## Canton Obseruer



## Schools closed as employees strike

By M.B. Dillon Ward
staff writer
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Administrators, substitute teachers
and volunteers - despite their efforts and volunteers - despite their efforts
to keep schools open - were forced by $9: 30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. to dismiss the few students who showed up for classes Friday, the
first day of a strike staged by about 1,200 teachers and support personnel in 1,200 teachers and support personnel in
the Plymouth-Canton Community
school district. school district.
As earry as 6 a.m., picketers, toting
signs reading "The board lacks honessigns reading "The board lacks hones-
s," "You get what you pay for"and "An
equitable contract for all," blocked en-
Pupils ask for talks
Many of the 15,867 students in the
Plymouth-Canton Community school district took advantage of Friday's
strike and summer-like weather by riding bikes, playing video games, and visIng bikes, playing
ting parks, fast food restaurants, 7 .
Eleven and Eleven and Quik-Pik stores.
But unhappy high school senior spent the unexpected vacation day
voicing their dissatisfaction with the lack of progress in contract talks be-
tween the administration and employee groups.
By $9: 30$ a.m. Friday, every school in
the district had the district had dismissed its students,
as teachers, teacher aides, secretaries, as teachers, teacher aides, secretaries,
bus drivers, custodians and cafeteria

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trances to 20 school buildings. No inci- ternoon that school buildings would be look for a quick settlement was grim. today to set up a hearing,
dents of violence or injuries were-re- closed to students, but open to staff on Both sides claimed "we're willing to Nothing on the school b dents of violence or injuries were-re- closed to students, but open to staff on . Both sides claimed "we're willing to Nothing on the school board's agenda
ported.
Monday. They announced that commu- meet at any time," but no hearings or for tonight's 7 ? 30 meeting relates to the Less than 100 of the 3,487 Centennial Mity education classes "will be operat- contract talks had been scheduled. It labor dispute. Educational Park students showed up ed as possible, but to check for . Was expected that district negotiator NO TEACHERS reported to work at
for class, Most were transported by changes."
 a phone newsline (453-0271) Friday af- they're "never without hope," the out- Employment Relations. Commission


Only a few students showed up for high school classes Friday day ended almost before it started as they arrived in the fog and are morning. For these students at Plymouth Canton High the school shown here going home with fog still hovering in the parking lot.

Federal funds denied Canton loses housing bid

By Arione
staff writer
There is no senior-citizen apartmen complex in Canton's immeediate future.
Officials of the federal Departur Officials of the federal Departmen (HUD) have rejected a bid by Canton officalas to build a 118 -unit senior citiTownship officials several months ago applued to rua. supervisor Jame to Washington, D.C. in topes of bolstering Canton's chances.
"There just wasn't enough mane
(available)," said grants coordinator through Sen. Cart Levin's office. ac
Terry Carroll "We're on the down side of funding. The competition has beALTHOUGT THE township would not be involved in the financing, con-
struction or operation of the project. Poole believes a senior-citizen apart-
ment would greatly enhance Canton's identity. "Nobody deserves that more than Poole. "We're going after it again. It's
a perfect location." Word of the denial came Sept. 23

## Application was filed several months

ago under a HUD program. in which
the senior citizen pays up to 30 percent
The federal government income in rent remainder, to the fair market rene remainder, to the fair market rental
value, Carroll said. According to Carroll. Poole had tak en an active part in finding a non-profit
organization to eserve as mortgager. re
quired by HUD. A real estate division

## Residents, officials fume over open basements

By Arione Funke
staft writer
Debra Prasad is tired of Debra Prasad is tired of looking out
her window and seeing a dangerous eyesore.
Prasad
Hives on Courtland, in the Pickwick
and Lilley. and Lilley. Adjacent to her property started but never finished.
According to Prasad, trees and
weeds are growing in the open base weeds are growing in the open base weeds and debris. Rainwater collect creating a nuisance and danger for pets. and children
There are four uncapped basements in Prastrated, worrying about their chil. dren's safety.
13. years." Prasad baid going on for people would agree it's a danger. There are a lot of small children in this area. TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS have - which results from, the pousing slump - within 60 days.
Construction of the hornes began in
the late 1970s, at the tail end of Can the late 1970s, at the tail end of Can-
ton's housing boom. Basements were
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Seniors concerned; want talks scheduled Only a handful of students show for classes contow
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## Basements a danger





