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Board OKs 3 officer spots; new dispatch is an option

By Diane Gale
staff writer

Three officers will be added to the Canton Township Police Department, and the option of adopting a non-sworn-officer dispatch system will be pursued.

The Canton Township Board of Trustees Tuesday gave unanimous approval for the staff increase. Presently, the department has 32 sworn officers.

Canton's 1985 budget can handle the cost of the three officers "by themselves" without a millage increase, said Mike Gorman, Canton finance director.

The board also agreed to look into the possibility of using Community Service Officers.

"What we're asking for is that they (the board) recognize that the CSO is an alternative dispatch option, and allow the committee to investigate the merits of a three-phase package submitted by a steering committee of police department personnel volunteering their time to make changes in the department."

"We need six officers to provide bare bones service," Wilson said. "We predicted the request of three officers on the assumption that the CSOs would be included, which would free up three officers."

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— Lt. Alex Wilson
Canton Police

The first phase of the group's proposal also requests the hiring of a secretary and clerk. However, the trustees referred these suggestions back to the steering committee for further consideration.

The move followed discussion by township officials about hiring temporary people to handle the present paperwork overload. This would allow the committee and officials to evaluate the need for permanent workers after the present paperwork load is cleared.

Before the staff increase went to the board, the steering committee met on a number of occasions with the police committee, composed of Canton trustees Robert Padgett and Loren Bennett and Supervisor James Poole.

The board's actions Tuesday concerning the police department are among many to be taken in deciding the fate of 34 new spots proposed by the police committee.

"I hope that on this request and a number of things in the future that if you come to us and we don't like it, that you won't get depressed, because that's going to happen," said Stephen Larson, trustee.



DAN DEAN/staff photographer

Towering strength

George Rabban of Canton Township does some last-minute work on his model water tower before heading for a water-tower-destruct contest held last Friday at Wayne State University. He and more than 50 of his fellow Bishop Borgess High School physics students competed against students from other area high schools. Careful construction gives the Balsa wood stick and cement models extreme strength.

Grant-funded improvements are targeted

By Diane Gale
staff writer

The Canton Township Board of Trustees unanimously gave the go-ahead to earmark federal grant funds for a senior citizens building, land and housing improvements and child care and drug abuse projects.

The board Tuesday approved 11 projects totalling \$325,000. The projects were targeted by the Canton Community Development Block Grant Advisory Council as top priorities for community development block grant funds.

The projects are expected to be approved by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) this summer. If OK'd, they will begin in late summer or early fall, said Terry Carroll, who soon will be leaving his post as Canton grants coordinator.

The board didn't change the council's block grant council recommendations, which have been debated continuously since February.

"We held regular public hearings on the projects, and sent out more notifications about them than ever before," Carroll said. "We probably had more

public participation on these projects than ever."

Suggestions made by the council are as follows:

WILLOW CREEK IMPROVEMENTS — Installing a drain in an area

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Random selection exemption is shot down

Despite emotional pleas from sponsoring Trustee Dean Swartzwelter and two coaches, a random selection proposal died a quiet death at the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education meeting Monday.

The resolution, which would have enabled the children of Centennial Educational Park employees to select their own high school, was defeated by a 1-5 margin. (Resigning Trustee Nancy

Quinn was absent).

Presently, students are randomly assigned by computer to either Plymouth Canton or Salem High School.

An exception for siblings of Canton and Salem students, also sponsored by Swartzwelter, recently was passed by the board. It enables the eighth-grade brothers or sisters of CEP students to attend the high school of their choice.

Swartzwelter's second proposal,

which would have been effective for current and future eighth graders, held that: "Whereas the sibling option was implemented because of the close relationships that may exist between siblings, and . . . the same close personal relationships may also exist between staff parents and their children, and whereas these relationships may be jeopardized by random-selection assignment of staff children" . . . eighth-

graders who have parents employed at CEP may select their own high school.

Trustee E.J. McClendon was the most vocal opponent of the plan.

"First of all, it would not seem fair to all those citizens and their children who've lived with the district's policies not to continue to carry out the random selection process.

"(Changing the policy) would violate everyone's right to equal treatment.

We also could create an imbalance in the size of the schools. Currently, the two schools instructionally function as one, so the opportunity for interaction exists now.

"Also, (the proposal) could tend to divide the community by promoting the feeling that there is one good school and one poor school, one weak school

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Let's hear it for mom

If you've ever gotten into a "My mom's better than your mom," relay, this is a chance to prove the claim. Canton residents and people whose mothers live in Canton are invited to enter the "Best Mom Ever" contest sponsored by the Canton Observer.



Simply write in 200 words or less why your mom is special, stands heads above others and outshines the rest. Tell us about the special incident that stands out in your memory, or the everyday examples showing why your mom should be honored as the best mom in the Canton area, or anywhere.

Mail the explanation to the Canton Observer, 489 South Main, Plymouth 48170. Entries must be received by noon, May 6.

The entrant with the best pitch will win a brunch for two at Jim Mather's Mr. Steak restaurant at Ford and Sheldon roads in Canton.

The winner's name and the entry will be published in the May 9 Canton Observer. Space permitting, we'll print other essays we feel are especially deserving.

Unfortunately, we can't honor the mothers of all the entrants. We'll leave that task up to you on Mother's Day, May 12.

Cartoonist's capers in words

'Melt down, and rebuild'

By Scot Peacock
staff writer

If a successful caricature relies on the artist's wickeder nature taking over, then former president

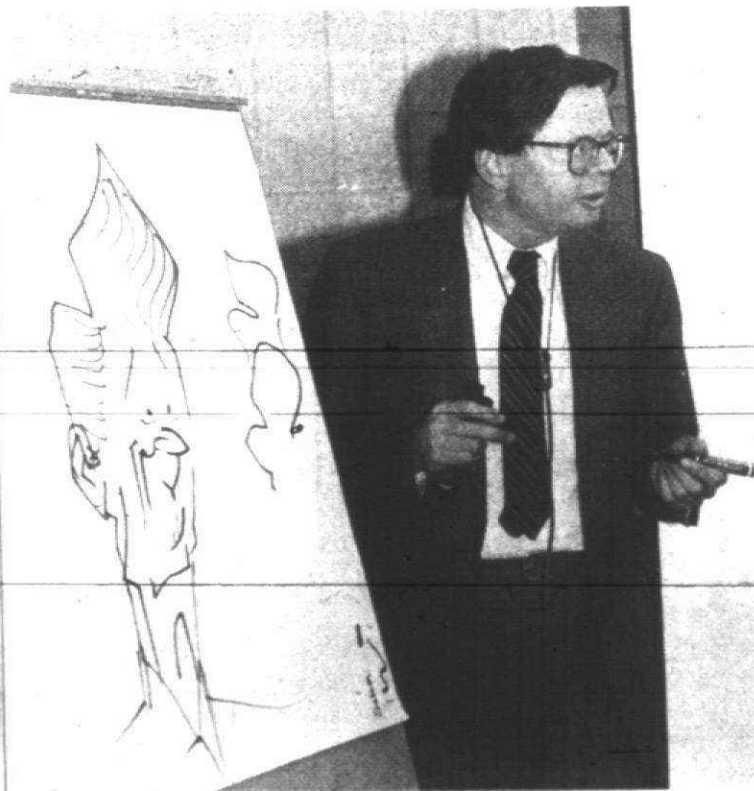


photo by SCOT PEACOCK

Draper Hill, a political cartoonist in Detroit, demonstrates to high school students how Ronald Reagan's hair takes on a "airy whip effect."

Richard Nixon is truly God's gift to editorial cartoonists.

Detroit News editorial cartoonist Draper Hill demonstrated to students at Plymouth Canton and Plymouth Salem high schools how a politician like Nixon could be transformed into a formula drawing by elongating the head, stretching the nose out horizontally, and hanging the rest of the face underneath the eyes.

"In a caricature, the person's features are intensified. The answer isn't to draw a grotesque nose to be weird, but to melt down the face and rebuild," Hill explained, speaking in honor of National Library Week.

Hill picks the subjects for his cartoons by reading both Detroit daily newspapers and the New York Times. After he decides what his position is on the topic, he thinks of an idea that will work visually.

"The drawing time is the least problem," Hill said. When he starts on an editorial cartoon, he makes a pencil sketch on chemically treated paper that allows him to later paint in areas where gray shading is needed. Usually, he offers several versions from which one will be selected.

"The editorial policy is not rigid. I'm not asked to do a cartoon that I don't believe in, but the paper is not obligated to use any cartoon I give them."

A graduate of Harvard University, Hill also studied under a Fulbright Grant at the Slade School of Fine Arts, University College, London, England.

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Gorman resigning

'Key' person's loss lamented

By Diane Gale
staff writer

Mike Gorman, Canton's highly respected and lauded finance director, has committed to a position with another community at a lower salary due to the "politics" associated with the township.

Gorman, who receives \$39,877 from Canton, opted for the finance director spot with the City of Wayne for \$37,000, which is top of the scale for that position. Gorman is expected to assume his new post July 1.



Mike Gorman leaving

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Wayne County ponders blood

As Wayne County commissioners debated whether to require tests for the presence of AIDS in blood donors, the American Red Cross announced it has begun performing a HTLV-3 antibody test on all blood donors.

All donors will be tested, according to Dr. A. William Shafer, director of Red Cross blood services. Red Cross provides most of the blood used in transfusions in southeastern Michigan.

"The test for the HTLV-3 antibody is mistakenly being called an AIDS (Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome) test," Shafer said.

"The HTLV-3 test is not a test for AIDS. Blood with positive test results will be retested and destroyed if still found positive for the HTLV-3 antibody."

HTLV-3 is believed to be the agent which causes AIDS. AIDS destroys the body's immune system, leaving the victim susceptible to many rare illnesses.

The AIDS syndrome is found mostly among very active homosexuals, street drug abusers, recent entrants from Haiti and Zaire and persons with hemophilia.

THE PRESENCE of an antibody in-

dicates an individual probably has been exposed to HTLV-3 virus. As Shafer explained it, "The body thinks there has been an invasion and calls up its soldiers (the antibodies). The test will tell if there are soldiers there — and that's all the test does."

All liquid components in storage have been tested for the presence of HTLV-3 and are negative, Shafer said Monday.

The Red Cross said there is no chance of contracting AIDS through donating blood. "The risk of developing AIDS from a blood transfusion is low. No cases of post-transfusion AIDS have been diagnosed in Michigan."

But the HTLV-3 test will reduce even that low risk significantly, Shafer said.

MEANWHILE, the Wayne County Commission continued discussion on a proposed ordinance to require testing for HTLV-3. It is sponsored by Commissioner Richard Manning, D-Redford.

The commission's committee on health and community services said it is worried that passage would open the door to county liability. The committee reported last week.

"The committee's main concern was the possibility of liability should the test give a positive result and, after further testing, the donor really doesn't have the antibodies to the virus. The problem associated with inaccurate test results is an area the committee would like additional information on."

Ben Washburn, legislative research assistant, told commissioners the federal Food and Drug Administration has licensed the test but hasn't developed regulations to require its usage. "Given the usual processing time, it may take two years to make the change," Washburn said.

"THE RED Cross is apprehensive, however, that use of the test may cause a bigger AIDS risk than it solves," he said.

The reason: If active homosexuals "swarm into blood collection centers in order to obtain a discreet and inexpensive test for the disease, the result could be more rather than less infected blood entering the banks," he said. And because the test is less than perfect in spotting infected persons, the Red Cross was apprehensive about using it.

"An ordinance requiring use of the

test would relieve them (Red Cross) of this legal risk," Washburn said.

As proposed by Manning, the ordinance would prohibit drawing of blood

for transfusion unless the donor has first been tested for the presence of HTLV-3 antibodies. No record could be kept of persons who test positive, but they would be told of the result and

advised to consult a physician.

Violation would be a misdemeanor punishable by the standard \$100 fine or 90 days in jail.

Book Bowl ends in library

The finals in the Book Bowl will be held tonight in the Canton Library.

The Book Bowl, now in its fifth year, is a cooperative program between the Canton Public Library and Plymouth-Canton Community Schools.

The book list is selected by a committee of school and public librarians and reflects a broad range of themes and reading levels. Multiple copies of each book are purchased by Canton Public Library and given to all the Plymouth-Canton schools.

Copies of the books also are available at the Canton Public Library. Books are housed in special displays to promote the program.

The program begins in November

today from 7-9 p.m. at Canton Public Library. The superintendent of schools, Dr. John M. Hoben, will serve as moderator. The public is invited to watch the competition.

The winning school teams meet in quarterfinal matches, which are decided by draw.

All children who participate in the Book Bowl program receive certificates. The semifinalists and finalists receive \$5 gift certificates. The winning team will receive a large stuffed animal to display in the media center of their school.

The semifinals and finals will be held

during children's Book Week. Participants read books from the list through the beginning of March, at which time competition begins. Runoffs take place in each participating school until a winning school team emerges. The school librarian serves as the organizer.

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Up, up, away!

NATIONAL LIBRARY Week was celebrated this week at Fiegel Elementary School, on Joy at I-275, by staging a balloon launch.

The balloons were prepared by volunteer mothers who, fortunately, had the insight to prepare a few extra. Sure enough, one unnamed teacher took his balloons outside to distribute to his class, tied the bunch to a chair, turned away to go back to the classroom. While gone, the balloons "untied themselves" and flew away.

The remaining balloons were launched, on signal from Principal John Howe, on Monday. Each carried the message on the outside "Join the USA Reading Team." Library Week was celebrated at Centennial Educational Park (CEP) by having a number of speakers, and was marked by various means at other secondary and elementary buildings in Plymouth-Canton Community Schools.



BILL BRESLER/staff photographer

Sandy Kessey cautions daughter Valara to keep the balloons away from the ceiling or they may break.



BILL BRESLER/staff photographer

Await signal

Fiegel students get the signal from Principal John Howe to release their balloons. The balloon launch on Monday was held to mark National Library Week.



Brian Wasdike (left) and Brian Ripple anxiously watch to see if their balloons will clear the line of trees at the edge of the playground.

obituaries

DOLORES M. KRUSZKA

Funeral services for Mrs. Kruska, 50, of Capri Drive, Canton Township, were held recently in St. John Neumann Catholic Church in Canton with burial at Our Lady of Hope Cemetery in Wyandotte. Officiating was the Rev. Thomas A. Belczak with arrangements made by Schrader Funeral Home, Plymouth. Memorial contributions may be made in the form of Mass offerings.

Mrs. Kruska, who died April 14 in Ann Arbor, was born in Ecorse and moved to Canton from Trenton. She was a clerk-typist for 19 years at Chrysler Corp. She was a member of St. John Neumann Catholic Church in Canton.

Survivors include: husband, Gregory, son, Daniel; parents, Mary and Frank Jedowski of Trenton; several aunts and uncles.

FRANCES H. HANCOCK

Funeral services for Mrs. Hancock, 85, of Sheridan, Plymouth, were held recently in Schrader Funeral Home with burial at Riverside Cemetery, Plymouth. Officiating was the Rev. John Shinn. Memorial contributions may be made to the charity of the donor's choice.

Mrs. Hancock, who died April 15 in Ann Arbor, was born in Detroit and moved to Plymouth in 1931. She was a longtime employee of the Daisy Air Rifle Co. in Plymouth and was a charter member of Calvary Baptist Church.

Survivors include: sister, Barbara Budds of Royal Oak; several nieces and nephews; two stepgranddaughters; five great-grandchildren and five great-great-grandchildren.

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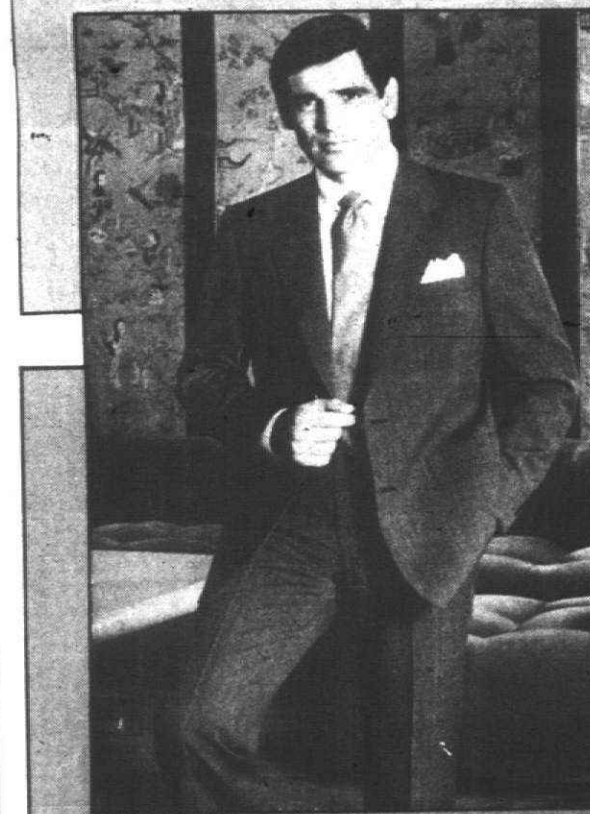
ROBERT L. HUSAK

Funeral services for Mr. Husak, 33, of Ann Arbor were held recently in Schrader Funeral Home with burial at St. Hedwig Cemetery, Dearborn Heights. Officiating was the Rev. Wayne Rouchy. Memorial contributions may be made in the form of Mass offerings.

Mr. Husak, who died April 18 in Ann Arbor, was born in Dearborn and was a member of St. Michael Catholic Church of Dearborn. He was a systems research programmer with the University of Michigan. He is survived by three brothers, Ronald, Kenneth and John, all of Denver.

ERICH E. HAUPT

Funeral services for Mr. Haupt, 81, of Westland were held recently in Vermeulen Memorial Funeral Home in Westland with burial at Glen Eden Cemetery, Livonia. Officiating was the Rev. Ralph F. Fischer.



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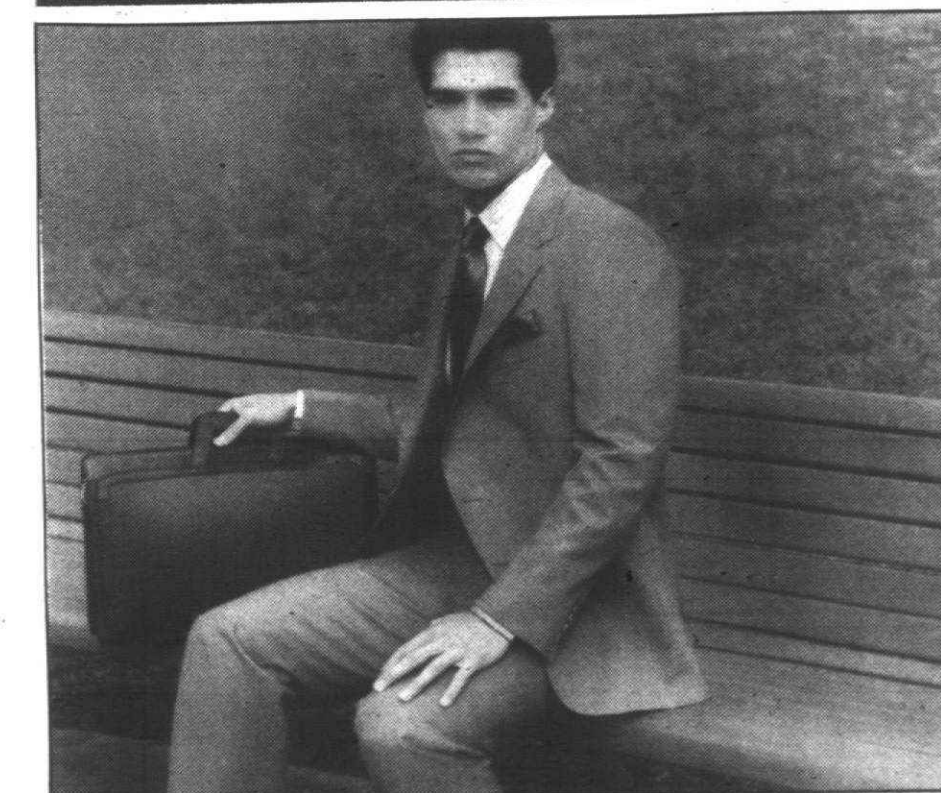
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neighbors on cable

- CHANNEL 8
- THURSDAY (April 25)**
- 5 p.m. Cinematique — Johnny Midnight reviews films to be shown on Family Home Theater's classic collection.
 - 5:30 p.m. Plymouth BPW Presents — Special guest Elizabeth Seligson discusses stress management, relaxation techniques, and the "Silva Method."
 - 6:30 p.m. Investment Times — Host Brian Davis and Jim Lanz welcome Ernie Gargaro who will discuss the recent failures of several petroleum companies including Patrick, Tower, and Petrol Lewis.
 - 7 p.m. Beyond the Moon — Hosted by Mike Best. Guest Larry Kalinowski discusses the origin and uses of telescopes. In The Night Sky: Cancer the Crab.
 - 7:30 p.m. The Oasis — Finger Olympics and comedy variety with Dave "Z" Daniele.
 - 8 p.m. The Food Chain — Debi Silverman takes a look at another topic in the area of health, nutrition and fitness.
 - 8:30 p.m. Economic Club of Detroit — Gilbert Grosvenor, president of National Geographic Society, speaks on "What Happens When America Flounders Geography."
 - 9:30 p.m. Single Touch — J.P. McCarthy talks with Mike Gulish and Diana Jarcynski. Also featured this week is Bikers Week at Daytona Beach, Fla.
- FRIDAY (April 26)**
- 5 p.m. Game of the Week — Schoolcraft College's first Celebrity Basketball Game featuring the Miller Lite Detroit Area All Stars vs. the Schoolcraft College Student Programming Board All Stars. Hosted by Bob Cwientkiewicz and Tony Lorio.
 - 6:30 p.m. Let's Learn to Be Safe — A presentation to Girl Scouts by Carl Berry, Plymouth Township Police Chief.
 - 7 p.m. Bowling USA — Host Pat Carlson and Pro of the Week Gary Vignorie discuss various bowling leagues that a beginner could join.
 - 7:30 p.m. The Governor's Report — Dr. Paul Kindinger, director of the Michigan Department of Agriculture, talks about farmers problems including farm loans and imports.
 - 8 p.m. Watch Out! It's Tornado Time — Be sure you know what to do when the crisis arises. Watch for the tips which could save your life.
- SATURDAY (April 27)**
- 5 p.m. Game of the Week.
 - 6:30 p.m. Let's Learn to Be Safe.
 - 7 p.m. Bowling USA.
 - 7:30 p.m. Legislative Floor Debate — State Rep. Gerry Law discusses women's issues and other issues before the Legislature.
 - 8 p.m. Watch Out! It's Tornado Time.
- CHANNEL 15
- THURSDAY (April 25)**
- Noon Beat of the City.
- FRIDAY (April 26)**
- Noon The Doctor's Bag — Guests are Dr. David Seaman, an allergist, Dale Knab, pharmacist in Plymouth, and another doctor who discusses allergies and asthma.
 - 12:30 p.m. JA Project Business — Begins with the final preparations for the popcorn sale. Then a lesson on supply and demand.
 - 1:30 p.m. Youth View.
 - 2 p.m. Words of Hope: A New Perspective — news and information on Wayne County government.
 - 2:30 p.m. American Atheist News Forum.
 - 3 p.m. Issues for a Nuclear Age — Discussion of nuclear threat to our country and world.
 - 3:30 p.m. Lifestyles — Talk show hosted by Diana Martina.
 - 4:30 p.m. Summit Lighthouse — Religious series.
 - 5:30 p.m. Words of Hope — Religious series.
 - 6 p.m. Yugoslavian Variety Hour — Ethnic programming.
 - 7 p.m. Sound Trax — Current music and musical groups.
 - 8 p.m. TNT True Adventure Trails — Uncle Ernie talks about family and God.
 - 8:30 p.m. Divine Plan — Religious series.
 - 9 p.m. Health Talks — Health information from Henry Ford Hospital.
 - 9:30 p.m. This Is The Life — Religious series from the Lutheran Church.

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'Highly-respected' finance director will be missed

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In 1983, Gorman's salary was increased \$5,000 by the Canton Township Board of Trustees in an effort to dissuade him from taking a finance director's job with Wayne-Westland schools. "When the last board looked at the contribution Mike makes, it decided it would be reasonable to make an increase," said Stephen Larson, trustee.

Gorman said he is leaving Canton for a "career change."

The city-manager form of government (in Wayne) is something I've never worked for, and it will be a change for something different," Gorman said.

