to keep the lid from turning in. That didn't help.

So, the next move was to be a laser beam treatment. "That will do the trick," he said. So, off to the hospital for the laser beam. It was a new experience as it had been said that the laser beam would cut through anything and it would remove some scar tissue.

Well, he finally got into the chair and the light was turned out. He was now face to face with the laser beam and all promised to be well. But as the narrow orange stripe went around The Stroller felt that it was cutting the edge of the growth and and

would then be lifted.

Then, of a sudden, the light flickered. The doctor turned it off and then tried again. The same thing happened.

"THIS MACHINE is acting sort of cantankerous," he said. "So take a rest and we'll try again." In due time he called and The Stroller was told that the beam was fixed and now it would be only a few minutes and it would be all over.

But the beam flickered again. And the doctor gave up, saying, "It won't cut your flesh. So you may have to go to surgery."

Instead of being disappointed The Stroller laughed. No longer was he "fatty" or "softie" and the other names he had earlier in life.

So, don't call him "softie" anymore. He no longer is soft. Even the laser beam that is supposed to cut through anything couldn't cut the flesh in his eye.

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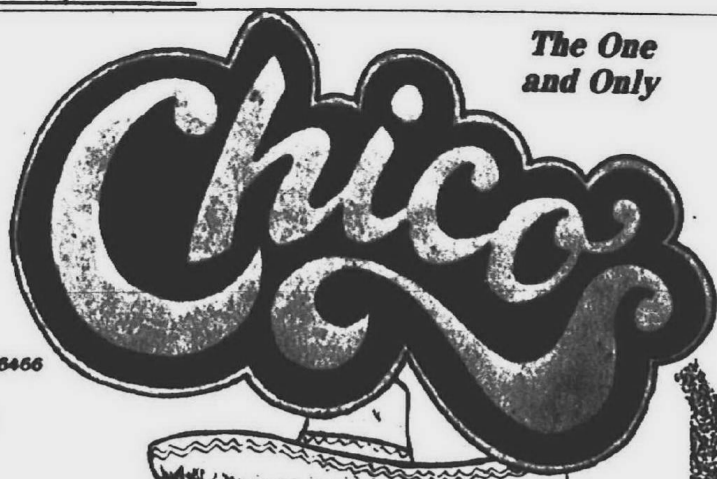
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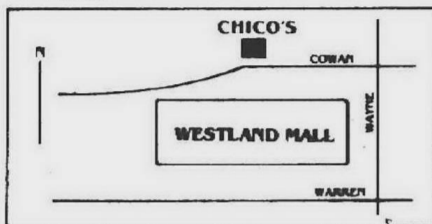
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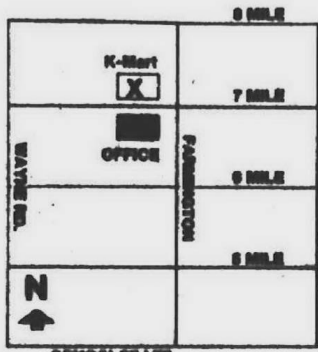
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This refreshing entree becomes a real tribute to the islands when you use the hollowed shells from fresh pineapples as individual serving platters. To keep the pineapple shells fresh until party time, Tupperware Educational Services suggests refrigerating the halves face down in a paper towel-lined, sealed container. Fill shells with Hawaiian Chicken Salad just before serving.

Guests will enjoy Banana Nut Bread which uses macadamia nuts to add a tropical twist to an old favorite. The bread can be made several days before the party, and it will stay just-baked fresh when stored in an air-tight container. You might want to bake two or three loaves and freeze the extras for a welcome snack throughout the summer.

What better topper for Banana Nut Bread than Tropical Cream Cheese Spread? To make this spread, combine crushed pineapple left over from the Hawaiian Chicken Salad with shredded coconut and a hint of honey. Prepare the recipe the day before the party and chill in a ready-to-serve, air-tight bowl. This creamy spread is also great with bagels for a light breakfast.

Here's a delicious variation from the traditional pitcher of tea. Fruit juices, ginger and tea are mixed together to create a winning combination of Tangy Lime Tea. Prepare the drink a day in advance and refrigerate to let the flavors blend. Garnish drinking tumblers with lime slices before serving.

To complete your Hawaiian picnic, why not try this irresistible Coconut Custard Pie? Mixing all of the ingredients in a blender makes preparation a snap. And you won't even have to worry about fixing a crust because this pie makes its own soft crust while it bakes. The pie will keep fresh for several days when refrigerated in a sealed pie taker.

Maybe you can't travel to Hawaii this summer to join in the statehood celebration. But with these easy, make-ahead recipes, you'll soon discover that the taste of the tropics is as close as your own backyard.



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HAWAIIAN CHICKEN SALAD

- 2 cups cooked rice (do not add butter/margarine when cooking rice)
- 2 cups chopped cooked white chicken
- 1 cup fresh pineapple chunks
- 1 cup strawberry halves
- 1 cup celery slices
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- 1/4 teaspoon ground ginger
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- 1/2 cup plain yogurt
- 1/4 cup almond slices

Allow cooked rice to cool. In a large mixing bowl combine rice, chicken, pineapple, strawberries, celery, seasonings and lemon juice; mix lightly. Store mixture in air-tight sealed bowl in refrigerator. Prior to serving add yogurt and almonds to mixture; mix lightly. Garnish with additional strawberries and pineapple. Makes 4-6 servings. Serve individual portions on lettuce leaves or in pineapple shells.

TROPICAL CREAM CHEESE SPREAD

- 1 8-oz. package soft cream cheese
- 2 tablespoons apricot preserves
- 1/4 cup crushed pineapple
- 2 teaspoons honey
- 1/3 cup flaked coconut

Combine cream cheese, preserves, crushed pineapple and honey, mixing until blended. Add coconut and mix well. Chill. Serve with Banana Nut Bread slices. Makes 1 2/3 cups.

BANANA NUT BREAD

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| 1 cup sugar | 1/2 teaspoon baking soda |
| 1/2 cup shortening | 1/2 teaspoon baking powder |
| 2 eggs | 1/4 teaspoon nutmeg |
| 1 teaspoon vanilla | 1/4 teaspoon cinnamon |
| 1 cup ripe bananas, mashed | 1 cup chopped macadamia nuts |
| 2 cups flour | |

In a large mixing bowl cream sugar and shortening, add eggs and vanilla, beat until fluffy. Add bananas. In medium mixing bowl combine flour, baking soda, baking powder, nutmeg and cinnamon; add to banana mixture. Stir in nuts. Pour into greased 9"x5" loaf pan (for smaller loaves, use two pans). Bake at 350 degrees for 45 to 50 minutes or until done. Cool in pan 10 minutes then turn onto rack and cool thoroughly.

Serve with Tropical Cream Cheese Spread.

TANGY LIME TEA

- 1 6-oz. can of frozen limeade concentrate
- 1/3 cup unsweetened pineapple juice
- 4 teabags
- 4 cups boiling water
- 1/4 teaspoon ground ginger

In a 2-qt. pitcher, mix limeade concentrate with 4 cans of water; add pineapple juice and stir to blend.

Place teabags in 4 cups of boiling water; steep for 5 minutes. Remove teabags; add ginger while stirring tea. Combine tea with fruit juice mixture; stir until well mixed. Chill at least 2 hours in refrigerator before serving.

Serve in tumblers over ice; garnish with lime slices. Makes eight 8 oz. servings. Variation: prepare beverage using orange spice tea.

COCONUT CUSTARD PIE

- 2 cups milk
- 4 eggs
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1/2 cup all-purpose flour
- 1/4 cup butter or margarine, cut-up
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1 cup flaked coconut
- ground nutmeg
- 1/4 cup toasted coconut
- 1/4 cup toasted sliced almonds

In blender container, combine milk, eggs, sugar, flour, cut-up butter or margarine, vanilla and salt. Cover; blend about 10 seconds until well mixed (do not overblend). Stir in flaked coconut. Pour egg mixture into greased 9" pie plate. Sprinkle a little nutmeg atop filling. Bake at 350 degrees for 40 minutes or till knife inserted near center comes out clean. (As pie bakes, it forms its own soft crust.) Cool. Place in 9" pie taker. Cover and chill to store. When serving, garnish with toasted almonds and toasted coconut. Makes 8 servings.

TIP: After you've baked a custard pie for the recommended time, Tupperware Educational Services suggests that you gently shake the pie to test for doneness. If the area that still appears to be liquid is smaller than the size of a quarter, the pie is done.

TOASTED COCONUT

Spread 1/4 cup coconut evenly in shallow baking dish. Place in 325-degree oven for 10-15 minutes, stirring frequently.

TOASTED ALMONDS

Spread 1/4 cup sliced almonds in shallow baking dish. Place in 300-degree oven for 5 minutes or until golden.

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The beef was in Lansing, and taste was the winner

A Jackson couple not only knows where the beef is but they know what to do with it. Dave Rzepa won the Michigan Beef Cook Off in Lansing, Saturday, with his Beef Diablo, a filling which can be used in corn tortillas or flour tortillas.

