

# Readers Speak Up On Controversial Issues

## Teener Perturbed

What is the older generation coming to? I ask this not in jest, but in complete seriousness. It is my generation that is being blamed for many of the faults that exist in the United States today, but I ask you to take another look. I cite the following incident as an example.

I attended a large picnic recently, one that my subdivision had put on. The area was very crowded, and there were no picnic tables left. Two friends and I, all Stevenson juniors, had just obtained some ice cream and needed a place to eat it.

One of our group spotted a table that was not being used, except for one young girl sitting on the end, so we sat down and started eating.

Just a moment later, two men came over and told us that it was their table and we would have to leave. We politely asked him, since he wasn't using the table at the moment, why couldn't we finish eating.

He repeated that we would have to leave. We pointed out that there were no empty tables, but since this did not matter at all to the men, we left. Ten minutes later we noticed that the table was still empty, with the men returning to their football game.

This was only a small incident, but it makes you think. If our older generation can not even share as little of a thing as a picnic table, how can we expect brotherhood among men. I have no answer, but I pray someone does.

JOHN MYERS

## Against Tax Hike

EDITOR:

I see that the taxpayers of Livonia are again going to have an opportunity to vote for a renewal of millage for the schools and possibly an added millage on Sept. 30.

May I say right now, that I am going to vote against the renewal and if there is another millage, I'll vote against that. Seems to me that the people of Livonia are getting fed up with only being able to cast a vote for adding more taxes to our already high enough tax bill.

Does the legislature think us incapable of voting on other issues that are important to us? I have written to our state senators and representatives about this and the answer was they know what's best for us, yes, they do, they know how we feel and they want to make sure that they will get our money and we haven't anything to say about it.

For example, the state income tax, we were not allowed to vote for or against that, the open housing issue, we did not vote for or against that either. But the legislature makes sure that their committees get elected in order that they can get their big fat raises and a lot of other benefits.

As far as the schools go, they can close all of them down or else come to some agreement that they have to get along on what money they have and cut a few corners and frills. Take, for example, this new high school that is being built. It looks like a spread-out castle—what happened to the old fashioned two-story building with a basement, which is much more practical.

Don't say it's more safe for a child to be in a one-story no-basement building surrounded by glass. Where do they go in case of a tornado alert? Or any other kind of alarm. At least in a building with a basement, there is a place to go. Hospitals have basements and many floors, likewise college dorms and buildings.

I believe that the time has come for all taxpayers who are interested in cutting corners and frills to vote against these issues—if not, more and more increases will be forced upon us.

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## Against Proposal

EDITOR:

The Township of Plymouth has taken an option on 63 acres of land in the western end of the township for the purpose of a proposed recreation facility. I would like to express my personal dissatisfaction and opposition to following through on this proposal. My reasons are as follows:

1. The proposed site is nowhere near the center of population of the township but is located near the more unpopulated areas.

2. Sixty-three acres is by far more land than is needed for a recreation building. A multi-story recreation center can easily be built on 5-10 acres.

3. Only a small percentage

of the total population would use such a facility. The main purpose has been centered around a skating rink. Ice skating can be economically provided at any school yard by flooding a section.

4. The proposed location is a long distance from the new high school at Canton Center and Joy Road and students would be

prime users of such a building. 5. Establishment of a building authority that has the right to complete the project and issue bonds without voter approval constitutes taxation without representation.

I heartily urge the Township Trustees to take a long serious look at the present layout of the project or face serious op-

position to the entire program.

LAUREN R. JANUZ

## Eyes Bulge

EDITOR:  
A few times a week I have occasion to go into town during lunch hour and since school re-

opened I was quite shocked when I saw what was coming out of our Plymouth High School. It was quite shocking to see young students (girls in particular) coming out of the school building and wondering how the school principal, the Plymouth community and parents allow their children to even leave

their homes in the morning. The girls' dresses in particular, far above the knees makes you wonder if they are wearing short shorts or if they are actually dresses or skirts.

I would think it would be very distracting, especially to the boys, to sit in class and stare at the unsightly exposure of the girl students. Take a

few moments during lunch hour, and observe some of the girls especially coming out and if you are a man - stay cool - remember you do have a wife at home.

Why is Plymouth excusing such dress appearance in school?

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