Some township officials have noted that Gorman was "caught in the middle" during confrontations between the board and previous township Treasurer Maria Sterlin. They say that Gorman suspects another elected official is following the same path, and that Gorman is unwilling to deal with the problems.

Personnel Director Dan Durack said many department heads turn to Gorman, who has been with the township for 10 years, with questions about background on a wide variety of subjects, like Supersewer and labor negotiations.

"Trustee Loren Bennett said: 'He (Gorman) knows there's always an opportunity for people to be elected to office who don't have experienced judgment in making good decisions, and he has to deal with that.'"

Bennett said he believed "most all the department heads are constantly testing the market, and that means that they're just trying to better themselves." This is the second resignation by a Canton administrator in two weeks. Terry Carroll, grants coordinator, took a similar position with Garden City.

"I don't see any department head retiring from Canton Township," Bennett said. "Boy, I would have liked to see Mike stay until he retired more than any other person in the township."

WAYNE CITY MANAGER Thomas Daily said there's a chance that Gorman could be promoted to director of administrative services. If this post is created, Gorman would be responsible for directing other department heads.

"The township form of government is probably the reason he is leaving (Canton) more than anything," said Stephen Larson, Canton trustee.

"With the township he has three elected administrators and four trustees, any of whom can exercise control over a department head," he said.

"Mike is a very highly respected person in his field, and anytime you lose a key person it has an affect."

"How long the effect will last is yet to be seen, but there aren't a lot of people with Mike's qualifications," Larson said.

Daily said he heard Gorman was looking for a job "a couple of weeks ago" and asked him if he would be interested in the Wayne position. Ed Rothfelder, Wayne's present finance director, will probably be reassigned as assistant finance director and director of purchasing, Daily said. The position changes are contingent upon Wayne City Council approval, which Daily is confident will be forthcoming.

"Evidently he (Gorman) wants to get to a more stable type of government," Daily said. "We just don't get into the politics like other communities do."

Gorman said he hadn't actively looked for another position.

Trustee Robert Padgett said: "We're going to miss him. He's a talented, dedicated public servant, and he brought with him a great deal of knowledge, which will be hard to replace."

Board OKs community block grant capital improvements

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north of Ford Road and east of Haggerty. With the drain the land now flooded could be developed. Project cost is \$100,000.

HOUSING REHABILITATION — Improvements will be made on owner-occupied houses in order to bring them up to code. The program is available to low-and- moderate-income residents. Project cost is \$70,000.

ALTERATIONS TO THE SENIOR CENTER — A 1,000-square-foot addition will be made to the Senior Center at Michigan Avenue and Sheldon Road. The \$50,000 project will include lavatory facilities, \$6,000 worth of floor and ceiling tile and \$2,000 worth of portable partitions.

PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION — This is a \$27,000 fee to cover township expenses in working on the block grant program.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE — A subsidy program to help low-to-moderate-income Canton residents who are involved with Growth Works, the township's drug treatment agency. The program will teach coping skills to those once in the drug treatment program. Project cost is \$25,000.

ROYAL HOLIDAY FIRE HYDRANTS — The addition of seven fire hydrants to an area currently serviced by only one. The hydrants will be a great benefit not only to the people of (Royal Holiday) park, but a benefit to the railroad tracks should there be a fire," said Canton Fire Chief Mel Paulin. Project cost is \$21,000.

TELEPHONE REASSURANCE — This program needed extra funds to continue operating. Under the program, about 90 Canton homebound seniors are called on a regular basis to make sure they are OK. Project cost is \$4,000.

CHILD CARE — Expansion of the existing day camp at Canton Commons to a year-round program in order to provide after-school care for Canton children from families with low-to-moderate income. Project cost is \$20,000.

Random selection plan goes down to defeat

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and one strong school."

Swartzwelder objected, saying the matter was simply a "generic family issue involving an environment unique to parents who work at CEP and have 10th-, 11th- or 12th-grade children at the high schools." Less than 20 families would be affected, he said.

Modifying random selection would enable those parents and children to look out for their own family interests by deciding themselves whether to attend the same or different schools, said Swartzwelder.

Said Trustee Elaine Kirchgatter: "It's not just a generic issue. I know people who aren't employees who'd like their child to attend one or the other school. I know one parent whose neighbor cares for her child (their child care arrangement) is reason enough to be able to be exempted from random selection."

Trustee David Artley waived, but backed McClendon. "If I was going to make an exception, I would make it for staff. But if we make it for staff, I have some difficulty with what I say to my neighbor who prefers one school to the other."

"He has his own reasons. If we're at the point where we're ready to start making broad exceptions to the rules, maybe it's time to look at other alternatives, such as open enrollment, boundaries, or consolidation into one school."

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Education assists cartoonist

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He emphasized the importance of a political cartoonist knowing literature, history and current events.

"You have to start caring about what's going on in the world to form opinions," he said.

An editorial cartoonist must be irreverent, unpredictable, and be able to respect the uses of surprise, Hill said.

"You have to be able to look for humor on the light and dark sides of issues."

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Canton stages first-ever 'leaders' informational conference

Canton Township Personnel Director Dan Durack had an idea that became reality Saturday.

He thought it would be beneficial to invite representatives from Canton homeowners' associations, clubs, organizations, schools and businesses to an inaugural "Canton Leaders Informational Conference," staged by township officials and department heads.

Supervisor James Poole thought the "familiarization conference" had potential as an annual event and asked Canton community leaders as well as some Wayne County officials to attend.

The outcome was a four-hour "state of the township" address delivered by Poole, Wayne County Assistant County Executive/Director of the Office of Public Services James A. Meyers, Canton Treasurer Gerald Brown, Parks and Recreation Superintendent Mike Gouin, Finance Director Mike Gorman and Deputy Finance Director Tim

McCurley, Fire Chief Mel Paulin, Engineer Tom Casari, Durack, Acting Police Chief Larry Stewart, Director of Economic Growth Dave Nicholson, outgoing Grants Coordinator Terry Carroll, Planning Director Matt Modrak and DPW Superintendent Jake Dingel.

Others present were Clerk Linda Chuhuan, County Commissioner Mack Mack and Trustee Bob Padgett.

Each department head gave a brief description of his duties and current activities, highlighting recent developments. Most sported hot air balloons promoting the township's upcoming Mayflower Hotel balloon festival.

Treated to coffee and doughnuts, the audience of nearly 70 included representatives from Canton's Downtown Development Authority, Zoning Board of Appeals, Historical Commission, Beautification Committee, Plymouth-Canton Community Schools, Canton Economic Development Corporation,

Board smoothes way for summer taxation

The Plymouth-Canton Board of Education paved the way for summer tax collection Monday night.

Trustees unanimously authorized the township of Plymouth, Superior, Salem and Northville, the city of Plymouth and the First of America Bank of Plymouth to collect 19.5 mills for the 55-square-mile school district. Canton Township property owners will be billed by First of America Bank.

Tax bills will be issued July 14. Delinquent taxpayers will be charged 1 percent interest per month after the due date of Sept. 14. Penalty-free extensions effective through Feb. 28 will be granted to senior citizens with incomes of \$10,000 or less; the disabled, qualifying widows of veterans, and qualifying farmers. Bills may be paid in person or by mail.

A "tax hot line," 451-6270, will be in operation to answer taxpayers' questions 1:30-5 p.m. weekdays. Tax protests must be taken to municipalities' boards of review.

begin at 7 p.m., April 29. Tuesday morning sessions get under way at 10:15 a.m. and at 11:15 a.m. April 30. On Wednesdays beginning May 1, classes begin at 10:15 a.m., 11:15 a.m. and at 6 p.m. Monday, April 29.

Call the Canton Public Library at 397-0999 for more information.

Introduce toddlers to the library through stories, games, songs, finger plays and simple crafts. Children may attend the four-week class only once. Sessions begin at 10:15 a.m., 11:15 a.m. and at 6 p.m. Monday, April 29.

Call the Canton Public Library at 397-0999 for more information.

A REDUCTION in drunk-driving fatalities over the past year is among the bright spots for the police department, Stewart said.

Less desirable situations include being without a police chief (since Jerry Cox's resignation) and having outgrown the police station, he said. Stewart expects up to 400 persons to apply for his department's top spot by the May 31 cut-off date. Within 90 days, the Canton police will move into the 23,000-square-foot facility being built near Canton Township Hall.

Stewart said an "in the works" community survey will determine how much money residents want to pay for police protection.

The total yearly levy of 39 mills represents a 26 mill increase due to debt requirements, say school officials. The City of Plymouth will bill 3,000 property owners for approximately \$9,900. Salem Township will collect the taxes of 450 property owners for about \$1,350. Northville Township is billing 380 property holders at no charge and Superior Township 170 taxpayers at \$2.50 per parcel.

The district initiated summer tax collection two years ago to avoid borrowing money mid-year.

"We used to have to operate half a year without any tax money. In 1981-82, we had to borrow \$16 million to keep operating. In 1983-84, it went to \$4.9 million, and this year we're expecting to borrow \$3 million," said Dick Egli, district community relations director.

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SPRAYING CITY ELMS

The City of Plymouth DPW has started its spring spraying of all city trees. Homeowners are asked, if at all possible, to keep their vehicles off the streets for at least a two-week period. The DPW will be spraying from 4 a.m. to about 9 a.m. each weekday morning until finished. The department will not have a set schedule regarding what day it will be in a particular area. For the spraying to be done, it must be a calm morning.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE WORKSHOP

Thursday, April 25 — A workshop to provide all parents with information on how to tell if their child and/or friends are using alcohol or drugs will be 7-9 p.m. in the cafeteria of Plymouth-Canton High School, Canton Center Road just south of Joy, on April 25 and May 2.

The workshop also will look at what stages young people go through from experimentation as early as fifth grade to addiction, the affect drugs and alcohol have on families, the methods families use to adapt to the symptoms of the disease of addiction and how to discuss alcohol and drug use with children in a non-threatening way. Denise Tardif is the instructor. The workshop is free and registration is not required. The workshop is being offered through the Community Education Department of Plymouth-Canton Community Schools.

SCHOOL FAIR

Friday, April 26 — Bird Elementary School will be sponsoring a fun fair 6-9 p.m. Included will be food, games, prizes, a plant room and cake walk.

YOUNG AUTHORS CONFAB

Saturday, April 27 — Plymouth-Canton Community Schools' 14th annual Young Authors Conference will be held from 8:45 to 11:30 a.m. at Tanger Elementary School, 40260 W. 5 Mile, Plymouth. About 300 students will participate in various mini-sessions, including drama, computers, writing and art activities. The students will hear professional story-teller Pamela Vander Ploeg. Each student will be awarded a certificate for their work at the closing of the conference.

FREE HEALTH TESTS

Monday, April 29 — Catherine McAuley Health Center's Office of Health Promotion will be doing free health screening 1-5 p.m. at the Arbor Health Building, 990 W. Ann Arbor Trail in Plymouth. The tests will include glaucoma screening, hearing testing, blood pressure screening and health risk appraisals. For additional information call 455-5869 or 572-3922.

YMCA AEROBICS

Monday, April 29 — The Plymouth Community Family YMCA will be offering aerobic classes the week of April 29 at the Salvation Army gymnasium on S. Main between Ann Arbor Road and Joy in Plymouth and at Gallimore Elementary School on Sheldon south of

Joy in Canton. For information on dates and times, call the YMCA at 453-2904.

DANCE SLIMNASTICS

Monday, April 29 — Dance Slimnastics, an aerobic fitness club, will offer residents the opportunity to shape up for spring in a seven-week series of aerobic dance classes beginning the week of April 29 starting at 7 p.m. for the Monday/Wednesday session and at 7 p.m. Tuesday/Thursday at Red Bell Nursery on Ann Arbor Trail west of Sheldon, and at 10 a.m. Monday/Wednesday/Thursday at Dance Unlimited Studios. For more information on fees, class times, and locations, call Janice at 420-2893 or Carol at 397-8173.

S'CRAFT REGISTRATION

Tuesday, April 30 — Registration for the spring session at Schoolcraft College will be on the main campus from April 30 through May 2. Registration at the Radcliff Center in Garden City is April 24. Classes will begin May 6. The college is offering more than 280 traditional classes in accounting, art, biology, business, chemistry, child care, communications, economics, English, geography, history, mathematics, physical education, physics, political science, psychology, robotics and sociology. For further information, call the admissions office at 591-6400, Ext. 340.

PEACE EDUCATION WEEK

To help promote Peace Education Week, designated by Gov. Blanchard as an annual event for the first week in May, the Peace Resource Center of Western Wayne County is offering speakers, A.V. materials, simulation games and expert speakers to interest in the program are: "US vs. USSR," "The Last Epidemic," and "The Crossroads of Time." Simulation games available include Desert Survival, and Firebreaks. Speakers can be arranged from Physicians for Social Responsibility and other groups.

MOSTLY MOZART CONCERT

Wednesday, May 1 — The Plymouth CEP Orchestra will present a "Mostly Mozart" concert beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the auditorium of Plymouth Salem High School on Joy just west of Canton Center Road. The concert will feature three compositions by Mozart and one by Haydn. Students performing solos include Steve Harrington, Dan Stacey, Mark Rakoz, Ping Chou, and Jennifer Walker. Admission is free.

SINGLES CLUB

Thursday, May 2 — The Plymouth Family Community YMCA's Singles Club will hold its organizational meeting at 7:30 p.m. at 248 Union Street in Plymouth. Interested persons must be a Y member to join. The club offers companionship, activities, and support for area singles.

BOOK SALE

Thursday-Saturday, May 2-4 — The Plymouth branch of the American Association of University Women (AAUW) Used Book Sale will be held from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Thursday and Friday and 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday at the Westland Shopping Center central court. Most books cost between 25 cents and \$1 with the proceeds going to scholarships and fellowships for women. More than 18,000 books will be for sale in a variety of categories.

CREATIVE DAY NURSERY

Friday, May 3 — Creative Day Nursery will have an open house 1:30-3:30 p.m. at 501 W. Main, Northville. Registration will be for summer and fall sessions. Included in the program are storytime, drama, science, music and art activities, movement and floor games. The nursery serves children age 2½ to 5. For more information, call 348-3910 or 397-3955.

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EAGLE RUN

Saturday, May 4 — Single Point Ministries of Livonia will hold its Eagle Run for all single adults and their friends at 3:30 p.m. at Maybury State Park on Eight Mile in Northville. There will be a One Mile Fun Run and a 10-K Run. Following the races will be a dinner and awards ceremony featuring Ann Kiemel, author of "Running To Win." For more information or to register, call 422-1150 and ask for Single Point Ministries.

CLEAN-UP WEEK

Monday, May 6 — The week of May 6 has been declared "Clean-Up, Fix-Up Week" in the City of Plymouth. During this week any discarded items may be placed out on the curb for pickup items such as freezers or refrigerators must have doors and lids removed so a child cannot be trapped inside. Any questions can be directed to the DPW at 453-7737.

PEACE SEMINAR

Tuesday, May 7 — The Peace Resource Center of Western Wayne County will hold "1985 Symposium: Peace in the Nuclear Age" at 7 p.m. in Kresge Hall on Madonna College campus at Levan and Jeffries, Livonia. After a panel discussion in the lecture hall, informal discussions with small groups will be held in adjacent classrooms. Speakers will be Capt. James Bush (USN, ret.), associate director Center for Defense Information; Marion Anderson, director Employment Research Associates; and Arthur Vander, professor of physiology at University of Michigan.

GARAGE SALE

Wednesday and Thursday, May 8 and 9 — St. Thomas A'Becket Church will sponsor a garage sale from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday at 555 S. Lilley Road in Canton. Proceeds will go toward the church's general fund.

HEARING & SPEECH CONSULTATION DAY

Friday, May 10 — The department of speech pathology at Oakwood Hospi-

tal-Canton Center is sponsoring a Consultation Day as part of Better Hearing and Speech Month. Hearing and speech consultations with a certified speech pathologist may be scheduled from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. by calling the hospital at 458-7030. The consultations will address questions people may have regarding the speech or hearing of themselves, their children, or their parents before they make a decision to seek professional help. The program is offered free to the public as a community service.

SPRING FESTIVAL

Friday-Sunday, May 10-12 — St. Thomas A'Becket Church will sponsor a festival from 6 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday, noon to 1 a.m. Saturday and 1 to 8 p.m. Sunday at 555 S. Lilley Road in Canton. Price is \$7 for all-day ticket for rides or by individual ticket. The festival will feature rides, Las Vegas tent, bingo, crafts, dinners and breakfasts and entertainment. The entertainment line up includes a 50s and '60s dance Friday night, magic shows and "Four of Us" dancing Saturday and the Centennial Dancers and Tim O'Hare Irish Dancers Sunday. Funds raised will go towards the church's general fund.

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Army Pvt. John C. Gretzing, son of Ruth and William Gretzing of Longfellow, Canton, has completed basic training at Fort Dix, N.J. He is a 1984 graduate of Plymouth Canton High School.

JOHN E. HOPPER

Army Pvt. John E. Hopper, son of Marvin E. Hopper of Canton and Jane F. Hopper of Livonia, has completed basic training at Fort Dix, N.J. He is a 1982 graduate of Livonia Stevenson High School.

MICHAEL McDONALD

Army PFC Michael McDonald, son of Henriette and Alden McDonald of Ranier Boulevard, Canton, has graduated from basic training at Fort Knox,

Ky., and will remain at Fort Knox until the end of April for advanced training before going to Fort Benning, Ga., for jump school training. He is a 1984 graduate of Plymouth Canton High School.

MICHAEL J. HILLMAN

Army Cpl. Michael J. Hillman, son of Harold Hillman of Tillotson Court, Canton, and Marilyn Borge of Northville, has been awarded the expert infantryman badge at Fort Lewis, Wash. The badge is the Army's highest non-combat proficiency award for infantrymen. Hillman is a 1978 graduate of Livonia Churchill High School.

TERRY GALLARDO

Airman Terry Gallardo, son of Mr.

and Mrs. Craig D. Aylsworth of Bannock Burn, Canton, has graduated from the U.S. Air Force aircraft maintenance course at Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas. Gallardo is scheduled to serve with the 27th Tactical Fighter Wing at Cannon AFB, N.M.

Gallardo is a 1983 graduate of Plymouth Canton High. His wife, Lisa, is the daughter of Gene Heifetz of Dearborn Heights and Avie Pelack of Wayne.

LOUIS LEKSCHKE

Army Pvt. Louis Lekschke, son of Marie T. Baker of Plymouth and Louis Lekschke of Tipton, Mich., recently was involved in a NATO-sponsored exercise by participating in the Army's return of forces to Germany (Reforger) 1985. Lekschke is an artillery surveyor with

the 3rd Infantry Division in Wertheim, West Germany, and is a 1981 graduate of Plymouth Canton High School.

MARK MCCORMICK

Airman Mark H. McCormick, son of Claire Beaver of Canton and Mike C. McCormick of Saugus, Calif., has been assigned to Brooks AFB, Texas, after completing basic training at Lackland AFB, Texas. He will receive specialized instruction in vehicle maintenance. Labadie is a 1984 graduate of John Glenn High School, Westland.

DANIEL A. NALEPKA

Daniel A. Nalepka, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Nalepka of Ivywood Lane, Plymouth, recently has been assigned as a recruiter aide to the U.S. Army Recruiting Station at 595 Forest in Plymouth.

Private Nalepka, a 1980 graduate of Plymouth Canton High, joined the Army in November 1984. He took basic training at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., and trained to be a combat engineer at the same site.

"I wanted to continue my college education," he said. "And I'll be able to save \$26,500 by participating in the Army College Fund for just four years. I also received an enlistment bonus of \$3,500."

During his 45-day assignment in Plymouth Nalepka will be talking to residents about Army opportunities and then will leave for his permanent duty station in Germany.

DAVID R. LABADIE

Airman David R. Labadie, son of

Gary Labadie of Canton and Joan Guyett of Westland, has been assigned to Chanute AFB, Ill., after completing basic training at Lackland AFB, Texas. He now will receive specialized instruction in vehicle maintenance. Labadie is a 1984 graduate of John Glenn High School, Westland.

KATHLEEN DORNAN

Kathleen P. Dornan, daughter of Dorothy and Terrence G. Driscoll of Marc Trail, Plymouth, has been promoted to the rank of captain in the U.S. Army.

Dornan is an assistant general staff secretary with the 1st Corps Support Command at Fort Bragg, N.C.

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Sarris seeks full term on SC board

Sharon L. Sarris was the first to announce her candidacy for the Schoolcraft College Board of Trustees and will be one of four candidates for two six-year terms.

The election is June 10. The Schoolcraft College District includes the Clarencville, Garden City, Livonia, Northville and Plymouth-Canton school districts and a small portion of the Novi district. Candidates run at-large.

Others filing for election were incumbent Michael W. Bunley of Canton, Myron Casey of Northville and Hussein Karzun of Livonia.

THE DEADLINE for filing was Tuesday. Candidates have until 4 p.m. Friday to withdraw.

A Livonia resident and former Plymouth resident, Sarris was appointed to fill a vacancy in August of 1982 and elected to fill the two remaining years of the term. She is presently treasurer of the school board.

She said of her candidacy: "The college must become even more creative in the next few years to find the resources to finance its current programs and find new ways to offer classes and programs that are responsive to our constituents' needs."

SHE IS manager of employee communication for the Chevrolet-Pontiac-GM of Canada group of General Motors Corp.

Previously she was president of her own consulting and training company, a state Department of Education consultant, franchise manager for cable television companies and a high school teacher in Livonia for 13 years.

A graduate of Lake Michigan Community College, Sarris has earned a bachelor's degree from Michigan State University and a master's degree from the University of Michigan.

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She is a 1981 graduate of Eastern Michigan University, Ypsilanti. Her husband, Army Capt. Garrie P. Dorman, is the son of Sheila and Edward Dorman of Ypsilanti.

JAY W. LEE

Army Spec. 4 Jay W. Lee, son of Mary and George Lee of Plymouth, has been named outstanding soldier of the month for Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Army Military Police and Chemical Schools and Training Center at Fort McClellan, Ala. He was selected for military bearing and knowledge, professional skill and exemplary behavior. Lee, a personnel information systems management specialist, is a 1979 graduate of Plymouth Canton High School.

CRAIG HANCOCK

Airman PFC Craig A. Hancock, son of Leni and Edwin Hancock of Parkview Drive, Plymouth, has participated in Team Spirit '85, the largest joint field training exercise in the free world this year, on the mountainous peninsula of South Korea. The exercise involved some 200,000 members of all armed services of the Republic of Korea and the U.S. Hancock, a 1983 graduate of Plymouth Canton High, is an air defense gunnery crew member with the 42nd Air Defense Artillery at Schofield Barracks, Hawaii.

THOMAS M. CONKLIN

Thomas M. Conklin, son of Martha and Robert Conklin of Plymouth, has been promoted to senior airman in the Air Force. Conklin is a bombing and navigation systems mechanic at Kenneth I. Sawyer AFB, Mich., with the 410th Bombardment Wing. He is a 1981 graduate of Northville High School.

MICHEL LAMOREUX

Airman Michael J. Lamoreux, son of Monique and Andre Lamoreux of Five Mile, Plymouth, has been assigned to Sheppard AFB, Texas, after completing basic training at Lackland AFB, Texas. A 1983 graduate of Plymouth Canton High, Lamoreux will receive specialized instruction in the medical services field.

DENISE PROCTOR

Denise Proctor, daughter-in-law of Daisy and Robert Proctor of Plymouth, has been promoted to specialist fourth class in the Army. Proctor, wife of Army Staff Sgt. Gregory Proctor, is a personnel specialist at Fort Campbell, Ky., with the 29th Transportation Battalion.

CHARLES BOYER

Airman Charles F. Boyer, son of Charles E. Boyer of Canton and Eli Jackson of Chattanooga, Tenn., has been assigned to Keesler AFB, Miss., after completing basic training at Lackland AFB, Texas. A 1983 graduate of Plymouth Canton High School, Boyer will receive specialized instruction in the air operations field.

MICHAEL A. KATROS

Army Pvt. Michael A. Katros, son of Marie and George Katros of Canton, has completed basic training at Fort Knox, Ky.

SUSAN LEHMANN

Airman Susan E. Lehmann, daughter of Marilyn and John Lehmann of Canton, has been assigned to Keesler AFB, Miss., after completing basic training at Lackland AFB, Texas. A 1984 graduate of Valparaiso University, Ind., Lehmann will receive specialized training in the administration field.

Recreation chief at work for county

For the first time in more than a decade, Wayne County has a recreation professional in its parks department.

He is Victor Chiasson, 33, who started work Monday as chief of recreation. He reports to parks manager R. Eric Reickel, a long-time associate.

