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Mat uprising: Clarkston wrestlers celebrated (above) after Bubba Clement's victory clinched a win over top-ranked and unbeaten Rochester Adams, setting the Wolves up for a potential division title./**B1**

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have been reading the "life history" of a Chicago packinghouse worker collected in by workers from the Federal Writers Project. Now we'll move West, to Seattle, Wash., to read another such history. This one, given by Captain Bill Ammerman in 1938, is called "Tugboat Yarn." Tall tale or true story? You decide,

"I was skipper of a tugboat towin" boom of logs from Vancouver Island to Ballard in 1911. We had one of them frozen fogs, and it kept gettin colder. The seagulls swarmed onto the log boom until you couldn't see the bark.

"About six hours from Ballard, one of the deck hands noticed that they were flappin' their wings considerable without gettin' anywhere, and we come to find out their feet was frozen to the logs...

"Something went wrong with the engine then, and the chief reported that it couldn't be fixed...so there we was, driftin', with a darn good chance of fouling on the point and losin' the boom...until I got an idea. I calls the two deck hands and tells them to get the sacks of coal out of the hole and carry them all the way aft.

"Then I order all hands and the cook to stand aft and throw coal at the seagulis on the log boom. And them seagulls flew us and the boom into port."

Vintage Clarkston is written by Kim Huttenlocher; vice president of the Clarkston Community Historical Soci-

Task force eyes community e



■ Clarkston has a brand-new youth activity center, but now a group of community leaders would like to see Clarkston also have a community center where people of all ages can

Two years ago, community leaders and members of the Clarkston Community Task Force for Youth brainstormed the idea of creating a supervised activity center for local adoles-

And like a lightning bolt, Clarkston Pastor Loren Covarrubias zapped that spark into a concrete plan, Covarrubias and his Mt. Zion Temple congregation bought a vacant supermarket, gave it a facelift, transplanted its grocery-store intestines and resurrected it as the Clarkston Christian Association. That operation officially opened to local youth two weeks ago.

Now task force members are hoping.

that someone else will make lightning

strike twice in the same community.

A group of 86 people — area leaders,

through activities and programs for preschoolers to senior citizens. Along with that long-term goal, the group also developed a one-year aim; Parity in youth and adult representation on the task force. Currently, no

> ings, which convene at 7 a.m. on the third Thursday of each month. The 4 1/2-hour brainstorming session

youth attend the group's regular meet-

task force members and five teens — decided Saturday during a town hall

meeting at the Independence Township Fire Station that the task force's new

five-year goal is an intergenerational

community center. The facility would connect Clarkston's young and the old

was led by Lynne Huff, a youth minis? ter from St. Anne Catholic Church in Ortonville. While a community center and youth representation on the task force were the only two goals in the "one-to-five-year" category to garner, majority approval, participants considered about 23 aims for that time span. Of those ideas, however, only five received at least nine votes:

Zero tolerance that involves the entire community (nine votes).

Community effort in revamping the image of Renaissance

High School — Clarkston's alterna-

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Sculptor's studio: Artist Paul Gonzalez sits in front of the historic Clarkston Road barn he turned into a home and studio.

Work of art

Artist sculpts historic barn into home, studio

BY CAROLYN WALKER

Evidence of sculptor Paul Gonzalez's talent surrounds him, blurring the boundaries between art, home and heart. It is in the walls and the floors of his Independence Township home. It is on his studio tables. It is in his speech.

"I want to be very honest with you," he says, smiling, a trace of his boy-hood accent still audible as he explains the art of the sculpt, "It's a process of sketching, thinking and getting right into it. Sometimes, you have to push yourself."

One can only imagine the immense push it took for Gonzalez to select a 150-year-old, nearly 5,000-square-foot barn as studio and home and to undertake its major renovation.

"In a sense this has been like another sculpture for me," he confesses, glancing around the barn's spa-cious rooms. "I designed it and executed all the finishing work on it. I wanted to have an open feeling in

And Gonzalez succeeded. Where horses once stood, there is a luxurious office and bath. Where the combine was parked, there is now a great room. The cows lived below. The kitchen and dining areas occupy a for-

"It's had its course," he says, reflect-

According to Gonzalez, 66, he was an artist with a studio in the Cass Corridor who sometimes worked on behalf of the Heather Lake Estates developer before he met his barn.

That developer, during the early 1980s, advised Gonzalez that he should make a move from the troubleridden Detroit area and recommended some barns he owned in the township.

He allowed Gonzalez 10 years of free rent in the one that he selected. "I came out here and looked at this

barn and I couldn't believe it," Gonza-"There were about six barns on this road. I picked this one because it was

better structured."

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Artist at work: Gonzalez works on a wooden sculpture. The Mexican-born artist specializes in large free form wooden designs and metal sculptures like the one he crafted for Pine Knob Ski Resort.

Alternative high schoolers want equity, respect

out: Larry Young (left) and Dennis Mosher want people to know that alternative high school students are worth the community's

investment.



Clarkston teens Dennis Mosher and Larry Young had a message for the community when they attended the Clarkston Community Task Force for Youth Saturday: "Alternative high school students aren't just a bunch of dropouts and troublemakers. We're succeeding and we're worth your sup-

Dennis, 18, and Larry, 17, both students at Clarkston's Renaissance High School, came to the 4 1/2-hour town hall meeting to fulfill a community service requirement for a class. But the teenagers soon became the center of attention at the Independence Township Fire Hall meeting room because of

their willingness to talk and perhaps because of the rarity of that youth voice at task force meetings.

Dennis, who serves on the alternative school's student council, is one of two Renaissance students chosen this year to receive the Clarkston Optimist Club's annual "Youth Recognition Award." The student said at the meeting that he was cited for the Optimist distinction "for turning my life around." He credited that about-face to the support he has received at school.

Larry told the group that before he transferred to Clarkston, he struggled within the academic mainstream of Southfield Public Schools, Today, he lives with an adult cousin and that

Please see RENAISSANCE, A4

Clarkston officials investigate of thoms for assisting downtown

Seeming every inchethe tra-ditional Southern gentleman swith his fall stature, keen eyes and alight drawl. Doyle Hyett went into Clarkston last week, nto hold forth before a room full of people searching for ways to revitalize downtown Clarkston's business district.

But in the end no decisions were made as community and government members came to grips with the reality that tt Palma's services would

According to Councilman David Savage, who was instru-mental in bringing Hyett to Clarkston and who chairs a pubcommittee that is looking to define and solve Clarkston's problems, their investigations will continue and will involve seeking information from the city's planners, McKenna and Associates, as well as the National Foundation for Historic Preservation's "Main

Street" program. "We're investigating our options yet," Savage said on Wednesday. "It was a very pos-itive experience to have that meeting. There are a large number of people in our community concerned about down-

"We're not talking about new construction or knocking down the town. We're talking about

revitalizing what we have."
For his part Hyett did not make specific recommenda-

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David Savage Clarkston City Councilman

tions about Clarkston. His purpose was to outline his company's services

We don't come in here as experts from the sky and tell you what your community's gotta be," he said to government leaders, residents and business owners as he launched into his presentation at the meeting on Jan. 273 "We'll partner with you, You're the experts. Our job to help."

The meeting was convened in response to concerns that Clarkston's business district needs a boost. Over the past several months, several businesses have left town for a variety of reasons, raising concerns among area folks about the viability of the downtown

Doyle Hyett is a partner in HyettPalma Inc., a national downtown renaissance firm based in Alexandria, Va. His firm has helped rejuvenate downtowns in Petoskey, Plymouth, Walled Lake and Kala-

mazoo, among others.
Driving down Clarkston's streets, Hyett observed that Clarkston is really the heart of two much larger entities: Independence Township and north-

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"You're the alternative to said. "Opportunity is showing itself." everybody else's sameness," he

Following the meeting, Mayor Sharron Catallo said the presentation was valuable said any action taken with HyettPalma must be the result of community and business efforts and not be dependent

on the government.
"I don't think the decision is up to the council," she said. We've showed we're interested. It's got to come from the business community. He's a good speaker and I think what he does is good. It was wellattended. I was happy about that.

A full study by HyettPalma would run about \$25,000; Catallo said.

Savage agreed that the coun-cil and taxpayers would not have to pick up the cost.

"We as a city council are obviously not going to be responsible as the city government to pick up the lion's share of this program," he said. This is not going to become a taxpayer burden."

Independence board OKs 1-percent raises for officials

By Carolyn Walker

In a series of separate motions, the Independence Township Board voted last week to implement pay raises and a variety of policy changes for some non-union workers in the township."

Among the changes will be new criteria for retiring depart-ment heads and their medical benefits, overtime pay for some penents, overtime hay for some salaried positions, a change in the number of hours some salaried employees work, pay raises for non-union employees. and one-percent increases for the top three elected officials. What some trustees called

"modest" raises for the three fulltime elected officials were approved in 5-1-1 votes with Trustee Neil Wallace voting against them and with the affected official abstaining.

Wallace said he was voting against the raises because the remuneration committee commissioned by the board last year recommended that officials' salaries be "frozen" until they come into line with those of comparable communities. In their complete benefit package, Inde-pendence government officials are at a higher rate than others because they receive cars as a part of their benefits:

Supervisor Dale Stuart, who recommended the raises, said he felt,"very strongly that these are

"Independence Township is a very sophisticated municipality," he said, adding that the raises are "fair" and "in keeping with the necessity to have competent individuals."

The raises will bring the supervisor's pay this year to \$58,000 and the clerk's and treasurer's pays to \$53,000. Last

Clerk Joan McCrary and Treasurer Jim Wenger earned \$52,475 each.

Before the various motions were made, Wallace led a board discussion about the recommendations' potential ramifications. He suggested that the board develop a way to set annual goals and performance reviews so that some employees' raises could be handled administrative-

ly and not by a vote of the board.
"Once a decision is made in our community, the decisions could be made administratively," he said. "I believe we need to start tomorrow on a new way of doing things."

The retirement changes approved for department direct tors will allow them to retire with health insurance for themselves and their spouses after they have attained age 55, with a minimum of 15 years of service. Before the vote, the direc-tors were required to accumulate 80 "points" based on a formula of years of employment coupled with age, such as age 60 plus 20 years of work.

Every institution I investigated was not doing anything like this," Wallace said. "This is against the growing trend. This also assumes that costs are going to stay the same."

Wallace said he talked to representatives of Oakland University, Oakland County, Eastern Michigan University and the Independence remuneration committee to see how other retirement medical benefits are distributed and he said,
"Frankly, they could not believe
we're considering doing this."

Trustee Larry Rosso felt differ-

"I always thought it's better that we take care of our own," he said. "I think still, in essence, we

have to have a plan that looks to

have to have a plan that looks to the future. I don't think this is too much to ask." It Wallace and Trustee Jeff McGee voted against the health insurance/retirement change. In a separate motion, the board also unanimously approved 3-percent raises for the department heads, excepting the assessor's position, which assessor's position, which received a 4-percent increase because of his increased duties,

In another somewhat controversial motion, the board agreed to pay time-and-a-half overtime to salaried employees when they work more than 43 hours per week. On holidays they would receive double-time. Those employees most likely to benefit from the plan would come from the clerk's office during election time and the parks and recreation department during special events.

"This is a policy that is not widely implemented by all government authorities," said Stuart as he explained his recom-mendation. "I think that this is a matter of fairness. I think it's appropriate."

Wallace said it is unusual for salaried personnel in other business areas to receive overtime and that, traditionally, some expanded hours are expected with a salaried position.

The overtime policy, considered temporary, excludes department heads and elected officials and it was unanimously approved by the board. As a result of it, "flex" time will no longer be available to these salaried employees.