The runner up was his wife Joyce whose Beefy Apple Roast edged out Joan Gaskin of Lansing who offered her Manzo Con Salsa. Anita Sudakin of Southfield earned an honorable mention for her Beef Bragiol - Italian beef roles.

While Dave was the all-out first-prize winner, the second place was not as easy to resolve. After the initial balloting among the four judges, including myself, it was a tie.

preparation, 20 points for appearance and 20 points for originality. It probably wouldn't have been a tie if there had been five judges but one had to cancel out.

Naturally the big prize was a trip to the National Beef Cook Off in September in Albuquerque, N.M. While Dave will be going you can bet he won't be going alone and what better accompaniment than his runner up.

Susan Milner of Traverse City for her Greek meat balls with noodles.

Paul Wilson of Clio, Pearl Fletcher of Flint and Genie Perkins of Grand Rapids.

The runner up also had two recipes in the finals but I guess it would have been asking too much if her second had won third place as well.

In talking with the other judges I found I was a little more critical than they were. But I was on the mark for second and third place because I was the only judge who had those two entries rated as a tie.

But because I am a firm believer that taste should be the most important factor in rating a recipe and the other three judges had the Beefy Apple Roast as their most tasty I bowed to their decision and my second-place pick finished third.

But the winner should have a good chance at the national cook off if he doesn't wear that silly hat!

Whether eaten hot or cold, lobster is *the* taste choice

There are those who like their South African rock lobster cold in an appetizer or a salad. They say that's the way to truly savor the texture and taste of this seafood.

Some people prefer it hot, whether simply plain broiled or prepared in an infinite number of main dish entrees.

Here is a choice. Both are main dishes. One is lighter, both in calories and presentation. That's the cold salad. It can be prepared in advance and served with a flourish. Medallions of South African rock lobster meat are placed over a chilled vegetable mixture and served right in the bright red shells.

The other is a very easy hot entree that can be put on the table in less than half an hour. Both recipes are designed to serve four, but can be halved if the occasion calls for an intimate dinner for two.

Don't overlook the possibilities and the pleasure that South African rock lobster offers to the home diner. You don't have to wait to go out to a fine restaurant to enjoy the superb taste of this juicy and tender seafood. Its delicate flavor appeals to all ages, from preschool to the most sophisticated adult.

SHERRIED SOUTH AFRICAN ROCK LOBSTER
4 (4 oz each) frozen South African rock lobster tails

- 1/2 cup seasoned bread crumbs
- 1/2 cup mayonnaise
- 3 tsp dill pickle relish
- 2 tsp sherry wine
- 1/2 tsp chili powder

Drop frozen rock lobster tails into boiling salted water. When water boils, boil for 5 minutes. Drain immediately and drench with cold water. With scissors, remove underside membrane and pull out meat in one piece. Cut meat in half lengthwise and arrange on foil-lined broiling tray. Blend remaining ingredients and spread over tails. Broil about 4 inches from source of heat for 3 to 5 minutes. Serve over hot scalloped potatoes or over rice. Yield: 4 servings.

ROCK LOBSTER SALAD-IN-SHELL
4 (4 oz each) frozen South African rock lobster tails
1/2 cup minced celery
1/2 cup shredded carrots
1/2 cup chopped water chestnuts, drained
2 tsp minced onion
Low-calorie mayonnaise

Drop frozen rock lobster tails into boiling salted water. When water boils, boil for 5 minutes. Drain immediately and drench with cold water. With scissors, cut away underside membrane and pull out meat in one piece. Reserve shells. Slice meat crosswise into medallions. Combine vegetables in

a bowl with enough mayonnaise to coat. At serving time, divide vegetables among shells and top with rock lobster medallions. Serve shells on a bed of lettuce, if desired, with lemon slices. Yield 4 servings.

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the movies
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Spielberg's new pet may be a bit rough for young viewers

Steven Spielberg is a master at the box office. Last week he started rewriting the statistics with "Indiana Jones," and on Friday his production, "Gremlins," directed by Joe Dante, tries for new records.

"Gremlins" opens with a nice holiday atmosphere. Rand Peltzer (Hoyt Axton), a Rube Goldberg character whose strange inventions provide running gags throughout the movie, buys his son Billy (Zach Galligan) an exotic pet called a mogwai, which Billy names Gizmo. But there's a quirk in this mundane story. Gizmo comes from a strange Chinatown store with the admonishment: "Don't get it wet, don't expose it to bright light and don't feed it after midnight."

Sounds like good family entertainment, right? Well, it is and it isn't because very quickly the sweet little E.T.-style mogwai gets cross-fertilized by the "Alien" and the progeny turns mean. So mean in fact that there are serious reservations in my mind as to whether or not this film is appropriate for the under-12 set.

Billy, a 20-year-old bank clerk who takes his dog to work, is played by Galligan as a semimature teen-ager. As with many recent Spielberg efforts, there is the now tiresome echo of "The Wizard of Oz."

BILLY'S DOG, Barney (Mushroom), is threatened with extinction by the bank's biggest depositor, Mrs. Deagle (Polly Holliday). The Wicked Witch of the West melted years ago. Leave her alone!

Billy is fascinated by his new pet Gizmo but, of course, it gets wet, in the bright light and fed after midnight. The ensuing chaos is extremely well done technically and provides a spectacular backdrop for some convincing performances. Phoebe Cates is engaging as Billy's girl, Kate, and Frances Lee McCain plays Mother Peltzer credibly, particularly in a terror-filled kitchen sequence.

Silly, drunken Mr. Futterman (Dick Miller) believes all foreign products are infected with gremlins. He is very funny in his fundamental but well-intentioned stupidity. He's right about the gremlins.

Glen Turman is effective as biology teacher Roy Hanson. I suppose it's reasonable for a 20-year-old bank clerk to take a problem to his high-school biology teacher but the mad scientist stereotype that emerges is inappropriate since Turman is black.

Gizmo and the Gremlins were designed, created and operated by Chris Walas with a crew of thousands (almost). Whether humorous or malign, these creatures are persuasively real in their appearance.

BUT SOMEONE ought to call a halt to the endless flow of gross, perverse images that contemporary special-effects wizards regularly bring to our movie screens.

Young children are now widely conversant with all sorts of gory behavior. They are robbed of their childhood by early insertion into the adult world of terror and brutality. Increasingly we all become immunized to such violence and we lose our grasp on that very important human characteristic, the ability to care for our fellow man.

The immunization is slow, but it occurs, sometimes unnoticed. Several people have taken me to task for not objecting to the sexism, child brutality, torture and other gross images in "Indiana Jones." It seemed to me that the whole thing was a joke and, as with the fast-motion Keystone Kop fight sequences, clearly unreal, a gag placed for laughs.

Perhaps I was wrong as those issues are not jokes. I, too, have begun to accept indifferently violence on the screen. Filmmakers for the past quarter of a century have piled one obscenity upon another until it all seems natural. This is, indeed, sad.



Supernatural problem

Bill Murray stars as one of the pros who knows how to get rid of ghosts in the comedy "Ghostbusters," opening Friday. Sigourney Weaver is a woman who has a problem with ghostly happenings. Dan Aykroyd, Harold Ramis and Rick Moranis also star in the film, produced and directed from an original screenplay by Aykroyd and Ramis.



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the view

Ellie Graham

THE TELEPHONE people are planning a benefit bake sale 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday, June 13, in the cafe of the Michigan Bell Building on Ann Arbor. The sale is an inside job, with employees donating and buying the baked goods. For the past seven years, proceeds from the sale have been donated to the Penrickton School for the Blind. This year, the money will go to the Salvation Army.

Wanda Atwood, who is chairing the benefit, said, "We don't make a lot of money, but we work at doing what we do — we reach out to help. We have a nice group of people here in Plymouth."

Who are the local "telephone people?" They come from AT&T, Michigan Bell, Ameritech and Western Union.

IT WAS LADIES' day last Thursday at the party bridge games in the Plymouth Cultural Center. Frances Peters had high score and Frances LaCombe was second high with nine tables in play. Agnes Laing and Carl Peters came in one-two May 24.

Newcomers are welcomed by the regulars. They begin at 1 p.m. and play four hands around, six games. Frances Peters said, "It's usually over by 4 p.m."

THOSE NEW FLAGS flying at the Mayflower Hotel give downtown Plymouth an international air.

For those who had the same problem I had in identifying all of them, here they are, from right to left: United States, State of Michigan, Canada, United Kingdom, Italy, Spain, France, Japan, West Germany and Poland.

Travel to Plymouth is constantly increasing with more tour buses making a stopover. The majority come from Ontario and Ohio. Senior citizen clubs from around the state make it a day trip. But the latest are tours from New Zealand and Australia.

KAREN DINKO is local chairman for Huron Valley Girl Scout Council's annual Friend's Campaign. Karen, who is a Michigan Automobile Association employee, is covering the Plymouth-Northville-Canton area.

The campaign's purpose is to enroll community members who wish to further the work of the council by an annual monetary contribution.