"My work will be to design activities to bring people back into the park system," said Chiasson, whose office overlooks Hines Parkway in the western suburbs. "We'll co-sponsor events in the park, particularly one-day events to stimulate park usage."

His first major project is coordinating the Sunday, May 5, Activities Day, when most of Hines Drive will be closed to auto traffic and open to non-profit groups' activities and non-motorized recreation.

COUNTY PARKS and law enforcement officials frankly want to continue

luring families back into a park that was notorious in the 1970s for drug usage, rowdiness and vandalism.

Like Reickel, Chiasson grew up in the downriver city of Trenton. He earned bachelor's and master's degrees in parks and recreation at Central Michigan University. He worked for Reickel in Oakland County for five years as recreation supervisor.

Most recently Chiasson was leisure services coordinator for the city of Wayne for six years. There he gained fame for two programs — the Great Marshmallow Drop, a replacement of the Easter egg contest, and the "I'm Dreaming of a White Christmas" contest. Winners of the White Christmas contest were guaranteed snow for the holiday — if not from nature then from ice shavings the city dropped on their lawns.

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MONDAY (April 22)
5:05 p.m. . . . Family Health — medical lasers.
7 p.m. . . . Monday Night Music Special — "Classical" with Ingrid Erickson.

TUESDAY (April 23)
5:05 p.m. . . . Family Health — tough symposium.
6:10 p.m. . . . Family Report — Part III of a five-part series on adoption.

WEDNESDAY (April 24)
4 p.m. . . . Jill Kirchgatter hosts the latest news, sports, and weather for you on News File at Four.
5:05 p.m. . . . Family Health — pregnancy in older women.
6:10 p.m. . . . Community Focus — Noelle Terrace hosts.

THURSDAY (April 25)
10:30 a.m. . . . Tani Secunda brings the best of adult contemporary music to your morning.

12:30 p.m. . . . Mike Lyndrup takes you on your lunch hour with adult contemporary music.

5:05 p.m. . . . Family Health, a short program focusing on human health. Today's program, pregnancy in older women.

FRIDAY (April 26)
4 p.m. . . . The latest news, sports, and weather are brought to you by Skip Wolfe on News File at Four.
5:05 p.m. . . . Family Health, the best contact lens solution.
6:10 p.m. . . . Sports Update with Bill Keith. The latest news of sporting events of Plymouth Salem and Plymouth Canton high schools.

MONDAY (April 29)
5:05 p.m. . . . Family Health, glycol ethers.
7 p.m. . . . Monday Night Music Special, rock review with Mike Lyndrup.

TUESDAY (April 30)
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6:10 p.m. . . . Family Report, a program about current issues affecting family life. Today, part four of adoption.

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from our readers

Teacher quits, lists concerns

To the editor:

(Open letter to: the school board, administration, teachers, students and community of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools.)

I have been a teacher in Plymouth-Canton Community Schools since the fall of 1978. I chose to become an educator and accepted a position at Pioneer Middle School because of some deeply held convictions that education is the backbone of a democracy.

Only an intelligent, aware and inquisitive people can make wise decisions affecting their lives and the lives of those around them. The Plymouth-Canton schools had a fine reputation about the staff. Although I see "pockets" of these qualities in the district at the present time, generally they are not

a part of the district's current philosophy.

I can no longer remain a part of this school district as it becomes more "efficient" and less humane; more concerned with the "physical plant" and less concerned with the whole (physical, emotional, cultural, academic) education of those we are entrusted to serve — the students.

I am therefore submitting my resignation as teacher in Plymouth-Canton Community Schools, effective June 15, 1985. I will be pursuing a graduate degree towards an alternative career in mathematics during the next two years.

I believe it is important that I detail some of the reasons that have led me to this decision. There are three major areas of concern that need to be addressed:

1) Decision-making — How are decisions arrived at in this school district? Who makes these decisions? How are they made, and to what end? Specifically, changes in program,

curriculum, grade alignment and evaluation occur at a rapid rate in this school district. Programs are changed (with the prevailing winds) and later on those most affected are surveyed to death to ask them what they think of the changes. Is this designed to make all of us feel as if we have some power in decision-making? It is a dishonest practice that is being used to control dissent, not encourage it.

The proper way to make decisions is to include all those involved with implementing the decision in the process. Parents, administrators, teachers, support personnel and students must be involved in decisions which affect program content and direction. This group must be involved at the earliest stage in the process of decision-making, not two months prior to implementation.

2) Professional growth — School districts must be at the forefront of attracting high-quality students from the colleges and universities. This aim goes hand-in-hand with providing opportuni-

ty for professional growth of the district's staff.

The best graduates from our universities are too smart to enter a profession that appears to them to be a "dead-end" job, academically and professionally. Teachers should not be allowed to take sabbatical leaves — they should be encouraged to do so. Yet, in the past five years, only one sabbatical has been granted to teachers in Plymouth-Canton Community Schools, in spite of the fact that (contractually) two percent of the total teaching staff are entitled to sabbatical leaves.

I have suggested a number of times in the past few years that we set up a working relationship (possibly an exchange program) between firms doing business in the area and the school district. "Liability," we were told, would be a problem. Instead of searching for a way to do things, we constantly try to "cover" ourselves. If we want good teachers to enter the district, if we want to keep the quality teachers we presently have, and if we want to help all our staff grow professionally, then we must encourage these things — actively.

3) Philosophy and direction of education — Is there a philosophy of edu-

cation in this district?

We seem to have clear-cut goals and a direction that we are heading in, but is it the right direction? A very high priority in this school district is to make things run smoothly. If a student sits passively at his/her spot for 6-7 hours each day, then everything is fine. If there is no labor strike in the district this year, then everyone must be happy. We strive for calmness and efficiency, but this leads to "brain-death."

If the boat is not rocking, it must be a solid boat. Why aren't we questioning where this boat is headed and how the passengers feel about their trip?

Do we want to try to get more students college-oriented? If so, what changes need to be made at all levels to accomplish this? Without a doubt, our courses need to be much more rigorous to fully prepare our students for the challenges that lie ahead.

What should we do for those students who do not wish to pursue college? At present, these students are sorely neglected.

Should our art, music and health programs be viewed as frills, the first to lose out in a financial crunch? What

would we think of a people who are illiterate artistically and musically and ignorant of their own bodies? Why isn't the entire community up in arms over class sizes in excess of 30-40 students?

More fundamentally, education must embody the ideals we, as members of society, strive for: cooperation, pursuit of excellence and a respect for differences. To those who ask how one can expect the schools to live up to values that are crumbling in society as a whole, I respond by saying that we are society. It is not out there.

If we choose to make our world a different place, then we must act on that decision. We may not be able to cure all of society's ills, but we have a responsibility to ourselves and those around us not to accept complacency and mediocrity. Needless to say, as educators, we are failing our students if we do not pass this sense of responsibility on to them.

I have chosen to air my concerns in a public manner in the hope that some of these issues are thought about, talked about and argued. Too little of that has taken place over the past few years.

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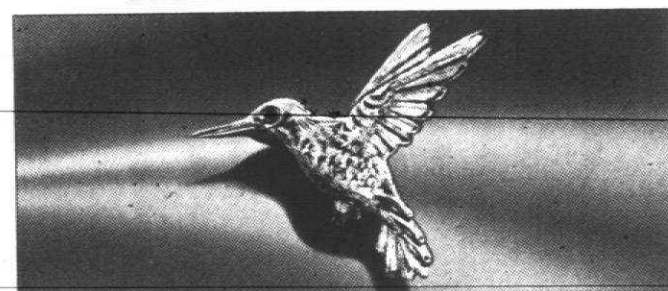
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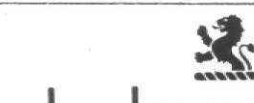
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Recruitment for the Employment Dynamics program is under way with applications being accepted through May. Purpose of the program is to help unemployed young adults improve their job-seeking skills and find permanent employment.

Participants must be ages 17-21 and live in western Wayne County. Participants must meet income guidelines. The program is sponsored by Growth Work. Plymouth. Interested persons may contact Lisa Spitz at 455-4093.

Employment Dynamics is a federally funded program which provides young adults with job search skills training, paid on-the-job work experience and job placement assistance.

YMCA GUIDE RECRUITMENT

Anyone interested in joining the YMCA Indian Guide program, which promotes meaningful relationships between parent and child, may sign up from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays at the Plymouth Community Family YMCA on Union Street in Plymouth.

The Guide programs include: Indian Guides for fathers and sons ages 5-9; Trail Blazers, fathers and sons age 10 and older; Braves, mothers and daughters age 5-9; Trail Mates, fathers and daughters, age 9 and older; Maidens, mothers and daughters age 5-8; and Trailettes, for mothers and their daughters, age 9 and older.

SPRING OPEN SKATING

Open skating at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer, is operating under the following spring schedule through Thursday, May 16:

1 to 2:50 p.m. on Mondays; 8:30 to 11:40 a.m., 12:50 to 2:50 p.m. and 6-7 p.m. on Tuesdays; 1 to 2:50 p.m. on Wednesdays; 8:30 to 10:40 a.m., 10:50 a.m. to 12:50 p.m. and 5-6 p.m. on Thursdays; 9:30 to 10:40 a.m., 10:50 a.m. to 12:50 p.m., 1 to 2:50 p.m. and 8 to 9:50 p.m. on Fridays; and from 2:30 to 4 p.m. on Saturdays.

Anyone with questions may call the recreation department at 455-6620.

WANTED: BACKYARD POOLS

Backyard pools are needed in Plymouth, Canton and Northville by the Plymouth Community Family YMCA for its backyard swim program. If you have a pool and would like to donate its use for one to two hours a day for a two-week period, call the Y at 453-2904 for more information, including information on how pool donation can benefit your children. The pools are needed for the two-week period of July 8-19, July 22-Aug. 2, Aug. 2-17.

WANTED: CIVIC RADIO HELP

Plymouth Area REACT Team (PART) is looking for new members for emergency radio communication (no experience necessary) and other community programs. All residents from Plymouth, Canton, Northville and surrounding areas are invited. The group meets at 8 p.m. the second Thursday of each month at Plymouth Township Hall, Mill at Ann Arbor Road. For more information, call 455-9609 or 453-7641.

WIDE WITH US!

Plymouth Area Citizen's Team (PACT) is looking for new members. Take a ride with a PACT member and see how the team of volunteers works. For more information, call 455-5396.

WEATHER SPOTTERS

Plymouth Township's Office of Emergency Preparedness is looking for volunteers to be trained in skills that will be used during a township emergency or disaster. Training includes damage assessment, shelter management, first aid and severe weather spotting. Training meetings are held on the fourth Saturday of each month from 9 a.m. to noon at the Plymouth Township Hall at the corner of Mill Street and Ann Arbor Road. Township residency not required.

CANTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Canton Historical Society at 7:30 p.m. meets the second Thursday of each month in the Canton Historical Society Museum on Canton Center Road at Proctor.

ART IN PARK

Art in the Park, held the past three years in conjunction with the Mayflower Hot Air Balloon Festival, is a juried show which will be held in Kellogg Park July 6, 7. For further information, or for an entry application, contact Show Director Diane Quinn at 453-0001 or the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce at 453-1540.

FOURTH OF JULY

Plans are being made for the 1985 Fourth of July celebration in Plymouth featuring a parade and fireworks sponsored by the Plymouth Jaycees. Last year, the parade attracted some 4,500 spectators and the fireworks some 25,000 persons, according to Fred Eagle, parade co-chairman. The parade will begin at 10 a.m. Thursday, July 4. Parade entry forms soon will be available at Plymouth City Hall or Plymouth Township Hall or by calling Eagle at 464-4797. The parade also needs donations from businesses to cover the expenses of the parade. Send donations to: Plymouth Jaycees, c/o 1985 Fourth of July Parade, 14728 Ronnie Lane, Livonia MI 48154.

ENTERTAINMENT SPREE

Entertainment Spree Books are being sold as a fund-raiser for the YMCA Indian Guide program from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday at the Plymouth Community Family YMCA office at 248 Union. The sale will continue until the books are sold out. Spree coupon books offer savings at well-known restaurants, movies, sports and amusements plus discounts for auto care, retail goods and on services. The charge is \$8 per book.

COMPUTERS IN LIBRARY

Four Apple IIe computers are available for public use in the Dunning-Hough Library, 223 S. Main, Plymouth. Children younger than age 14 will be required to attend a training workshop or pass a users test. Children younger than age 8 must be accompanied by a parent while using the computer. All patrons must have a library card and must sign a responsibility card also signed by a parent or guardian. Once the responsibility card is on file at the library, patrons may reserve computer time and software. Rules and instructions for using the computers, the responsibility card, and a list of software are available at the library. For more information, call 463-0760.

MINOR HOME REPAIRS

The Conference of Western Wayne Home Repair Program has been funded through Senior Alliance Inc., for fiscal year 1985. The program assists persons 60 and older and owning their home

with minor home repair tasks. For information, call 525-8690.

VETERANS PROGRAM EXTENDED

Area Vietnam era and disabled veterans should be aware of recent changes affecting the Veterans Readjustment Appointments (VRA) program. VRA is a federal hiring program providing special, non-competitive hiring of these veterans. Originally scheduled to expire Sept. 30, 1984, the program has been extended through Sept. 30, 1986, through passage of the Veterans Benefits Improvement Act (PL 98-543). It is not expected that the VRA program will be extended beyond that date.

In addition to extending the program, PL 98-543 raised the entry grade level maximum from GS/ WG-7 to GS/ WG-9 and also provided limited appeal rights during the first year of appointment. A Vietnam era or disabled veteran who has completed no more than 14 years of education may qualify for a VRA. This restriction may be waived for disabled veterans. For further information, interested veterans may call the local American Legion hotline at 453-9494 and leave a message regarding information desired.

DIABETIC SUPPORT

A Diabetic Support Group will begin meeting 7-8 p.m. the third Monday of each month at Oakwood Hospital-Canton Center at Warren and Canton Center Roads in Canton.

DANCE SLIMNASTICS

Dance, stretch, pop, hop... it's all in the moves with Dance Slimnastics. Aerobic dancing is a rhythmic mixture of simple movements and dance steps set to music, designed to improve and maintain cardiovascular/physical fitness. Participation is not limited by age, sex, or shape. Class meets 7:30-8:30 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays for eight weeks at the Plymouth Cultural Center, Farmer at Theodore. For information, call 455-6620.

YMCA AEROBIC FITNESS CLASSES

Aerobic fitness classes are offered continuously at Starkweather Elementary School, Plymouth. The six-week program is sponsored by Plymouth Community Family YMCA. Price is \$20 for members and \$30 for non-members. For information, call 453-2904.

AEROBIC FITNESS

Aerobic Fitness dance and exercise classes are held in St. John Episcopal Church on Sheldon Road near Ann Arbor Trail in Plymouth. Registrations now are being accepted for 9 a.m. Tuesday/Thursday beginner classes and 9:50 a.m. Tuesday/Thursday intermediate classes. Child care available. Dance and exercise to music for fun and fitness. For information, call 459-9229.

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Student earns Merit grant

Kathleen Lawrenz of Adams Street, Plymouth, has been selected the recipient of a corporate-sponsored, four-year Merit Scholarship.

The National Merit Scholarship Corporation announced that Lawrenz, a senior at Ladywood High School in Livonia, was one of some 1,450 corporate scholarship recipients.

Lawrenz, who plans on entering the business field, has been a member of the National Honor Society for three years, belongs to the Inner Corps Theatians, was on the National Forensics Team, received an Interlochen All-State Scholarship, and is a member of the Livonia Youth Choir.

She earned a Division I rating at district solo and ensemble festival, was in the concert choir for two years, played varsity softball for two years, was treasurer of the vocal department, was named Referee of the Year by the

Plymouth-Canton Junior Basketball Association, and was a yearbook photographer.

The Merit corporate awards are funded by a diverse group of 315 U.S. corporations, company foundations, professional associations, unions, and trusts. Lawrenz earned her scholarship from Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing. Each year 3M awards 50 four-year scholarships to sons and daughters of the firm's 50,000 employees in the U.S.

The announcement of the corporate scholarship winners is the first of three announcements to be made this year by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation.

By the end of the month, NMSC will announce scholarship winners of the NMSC itself and in May will announce winners of scholarships awarded by colleges and universities.

Flinging midgets is a sport?

How about this? With a midget tucked under each arm, runners race along a track to build up speed, then fling the little people as far as they can.

Two professors at the University of Santa Clara in California, Paul Verden and John Swart, are writing a book

about these kinds of "trash sports," which include "Jell-O" wrestling and cage wrestling. In the latter, 21 wrestlers compete in a cage for a rich purse. No rules, no referees. The only person left wins.

Verden saw a match in San Francisco that drew 18,000 fans. "Blood flowed," he reported.

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CANTON TOPS

Canton TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) No. 1236 meets each Thursday at Faith Community Church, on Warren Road just west of Canton Center Road. Weight-in is at 6:30 p.m. with the meeting 7-8 p.m. The group is open to teens, men and women. Open enrollment is taking place. Call 455-2656 or 459-5212 evenings.

ISHINYRYU KARATE

Ishinyryu Karate classes are 8 to 9:30 p.m. Wednesdays and Thursdays at the Canton Recreation Center on Michigan Avenue at Sheldon for people ages 9-50. Fee is \$35 per person for 10 weeks. Canton Parks and Recreation is sponsoring karate lessons for all levels. Sam Santilli, fifth-degree black belt, will instruct all ages. Register at the recreation center in person before classes on Wednesday or Thursday. Registration is continuous. For more information, call the recreation department at 397-1000, Ext. 212, between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m.

ON-THE-JOB TRAINING

The employment program of the Wayne County Office on Aging is accepting applications for on-the-job training programs. The programs include on-the-job training with pay for a variety of positions in such fields as health care, sales, secretarial, clerical and maintenance. Assistance is provided for job search skills, resume writing, interview techniques, self-confidence building and goal setting. Eligibility criteria includes age 55 or older, low income, resident of Wayne County (excluding downriver and Detroit). For information, contact Herbert Alexander or Larry Gentile at 467-3454.

BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS

Free blood-pressure checks are offered by members of the Volunteer Guild of Oakwood Hospital-Canton Center 6-8 p.m. each Tuesday in the main lobby of the hospital at Warren and Canton Center Roads in Canton.

CPR CLASS

CPR Heart Saver classes are taught the second Monday of each month at 7 p.m. in Oakwood Hospital-Canton Center, Warren at Canton Center Road. This course covers one-person CPR on an adult, and what to do for a person with an obstructed airway.

NEW HORIZONS

New Horizons, a sharing exchange for mothers, will meet the second and fourth Fridays of each month 9:30-11:30 a.m. at Faith Community Church, 46001 Warren west of Canton Center Road. For information, call Mary at 455-8221.

CRISIS COUNSELING

If you want help in solving a problem, are looking for a referral, or need information about drugs or alcohol, counselors at Turning Point Counseling and Crisis Intervention Center can help you. Counselors are available 6:30-10:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Other hours are available by appointment. Phone 455-4900.

Turning Point is a non-profit community service of Growth Works Inc. which offers crisis intervention and counseling.

HELPING ADULTS READ

Plymouth-Canton Community Education can help adults read. For more information, about Adult Basic Education, call 451-6555 or 451-6660. Open enrollment. Students can begin classes at any time.

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How to tell kids about sex

"It's so hard now to be a parent, we need all the help we can get."

That was one of the comments made by a parent in discussing the upcoming workshop for parents about talking to your children about sex.

The four-session workshop will be held from 6:30-8:40 p.m. in Room 100 of Plymouth Canton High School on April 30, May 1, 7 and 8. The workshop is free.

Sandy Franck, Lowell Middle School health educator, will lead the workshop. She will share communication tips with parents who want to discuss sex with their youngsters.

Franck stressed that the topic is a difficult one, sometimes even for parents who have good communication

with their youngsters. She pointed out that the workshop is for all parents in the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools. Registration can be made by contacting Mrs. Franck at Lowell Middle School at 451-6503.

"Early registration provides the opportunity for me to share what areas parents are most interested in discussing," she said. "People are welcome to the meetings, however, even if they have not registered. We'll share thoughts and respond to all concerns." Parents with questions about the workshop are encouraged to contact Franck for more information. She will provide reading materials and a bibliography at the workshop.

more information, call 453-5464.

PLYMOUTH CHILDREN'S NURSERY

Plymouth Children's Nursery has a few openings for 4-year-olds in its Tuesday-Thursday afternoon class. The nursery school is a cooperative preschool for 3- and 4-year-olds located on the corner of Warren and Haggerty roads in Canton. For information, call Pam at 459-7160 or Amy at 459-3235.

RAINBOW CHILD CARE

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Peace group didn't flaunt court — Thorburn

By Kathy Parrish
staff writer

A group of Methodist peace activists escaped jail when Williams International Corp. failed to show they had a "community of purpose" with organizers of other protesters in the Commerce Township defense supplier's driveway.

Oakland Circuit Judge James S. Thorburn refused to charge the eight with violating his court order barring Covenant for Peace from trespassing at Williams.

Thorburn, of Birmingham, ruled Monday there was no proof the group — four of them United Methodist ministers — acted "in concert" with Covenant for Peace. The Lansing-based peace group has spearheaded protests at Williams, where 99 people have been arrested in the past two years.

"The actions at Williams have grown," said Detroit attorney Kenneth Mogill, one of several lawyers defending the activists for free.

Other people independently and on

their own have chosen to participate. The events have outgrown the injunction.

DURING A show-cause hearing, Williams International charged the eight broke the injunction issued by Thorburn against Covenant for Peace.

As in the past, the company asked that the activists be jailed until they promise not to return to the driveway, on Maple Road west of Haggerty.

Michigan Court of Appeals is weighing the practice, which has been challenged by the protesters. One group of activists recently spent 92 days in jail.

Arrested April 8 while handing out pieces of communion bread to plant workers, the defendants still face trespassing charges May 6 before 52nd District Court Judge Michael Batchik in Walled Lake.

Williams is a target of peace groups because it makes engines for low-flying cruise missiles.

The firm also manufactures turbine engines for cars and trucks, industrial gas turbines and low pollution turbines for generating electric power from natural gas and coal. A version of the cruise missile engine is used in WASP II, a small one-person flying device.

Attempting to link the new arrests with previous ones, the company pointed out that two defendants were repeat offenders. The Rev. Bill Kellerman and the Rev. Tom Jones were arrested during the weeklong 1983 protests.

Williams also said the presence of two Covenant for Peace members, Srs. Liz Walters and Margaret Dewey, indicated the recent activists were acting in concert with them.

"The alleged contemptuous conduct here goes to April 8, 1985," said Detroit attorney William Goodman. "The fact that they may have done something December 1983 does not prove an act of concert."

Kellerman said 20,000 Europeans also protested cruise missiles on Easter, when a prayer vigil was held at Williams. The vigil was linked to the arrests the next morning.

Thorburn, who has been accused of unfairness by Covenant for Peace, said there was no evidence that there was "concerted action."

But while freeing the eight, he leveled charges of his own at the audience packing his courtroom. Thorburn deplored their singing of hymns during recesses. He said it was necessary for four sheriff's deputies to stay in the

courtroom to "assure law and order."

"Not all, but a number of the people here, are clearly in contempt of court by singing and disrupting the proceedings in chambers," he added.

Thorburn expressed dismay at the "arrogance, dishonesty, immorality and illegality" — especially coming from people "posing as people who believe in a higher morality."

OAKLAND COUNTY Chief Assistant Prosecutor Richard Thompson agreed with Thorburn's decision not to press contempt charges. "I think he was acting within the scope of the evidence the company lawyers had," said Thompson.

But he views the court action as a change in the position of the demonstrators from civil disobedients to political protesters.

"One of the main elements of civil disobedience is to accept the punishment," he said.

"But now they are taking actions we believe violate law and not admitting it. They no longer can be considered civil disobedients but political protesters."

Learning Center has openings for children ages 2 1/2 to 12. The center, at 42290 Five Mile at Braden in Plymouth, provides child care, preschool experience, drop-in and after school programs. Experiences are varied according to age and ability. For information, call Janet Masori at 420-0495.

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WILLOW CREEK
Willow Creek Co-op Nursery has an opening for a 4-year-old in its Monday/Wednesday afternoon class. For information, call 981-2714.

SUBURBAN CHILDREN'S CO-OP
Suburban Children's Co-op Nursery now is accepting applications for the 1985-86 school year. Classes meet on Monday and Thursday mornings for 3-year-olds, on Tuesday and Friday mornings for 4-year-olds, or on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday afternoons for 4-year-olds. For information, call 455-0953.