In another unanimous vote, some salaried employees who work 35 hours will now be required to work 40 hours

Oakland Schools takes over tech center

SPECIAL WRITER

- The principal at Springfield Township's Oakland Technical enter, Northwest Campus, said last week that he supports the recent Oakland Schools board vote to take control of that facility's operations from the Clark-

ston School District. Dr. Dan Manthei said he believes the Jan. 27 board deci-sion will result in a flat organi-zational structure for decisionmaking." According to Manthei, "Our system in Oakland County has not been very flat. There are three or four (decision-making) levels at the ISD (Oakland InterSPRINGFIELD

mediate School District) and two or three levels within the local district. As a result, we've never been able to respond quickly to student and business needs and for that reason, I think the proposal is worth considering

Manthei explained that his school and the county's three other technical centers have long. served two masters, the Oakland Intermediate School District and a local district. At the OTC Northwest, Oakland Schools has provided the center's funding through a countywide millage, but the Clarkston School District has had title to the building and authority over the operation. Clarkston has also hired the

According to Janet Thomas rice-president of the Oakland Schools Board and a Clarkston School Board trustee, even though the centralization plan was approved by the intermediate school district, many details still need to be worked out. "This thing is evolutionary. Change isn't going to come all at once," she said in a recent interview. In that expected year-long effort Thomas said the next step will be negotiations between Oakland Schools and the local boards where the technical cen-ters are located — Clarkston, Pontiac, Royal Oak and Walled

During those talks, contracts between the local districts and the technical center staff will be addressed and some transitional possibilities considered. For example, at the OTC west, current staff could remain employees of the Clarkston School District, but eventually become employees of Oakland

Schools. New hires, however, would probably automatically join the Oakland Schools payroll. "The intent is not to displace staff," Thomas said. "I'm not say

ing it won't happen, but that's not the intent."

Thomas said she considered the new plan a more focused approach to the restructuring of technical centers as cutting-edge educational entities. "There are educational entities. Incre are many good things now at the OTC, but there are many more things that can be done," Thomas said. "We'll be better able to do this if the intermedi-ate district oversees it."

She also said Oakland Schools would be in a better position to address renovations and additions to the technical facilities. "Most of these buildings (in Oakland County) need updating," she said. "A local district that houses them is not willing to put the money into it because that district's focus is on its K-12 program. So, while Clarkston is fixing up its buildings and bringing in the technology, where does that leave the OTC?" According to Manthei, it's a

question that local districts would rather see tackled by someone else. He said Clarkston schools superintendent Al Roberts was one of 27 Oakland County superintendents who supported the ISD takeover as a better working situation for technical centers and local districts. Manthei said he agrees with

that move. "This is the first step of a journey," he said, "What the Oakland Schools board did was agree to take the journey. If the focus of the journey is to provide quality service to students and the employers that we're training students for, the potential is







OBITUARIES

J. Ernest Russell J. Ernest Russell of Clarkston

formerly of Oxford, died Jan. 31, 1998, at age 81. Mr. Russell is survived by his

daughter, Frankie (Samuel) Lanpher, and son, Ronald (Judith), both of Clarkston. He is also survived by four grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren. Funeral arrangements were

entrusted to Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home in Clarkston with Don Lanpher and David Russell officiating, Interment was at Ottawa Park Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the

church of the donor's choice.

Francis Robert Sawasky Francis Robert Sawask infant son of Todd and Bridget Sawasky of Clarkston, died Jan. 15, 1998.

Besides his parents, he is survived by his brother, Jeremy, and grandparents, Robert and Margaret Lee of Ortonville and Thomas and Susan Sawasky of Clarks M.

Clarkston. He is also survived by several uncles and family mem-A memorial service was held

at Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home in Clarkston with Diane Frechette officiating, Memorials may be made to the family toward a marker.

Scarlett's bike shop rides into Clarkston

BY CAROLYN WALKER STAFF WRITER

Many adults who hail from Oakland County will remember a time in their childhood when their parents — or maybe even themselves while clutching hardearned babysitting or paper route money — purchased a shiny new bike from downtown Pontiac's Scarlett's,

Now riding the crest of suburban growth, Scarlett's Schwinn Cyclery store, long a staple in the heart of the county, will be pedaling its way to Independence Township just in time for

According to owner Ken Stonehouse, Scarlett's plans to open its first-ever branch, to be called Scarlett's Bike and Fitness, at 5886 Dixie Highway on March 2.

The 4,200-square-foot shop, formerly the location of Clarkston Roofing, which has relocated to Flint, will complement and not replace the Perry Street Pontiac site. It will feature a full line of bicycles and accessories as well as exercise equipment, Stonehouse said.

"Out here, we would like to do two things," he said. "We want to react to the growing population. And we're looking at fitness products. Whenever you go into

The following incidents were reported to police and fire agen-

cies in Springfield and Indepen-

dence townships and the city of Clarkston Jan. 26-Feb. 2.

On Jan. 26, a snowmobile was

reported stolen from a business

On Jan. 29, cassette tapes were reported stolen from a vehicle parked on Haylock.

On Feb. 1, a cellular phone

On Jan. 31, BBs were reported shot through the window of a

vehicle parked on **Ely Road.**On Feb. 1, a mirror was

reported broken off a vehicle parked on Ellis Creek Road. In

addition, someone reportedly

poured sugar in the vehicle's gas

was reported stolen from a vehicle parked on Dixie Highway.

Springfield Police

on Dixie Highway.

Vandalism



STAFF PROTO BY TOM HOFFMEYER

was 14 years old, is the son of "I'll Walter Stonehouse, a longtime said.

employee who purchased Scar-

Scarlett's opened in 1928 as an

extension of Ernest R. Scarlett's bicycle repair business and is

now the largest independent

Schwinn dealer in the country, selling scores of bikes each year,

Stonehouse said.

lett's from its founders in 1979.

unchartered waters you never know what to expect.

"We have every intention of being a full-service, stand-alone business. We've always stressed the family. And bicycles have so many identities. It's the bike you want and the fitness you need.

Stonehouse said the shop will offer mountain bikes, children's bikes, racing bikes, cruiser bikes and the new "comfort" bikes as well as treadmills, exercise bikes, rowing machines, step-pers, weight-stack machines and in-house repairs.

Comfort bikes are designed with higher handlebars and shock absorbent seats, he said, and are becoming fashionable with some adults.

"Not everyone wants to jump logs and rattle their teeth," he

Ken Stonehouse, who worked at Scarlett's from the time he

Firefighter, resident staff: Scarlett's owner owner Ken hurt in separate fires Stonehouse (on bike) is flanked by staffers Jeff

BY CAROLYN WALKER STAFF WRITER

Fooks (back

left), Joe Beauvois

(mid left),

Melanie Tis-

cher (back

right) and

(right),

"I'll admit to thousands," he

Hours for the new store are

Monday through Friday

anticipated to be 10 a.m. to 7

and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturdays. There will be no Sunday hours.

out a little different reputation,"

Stonehouse said.

We want this to kind of carve

Gary Hickey

Karen McFarlend . Two separate fires erupted in Independence Township during the past four days that resulted in significant damage to two structures, the death of a dog and minor burns to one home owner and a local firefighter.

On Feb 1, firefighters battled a garage blaze on Clearview that may have begun when a homeowner was cleaning equipment with gasoline and the fumes were ignited by a nearby heater, said Fire Chief Gar Wilson.

That resident sustained a burn to his leg and was treated at the scene, said Wilson, who added that the attached garage was nearly destroyed. He said there' was some smoke damage to an adjoining house.

On Feb. 3, firefighters responded to a house fire on White Lake Road about 11:55 a.m. In that fire, an old farm house-styled home that sat near

the railroad tracks sustained sig nificant damage, Wilson said. No occupants were injured but one firefighter received a silver-dollar-sized burn to the back of his neck when he was touched by an ember. The firefighter was treated for his injury at a local clinic. A small dog died during that

INDEPENDENCE

Wilson said he did not know how old the farm house was but estimated that it was built in the late 1800s or early 1900s. Firefighters believe the house fire may have been ignited by a natural gas leak in a pipe that was damaged during renovations. Gas fumes would have collected in the home and could have been ignited by a pilot light, Wilson

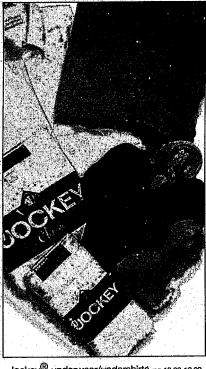
The house, he said, "is in pretty bad shape. The top floor and roof was gone."

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Breaking and Entering

On Jan. 29, unknown persons reportedly entered a house under construction on Lake

Marijuana Possession

On Jan. 30, officers arrested a man for operating a vehicle under the influence of alcohol and driving with a suspended license on Andersonville Road. During their search of the man's wallet, suspected marijuana was found. The man was transported to the Oakland County Jail.

Independence Police

On Jan. 23, a case of beer was reported stolen from a business on Dixie Highway.
On Jan. 27, a furnace was

reported stolen out of a house under construction on Golf Point. On Jan. 27, a furnace was

reported stolen out of a house under construction on Stone Meadow.

On Jan. 28, a cell phone was reported stolen from a vehicle parked on St. Andrew.

On Jan. 31, a snowboard was

reported stolen from a garage on Golfview Drive.

Garage Fire On Feb. 1, officers assisted the Independence Township Fire Department at a garage fire on Clearview. According to a police report, the owner of the home sustained a leg burns when a fire ignited in his garage while he was working on a tractor.

Vandalism

On Jan. 27, a car window was reported damaged on a vehicle

Independence Fire

parked on Perry Lake Road.

During the week of Jan. 26 to

POLICE NEWS

Feb. 2, firefighters responded to 36 calls. Among them were one trash bin fire, 24 medical runs, five personal injury accidents one building fire. They included:

On Jan. 27 firefighters assisted a patient who fell at a residence on Pine Knob Lane.

On Jan. 28, firefighters assisted a male patient who had quit breathing at a nursing home on North Eston.

On Jan. 28, firefighters assisted a 72-year-old woman who was having a diabetic reaction at a residence on Snowapple.

On Jan. 28, firefighters assisted a woman who had chest pains at the Kroger's store on Dixie Highway.

On Jan. 28, firefighters assisted a patient in cardiac arrest at the Greenery on Clintonville On Jan. 30, firefighters assist-

ed a person who was having trouble breathing at a residence on Dixie Highway.

Clarkston Police

On Jan. 28, officers checking a home on Robertson Court found what appeared to be a BB hole in a garage window. On Jan. 30, officers stopped a

vehicle on **Main Street** near Clarkston Road for erratic driving. The Ortonville woman driving the vehicle was found to be intoxicated. On a preliminary breath test she registered a 0.21 blood alcohol level. She refused a Breathalyzer test. She was transported to the Oakland County Jail and bond was posted on her behalf. She is scheduled to appear in 52/2 District Court on Feb. 10.

On Feb. 1, officers stopped a vehicle on **Holcomb Road** near Washington Street for an equipment violation. The Holly man driving the vehicle was found to be wanted by the Oakland County Sheriff's Department for possession of a con-trolled substance. He was lodged in the Oakland County Jail.

On Feb. 1, officers stopped a vehicle on Main Street near Middle Lake Road for a speed violation. The Ortonville man driving the vehicle was found to be wanted for failure to appear on a reckless driving charge. He was arrested and posted bond.

On Feb. 2, officers assisted firefighters in treating a man in his vehicle on North Main Street after the man suffered an apparent diabetic reaction. The man was transferred to Genesys Hospital by ambulance.

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Task force from page A1

tive high school (11 votes). Increased after school activi-ties for all ages of youth (12

Stronger-tobacco enforcementamong adolescents (11

Establishment of a parent esource center (nine vote 4. As 10-year goals, a majority at the meeting supported these two

■ Establishment of connected youth activities so that if an ado-

doesn't make the cut in one program, he or she has time to join another (27 votes).

■ A middle school mentorship program (21 votes).

During the lengthy session, no local leaders stepped forward to spearhead a community center, However, State Rep. Tom Middleton (R-Clarkston) suggested that the Independence Township Hall on Main Street might be available someday to become a community center if the township eventually relocated its

operations to Sashabaw Road. As for the other goals, only

■ State Rep. Tom Middieton (R-Clarkston) suggested that the Independence Township Hall on Main Street might be available someday to become a community center if the township eventually relocated its operations to Sashabaw Road.

Cheryl McGinnis, Clarkston's PTA Council president, committed to an action. McGinnis announced that she would immediately contact the PTA council's executive board for consensus to 'adopt" Clarkston's alternative high school, which is housed in the district's community education building.

Clarkston school board Vice President Mary Ellen McLean

ultimately expressed frustration with the long discussion process. "We talk about all these different issues and how we can improve the life or the quality of family and community for our ... and we can sit in these meetings for days and weeks and months," McLean said. "But at some point or another, it takes money, it takes time and it takes somebody to make an individual commitment to go forward and pursue it. We talk about it too

Task force President Diane St.