MATTHEW HUEY, 5, of Plymouth will have a drawing featured this month on the Disney Channel's "Small World" children's art showcase. His art work was one of 100 selected from the more than 6,000 original drawings submitted each month to the channel.

JULIE SPARLING, daughter of Emily and Bob Sparling of Plymouth, appeared in the Interlochen Arts Academy presentation of Shakespeare's "A Midsummer Night's Dream." Julie is an 11th grader at the academy. She was involved in drama at the Centennial Educational Park.

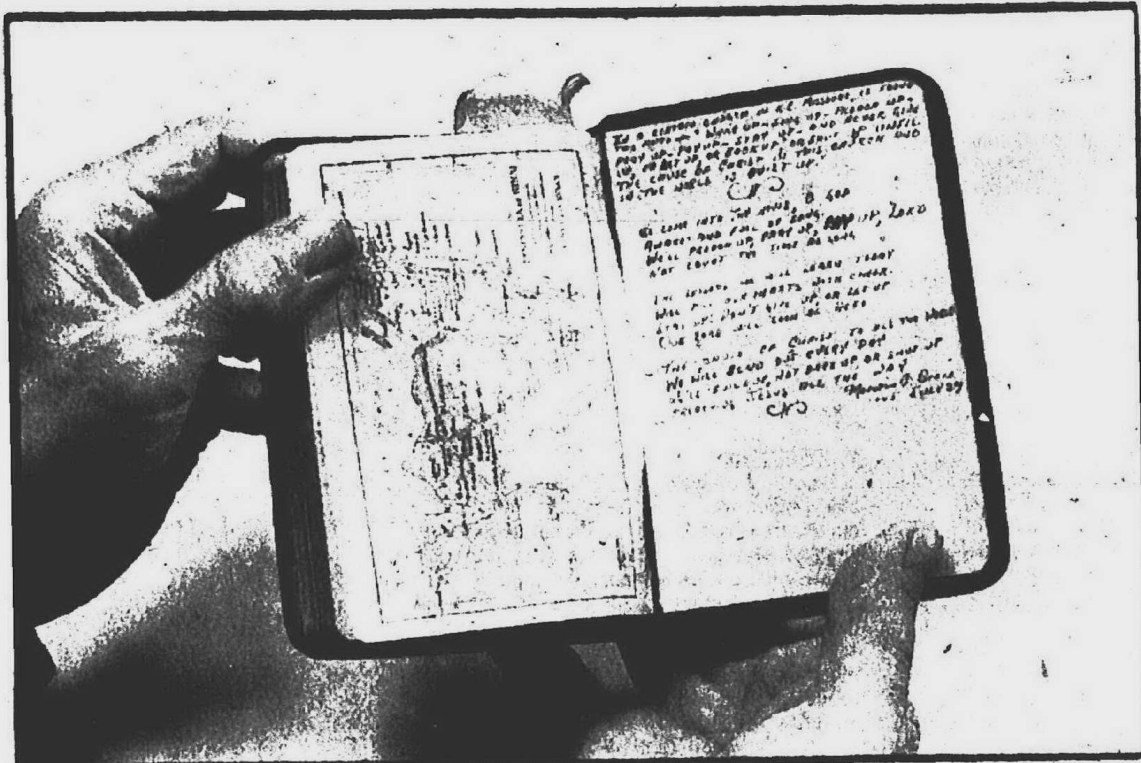
Julie's older brother, Peter, also attended Interlochen. Many residents noted Peter's appearance, and credits, in the television special, "100 Years at the Met." The actual production at the Lincoln Center was taped for television. Peter worked closely with Martha Graham for several years and danced in the segment dedicated to her. His mother, Emily, was his guest at the performance.

SEVERAL LOCAL residents were recognized by the VA Hospital in Ann Arbor for their volunteer service at the hospital.

Mary Bunch, Evelyn Doimage, Catherine Larno and Eileen Williams received 100-hour awards. Merwin Brace and Lawrence Burnette received 1,000-hour, and Ryal Seay 750-hour awards.

PASSAGE-GAYDE Post of the American Legion recently initiated new members Ramer Biggs, John Erickson, Jim Simmons, John Censer and Orin Stader as part of the legion's 65th birthday celebration.

Joseph Zyla and Tyrus Miller received life memberships. Continuous membership cards were presented to Dave Crouch, five years; William Cousins, 18 years; Verh Overmyer, 28 years; and Vincent Simonette, 34 years.



Brace's Bible contains one of his poems as well as a dated record of his travels during his 4 1/2-year Army career.

He remembers D-Day

By Elinor Graham
Staff writer

The actual date was a well-kept secret, but they knew, all that spring, that the invasion was coming.

U.S. Army Sgt. Merwin Brace decided it was imminent when his request for a pass to spend his birthday in London was refused.

His company had been encamped on the Salisbury Plain in southern England for several weeks — the men living in pup tents. Birthday passes to London had become an accepted occurrence. But Brace's 28th birthday fell on June 5, 1944.

"We went to Southampton June 6 by

Army convoy, in trucks. It was almost dark when we embarked for France in an LST. I think it had been over and back earlier in day with a load of tanks. When we got out in the channel, we could see the flashes of bombs on the other side," said Brace.

He's not sure if he landed on Omaha Beach on D-Day or D-Day plus one. "It must have been around midnight — a little before or a little after. We didn't know what time it was."

THEY STOPPED in the little French village of Longville.

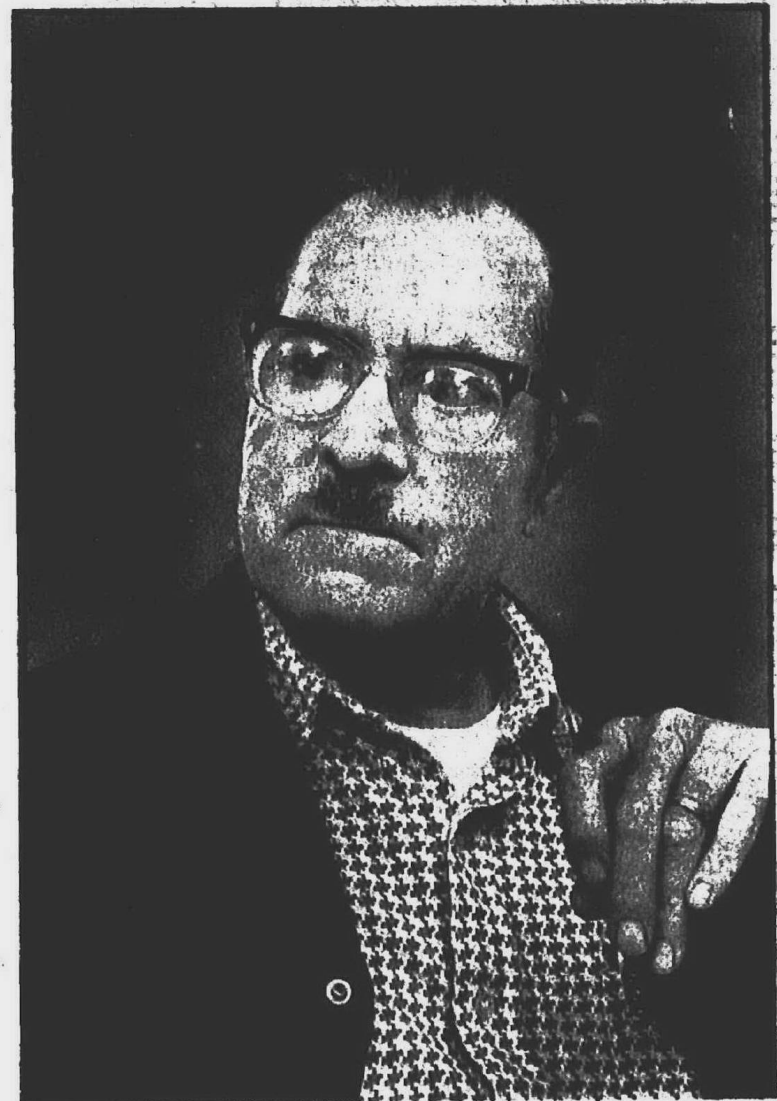
"We were told to dig trenches to hide in. The trenches were a couple of feet deep the first day and a lot deeper the

second day."

Brace said they saw wrecked tanks, destruction everywhere. But nothing could compare to St. Lo.

"We went to St. Lo the third or fourth day. It had been bombed by the Germans and bombed by us. It was bombed flat. They had bulldozed a road through the center of town. My mother saved a Life magazine with a picture of St. Lo and it was just the way I saw it."

MERWIN BRACE received his draft notice on his 28th birthday, June 5, 1941. He was inducted into the Army July 3 in Kalamazoo. He went to Ft. Custer and then to Ft. Monmouth. As a member of the Signal Corps, he learned



Merwin Brace, former chaplain of the Plymouth VFW post, recalls June 6, 1944.

Morse code, flags, teletype, radio and other communication methods.

He spent two years in the Panama Canal Zone with the 10th Signal Corps. In August 1943, he landed in San Francisco and went immediately to Ft. Sam Houston in Texas. His outfit went from Texas to Scotland and from there to Salisbury Plain.