CREATIVE DAY NURSERY
Creative Day Nursery School at 501 W. Main, Northville, has some openings for children on Mondays, Wednesdays or Fridays. Creative Day is a licensed drama activities, storytime, learning games, and science fun. For information, call 397-3955 or 348-3910.

SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES
Preparatory special education services for children 6 and younger are available through Plymouth-Canton Community Schools. If you have a child who may be mentally or emotionally impaired, have a physical or visual disability, or a hearing or speech impairment or learning disability, call the Infant and Preschool Special Education Program at Farrand Elementary School, 451-6610, for information.

PLUS PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION
Registration is being taken for parents and children for the PLUS program for fall 1984-85. Children must be 4 or older before Dec. 1 and live in the attendance areas of Field, Eriksson, Gallimore and Starkweather. The program, which is in its 10th year, offers classes for parents and children in Plymouth-Canton Community School District at Central Middle School from September to June. Registration blanks are available at the schools or applicants may call PLUS at 451-6656. Class day will be determined following an orientation and testing session.

"TELE-CARE"
Senior citizens in Plymouth-Canton may participate in a "Tele-Care" program in which telephone contact is made daily with senior citizens to check on their well-being. For more information, Canton residents may call 397-1000, Ext. 278, and Plymouth residents may call 453-8440, Ext. 37, or 453-2871 at Plymouth Township Hall.

COUNSELING & SELF-ESTEEM
Counseling and support/assessive-ness self-esteem groups are available

for men and women to deal with the above issues as well as changing roles and lifestyles, depression, low self-esteem, and unwanted passive behaviors. Persons can work with these issues individually or in groups. Insurance coverage often is available. Counseling and groups are run by an experienced and state-licensed social worker. Call Plymouth-Canton Mental Health Services at 459-6580 before 5 p.m. and ask for Sandy Prochazka.

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH
The Plymouth Police Department is organizing a Neighborhood Watch program for city residents. Anyone interested in becoming involved in the program may call 453-8600 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday. The program is a protection against residential burglaries and burglaries.

FINGERPRINTING CHILDREN
The Plymouth Police Department will fingerprint children ages 3-12 from Plymouth and Plymouth Township free from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. the first Saturday of each month. Appointments must be made. To participate, the child must have a parent or legal guardian present and have a valid birth certificate to present when fingerprinted. All records will be turned over to the parent or guardian. All appointments are on a first-come basis.

EMPLOYMENT DYNAMICS
The Growth Works Employment Dynamics Program is enrolling participants through June 1985. Purpose of the program is to help young people find permanent employment. The federally funded program for ages 16-21 offers job search skill training, work experience and job placement assistance. Persons may enroll at Growth Works at 271 S. Main, south of Penniman Avenue in Plymouth.

HEART SUPPORT GROUP
A support group for men and women who have suffered a heart attack will be held once a month at Oakwood Hospital's Canton Center, 7300 Canton Center Road. The group will meet 7-9 p.m. the third Thursday of each month. There will be a \$2 fee per session. Group members will have the opportunity to meet with others who have had an experience similar to their own, and who are facing the lifestyle changes necessary after a heart attack. For further information, call 459-7030.

TOUGH LOVE
Tough Love, a self-help group for parents troubled by teenage behavior meets at 7 p.m. Mondays in the Faith Community Church on Warren Road at Canton Center Road in Canton.

GARBAGE BAGS
Heavy-duty garbage bags are available at \$11 for a box of 100 from the City of Plymouth at either the Fire Department or the DPW office.

GREEK LANGUAGE LESSONS
Adult Greek language lessons are 7-9 p.m. Thursdays at Nativity of the Virgin Mary Greek Orthodox Church, 39851 Five Mile, Plymouth. For more information, contact Debbie Anderson at 420-0131.

Big show at the bird feeder

YEARS AGO when the decision was made to leave the congested city and move out into the wide spaces of what was then the country, a fellow never dreamed he could have so much fun just sitting at the breakfast table looking out the window.

But now that spring is here, the chair at the window is like the front row in a suburban theater. The actors and actresses are all sorts of birds, squirrels and other members of nature's family coming in for their morning meal and then going to work to build nests.

No theater ever presented such interesting activity as the squirrels. As he sits and watches, the Stroller is learning more and more each day. Long ago, when he was a young fellow attending school, he was told that squirrels were great workers. He listened attentively but never dreamed how masterful they were at taking care of themselves.

Sure, he has watched them run around the yard and feast at the bird feeder each morning. But only recently did he learn how clever they are. The big surprise came the other day when a series of holes appeared in the front yard. The thought occurred that moles must have been having a great time.

THE FRONT lawn looked almost like a checkerboard, and he silently damned the moles for damaging the lawn that he hoped

the stroller
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would look so nice and green this summer.

Then along came another chap who had lived in the area for quite a spell. When he was shown what happened, he smiled.

"Don't blame the moles," he said. "That is the work of the squirrels. You see, you have an oak tree here in the corner, and they shed acorns. The squirrels come along in the off season, take the acorns and bury them in the ground until spring."

"Your lawn becomes a storehouse. Then when the days start to get a bit warmer and spring arrives, the squirrels return and dig up the acorns. It is just like we humans going to the pantry to get something we had placed

there days or weeks ago.

"Those squirrels are very smart animals. You can't fool them. But your lawn will not be ruined. The holes they dug will close up just as soon as the mower goes over them when you cut the grass."

WELL, THAT was another lesson learned just by watching Mother Nature's family going about its work.

It is the same with the birds. And there are all sorts of them. In fact, to become more acquainted, one has to get a modern bird book to learn what species of birds gather there daily. They seem to know just when the seed is placed on the feeder and when more of the bird food is placed on the rim around the well. No sooner is the seed placed than they start coming. In the group will be the fancy little cardinals, then bluebirds and sparrows. Each takes its turn at the feeding ring.

County to hire 350 youths for summer

More than 350 summer jobs will be made available to eligible Wayne County youth between the ages of 16 and 21, according to County Executive William Lucas.

Public service projects will get top priority in this Summer Youth Employment and Training Program. Wages paid by the county in the two-month program starting in mid-June will range from \$3.35 to \$5 per hour. It is administered by the Wayne County Private Industry Corp. (PIC).

Young residents of Wayne County (except for Detroit and Downriver Communities, which have their own programs) may apply by phoning two job-recruitment hotlines (728-JOBS and 865-JOBS). Applicants must be unemployed and qualify as economically disadvantaged under federal guidelines.

"Their involvement in community service not only helps them personally in terms of valuable

work experience, but also produces a higher quality environment for everyone in Wayne County," Lucas said.

JOB WILL range from helping communities improve their parks and recreational services to improving road surfaces.

Other participants will become involved in such activities as the administration of summer camps, groundskeeping, landscaping, roadway maintenance, clerical activities, and custodial jobs.

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Schools should end soup label collecting

At a recent meeting, 37-year-old farm worker Alicia Patino told Campbell Soup shareholders, "I started as a little baby, with my parents. They would take me in the fields and drag me in to each row. We never had restrooms in the fields or the camps."

"Being out there in the fields, especially the children, it's not funny. It's a hard time for them. It's about time you do something, because we are citizens, too. We never had no kitchens, no nothing. And child labor, it hasn't changed."

"All we want is Campbell's to sit down with us and give us some kind of protection, to give us a better wage so we can feed our families and give them an education," added migrant worker Berna Romero. "We need representation so we can help ourselves from getting sick in the fields from the pesticides, so we can also be living like human beings."

Each year, 65,000 farm workers come to Michigan and Ohio to work in pickle, tomato, cherry, apple and strawberry fields. The average annual income of a migrant family employed in northwest Ohio or southern Michigan is \$3,381, according to an Ohio Senate investigative committee.

FARM WORKERS generally work as family units. No records are kept of individuals' hours — only the head of the family is paid. So hourly wages (ranging from sixty cents to \$5 based on "piece rates") reported to the labor department actually may be what's earned by the children, parents and grandparents of a particular family.

Numerous governmental and private groups — including the U.S. Senate Labor & Public Welfare, the U.S. Civil Rights Commission and the U.S. Office of Education — have investigated farm workers' issues. Among their findings:

- Farm workers' average life expectancy is 49 years.
- Farm work is the third most dangerous U.S. occupation.
- Some 800,000 children work with their families harvesting crops across the nation.
- Migrant children usually attain only an elementary school education. Only 11 percent of them enter the 12th grade.
- The average migrant child takes three years to move from third to fourth grade.
- Nearly 53 percent of migrants drop-

ping out of school leave to help support their families.

Since 1978, the Farm Labor Organizing Committee has boycotted Campbell, and has refused to work for Campbell growers. The boycott's hundreds of endorers include the Detroit City Council, the Archdiocese of Detroit, AFSCME Council 25, Michigan, Michigan Congressman John Conyers, the National Lawyers Guild, University of Notre Dame Student Referendum, the Massachusetts Teachers Association, and the United Auto Workers and AFL-CIO International Executive Board.

FOR SEVEN YEARS, Plymouth-Canton elementary schools have participated in Campbell Soup's label program. In return for the thousands of labels they collect, schools receive playground, audio-visual and other equipment. Plymouth's Dunning-Hough Library also participates.

Staffers of at least one school and the library have been made aware of the boycott by parents and concerned citizens. They've decided to keep collecting labels because, in their words: "It's really a worthwhile thing." "You're getting something for nothing." "I don't buy Campbell's myself, but (the program) is something kids enjoy. I don't think collecting labels encourages people to buy Campbell Soup." "We didn't see where there was overwhelming evidence of injustice."

Granted, Campbell's does not directly employ farm workers. But it does control growers' prices as well as planting, cultivation, pest management and harvesting practices.

The issue, to be sure, is too complex to be fully dealt with here.

But until three-party collective bargaining or another solution is agreed to, we have a responsibility to stand up for the human rights of fellow citizens.

Says Plymouth resident Jeanne Vicini who has encouraged the library to drop the label program: "Campbell's has the money to wage an effective advertising campaign. I just think that for our children to reap advantages at the expense of children who have so little anyway is a frightening thing."

Time spent label processing should be replaced by lessons on labor and farming issues. The education would benefit young people far more than a new overhead projector ever could.

— M.B. Dillon Ward

Daring solutions

As I said before, we don't have any problems that can't be solved by new solutions. All we have to do is put our thinking caps on and dare to be different.

BONUSES — Take all the yammering over how much money auto executives earn. Union members squawk that it isn't fair. Union leaders say the inequity stifles incentive for their members, who resent previous concessions.

Let's combine the principles of bargaining with one of the newer principles of government — gambling. How about instituting an Employee Lotto game?

Every year, each of the Big 3 can pick out of a hat the name of an hourly employee who will receive the equivalent of the chairman's yearly salary and benefits. Chrysler drive shaft expert Joe Glotz would pick up a cool \$1.3 million at the end of the year — Lee Iacocca's yearly reward — if his name were drawn. Glotz, of course, would never work another day in his life. Every other worker would become content with his miserable lot in life by telling himself that even if he is not making what he should, he might be able to win at Employee Lotto just like Joe Glotz did.

Each employee could increase his or her chances by doing such things as working 32 Fridays in a row, filing no grievances in a six-month period, leaving no chewing gum in the piston chamber, etc.

FARMERS IN NEED — Much is being made of the plight of farmers. The government is sliding away from providing the underpinning that farmers have grown to expect. A way of life is going down the drain.

How about turning the farm problem over to the richest industry in the USA — entertainment? Entertainers have done a marvelous job of raising money for political purposes, and lately they have made tons of money to help the famine relief effort in Ethiopia.

— Bob Wisler



The cause is illegitimacy

IF YOU believe Ronald Reagan manipulates the mass media, you should see Agnes Mansour at work.

Dr. Mansour, the former nun from Farmington Hills who now heads the state Department of Social Services, held a recent news conference to launch a \$1.7 million program discouraging teen pregnancy. Not even Reagan would have attempted so crass a show.

First, the audience was stacked with a cheering section of about 50 representatives of social agencies that will administer the program. On at least one Detroit newspaper, the cheering section had the desired effect.

Second, Mansour took no questions publicly. If you wanted to clarify or explore a point, you had to crowd around her afterward and shout over the din of contractors enjoying coffee and cookies.

It was crude but effective.

THE PROGRAM is intellectually dishonest in supposedly targeting teen pregnancy. In truth, teens have been having babies for thousands of years. Many of our grandmothers and great-grandmothers began bearing children while in their teens.

The latest journalistic fad is to study the incidence of infant mortality. This is supposed to be related to the youth of the mother.

The somber fact is that the culprit is



Tim Richard

out-of-wedlock births. An unmarried mother attempts to conceal her pregnancy as long as possible and fails to get proper care. The mere fact that she is a teen-ager isn't the root of the problem.

America's, Michigan's and metropolitan Detroit's illegitimacy rates are soaring crazily. In 1950, when formalized sex education was rare and male contraceptives were sold only as disease prevention devices, the illegitimacy rate among black teen-agers was 36 percent. By 1981 the rate was 88 percent.

Before anyone points an accusing finger at blacks, let it be said the rates for whites, though not as high, are also leaping dizzily upward.

THAT MATERIAL comes from the press kit issued by DSS. But neither Mansour nor the anti-pregnancy TV campaign mentions illegitimacy.

I've been lacing Mansour and the DSS pretty hard, but there is a good side to what they are doing. In fairness, we should give them credit.

But there are alternatives to legalized state murder. We could, of course, attack the root causes that drive people to crime. That would take a unanimous national commitment to improve the quality of life in this society for all people.

Because that seems unlikely to occur, perhaps there should be a separate category of murder, reserved for those crimes so heinous that the perpetrators would be sentenced to life in prison in solitary confinement.

The sentence would be imposed by a jury, not a judge. Following a guilty verdict, the jury would then consider evidence relating to the nature of the crime and the nature of the perpetrator. And if they found both utterly irredeemable, then the person would go to jail — forever.

For now, those in a position to influence the way we deal with crime and criminals should stop fanning the flames of bigotry and fear and begin to look for real solutions to one of this society's most perplexing problems. And executing adolescents in the name of the state is certainly not one of those.

But instead of, in some logical fashion, attempting to deal with the problem, we have demagogues pandering to the emotional pain of victims and the fear of potential victims, demanding the death

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Why does black have to be white?

IT'S CONFUSING, very confusing. A University president laments the failure of the school to increase the number of black professors. A state legislator praises a black county executive because "people don't think of him as being black."

Is that the ultimate solution? To make people of other color white? University of Michigan's annual affirmative action report included the disappointing information that the number of black professors has not increased as desired.

Admittedly complex, part of the reason has been the concentration of black Ph.D.'s in areas where growth has been curtailed. Black student leaders cite the lack of black role models as a factor in the relatively unsuccessful process of developing black professors.

MICHIGAN'S STATE Republican party is anticipating Wayne County ex-



Rev. Lloyd Buss

ecutive William Lucas' switch from the Democratic party. A metro-Detroit Republican State legislator has enthusiastically praised Lucas because people would regard him as a "white candidate."

This same legislator claimed that Coleman Young was having so much trouble because he would not let people forget that he was black.

Having a state legislator extol a black person's "white image" is as blatant an expression of racism that could be made. It is a fundamental denial of

authentic selfhood on the very issue that no one could ever change.

A black person might choose to be a Democrat or a Republican, but he/she cannot choose one color of skin or the other. To say that "being white" is infinitely more desirable than being black is to tell all black people that they are inferior.

THERE WAS a time when some blacks tried very hard to "be white." They tried to do something with their hair or their manners, their life-styles and the heritage. Those times are past. For a public official to even suggest that the idea of trying to "be white" is more desirable than being black is a gigantic step backward to raw bigotry and unbridled prejudice.

The Judeo-Christian heritage has been constant in its assertion that we are the creation of God, and further,

that all people are equal in the sight of God. Not equal in the sense of ability or appearance — but equal in the sense of worth and rights to God's providence. Claiming a position of superiority for whites is clearly sin.

There might be no correlation at all between a legislator's bigotry and a university president's dilemma in affirmative action. But then again, there might be. Regardless of the correlation, the fact is that we, the people of this state, are the losers.

We are losing an opportunity to help us enjoy the manifold gifts of God, and the right for a county executive to be his own being. The university will probably survive in spite of the disappointing number of black professors available for tenured positions, but public good and well-being surely will not from a continued unbridled bigotry and prejudice.

House rejects NBS budget cut

Here's how area members of Congress were recorded on major roll call votes during the legislative week that ended April 19.

STANDARDS — By a vote of 196 for and 201 against, the House rejected an amendment to cut the National Bureau of Standards fiscal 1986 budget to the \$122 million level requested by the Reagan Administration.

The House later approved "freezing" the bureau's budget at the 1985 level of about \$127 million, and sent the bill (HR 1617) to the Senate. Included in the new budget is \$9.7 million for the Center for Fire Research and Center for Building Technology, two agencies the Administration had sought to kill.

Rep. Robert Walker, R-Pa., who sponsored the amendment, said, "We ought to give to the administration that amount of money which they say they need" to administer the National Bureau of Standards.

Opponent Sherwood Boehlert, R-N.Y., said: "We have been parsimonious. We have been tight-fisted. But we recognize the importance of the National Bureau of Standards."

Members voting no were opposed to cutting the bureau's budget as deeply as recommended by the administration. Voting no: Carl Parnell, R-Plymouth, Dennis Hertel, D-Harper Woods, Sander Levin, D-Southfield.

Voting yes: William Broomfield, R-Birmingham.

Not voting: William Ford, D-Taylor. The final NBS funding bill sailed through the House on a 398-2 vote. Pursell, whose 2nd Congressional District includes Livonia, and Bruce Morrison, D-Conn., led a bipartisan effort to hold fiscal '86 funding to 1985 appropriated levels.

"This gives the Pursell-Morrison team a 3-for-3 batting record in their effort to freeze every budget authorization bill which comes before Congress with increases over current spending

rollcall report

levels," said a statement from Pursell's office.

The other spending bills held to their '85 levels were for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration and the National Science Foundation.

SENATE

NOMINEE — The Senate confirmed, 73 for and 18 against, the nomination of John E. Krings to head a new Pentagon agency charged with insuring that American weapons function during combat.

Congress created the Office of Operational Test and Evaluation to inject greater scrutiny over Pentagon weapons procurement.

Lawmakers want the office to be suf-

ficiently independent to blow the whistle, when necessary, on weapons that break down when tested during simulated combat.

Krings, a test pilot and engineer, has worked for the past 29 years for McDonnell-Douglas Corp., a leading defense contractor.

Supporter Sam Nunn, D-Ga., said Krings is well qualified and "has agreed to keep in close touch with Congress... and to maintain the highest standards of objectivity and integrity."

Criticizing Krings for being too close to the arms industry and for lacking experience in combat-type testing, foe David Pryor, D-Ark., said he opposed the nomination "on behalf of those who will have to risk their lives in combat."

Senators voting yes favored the nomination.

Voting no: Donald Riegle. Not voting: Carl Levin.

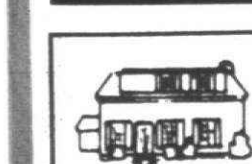
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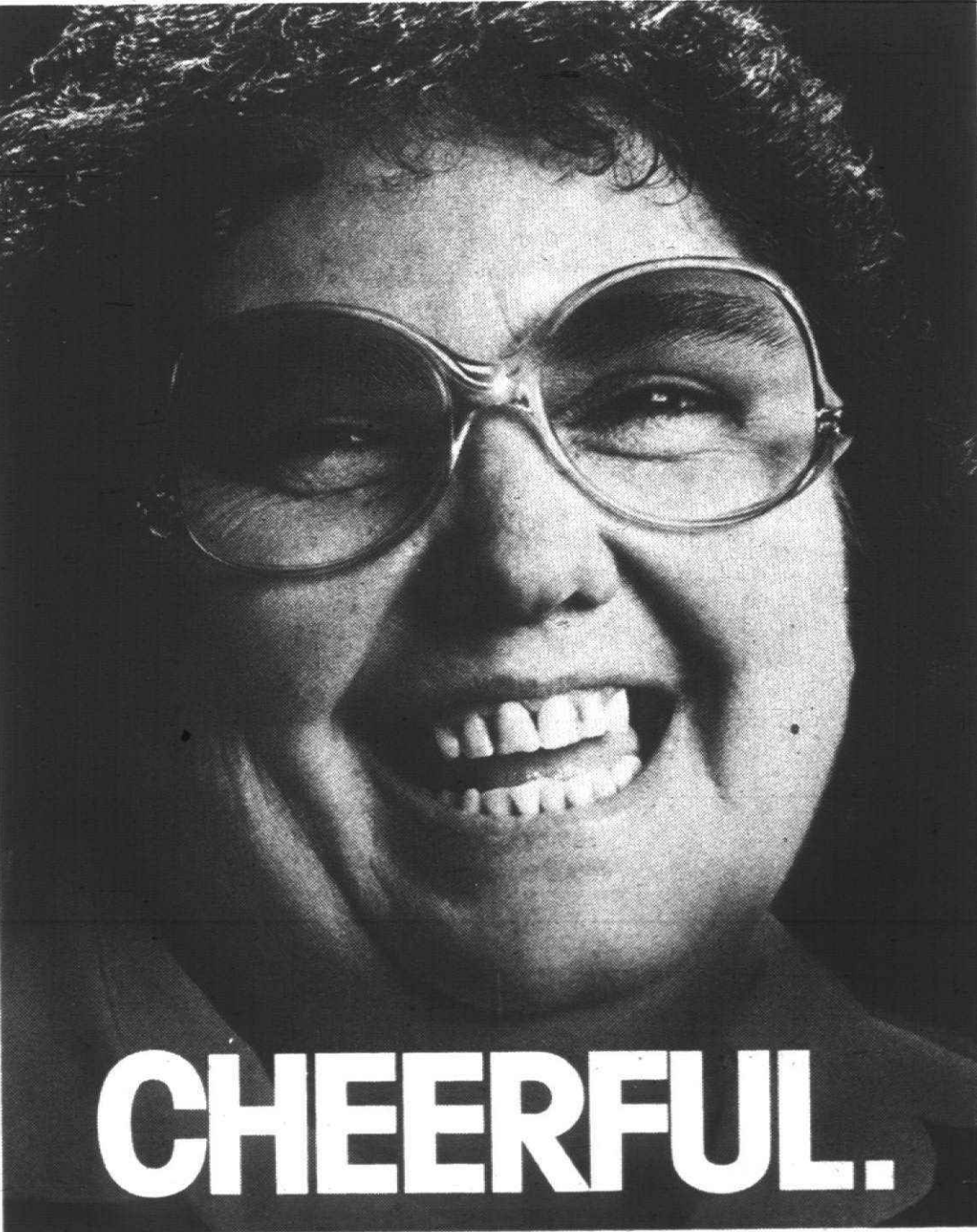
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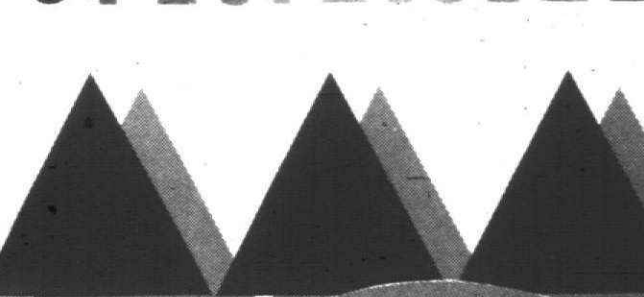
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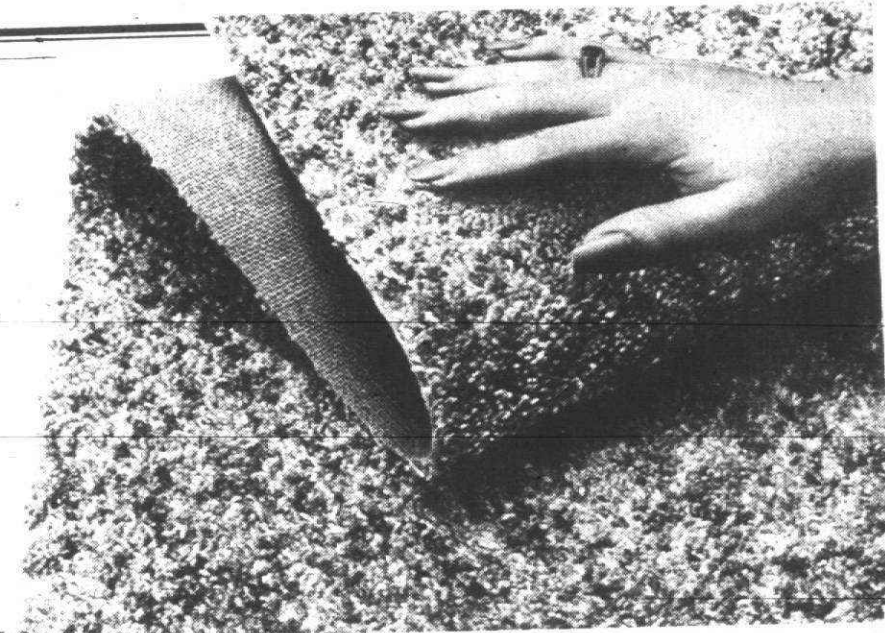
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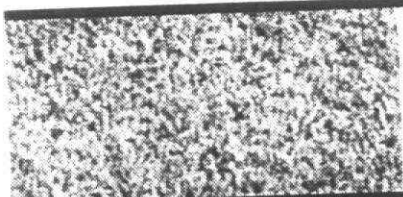
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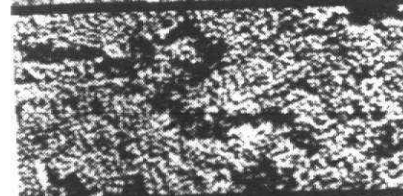
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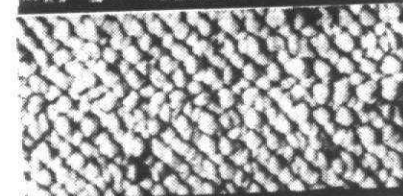
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● COMMUNITY ARTS GALLERY

Through Friday, April 26 — The Wayne State University Department of Art and Art History is holding its annual undergraduate exhibition in the gallery, located at Cass at Kirby. It includes advertising design, ceramics, drawing, metalsmithing, painting, photography, printmaking and sculpture. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

● PEWABIC POTTERY

Through Friday, April 26 — The Michigan Potters' Association's annual members' sale, featuring approximately 2,000 works by more than 70 potters, is running at Pewabic Pottery, 10125 E. Jefferson in Detroit. Prices begin at \$2.50. Regular gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. Call Mary Jane Hock at 822-0954 for information.