Peter said she viewed the gathering as productive, however, "Most of these meetings are in service of raising community awareness, raising community norms," St. Peter said. "If we do nothing else but put these ideas on the board, somebody here has a sphere of influence that can make a positive impact ... We have about 35 people in this room and practically everybody said something about a community center. So we're closer to the vision, but now we have to do

Clarkstonite 'cared about others'

After a valiant battle against cancer that lasted nearly a decade, Clarkston resident Marie Craig, 42, died Jan. 29. She was the wife of former Clarkston School Board member Bill Craig and the mother of two young sons, Matthew and Nicholas

Marie Craig was also the sister of local journalist Kathy, Greenfield, a former editor at the Clarkston News.

On Monday, Marie Craig was remembered by Mike Kehoe, principal of Clarkston Elementary School, where her youngest son is a student, as a dedicated mother and school enthusiast who had worked as a classroom

high school" with "night school."

However Renaissance students

are indeed high school-age pupils

who attend day classes with the

ultimate goal of graduating with a high school diploma. When

that time comes, Renaissance teens attend their commence-

Allyn said in a recent inter-

view that the school's major dis-

tinction from Clarkston High

School is its smaller classes and

its one-to-one approach, "We do a

lot of mothering here," Allyn said. "Our staff goes way

Dennis and Larry told adults

at the task force session that

even though they experienced

some difficulties in the tradition-

al K-12 process; they didn't want

people to think of them as throw-aways. They asked community

members to show the same sup-

ment in caps and gowns.

beyond."

■ 'She (Marie Cralg) did all the good and right things and cared about other people when she was going through these things.'

> Mike Kehoe Clarkston Elementary principal

Whenever she could, she just loved the opportunity to have involvement with kids," Kehoe said. "It's such a shock and a loss with somebody like that who's so good with people. She did all the good and right things and cared about other people when she was going through these things."

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Craig was also an avid garden

er and crafts person. • In addition to her husband, sons and sister Kathy, Marie Craig is survived by her father, Joseph Gentle, sisters Patricia (David) Fritzinger of Clarkston and Maureen (James) Knoll of California, and brother, Joseph J. (Skye) Gentle of Pentwater. She is also survived by several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her mother,

Marie Gentle. Funeral services for Craig were held Feb. 2 at the Clarkston United Methodist Church with the Rev. Tracy Huffman officiating, Arrangements were entrusted to the Lewis E. Wint

& Son Funeral Home. Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Sculptor from page A1

Expecting to have to someday studio in 1981 and began simple renovations that would make the barn comfortable.

'In that process, I guess, I spent more money than I wanted to. I approached him with an idea to buy it. After I had all that money into it. I couldn't face the fact they were going to tear it down. I'd lose my studio. I'd lose everything." He took up residence in 1990.

A former sculptor with the Ford Motor design center, Gonzalez moved to the United States from Mexico at age 9. He recognized his talent for the arts when he was in high school and ent on to study at Wayne State University and the Center for Creative Studies in Detroit. He also studied glass-blowing at Toledo University

In addition to past work in glass-blowing, Gonzalez now specializes in large, free-form carvings and metal mobiles, and sculptures that use copper, brass, nickel and stainless steel His work is featured at the Adri-

an Mall in Adrian and Giffels move, Gonzalez transferred his Architectural Firm in Southfield, among other public and private

His 9-foot metal sculpture of brass and silver can be seen at Pine Knob Ski Resort

Other pieces include larger-than-life wooden carvings of the female form.

"Can you think of a any better subject?" he jokes.

One, a reclining figure arved from a sycamore tree that Gonzalez became owner of while working in Australia

"By the grace of God, four or five sycamores came down in this beautiful park," he remembers. "I got two big chunks. Sycamore is one of the finest woods there is. They're ornamental trees. You're not allowed to take them down."

Other figures he has carved are done in Ohio Buckeye wood, oak and walnut.

Finding large pieces of wood that are suitable for carving can be a task in itself, he says.

Gonzalez has a friend who works on roads who finds much well.

of what he uses,

"I asked him to keep an eye out for something big," he says. "I don't want to cut down trees. That would be the last thing in the world. In fact, I plant trees. Each year, I would plant four or five trees.

He begins his carving with a chain saw, eventually working the forms with chisels, files and grinders before they are complet-

"I always felt I excel in sculpture rather than painting," he says, though several of his paintings punctuate his home's walls. "The physical end of it. Work-

ing with big pieces. I really enjoy it. It's very satisfying to accomplish something," he then notes of his artistic expression.

You do a segment of it and walk away and come back. Once you get the full figure, you come back and do the full finish. There's a dimension that you almost know. It's something that's built in you, I guess.

The beauty of the artist's vision is built into the barn as

cousin's young family, and attends Renaissance High School regularly, he said. He, too, serves on the school's student

Renaissance from page A1

Renaissance High School as they exhibit for the 2,000 pupils at conneil Renaissance High Clarkston High School. The School is on Maybee Road, east teens also said they wanted their of Sashabaw, in the Clarkston Community Education building, high school — currently a hallway with five classrooms and According to Marilyn Allyn, several vending machines director of community education, people often confuse "alternative have the same resources that

students benefit from at CHS. "Last year, our yearbook came from a copying machine," Dennis

told the group. In their remarks about equity, however, both teens gave the Renaissance staff an "A-plus" for its nurturing approach. "The teachers definitely make up for it (the lack of resources)," Larry said. "It's more of a family environment.

During the meeting, Cheryl McGinnis, president of the Clarkston PTA Council, voiced support for the teens and their school. "This is the only school building in Clarkston that isn't represented by a PTA," McGinnis told the group. She said she would bring the matter to her leadership and if it was approved, the PTA Council would "adopt" Renaissance.

"We'd-love to be adopted," Larry said, prompting audience port for the 84 students at laughter.

If you really want to

Allyn said the school district has been very supportive (of the alternative school), especially in the past two years." The director pointed out that with the exception of one outdated German language book, which is being used just to get through this year, Renaissance students receive the same new textbooks as their CHS counterparts. She also explained that the schools' copymachine yearbook was the independent study project of two Renaissance students.

Allyn said she believed the district's current study of the alternative program would ultimately provide the school with a clearer focus. She also said she expected Renaissance to gain significantly after its move into what is now the Clarkston Middle School building. Though that relocation is at least three years off, "We'll have a library, a gym, a cafeteria, a better science facility and perhaps a second computer lab," Allyn said. Presently, Renaissance shares a computer lab with community education.

When asked if she approved of the teens' comments at the task force meeting, Allyn said, "I'm glad they went. It's a goal of ours to be better than we are right

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No copies allowed, House says

By Tim Richard Staff Writer

Michigan would join the parade of states outlawing human cloning — and even research on human cloning under three bills passed by the House of Representatives.

The bills would allow permanent lifting of the medical licenses of guilty doctors, provide for \$10 million in civil fines, set up 10-year prison sentences, and ban the use of state money for human cloning research.

"The bills don't match (what other states are doing)," said opponent Patricia Godchaux, R-Birmingham. "We'll end up (as we did) with assisted suicide people running between states to get what they want.'

Godchaux was the only Republican to oppose the measures: She said she opposes human cloning but thinks it would be best handled uniformly by a federal law rather than a patchwork of state laws

Godchaux and other opponents said human cloning is so far in the future that there should be

The distinct sound of glass breaking in the

middle of the night prompts a startled home-

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mation Systems (GIS), the computer technology is best described as a network of auto-

mated maps that provide detailed, geo-spa-

As far as improving emergency response within the county, the technology would allow dispatchers to physically see and track every police vehicle on an automated com-

Dispatchers would also have immediate

access to a map of the caller's property allow-ing them to instantly establish the site's

location and physical characteristics, like the existence of an alley behind the caller's

there," said Robert Daddow, director of Oakland County's Department of Management

and Budget and project director of GIS Oakland. "Police will immediately know where

That automates the entire process right

BY NICOLE STAFFORD STAFF WRITER

the radio call.

tial information.

others.

II 'We must not let the possibility of a scientific advancement lead us to the reprehensible act of human cloning.

Nancy Cassis

no rush to pass a state law now. The key bill, requiring the loss of medical licenses for offending doctors, passed 92-11 with six absent. Ten Democrats and God-

chaux cast the no votes. Rep. Nancy Cassis, R-Novi, a co-sponsor, said, "With Dolly (the Scottish sheep) and now the two calves here in America, cloning is no longer considered science fiction. We must not let the pos-sibility of a scientific advancement lead us to the reprehensi-

ble act of human cloning." The bills don't prohibit licensed health professionals form engaging in assisted repro-duction technology, including in vitro fertilization.

"Remove my name as a co-sponsor," said Rep. Mary Schroer, D-Ann Arbor. "I was for this until I read the bill. We're

going to wind up with 50 different (state) laws. I don't want people cloned, but I don't want to stop research. It should be up to

the federal government."

Rep. David Gubow, D-Huntington Woods, said the House committee failed to bring research and pharmaceutical interests into the debate. "There is a model state act, but it is not what we have here. There needs to be a dialogue rather than a knee-jerk reaction to one doctor.

He referred to Chicago physicist Richard Seed, who announced a week earlier he would attempt human cloning. Cloning is the exact genetic reproduction of a creature effect, a years-younger identical

Rep. Howard Wetters, D. Kawkawlin, objected to the lack

of a "sunset" in the bills — a section allowing them to expire in (say) three to five years. Similar bills in the Senate, sponsored by Loren Bennett, R-Canton, have sunsets.

Harold Shapiro, chair of President Clinton's Commission on Bioethics, recommended a sunset of three to five years. A former president of the University of Michigan, Shapiro now is president of Princeton Universi-

State representatives voting for the bills included:

Rep. Penny Crissman, R-Rochester, who also represents Oxford, Orion and Addison townships and the villages of Oxford and Lake Orion.

■ Tom Middleton, R-Ortonville, who also represents the city of Clarkston and Springfield and Independence town-

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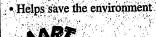


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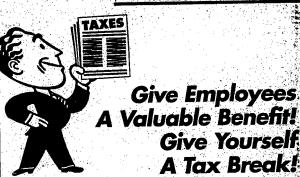


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West Bloomfield dispatchers attempting to get police to a residence bordering on Farmington Hills, for example, could locate avail-

able cars from that police department. Initial phases of the project will cost about \$5 million, some of which will be funded by state government. Also, Oakland County Government has teamed up with Lawrence Technological University (LTU) in Southfield to nurture and promote GIS technology in southeastern Michigan. Their first annual GIS Technology Seminar was held Jan. 23 at LTU's College of Architecture and Design Auditorium and drew government officials from across the state.

But quickening emergency response time is only a single and "simple" example of the power of GIS technology, Daddow said.

GIS programs can be used for crime analysis, sewer and drainage systems, disease tracking and property assessment and valu-

Once Oakland completes a base map of the county, the possibilities for providing quick access to information and useful visual repesentations is almost endless, Daddow said.

Currently, the county is completing a base a rough, geographical representation — of county property. About one-quarter of county land has been fixed and can be accessed within the automated system. Com-pletion of the remaining 330,000 parcels of property is expected within 1998.

There is a lot of preparation behind the scene to make this glitz happen," Daddow said of the time and work intensive project. "But we're on the edge. We are so far ahead on the cutting edge that people are going to look to us.'

According to Daddow, Wayne County just recently began determining a strategy for installing property maps into an automated

The extent to which Oakland County will utilize the GIS technology to access information is also far ahead of the standard within Michigan, he said. "There isn't anything (planned) in Michigan that comes remotely ose to what we're doing."

Another benefit: The system will give cities and townships within the county an opportunity to work jointly and facilitate the haring of information, Daddow said. There's a tremendous amount of duplicated effort that through this system we will be able to minimize or eliminate."

STATE CAPITAL CAPSULES

Conflict law applies

Public school academies, alias "charter schools," are subject to the public servant conflict of interest law, Attorney General Frank Kelley has ruled. The 1995 school code defines

"public school" to include entities "operated by ... a public school academy corporation," he noted. In an opinion requested by

House floor leader Pat Gagliardi, D-Drummond, Kelley said the 1997 state Supreme Court ruling, declaring PSAs constitutional. said PSAs are public schools whose "board members are public officials and are subject to applicable law pertaining to public officials."