Brace has no difficulty recalling dates and places. Each move during his 4 1/2-year Army career is neatly logged in the back pages of a well-read Bible. His mother gave him the small, leather-

BILL BRESLER/staff photographer

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clubs in action

● PLYMOUTH WISER

Informational and education group for widowed persons will meet at 8 p.m. Tuesday, June 5 in the Plymouth Historical Museum (lower level), Church and Main. Guest speaker, Faye Driscoll, will discuss "Feeling Good and Taking Charge." Parking is available beside the museum or behind the library. For information, call 591-6400, Ext. 430.

● NAIM NORTHWEST

The widows and widowers group will meet at 8 p.m. Thursday, June 7 at St. Theodore's Parish hall, 8200 N. Wayne Road, Westland. Topic will be "Venture Out Travel" with guest speaker, Jim Murray, showing a travel film. For information, call 427-5659, or 425-4421.

● MOVING AHEAD WISER

Newly widowed meet in a small, informal group setting 10-11:30 a.m. Thursdays at Newman House, 17300 Haggerty, Livonia. Group is sponsored by the Women's Resource Center at Schoolcraft College. For information, call 591-6400, Ext. 430.

● CANTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Society members invite everyone to visit their booth at the Canton Country Festival June 10. Sign up for a wagon-train ride in a covered wagon at the booth.

● PLYMOUTH GARDEN CLUB

The Plymouth branch of the Woman's National Farm and Garden Association will meet at noon Monday, June 11 for the annual picnic. Members are reminded to take along their favorite salad, a copy of the recipe and a plant for the plant auction. Barbara Brewer will be hostess and Sarah Chance, tea chairman.

● CANTON BPW

Canton Business and Professional Women's Club will kick off the new season at a dinner meeting Monday, June 11 at the Roman Forum Restaurant, Ford Road, Canton. Michael Gresock, guest speaker, will address "Your Organizational Image," dealing with topics such as "How Do Guests See You?" and "Make Your Impression Favorable." For information and reservations, call Shirley Clapper, 961-6890.

● DIVORCE SUPPORT GROUP

Divorce support group for divorced, separated, or women in the process of divorce, will meet 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, June 12 in Room B160 of the Liberal Arts Building of Schoolcraft College, 16000 Haggerty, Livonia. For information, call the Women's Resource Center, 591-6400, Ext. 433.

● ST. KENNETH'S GUILD

St. Kenneth's Women's Guild will close the

season with a luncheon at Giulio's Chalet, 39305 Plymouth Road, Tuesday, June 12. Social Hour will begin at noon and luncheon at 1 p.m. For reservations, call Jean Stork, 420-0677, or Maryanne White, 384-7888.

● NOW MEETING

Northwest Wayne County National Organization for Women will meet at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 13 at Hoover School, 15900 Levon, Livonia (north of Schoolcraft). Newly elected officers will be introduced, summer activities discussed, and report given on recent state NOW conference. The public is invited to attend. Call 459-4482 for information.

● LA LECHE LEAGUE

Plymouth-Canton La Leche League will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, June 14 at Geneva United Presbyterian Church, 5835 N. Sheldon Road, Canton. Discussion will include suggestions about nutrition for nursing mothers and their families as well as information about weaning the breastfed baby. For information, call Johanne, 453-9171, or Karen, 459-1332. Nursing babies are welcome.

● SYMPHONY SOCIETY ANNUAL MEETING

Plymouth Symphony Society's annual pot-luck dinner and meeting will be at 6:30 p.m. Monday, June 4, in First United Methodist Church, North Territorial west of Sheldon Road. Everyone is required to provide their own place setting and a dish to pass. Call 451-2112 if you plan to attend.

● CESAREAN ORIENTATION

Introduction to Cesarean orientation classes will be at 7:30 p.m. Monday, June 4, at Newburg Methodist Church, 36800 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia. A birth film is featured. Couples anticipating a Cesarean birth and Lamaze couples are welcome. Charge at door is \$1 per person. For information, call the Plymouth Childbirth Education Association, 459-7477, for registration or information.

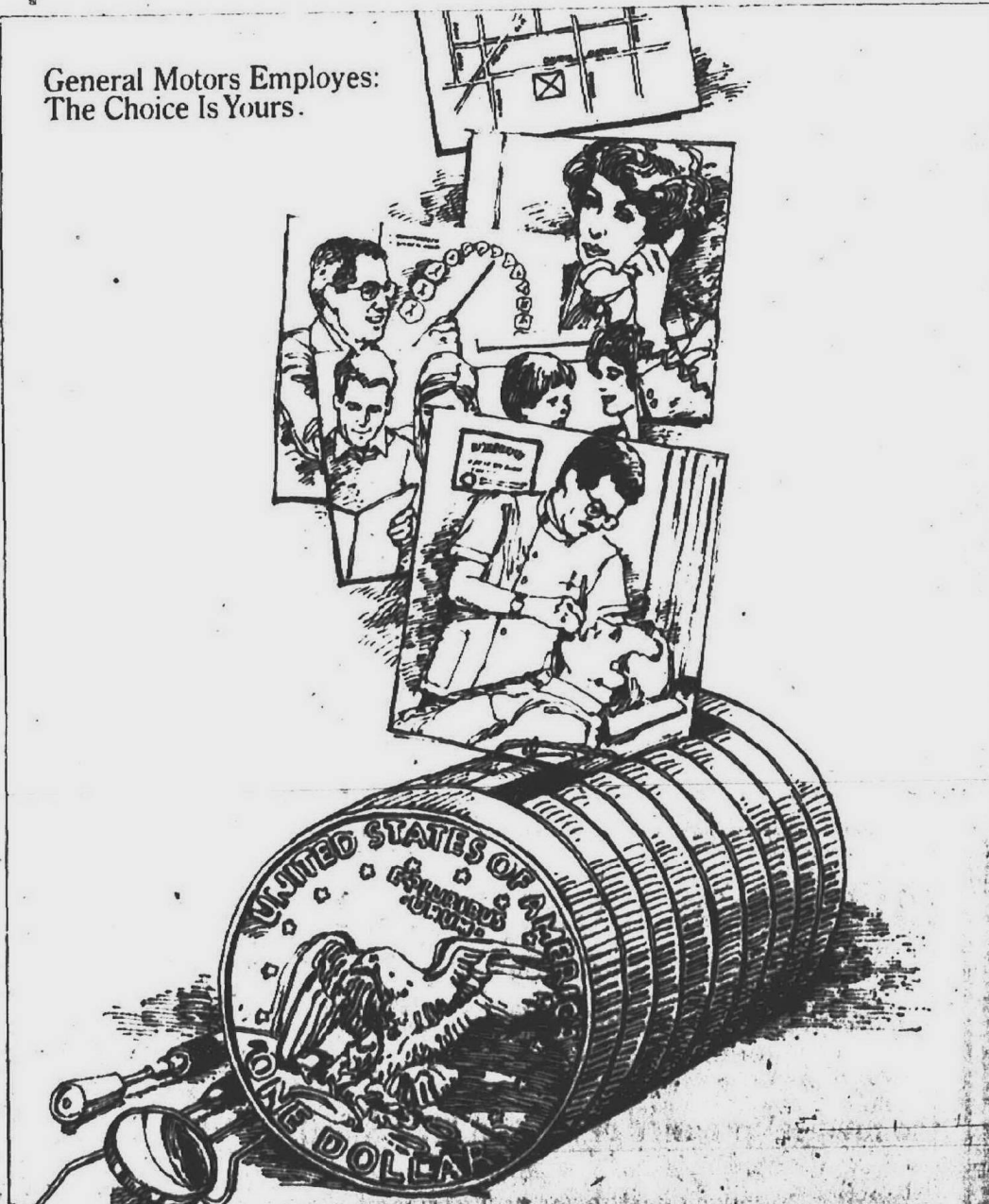
● LAMAZE SERIES

Seven-week Lamaze series begin Tuesday, June 5, at Newburg Methodist Church, 36800 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia, and Thursday, June 7, at Geneva United Presbyterian Church, 5835 N. Sheldon, Canton. Call the Plymouth Childbirth Education Association, 459-7477, for registration or information.

● 3 CITIES ART CLUB PICNIC

Three Cities Art Club annual spring picnic will be at 6 p.m. Wednesday, June 6, at the home of Franklin York in Westland. Attending members should provide their own dishes and silverware as well as a dish to pass. Also bring an wrapped item for the white elephant secret auction.

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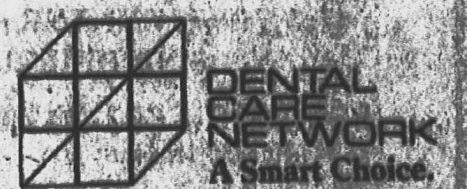


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er-covered Bible when he left his hometown of Grand Lodge to go into the service.