● CENTER FOR CREATIVE STUDIES

Through Tuesday, April 30 — A show of photographs by New York based fashion and figure photographer Robert Farber is on display in the college's Sarkis Galleries, located in the CCS Yamasaki Building, 245 E. Kirby, Detroit. Hours are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. Phone 872-3118.

● PRESTON BURKE GALLERIES

Through Wednesday, May 1 — Works by Riess, Woolf, Lewis, Hrachya and Knight are exhibited 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. weekdays at 430 W. Larned, Detroit. Phone 963-2350.

● SELO/SHEVEL GALLERY

Through Saturday, May 4 — The works of 28 outstanding artists from around the country may be seen in "Separate Tables: The Art of Dining" at the gallery, 329 S. Main in Ann Arbor. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday and by appointment. Phone 761-6263.

● DETROIT REPERTORY THEATER GALLERY

Through Sunday, May 5 — Paintings by Susan G. Kramer are on display at 13103 Woodrow Wilson Ave. in Detroit. The gallery is open for audiences of the performances of "J.P." 8:30 p.m. Thursday-Saturday and 7:30 p.m. Sunday. The exhibit may be viewed by groups at other times by special arrangement. Phone 868-1347.

● COLLEGE OF WOOSTER

Through Sunday, May 5 — John Glick of Farmington is one of 19 potters from across the United States invited to participate in Functional Ceramics 1985, being held at the college in Wooster, Ohio. The annual event is dedicated to functionally oriented clay work by artist/potters. Call (216)-263-2000.

● UNDERGROUND 245

Through Thursday, May 23 — This student-operated gallery at the Center for Creative Studies-College of Art and Design presents "Green Eggs and Spam," a collection of paintings, prints and sculpture by artists Margaret Ashcraft, Bill Gardner, Marcia Jo Hall, Tim Presley, Ann Smith and Nan Thomas. It is located in the lower level of the college's Yamasaki Building, 245 E. Kirby in Detroit's University Cultural Center. Call 872-3118.

● CLARE SPITLER WORKS OF ART

Through Tuesday, May 28 — "Uncle/Niece Teacher/Student" etchings by Laura Strowe and Alec Cowan are on display, 2007 Pauline Court in Ann Arbor. Hours are 2-6 p.m. Tuesday and by appointment. Phone 662-8914.

● VALDEMAR'S GALLERIES UPSTAIRS

Through May — "Arts of the Literati," an exhibit of oriental calligraphy and accoutrements of the scholar's art, including porcelain and jade accessories. This new gallery hosts a rare collection of oriental art, ceramics and jade. It is housed in a restored Italianate commercial block. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday and by appointment. The gallery is at 103 S. Ann Arbor St. in Saline. Take U.S. 23 to U.S. 12. Call 429-7864.

● DETROIT ARTISTS MARKET

Friday, April 26 — Opening reception for a traveling exhibition of artwork by Michigan artists, 5-7:30 p.m., 1462 Randolph in Detroit. The show will run through May 24. Phone 962-9337.

● COUNTRY FOLK ART SHOW AND SALE

Saturday, April 27 — Approximately 130 artists from several states, including local talent, will participate in "Springtime in the Country," one of the

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Books

Comics, classics may get top price

By Mary Klemic
staff writer

Those dust-covered boxes in your attic or on your shelves may contain a treasure. They may, that is, if they hold old books, comic books or magazines.

Book collecting can be fun as well as a good investment. A collector may search the shelves in a store or at a sale and discover a publication worth money or at least sentimental value.

"Books are collected because they're considered to be important cultural artifacts," said Tom Nicely, owner of Leaves of Grass Rare Books in Ann Arbor. "(Collectors) look for the first edition because it's the first embodiment of an important work."

"A lot of (collectors) like a certain author," said Pat Nardone, owner of the Village Paperback Exchange, 819 N. Mill in Plymouth. "They like Louis L'Amour, Agatha Christie. Some are collecting for a hobby."

A variety of Bibles and an 1886 gold-leaf copy of "Pilgrim's Progress" will be featured when the Plymouth Branch of the American Association of University Women holds its annual used book sale, Thursday-Saturday, May 2-4, in Westland Center. The center is at Wayne and Warren roads in Westland.

"The illustrations and printing (of older books) is interesting," said Lorna

Nitz of Plymouth Township, the branch's old and rare books chairman. "Beautiful" is the wrong adjective. The (wording) is not so blunt, but softer."

HOW MUCH can a book bring? Anywhere from 50 cents to \$2.5 million, according to Nicely. He said the latter figure is the value of a Gutenberg Bible, one page of which could sell for \$7,500.

Some publications are valuable because they are historical, such as the first printing of a Shakespeare play or the first reports of explorers Lewis and Clark, Nicely said.

Manuscripts with miniature paintings can be considered works of art. A recent book fair at Ann Arbor featured a selection of 19th century fore-edge paintings, which are scenes or portraits painted on the edges of the pages of a book.

Books written by Dashiell Hammett, Ernest Hemingway and others in the first half of the century can be worth money if they're in good condition. A dust jacket can be worth more than the book.

SCIENCE FICTION, westerns, mysteries and adventures appeal to the collector, according to Gary Reed, owner and manager of Readers Exchange, 160 Merriman in Westland. "Pulp" works by Jack Vance, a science fiction writer of the 1940s or 1950s, can bring \$600 to \$800, while more common values are \$20 to \$80, Reed said.

Works by authors from past centuries or decades aren't the only ones worth money. Stephen King and Janet Daly are among such current writers whose works have value. A first edition of 1978's "The World According to Garp" by John Irving can be worth \$25, and Irving's earlier works can be worth more, Nicely said.

"It's always a gamble with a (newer) author," he said.

COMIC BOOKS and magazines also are dear to collectors' hearts. Comic book collecting was a hobby until those publications grew in value.

"They have their own way of making markets," said Phil Jones, manager of Classic Movie and Comic Center, 19047 Middlebelt in Livonia.

Recent television programs and movies relating to a comic book character — such as the Smurfs, Mr. T, "Star Wars" and Conan the Barbarian — have boosted a comic book's market popularity. Golden Key "Star Trek" comics didn't really take off until the "Star Trek" movies appeared.

"With the number one issue, you're taking a long shot on what it's going to be worth," Jones said. "The (first issue) Fantastic Four (from the 1960s) can be more than \$1,000. 'X-Men' is the most popular comic today."

MAD MAGAZINE is popular, but only its older issues might really be worth money to their owners.



Photos by RICK SMITH/staff photographer

Tim Ladina of Redford Township searches through the comics at the Classic Movie and Comic Center. He may find a prized edition or a particular favorite among the pile of old comics.

Early issues of Life magazine could be valuable, because that publication was important to many people. Pre-1910 issues of National Geographic could be worth a lot. Magazines from 1850 such as Harper's Monthly may not be as valuable as expected, but a bound volume of Harper's Weekly dating from the Civil War and carrying illustrations by Winslow Homer can be worth \$250, Nicely said.

Most old books don't need special care.

"It depends on what they're made of," Nicely said. "If they're leather-bound, they should be oiled once a year or so with special oils. Other books you keep out of direct sunlight or they will fade. But a book isn't like a dog or a cat. You put it on the shelf."

ANYONE WHO would like to enter the book collecting field seriously should read up on the subject and visit used and rare-book stores. You could collect whatever type of book interests you.

"It depends on what you're after," Nicely advised. "If you're a serious collector looking to build a collection of Hemingway first editions, it's going to take years going to garage sales, and you'll probably not find the rare books."

(In book stores) you're going to be with people who do this full time for a living. A good collector will be known by book dealers, and when he decides to sell, he will go back to see the dealers or auction house that he dealt with."

"Buy what you want to read," Reed said.

SCIENCE FICTION conventions, where such works are sold, usually aren't publicized, but can be listed in fantasy magazines. The Paperback Forum publication can help the collector, Reed said.

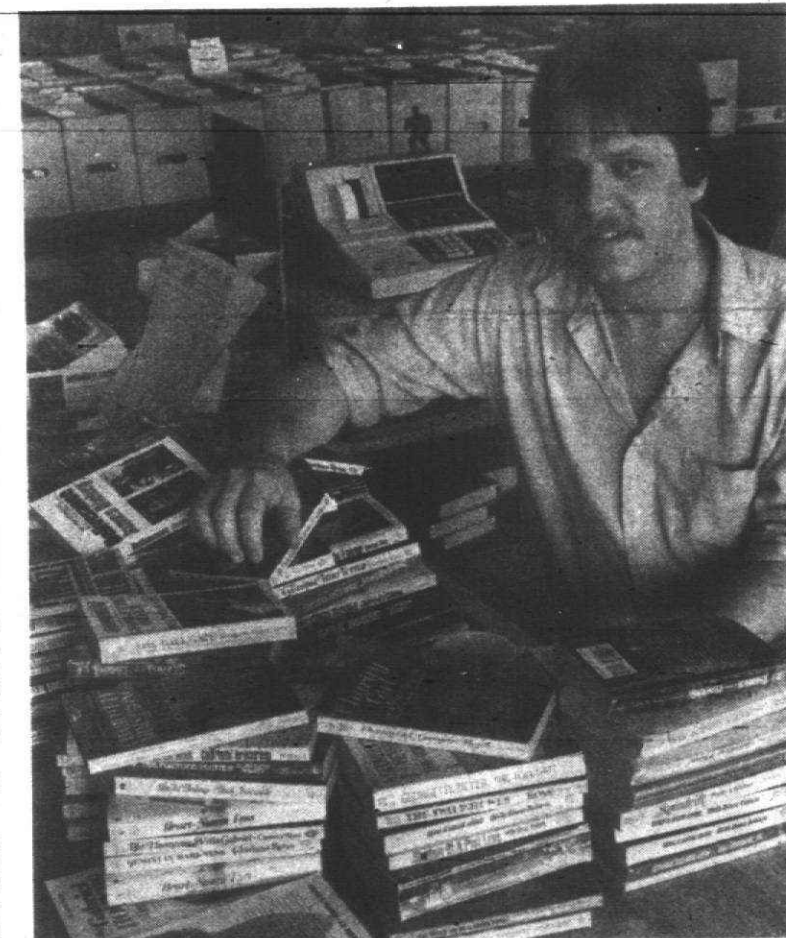
Jones recommends the Overstreet price guide, a publication that comes

out every April, for the would-be collector. He also advises hanging on to those comics.

"Keep them in (good) condition, out of damp areas, in a protective box,"

Jones said. "Keep them away from the attic, where there is extreme hot or cold."

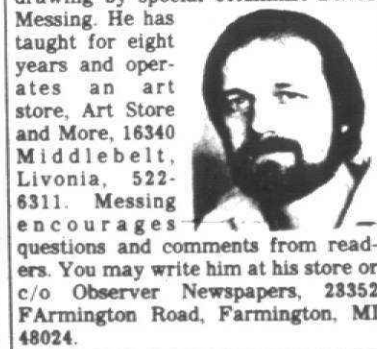
"Don't get frustrated. Hold onto them. There are no instant successes."



Gary Reed of Readers Exchange suggests that the best way to collect books is to collect what you like to read.

Accentuate positive in career goals

This is another lesson on art and drawing by special columnist David Messing. He has taught for eight years and operates an art store, Art Store and More, 16340 Middlebelt, Livonia, 522-6311. Messing encourages questions and comments from readers. You may write him at his store or c/o Observer Newspapers, 23352 Farmington Road, Farmington, MI 48024.

By David Messing
special writer

"Hi! my name is David 'n' I'm gonna be a commercial artist." That was my opening line when I met someone for the first time.

"Good for you Sonny," most people would say as they rubbed my brush cut hairdo.

Of course most people didn't know what a commercial artist was and I certainly didn't either. It sure brought me lots of favorable remarks though. I think I got the idea from a career book at the school library.

I can't remember how old I was, but I was at my Grandpa Messing's

artifacts

house and to impress Grandpa I hit him with the old "I'm gonna be a commercial artist" line. Smiling he said, "then let's go talk to my neighbor because he is one." Excited that Grandpa cared, I remember walking a step or two ahead of him and thinking to myself "Wow... I'm gonna meet a for-real commercial artist."

As the neighbor stepped out of his house, Grandpa said, "this is my grandson, David, and he wants to be a commercial artist." The neighbor had a closed-mouth smile, you know the kind that doesn't register in the eyes.

Come to think of it, maybe it was a grimace.

As he put his hand on my shoulder he bent over and said, "son," and I leaned toward him to drink in every word, "get that thought out of your head and go into one of the trades like carpentry, plumbin' or electrical like your grandpa here." My mouth dropped open, my eyes bugged out in shock and it felt like even my brush cut laid down flat to my scalp.

IT WAS as if he punched me in the future and still worse, he punched me

in my dream. Like a bell without a clapper I stood mute and listened to this disgruntled artist. I mustered a smile, but spoke not a word, for quite some time.

I am not and was not a strong-willed person, but before the wind was completely out of my sail I thought to myself, "that's just him... maybe he ain't that good and maybe I'll be better." What a precious seed is a young person's dream and what a tender reed is the first sight of its fruition.

Just last week my wife and I marveled at how some flowers had already pushed their way out of the soil in response to the fickle spring-time sun. It just so happened that a few days later we were hit with two days of snow flurries.

When I looked at the fragile flowers they were huddled under an inch of snow. Within hours, however, the sun reappeared and melted the snow and the new plants appeared to be unaffected. Now all of the aspirations for the flower's life is in its seed and fragile beginnings of roots.

Perhaps in this light, the flowers, though on a much lower plain of existence, are stronger than ourselves. Because our aspirations tend to germinate or decay with the most recent forecast of promise or doom.

And what a blessing it is to have someone give us an emotional boost in the down times and a realistic rap on the knuckles in the up times. Be it writing or rhyming, drawing or painting, sculpting, dancing, etc., the artist must do his or her art. Just like the flower must obey its genetic blueprint.

THE ARTIST must at some time, somehow, ventilate artistic urges to create or express. So if you are the artist then realize that there will be both ups and downs and positive and negative input in your lifetime of artistic expression. If you are the parent or friend of an artist then you supply the honest praise or constructive criticism that will help the artist do his or her art.

The artist is sometimes a "leaner" looking for support and sometimes a "lifter" raising his fans to view his or her work.

Not long after my visit to Grandpa Messing's, I was right back at the local art store with my dreams burning as bright as ever. I used to love to look at the art materials, touch the brushes, look at the papers, study the

colors and peek through the glass showcase and ask, "What's an airbrush?"

Come to think of it I would probably have thrown me out if I was the owner. Not really. Every once in a while some kid will come in my store without a cent to his name and ask a hundred dollars in questions. I have to smile to myself as I wonder how I was watched by the owner of the art store I frequented.

My dream soon changed from a commercial artist to an artist that owned an art store. My dream began to germinate when the economy was not just experiencing snow flurries. No, it was an all out blizzard.

Against all odds and advice of most people, we opened the Art Store & More in 1979, with the support of my wife and mother-in-law. Dreams require tremendous effort and support. So you support the dream with the hope that the dream will, one day, support you. With an increase in volume and an over abundance of students my dream has more than come true. In fact it's overflowing into a new store in the city of Plymouth.

So hold on tight to your dreams whatever they may be. Try to accentuate the positive and eliminate the negative. Learn all you can about your particular art and... oh yes, work... work... work.

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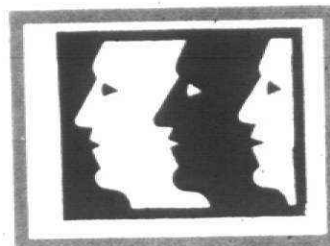
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Hometown welcomes Tom 'Amadeus' Hulce

The Tom Hulce-"Amadeus" party is on for Sunday, May 5.

The internationally-acclaimed star of "Amadeus" is coming home for a community celebration.

The Plymouth Symphony League and the Plymouth Community Arts Council are collaborating in arranging the events as a benefit for both organizations. The young actor's mother, Joanne Hulce of Plymouth Township, founded the arts council and was an active member of the Symphony League.

The film will be shown at 2 p.m. at the Penn Theatre and Hulce will make a personal appearance at the theater.

The reception in the Mayflower Meeting House at 6 p.m. promises some surprises for the guest of honor. There will be hors d'oeuvres, punch and a cash bar.

Middle School, and Plymouth High School for two years. He spent his third year of high school at the Interlochen Arts Academy, then attended the North Carolina School for the Arts. After graduation, he took off for New York City.

A MONTH after his arrival, he was picked to understudy the British actor Peter Firth in "Equus," a Peter Shaffer drama. Eventually, he took over the role.

"Once I played the lead in 'Equus,' it was a calling card. Directors no longer questioned whether I could act, but whether I was right for the part," Hulce said.

He starred in George S. Kaufman's "Butter and Egg Man" at the Berkshire Theater Festival, and joined the Phoenix Theater for their production of Arthur Miller's "Memory of Two Mondays." He made his film debut in James Bridges' "September 30, 1955" as a boy from Arkansas whose world is shattered by the death of James Dean.

Hulce went on to star in the Hallmark Hall of Fame television movie "Emily, Emily" as a retarded youth struggling for self-sufficiency. The role led to his intensive work with retarded children.

He had a major role in "National Lampoon's Animal House," and "Those Lips, Those Eyes" with Frank Langella. His list of theater credits include "Julius Caesar," "Romeo and Juliet," Shaw's "Candida" and Chekhov's "The Sea Gull." He still found time to direct a musical, "Sleep Around Town," at Playwright's Horizon.

"I was working non-stop in New York, and making about equal to unemployment compensation, when I went to Los Angeles for some television, mainly a role on CBS' 'St. Elsewhere.' Then back to New York to star in the title role of 'The Rise and Fall of Daniel Rocket' at Playwrights Horizon," Hulce said.

HE WAS PICKED over intense competition for the title role in "Amadeus," Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, the man-child musical genius of the 18th century.

When director Milos Forman called to say he had the part, Hulce plunged into piano lessons for the numerous scenes showing Mozart at the keyboard. As well as four hours daily of piano lessons, learning scales as well as Mozart concerti, he studied the rudiments of conducting. The script required him to conduct extracts from four famous Mozart operas and three other works.

In addition, he was called upon to duplicate one of Mozart's legendary piano stunts, playing the piano suspended upside down, lying on his back, with crossed hands.

"PLAYING MOZART was my greatest challenge and working with Milos Forman was unusually demanding. He's a perfectionist who insists on, and gets, the most from every performer."

"Amadeus" was shot on location in Prague.

Hulce said that at first it was like a costume party. "It took all of half an hour just to put on my wig. But gradually, I began to feel at home as Mozart in Prague. Beth Berridge, who played my wife, Constanze, helped both of us to steep ourselves in our characters. The production designer, Patrizia Von Brandenstein, even catered a dinner for us, just so we could be comfortable eating and drinking on camera.

"And slowly, over seven months on location, I



Tom Hulce was nominated for an Academy Award for his performance in the title role of "Amadeus."

felt at home with the food, the costumes, the wigs, the sets. I became Mozart. Standing on the very spot where he conducted the premiere of 'Don Giovanni' was an eerie and awe-inspiring experience."

TOM HULCE was working once again with Peter Shaffer, who wrote the screenplay and the original stage play.

The results are history. "Amadeus" swept the Academy Awards by winning eight Oscars. Hulce was nominated for the best actor award. When it went to veteran actor F. Murray Abraham who played Antonio Salieri in "Amadeus," Abraham told the millions of television viewers, "Tom Hulce should be standing here beside me."

So the town's only Academy Awards nominee is coming home.

Those who wish to join in the welcome may attend one or both celebrations. Admission to the film at the Penn, where Hulce will make a personal appearance, is \$3. Admission to the reception at the Meeting House is \$15.

Tickets now are available at the PCAC office, 332 S. Main, Plymouth, between 9 a.m. and noon, Monday through Friday, or at Sideways on Forest Avenue, which is open seven days a week as well as Thursday and Friday evenings.

A check and a st Main, Plymouth, MI 48170. For more information, call the arts council office, 455-5260, or Pam, 455-6803.



After being understudy for British actor Peter Firth in "Equus" in New York, Tom Hulce took over the role of the boy.

Walk through springtime in Miller Woods

Spring tours of Miller Woods have a special significance this year. They mark the 10th anniversary of the founding of the Miller Woods Committee. Since 1975, the volunteer group of



Bloodroot with its pristine white flowers and reddish stems is among the first of the spring wildflowers to bloom in Miller Woods, the climax

maple-beech forest on Powell Road in Plymouth Township.

community residents has led efforts to preserve and protect one of nature's gems — a beech-maple climax forest. The woods on Powell Road near Ridge in Plymouth Township is a rare example of what can happen to weeds and grasses in southeastern Michigan if left untouched for nearly 200 years.

Giant maples and beech trees share rich virgin soil conditions with a variety of shrubs and flowering plants.

SPRING IS a prime time to visit Miller Woods. Carpets of spring beauties, trout lilies, toothwort, Dutchman's breeches, hepaticas and trilliums bloom in successive stages. A well-marked woodchip path winds through the woods with markers denoting interesting trees and plants.

Every year the Miller Woods committee organizes spring walks through the woods. Experienced naturalists will lead the tours 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, April 27 and 1-4 p.m. Sunday, May 5.

As a commemoration of the 10th anniversary of the Miller Woods committee, University of Michigan botanist Dr. Warren H. Wagner will conduct two walks. The nationally recognized plant expert will lead tours at 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. Sunday, May 5.

Wagner, who regularly brings his U-M classes to the woods, has researched plants throughout the United States, central America and Hawaii.

THE PROFESSOR toured Miller Woods with the Plymouth Study group in 1973. At that time he said, "The people of Plymouth should be proud to own this and they should protect it. When you lose a forest like this, you'll never get it back."

Miller Woods was once part of a 120-acre parcel owned by Norman and Cornelia Miller. In 1968, the 10-acre woods became the property of the Plymouth-

Canton school district when 40 acres were bought for a future elementary school site. Because HUD (Housing and Urban Development) money funded a portion of the purchase, the school district is required to leave a portion of the area as open space. The woods is included in that open space.

The unattended woods became a catch-all for excessive-littering and dumping after the school district owned it. Refrigerators, sofas, chairs, water heaters and other household refuse were dumped at the woods.

ALARMED BY the visible decline of the forest, a small group of concerned residents formed the Miller Woods committee to rescue the area. Conditions changed for the better almost immediately.

Aided by the local press, the commit-

tee organized cleanup efforts. many groups helped: Cub Scouts, West Middle School students, YMCA classes, church groups, the Youth Conservation Corps and Bruce Turner, a Canton Eagle Scout.