Branches closed

All 78 Secretary of State branch offices will be closed Monday, Feb. 16, in observance of Presidents' Day.

One tip from secretary Candice Miller: "Customers can expect fastest service mid-morning, mid-afternoon, mid-week and mid-month."

Environmental bill

The state House passed, 102-0, a bill to establish a set of envi-

ronmental indicators to be used for an annual state environmental report.

passed by the Senate, it would require the Department of environmental Quality to develop indicators and objectives for toxic releases, air quality, surface water quality, drinking water, solid waste, hazardous

waste and others.
"It's time for Mich gan to join the 37 other states who have undertaken environmental indior projects and the 16 states that have state-of-the-environ-mental reports," said Rep. Bar-bara Dobb, R-Union Lake, a co-Refer to House bill 4558 when

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New bills

Rep. Bob Brown, D-Dearborn Heights, is sponsor of the Democrats' high-profile bill to require auto insurers to refund \$1 billion in "overcharges." The refunds would come form the \$2.5 billion surplus in the Michigan Catastrophic Claims Association. Democrats contend the MCCA assessment is "a tax on

every car in Michigan." Rep. John Freeman, D-Madison Heights, has introduced a bill to eliminate surcharge fees imposed by banks and automatic teller machine (ATM) operators for electronic transactions. Freeman's bill will allow ATMs to

continue charging "interchange " usually \$1 to \$2, that pays for the network. But he says consumers are being double-charged when ATM owners impose a \$1.50 to \$3 surcharge.

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Be wary of offers

No such thing as a free lunch

he folks managing the public purse strings in the Clarkston area have been looking at creative ways to enhance the lifestyles of local residents without raising

In our opinion, residents would lose as well as gain in all but one of the plans,

Independence Township was considering allowing an individual to lease an acre of publicly-owned park land to build an in-line skating rink until the individual withdrew her proposal. The rink itself would have been pr vately owned and operated; however, the individual, a Clarkston resident, had offered to build public restrooms in the Sashabaw Plains Park, where the rink was to have been built. Currently, there are no restrooms there, which means ballplayers and other park users must rely on portable outhouse

The Clarkston School Board is eying proposals from giant merchandisers who want to advertise their products in the new Clarkston High School. Companies like Nike, Adidas, Pepsi and Coke are promising free or discounted equipment and/or uniforms in exchange for the opportunity to put their monikers on the goods.

Lastly, the Clarkston City Council is considering asking residents to help build a new city hall to keep construction costs down.

Understandably so, all three of these budget-conscious governing bodies want to provide the best facilities and services they can for the lowest cost to taxpayers. That is being responsible with taxpayers' money

However, in the first two plans, the taxpayers would have to sacrifice in the long run something as important, if not more impor tant, than money. In short, there's no such thing as a free lunch

In the in-line skating rink plan, which is now defunct, the taxpayers would have had to give up precious park land for a private endeavor. We agree with Independence Town-ship Clerk Joan McCrary and trustee Neil Wallace, who opposed the plan, that public property should not be used for private enter-

In the Clarkston High School advertising plan, which is still viable, taxpayers would have to give up their children's minds to advertising in an educational setting, an area that has historically been protected from overt commercialism.

In the city hall plan, the only thing taxpayers would have to give up is a little bit of their time. That's a small sacrifice that doesn't require taxpayers to compromise more important values.

Engler overstates his impact

istening to Gov. John Engler's 1998 state of the state speech, one could have thought the world was created on Jan. 1, 1991, and before that, all was chaos. Engler could say nothing good about the Milliken years (1969-82) or the Blanchard years (1983-90). His constant theme was "the failed policies of the '80s" or "the failed policies of the past." He measured all progress from the date he took office.

To Engler's credit, however, we note he finally has awakened to the urban sprawl issue. "Reusing old industrial sites ... enables us to slow down the paving of green fields and thus conserve Michigan's beautiful country-side," he said. We welcome his awakening interest in the issue.

The historical truth is that Engler tried to obliterate his debts to Govs. Milliken and Blanchard, much like Winston Smith rewrote newspaper articles for the Ministry of Truth in Orwell's "1984," Consider:

Progress against crime didn't begin with the 300 bills Engler signed. The 650 lifer law, which cruelly dooms drug "mules" to life without hope of parole, was passed in 1978, when William G. Milliken was governor. Voters in 1978 eliminated "good time" for inmates at the insistence of Oakland's then-prosecutor Brooks Patterson; approved tighter bail rules the same year; and elevated the Crime Victims Rights Act to constitutional status in

Engler advocated construction of 5,400 new prison beds, conveniently forgetting that his predecessor, James J. Blanchard, presided over the biggest blitz of prison building (from 13,000 to 35,000) in Michigan history. ■ Engler didn't mention shutting down

state mental hospitals, but he actually followed the lead of Milliken and Blanchard in deinstitutionalizing" mental patients into ommunity programs.

■ Blanchard opened the door to welfare reform by capping individual benefits for seven of his eight years in office — and taking heat from the furious welfare lobby. Engler's welfare reform touchdown was built on Blanchard's blocking.

■ John Engler will earn an honored place in the history books for his advocacy of 1994's Proposal A, which cut school property taxes

and sayed many non-industrial school districts from imminent disaster. His performance was heroic. But he shouldn't forget that he failed on his first try, in 1993. And he gave no credit to Milliken, Blanchard, the late Robert Tisch, Dick Headlee and past Legislatures for trying with proposals in 1968, 1972, 1980, 1981, 1989 (two of them) and 1992 (two more)

■ "Remember the 17-year-old court fight over special education funding? We fixed that problem," Engler said. Yes, and we remember he was the governor fighting the suburban school plaintiffs for seven of those 17 years? Moreover, the problem is far from "fixed." How does his administration propose to deal with the way special education pupil loads and costs are outstripping the rate of revenue growth? He didn't mention it.

Long before Engler created his world in 1991, city officials were talking about "urban sprawl" — the abandoning of older cities, the paving over of meadows for malls, the subdividing of farms though there was meager population growth. The protest was bipartisan; it was from Grand Traverse, Muskegon and Ottawa counties as well as Washtenaw, Oakland and Wayne.

The governor proposed a \$500 million bond issue, with "\$400 million for restoring polluted and abandoned sites; \$50 million for protecting drinking water; and \$50 million for upgrading facilities at our 96 state parks.' Great idea. The Legislature should polish it and put it on the November ballot.

Engler mentioned a 1988 parks and environ-ment bond issue of \$800 million, but only because Lt. Gov. Connie Binsfeld was involved. He skipped the other contributions of the 1970s and '80s — the 1976 bottle deposit bill and the 1984 Natural Resources Trust Fund.

it. But he is no Pericles, leading us to a Golden Age. John Engler has never broken with the past. His "taxpayer's agenda" has given us tax cuts along with hefty increases in the sales, use, gasoline and tobacco taxes.

If he appears tall, it's because he stands on the shoulders of people like Milliken and Blanchard.

QUESTION:

you think of Engler's plan to ensure thirdgraders are reading at grade level before promoting them?

This questionwas asked at the Clarkston Post Office.



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"in theory, I think it's good...as long as they take care of the emotional. aspects."

> Nancy Walkowski Independence Township

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Amendment plan dangerous

Rep. Ernest Istook; R-Okla., has called the first amendment an impediment to religious freedom and has proposed a constitutional amendment to remedy the situation. Women's American ORT, a membership organization with chapters throughout the United States, believes Istook is wrong, and his proposed "Religious Freedom Amendment" to be highly dangerous.

Women's American ORT has long advocated a firm wall of separation between church and state. This has assured, in our pluralistic society, the protection of all faith communities and their equal treatment under the law.

The "Religious Freedom Amendment" would open the door to government subsidy of religion, prayer in public schools and other forms of religious expression on public property. Women's American ORT strongly opposes the use of public monies for religious purposes and believes this amendment would pit one religious group against another in an ugly scramble for government dollars.

The Constitution has allowed religion to flourish in our nation for 200 years. Istook's amendment is without purpose or merit. We urge your readers to write or call their congressional representatives and tell them so.

Patti Aaron West Bloomfield

Shelby Township

Be glad for each new day

about you, or can easily find out.

end up singing "Jailhouse Rock."

woke up this morning and, to my amazement, here was a new day.

At age 80, a new day is very welcome, no matter what the weather may be.

I greet each new day as a special gift that providence has given me to enjoy.

It's strange that one has to reach an advanced age to really appretiate the little blessings that are all around you.

Perhaps you may need special equipment to help you breathe or a mechanical method of getting around, but remember, there are loved ones who care to share this beautiful day with you and give you hope for tomorrow.

The passage of time can be a great teacher and instill in you the desire to make the best of whatever burden life has handed you.

I am constantly reminded of the many severely handicapped people who have established a fruitful, active life and, in many cases, have contributed richly to mankind.

I am reminded of the words my father taught me. "Son." he said. "Whenever you start to feel sorry for yourself, look around you and see how many people are far worse off than you.'

In short, age and affliction are not reason enough to lay down the gauntlet. It's a new day. Look up and smile.

Ross Rhinehart Livonia

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Regarding the editorial "Prison not always an answer" (Jan. 8), I would like to say it's about time a newspaper has had the guts to speak upon this subject!

Our "so called" free country is anything but. The average person has no idea what they are up against. In fact, despite the first amendment, I'm probably breaking many laws and regulations just by writing this letter. You probably think I'm exaggerating. If anything, I'm understating the case. If you get some prosecutor teed-off at you, it's amazing what they can charge you with.

Let's say your color-blind Aunt Gretta sent you a pink turtleneck sweater for Christmas. She calls you up from Florida and asks, "How do you like the sweater I sent you?" You respond, "I'm wearing it right now," when in fact your dog is using it as a chew toy. You have just committed a federal crime, "wire fraud."

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POINTS OF VIEW

Big titles can make little jobs appear more important

n the corporate world sometimes titles and the size of one's office is more important than the pay.

Banks used to have people called "assistant cashiers" (and they still might have them) who were considered officers of the bank but the title made them appear less important than the tellers

I remember hearing about a rising Ford executive whose office size was reduced by 1 foot because his position wasn't as important as the previous occupant. I wonder if that hollow 1-foot still exists in the glass house.

Company image builders are changing people's titles so they appear more important to their customers.

Salesmen are now "account executives," but I've never figured out the difference when they are called "senior account executives," It sounds like age discrimination.

In the newspaper business titles are very confusing. To give you a better understanding of journalism, this is what the following people do:

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General Manager — he manages the general. If it isn't a large newspaper, he manages the colonel.

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Feature Editor — she reviews

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HANK HOGAN

movies and was formerly known as the double-feature editor until local theaters started only showing one picture.

Sports Editor — he is the guy who comes in the office every morning and says, "Hi, Sport!"

Circulation Manager — he circu-

lates around the office, bringing coffee to women he finds attractive. He also assists staffers whose limbs have fallen asleep by helping to get circulation back into them.

Classified Manager — we can't tell you what she does because it is classified.

ned.

Makeup Editor — she inspects the girls' makeup.

Plant Superintendent—he is in charge of watering the plants around the building.

Pressroom Foreman — he sees that the reporters' clothes are neatly pressed.

Plate room Foreman — is brought in on emergencies to restore the dentures of editors and publishers when they put their feet in their mouths:

Staff writer - a reporter involved

I Salesmen are now "account executives," but I've never figured out the difference when they are called "senior account executives." It sounds like age discrimination.

in nature study who prefers to write his or her stories in the sand with a big stick.

This, of course, doesn't take care of the whole staff, but we're not sure what the rest of them do.

Hank Hogan , former publisher of the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, lives in Independence Township. He works as a Realfor on Main Street in downtown Clarkston.

Life in the fast lane: Speeders hurt themselves, others

e see them every day on the road. They are bad drivers — dangerous busy bodies who should have left 15 minutes earli-

You know who they are. The ones who don't use their blinker until they are half way through the turn and those who go through the yellow light about five seconds too late. How about the guy who runs the stop sign in your neighborhood every single day?

Every day on 1-75 people drive as if they are prepping for the Indy 500. The guy in the Bronco thinks he owns the road and weaves in and out of traffic while the lady in the Mustang runs him out of his lane. And, of course, she gets stuck behind the old guy in the Cadillac and ends up going the speed limit anyway.

