

September/October 2017

## Requests from the Exhibits Crew

### Weddings Through the Years Exhibit, January 2018

The Exhibits Crew of the Plymouth Historical Museum is asking members to consider loaning items to the Museum for use in our upcoming Wedding exhibit in January 2018.

Here's what they're looking for:

- Photos of weddings and wedding venues
- Preserved wedding bouquets
- Dresses from the 1920s or earlier
- Wedding suits from the 1920s or earlier
- Undergarments from the 1920s or earlier
- Cake toppers
- Wedding quilts
- Wedding invitations
- Matches
- Wedding photo albums
- Wedding memories of Plymouth residents

Please contact Mary Thackston, exhibits coordinator, if you have items for loan for the exhibit. Call 734-455-8940 x 7 or email [exhibits@plymouthhistory.org](mailto:exhibits@plymouthhistory.org).

### General Exhibit Requests

The Exhibits Crew requests these items as donations to be used in our permanent exhibits and/or our special exhibits:

- Holiday decorations that are older than 1940s, i.e. Christmas, Easter, Halloween, etc.
- Lighting that is pre-electric, such as gas or kerosene lamps (with liquids removed)
- Oriental rugs
- Early fabric that can be incorporated into exhibits, such as drapery fabric or early textiles; e.g. Paisley shawls
- Early (pre-1900) games or toys
- Early tin ware
- Early advertising
- Graniteware

Please contact Heidi Nielsen, curator, if you have items for donation. Call 734-455-8940 x 3 or email [archives@plymouthhistory.org](mailto:archives@plymouthhistory.org).

## Watch Your Mailbox for the Annual Appeal

It's that time of year when the Plymouth Historical Museum reaches out to its members for support for the upcoming year. The annual appeal letters are in the mail and we are hoping that our star supporters will come through once again to allow us to continue to offer great exhibits and wonderful programming.

One of the biggest items on our wish list this year is a remodel of the kitchen in the Sanford Burr Meeting Room. The kitchen has served us well for many years. However, the changing requirements for the

events that we hold in the Museum require us to reconfigure the kitchen to accommodate two dishwashers and multiple ovens. The remodel will cost about \$16,000. If you would like to help with the remodel project, please indicate your donation should be applied to "Kitchen Remodel."

The reason we need this remodel is because with one dishwasher, it takes us 4-5 days to clean dishes after a tea; with one oven, it is difficult for us to keep up with appetizers at our member previews.

As always, thank you for your ongoing generosity!

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**Monthly Drawing**

Mike Janz and Barbara Louie are the winners of the September and October drawings for a \$25 gift certificate.



**Kroger Plus Card Donations**

Thank you to those who have added the Plymouth Historical Society to their **Kroger Plus Card**. The Museum receives a small percentage from any purchases made by those who have an up-to-date registration on their cards.

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Click on "Michigan" and click on "Enroll."

You must have a valid online account at Kroger.com to participate. If you need help, give us a call at 734-455-8940 ext. 9. We'll be happy to help you get enrolled.

**New Members—Welcome!**

Patricia Boring, Farmington Hills  
 Joe Francis, Plymouth  
 Erika Hampstead, Plymouth  
 John Kinnick, Plymouth  
 Joe Niemenski, Plymouth  
 Judy Pritchard, Plymouth  
 Hilary Smith, Livonia  
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**Volunteers Please Note**

The Plymouth Historical Museum has a change in Volunteer Coordinators. Janet Burns, office manager, and Maria Thompson, our new marketing director, will be sharing the responsibilities of Volunteer Coordinator. New volunteers should call Janet at 734-455-8940 x6; volunteers wanting to schedule work days should still call Madelyne Beddoes at 734-512-6267.

**Museum Wish List**

The Plymouth Historical Museum a privately funded 501 (c)3 charitable organization. We receive no government funding. We always have a "wish list" of things that help us as we work to preserve and share the history of Plymouth.

Here are some of our common purchases to provide inspiration.