Financial and material donations came from Detroit Edison, Plymouth Lions Club, Pilgrim Garden Club, Sunshine Garden Club and the Plymouth branch of the Woman's National Farm and Garden Association.

Members of the Miller Woods committee are Evelyn Edgar (chair), Herb Conant, Penny Wright, Charlotte Gaffield, Beverly McAninch, Beverly Doherty, Doris Chatterly and Barbara Sprague.

For more information about the walks, call the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools board office, 451-6600.

3 Cities Art Club winners announced

Ann Gentry's etching, "Bulbs," was awarded best of show ribbon at the Three Cities Art Club spring show in the Plymouth Cultural Center. John Loree, an art instructor at Eastern Michigan University, judged the week-end show.

Winner in the water color division was Susan Crawley's "Vegetables," also named best of color. "Glad Glads" by Cella Kilpatrick was second; "Hines Park" by Cuyler McCutchan was third in water colors.

Honorable mention ribbons went to Kilpatrick's "Detroit Abandoned," Judy Schonberger's "River Bluff" and McCutchan's "Novi Farm."

IN THE OIL division, Gentry's "Plymouth 1976" took first place, Janice Sparks' "The Window" second, and Cindy Jackson's "Winter Village" third. "Tulips and Scissors" by Dorothy Koliba and "Creek Street" by Florence Hirschmann received honorable mention.

First in mixed media went to Kilpatrick's "Leaf Mood." Jean Bologna's "Legs — Legs" was second, and Laurie Sapienza's "After Frost" was third.

Koliba won the public vote for best of show with her water color, "Copper and Pansters."

Six paintings, donated by club members, were awarded as prizes to visitors to the show.

clubs in action

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WITNESS FOR THE PROSECUTION

Plymouth Theatre Guild's production of the Agatha Christie murder mystery drama will be presented at 8 p.m. Friday, April 26, and Saturday, April 27, in the auditorium of Central Middle School, Main and Church. Admission is \$4 for adults and \$3 for senior citizens and youth under 18. For group rates, call 455-2632.

EARLY PREGNANCY CLASS

Certified childbirth educators will instruct early pregnancy class. Two sessions two weeks apart cover nutrition, fetal development, comfort in early pregnancy, choosing doctor or midwife, prenatal testing and topics tailored to needs of those enrolled. Fee is \$25 per couple and includes the book "A Good Birth, A Safe Birth" and other materials. Class is for those planning a pregnancy or in the first five months. For information and schedules, call 453-9171.

GERANIUM SALE

White, pink, red and salmon geraniums may be ordered from Cub Scout Pack 293 for delivery May 3 and 4 by calling 459-0381. Cub Scouts from the Bird School pack also will be taking orders in their own neighborhoods. Geraniums are \$1.75 per pot. Proceeds from the annual fund-raiser are used to buy pack equipment.

RUMMAGE SALE

Spring rummage sale at First United Methodist Church of Plymouth, 45201 North Territorial, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday, April 25. Clothing, household items, toys and furniture available. Buck-a-bag 6-8 p.m. Call 455-5280 if you have things to donate.

WILLOW CREEK CO-OP

Co-op nursery is accepting registrations for its fall preschool sessions. Classes are available for children who will be 3 or 4 by Dec. 1. For more information, call 981-2714.

CANTON COMMUNITY FOOD CO-OP

Food co-op meets at 7 p.m. Monday before the second Saturday of each month in Faith Community Church, 46001 Warren. Food divided the second Saturday. New members are welcome. For information, call Alan or Judy Prince, 981-4753. Fran or Theresa Kearney, 728-0440, or Jeff or Jan Weickel, 453-8363.

TAKE OFF POUNDS

TOPS Chapter 1236 meets every Thursday evening in Faith Community Church, 46001 Warren Rd., Canton. Weigh-in starts at 6:30 p.m., with a meeting following, 7-8 p.m. For information, call 981-0446.

CIVIL AIR PATROL

U.S. Air Force Auxiliary Squadron 16-1 invites interested people to attend its weekly meetings, 6:30-10 p.m. Thursdays on the fourth floor of the main building, Willow Run Airport. Any U.S. citizen 13 years of age and older may become a volunteer. For information, call Robert Eizen, commander, 326-9673.

WANTED: PARENT & CHILD

The Y Indian Program is a way to spend constructive time with your child. Tribes of three to eight parents and their children meet on a rotating basis to do crafts, games and songs. Tribal outings and group Federation outings are held for camps, tours, skating, etc. Indian Program membership includes a Plymouth "Y" Family membership. Call the "Y" today for more information, 453-2904.

PLYMOUTH OPTIMISTS

Club meets at 7 p.m. the first and third Mondays of each month in the Miles Standish Room of the Mayflower Hotel. Plymouth and Canton residents may call 453-8547 for membership information.

MEDICAL RETIREES SUPPORT

Medical Retirees Support Group, for people

forced to early retirement because of medical problems, meets at 10 a.m. every Thursday in the People's Community Hospital Authority Annex, 4420 Venoy, Wayne. For more information, call Dave Brunette, 595-1940.

XI DELTA ETA

Xi Delta Eta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi Sorority meets the first Wednesday of the month. Objectives of the international service, social and cultural sorority are fellowship and friendship. Anyone interested in more information may call 464-9536.

CHORUS COOKBOOK

Plymouth Community Chorus new cookbook, "All Our Best," is available at Plymouth Book World and from chorus members. Price is \$7.95.

BEGINNING STRING CLASS

Class taught by Janita Hauk meets 6:30-7:30 p.m. Tuesdays in Plymouth Salem High School Orchestra Room, Joy Road west of Canton Center. Classes are sponsored by Plymouth Youth Symphony.

ROMP MEETINGS

Recovery of Male Potency meetings are at 7:30 p.m. the third Thursday of each month in Conference Room 2, Annapolis Hospital. Confidentiality assured. To register, call 467-4570.

CANTON COAST GUARD AUXILIARY FLOTILLA

Flotilla 11-11 invites new members to attend its meetings at 7:30 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month at the Canton Fire Department Station, Cherry Hill at Canton Center. Anyone wishing information about the organization may call Eugene Olson, commander, 455-8527.

CAVALIER FENCING CLUB

Club meets at 7:30 p.m. Thursdays. Call Bruce Davis, 455-6418, for details.

PANCAKE BREAKFASTS

The Mayflower-Lt. Gamble Ladies Auxiliary, Veterans of Foreign Wars, will serve pancake breakfasts the first Sunday of each month at the Post home, 1426 S. Mill. Plymouth Menu includes pancakes, sausage, eggs, french toast, milk, orange juice and coffee. Cost is \$2 for adults and \$1 for children 5 and under. Breakfast is served from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Everyone is welcome. Call 459-6700 for information.

TOPS MEETING

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) meets 7:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesdays in Central Middle School, Main Street at Church, Plymouth. Ideas on weight reduction are discussed. For information, call 453-4756 or 453-1583.

CANTON BPW

Canton Business and Professional Women meet the second Monday of each month at the Roman Forum Restaurant on Ford Road, cocktails at 6 p.m., dinner at 6:30, and program at 7:30. Dinner charge is \$7.50 per person. Call Susan Pack, 459-0873, for information.

ST. JOHN NEUMANN SENIORS

St. John Neumann Modern Mature Adult Club (MMAC) meets at the church, Warren west of Sheldon, Canton Township, at 7 p.m. the first Tuesday of the month. New members are welcome. For information, call Betty Gruchala, 459-4091.

MOVING AHEAD WISER

Newly widowed people meet 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.

CREDITORS

Creditors older persons' club sponsored by the 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. Membership is \$2 a year and is open to people 55 and older who are members of the credit union. For more information, call Kay Dreyer, 453-1200.

SWEET ADELINES

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

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.

CIVITAN CLUB

The Plymouth-Canton Civitan Club meets at 6:30 p.m. the third Thursday of each month for a dinner at Hillside Inn. Men and women are invited to learn about Civitans — a group of neighbors, business associates and friends — all volunteers interested in programs and projects based on the needs of the community. Call 453-2206 for more information.

ORAL MAJORITY TOASTMASTERS

The Oral Majority Toastmasters Club of Plymouth invites visitors to see how the club enables members to speak up and move ahead, whatever their occupations. The club meets at 5:30 p.m. Tuesdays at Denny's restaurant, Ann Arbor Road at 4-275. For information, call Phyllis K. Sullivan, 453-1835.

EPILEPSY GROUP

Epilepsy Support Program, a self-help group, meets 7:30 p.m. in All Saints Lutheran Church, Newburgh at Joy, Livonia, on the first and third Thursday of each month for two hours.

MAYFLOWER-LT. GAMBLE POST VFW

Mayflower-Lt. Gamble Post 6695, Veterans of Foreign Wars, meets at 8 p.m. the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at the post home, 1426 S. Mill, Plymouth. New members are welcome. For information, call the post, 459-6700.



Dance festival

Barbara Zden of Plymouth (left) and Jane Oryk of Dearborn will perform traditional Ukrainian folk dances Sunday at the International Dance Festival at Northland Center, Southfield. Admission of \$12 includes four ethnic dishes prepared by gourmet chefs, wine, dessert, coffee and entertainment. Tim O'Hare of Canton Township and his Irish dancers will be among the performing ethnic groups. Governor and Mrs. James Blanchard are honorary chairpersons of the festival. Wayne County Probate Judge Y. Gladys Barsamian of Plymouth, chief of the juvenile court division, is a member of the patron committee. For ticket information, call 871-8600.

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'Spring Magic' in fashions

There was spring magic in the fashions and magic entertainment by Bill Heiney at the Plymouth Newcomers luncheon in the Mayflower Meeting House. The audience admired the skirt and blouse from me

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Alpha House has been funded in part by community philanthropy. We gratefully thank you for the community support needed to make this much-needed facility a reality.

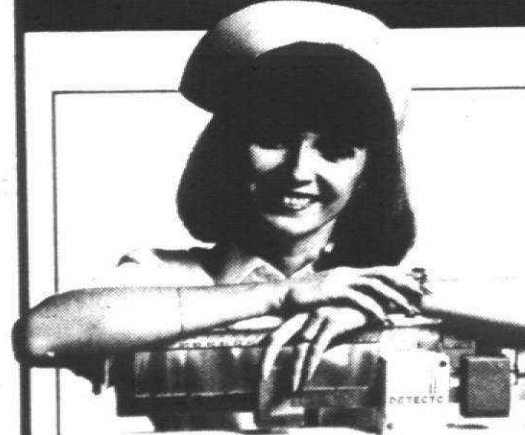
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church bulletin

CHURCH WOMEN UNITED
Church Women United of Northwest Suburban Detroit will have a fellowship breakfast at 9:15 a.m. Friday, May 3, at Grand River Baptist Church, 34500 Six Mile, one half mile west of Farmington Road, Livonia. The cost is \$2.50. The guest speaker will be Alice McCloskey, who will discuss "Our Piece of the Action." Reservations are required. For reservations, call Priscilla Scheck at 937-9457. Baby-sitting is available.

BEREAN BIBLE
Dr. Roy Lawson, general secretary of the Fellowship of Evangelical Baptist Churches in Canada, will preach at the church's junior and primary church groups will present the musical drama "Amazing Grace" at 6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, April 27 and 28.

PILGRIM'S MISSION
The church's Junior and primary church groups will present the musical drama "Amazing Grace" at 6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, April 27 and 28.

TRI-CITY ASSEMBLY
The Tri-City Assembly of God will host five sessions of teaching and ministry emphasizing the works of the Holy Spirit in the life of the Christian believer. The guest speaker will be the Rev. Sam DeBorcha, former pastor of Detroit's Teen Challenge and religious radio broadcaster. The sessions will be at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday, April 28, and at 7 p.m. Monday, April 29, through Wednesday, May 1. There is no admission charge. Tri-City Assembly is at 2100 Hannan, between Michigan and Palmer Road, just east of I-275. For more information, call 721-6852.

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN
The 90-voice massed chorus of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod in Southeastern Michigan will present a sacred concert in honor of the 300th birthday of J.S. Bach. The concert will be at 7 p.m. Sunday, April 28, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 17810 Farmington, Livonia. There will be musical selections by the bell choir and woodwind ensemble and a trumpet duet. The concert will be directed by Karen Phipps, Kurt Heyer and Vera Janes.

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CHERRY HILL PRESBYTERIAN
The Chancel Choir of Cherry Hill Presbyterian Church in Dearborn will present its Friendship Ambassadors fund-raising concert at 4 p.m. Sunday, May 5, at the church, 24410 Cherry Hill. Music from their planned summer tour of Austria and Poland will be featured. Sight and sound of the two countries will be offered in a cabaret setting, and Austrian and Polish desserts and coffees also will be available. The concert donation to the group's travel fund is \$3 for adults and \$2 for children. For information, or for reservations for groups of 20 or more, call 583-4800.

ST. MARK'S PRESBYTERIAN
A program entitled "The Joys and Frustrations of the Sandwich Generation" will be given at 1:15 p.m. Sunday, April 28, at St. Mark's Presbyterian Church, 28701 Joy, Dearborn Heights. The program will look at the concerns and joys of three-generation families. Leading the program will be Loren Hoffman, director of Westside Mental Health Services in Dearborn Heights, and Audrey Wasserman of the United Community Services Agency's Well-Being for the Aged program.

CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY
A revival crusade featuring evangelist William R. Foley as guest speaker will continue through Sunday, April 28, at the Church of God of Prophecy, 25863 Pardo, Garden City. Services will begin at 7 p.m. Thursday through Saturday, April 25-27, and at 6 p.m. Sunday. For more information, call 525-5397.

CLARENCEVILLE METHODIST
Clarenceville United Methodist Women will have a mother and daughter banquet at 6:30 p.m. Friday, May 10. Special guests will be the duo Scott Free, made up of W. Scott and Scott T. Wilkinson, who will entertain with singing, guitar and banjo. The cost is \$5 for ages 13 and over and \$3 for ages 12. For reservations, call 474-3444 by Sunday, May 5. The church is at 20300 Middlebelt, 1 1/2 blocks south of Eight Mile Road.

LIVONIA BAPTIST
Livonia Baptist Church will have revival services from Sunday, April 28, to Sunday, May 5. The Rev. Ron Roy, pastor of Level Park Baptist Church in Battle Creek, will be preaching. Services will be at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Sundays and at 7:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday. For more information, call 422-3763.

FIRST METHODIST OF PLYMOUTH
Marilyn Ganskow, author of the New Life Series of Bible study material, will be the guest speaker at a mini-retreat at the First United Methodist Church of Plymouth. The retreat will begin at 9:30 a.m. Monday, April 29, and will focus on the theme "Living Abundantly in the Current Day." Participants are asked to bring a sandwich, but a dessert and beverage will be provided. After lunch, the group will reconvene until 2 p.m. Child-care reservations may be made by calling the church office at 453-5280. The children will need a sack lunch. The church is at 45201 N. Territorial, just west of Sheldon.

WESTLAND FREE METHODIST
Westland Free Methodist Church will have its annual missionary conference from Sunday, April 28, to Sunday, May 5. The Rev. Roy Ray, pastor of Westland Free Methodist Church, will be the guest speaker. The church is at 1421 Venoy, just north of Palmer Road.

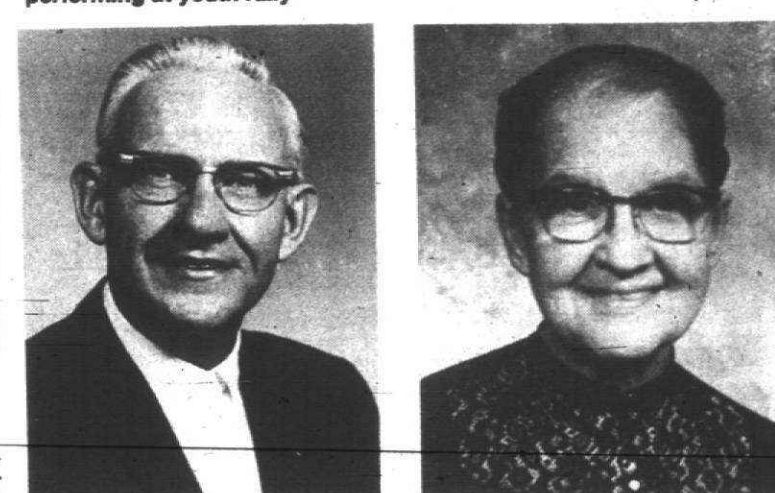
MERRIMAN ROAD BAPTIST
Merriman Road Baptist Church in Garden City will have its spring revival from Sunday, April 28, to Friday, May 3. Services will be at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday and at 7 p.m. Monday through Friday. A nursery will be provided for all services, and all services will be interpreted for the deaf. The evangelist for the revival will be the Rev. Bob Beddingfield, pastor of the First Baptist Church of South Lyon, Michigan.

THE THEME for Sunday's service will be "To God Be the Glory." The service will open with handbell choir preludes, "Golden Hymns in Violin," followed by "Is My Father's World" with brass quartet. After the processional hymn, invocation, and children's anthem by the church choir, greetings will be extended by Councilwoman Mary Childs, City of Plymouth, Plymouth Township Supervisor Maurice Breen, and from the Rev. Dr. Robert Shaw, Executive Minister, American Baptist Churches of Michigan.

A representative of National Bank of Detroit (NBD) will be on hand to return the mortgage document to the congregation, represented by James Maddick, chairman of the board of trustees, and Andrew Seid, church treasurer. The church, organized in 1830, moved to the six-acre site on N. Territorial in 1949. The new building has a seating capacity for about 400 persons, has some 15 Sunday school classrooms, and combined fellowship hall/gymnasium, and a chapel. The church secured a new organ at the 150th anniversary celebration in 1980. Besides the regular Sunday services the congregation, led by Pastor Dr. William Stahl, offers an extensive family program. Wednesday evenings, including Boys Brigade and Pioneer Girls. The church also has a daily five-minute radio program on WYFC in Ypsilanti.



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The Rev. and Mrs. Millard Downing evangelists to appear



The Rev. and Mrs. Raymond Stripling missionaries

Leading the music will be Nandy Weeks from that church. The Livonia Baptist Quartette will perform on Sunday night, the Gilead Quartette on Monday, Randy Weeks on Tuesday, Barry Parker on Wednesday, and the King's Messengers on Thursday and the Merriman Road Quartette on Friday. The revival choir will be singing each night and will rehearse at 6:30 p.m. All wish to participate in the choir are invited to rehearsals. The church is at 2055 Merriman. For more information, call 421-9472.

WARD PRESBYTERIAN
Dr. Sinclair B. Ferguson, associate professor of systematic theology at Westminster Theological Seminary in Philadelphia, will speak at the 8:30, 10 and 11:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. services Sunday, April 28, at Ward Presbyterian Church in Livonia. Born in Scotland, Dr. Ferguson is the author of several books, including "Know Your Christian Life" and "Taking the Christian Life Seriously." He will speak on "God's Multi-Colored Wisdom." The church is at the corner of Six Mile and Farmington roads.

COMMUNITY BAPTIST
The film "How God Sees You" will be shown at 10 a.m. Sunday, April 28, at Community Baptist Church, 28237 W. Warren, Garden City. The film is the last in a three-part series featuring inspirational speaker Zig Ziglar.

The litany of appreciation will be led by Eddie Olson, chairman of the mortgage burning committee who also was chairman of the building committee when the present church building was constructed. Rev. Williams was pastor of First Baptist Church from 1961-67, during which time the property on N. Territorial was purchased. He now is pastor of the First Baptist Church of Howell. Dr. Thompson was pastor of First Baptist from 1967-75 during which time the church building was constructed. He is now a senior pastor of First Baptist Church of Colville, Calif.

Dr. Stahl, senior pastor at the church since July 1975, is assisted by the Rev. Thomas Pake, associate pastor. Cheryl Kaye is organist and minister of music as well as director of the bell choir. Irene Veresch is financial secretary of the church. The original building's frame structure was covered with brick in 1909, an educational unit was added in 1948, and later the sanctuary was enlarged. On Dec. 7, 1967 the N. Territorial Road property was purchased for \$17,600. Work on the new church building was held on a Sunday morning in March 1969.

First Baptist to burn mortgage

The First Baptist Church of Plymouth will take another historic step in its 155-year existence with a mortgage-burning service this Sunday. The Mortgage Burning Service will begin at 11 a.m. Sunday at the church on N. Territorial Road west of Sheldon in Plymouth Township. The ceremony will feature civic leaders from the city and township, church leaders, and former pastors returning for a visit to mark the occasion. The church, organized in 1830, moved to the six-acre site on N. Territorial in 1949. The new building has a seating capacity for about 400 persons, has some 15 Sunday school classrooms, and combined fellowship hall/gymnasium, and a chapel. The church secured a new organ at the 150th anniversary celebration in 1980. Besides the regular Sunday services the congregation, led by Pastor Dr. William Stahl, offers an extensive family program. Wednesday evenings, including Boys Brigade and Pioneer Girls. The church also has a daily five-minute radio program on WYFC in Ypsilanti.

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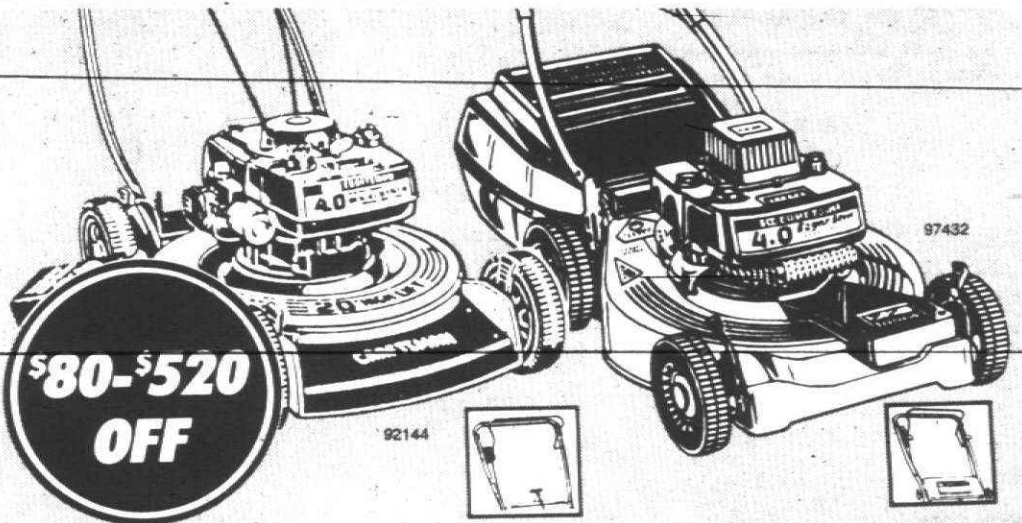
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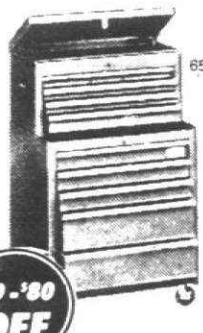
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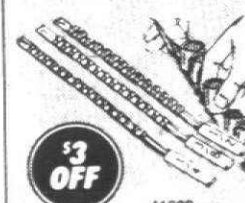
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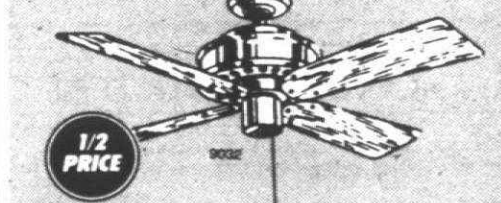
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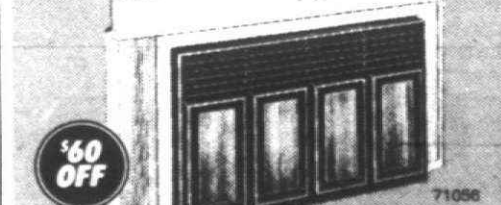
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AAU basketball clash a classic

ROCKY WATKINS hasn't had much to smile about lately. The last two winters with his Schoolcraft College basketball team have been dismal. Those teams, both below .500, were nothing to shout about.

Watkins also coaches AAU basketball during the off-season. Last year's team was a disaster. For the first time in almost a decade, his Detroit AAU 19-and-under squad failed to make the nationals.

That team, led by Mr. Basketball Demetreus Gore, was knocked out of the midwest zone tournament in Anderson, Ind.

You couldn't help but notice last weekend that Watkins was nervous when he loaded up three vans for a trip to the state tourney in Grand Rapids.

Watkins usually takes his team directly to the zone tournament and then to the nationals, but for the first time ever there was opposition at the state level.

KALAMAZOO was sending a team loaded for bear.