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## from our readers

Radio station treated poorly To the editor: 1 feel a need to inform our commun yy of a negative aspect of the recent This is not a sour grapes story, but a sincere concern I have for some Plyroouth's community leaders.
On May 4 of this year I spoke to the On May 4 of this year I spoke to the
portunity for WSDP-FM to browdcast
on a remote basis from downtown on a remme
Plymouth I requested a booth for this purpose
with the understanding no fund raising would be done. I stated WSDP felt it important to become a visible part of the Festival
and of the community. I was told there would be discussion on my request in privat session. I then left the meeting. $I$ then On May. 11 I read a published article in the Crier, "the board voted to waive

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How d
when you when you are not int an application need to do so?
She was uncooperative and unwilling to admit an oversight on the Festival's
behalf. behalf.
After leaving the site, I iniormed After leaving the site, 1 iniormed
certain individuals of what had transpired. On Friday morning. Mrs. Shevlin
called to tell me a space (not booth) called to tell me a space (not booth
was available. WSD avalis student directors decided to
WSDP set up a table and distribute informa-
tion, but not to set up remote broad tion, but not to set up remote broad-
casting equipment. There was no shelcastung equippnent. There was no shel-
ter or roped-off area. WSDP did broadcast from its studios Saturday and Sunday which is an extension of is usual
broadcast hours.

WidF iad received commitments planned a total involvement for the ely planned a total involvement for the en-
tire Festival, only to become an tire Festival, oolly to become an To culminate this experience, on Sunday, Sept. 11. I arrived to find our location occupied by Chicken Barbecue
activities. I was never informed. I wonder if a popular commercial
station would have received the same station would have received the same
treatment. treatment. life, with the exception of four years at Michigan State, and have always felt proud to call Plymouth my home.
Since becoming station manager WSDP last September, one of my primary objectives has been to make WSDP more involved and recognized in
the Plymouth-Canton area.

I was dealt a major setback by the mercial-oriented Fall Festival I wonder if our community knows
how fortunate it is to have a 200 -wat how fortunate it is to haye a 200 -wat
FM radio station - the most powerful high school station in Michigan, and perhaps in the country. WSDP has existed for more than 1
years and has prepared countless ind viduals for successful pursuits in the communication field.
If our cormmunity leaders can't take
WSDP seriousis WSDP seriously, maybe it's time to re evaluate the
dio station.
After all, I know many munities which would love to take over. Addrew T. Melin
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Buzzer shot goes, Rocks fall in OT
By Brad Emone $\qquad$

Everybody in the gym figured who
Was going to get the ball with six sec-
onds to play and the game on the lineonds to play and the game on the line.
Ptymouth satem caach Fret man knew. So did Livonia Bentley
coach Tom Lang. There was little dis mann knew. So did Livonia Bentley
coach Tom Lang. There was little dis-
cussion in the huddle about who cussion in the buddle about who
should handle it. inbounds pass from teammate Sheri Wolfe, dribbled through a maze of de-
fenders and sank a 30 -foot bank shot fenders and sank a 30 -foot bank shot
at the buzzer to give the Bulldogs a heart-stopping $40-38$ overtime girls
basketball victory over Western Lakes Conference nemesis Plymouth
Salem. It was another typical Bentley-Sa-
lem showdown - played right down "We told Laurie to "go as far as you where we had two girls sef up," Lang explained. "We were taking the ball
under our own basket. I told Sheri to make sure you get a good inbounds
'mase pass. But that's why we always have
her there because she's an exceptionher there
al passer.

THOMANN, whose team fell to $6-2$
overall, explained his defensive strategy on the final play "We wanted her to take the full six seconds and trap her near mid-court. Inever though she could make that shot. The prob-
lem was we couldn't respond. Day and hard-working Lonnie Payne each scored 12 points for Bent-
ley, now $7-1$ overall.
 while steady Pam McBride and hard
driving Fran Whittaker added . 11 each. Rocks had final possession of failed to pull off the game-winner. Wolfe scored the first four points of The overtime, but Salem answered
with four straight points on a short jumper by McBride followed by two Johnson free throws.
BENTLEY then turned the ball