The problem with these people is the hurry they are in. They are running late and to make up for it they put other people at risk. They don't realize the accident that caused traffic to back up resulted from two bad drivers trying to beat each other to work. The leading cause of death among Americans age 1-44 is automobile accidents, according to federal statistics from 1995. More than half of these fatalities are innocent people who weren't at fault.

So why is everyone in such a hurry? I know sometimes a parent drives straight from work to the school to pick up his son from basketball practice and then takes his daughter to work, but is it so bad if



KRISTIN FRENCH

his daughter is a couple of minutes late? Furthermore, situations such as this are not the majority, so why is everyone else in a rush? Oh, I know. They want to rush to work to sit there for eight hours so they can get home in time for the new TV movie, "Sleeping with the Intern."

People should stop and reconsider

their priorities. Not only will they be safer but happier. "Patience is a virtue with its own rewards" is an old saying. A patient person is more relaxed, able to enjoy the small pleasures in life such as a loved one's smile, a flower garden, or a quiet Sunday drive.

A person with patience lives in the now and can handle the unexpected. If dinner all of a sudden burned and had to be remade, that person can wait. And when someone pulls out in front of them on the highway, they are prepared for it.

In any case, being in a hurry won't get anyone any farther than their destination. The desk will be there when they get there and the TV won't sprout legs and walk away. Plus, is it

■ People should stop and reconsider their priorities. Not only will they be safer but happier. "Patience is a virtue with its own rewards" is an old saying. A patient person is more relaxed, able to enjoy the small pleasures in life.

really worth the risk of an accident? Life is not a race—slow down!

Kristin French is a student at Clarkston High School. Her column alternates with a column written by Clarkston Community Schools Supt. Al Roberts.

Engler's showing 3rd-term-itis

I've now had the time to read and re-read Gov. John Engler's State of the State speech, delivered last Thursday. The more I reflect on t, the more troubling it becomes.

First, it's obviously a very political document, intended to get the best of both worlds in an election year but of virtually no use as a policy

To reassure his base of conservative voters, Engler wants to cut state income taxes by \$3 billion by 2005, require a 60 percent legislative vote to raise future taxes, lock up more felons in more new prisons for longer jail terms and require folks getting welfare checks to test free of drugs.

To reach out to moderates and independents, the governor wants to borrow \$500 million for environmental cleanup, test pupils at the end of third grade for reading proficiency, end social promotion from grade to grade in schools and offer state-subsidized health insurance for poor children.

Second, so characteristic of Engler the master

Talking about tax cuts, even on a timetable so delayed that every current member of the Legislature will be term-limited out of office by the time the rates come down, guarantees good next day headlines. It forces challengers to play on Engler's time-tested battlefield of tax cuts.

Moreover, the salami tactic of cutting taxes

year after year into the next century insures that less money will be available for government to spend for whatever purpose. Less money, less big government. And, as every conservative knows, less government is better government.

Third, the speech reeks of third-termism, the political malady that affects politicians when they decide to run for a third term in office.

Engler is already less than immune, having made it pretty clear some years ago that he would never run for a third term as governor and then reversing himself by means of a stealth announcement of candidacy issued by his wife, Michelle.

Third-termism is a subtle disease, the sort that sneaks up on you.

A first symptom is the increasing delusion that the real world is defined by what goes on in its capitals, whether Lansing or Washington, and not by the daily lives of ordinary people. Gov. Engler and his people have been around Lansing for a long time, and it's an open question in my mind whether they've lost their earlier perspective.

Another symptom — quite evident in Engler's speech — is the tendency to try to be all things to all people. Whether you agreed with him or not, what was gripping about Engler's first years in office was his willingness to set out his



PHILIP POWER

philosophy and his convictions, warts and all, without trying to pander to the middle. You can almost see the writers for this year's State of the State saying, "Well, we've got to say something to please the environmentalists, and we've got to throw a bone to the teachers' unions," and so forth.

The last symptom is the worst. By diluting the focus, third-termism saps the will.

John Engler's speech was not a focused document. In offering something for everybody, it lost the sharpness and bite that have made the governor such a formidable political figure. Eight years is a long time for any governor.

You've used up most of the good ideas you came into office with, and your agenda keeps getting more diluted with each passing year. Year by year, you keep alienating folks until there are lots of people mad at you. The inevitable response is to try to be all things to all people.

I think John Engler is showing the symptoms of third-termism. If that's true, he'd better watch out, because eventually his opponent will sniff the illness out and exploit it.

I feel obliged to follow up on the responses to my column on being detained for six hours inside an Allegro Airlines airplane sitting on the tarmac at Cincinnati International Airport. Obviously, many people have suffered such

maddening experiences. If I were in the airline

business, Id start doing surveys of customers.

There has been a concrete outcome to this.
Chief Customs Officer John Shea has provoked a series of meetings among the various federal agencies with jurisdiction at airports. The new rule is that no airplane will be held for longer than two hours without allowing passengers to disembark, make phone calls and use the toilet.

Phil Power is chairman of HomeTown Communications Network Inc., the company that owns this newspaper. He welcomes your comments, either by voice mail at (734) 953-2047, Ext. 1880, or by e-mail at ppower@oeonline.com.

Thank you, Mr. Shea!



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Year 2000 technology benefits doctors, patients

BY NICOLE STAFFORD

Simplicity — it's difficult to imagine the concept at work in the year 2000, let alone at play in the complicated business of health care.

But, Network Medical, a Troy medical software company founded in 1991, is untangling one aspect of the field — the often confounding and frustrat-ing system of medical billing. It's not a moment too soon,

since physician's offices and other health care facilities are operating under the shadow of an impending deadline — the

The new millennium means rolling the number 19 to 20 for most businesses, but the complexity of medical billing and health care provider's tendency to focus on treatment, jrather than business matters, confounds the situation.

"They're about 10 to 15 years behind other industries as far as office automation," said Anthony Minicuci, vice president of opera-tions at Network Medical. "One of the downfalls of the medical community is that they are so forced to learn the inner workings of the human body that they don't learn much about busi-

And this tendency — to focus on patients and treatments, as opposed to business— although desirable and befitting, couldn't come at a worse time.

The emergence of managed care insurance companies and an explosion in the number of health insurance companies in operation — about 19,000 to date

Urban ills concern state gov't

By Tim Richard Staff Writer

After decades of talk, Michigan may be edging toward an "urban policy," say regional and state

There's no hard definition of "urban policy," but it's usually used in discussions of stopping urban sprawl, resurrecting abandoned industrial brownfields and encouraging investment in older cities.

"We're forming a group of communities. We've met four or five times," said Paul E. Tait, deputy. executive director of the South east Michigan Council of Gov-ernments (SEMCOG).

Alpena has some of the same problems Detroit has. Grand Rapids and Kalamazoo are actively participating," he told SEMCOG's Jan, 30 executive committee meeting.

"Two weeks ago, the House urban caucus met with an urban core mayors' group," said Tait.

. The urban caucus is co-chaired by Reps. William Byl, R-Grand Rapids, and Michael Hanley, D-Saginaw. Among its founders last year was Rep. Patricia Godchaux, R-Birmingham.

"Our bedfellows include the Michigan Association of Realtors, which gave the most active support to our policies," Tait

"We've had no urban policy in this state or in this country, added John Amberger, SEM-COG's executive director who will retire at the end of March.

"For 30, 40, 50 years, we've needed an urban policy," added guest speaker Mel Ravitz, who this year retired from the Detroit city council and chaired SEM-COG in 1970-72.

Even Gov. John Engler appears to have hopped on board the environmental and urban policy express train. "I applaud the focus of this (urban) summit and the sincerity of those attendging," Engler said in mid-January remarks to the group.

The governor followed it up in his Jan. 29 state of the state address by recommending an hvironmental bond issue of million, 80 percent of which ld be used to clean up old ndustrial "brownfields" and discourage paving over of

has made medical billing not only more complicated, but also more critical to effectively and efficiently running a physician's

Consequently, Network Medi-cal and other software compa-

cal and other software compa-nies are currently designing and implementing physician billing management systems.

Network Medical has a five-physician practice minimum for their systems and charges a base price of about \$9,500. Clinics

with more than five physicians are charged about \$1,900 per additional doctor. Their services include an on-site system evaluation, software implementation

"As physicians, we want to make certain that business decisions in the office don't spill over into medical care," said Kurt Neumann, M.D., an oncology specialist, who practices in the Rose Cancer Center building at Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak

and who purchased a billing management system from Netwòrk Medical more than a year

"As the business side of medical care becomes more complicated and important, it becomes increasingly important to run the office as efficiently as possible so we can spend our time

taking care of patients."
Dates, of course, play a primary role in medical billing. Date of birth, date of injury, date of ser-

vice, date of claim filed, date of charge processed and appoint-ment date are only a handful, Minicuci said:

But, although new billing systems like those provided by Network Medical might seem to only benefit physicians and their staff, these changes also enhance patient services.

A patient who loses his or her appointment card, for example, won't have to wait several minutes on the phone for office staff to search through computer files to locate the scheduled appointment, Minicuci said.

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Network Medical's patients
billing statements are also simpler and more patient friendly,
he said. "This is all about not
keeping the patient on hold."

"And we castainly feel that

"And we certainly feel that efficiency has rather dramatically improved," Neumann said.

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Renaissance High gives students a second chance

he bell rings. Jerry, 15, is walk-ing down the hall of Clarkston Renaissance High School in the opposite direction of English 1 with his arm draped over a girl's shoulder. Classified as "straight-edge," meaning he has sworn off all drugs, Jerry is wearing a T-shirt that proclaims, "Free from the addictions of your poi-

son society." Before he gets too far away, though, a petite woman old enough to be his mother comes to the hall from the door of English 1 and yells, "Jer rey! Time for class." Jerry does an about-face:

Clarkston Renaissance High School is where students needing and wanting a second chance at earning a high school diploma get one. It's where students who fell, unnoticed, through the cracks of crowded 2,000-plus regular high schools have another chance to — as the name Renaissance implies

— start all over again. It's where five teachers teach 90 students all of their subjects over two to three years. It's where students get the nurturing they often don't get at home, It's where teachers have been known to meet students on Saturday to eat lunch or sit with them and cry after a grandparent has died. It's where Jerry and Annie learned to read and write.

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Dinnerware: Replicas of dinnerware used by Civil War soldiers give history buffs a taste of what life was like on the battle-

fields.



Civil War

Class brings history to life

Reading a book about the Civil War is one thing, but if you'd really like to find out about the most life-claiming experience in U.S. history; you might want to spend some time with Duane

Donning a Union General's uniform, toting authentic equipment, and armed with a wealth of stories about the Civil War, Getzmeyer has spent much of his free time over the past five years reen-acting actual Civil War scenes with other members of the Michigan Regimental Round Table. The group of history buffs meets once a month, planning trips to places like Gettysburg, and Appomattox where they set up entire Union and Confederate army

amps. .Getzmeyer, who lives in Oxford, will be offering an American Civil War class beginning March 3 through Clarkston Community Education's Adult Enrichment program. In addition to doing a reenactment for the class, he plans to share some of the more interesting oddities about the

war, bring in guest speakers, and pro-vide resources for others who are fascinated by the era.

"There have been more books written about the Civil War than any other war, more books about Lincoln than any other president, and more books about Gettysburg than any other battle," Getzmeyer said. "People might have the interest, but they don't know where to go for information, what bookstores, magazines, videos... that's what I want to tell them."

In the summer of 1996, when people swarmed to Atlanta to watch the Olympic games, Getzmeyer and other members of his Round Table group, were there. They set up a "living history" exhibit; a complete Union encampment with authentic tents, uniforms and equipment. Although Getzmeyer and his group enjoyed the experience, the public never got the chance. "Just when they started to bring people in, the bomb went off," he said, referring to the bomb that exploded at Centenni-

al Olympic Park in Atlanta. When visitors come to a historical reenactment, Getzmeyer says they're



Union suit: Duane Getzmeyer, who will teach a class on the Civil War, models a uniform like the ones worn by the North.

reaching out to learn the kinds of things that a history book can't tell:

"They'll ask, 'Is the uniform hot?' but they really don't want to know that. What they're really doing is trying to get a sense of what the experience was like back then."