Watkins was facing the likes of Roy Marble of Flint Beecher, B.J. Armstrong of Brother Rice, 6-foot-10 J.P. Oosterbaan of Kalamazoo Christian, John Jimmerson and Kevin Brown of Grand Rapids Ottawa Hills, Mark Brown of Hastings, Loy Vaught of East Kentwood, 6-9 Mark Hughes of Muskegon Reeths Puffer and 6-8 Brad Sutton of Grand Rapids Union.

Oosterbaan, Hughes and Vaught are going to Michigan, while Armstrong and Marble are headed for Iowa. Jimmerson signed with Marquette, Brown with San Diego State, Sutton with Missouri and Brown with Michigan State.

Watkins' arsenal was just as spectacular for Sunday's championship final at Ottawa Hills — Mr. Basketball, Glen Rice of Flint Northwestern, Redford Catholic Central's John McIntyre, Terence Greene of Flint Central, Darryl Spinks of Detroit Finney, Ken Rice of Detroit Kettering, Jarvis Walker of Dearborn Heights Robichaud, Rodney Heard of Detroit Cody and Pollis Robertson of Wayne Memorial.

BUT WATKINS held three trump cards — all juniors — 6-10 Terry Mills of Romulus, 6-6 Willie Burton of Detroit DePorres and guard Anthony Pendleton of state champion Flint Northwestern.

What happened Sunday afternoon may never happen again when it comes to AAU basketball. Mills, the nephew of Piston John Long, was the class of the field in a high-powered game that was certainly worth more than the \$3 admission charge.

Scoring in the clutch (inside and outside), rebounding, blocking shots and making blind passes, Mills led all scorers with 32 points as the Detroit AAU squad beat Kalamazoo, 125-115.

"I haven't seen a performance like that since Chris Mullin beat us in the nationals," Watkins said.

Stalking the court like a mad stork, Mills is simply the most talented player to come out of this state since Magic Johnson.

And not far behind is the finesse-like Rice, who scored 27 points and drew the oohs and aahs from the crowd.

Greene, who played a strong second half, added 13 points, while Burton, a monster on the boards, added 11. Pendleton, meanwhile, stormed the court like a paratrooper.

THERE'S BEEN some criticism of Oosterbaan, but after Sunday's showing, he proves he belongs in the Big 10.

He led the Kalamazoo team with 20 points. Hughes added 17 with Marble and Jimmerson adding 16 each.

The game was played above the rim all afternoon.

The thing that sticks out about this Detroit AAU squad is that they play unselfishly, passing the ball almost to a fault.

That's a far cry from last year's team, led by Gore and Jackson's Gary Thompkins, who held a one-on-one contest most of the tourney.

Gore and Thompkins may have had a hard time finding playing time on this year's Detroit team. Heard, a talented guard going to Kansas State, never got into the lineup Sunday.

Watkins likes the character of this group, similar to the team in 1975 that won the nationals, led by Magic.

"That team had togetherness and this team is the same, and they're talented as well," he said. "They take things seriously."

THIS WEEKEND, the Detroit AAU squad will travel to Akron, Ohio, for the midwest zone tournament. On Friday, they will face a team from Cleveland, Ohio, with the winner playing Indianapolis on Saturday.

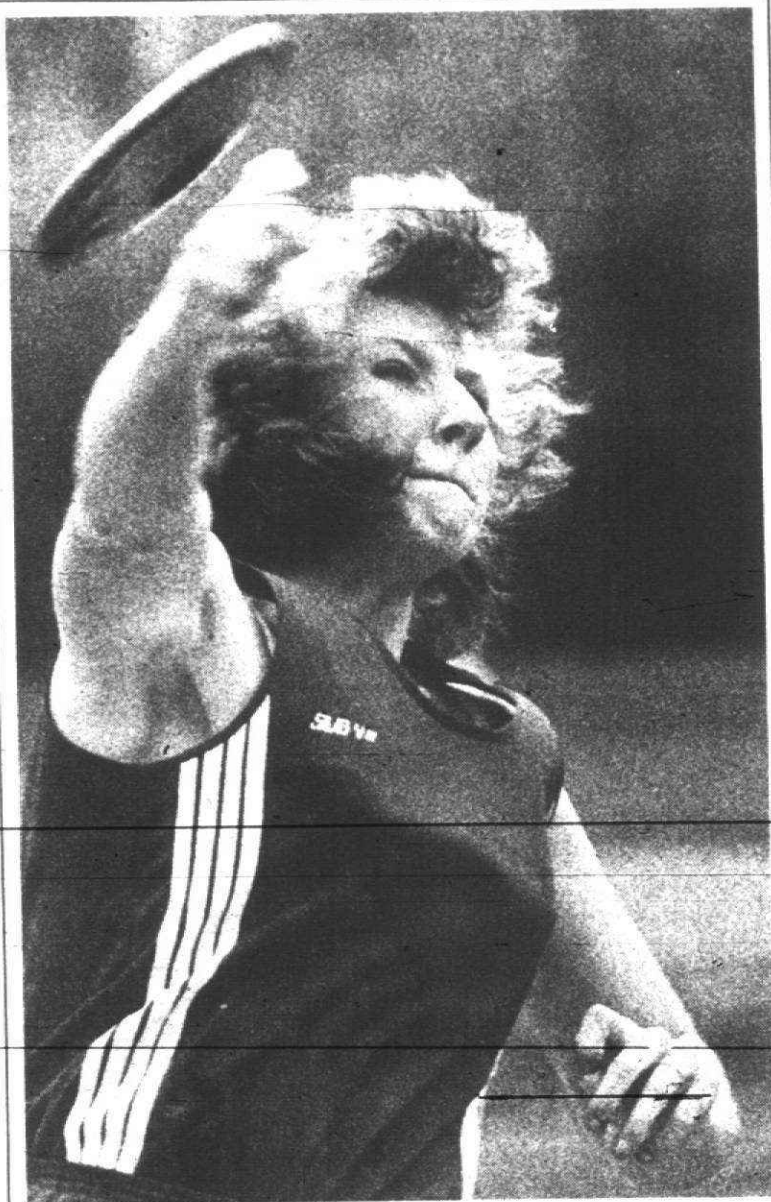
Kalamazoo, which also qualified, is on the other side of the bracket with Team Ohio and a team from Columbus.

The top two finishers will advance to the nationals this June in Jacksonville, Fla.

On Wednesday, Watkins' Detroit AAU squad will face the Junior National Team from the Peoples Republic of China at Schoolcraft College.

But the first job at hand is qualifying for the nationals.

I think Watkins can sit back and relax. He's got a good chance at reliving those Magic days. Rocky, you can at least start cracking a smile. This team won't break your heart.



BILL BRESLER/staff photographer

Powerful

That's just what Hollie Ivey and the Plymouth Canton girls track team have been so far this season. The Chiefs, with their 90-38 win over Northville Tuesday, are 4-0. It's their best start ever. And Ivey is among the Observerland leaders in the shot put and discus (see page 4C).

track

Borgess wins Elks, Rocks 3rd

Redford Bishop Borgess, for the second straight season, won the annual Elks Relays boys track championship, run last Saturday at the Centennial Educational Park track in Plymouth.

Borgess scored 45 points. Dearborn was second with 40 and host Plymouth Salem was a close third with 36 points.

Rounding out the field were Cass Tech (33), Livonia Stevenson (21), Catholic Central (17), John Glenn (16), Livonia Franklin (14), Plymouth Canton (13), Wyandotte (7), Hazel Park (5), Woodhaven (3) and Taylor Truman (1).

"We went into this meet thinking we could finish in the top five," said Salem coach Gary Balconi. "Obviously, we're pleased. This is only our second meet. We've yet to make a lot of decisions as to who will run where."

PLYMOUTH CANTON coach Mike Spitz was also encouraged despite his team's ninth place finish.

"I'm very pleased. Even with some of the events where we didn't place we had kids running personal bests," Spitz said.

Salem brought home three firsts on the day. Mike White (22-0), Brian Neuhardt (19-11 1/4) and Doug Batsel (18-5) combined to win the long jump relay.

Dave Bertell (5-6), Tony Moore (5-6) and Dave Collins (5-6) won the high jump relay. And Bertell, Neuhardt, Sean O'Hare and White teamed to win the low hurdle relay.

Salem also captured a second in the mile relay (3:32.0) and a third in the 440 relay (45.78).

Canton set a couple of school records. The Chiefs long jump relay (Tom Bowie, Tyrone Reeves and John Migyanka) placed second with a combined 59-2, which eclipses the old mark of 57-8 set in 1980. Bowie's jump (21-1) broke Frank Asia's record of 20-7 1/4 set in 1982.

Canton's 4-mile relay team of Bob Tellier, Paul Trout, Doug Rich and Keith Rosol placed fifth with a 19:55.7, but that mark broke Canton's old mark of 20:07.0 set in 1980.

The Chiefs also placed second in the 440 relay as Matt Flower, Pat McGow, Steve Morell and Bowie went 45.5. Canton scored fourth-place finishes in both the 880 relay (1:35.45) and the low hurdle relay (1:23.6).

Franklin hurler shackles Salem

By Chris McCosky
staff writer

By all accounts, it should have been a better game.

You had Observerland's No. 2-ranked softball team (Plymouth Salem) against No. 3-ranked Livonia Franklin. It was a warm, sunny Monday afternoon. The Franklin field was dry — the stage was set for a classic battle.

Tracy Lectka sure knows how to spoil a good time.

The Franklin pitcher completely shackled the Salem hitters and the Patriot bats slowly but surely came to life. When it was all said and done, the classic battle turned into a 11-0 rout for Franklin.

"We're starting to hit the ball now," said Franklin coach Joe Epstein. "That was my biggest concern coming into the season. We play good defense and the pitching is sound. I only wondered how well we'd be able to hit."

The hitting was there, but the story of the game was Lectka. For 6 1/2 innings, the only thing that separated her from a perfect game was a second-inning error by first baseman Sue Panzel.

WITH 1 OUT in the seventh, Salem's Cindy Runge ruined Lectka's no-hit bid with a sharp single to center. Leslie Plichta followed that up with a single to right, but right fielder Cherie Mascarello threw Runge out at third. It was the closest thing to a scoring threat Salem could muster.

Lectka fanned 6 and didn't walk a batter.

"When you only get 2 hits you aren't going to win," said Salem coach Rob Willette. "I thought

softball

we'd hit her (Lectka) better. I don't mean to take anything away from her, she pitched well. But, she's not what you'd call overpowering."

What you'd call her is intelligent and deceptive. Lectka mixed a live fastball, a sharp curve and a paralyzing change-up with her pinpoint control to keep the Rocks at bay.

Offensively, Franklin banged out 10 hits, but had trouble knocking in runs in the game's early stages.

The Pats loaded the bases with none out in the first, but scored just 2 runs, one the result of a Salem error. They loaded them up again in the fourth but failed to score.

Finally in the fifth, the Pats got to Rock starter Sue Carlson with a 4-run explosion. The big blows were back-to-back 2-run doubles by Patti Wixson and Lectka.

THE PATS, aided by 6 walks off Salem reliever Denise Tackett, scored 5 more times in the sixth. Beth Stewart, who went 2-for-3 with 3 RBI, knocked in a pair with a bases loaded double.

Panzel, Carolyn Smith, Stewart and Wixson all had 2 hits for Franklin (3-0).

"This was a non-league game," said Willette. "That's about the best thing you could say about this one."

The Rocks are 1-1.

Canton 9 stays unbeaten

Fred Crissey's Plymouth Canton baseball team, after beating Walled Lake Central 3-1 last Friday and Northville 5-2 Monday, is a perfect 4-0 on the young season.

But, according to Crissey, there's nothing perfect about the 4-0 record.

"I told the kids today that we've been winning ugly," the successful coach said. "I don't like to win ugly. I mean, I'd rather win ugly than lose, don't get me wrong. But, for us to be successful, we're going to have to play to our capacity all the time."

"We just aren't concentrating. But the thing is, it hasn't come at critical times so a lot of people won't notice. Those are the things that bother me. Winning and losing isn't all we're about here. We aspire to play as close to our capabilities as we can and we just haven't done that yet."

NEVERTHELESS, the Chiefs have been getting tremendous pitching and have been scoring just enough runs to win.

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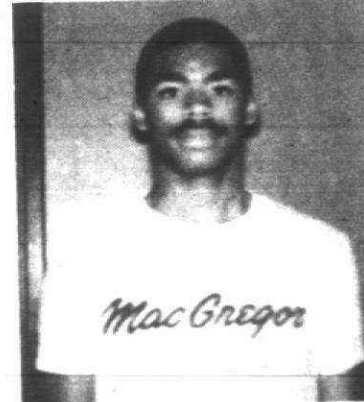
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SENIOR SOFTBALL

The senior softball league is expanding.

The plan is to have a mens league and a co-ed league. For those men and women aged 55 or over interested in participating, there will be an indoor training session at the Plymouth Salvation Army (Main Street, south of Ann Arbor Road).

The training sessions will be held from 1-3 p.m. on the following Mondays: April 29 and May 1. Call 397-1900. Ext. 278 for more information.

STEELERS SIGNUP

The Plymouth-Canton Steelers Junior

league football team has scheduled registrations for players and cheerleaders from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the following Saturdays: May 4, May 18.

The sessions will take place in the lobby of the Phase III facility at Plymouth Canton High School.

Players and cheerleaders aged 9-13 are eligible. The cost is \$40 per player, \$25 per cheerleader and \$100 family maximum.

For more information, call either Janet Bryant (459-0299) or Tammy Brand (459-6347).

WOMENS AND SENIORS GOLF LEAGUE

The Canton Parks and Recreation Department will sponsor golf leagues for women and senior citizens beginning in mid-May.

The leagues will play at Fellows Creek, the women on Friday mornings and seniors Wednesday mornings.

The fee is \$10 for women plus greens fees; \$5 for seniors plus greens fees. League meetings will take place at the Canton Township Administration Building (Canton Center Road) Wednesday, May 1, at Township Administration Building.

Space is limited. Call 397-1000.

CO-ED SOFTBALL

The Canton and Plymouth Parks and Recreation departments' co-ed softball league, games played on Sunday and Monday nights, will commence on June 2.

MENS GOLF LEAGUE

The Canton Parks and Recreation mens golf league, for Canton residents only, will play Wednesday evenings beginning May 8 at Fellows Creek.

The fee is \$20 plus greens fees. The league meeting is set for 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 1, at Township Administration Building.

Space is limited. Call 397-1000.

CO-ED SOFTBALL

The Canton and Plymouth Parks and Recreation departments' co-ed softball league, games played on Sunday and Monday nights, will commence on June 2.

Registration for all returning teams will take place between April 22-26 at either rec office. New teams can sign up between April 29 and May 17.

The fee is \$80 per team. Teams must supply game balls and pay \$6 umpire fee per game.

Raring to go

Tri-City Seals set for CP regional games

By C.J. Risak
staff writer

The Cerebral Palsy (CP) Games are expanding. Or maybe shrinking.

It depends upon your viewpoint, but this year for the first time the National CP Games, slated for Aug. 7-14 at Michigan State University, will include a separate competition for Les Autres athletes.

Les Autres is French for "the others." It refers to those athletes not eligible to compete in any other national organization's sports for physically impaired.

In the past, Les Autres athletes — those with muscular dystrophy, multiple sclerosis and a handful of other conditions — competed along with the CP athletes.

THIS YEAR they'll have a separate competition. Just like the CP athletes, the Les Autres (LA) competitors will be classified according to severity of disability — Class 1 for most severe, Class 8 for least.

And also, just like the CP athletes, members of the LA division will have to qualify for the nationals at the Michigan regional games, scheduled for May 17-20 at Eastern Michigan University.

More than 300 athletes, mostly from Michigan, on 12 teams will participate in the regionals. Those bettering national

qualifying standards for their events in the class will advance to the National CP/LA Games at MSU.

And likewise, the best national athletes will be selected to represent the United States at the International Games next year in Belgium.

SO THERE'S a lot at stake, but the Observer coverage area will be well represented by members of the Tri-City Seals, which operates out of Westland's Parks and Recreation Building.

"As far as regionals go, ours is a very competitive meet," said Mary Beth Jones, head coach and director of the Seals, which won the small team (20 members or less) regional title last year.

"But it's at nationals where the real strong competition is," Jones added. "Those athletes put in a lot of time and they have a lot of talent."

And, at the international games, there are the elite athletes.

ONE SEAL who made it to last year's International CP Games in Nassau, New York, was Erika Benjamin of Westland. Benjamin, 20, a Class 6 CP athlete (has use of all four limbs), had a best finish in the 200-meter dash (43.95).

"She's got great potential in track," said Jones of Benjamin. "Definitely she's improved her times. I know she'll do quite well at nationals."

Benjamin will compete in the 60-meter, 200-meter and 400-meter runs and the 1,500-meter cross country run. Athletes are restricted to five events.

OTHER POTENTIAL national medal-winners for the Seals include:

• Dawn Darlington, 18, from Plymouth. As a Class 7 CP athlete (slightly impaired), Darlington is up against "very, very strong competition," according to Jones. "She's going to have to do a lot of fighting and training to make it to the international games."

Darlington's best events are the 100, 400 and the long jump.

• David Larson, 15, from Plymouth, a Class 6 CP athlete. "He needs a little more training," Jones said, "but he's a natural athlete. He should make nationals, no problem." A member of the Michigan team that traveled to the 1983 nationals in Ft. Worth, Texas, Larson's best chances are in the shot put, club throw and table tennis.

• David Marcy, 18, from Livonia, a Class 3 LA athlete (needs wheelchair for mobility). A six-year veteran, Marcy has been to the 1981 Rhode Island nationals and was a medal-winner at the Texas nationals. The shot put, discus and powerlifting are his best events. He'll also be in the 60-meter and slalom races.

• Terri Rohrig, 31, from Livonia, a Class 6 CP athlete. "A very gutsy athlete," according to Jones, Rohrig will

compete in a pair of new events: the 1,500-meter and 3,000-meter triathlon. She'll also be in the powerlifting and, according to Jones, "has a great chance" to make nationals in each.

• Tony Stroia, 14, from Livonia, a Class 5 CP athlete (uses some device to assist in walking). Stroia will compete in the junior division, which is divided into three age categories: 14 and under, 10-12 and 13-15. "He'll do great there," predicted Jones. Stroia's events are the club throw, shot put, 100-meter race and powerlifting.

• Eric Smith, 12, from Livonia, a Class 1 LA athlete (a muscular dystrophy competitor who uses an electric wheelchair). Smith is in his first year as a Seal who "should do very well" in the slalom, according to Jones. He'll also compete in the 60-meter race, bocce and precision (a contest of accuracy with points scored for bean bags thrown on a target).

• Steve Dell, 17, from Livonia, a Class 1 CP athlete (using an electric wheelchair). A six-year veteran who competed at the Rhode Island and Texas nationals, Dell's top events are in swimming: the 25-meter freestyle and 25-meter backstroke. He'll also compete in the soft shot distance throw and soft discus.

"We're going to have a struggle," admitted Jones.

Pats hold Rocks in 2-2 deadlock

By Chris McCooley
staff writer

Soccer, like all athletic competition, can be very humbling. Just ask Plymouth Salem.

The Rocks came to Livonia Monday riding a five-game win streak and ranked No. 2 in Michigan according to the state coaches' poll. All was going well. And considering Monday's opponent was a 1-5-1 Franklin team, the Rocks had to be feeling rather secure.

Crash.

A gritty Franklin defense, an unflappable and nearly unbeatable Patriot goalie and some wayward shooting brought the Rocks back to earth. Only a desperation goal by Julie Tortora staved off defeat for Salem, as the game ended in a 2-2 tie.

"WHEN YOU don't have it, you don't have it," said Salem coach Ken Johnson. "Franklin is not a bad team. We didn't have our shooting on today, just a little wild. But this is good for Franklin and good for the league."

The key to the tie, according to Franklin coach Judy Brda, was a slight player shift.

Salem kept heavy pressure on the Pats' goal the rest of the match but couldn't get the game winner. Franklin sweeper Laura Alcala did a superb job pestering the Salem attackers.

"I'm not too disappointed," Johnson said. "We just didn't shoot well. This is high school soccer, you expect this from time to time."

"I kept our faster players out on their wings," the second-year coach said. "I knew what Salem's forwards were capable of so we just gave up some of our offense for the defense."

Salem dominated play, outshooting Franklin 42-12. But, when Salem wasn't missing the net, Patriot goalie Kim Owings was making spectacular saves. Several times, especially in the final 10 minutes of the game, she robbed Salem's high-scoring forwards Fran Whittaker and Dena Head.

Whittaker and Franklin's Mary Schultz traded goals. Then halfway through the second half Franklin's Janice Lebedeff scored from about 20 yards out to put the Pats in front.

Two minutes later, Head broke down the right wing, sifted a pass through the Franklin defense to Tortora who nudged it past Owings.

Chiefs defeat Northville, 5-2

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Monday, left-hander Mark Coburn won his second game for the Chiefs, stifling Northville on just 2 hits in his 7 innings. He fanned 9 and only walked 3.

Canton took the lead for good in the top of the third on junior Mark Stevens' 2-run home run. The Chiefs added 2 more in the fifth on a walk to Tony Aiken (one of his 4 home runs on the day to go with his 3 stolen bases), an RBI single by Dwayne Bennett, a double by Stevens and a pinch-hit RBI single by Adam Kocik.

The Chiefs stole a run in the sixth on 3 walks and a double steal.

On Friday, Buckeye Blake shut down Walled Lake Central on just 2 hits. The flame throwing right-hander fanned 8 and walked 3 in his 7-inning stint.

A 2-run fourth inning was all the offense the Chiefs needed. Pete Morman singled and scored from first when the Vikings threw Bennett's sacrifice bunt into right field. John Lenders promptly scored Bennett with a double.

The Chiefs got some insurance in the fifth on a double by Dave Knapp, a sacrifice and a wild pitch. "I couldn't be happier with the pitching," Crissey said. "Blake, Coburn and Mike Clark have done an outstanding job for us."

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Business

Barry Jensen editor/591-2300

Timing service works best over the long haul

By Sid Mittra and Marjorie Kulikowski special writers

Last week, we discussed the technique of timing a mutual fund. This week we will discuss the major pitfalls of this service.

The Major Pitfalls

The above discussion would be utterly misleading without recognizing the pitfalls of this strategy.

First, timing service constitutes a

long-term strategy. No significant gains can be realized over a short period, except by accident.

Second, the results are highly influenced by the timer's ability to recognize the peaks and valleys. Timing is not an exact science, and no one can ever be expected to have a perfect score. In fact, a rational investor must assume that there will be "several misses" over a long time period.

Third, even when a timer carefully selects a mutual fund that is likely to fluctuate, changed market conditions may push it into a steady or declining price pattern. In that case, the timing service will produce inferior results.

Fourth, even when the timing service is operating effectively, certain events, which can be likened to "exogenous shocks" to the system, can totally frustrate the timer's efforts and produce disastrous results. Failure of Continental Bank, Iraq-Iran War, and the Proposed 1985 Tax Law are examples of these exogenous shocks. Since none of these can ever be predicted, no timing service can act upon them soon enough to avoid significant declines in investment values.

Fifth, a timing service does cost money. For instance, a 2-percent annual fee charged by timing service means that a 15-percent return from a timed mutual fund is no better than a 13-percent return from an untimed fund.

The Verdict

When the advantages of a timing service are stacked up against the pitfalls of such a service, on balance, the advantages far outweigh the disadvantages. However, you must recognize the ABC of a timing service before signing on the dotted line.

"A" countable: The timer must be accountable. Remember: He can only produce superior results in the long run.

"B" aware of shocks: Recognize that exogenous shocks render timing service temporarily impotent.

"C" cost: Timing service can be expensive, especially if during any given period your mutual fund experiences a

finances and you

Sid Mittra

long decline or a sideways movement. An out-of-town investment specialist will discuss a specific tax shelter.

Educational Seminar: The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers and the Coordinated Financial Planning staff will conduct a seminar 7-10 p.m. Tuesday, May 14, at the Bloomfield Township Library, 1999 Lone Pine Road, Bloomfield Hills. This seminar will cover: Strategic planning; tactical planning; insurance, taxes, education, wills; product planning; mutual funds, stocks and bonds, real estate and oil and gas tax.

Sid Mittra is president of Coordinated Financial Planning, Inc. in Troy and a professor of economics and management at Oakland University.

business people



Selden
Dinesh Bhushan, an engineer with Durr Engineering & Management Inc. in Livonia became first vice president of the newly formed Chapter 322 of the Association for Finishing Processes of the Society of Manufacturing Engineers.