## Chiefs sink Hawks

Ah, now that's more like it After three dispiriting losses in

row, the Plymouth Canton Chiefs rediscovered their winning formala,
pummeling lowly Farmington Herripummeling lowly Farmingtion Harri-
son, $57-16$.
It took a pretty good tongue-lashing trom coach Phyllis Cunningham Mulroy to get the Chiefs untracked.
"We sat down and had a little talk, Mulroy said. "We had to look at what
meive done and where we were going We were oot fired up. There was to Duinger, Do aggressivenes
over with 25 seconds to play when
Terri Lesniak stole a pass, giving Sa lem an opportunity to win it. Salem got off a good baseline shot
with 10 seconds remaining but the with 10 seconds remaining, but the
ball failed to drop.
WWe got some at the end of the game, Thomann
said. "For us to win we've got to said. "For us' to win we've got to
make the big play. We did make some tonight, but not the last one. It's one
of those kind of games whete yout don't feel you lost it - we just got
beat." The Bulldogs jumped out to an 8lead early behind he shooting of
Bridget Nicol, but Salem stormed
back, outscoring Bentley 11-6 in the back, outscoring Bentley $11-6$ in the
secoond period and 11-8 in the third quarter.
Thocks enjoyed their biggest lead of the night (28-21) with 1.53 fe-
maining in the third period on a drive maining in the third

BENTLEY CLAWED back into on six straight points by Payne fol lowed by Day's outside jumper with
2:14 remaining in regulation time making the count 34 -34.
During the spurt, Salem made two crucial turnovers.
"At times we played like marsh mallows," Lang sayd. "Our marsh-
was too soft. We needed to get there and deny the pass - play tight. overs and scored, we might have been blown out."
Thomann also noticed the turning Thomann also noticed the turning
point. "We had the game spread six or
eight points, and we needed to score ope more time," he said. "We had couple of
hurt us."

THE TWO TEAMS, which have eatued for league bragging rights fo 'You couldn't ask for a better played game," said Laag. "It was
struggle for both teams. The intensity on both sides was great. The intensit
on TTis is a tough group of kids," said
Thoman. "Theyre disappointed" by losing, but theyll bounce back."

MULROY SAID her Chiefs had to
work harder on defense and on trying work harder on detense and on trying
to be more patient on offense. As a
resuit of the prief ten ressult of the brieef beari-to-heart talk,
the Chiefs went the Chiefs went out Thursday an played their best game of the season.
Tverybody contributed. Everybody played and played well,", Mulcy
said. sald. Tami Budiong fired in miee potn Tami Budlong fired in nime points contributed eight. Nancy Gray, Laura $\frac{\text { Darby, end Soe Opatray all had eight }}{\text { Pisese turn to Pege }}$

## Rocks win a thriller, 30-29

staff writer

Spectators who witnessed Plym-
outh Salem's $30-29$ football win Friday night over Livonia Churchill cer tainly got more than their usual $\$ 2$
worth.
It was one of the wildest and most
entertaining games in years, with the
Chargers coming up short on a twoChargers coming up short on a two
point conversion pass that could have
won the game with only eight seconds remaining.
Churchill came into the game a decided underdog against the unbeaten
Rocks, who seemed to have control of hings, only to have the never-say-die Chargers rally behind the passing of
John Stotisiadis. The junior quarterback passed for
212 yards (10 of 24 ) and rushed for 68 more. He marched the Chargers 50 his own scoring run of six yards to pull his team to within one.
The drive was set up when Salem ailed on a fourth-down-and-one play Instead of going for the tie and kicking the extra pornt, Churchill wo. faking on the play. Stoitsidasis pass was tipped
the end zone.
"WE WENT for it and it was my
decision," said Kaestner. "It was decision," said Kaestner. "It was out
of character for me. I feel bad for the kids because-we played a great foot-
ball game. Salem coach Tom Moshimer
his team was fortunate to win.
It was a super game for the spe lators, but not for me," said the r
lieved coach. "Churchill is heved coach. "Churchill is a good
team and that kid (Stoitsiadis) can That was a terrible coaching mis-
take I made on fourth down. We tried to fool them, but they closed the gap Churchill had taken the lead with 6:42 left in the final quarter on a 42 yard dash up the middle by Erwin An
derson-Smith. Matt Wiljanen's extra But on the first play of the next indall backed up only two steps and fired a short pass to Mike Galliers,
standing all alone just off the line of
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { TD pass. Scott Jurek then ran in for } & \begin{array}{l}\text { Chris Raymond ran in for the two } \\ \text { pointer to make it } \\ 8 \text {-6. }\end{array}\end{array}$ the two-point conversion, making the "THAT PLAY broke out our heart, Kaestner said. "It may have been a
busted coverage. I won't know until we see the films." Churchill, sparked by a junior-lain the firsthalf. Sophomore - Greg Bond, recently
called up from the JV squad, dashed five yards for a TD with 5:03 to play in the first quarter. The extra point
kick failed. Salem then pulled off a flea-flicker play with $3: 56$ to go in the half when
Tindall pitched the ball to back-up QB Tindall pitched the ball to back-up QB
Steve Sobditch, who threw back to Tindall for a 64 -yard scoring play. Sa