Getzmeyer, 47, became interested in the Civil War when he was a student at Pierce Jr. High in Waterford some 25 years ago. He says his history teacher, Don Foster, made it interest-

"A lot of classes I took in school were

boring... but living history is exciting,

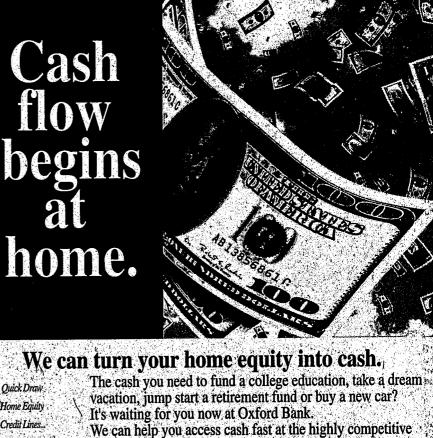
Getzmeyer said.
Over 550,000 lives were lost in the Civil War, compared to 58,000 who died in Vietnam. "The Civil War is what made us a country... Our people tramped through it from one end to the other," Getzmeyer said.

Duane Getzmeyer's Civil War class will be held on Tuesdays starting March 3 at Sashabaw Middle School on Maybee Road. For information, call-Clarkston Community Education at



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e can't fool God— or our consciences — with our lies 🖰

n has many tools, but a lie is the idle that fits them all." Oliver Wendelt Holmes Sr.

And so our country in its collective onscience — if indeed we have one any note:— wrestles with the question: Did President or didn't he?

Vewrestle with the question because tever happened, happened someoff in the distance where we cane sure. Off in Washington, in a land and a time and a space that is cessible and foreign to most of us. Off in a land that has little to do with our daily grind or our reality. Off in a

id that entertains and captivates us Still, we let it set our policies and our laws and our mores

We wrestle with the question because whatever happened, happened as close as our own door. As close as our ability, or lack there of, to confront temptation. As close as our ability to rationalize. As Mr. W

close as our ability to ask the proverbial

We excuse the act, if indeed there was an act, as "none of our business as long as he does a good job."

What is a good job, anyway? We relish the act, if indeed there was in act, because we love to see somebody else squirm. We anticipate the details and enjoy, the gossip. Our collective con-science likes a diversion.

And when we are finished with our long, hard look, we say, "God bless America.

We do not want to rush to judgment in this case because we, ourselves, in our own imperfections would not want

to be judged too soon or too harshly. Still, at some point we must ask, what kinds of mistakes, if there were mistakes, will be permitted at the top? How



CAROLYN WALKER

many?

Should there ever be room for lies? How many of those? Are lies just another form of mistake? Would you want the judge trying your case to lie? What about the woman on the witness stand? The doctor making your diagnosis? The man leading you off to war? Your pastor or your rabbi? The reporter telling your story in the paper?

Somebody has to set the example and

the tone and the pace for our nation. Presumably, that somebody should

be our elected leader. Because stories don't jibe we know somebody's lying.

Maybe more than one somebody. Either the act happened or it didn't. Either it was covered up or it wasn't. And then again, maybe Clinton's an innocent victim of some other liar's

vicious smear campaign.
Should we worry about it if Hillary doesn't appear to?

What about Chelsea?

It makes me wonder: If the president is lying about this, what else is he lying about? If this mistake was tolerable what other mistake will be tolerable

If there are few or no moral absolutes, does that mean we are still living in a land of the free and a home of the

What is freedom, anyway? What makes a person brave?

Is forgiveness the same as tolerance; and is that the same as acceptance?

Lies are nasty things. Worse, I think sometimes, than the acts they cover up. See how they weave their ways through our thoughts and our conversations and our relationships? See how they trap.

See how they blur the issues and the quality of our lives? See how they travel down through time and visit themselves on our children?

See how lies are the antithesis of free

dom? That rumble you hear is the sound of

our conscience You can fool everything but the God that blesses America . . . and that con-

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Annie, 18, of Pontiac was the third of three girls born to an automotive assembler and his wife. Neither of her parents went to college. Annie's mother dropped out of high school and later went back to finish, as did Annie's two older sisters, one of whom had become pregnant in the 11th grade. Annie thinks her father graduated from high school with his class, but she's not sure. One thing she is sure of, though, is that her parents have said education is impor-tant. "They always tell me I should never drop out because you can't get nowhere without

Despite their stated reverence for education, Annie's parents never took her to a library. They read to her when she was a schooler from a set of animal books they gave to her as a gift.

Annie attended grade school in Pontiac, where she was held back in second grade. "I couldn't read very well," she explained. Despite being held back, Annie never caught up with her peers, always reading a few years below grade level. Even though Annie was struggling, her parents never attended her parentteacher conferences. Annie remembers their coming to only one school function in her life; "a choir thing" in elementary

By the time Annie switched to Clarkston Renaissance from Pontiac Northern at the end of her freshman year, Annie's GPA was 1.16. She was failing many of her core classes, including English, and reading at a sixthgrade level. However, academic achievement was scoffed at by most of the students at Pontiac Northern. "A report card with

nothing higher than C's or D's is a certificate of coolness," sh said. And, the over-worked teachers were too busy handling discipline problems to pay atten-tion to quiet non-troublemakers like Annie. "They didn't come to your desk or nothing," Annie aid of her teachers at Pontiac Northern.

When Annie brought home her report cards, her parents would yell. "I tried to tell them it was the environment around me, but I don't think they believed that,"

Two friends persuaded Annie to switch to Clarkston Renais sance. Annie immediately bonded with the motherly English teacher who called after Jerry to come to class. "She's helped me out a lot," Annie said of her teacher, Pat Unsworth. "Like when I have mistakes on my paper, she'll sit down with me and tell me what I did wrong until I understand." Unsworth became like a surrogate mother to Annie, as she does with many of her students. "She said ever I need anybody to talk to, I can talk to her," Annie said.

Unsworth recalls Annie's adaptation to Clarkston Renaissance as being easy. "She liked — she connected with me. Right off the bat, I had an advantage," she said. "I think the biggest difference is, though, we're so small; you really know the kids and what skills they have and don't have."

Unsworth has taught about half the classes Annie has taken at Clarkston Renaissance and, in the small school setting, can discuss her progress in other sub-jects with her other teachers. Because she gets to know her students well, Unsworth can tailor a curriculum for each child, A. which builds their confidence and, subsequently, their literacy.

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or it is

For example, Jerry, the straight-edge kid Uneworth called after, wouldn't write two words when he first came to her class. After getting to know him, she found out that he liked to write songs. She asked him to bring in some songs he had written for her to read. "If you can wa write songs, you can write other things," Unsworth told him. ferry's writing competence even tually grew from two to three words to two- to three-page papers.

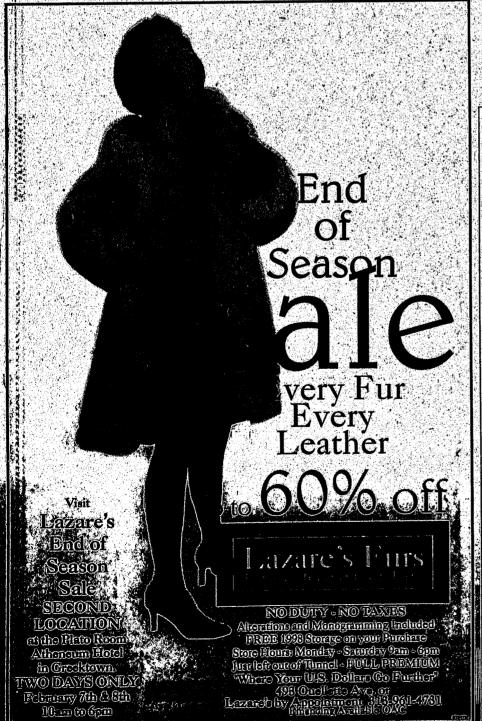
Clarkston Renaissance /\vii. adheres to a theory held by many prominent educators: Learning increases as the size of ... the school decreases because teachers get to know their stu-dents and their needs better. No one falls through the cracks.

Annie will graduate soon from Clarkston Renaissance with a Clarkson tennissance with a high school diploma. At the end of last school year, she had raised her GPA to 2.14. She plans to go to Oakland Commu-nity College, the first in her fam-ily to further her education beyond high school.

Unsworth and the other teachers at Clarkston Renaissance consider Annie one of their success stories: But behind Annie's... success is another success story that of a small, nurturing school where the instruction is tailored to each student's needs

The names of the students in this column have been changed to protect their privacy, Karen Hermes Smith is editor of the Clarkston Eccentric. She can be reached at 625-1900.





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Volunteers needed to expand hours of service

BY ANDREA SAVEDGE-AMIDON

Lighthouse Emergency Services, Clarkston Branch, has the distinct honor and privilege of receiving many hours of support dedicated volunteers. With out the help of these people who so generously donate their time, we would not be able to the many families and individuals in need. Perhaps you were one of the volunteers who helped to make this past Christmas a special one for more than 350 Northern Oakland County families and seniors.

The need for volunteers, like funds, seems to be ever present. According to Katie Stewart, volunteer coordinator, "There are numerous volunteer positions that are essential for continued services to clients. Right now I am looking for front desk volunteers to fill spots left vacant by our 'snowbird' volunteers. These are the volunteers who travel South for the winter. Then like robins, they return in the spring to help where they can. Unfortunately, families in crisis or their problems do not go South. The front desk volunteer has the most contact with clients — interviewing, setting up appointments and packing food. There is also answering phones, light filing and accepting donations. Desk volunteers are needed during client service hours, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday. A commitment to volunteer once a week for three to five hours allows Katie to service two clients instead of one at a time.

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volunteers, especially on Thur day mornings and all-day Friday. Clothing Closet volunteers sort donations then place suitable clothing, linens and small kitchen items in the designated

The Caregiver Department, supervised by Janice Herr-Krein, is devoted exclusively to servicing senior citizens. There are numerous areas that someone may volunteer to help a senior. An entire future column will be devoted exclusively to the Caregiver Department and the voluneer opportunities. Lighthouse Clarkston is fortu-

nate to have two vans, one that transports senior citizens and a cargo van. These two vehicles, unfortunately, are not used nearly as often as they could be if there were more volunteers available. Future columns will go into more detail about volun-teer opportunities driving one or the Lighthouse vans.

Lighthouse is proud that 90 percent of its revenue goes directly toward services for those in need. However, Lighthouse would not even be a dim beam of light if it were not for the wonderful volunteers who give of their time and talents. While there may not be any monetary reward, the heartfelt thank you from a client you have helped is

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Do you have a few hours to donate during the day or early evening? If you answered yes or you have questions about volunteer opportunities, please call Katie Stewart, volunteer coordinator for Lighthouse Clarkston, at (248) 673-4949,

Editor's note: Clarkston Community Corner is a new column written by local community groups. The column will be shared by Lighthouse, Clarkston Community Task Force for Youth, Habitat for Humanity, Independence Land Conservancy and Clarkston Area Youth Assistance. Lighthouse of Clarkston will run the first Thursday of each month.

Misconceptions about teen suicide

(Editor's note: The following is Part II of a story by Jan Baker on adolescent suicide, Part I ran

Adolescents who talk about suicide rarely do it; or, adolescents who talk about it are just trying to get atten-

The majority of adolescents who commit suicide have given some clue or warning of intent. These clues, while at times are not very obvious or direct, are a "cry for help" to find alternatives other than death. NEVER-IGNORE A WARNING OR A THREAT! Do not assume that threats are attempts at manipulation or only intended to attract attention. Listen carefully and be ready to help.

If you ask the adolescent directly, "Do you feel like killing yourself?" the result will be that you will "plant the seed" that causes them to attempt.

This is absolutely not true Actually, asking the teen about suicidal thoughts and intent will often help him or her share what is going on inside. If the adolescent thinks you are fearful of the topic, this may contribute to feelgs of desperation and isolation. "Children" don't take their

has been an increase in suicide rates in recent years. It has been estimated that approximately percent of children under age 15 have suicidal thoughts.

Most adolescent suicides occur during the nighttime

Actually, mid-to-late morning and mid-to-late afternoon are the times when many suicide attempts and completions occur. This is because the majority of suicidal adolescents actually don't want to die. The possibility of someone "discovering" and saving" them is increased during the daytime.

Adolescents inherit a genetic tendency toward suicide that is passed on from one generation to another.

