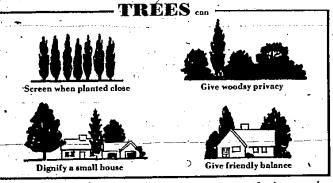
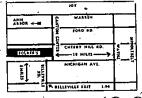


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Every year the Plymouth Fall Festival is said to be "the best ever" -- and this year is no exception.

The popular event where a quiet colonial town opens its doors to thousands of visitors for four days grows larger and broader with each season.

It was back in 1956 that the tradition began when the Plymouth Rotary Club held a chicken barbecue and corn roast. About 125 persons turned out for the event.

Last year, more than 60,000 persons enjoyed the festivities.

The growth of the Fall Festival has been a tribute to the hard work of the many volunteers and service groups that pitch in to make it possible.

But the growth of the event hasn't taken away the friendly, home-townish atmosphere even though, as festivals go, it's one of the state's biggest.

Four days of fantastic home style "dinners" begin Thursday with a German style knackwurst dinner, followed on Friday by a fish dinner.

On Saturday a paneake dinner runs all day and a beef rib dinner is featured in the afternoon and evening.

This year the Rotary Club chicken barbecue, the mainstay of the festival, is expected to serve 15,000 dinners.

In addition to those major dinners, several smaller concession stands will offer a variety of national dishes and popular American foods.

But food isn't all there is to the fall festival.

If you visit town during this weekend, be sure to see the Antique Mart and the Arts and Crafts Show. There's even a double decker bus that will provide rides from Kellogg Park area, where most events occur, to the city's Old Village area.

More than 60,000 persons are expected to take in the wide array of events and entertainment which is provided free almost continuously at the bandstand by Kellogg Park.

The testival is the culmination of a year-long effort for the Fall Festival Board, whose usually-monthly meetings become more frequent (weekly or more often) as July and August pass and the event is at hand.

The board handles the overall festival details including table and chair rental, publicity, entertainment, scheduling and arranging for the necessary auxiliary.



A DOUBLE DECKER BUS will be provided during Thursday, Friday and Saturday of the Fall Festival for transportation at a small fee from Main Street in front of City Hall to the Cultural Center and Plymouth's Old Village area.