# ISSUES & PROGRAMS (Q4 – 2023) OCTOBER-DECEMBER 2023

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## **ISSUES COVERED**

- Plymouth-Canton Community Schools News
- Public Safety and Municipal Government News in Plymouth, Canton and the surrounding communities
- Municipally sponsored Recreation and Programming News in Plymouth, Canton and the surrounding communities
- Arts and Educational Events and News in Plymouth, Canton and surrounding communities
- Local Non-Profit Organizations' News and Events
- News from the Local Libraries
- Non-Municipal Community programming, News and events

### **ISSUE ONE:**

### **Plymouth-Canton Community Schools News**

10/2/23	Newsfile @ 5:30	-	1:16			
Gallimore Ele	ementary honored as a		chool by US Department of Education			
10/4/23	Newsfile @ 5:30	-	1:11			
Plymouth Car	nton Music Boosters pr		ual Holiday Arts and Crafts Show.			
10/9/23	Newsfile @ 5:30	-	1:12			
Liberty Midd	le School Teacher Dan		ned to statewide collaborative group.			
10/11/23Community Focus5:45pm10:19The Park Players Theatre Company is the resident company at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park. Their next production is A Comedy of Tenors, which will be on stage in November. 88.1 the Park's Sydney Capen, talked with the President of Thespian Troupe 354 at P-CEP, Lily Rork.						
10/13/23	Newsfile @ 5:30	-	1:10			
P-CCS invite	s the community to dis		ool opportunities at open house.			
10/13/23 P-CCS Specia	Newsfile @ 5:30 alized services to hold	1	1:16 students with special needs.			
10/17/23	Newsfile @ 5:30	1	1:15			
P-CEP studer	nts named National Me		semi-finalists.			

10/18/23Newsfile @ 5:305:30pm1:11P-CCSoffers workshop for families about tech screen time.

10/25/23Newsfile @ 5:305:30pm1:13P-CCS invites community to quarterly Coffee with Monica chat with superintendent.

10/25/23 Community Focus 5:45pm 8:25 Plymouth-Canton Community Schools announced a new educational careers pathway, implemented this year, that focuses on helping high school students get an early head start in teaching careers. The program gives students hands on experience working in the Kiddie Kampus program as they gain experience in Pre-K and early childhood education. 88.1 the Park's Anya Read spoke with P-CCS Director of Early Childhood Education, Dana Jones, about the opportunities for students.

10/26/23Newsfile @ 5:305:30pm1:09Canton Brew Works to host fundraiser for P-CEP Choir.

10/27/23Newsfile @ 5:305:30pm1:18Michigan Legislature opens door to possible NIL deals for high school athletes.

10/30/23Newsfile @ 5:305:30pm1:11P-CEP student celebrates perfect score on the AP Micro Economics Exam.

11/2/23Newsfile @ 5:305:30pm1:16P-CCS recognizes teacher Brandon Lee with the district's Extra Miler Award.

11/3/23Newsfile @ 5:305:30pm1:12P-CEP counseling departments release details for shadow day programs.

11/6/23 Women's Sports Spotlight 5:45pm 9:18 Andy McLaren, Leo Popp and Brody Klein spotlight the Girl's Swim and Dive teams at Canton, Plymouth and Salem High Schools. They spoke with Salem's Camila Soto, Plymouth's Zoe Wood and Canton's Maria Balow, along with coaches Ed Weber and Matt Zavislak.

11/10/23Newsfile @ 5:305:30pm1:13P-CEP Lightning Robotics holds stem workshop for young girls.

11/14/23Newsfile @ 5:305:30pm1:08P-CEP Choir to perform with Oakland University Jazz Singers on November 22.

11/15/23Community Focus5:45pm13:50Plymouth-Canton Educational Park Marching Band returned from Indianapolis where they<br/>competed in the Bands of America Grand National Championship. The Championship featured<br/>92 bands from across the country.88.1 the Park Station Manager, Bill Keith, talked with P-C-E-<br/>P Director of Bands, Michael Wells

11/17/23Newsfile @ 5:305:30pm1:10Plymouth-Canton Educational Park Color Guard hosts Try It Out Open House.