A tendency toward suicide is not genetically inherited. However, the emotional atmosphere in a family can be socially learned, resulting in some families modeling suicide as a coping skill.

An adolescent who is suicidal will always be suicidal.

Most adolescents who want to take their own life are, in reality, suicidal for only a limited

own lives, particularly children 15 or under.

Even in young children there has been an increase in suicide

amount of time. There is often a peak crisis period of 24 to 72 hours. If the crisis is appropriately managed and followed up at the control of time. on, there is a good possibility that additional suicidal thoughts and actions can be avoided.

Adolescents who commit suicide are mentally ill.

While adolescents who take their own lives are often upset, helpless, or depressed, many of them would not meet the criteria for diagnosable disorders.

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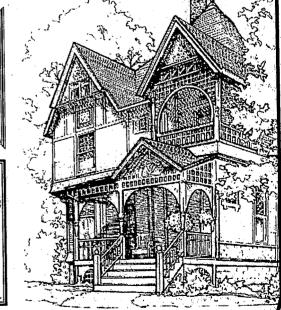
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Surprise your sweetie with chocolate

By KEELY WYGONIK STAFF WRITER

ost of us are in the mood for "Something Choco-late" on Valentine's Day. If you enjoy baking, "Chocolate for Breakfast and Tea," by Laura Zahn (Down To Earth Publications, St. Paul, Minn., \$21.95) offers 67 practical recipes from Bed-and-Breakfast inns across the nation including Bernadette Van Lenten who operates the Willow Brook Inn Bed & Breakfast in Canton with her husband, Michael.

"If you can't get away for a romantic stay at a B&B or inn, at least you can fix a chocolate breakfast-in-bed for your valen-

tine," suggests Zahn. Chocolate Lover's Muffins and Van Lenten's Toasted Walnut Fudge Bread, which Bernadette says is "like indulging in a warm brownie for breakfast," are deli-cious ways to start Valentine's

Day,

Baking is not your only option.
You could special order beautiful
You could pastries from Bonheart shaped pastries from Bonnie Fishman, who owns Bonnie's Patisserie in Southfield or call Andy Sheridan and his mother, Kathleen of Troy, for "Something Chocolate," a 6-inch one-of-a-

"I was 7 years old and remem-

ber my mother making this torte for her sewing club," said Kathleen. "It was extra special, After I got married I asked her for the recipe so I could make it for my first dinner party. She never wrote the recipe down. We put our heads together and tried to concect it. I wrote everything

- a velvety rich The torte blend of dark Belgium chocolate, two kinds of cocoa powder, with a butter almond crunch crust, topped with fresh whipped cream and ring of ruby red raspberries, was a hit. Everyone

When people asked for the recipe, Sheridan politely refused. In 1978 she turned making tortes into a business.

"I remember when I was 3 making the cookie crunch bottom and stirring the chocolate," said Andy, 21, a second year culinary arts student: "I liked working with my hands, It might have been the preview to me studying culinary arts. It was my grandma's recipe and meant to be

As her children grew, Sheri-dan drifted away from the business. "It just got to be too much. It's so labor intensive. This is an old-fashioned ice box torte and takes two days to make. About three years ago Andy said, 'I'd like to go into the torte business," " she recalled, "He was instrumental in getting an approved kitchen.

Their business has been growing. This Christmas they handdelivered over 150 tortes

"I wouldn't make this up, everyone says this is the best torte they've ever had," said Andy. "The taste of the product is second to none, and my mom and dad are the best employees."

'Something Chocolate Inc." is a family business. Andy's father, Jim, a CPA, takes care of the books and also makes the cookie

Kathleen takes orders, and helps assemble and package tortes. Andy's older brothers, Kevin and Michael, help hand deliver the tortes throughout metro Detroit.

Andy dreams of owning his own restaurants some day, and also expanding the torte business. "The restaurant business is very unpredictable," he said. You need to have a couple of

things going."
Their Valentine's Day "Something Chocolate" torte is 6 inches, and serves 8 to 10 people. For Easter and Mother's Day they plan to offer the chocolate torte in 6-inch, 10-inch, 12-inch and

mini sizes. "In the summer we offer a deli-

cious lemon torte," said Andy, "and we're experimenting with other flavors."

Besides making the tortes,

Andy enjoys delivering them too.
"It's fun to deliver because you see the reaction on people's faces," said Andy. "They're astounded by the packaging. It's a surprise, and I really enjoy doing this. It's not like work. Giving reacted as mathing to Giving people something to enjoy is very gratifying. I don't want to be a police officer who gives out traffic tickets; I'd rather give out

tortes and make people happy."
"Something Chocolate Inc." truly is a labor of love, and the Sheridans are in no hurry-to quickly expand.

"We take things slow," said Kathleen, "We're not rushing,". For the last 18 years, Bonnie

Fishman has been serving deli-cious, all-natural foods at Bonnie's Patisserie, a one of a kind European-style eatery that offers both pastries and lunch.

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Bonnie's "Special Valentine's Day Menu," includes Heart Shaped Dried Cherry Scones

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Heart association seeks salad recipes

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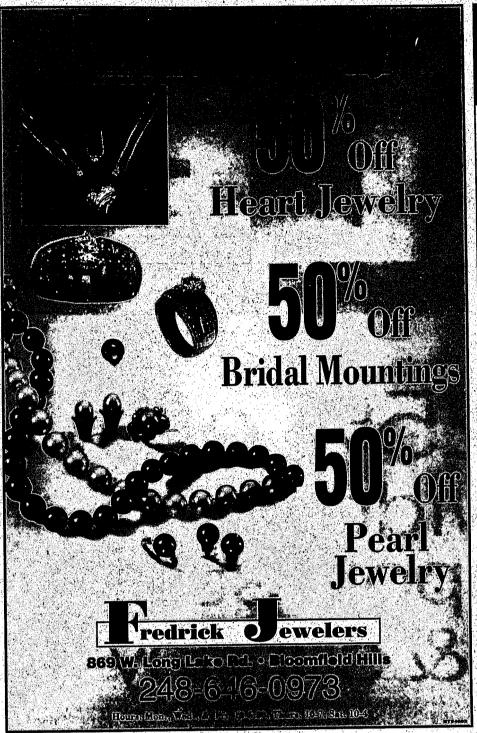
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FRESH RASPBERRY TARTS

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- 3 ounces cold butter, cut into 🕫
- 1 egg yolk
- 1 tablespoon cold water Filling:
- 6 ounces cream cheese, room
- temperature
- 2 tablespoons sugar 1/3 cup plus 2 tablespoons
- Juice of 1/2 lemon
- 1 1/2 teaspoons vanilla
- 1-2 plots fresh raspberries Red current Jelly

To make dough: Combine the lour and the sugar in the bowl of a food processor. Add the butter. Pulse on and off until the dough resembles coarse meal. Scramble together the yolk and water. Pour through the feed tube while the motor is running. When dough forms a ball on top of the blade, shut off.

Roll the dough out to 1/8-inch thickness and fit into heart shaped tart molds. Prick with a fork. Freeze for 30 minutes. Bake tarts on a cookie sheet at 350° F. until golden brown, about 15-20 min-

utes. Cool. To make filling: Combine the cream cheese and sugar in the food processor until blended. Add the sour cream and blend for 30 sec onds. Scrape down the sides. Add the lemon juice and vanilla, Process until combined.

Spread the cream filling evenly nto the tarts. Arrange the raspberries in the tarts in a single layer and fit snugly together. Heat some currant jelly in a saucepan over moderate heat until free of lumps. Using a pastry brush, coat the tops of the raspberries. Chill before serving.

Recipe compliments of Bonnie Fishman, owner Bonnie's Patis-serie in Southfield.

TOASTED WALNUT FUDGE BREAD

- 1 cup coarsely chopped wal-
- 3 ounces semisweet choco-
- late, melted and cooled 1 cup butter
- 1 cup sugar
- 5 eggs

- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 cup buttermilk
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract

Preheat oven to 350°F. Grease two 9 by 5-inch loaf pans. Toast walnuts on baking sheet for 3 to 5 minutes or until fragrant. Cool.

Melt chocolate by microwaving on medium high for 25-second intervals, stirring in between until smooth. Cool:

Cream butter and sugar. Beat in eggs one at a time. Mix in cooled chocolate.

In a separate bowl, mix flour, baking sods and salt. Stir butter milk and vanilla together. Add

flour and buttermilk alternately to chocolate mixture. Stir in walnuts.

Divide batter between the two prepared pans. Bake for 55 to 60 minutes, or until a knife or toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean.

Cool bread inn pans for 10 min utes, then remove from pans and cool on a wire rack. Serve arm or toasted, with butter.

Recipe from Bernadette Van Lenten of the Willow Brook Inn Bed & Breakfast, one of 67 recipes featured in "Chocolate for Breakfast and Tea," by Laura Zahn, (Down to Earth Publications, \$21.95).



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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS of the CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD will hold a meeting on Thursday, February 19, 1998, beginning at 8:00 P.M. at the Springfield Township Hall, 650 Broadway, Davisburg, Michigan, to hear the appeal of

- Bruce Hynes, 13650 Neal Road, Davisburg, to permit the construction of an attached garage which would bring total accessory atructure floor area on site to 10,022 s.f. rather than the maximum permitted of 5,000 s.f. Currently, 8,289 s.f. of accessory floor area exists on site. PI. 07-31-100-008.
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- NEW BUSINESS:
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- John & Cynthia LaRocque, 7562 Ormond Rd., Davisburg, to allow the construction of a pole barn with the following variances: 1) A rear yard setback of 10 feet rather than the required 35 foot setback, and 2) A side yard setback of 15 feet rather than the required 25 foot setback. PL 07-20 42609.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the maps and variance requests may be examined at the Springfield Township Clerk's Office, 650 Broadway, Davisburg, Michigan, during regular office hours Monday through Friday until the date of the meeting. Anyone needing a special accommodation at the meeting should contact the Township Clerk at least two (2) business days in advance of the meeting.

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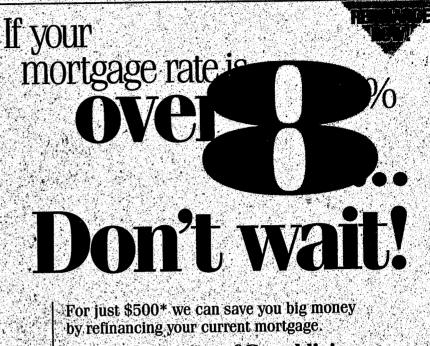
These are items we make in the store normally, but for

Valentine's Day we're offering them in heart shapes," said Fish-

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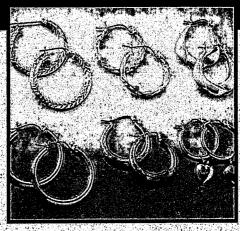
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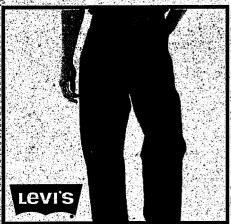
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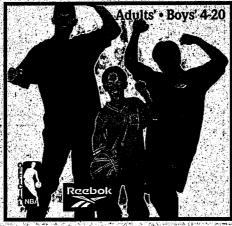


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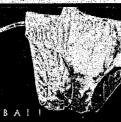
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Wolves topple top-ranked Highlanders



■ Clarkston stared into the eyes of Rochester Adams, the state's best wrestling team, and the Highlanders blinked first, setting up a great stretch run to the OAA I title.

overall, 3-0 OAA I), ranked

fourth before this meet, in the driver's seat in the Oakland Activities Association Division I

standings, at least temporarily.

Rochester Adams, ranked No. 1 by the coaches going in, falls to 9-1 overall, 2-1 OAA I.

Clement put the meet away in rapid order, taking just 25 sec-

der injury.

BY BRAD KADRICH

The hunters are now the hunt-

Clarkston used a heartwrenching comeback win from Andy Auten, and got the deciding points on a quick pin by Bubba Clement, and handed Rochester Adams its first wrestling loss since last year's state tournament in a 38-27 win



But it was Auten who provided the emotional lift the Wolves needed after watching the Highlanders climb within a point, 22-21. Auten, wrestling Luke Lazzo at 152 pounds, fought off his back twice and erased a 10-4 deficit to pull out a 12-11 win that boosted Clarkston's team lead to 25-21 and spurred the Wolves to wins in three of the next four matches.