His company of 200 men was attached to the Fifth Army in Europe. They were later headquartered in Marseilles but he was in Rheims, Le Havre for a few weeks, Conde on the Belgian border for two months, and many other French cities and towns before going to Germany. He was in Paris where he visited the museums and theaters.

WHEN IT WAS all over, he sailed from Marseilles for home. Brace worked for 22 years at the Plymouth State Home, later the Plymouth Center for Human Development.

He has been a member of Mayflower-Lt. Gamble Post 6695 Veterans of Foreign Wars in Plymouth for 11 years. He joined the VFW in Panama in 1942.

Since retirement, he has devoted much of his time to serving as a volunteer at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Ann Arbor. He was honored with a special pin Dec. 31, 1983 for 1,000 hours of volunteer service at the hospital.

"We have some World War I veterans over there, World War II and Korean War veterans. I keep their reading materials up to date," he said.

They celebrated Memorial Day last Wednesday at the VA Hospital — "the real Memorial Day, May 30." After his afternoon hitch as a volunteer, Brace went back in the evening to play the piano and help with the entertainment at the party.

"I've been playing the piano and organ for 65 years, since I was a child. My family had a piano and my grandparents had an organ, so I played both," he said.

clubs in action

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PLYMOUTH LIONS
Lions Club of Plymouth will meet at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, June 7, at the Mayflower Hotel. Lions Chiatelas and Vaughn will present the final program of the Great Program Contest.

SPINNAKERS
The fellowship group for single adults will meet at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, June 9, at First Presbyterian Church of Northville, 200 E. Main. Guest speaker Charlotte Meyer will talk about intimacy. What is it? How do you find it? How does it affect relationships with family, friend, lover? The speaker is affiliated with a private mental-health clinic in Ann Arbor and has had training in long-term intensive psychotherapy. All single adults of the community are encouraged to attend and bring questions. Ice cream social will follow program. Cost of evening is \$2. Call the church office weekdays, 349-0911, for information.

LAS VEGAS PARTY
Fr. Victor J. Renaud Knights of Columbus Council 3292 will have a Las Vegas party 7 p.m. to midnight Saturday, June 9, at the hall, 150 Fair, Plymouth. Admission of \$7 includes \$3 in chips, free beer and snacks. Food will be available.

SUZUKI VIOLIN CONCERT IN KELLOGG PARK
Young Suzuki violinists, ages 3 to early teens, will present a concert in Kellogg Park at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 6. The 50 violinists in the concert are from Plymouth, Canton, Northville, Wixom, Livonia and Novi. Their instructors, Cathy Keresztes of Ann Arbor and Debbie Stanton, hold regular classes in Plymouth Salem High School.

CANTON NEWCOMERS PLAN ROAD RALLY
Canton Newcomers Club road rally is planned for Saturday, June 9. Participants will meet at Field Elementary School at 5:45 p.m. and rally starts at 6 sharp. You don't have to be a member of the club or an experienced rallier to participate. Clues determine final destination where dinner will be served. Donation of \$10 per person includes dinner. For reservations, call Leslie, 397-2975, or Molly, 397-397-0309.

CREDITEERS
Crediteers, senior-citizens club sponsored by the Plymouth Community Federal Credit Union, meets Tuesdays at the Elks Lodge, 41700 E. Ann Arbor Road. Lunch is at 11 a.m. with cards and crafts at noon. Activities include picnics, dinners, parties and trips. Coffee and doughnuts are served Tuesday afternoons. There is a monthly newsletter. Membership is \$1 a year and is open to adults 55

and older who are members of the Plymouth Credit Union. For more information, call Mary Dahlke, 453-1200, Ext. 25.

DIVORCE SUPPORT GROUP
Group meets 7-9 p.m. the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month in Room B160 of the Liberal Arts Building of Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty, Livonia. No registration is required and sessions are free. For information, call the Women's Resource Center, 591-6400, Ext. 432.

SWEET ADELINES
Midwest Harmony chapter of Sweet Adelines Inc. sings at 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays in the Community Room of Kirk of Our Savior, Westland, Cherry Hill between Wayne and Newburgh. Women who like to sing four-part harmony are invited to attend. For information, call Barbara Williams, 721-3861.

CANTON NEWCOMERS FORM INTEREST GROUPS
New interest groups are being formed including crafts, call 453-6552, and a mah-jong group, call 455-5848. Instruction will be given on both games.

FIEGEL BOY SCOUTS
Boy Scout Troop 1539 meets 7:30-9 p.m. Thursdays at Fiegel Elementary School, 39750 Joy Road. Bill Cousins and his troop of 15 boys enjoy monthly outings learning different skills. New members are welcome. Call 981-3208 for information.

SAILING SINGLES
Sailing Singles, a metro-area club designed especially for active single people, ages 21 and up, with a particular interest in sailing and windsurfing, is accepting membership applications for the 1984 season. Scheduled activities include day, evening and weekend cruises on the Great Lakes, as well as picnic sails and windsurfing on the smaller lakes. Social events are held throughout the year. Educational programs help sharpen sailing skills. Whether you own your own boat or want to crew, Sailing Singles welcomes you aboard. Call 455-5883 for more information about membership and club activities.

FATHERS FOR EQUAL RIGHTS
Group meets at 7:30 p.m. the third Wednesday of each month at the Oak Park Community Center, 14300 Oak Park Blvd., Oak Park. Group is dedicated to helping divorced parents and their children achieve a fair and balanced relationship with a minimum of intrusion from the court system. For more information, call Al Lebow, 354-3080.


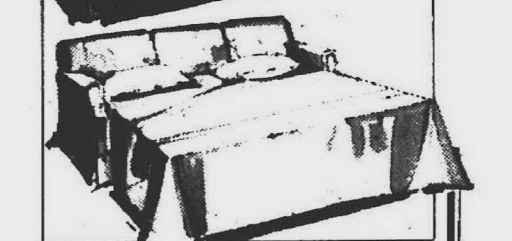
NEW BEGINNINGS
New Beginnings, a group for adults and children who have lost a loved one through death, meets regularly 7:30-9 p.m. the second and fourth Wednesday of each month in St. John's Episcopal Church, Sheldon Road south of Ann Arbor Trail. Registration is not necessary and sessions are free. For information, call Terry Sweeney, 459-5160 or 453-0190; or Jack Martin, 420-2947.

CANTON NEWCOMERS MORNING PLAY GROUP
Watch your youngster cavort with other children while you relax with other moms over a hot cup of coffee. Play group meets 10 a.m. to noon once a month in members' homes. For information, call Cathy, 459-0897.

ZESTERS
Zesters, a club for Canton residents 55 and older, meets at 1 p.m. Thursdays in the Canton Recreation Center, 44237 Michigan, at Sheldon. Membership fees are \$1 to join and \$1 per month. The Zesters have monthly potlucks, Bingo, movies and trips. The club is looking for pinocle players. Lunch is served at 11:30 a.m., and reservations can be made 24 hours in advance. For more information about the club, call the Canton Senior Citizen office, 397-1000, Ext. 278.

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David and Marilyn Jaeger of Cherrylawn Court, Canton Township announce the birth of their daughter, Laura Michelle Jaeger, April 10 in St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Ann Arbor. They have a son, Daniel, 2.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Jaeger of Taylor and Mr. and Mrs. Milan Marcis of Allen Park.

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High school seniors earn honors at convocation

A number of seniors were honored last week for academic achievement at the Honors Convocation of Plymouth Canton High School.

Among those honored were principal's academic award recipients, departmental honor key award recipients, presidential academic fitness awardees, Michigan Competitive scholarship program selectees and those receiving scholarship awards.

The annual Honors Convocation was Tuesday, May 29, at Canton High.

INDIVIDUAL HONOREES were:

Julie Alandt — Kiwanis Club of Plymouth Award.
Shawn Bazzell — Plymouth Community Chorus Voice Scholarship; Linda S. Beale — Michigan Competitive, Principal's Honor Roll, Presidential Academic Fitness Award, Woman's Club of Plymouth fourth place.

Deborah Behrens — Principal's Honor Roll, Eastern Michigan University Recognition of Excellence, Canton Kiwanis Club.
Mark A. Bennett — Michigan Competitive, Principal's Honor Roll, All-State Academic Basketball Team.

Marlana M. Benzie — Michigan Competitive.
Peter Bojeri — Principal's Honor Roll.
Gail Brandt — Principal's Honor Roll.

David N. Brown — Michigan Competitive, Principal's Honor Roll, National Merit Scholarship Program commended student, Eastern Michigan University Recognition of Excellence, Presidential Academic Fitness Award.
James E. Brown — Michigan Competitive.

Michael Brylinski — Michigan Competitive, Principal's Honor Roll, Wayne State University Merit Scholarship, Presidential Academic Fitness Award.
Robert D. Budlong — Michigan Competitive, Canton Service Award, American Legion Citizen of the Year Award.

Tamara D. Budlong — Michigan Competitive, Principal's Honor Roll, Presidential Academic Fitness Award, no minated to American Outstanding Names and Faces, Woman's Club of Plymouth Scholarship second place, Civitan Essay Contest first place, Alma College Trustee Honor Scholarship and Freshman Achievement Award in French and Science, Beta Sigma Phi Educational Grant, National Merit Finalist, Detroit Free Press Writing Award, Hough Family Scholarship, Canton Service Award, U.S. Achievement Academy Merit Award.