- Roll of 100 first-class postage stamps **\$49**
- Box of copy paper **\$27**
- IT/Network support **\$250**
- ½ month heating bill **\$375**
- ½ month electric bill **\$475**
- 1 month employee salary **\$500**

To donate, make your check payable to the Plymouth Historical Museum.

# Volunteer Spotlight

By Yvette Babish, volunteer coordinator

## Christy Haradean

Christy is a dedicated volunteer who gives her time and talents to the Plymouth Historical Museum. Christy grew up in Mt. Clemens, Michigan, then moved to Bloomfield Hills in the middle of her junior year of high school. She participated in track, cheerleading, yearbook, newspaper, theatre, and stage crew.

Christy attended Eastern Michigan University and studied journalism, arts, and radio. She was a studio photographer for a few years and then decided to open her own advertising company. After starting her business, she became the advertising director/manager for Dobbs Furniture, then on to Tyner & Smith Furniture stores. Christy continued her love of being a graphic artist at the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. Her love of the arts continued at culinary school; she became a pastry chef and baker for Holiday Market and Ackroyd's Scotch Bakery and Sausage House, from which she retired in 2016.

Christy volunteers as a guide and actor for the Plymouth Historical Museum. She has portrayed Bessie Dunning, a paper doll, and most recently as Bridget Gallager at "A Plymouth Wake" Murder Mystery.

The Plymouth First United Methodist Church is an important part of her life. Christy participates with the Appalachia Service Project, Quilting Group, Communion Service set up, and general kitchen help.



*Christy Haradean, volunteer guide and actor for the Plymouth Historical Museum.*

Additionally, she performs as a drum major, color guard, and honor guard for six Scottish bagpipe bands, volunteers at the St. Andrew's Scottish Highland Games at Greenmead, and reenacts as a Royal 42nd Highlander from the Revolutionary War time period.

Christy's hobbies include home improvement, construction, building, sewing, baking, and quilting. Christy's talents and contributions help make the Plymouth Historical Museum a wonderful place to visit.

Please join our pool!

Attention all newly retired teachers!

Are you sorry to see school start without you?

Come join our volunteer teaching staff (as your schedule permits) for school field trips.

Call Leslie Ryder, education coordinator, to discuss this fun opportunity!  
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Jump into the Pool !

We are looking for people to join our pool of educational presenters.



**Donations Received  
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Thank You!**

The following generous donations were received between August and September 2017:

**The Lincoln  
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**A Dickens Holiday Tea**  
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**Sunday, December 10**  
**2–4 PM**  
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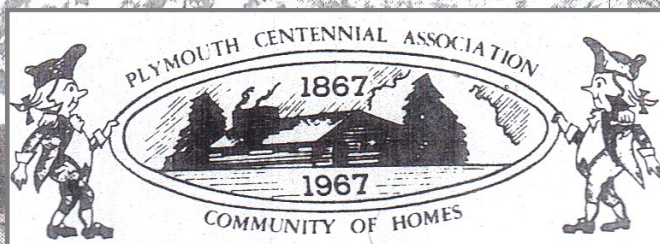


Mark your calendar and dust off your flapper dresses!

Next Year's "A Night For the Museum" gala will be Saturday, March 3, 2018 at the Italian American Banquet Center.

To become a sponsor contact Liz Kerstens at 734.455.8940 ext. 9

50 Years Ago -  
October 1967



## *Msgr. Hickey Sets Up Gallery For Paintings*

The City of Plymouth is going to have an art gallery to add to its cultural charm.

One of the most popular collections of oil paintings to be found anywhere in Wayne County, aside from the Detroit Institute of Arts, is being fitted into a permanent display in the little, old white house on the corner of Deer Street and Ann Arbor Trail.

It is the collection gathered by Monsignor Edward Hickey through the years and is in his words, "the end result of handling at least 3500 paintings."

For many years the collection was quartered at the Chancellory on Washington Boulevard in Downtown Detroit and later on Livernois in the St. Mary's of Redford Parish.

However, during the recent riots in Detroit, the paintings were brought to Plymouth for safe keeping and have been here since.