Deering
Craig W. Selden of Plymouth was appointed assistant vice president, metropolitan corporate banking department with Comerica Bank-Detroit. Selden joined the bank in 1980 as a credit analyst and reached officer status in 1983 as corporate banking officer.

Calille
Joseph A. Davio of Livonia has been named second vice president in the metropolitan loan division at Manufacturers National Bank of Detroit. Davio joined the bank in 1984 as an account officer in the same department.

business briefs

- OUTSTANDING SALES**
The Redford district office staff of American General Life and Accident Insurance Co. was honored for its outstanding sales record during 1984 when it led all district offices in the company's Great Lakes region.
- ESTATE PLANNING**
Schoolcraft College Foundation's financial and estate planning seminar will be held 7-10 p.m. Tuesday, May 7, in the Founder's Room at the Waterman Campus Center. The discussion will focus on how to increase financial positions, how to plan an estate and how to use tax incentives related to charitable gifts. The price of \$10 is tax-deductible contribution to the Schoolcraft College Foundation. For reservations and information, call 591-6400, Ext. 213. Schoolcraft College is at 18600 Hagerty Road in Livonia.
- SECURITY WORKSHOP**
"Security Investigation Workshop" will be offered from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, June 1, in the Science Lecture Hall on the Madonna College campus. The workshop is designed for business owners, security managers, private investigators and others responsible for safety and loss prevention. The fee is \$35, and continuing education credits are available. For more information, call 591-5188. Madonna College is at the intersection of the Jeffries Freeway and Levan Road in Livonia.
- TOOL CONFERENCE**
The Society of Mechanical Engineers' International Tool & Manufacturing Engineering Conference and Exposition begins at noon Monday, May 6, in Detroit and continues through Thursday, May 9. For more information, call 271-1500.
- INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS**
A free international business service directory is available to any Michigan company doing business abroad. The directory is designed also to help foreign companies move to Michigan. To get a copy, call Mark Santucci at (517) 373-6390.

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Entertainment

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Thursday, April 25, 1985 O&E



Vicki Cravens is Doris Levine and Daniel T. Booth is Hepatitis in "God" at the Spotlight Players.

Rollicking comedy 'God' is fun in ancient Greece

Performances of the Spotlight Players production of Woody Allen's "God" continue at 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday at the John Glenn Auditorium in Westland. For ticket information, call 729-6453 or 595-6117.

By Victoria Diaz special writer

The Spotlight Players of Wayne-Westland has chosen to conclude its 1984-85 season with a fast-moving, well-performed production of Woody Allen's zany one-act comedy "God." Directed by Michael S. V., the play-whimsy-a-play (within-a-play?) is set (sort of) in an Athenian amphitheater, circa 500 B.C.

As the play begins, the Greek playwright, Hepatitis, has a problem: The all-important Athenian Drama Festival begins in five minutes and he, as yet, has no suitable ending for his

play. The rest of "God" has to do (sort of) with efforts to solve this weighty problem.

HEPATITIS — pretty weighty himself — is portrayed charmingly by Daniel T. Booth, who manages to seem properly befuddled, lovably lecherous and worried to death all at the same time.

As his actor "friend," Russ Holder-ness is precisely on the mark — which is to say he is an actor who seems to be an actor playing an actor. His Diabetes is pretension personified, complete with all the affectations and mannerisms required, down to the last little sassy fling of the glitzy cape over the shoulder.

AS A MEMBER of the audience, and as Doris Levine, Vicki L. Cravens is cute, funny and always entertaining. Then there's Annette Aben as Blanche Dubois (I mean, how can you



Victoria Diaz

have a Greek play without Blanche Dubois in the cast?), who wanders onstage at one point to tell us, in a kind of breathy Southern accent, that she's "got to get into a play where God exists." Later on, as one of the members of the cockeyed Greek chorus, Aben is also a stand-out.

Helen DeJulio as the king deserves special mention. She's certainly, ahem, versatile, too.

Unfortunately, space doesn't permit discussing the merits of each member of the large cast. Suffice it to say that all turn in admirable performances, especially the nine members

of the Greek chorus.

"God" not only entertains, but it looks good, too. Costumes, make-up, lighting, scenery — all imaginatively conceived and nicely executed.

THIS RELATIVELY obscure play of Allen's explores, in a delightful way, the fine line between illusion and reality. Its action occasionally spills over into the audience. The performers become part of the audience, and the audience even, at times, becomes a part of the play.

Be prepared for a few surprises, and a great deal of crazy fun.

Village curse makes for mild humor in 'Fools'

Performances of the Garden City Civic Theatre production of "Fools" by Neil Simon continue at 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday at the O'Leary Performing Arts Center in Garden City. For ticket information, call 325-9258.

By Victoria Diaz special writer

If you're yearning for a

fun trip to Never-Never Land, check out the Garden City Civic Theatre's current production of Neil Simon's comedy, "Fools." While you may not find it fall-out-of-your-seat-funny from start to finish, it nevertheless makes for a pleasant evening's entertainment, suitable for the whole family.

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upcoming things to do

- TEEN DANCES**
"New music" will be offered beginning Friday, April 26, for teen dances from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Fridays at Center Stage in the Metro Westside Teen Club, which has been dancing to the sounds of funk and disco for the last six months at the club. The progressive, new music — alternative punk from England, Ireland, California and New York — has been continuously requested by Westside teen club members. Look-alike contests and new music videos on the Friday night dances. Admission is \$3.
- HUNTERS' RUN**
Eddie Russ on piano and Marion Hayden on bass join Larry Nozaro & Friends from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Friday-Saturday, April 26-27, and 7:30-11:30 p.m. Sunday, April 28, at Hunters' Run in Livonia. For more information, call 522-5600.
- BENEFIT RECITAL**
Paul Wingert of Livonia, a member of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra and principal cellist of the Dearborn Symphony, will perform a cello recital at 4 p.m. Sunday, April 28, at the First United Methodist Church of Dearborn. The recital will be a scholarship benefit musicale for Mu Phi Epsilon International professional music fraternity. Accompanist will be Fontaine Laing, Detroit-area pianist, who is a member of Mu Phi Epsilon. Performances will be assisted by his wife Karen, a cellist with several Detroit-area orchestras and chamber music groups. For more information call Marion Dowler at 837-0354.
- 'NOISES OFF!'**
Final play of its spring season will be "Noises Off," a farce in three acts, opening Tuesday, April 30, at the Fisher Theatre in Detroit. The Broadway comedy, which has two touring companies, will remain through Sunday, June 2. For ticket information, call 872-1000.
- BACH EXTRAVAGANZA**
Oakway Symphony Orchestra will present a Bach Extravaganza, featuring performances by nine pianists, at 3 p.m. Sunday, April 28, at Herrison High School in Farmington Hills. Tickets at \$4 for students and senior citizens, \$7 for general admission are available at Madonna College in Livonia, Hammel Music in Livonia and Plymouth, Executive Office Supply in Farmington and the Livonia Board of Education Offices.
- 'GOD'S FAVORITE'**
Roseale Community Players will present Neil Simon's comedy "God's Favorite" on Fridays-Saturdays, April 26-27, and May 3-4, 10-11, in Detroit. Cast members include Bobby Silberberg of Farmington Hills and Hal Bros and Mike Udvardi, both of Redford. Dinner will be served April 27 and May 4 at a cost of \$12.50. Remaining performances will be cabaret style at \$5. For tickets, call the Uptate Playhouse at 532-4010 anytime or Margaret Bross at 537-7716.
- SEEGER CONCERT**
Folk music star Pete Seeger and singer-pianist Jane Sapp will appear in concert at 8 p.m. Friday, April 26, at Ford Auditorium in Detroit. The event will be a benefit for Teamsters for a Democratic Union. Tickets at \$8, \$10, \$12 and \$25 are available at all Ticket World/CTC outlets, the Ford Auditorium Box Office and at the Musical Oasis in Birmingham. For more information, call 843-2379.
- MYSTERY PLAYER**
"Murder After a Fashion," second in a series of "I Love a Mystery" evenings, will be Friday, April 26, at the Dearborn Inn. Cocktails are at 6 p.m. dinner at 7 and murder mystery one-act at 8 p.m. (whereafter the audience will put together clues to guess "who done it"). Tickets are \$22; there will be a cash bar. For more information, call Carol I. Henson at 759-1354. The evening is presented by the Michigan Mystery Players.
- THE RAVEN**
Josh White Jr. will perform in two shows each night, at 7:30 and 9:45, Friday-Saturday, April 26-27, at the

'Witness' doesn't quite measure up

Performances of "Witness for the Prosecution" by Agatha Christie, presented by the Plymouth Theatre Guild, continue at 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday at C.E. Rinaldi Middle School in Plymouth. For ticket information, call 455-2632.

By Bob Weibel
special writer

The Plymouth Theatre Guild's production of Agatha Christie's classic thriller, "Witness for the Prosecution," was something less than classic on opening night.

While there were bright moments generally, one was left with the feeling that the guild's reach seems to have exceeded its grasp.

"Witness" has proven a popular choice of theater groups for 30 years because of the play's convoluted plot, its variety of three-dimensional characters and its bizarre triple-ending surprise.

The play, however, also has formidable prerequisites. It requires a cast of 30 (or more), strong characterizations, a variety of accents, an English setting and two full sets. All too often, this proved a difficult task for the PTG.

The story itself begins simply enough. One Leonard Vole, played convincingly by Tobin Hissong, is on trial for murdering a rich old woman (who has made him beneficiary of her fortune).

BELINDA BIGGS as Roamaine Vole gives the best performance of the evening as his cunning wife. Only her testimony can save him — but who can trust his wife when a fortune is at stake, Only Agatha Christie knows for sure.

Belinda definitely knows how to use a pause, a look, or an inflection of voice to create a mysterious, fully developed character. Everything from her German accent to gestures, phrasing and costume is excellent.

Also contributing sparkling performance is Sylvia Lanz, who plays Greta, an office worker, with bright, zesty good fun. Cheryl Selden as Dr. Wyatt, who seems very much an expert witness, Pat Gresock, whose Scottish accent makes her very believable as Janet MacKenzie, the murdered woman's housekeeper, and Maggie Sergus as the Other Woman, what you might call an English version of Dolly Parton in a leopard-skin jumpsuit.



Bob Weibel

Manfred Heuser plays the defense attorney, Sir Wilfred Roberts. He looks like nothing to establish mood or locale (especially when the attorney's office and the courtroom are the same colors). And the huge, gaudy Union Jack flag in the courtroom looks out of place and is distracting.

A better choice would have been to do the show in curtains with suggestive scenery. But now that it's there, let's hope someone locates a few pictures or decorative pieces.

Seldom does Heuser or Robert Piel, who plays the prosecutor, Mr. Myers, exhibit the interplay, mental gymnastics, cleverness and witty tricks of opposing attorneys.

AND JUDGE Wainwright is played by Donna Barne but is referred to as "My Lord" — an unnecessary bit of casting and confusion, when other male roles could have been double-cast as the judge. For example, Robert Regan, who does a good job in the small part of Carter, Sir Wilfred's chief clerkman.

Oh, yes, about the set. Barren, beige walls do nothing to establish mood or locale (especially when the attorney's office and the courtroom are the same colors). And the huge, gaudy Union Jack flag in the courtroom looks out of place and is distracting.

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Family Irish Festival celebrates springtime

Folks in the vicinity of St. Patrick's Senior Center on Sunday might catch the Tiger owner Tom Monaghan and Neal Shine, Detroit Free Press senior managing editor, doing an Irish jig.

The two are honorary chairmen for the senior citizens center's annual Spring Festival. Proceeds will fund the free hot lunch program and fund educational, medical, legal and crafts services provided daily for the area's needy seniors.

Irish entertainers from throughout

metropolitan Detroit will be performing 2-3 p.m. at the center, 58 Parsons at Woodward behind Orchestra Hall.

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'The Chinese and Dr. Fish' comes off splendidly

Performances of "The Chinese and Dr. Fish" by Murray Schisgal continue Fridays-Saturdays through May 4 at the Theatre Guild Playhouse in Redford. For ticket information, call 522-8057.

By Bob Weibel
special writer

Director Art Rizzo has fashioned an evening of splendid acting and amusing good fun for the Theatre Guild of Livonia-Redford spring show something with the unlikely title of "The Chinese and Dr. Fish." Actually, it's not a single show, but two unrelated one-act plays.

The first play, "Dr. Fish," features the comedic talents of Dale Van Dorp in the title role. Van Dorp is engaging and most convincing as a most uncommon sex therapist — especially when he explains to his patient, a Mrs. Mendelsohn, that he's not a psychiatrist, not a psychologist, not even a lay analyst. No sir, you'll hear none of that mumbo-jumbo, head-shrinking nonsense from Doctor Fish.

What he has is a doctorate in American history, with an overwhelming interest in social relationships, especially their sexual aspects, because history is merely a gross reflection of the sexual. With that wacky open-

ing, author Murray Schisgal proceeds to poke fun at sex therapists and those who seek help.

JOAN IRWIN is excellent in the role of the emotionally distraught Mrs. Mendelsohn, who wants her husband to be more open and imaginative. Stan Taylor is equally good as the boorish husband who refuses to recognize the possibility of any problems.

For example, he figures that making love with the lights on doesn't make sense, because his electric bill is already too high.

Adding to the fun and confusion is Pat Dorrman-Sandboth as a charming pixy of a grandmother, Mrs. Fish, who has just

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arrived, and keeps interrupting the consulting sessions with free advice and hot soup.

The second play, "The Chinese," also borders on the absurd. This time, Murray Schisgal takes a few pot shots at our ethnic hang-ups.

The plot revolves around a young man with

Caucasian features who has been passing himself off as Jewish, even though both parents are obviously Chinese.

Things really get sticky when he brings a Caucasian girl home to meet his parents, but has neglected to tell her they're Chinese — and hilarious Bob Closson demon-

solves the riddle with a game of strip poker.

BONNIE ADLER displays a range of characters, first as the delightfully converted set that serves both shows, although something should be done to hide the actors on their downstage entrances — like move (or mask) the doors.

strates outstanding abilities as the frantic father. Maxine Parshall is the perfect Chinese mother, and Rich Blumenthal keeps the show at a madcap pace as he searches for his biological ancestors.

The Chinese make-up is well done as is the taste-fully converted set that serves both shows, although something should be done to hide the actors on their downstage entrances — like move (or mask) the doors.

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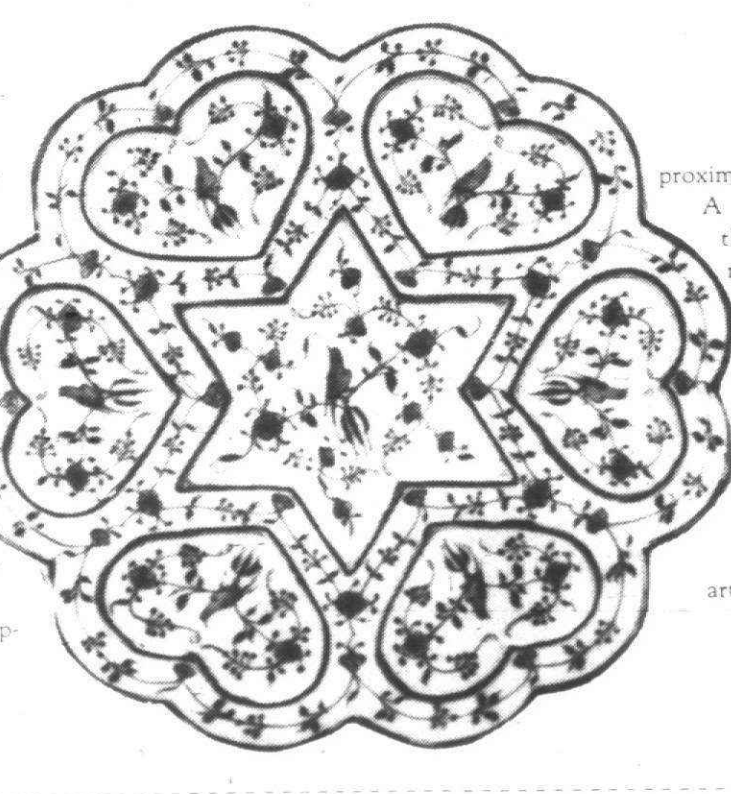
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Images of southern India: panorama of calm

I HAVE A huge batik bedspread, in exotic purples and blues, hanging on my wall at home. I bought it at the Victoria Technical Institute in Madras, in the state of Tamil Nadu, where they assured me it would fit a king-sized bed. It doesn't, but it fits a large wall.

On the mantle over my fireplace is a graceful miniature boat with a high prow, made of horn and set with tiny bone figures, each with its own little oar. Every time I look at it I think of Trivandrum, on the southern tip of India in the state of Kerala.

It was the British who made India a country with a single language, which of course is English. Before they came, the subcontinent was a hundred small kingdoms, each with its own culture. They still have their individualized cultures and multiple tongues, even though they are now part of India.

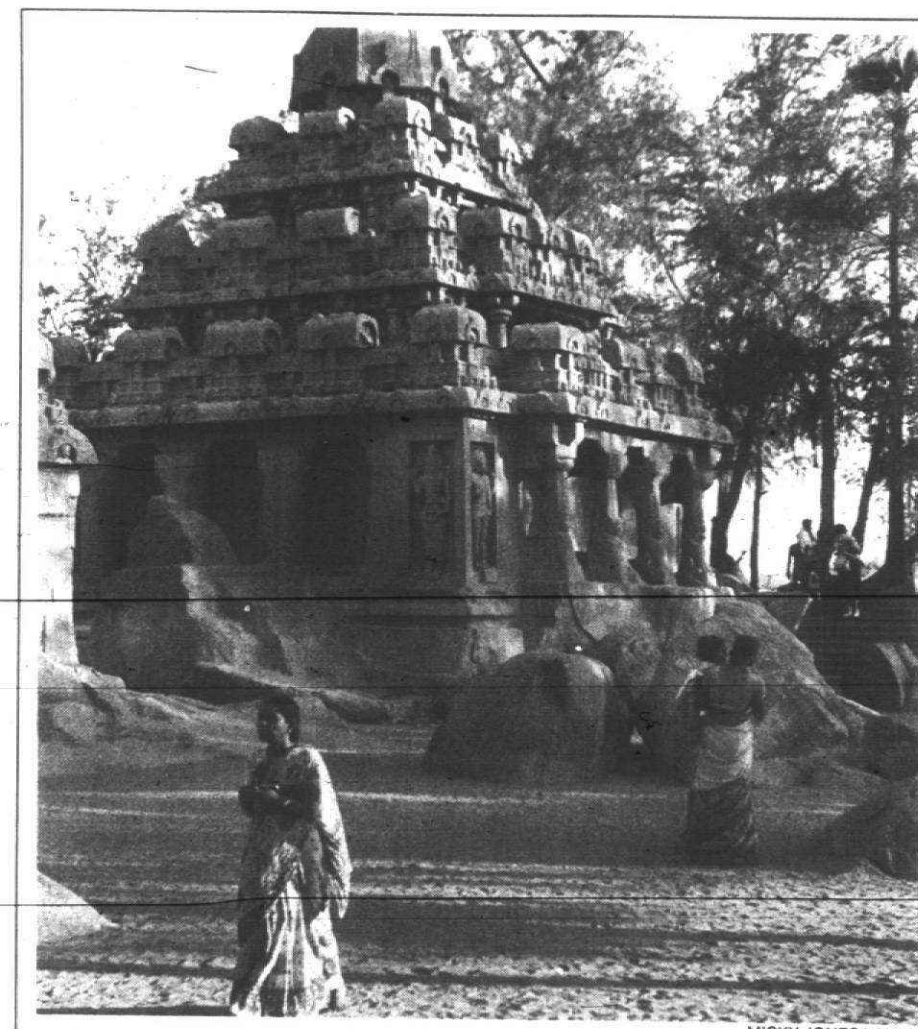
Tamil Nadu, southeast on the Indian Ocean, and Kerala, southwest on the Arabian Sea, are the two southernmost states of India. Traders from Cathay and Rome and Europe found the remains of ancient monuments on both of these coasts, and you will find them too.

You will also find a slower, easier life, as you do in the southern areas of our country.

MADRAS was found by the British East India Co. in the 17th century, so your tour will find both Britain and ancient India here. The apostle St. Thomas is said to have introduced Christianity to India, to have lived out his life in Madras and died on St. Thomas Mount. There are many interesting highlights in the city, but the most sensational stop on your Madras tour will probably be south amid the seventh-century temples of Mahabalipuram, carved rock temples by the sea.

Indians don't swim in the sea as much as we do, but they have glorious beaches in the south, especially at Kovalam near Trivandrum in Kerala, which may be the most overlooked tourist destination in the country. Kerala has the highest literacy rate in India, and a mixed population that includes Christians, Jews, Arabs, Moslems and Hindus, who have lived together peacefully since the Portuguese explorers were here centuries ago.

Palm-studded beaches, empty except for local fishermen and a few resorts, curve around the Arabian Sea to the Indian Ocean. In the backwater canals, boys pole boatloads of passengers past scenic



MICKY JONES/PHOTOS

coconut-palm-fringed islands.

There are images here that most of us don't have in our mental slide show of India. The area around Trivandrum has a gentle south seas look, with cool breezes blowing through palm trees, fine sand beaches and villages set along gentle canals.

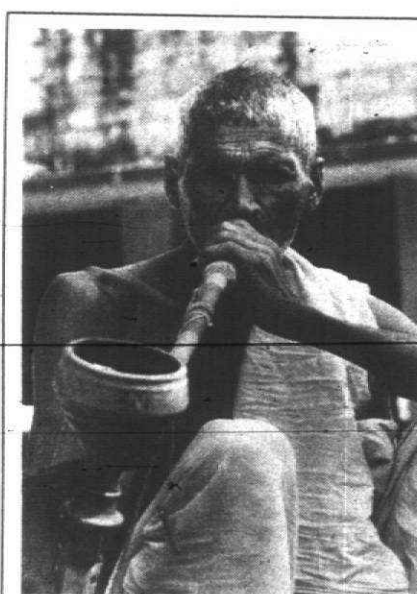
JOIN ME as two young boys pole us down a canal in a hand-made wooden boat. Small square-brick and mat houses thatched with palm dot coconut groves on either side. A woman bathes at the shore, her Kaili sarong wrapped around her like a bath towel. Children splash and wave, shouting "ta-ta" in greeting as we pass. Everything is mild, a gentle breeze, the slow drift of the boat toward the sand spit that separates the canal from the open sea. Trees bend seaward.

Under the trees a family laughs and jumps in a circle, playing the games of the family festival of Oman. People are poor

here as they are throughout India, and the area is less developed in some ways, but it seems easier to be poor when the land is gentle and productive and the weather mild beside a plentiful sea.

On the shore, as we walk through a village, we watch women pull the fiber of coconut husk while a boy makes coir rope from it on a spinning wheel. This is the

This southern area is another facet of the ancient land of India. There are temples and historic sights galore here.



At the southern tip of India are found the seventh-century temples of Mahabalipuram, carved rock temples by the sea. A typical resident is this elderly man.

beneath the chin. They respond smiling to our "namaste," shy, waving, laughing gently at foreign ways. They see few tourists in their grove.

THE CHILDREN laugh hilariously at us as we stop to talk to them during a local game of football. This southern area is another facet of the ancient land of India. There are temples and historic sights galore here, as in other areas. There are festivals to delight you. The bone boat on my mantle is a miniature of those used for the snake race during the Festival of Oman.

Classic Indian dancing is a very common form of entertainment throughout India, but here it takes a very famous form, the Kathakali Dancers. Students spend years learning the song and dance of Kathakali. It takes several hours to apply makeup and dress for a single performance. During Hindu festivals, the story of the God Shiva (God of destruction and reproduction) and his wife, Parvati, are danced several days.

Several hours may be more than enough for most foreign tourists, but it is an artistic highlight of India.

Those who prefer discos and modern nightlife should probably continue by Indian Air Lines up the coast of the Arabian Sea to Bombay, where you can shop in excellent government-sponsored quality-controlled handicraft shops, take a tour boat to the Elephanta Caves and immerse yourself once more in the grand hotels, enjoy the monkeyman who entertains you on the sidewalk and walk among the poor, who are indeed always with us in India.

Images of India. We bring them home as the best souvenirs from a land that has given us brief glimpses into 5,000 years of multiple cultural histories. There is always more to the feast than we can eat, but it is an experience that we will never forget.

For more information, contact your travel agent or the Government of India Tourist Office, either at 30 Rockefeller Plaza, North Mezzanine, New York, N.Y. 10020 or at 230 North Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Ill. 60601.

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