Pamela M. Burton — Michigan Competitive, Principal's Honor Roll, Presidential Academic Fitness Award, Ralph Seabold V.F.W. local winner, University of Chicago Honors Scholarship, National Merit Scholarship finalist, Woman's Club of Plymouth Award first place, Elks "Most Valuable Student" Scholarship local winner and national winner, Rotary International

Youth Foreign Exchange Scholarship, Brown University Scholarship, Alma College Trustee Honors Scholarship, International Foreign Language Award in French.
Paul Bury — Principal's Honor Roll, Eastern Michigan University Recognition of Excellence.
David Cairra — Michigan Competitive, Principal's Honor Roll, Presidential Academic Fitness Award.
Brian Callahan — Michigan Competitive.

Cathleen Cattrysse — Michigan Competitive, Principal's Honor Roll, Presidential Academic Fitness Award.
Timothy B. Condit — Michigan Competitive.
Edward Costrini — Elks Golden Key Scholarship.
Jonathan P. Cotter — Michigan Competitive.

Daniel Daksiewicz — Michigan Competitive, Principal's Honor Roll, Presidential Academic Fitness Award.
Mark A. Davis — Michigan Competitive, Principal's Honor Roll, Presidential Academic Fitness Award, National Merit Scholarship finalist, Michigan Math Prize Competition finalist.
Richard DeJong — Principal's Honor Roll.
Renee Dezell — Principal's Honor Roll, Madonna College Merit Award; Scott C. Dibble — Michigan Competitive.

Kandra K. Dilts — Michigan Competitive, Principal's Honor Roll, Olivet Nazarene President's Scholarship, D.A.R. Good Citizen Award, Woman's Club of Plymouth honorable mention, American Legion Citizens Award.
Erinda Domingo — Principal's Honor Roll.
Lisa Dunbar — Principal's Honor Roll, Presidential Academic Fitness Award.
Ann E. Dupuis — Michigan Competitive, Principal's Honor Roll.

Darlene Egbert — Principal's Honor Roll, Lake Pointe Garden Club Scholarship.
Kim M. Elliott — Michigan Competitive, Principal's Honor Roll, Presidential Academic Fitness Award, Oakland University Student Life Scholarship.
Amy D. Emerson — Michigan Competitive, Principal's Honor Roll, Adrian College Academic Scholarship, Albion College Webster Scholarship, Hillsdale College Trustee Award, Student Government Award.
Daniel A. Farrell — Michigan Competitive.
Andrea Fechter — Plymouth German American Club Scholarship Award.
Gina Firreno — Principal's Honor Roll.
Scott Ford — Southwestern University Scholarship, Alma College Presidential Scholarship, Harding University Leadership Scholarship.
Tina Fox — Schoolcraft College Trustee Award.
Kerry Friend — Principal's Honor

Roll, Adrian College Academic Scholarship, Eastern Michigan University Recognition of Excellence.
Kristin Fullerton — Michigan Competitive, Principal's Honor Roll, Presidential Academic Fitness Award.
Todd Gattoni — Principal's Honor Roll.
Jennifer Gorecki — Principal's Honor Roll, Eastern Michigan University Recognition of Excellence.
Cheryl L. Hamilton — Michigan Competitive, Principal's Honor Roll, Alma College Presidential Scholarship, Alma College Freshman Achievement-Business, U.S. Achievement Academy Merit Award, Academic All American Award, International Foreign Language Award.
Michelle Harrison — Principal's Honor Roll.
Gerald J. Hartmeyer — Michigan Competitive.
Todd Hayden — Ed Kleinsmith Memorial Scholarship in Science.
Da Ming He — Principal's Honor Roll.
Robert Hogan — Principal's Honor Roll.
Kenneth Jacobs — Dresser Harbison Foundation Scholarship.
Victoria Jalinski — Michigan Competitive.
Rachelle Jones — Principal's Honor Roll.
Sun Woo Kang — Michigan Competitive, National Merit Scholarship, commended student.
Jeffrey Kehoe — Detroit Free Press Writing Award honorable mention.
Patrick C. Kehoe — Michigan Competitive; Yat Keung — Principal's Honor Roll.
Jin S. Kim — Michigan Competitive, Principal's Honor Roll, National Merit Scholarship finalist, Presidential Academic Fitness Award, Michigan Math Prize Competition finalist team.
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Latista Kozub — Principal's Honor Roll, Schoolcraft College Trustee Award.
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Journalism — Marlana Benzie, Ida Williams.

Foreign language — Mark Davis, Tami Budlong, Cheryl Hamilton, all in French; Atul Patel, Spanish; Linda Beale, Latin; Noelle Murphy, German.
Mathematics — Da Ming He, mathematics, William Miller, computer programming.
Music — Dennis Ringer, vocal music, Larry Janiga, Susan Opatry, orchestra.
Physical education — Kim Elliott.
Athletics — Rutham Trout, Timothy Collins, outstanding athlete; Linda Beale, Mark Bennett, outstanding scholastic athlete.
Sciences — Tami Budlong, Carolyn Kinsler, Jeff Stillson.
Skills for Living — Elaine Strobbling, child care.
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5:05 p.m. . . . C.E.P. Sports Wrap-up with Tim Grand.
7 p.m. . . . MONDAY (June 11) Classical music with Sheila Vachher.
7 p.m. . . . TUESDAY (June 12) In the District.
7 p.m. . . . WEDNESDAY (June 13) Your Neighbors.
5:05 p.m. . . . THURSDAY (June 14) Chamber Chatter — Featuring information on the Canton Chamber of Commerce with host Twila Graller.
11 a.m. . . . FRIDAY (June 15) Prime Time — Discussion on older workers.
4:7 p.m. . . . Canton Country Festival — Live remote coverage with Noelle Torrance, Mike Lyndrup and George Pavilscak.

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MONDAY (June 4)
7 p.m. . . . Vintage Rock with Lance LeClaire.
TUESDAY (June 5)
7 p.m. . . . In the District.
WEDNESDAY (June 6)
7 p.m. . . . Your Neighbors — A 20-minute interview program focusing on things of interest to Plymouth-Canton. Host Tim Grand.
THURSDAY (June 7)
2 p.m. . . . Your Neighbors — A 20-minute program featuring people and activities of Plymouth-Canton Community Schools. Host is Noelle Torrance.
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Salem shock: Rocks take league title



Salem celebrates and with good reason. The Rocks won the Western Lakes league track meet Wednesday. Captains Jeff Arnold (left) and Marc Tindall hold the trophy. A complete statistical summary of the meet is on page 2C.

By Brad Emons
staff writer

Plymouth Salem put all the pieces of the puzzle together last week, winning its first-ever Western Lakes Conference boys track meet.

The second running of the meet found Salem scoring 99 points, defending champion Livonia Churchill tallied 97 and host Farmington notched 96 (see statistics for a complete summary).

It marked the end of a dominating period of league championships for Churchill, which had captured 11 consecutive crowns in the old Western Six League along with last year's Western Lakes.

"We felt going in that we were in the running," said Salem coach Gary Balconi, "and fortunately for us, it turned out to be a wonderful experience."

Salem's strong showing in the long jump may have proved to be the difference.

SOPHOMORE Bryan Waldron won the event with a leap of 20 feet, 8 inches, with teammates Mike White and Jeff Arnold finishing second and third, respectively.

"We scored in four of five field events," Balconi said. "We felt Churchill would be good in the field events, but we came out of there right behind them with 44 points."

Ninth grader Brian Neuhardt contributed heavily to Salem's team victory. He captured the 220-yard dash in 23.36 and led off the Rocks' first place 440 relay squad, teaming up with Arnold, Marc Tindall and Craig Morton for a league record clocking of 44.7.

Then, in the day's final event, Neuhardt brought Salem home to a fourth place finish in the mile relay, clinching the meet.

"We had some kids come through, looking at the scoresheet, that should

not have scored," said the Salem coach. "For us to win, everything had to go our way."

CHURCHILL coach Fred Price said his team was disappointed at finishing second, but he was pleased with their effort.

"I guess things can't go on forever," Price said. "We figured Salem would be tough. The turning point may have been those 24 points in the long jump."

"We didn't get any points in the pole vault and that hurt us, but those things happen. I still think our kids had an excellent year."

Churchill won four events, two by junior heavyweight Dave Mize, who swept the shot put and discus. Junior Mike Meehan set a record in the high jump (6-3) and teammate Paul Schwartz won the 800.

Speaking of league records, Walled Lake Western's Kyle Chura established standards in the mile (4:28.47) and two mile (9:38.6) events.

Plymouth Canton senior Elijah Rogers set a Western Lakes Conference record in the 100 dash (10.01) and helped the Chiefs to victories in the 880 and mile relays.