Prior to that, some of the outstanding works have been on display from time to time at special functions in the Meeting House.

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WITH MANY of the paintings stored in Plymouth, the idea grew to have them in the city permanently. Through the work of John Kamego, former representative of the Michigan Bell in Plymouth, Harold Guenther and a few others. Monsignor Hickey was persuaded to establish the gallery here.

"It is going to be an interesting undertaking," the Monsignor remarked, as he went about cleaning up the lawn at the old house while a group of workers started washing and painting the inside of the building.

"It will be a lot of hard work to get ready," Monsignor Hickey commented, "but we hope to be settled in here by the first of the month."

## Holiday Craft Bazaar

December 2, 2017

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- Juried Show
- 28 Artisans

# Plymouth Days Gone By

Compiled by Gerry Sabatini from the newspaper archives at the Plymouth District Library

50 Years Ago - October 1967



*Sid Strong Looks Back Over 50 Years As Scout*

On Sunday, November 1, Sid Strong, the city's first manager, will celebrate an important anniversary.

No, it will not be his birthday, or the anniversary of his coming here to manage the thriving young village in 1920. Each of these anniversaries hold important places in his life, but the one he celebrates on Sunday brings broad smiles of satisfaction.

The big day will mark the completion of 50 years of service with the Boy Scouts and, as he puts it, "These years have brought me many lifelong friends and some of the finest memories of my time".

Over this half century he has earned or been awarded--most every honor available to a Boy Scout and he revels in all of the activity. Only two weeks ago he attended a conference of high officials to help plan more work.

## Should Drinking Age Be Lowered To 18?

The ASK US poll this week produced results that most adults, especially parents, will probably have a hard time believing.

Five of seven Plymouth High students stopped at random after school answered the question with a strong "No."

The question? "Should the legal drinking age be lowered to 18 in this state?"

In Michigan, as in most states, the age at which young people can drink is 21.

In New York, it's 18. In several states beer and wine are allowed at 18, but no hard liquor until 21.

Most of the students we talked to seemed to think that high school kids who wanted liquor could get it in spite of the laws. And they all knew a certain group of kids who do get it, long before even the 18-year milestone.

One 16-year-old junior, Bruce Yakley, said: "It doesn't matter to me; I don't drink. But I don't think the law should be changed. Guys 18 aren't responsible enough."

Jackie Dunlap, also 16, disagreed. She thought the age should be lowered because "the kids who drink are going to do it anyway, and if it weren't

illegal, they might be more reasonable."


Jon Cederberg, a sophomore, thought the present law was just. He said: "I know a lot of guys 18 who drink just because other people do. Kids that age have better stuff to do."

Several students mentioned the unhappy combination of drinking and driving as an argument against lowering the age limit. They said that students had enough trouble driving without liquor.

Another common argument against 18-year-old drinking was that adults created enough problems:

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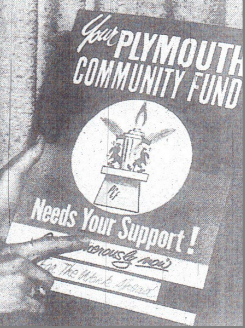


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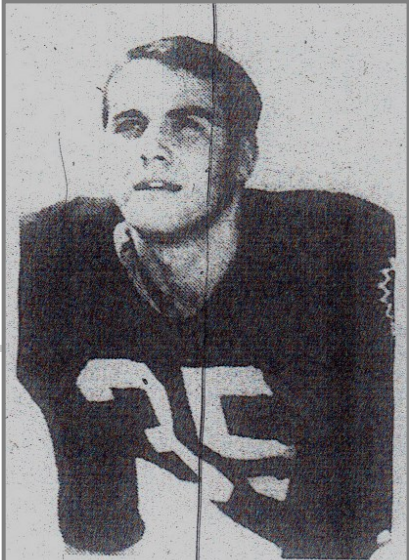
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**REIGNS OVER FUND DRIVE** --- Carol Karshneski, a statuesque blonde secretary employed at the Burroughs Corporation, was selected this week as "Miss Sweet Charity" of the 1967 Plymouth Community Fund campaign to raise a record \$98,586 for support of 13 public service agencies. Her first official act will be to preside over the kick-off torchlighting ceremonies at 7:15 p.m. Monday, Oct. 9 in Kellogg Park.