11/21/23Newsfile @ 5:305:30pm1:15P-CEP Marching Band celebrates success at Grand Nationals.

11/29/23Community Focus5:45pm13:22Plymouth-Canton Educational Park is the home of a variety of music opportunities. There are<br/>eight different choir groups that students can be part of.88.1 the Park's , Sydney Capen, spoke<br/>with P-CEP Director of Choirs, Jennifer Neumann, about the choirs, opportunities for students<br/>and upcoming performances.

12/5/23Newsfile @ 5:305:30pm1:09P-CCS to hold game nights for families designed to make learning fun.

12/6/23Newsfile @ 5:305:30pm1:18P-CCS Board of Education approves construction of new P-CEP stadium.

12/7/23Newsfile @ 5:305:30pm1:13P-CCS offers workshop for families on the dangers of opioids.

12/8/23Newsfile @ 5:305:30pm1:18P-CCS Virtual Academy programs offers new ways to meet the needs of students.

12/12/23 Moments with Merritt 5:45pm 14:13

Vaibav Ramu, a senior at Plymouth High School, has achieved a rare and commendable feat. Vaibav scored a perfect score on the Advanced Placement Microeconomics exam. This is a testament to his hard work, as Vaibav is among only 44 students globally to have scored a perfect score on this challenging exam. Dr. Monica Merritt welcomed Vaibav and Canton High School Microeconomics Teacher, Jeffrey Richards for this edition of Moments with Merritt.

12/13/23Community Focus5:45pm9:12P-CEP Senior, Saumya Arora recently published her second book of poetry, Engraved in MySoul.88.1 the Park's Program Director, Anuya Shetty, spoke with Saumya about her poetry and<br/>the challenges of publishing a book.

12/19/23Moments with Merritt 5:45pm14:13Vaibav Ramu, a senior at Plymouth High School, has achieved a rare and commendable feat.Vaibav scored a perfect score on the Advanced Placement Microeconomics exam. This is a<br/>testament to his hard work, as Vaibav is among only 44 students globally to have scored a<br/>perfect score on this challenging exam. Dr. Monica Merritt welcomed Vaibav and Canton High<br/>School Microeconomics Teacher, Jeffrey Richards for this edition of Moments with Merritt.

12/21/23 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:16 P-CCS welcomes new Chief Financial Officer, Jill Minnick. 12/21/23Newsfile @ 5:305:30pm1:19Gallimore Elementary ranked #1 elementary in Michigan by U.S. News and World Report.

#### ISSUE TWO: Public Safety and Municipal Government News in Plymouth, Canton and the surrounding communities

- 10/3/23Newsfile @ 5:305:30pm1:19Horse riding could come to an end at Maybury State Park amid vendor search.
- 10/12/23Newsfile @ 5:305:30pm1:12Plymouth voters set to decide recreation millage on November ballot.
- 10/16/23Newsfile @ 5:305:30pm1:15Plymouth Township Firefighters open annual pumpkin patch for charity.
- 10/24/23Newsfile @ 5:305:30pm1:11Saxon's lot in downtown Plymouth reopens to cars.

11/1/23 Community Focus 5:45pm 19:32 Voters in Plymouth will select four members of the Plymouth City Commission on the Tuesday November 7, election. Seven candidates are running for the four seats. Candidates include incumbents Suzi Deal, Linda Filipczak and Kelly O'Donnell. The other four candidates include Catherine Coburn, Brock Minton, Ron Picard and Joshua Rimatzki. 88.1 the Park has reached out to each candidate for interviews. For this show Station Manager Bill Keith talks with Brock Minton, Kelly O'Donnell and Ron Picard. The remaining interviews will air in a special edition of Community Focus on Friday November 3, at 5:40 p.m.