THIRD PLACE Farmington, another team seriously in the hunt for the title, boasted three individual champions — Jeff Lawton, pole vault; Brian Looser, 400 run; and Greg Coplal, 330 low hurdles.

Livonia Stevenson, fourth in the team standings, won the league's newest event, the two mile relay. Individually, Stevenson's Chuck Morefield was a surprise in the 120 high hurdles (15.0).

"It was fun," said Balconi, referring to the closeness of the meet. "We feel particularly good about winning because we lost dual (meets) to Churchill and Farmington."

Bats go quiet, Salem 9 ousted

Plymouth Salem's girls softball coach Rob Willette thought pitching would be his problem this year.

But it was the formidable Rock bats that went silent Saturday as Salem absorbed a tough, 2-1 extra-inning loss to Brighton, ending its hopes of bringing home a Class A state championship.

"I thought we had good hitters, but our bats have gone to sleep the last couple of weeks," Willette said. "I thought we had a chance to win the district — it's just one of those things."

Salem (18-5), ranked No. 2 in the area, joins No. 1 Livonia Stevenson on

the sidelines. The Spartans were also upset Saturday by city rival Franklin.

THE ROCKS got superb pitching from Sue Carlson despite the loss. She worked the full eight innings, scattering six hits while giving up just one earned run.

But Salem managed only four hits, including two by senior Cheryl Viele, playing in her last game.

Brighton won the game in the bottom of the eighth on an error and game-winning double.

"Sue pitched real well today, but the error really hurt," Willette said. "But

errors our expected. We had only one in the game. It's too bad it had to haunt us that way."

Salem scored its only run in the sixth inning to take a 1-0 lead. Terri Lesniak opened the inning with a single. A fielders choice by Cindy Runge forced Lesniak at second, but Runge advanced to second when a Brighton player overthrew first base trying to complete the double play. Sophomore Leslie Plichta followed with a run-scoring double.

AFTER BRIGHTON tied the score in the bottom of the sixth, neither team was able to score in the seventh, send-

ing the game into extra innings. "We had a very good season overall," Willette said. "If it hadn't been for the loss to Canton, we would have tied Stevenson (11-1 in league) for the league championship."

The Rocks will lose three top-notch starters to graduation, including Viele, Lesniak and Debbie Glomski, but Willette is confident he will field another good team next year.

"It'll hurt to lose them," he said, "but I think they can be replaced. We'll be back next year. We have a lot of good, young players coming up."

excuses, but she was hurt and wanted to play. She had a muscle cramp in her thigh. She's a tough young lady."

"BOTH TEAMS were tired," said Montroy. "We tried to end it early by pushing it (the ball) down because our goalie was hurt."

"Northville went to the ball well. It was two evenly matched teams. It's too bad it had to end on a shootout."

Stevenson ended the season with a 22-2 record, while Northville finished at 17-4-2.

"We've won some that way and lost some that way," Divens said. "You know how hard it is to be No. 1. There's only something to lose and nothing to gain."

"I tried to convince them that it's nothing personal. We all root to knock off No. 1."

"We have nothing to be ashamed of being runner-up."
Both teams had to be proud.

N'ville beats Spartans for state title

By Brad Emons
staff writer

It was a nerve-racking affair.

The state girls soccer championship boiled down to a shootout. That was after the teams battled through two overtime periods, or 100 minutes of intense competition, tied at 1-1.

Then it took eight penalty kicks on each side before Northville's Lisa Cahill put an end to Livonia Stevenson's reign as champions, 2-1. The final was held Saturday at Flint's Atwood Stadium.

It was an upset to say the least. Northville, the decided underdog, lost to the state's No. 1-ranked team earlier in the year, 6-0.

"We're the first state champions from Northville, I guess," said first-year coach Stan Smalec. "It's just unbelievable. I cried out there, and I don't cry."

The Mustangs were without Cahill in the first encounter. The senior striker made a definite impact in the rematch. She also scored the game's first goal on a nifty individual move with 30:26 remaining in regulation play.

"WE KNEW if we got the first goal, we'd have a good chance," said the Northville coach. "We had a lot of good opportunities in the first half and we didn't get any. It was a coaches' nightmare."

Although the two teams went scoreless in the first half, Northville had the upper hand.

That carried over somewhat into the second half, resulting in Cahill's goal, but Stevenson gained momentum and knotted the score at 1-1 on junior Danielle Montroy's kick inside the left post with 11:39 to play.

The goal seemed to lift the Spartans, who controlled things pretty much on into the first 10-minute overtime followed by another 10-minute sudden death session.

The only problem was the Spartans couldn't score.

"If I was to analyze the game," said Stevenson coach Norene Divens, "it was that we just didn't finish the plays and capitalize on them."

"Northville had opportunities and we had opportunities. We can't hang our heads. I couldn't ask for anymore from them."

soccer

THE HOT afternoon of grueling action left the two teams exhausted when the shootout session took place.

With each team awarded five kicks from close range, the pressure appeared to be more on the shooters, than the goalies — Tricia Ducker of Northville and the hobbled Doreen Beagle of Stevenson.

Montroy, super all afternoon, scored along with Paula Divens in the shootout for Stevenson, while Cheryl Spanan and Jill Berner connected for Northville.

Ironically, Stevenson missed its final three attempts.

That led to a sudden death shootout, with each coach having to send new players to shoot. The Spartans failed to capitalize on three more attempts, with Northville's Cahill finally scoring.

"We have to take what happens at the end of the game," said Divens. "Doreen was outstanding. I don't make

Gilles sisters give it the ol' Olympic try

By Chris McCooley
staff writer

The Gilles sisters were among the 128 tennis players hopeful of earning a spot on the first-ever United States Olympic Tennis Team last weekend at the pre-Olympic trials at Flushing Meadows, N.Y.

Neither Chris nor Wendy Gilles — ranked among the top junior amateur players in the country — will be on that Olympic team.

The odds, to say the least, were stacked against the Gilleses. Of the 128 invitees (only five from Michigan), two amateurs would qualify for the team.

"I kind of figured it would be like that," said Chris, a senior at Plymouth Salem. "The competition there was, whew, something else. That's not all. They take the final 16 qualifiers, then put them in another draw of 32 players."

Chris won her first round match. She defeated Elizabeth Levinson of Miami on Monday, 7-5, 6-1.

"She (Levinson) was ranked five or six places higher than me. I really played good," Chris said.

WENDY, A sophomore at Salem, didn't have her best day. She dropped her first-round match in the single

elimination qualifier. New York's Reka Monoki beat her 6-4, 6-1.

"Wendy said she didn't think she played well," said Chris. "She said her head just wasn't into it."

On Tuesday, Chris drew the qualifiers' No. 8 seed, Joni Urban of Middletown Ohio. Urban used to be Saline pro Lisa Bonder's double partner.

"I was really up to play her," Chris said. "But, it was just one of those things. I didn't play well at all."

Urban won in straight sets 6-3, 7-5.

The Olympic experience probably won't be the last for either Gilles.

"When I'm a senior in college four years from now, I'll be going back. I

think I'll have a much better chance," Chris said.

Gilles is heading for the University of Wisconsin next fall.

Prior to the Olympic trials, both Chris and Wendy won their age divisions in the 15th annual Columbus Junior Invitational in Ohio. Chris won the Girls 18 and Wendy the Girls 16. There were 64 competitors in each division.

On May 19, Chris beat Wendy in the finals of the Michigan State Women's Tournament in Flint, 3-6, 6-3, 6-0.

It will be a busy summer for both Chris and Wendy. Both will be traveling on the USTA Junior National Tennis Circuit.



Canton's Kim Bennett (dark uniform) edges Salem's Stacy Stojeba in the semifinals of the 100 meter dash. Bennett was second in the meet, Stojeba placed fifth.

Farmington teams conquer girls meet

By Chris McCooley
staff writer

A wise coach once said: "If ifs and buts were nuts and candy, we'd all have a merry Christmas."

Well, Farmington's best hurdler hadn't false started in the 300-meter hurdles, Farmington's 1,600 relay team had at least placed, Farmington Harrison's 1,600 relay had taken second instead of first, Farmington would have won the Western Lakes Activities Association girls track meet Wednesday at Livonia Stevenson.

But, they didn't. Instead, a fired-up band of Hawis from Harrison rallied from a 10-point deficit in the final event to earn a tie with the Falcons. Both Farmington and Harrison will share the league meet title with 83 points each.

Walled Lake Western, Western Division dual meet champs and a pre-meet favorite, placed third with 72 points, and could sing their own 18-and-buts song. (If their best sprinter, perhaps the best sprinter in the meet, hadn't slipped and fallen, etc.)

STEVENSON, LAKES Division champions, placed fourth with 63 points. Plymouth Salem ended up a somewhat disappointing fifth with 58 points. Many coaches expected Salem to be a major challenger in the meet.

Northville placed sixth, but the Mustangs gave the meet its most outstanding individual performer — Cindy Panowicz. All she did was score 56 of her teams 46 points, taking first in three events. Panowicz won the 100 hurdles (15.06), the 300 hurdles (44.09)

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Hinz 'blistering' in Olympics

By Rich Swenson
staff writer

Long distance runner David Hinz didn't do quite as well as he had hoped at the U.S. Olympic marathon trials in Buffalo last week, but he overcame a painful injury to finish a very respectable 12th on a wind-blown course.