Mike Galliers rune or the Mike Galliers runs out, of the shadows with the
winning TD against Churchill Friday night. Gal-
yards for a TD. making the count 22 . But Churchill's Bob Foust ripped through the middle on the enspung
kick-off, racing 81 yards down to the kick-off, racing 81 yards down to the
Salem 10 . - Stoitsiadis then completed a big fourth down pass to John Fraser from four yards out to give Churchill a TD

JUREK FINISHED with 84 yards in carries, while Tindall hit four of six passes for 128 yards.
Anderson-Smith, a 5 -foot-7, 150 pound senior, made six catches for
134 yards. Most of his grabs occurred in heavy rraffic with Salem defenders draped all over him. He took a vicious hit on the final Churchill scoring drive, but held on for a key 34 -yar
liers caught
Mark Tindall.

Earlier in the half, Churchill had
the ball twice inside the Salem 10, but the ball twice inside the Salem 10 , but
came up empty handed. The Charg. ers, however, scored on the final play of the half when Wilianen booted a 20-yard field goal giving his team a
one-point lead.
"I THINK that's the worst half
we've ever played," Moshimer said. We've ever played," Moshimer said. But tome the churchill coaches after
the game that their offensive and de-
fines dominated the line of fensive lines dominated the line of
scrimmage." scrimmage."
Salem, beh Salem, behind Tindall and Jurek:
got the ball moving in the second half: got the ball moving in the second half.
The Rocks went ahead $16-9$ midway through the third period on a $30-$
yard pass from Tindall to Craig Mor yard pass from Tindall ta Craig Mor-
ton. Salem scored again only three Salem scored again only three
nutes later when Jurek romped 39

Records dunked in Canton win
Chiefs rule in Plymouth pool war


Margaret Gilligan, wearing the Chiefa' war paint, was one of three double-event winners against Salem Thuraday night.
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Johnson won the 20

## Wendy Gilles beaten in Slims bid

## By Chris McCooky

$\qquad$ ginia Slims round of the 32 -player Vier began Friday at
the Beverly Hills Racquet Clut the Beverly Hills Racquet Club There
were some local surprises, but no local victories
Plymouth's Chris Gilles was sup-
posed to te the only Plymouth's Chris Gilles was sup-
posed to be the only local junior ama-
teur player in the qualifier. However. because several touring pros bad to
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zy, illiness. or previous commitment Ty, Milless, or previous commitment,
Caris Gilles' sister Wendy and Farm. ington Harrison junior Kelly Davidson
got unexpected got unexpected, last-second berths
Chris Glles had ber match delayed until Saturddy because her opponent,
No. 7 seed Pliar Vasquez, was playing No. 7 seed P Plar Vascuez was playing,
in another tourney in Baxersfield,
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Wendy drew the qualifier's No 6
seed. Susan Leo of Australia LLeo, tated
No. 6 in Australta, came out aggres.
sively attacking the net Her tactics sively attacking the enet
caught Wendy off guard
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again I'll know what to do
But this math belonged exclusively
to the Auseie Leo But. Chis match belonged exclusively
to the Aussie Leo won in stralght sets.
$6-3,8-0$ 6-3, 6-0
Gilles made one run at ber in the
first set Down 0-3 and looking totally frustrated, Gilles began firing forehand three out of the next four games to make the set the in in favor of Leo. Then in the middle of the eighth game. there
was a five-minute delay while tourse.

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