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11/8/23Newsfile @ 5:305:30pm1:12Plymouth voters elects commissioners and turn down a recreation milage.

11/17/23Newsfile @ 5:305:30pm1:10Plymouth Township Supervisor, Kurt Heise, files to run for reelection.

- 11/27/23Newsfile @ 5:305:30pm1:15Canton Club 55+ recognized for service to people with dementia and LGBTQ+ seniors.
- 12/15/23Newsfile @ 5:305:30pm1:18Two Plymouth Township officers honored as Fire and Police Officer of the Year.
- 12/19/23Newsfile @ 5:305:30pm1:13Canton Sports Center to undergo major renovation project.
- 12/20/23 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:16 Northville comes to compromise over closures of Main and Center streets.

#### **ISSUE THREE:**

# Municipally sponsored Recreation and Programming News in Plymouth, Canton and the surrounding communities

10/4/23	<b>Community Focus</b>	5:45pm	10:22				
Canton Township will host their annual Diwali Festival of Lights on Friday October 27, from							
6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the Summit on the Park Banquet Center. The free community program will							
include Indian cultural performances, music and dancing, activities for children and photo							
opportunities. Indian snacks and henna will also be available. 88.1 the Park's, Lola Mak, talked							
with Canton Township Trustee, Tania Ganguly, about the festival and the Diwali holiday.							
10/5/23	Newsfile @ 5:30	5:30pm	1:13				
Canton Township readies for Diwali celebrations.							
10/17/23	Newsfile @ 5:30	-	1:15				
Canton's Turkey Trot fundraiaising run is back for another year.							
10/19/23	Newsfile @ 5:30						
Livonia Westland Chamber of Commerce will host their annual Taste Fest in December.							
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11/1/23	Newsfile @ 5:30	-					
Plymouth Downtown Development Authority to host annual tree lighting celebration.							
11/09/23	Newsfile @ 5.30	5:30nm	1.13				
11/09/23Newsfile @ 5:305:30pm1:13Canton's Cherry Hill Village gets ready for Christmas in the Village.							
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11/20/23	Newsfile @ 5:30	5:30pm	1:15				
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12/12/23 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:17 Canton Township seeks input from youth on programming needs.

#### **ISSUE FOUR:**

# Arts and Educational Events and News in Plymouth, Canton and surrounding communities

10/5/23 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:10 Eastern Michigan University to bring firearm detection to campus. 10/10/23 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:14 Michigan Philharmonic to host Art and Music Take II fundraiser on October 14. 10/12/23 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:17 Michigan Philharmonic prepares for annual "Fright Night" Halloween concert. 10/20/23 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:15 Michigan Jazz Festival hosts workshop for musicians on developing an artist's brand. 10/23/23 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:19 Madonna University hosts an Open House for prospective students. 10/24/23 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:11 Northville Art House prepares for annual small works cxhibit. 10/26/23 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:09 Village Arts Factory to host Kids Halloween Stroll. 10/27/23 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:18 Schoolcraft College brewing program opens brewpub in Vistatech center. 10/30/23 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:11 Michigan Philharmonic prepares for nautical-themed concert. 11/1/23 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:16 The Village Potter's Guild in Plymouth will host a Holiday Market. 11/6/23 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:12 Schoolcraft college reopens a center for student veterans. 11/9/23 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:13

Village Arts Factory reopens their gallery after storms damaged the building in August.

- 11/10/23Newsfile @ 5:305:30pm1:17Schoolcraft College debuts the SC Be Well Program to help students with mental health.
- 11/13/23Newsfile @ 5:305:30pm1:08Art of Humankind exhibit comes to Cherry Hill Village Theatre.
- 11/15/23Newsfile @ 5:305:30pm1:10Plymouth Community Arts Council will host their annual holiday market.
- 11/21/23Newsfile @ 5:305:30pm1:15Schoolcraft College will add new soccer fields.
- 11/29/23Newsfile @ 5:305:30pm1:14Schoolcraft College student group to host anime convention.
- 12/1/23 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:19 Schoolcraft College announces formation of ice hockey team.
- 12/5/23Newsfile @ 5:305:30pm1:09Northville Art House gets ready to host holiday exhibition.
- 12/12/23Newsfile @ 5:305:30pm1:17Plymouth Community Arts Council to host annual Members Exhibit.
- 12/13/23 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:09 Village Arts Factory will host an Adaptive Arts Workshop in January.
- 12/14/23Newsfile @ 5:305:30pm1:18Interlochen camp in Northern Michigan to host prestigious Shakespeare competition.