Realistically, his chances of earning a spot on the three-man U.S. team were considered slim at best. But the 31-year-old Canton resident may have pulled it off had he not developed a blister which slowed him in the later stages of the 26-mile race.

Hinz ran in the middle of a pack of leaders that included big-name runners Alberto Salazar, Greg Meyer, Bill Rodgers and Tony Sandoval — until the 18-mile mark. Then, the injury began to take its toll and he began to fade, hanging on to finish 12th in 2:17:18.

"I wish I would've done better," he said. "But it was a very good experience for me."

"FROM A MENTAL standpoint, it was a good race. I proved to myself that the big boys couldn't run away from me. It felt good knowing that I could run with them."

Peter Pfitzinger, a virtual unknown in marathon ranks, surprised everyone, nipping Salazar at the wire with a time of 2:11:43 to win the race. Salazar managed to hold on to second (2:11:44), followed closely behind by John Tuttle (2:11:50).

Hinz was ranked 15th at the start of the race with his 2:12:05 qualifying time at the 1983 Boston Marathon. That time would have been good enough for fifth place in this race, where only 108 runners out of 174 starters finished.

running

"I love this course," said Hinz, who finished 35th on the same course at the 1980 trials with a time of 2:18:20. "Four years ago, we had a tailwind that helped the runners."

"But this year, we had a 25-mph wind in our face and nobody wanted to push the pace. The wind makes a big difference. The times were considerably slower."

BELIEVE IT OR NOT, socks (or no socks) may have been the biggest factor in Hinz' not making a run at the top three and a trip to Los Angeles for the Summer Games.

"I wear socks about half the time in races," Hinz said. "I probably should have worn them this time. The stitching on the inside of my shoe caused the blister."

"By the time I finished the race, my foot looked like hamburger. If only I had worn socks, it probably would've never happened."

Hinz got off to an excellent start. His position ranged from third to ninth until his foot started to aggravate him.

"I was comfortable running with the leaders," he said. "My thought was to wait and not make my move too soon. I didn't want to be impatient."

He paced himself by staying with the favorites.

"I was keying on them," he said. "They were the guys I knew I had to beat to make the team and I didn't want to lose sight of them."



FILE PHOTO

Dave Hinz placed a respectable 12th in the Olympic marathon trials last week despite a painful blister on his foot.

B'ham runner 53rd in Olympic Trials

By Tom Henderson
staff writer

All in all, the U.S. Olympic marathon trials were a disappointment for Dave Olds, Cranbrook English teacher and running celebrity.

His time of 2:24 was sort of dull ("the last half was just a jog"), the course was really dull ("too many trees, one blade of grass after another"), and the fan attention probably would have been exceptionally dull, except there wasn't enough of it to qualify on the scale.

"Yeah, I was a little disappointed," said Olds between classes at Cranbrook, several days after finishing 53rd in Saturday's nationally televised marathon trials. The time didn't disappoint him so much as the atmosphere of the thing. "Twenty miles of it was in Canada, and that's kind of strange for the U.S. trials. Then there was the nature of the course. There was nothing much there."

"It was boring. It was supposed to be scenic. Maybe it's a scenic drive, but when you're running by at 13 miles an hour, you'd like a change. I just can't believe that of all the good U.S. courses, they wanted to go to Buffalo. There's the customs hassles. And you're stopping traffic in Niagara Falls on a holiday weekend."

A relatively late start of 10 a.m. and 82 percent humidity made for hot, humid conditions — especially when the sun broke through later in the race. And, besides the weather, a 20 mph headwind contributed to the frustrating atmosphere.

BUT MOST OF ALL, for Olds at least, there was Boston.

Huh? Boston is where Olds ran in early April, when he logged a time of 2:16 in the Boston Marathon. He raced that day, in the miserable cold and rain, because many of the U.S. stars were sitting out and awaiting the Olympic trials which were less than two months away.

But, as Olds found out, you can't race two marathons that close together. You can't do it physically, but, more important in the world of marathon racing (as opposed to running), you can't do it spiritually and emotionally.

"I've got to take some time away from racing," said Olds. "I haven't been in a racing mood since Boston. Since Boston, I find that when I run a race, I'm fine through two-thirds of it, but when the going gets really tough, I'm not ready to go. I've got to get back to training."

"I decided before the trials I was going to enjoy myself rather than race. I knew I wasn't ready."

IN RETROSPECT, it's easy to say Olds miscalculated when he chose months ago to concentrate on Boston and not on Buffalo. First, the poor day in Boston negated a good time, which negated the exposure he was after. Second, the surprisingly slow pace in Buffalo was perfectly suited for Olds, had he been ready to race.

But Olds knows he did what looked right on paper. How was he to know Boston would have the worst weather in 40 years, or that the trials' pace would be far slower than expected.

Jan Stephenson at local tourney

Jan Stephenson, one of the top attractions on the Ladies Professional Golf Association (LPGA) circuit, will be on hand for this year's Little Caesar's American Heart Golf Tournament scheduled for today at the Detroit Golf Club.

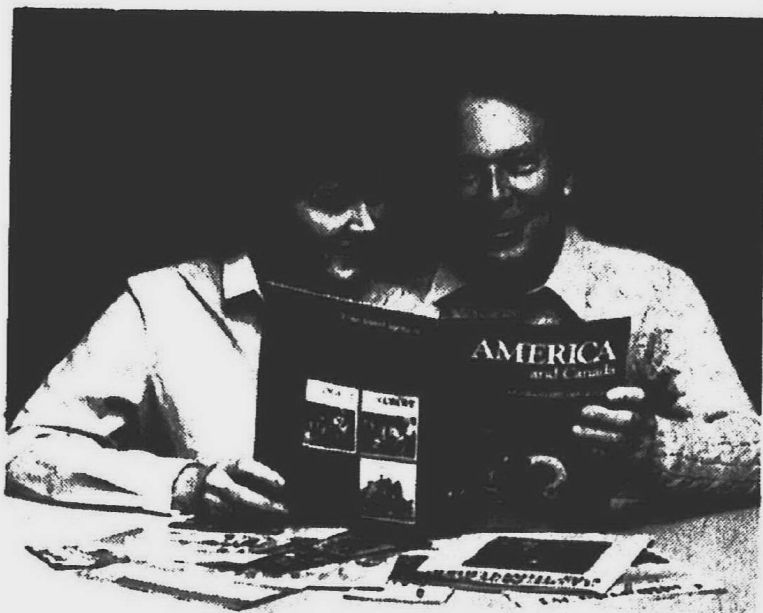
Stephenson will be joined by such other celebrities as former Tiger pitching star Hal Newhouser and Detroit Red Wings owner Mike Ilitch.

A golf clinic given by Stephenson initiates the day's activities at 10:30 a.m. Lunch will follow, and a shotgun start kicks off 18 holes of golf at 1 p.m.

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There will be a cocktail and dinner party later in the afternoon.

The Detroit Golf Club features a new look this year. A lake has been added to the south course and several new bunkers have been added to both the north and south courses.



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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE PLYMOUTH PLANNING COMMISSION

CITY OF PLYMOUTH,
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A regular meeting of the Planning Commission will be held on Wednesday June 13, 1984 at 7:30 p.m. in the Commission Chambers of the City Hall to consider the following:

Site Plan NR-84-18 — Site plan review for new atrium addition to existing McDonald's restaurant located at 220 W. Ann Arbor Rd. Property presently zoned I-1.

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

GORDON G. LIMBURG
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Wayne County ISD	8/6/74	1 mill	1984 indefinitely
Canton Township	None	None	None
Northville Township	None	None	None
Schoolcraft Com. Schools	None	None	None
College District	None	None	None
Plymouth-Canton Com. Schools	1/10/79	0.90 mills	1984
	8/11/79	1.50 mills	1984
	1/22/81	10.36 mills	1984 to 1986, inclusive
	11/7/83	8 mills	1984 to 1986, inclusive

RAYMOND J. WOJCIWICZ
Wayne County Treasurer

Date: March 26, 1984

I, Michael A. Stimpson, Treasurer of Washtenaw County, Michigan, hereby certify that as of March 9, 1984, the records of this Office indicate that the total of all voted increases over and above the tax limitation established by the Constitution of Michigan, in any local units of government affecting the taxable property located in Plymouth-Canton Community Schools, Wayne and Washtenaw Counties, Michigan, is as follows:

By Washtenaw County:	0.040674	1968-1984
	0.30	1984 thru 1986
	0.25	1984 & Future
By Superior Township:	2.50 mills	1984
By Salem Township:	None	
By the School District:	0.5 mills	1984
	1.5 mills	1984, 1986 and 1988
	10.50 mills	1984 to 1986, inclusive
	8 mills	1984 to 1986, inclusive

ROLAND J. THOMAS, JR.
Secretary, Board of Education

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