**50 Years Ago - October 1967**



**DICK EGLOFF**, of Plymouth, is a defensive linebacker with the Arizona State University grid squad this fall. The 6-foot-2, 203-pound senior has played in both Sun Devils games this season.

*It Hits Checks This Week*

The day of reckoning is near--in fact next Friday--when your paycheck will be smaller than it was a week ago.

The reason is that Michigan's new 2.6 per cent personal income tax is in effect and more than 200,000 firms must withhold an amount to meet your liability.

How much smaller the net pay will be is dependent on income and the number of dependents. Each employer has a tax guide and tables to help him with the figures.

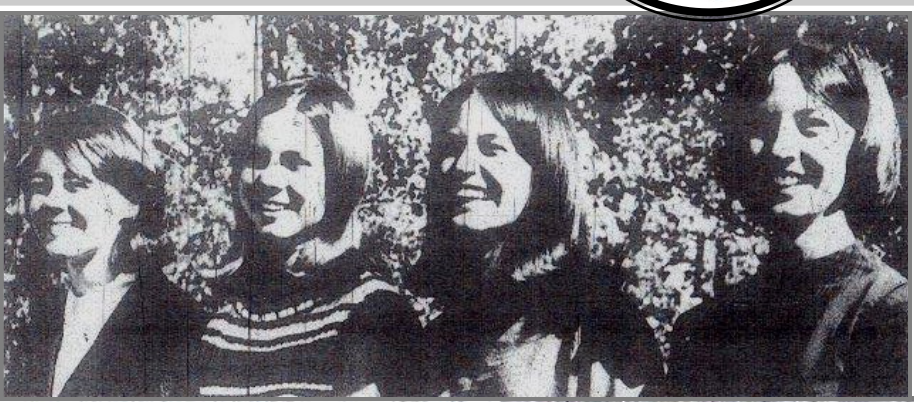
The tax exists on "income received on or after Oct. 1." Thus if your pay check is for work of last week or last month, the tax still is withheld.

Any employer who didn't get a tax guide or withholding tables had better get them and start the paycheck deductions.

**City Crews Start Leaf Collections**

**Kenneth Vogras**, superintendent of the Plymouth Public Works Department, announced this week that the city's annual leaf pickup program will start immediately.

As rain and cold weather have combined to bring about autumn's first great fall of leaves, the city has readied its plans to put DPW crews to work on the 32 miles of Plymouth streets.



**WHO WILL BE QUEEN?** One of these four seniors will rule over the Plymouth High homecoming activities during the weekend as Homecoming Queen. The selection will be made in a schoolwide vote Friday afternoon and the winner

will be kept secret until the coronation ceremonies at halftime of the Plymouth-Allen Park football game. The four senior candidates include: (from left) Peggy Clyde, Judi Utter, Julie Hegerich and Candy Nay.

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## Calendar of Events

For a detailed list of events, visit the Museum website at [www.plymouthhistory.org/events.html](http://www.plymouthhistory.org/events.html).

### October

30—"Haunted Main Street" exhibit closes. Museum closed until Nov. 8.

### November

8—"Charles Dickens Christmas" special exhibit opens.

8—Wednesday, Members Only Reception, 6-8 PM.

24—Santa's Workshop, 6-8 PM; free admission, sponsored by Magformers.

25&26—Santa Claus visits Museum.

### December

2—Saturday, Annual Juried Craft Bazaar, 10 AM-4 PM.

2&3—Santa Claus visits Museum

10—"A Dickens Holiday Tea," with Simply Dickens, 2-4 PM. Members, \$25; non-members, \$30; add \$5 after December 1.

16&17—Santa Claus visits Museum

23&24—Santa Claus visits Museum

31—"Charles Dickens Christmas" exhibit closes. Museum closed until Jan. 17, 2018

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