#### **ISSUE FIVE:**

#### Local Non-Profit Organizations' News and Events

10/3/23Newsfile @ 5:305:30pm1:16Plymouth Community United Way launches Hats for the Homeless drive.

10/10/23Newsfile @ 5:305:30pm1:14Living and Learning Enrichment Center to present haunted Halloween experience.

10/18/23Community Focus5:45pm14:14The Asian Indian Women's Association works to empower women in the Detroit area.88.1 thePark's Program Director, Anuya Shetty spoke with Sudha Ramamurthy, Secretary of AIWA,Daksha Pandit, Founder and Board Member, and Mona Pandit, AIWA Youth Group Leader.

- 10/31/23Newsfile @ 5:305:30pm1:11Local Impact Alliance to host a Lunch and Learn on firearm safety.
- 11/3/23Newsfile @ 5:305:30pm1:12Meemic Foundation sponsors Meemic Masterpieces art contest for students.
- 11/28/23Newsfile @ 5:305:30pm1:15Plymouth Canton Optimists host speech and essay contests.
- 11/30/23Newsfile @ 5:305:30pm1:14New Hope Center for Grief Support to hold annual holiday benefit evening.

12/6/23 Community Focus 5:45pm 18:40 Canton resident, David Hammond, founded Creating Habitats for Pollinators locally and throughout the country. Over the last 5 years, Creating Habitats for Pollinators has been responsible for over a dozen plantings in Plymouth and Canton as well as plantings in Vermont, New Hampshire, and Kentucky. Those plantings included several elementary schools. Creating Habitats for Pollinators has also served as a consultant for wildflower planting projects in New York, Massachusetts and Rhode Island. 88.1 the Park's, Anya Read, spoke with Hammond about their work and plans for the future.

- 12/15/23 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:18 Local Impact alliance holds Lunch and Learn workshop on burial alternatives.
- 12/18/23 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:19 Local Impact Alliance receives grant from the Margaret Dunning Foundation for new Donor Management System.

#### **ISSUE SIX:**

#### News from the Local Libraries

- 10/18/23Newsfile @ 5:305:30pm1:11The Westland Public Library reopens with an Open House.
- 11/16/23Newsfile @ 5:305:30pm1:10Canton Public Library adds activity kits for kids.
- 11/30/23Newsfile @ 5:305:30pm1:14Plymouth District Library to hold December Red Cross blood drive.
- 12/11/23Newsfile @ 5:305:30pm1:15Canton Public Library to host annual Winter Snow Spree.

### ISSUE SEVEN: Non-Municipal Community Programming , News, and Events

10/2/23	Newsfile @ 5:30	5:30pm	1:17				
Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce to host Pumpkinpalooza in Kellogg Park.							
10/20/23	Newsfile @ 5:30	5:30pm	1:15				
Canton Park Run provides running opportunity on Rouge Trail.							
11/16/23	Newsfile @ 5:30	5:30pm	1:10				
Plymouth Arts and Recreation Complex seeks funds to add outdoor pickleball courts.							
11/20/23	Newsfile @ 5:30	5:30pm	1:13				
Karl's Cabin gets ready to reopen after fire.							
12/13/23	Newsfile $@5.30$	5.30nm	1:09				

12/13/23Newsfile @ 5:305:30pm1:09B. Ella Bridal in Plymouth to host Wish Upon a Wedding Fundraiser.