Auten led 12-10 in the closing seconds when Lazzo tried to get a reverse. But referee Kent Bailo ruled the move a one-point escape rather than the twopoint reversal, and Auten had climbed back

looked at the clock and just held on tight," said Auten, who avoided first- and second-period pinning situations. "When I was on my back, I knew I couldn't give up the pin. I was counting on myself for three (team points), so I knew I couldn't give up six." Adams coach Pat Milkovich

thought Lazzo had completed the reverse, and told Bailo so in no uncertain terms. Afterward, Milkovich said the call was the turning point in the match.

"Sure it was," Milkovich said: "Take (the points) off their score and add them to ours, and we win. It was a huge, huge call.'

The Wolves were completely healthy for the first time in awhile, with Clement and Ryan L'Amoreaux returning to the lineup. Like Clement, L'Amoreaux wasted little time making his presence felt, pinning Adams' Brett McKown in 1:18 of their 103-pound match.

A.J. Grant pinned Adam Corss in 4:35 at 112, and Ryan McAleer pinned Jon Barkham in just 39 seconds at 119 pounds to give Clarkston an 18-0 lead.

After Adams shaved the lead to 18-15, Clarkston's Kevin Turnbull got back points at the buzzer, providing the difference between a win and a major decision in an 11-3 victory over Matt Fraser. Adams then won at 145 to set up Auten's heroics.

After Auten's match and an Adams win at 160, Matt Edwards started a three-match streak for the Wolves by beating Nate Farley 10-4 at 171. Pat DeGain then easily dispatched Kevin Boyd in a 15-6 win and

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Prime position: Clarkston's Ryan L'Amoreaux stepped into the Wolves' lineup Wednesday and pinned Brett McKown of Rochester Adams in 1:28. The pin helped Clarkston spring a 38-27 upset of the top-ranked Highlanders.

In control: Clarkston's Pat DeGain outmuscled Kevin Boyd of Rochester Adams to help set up the Wolves' 38-27 upset of the Highlanders.



BRAD KADRICH

Wolves' team-first attitude helps spring upset of Highlanders

Talk about your reversal of fortune. Twelve months ago, Rochester Adams had just completed a dualmeet wrestling victory over Clarkston as the two teams jockeyed for position atop the Oakland Activities Associa-tion Division, I standings. Clarkston got its revenge a few weeks later, however, when it won the OAA I tournament, forcing a sharing of the

A year later, it's the Wolves with the upper hand, and the Highlanders lurking in the shadows, hungry for a big kill and sweet revenge after Clarkston's 38-27 win over Adams last Wednesday at West Bloomfield.

The irony of the situation was not lost on any of the principals, who know the race is far from over. Since his Wolves completed the revenge last year, Clarkston coach Mike DeGain knows better than most what goes around comes around.

around comes around.

"(Lastjyear) just goes to show us we can't take anything for granted going into the league meet," said DeGain, who called Wednesday's win "our biggest in the OAA." "You've got to know Adams will use it for motivation."

Truth be told, the Highlanders can the day anything they went as moti-

try to use anything they want as motivation, but if the Wolves continue to get the kind of contributions they're getting from some of their unsung restlers, it might not matter. It's foolishness to suggest there's no way damit can beat Clarkston, because he Highlanders have a great squad, till one of the top contenders for the talk claim bonship.

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Cagers make quick work of Eagles

BY BRAD KADRICH . SPORTS EDITOR

With about 2:25 left in Tuesday's Oakland Activities Asso-ciation Division I prep basketball game between Clarkston and Ferndale, Ferndale's Tyrone Lewis capped a pretty

fast break with a pretty dunk.
Unfortunately for the visiting Eagles, it was the evenings only highlight.

Clarkston's Dane Fife poured in 27 points on a vari-

ety of shots, and Angelo Taylor tossed in 25 of his own as the host Wolves routed Ferndale, 69-53, before a boisterous crowd: The Wolves had a little trouble getting started, but solved Ferndale's defense quickly enough, built an 11point lead after eight minutes and never looked back.

Afterward, coach Dan Fife was singing the Eagles' prais-

might be a little down right now, but if they get a win, they could hurt some people.".". They didn't do much damage.

to the Wolves (12-1, 6-0 OAA I). The closest Ferndale got to Clarkston was with 3:38 left in the first quarter, when Delano McKinney completed a three-point play to cut Clarkston's lead to 13-11. But the Wolves scored the final nine points of T think that's a good team," the period, seven of them. Fife said of the Eagles, who Fife, to build a 22-11 lead. the period, seven of them from 12-foot jumper and a 3-pointer

After that, Clarkston's defense—led again by guard Dan Neubeck—kept the Eagles at bay, Only once in the first 16 minutes did Ferndale put together back-to-back bas-kets. Clarkston, meanwhile, was content to keep trading baskets. The Wolves got their typical performances from Fife and Taylor, but also got a lift from bench players like Brad Phalen, who came in and hit a

as Clarkston built a 40-25

"I'm really happy with the way Brad Phalen is playing," Fife said. "He comes off the bench and we don't really lose anything, Neubeck is solid defensively, Angelo was tough inside and Dane did a nice job

getting him some shots."
. The best sequence of the game centered around Lewis: dunk late in the fourth. He took a pass from McKinney as

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Out of the shadows

Wolves' success brings pom pon squad into limelight

BY BRAD KADRICH

t's hard to believe, since they perform before 1,800 people twice a week, but Clarkston's pom pon squad suffers from the same dreaded disease which has afflicted cheerleaders and pom pon teams for eons:

Anonymity. But if Clarkston's performances are any indication, that shouldn't be a

problem much longer. The Wolves traveled to Troy Athens over the weekend for a regional NCA Dance Division competition, and came away with everything in sight to continue a season loaded with accomplish-

The Wolves added this weekend's titles to a state championship they won a couple of weeks ago at Utica.

Here's a list of what Clarkston did at

■ Best in Varsity Dance. ■ Best in Junior Varsity Dance

■ Highest score, all divisions for the

varsity.

Third-highest score, all divisions.
For the JV. That means only the
Wolves own team and one other varsity team.

"They were awesome," said Gina Shore, Clarkston's third-year varsity coach. "Our JV team is really good, and

they were all very excited."
In addition, four Wolves — Danielle
Facione, Tara Matkowsky, Dina Pitay and Whitney Renz — finished first in the Team Leader division. Facione, Matkowsky and Renz are the Wolves'

Facione finished third in the solo

"They've achieved goals and mile-stones I never thought possible," Shore said of her Wolves. "They're a really

And Shore should know. She was a member of the team when she was at Clarkston and her mother was the coach. Upon graduation, Shore was an assistant for her mother. After six years of that, Shore started the junior varsity program and coached it for two

She's spent the last two-plus seasons as the varsity coach, taking the top spot after her mother's retirement.

Shore has seen a lot of changes in the pom pon world since her early days. Back then, girls didn't have much dance background, having hardly ever delved into studio dance. They didn't do jumps, they didn't have much of an athletic background, necessarily.

Nowadays, pom pon teams are made up of some of the school's best athletes. These girls learn a new routine for

every game," Shore pointed out. "That means they get three or four days to perfect it, and then they have to go out and perform it without a mistake. That takes a lot of hard work and dedication."

That's the one thing the girls them selves think people don't realize about pom pon squads; how much work is involved. Clarkston's team begins in June, with fundraisers and summer camps. Once school starts, the girls practice 2-1/2 hours a day, four days a

"I don't think they know how much time we spend on it," Facione said. "We

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Dance fever: Pom pon dancer Laura Hubbard (right foreground) and her teammates watch Ryan Leach (left) and the other boys go through their moves during the annual Boy-Girl routine at the Jan. 23 home game against Troy,

etters hit stride th win over Colts

it seems as if Clarkston's lleyball team is hitting its

The Wolves completed a The Wolves completed a very successful, eight-day stretch, Monday (defeating Troyle 10, 16, 12, 16, win their third les gue, match in just over week Clarkston (14-11-2, 6, 3) once again showed its ability to come from behind as they did a week before against birmingham Seaholm by completions of the completion of the ckifrom a 12-6 deficit in condigame.

the second game.

"I'don't know how the girls feel about falling behind (in a game) bhut liming behind too comfortable whom it happens, said Clarkston head coach which ardson. "The girls gen it happens, and Clarks on head coach coach coach coach coach come to have great rapport with each other and they very gang the conditions we can be seen to be se

jör middle hitter Geortook control of the iatch at different points in The first and second games. She finished the match with tickills and five blocks, and played well on the back line,

With the Colts (10-11-6, 1-6) threatening to take control of the second game, Richardson inserted setter Hope Manuel and outside hitter Kara Bergkoetter into the lineup. It sparked the Wolves and changed the momentum of the match. In particular, the hustle of Manuel and the hitting of Senkyr and Jenny McCue brought Clarkston to within

Troy was unable to finish the set and found how balanced a team the Wolves are. Amber Mitchell's spike down the line tied the game, and Kelly Hanna and Aimee Giroux both found openings in the middle to propel Clark-

ston to the will, is a funny on their attacking style quality of their attacking style quality same," Richardson, said. i Please see VOLLEYBALL, B3

the momentum of a match just by changing the players. Nothing else was working at that point, and we weren't communicating or getting the movement we needed."

Clarkston was not necessarily spectacular in the first game, but they made fewer mistakes than the colts, who struggled serving allinight. Troy also had more communication breakdowns in the match, many of which proved

Senkyr's vicious kill down the middle of the Troy defense put Clarkston up 12-3 in the first game before the Colts scored the next six points courtesy of the hitting of senior Jessica Maus and

junior Laura Reese. Mandi Harrison followed with an ace for theWolves and McCue's kill spurred the Wolves to a 14-10 lead before the Colts hit into the net to end the first game.

Senkyr echoed the comments of Harrison last week, saying she felt it was important to win the match in two

"We have more confidence now and our attitude is that we want to win in two sets and hammer teams," she said. "Mentally we came in here and were prepared to win.'

Troy is one of the few teams Clarkston has played in the Oakland Activities Association which doesn't have more height than the Wolves, and it showed as Senkyr and McCue proved to be the best hitters

on the floor. Troy head coach Carol Stahl said her squad made too many errors and allowed Clarkston to find too many openings in the Colts' defense.

"Serving was a difference for us because we really strug-gled there," Stahl said. "I think we weren't picking up on their attacking style quick

Icers close gap, can't catch Blades

BY MIKE SCOTT SPECIAL WRITES

In its much anticipated rematch with Royal Oak, the Clarkston hockey team improved its play in all areas, but the final result didn't change much.

The Wolves (14-4-1, 12-2 Suburban North) fell to their hosts Jan. 28, 6-5, at Lindell Ice Arena in Royal Oak even though they outshot the Blades 35-21, including a 15-4-edge in the third period, With the loss, Clarkston fell one point behind Royal Oak in the race for the division champi-

"Our kids were all over them, I really thought we had them on the ropes," said Clarkston assistant head coach Glenn MacDonald. "Royal Oak is a good posi-tioning hockey team, and we took their position play away from them even though they ended up with six goals."

Royal Oak senior captain Nick Luxon scored three times and his line accounted for five of the Blades' six goals in the game. Luxon backhanded the puck over Clarkston goalie Ryan Hogan on a rush with 1:38 to

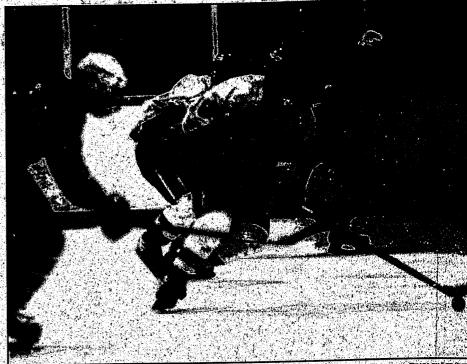
play for the game-winner.

MacDonald and Clarkston head coach Rick Rowden both argued the Blades should have been called for being offside on the rush seconds before Luxon. Still, they felt the Wolves never should have been in the position to lose the game in the first

"The goals they scored weren't quality goals," said MacDonald. "There were a couple of floating shots which may have thrown off (Hogan's) reaction time: He's been a very good goalie for us this year but maybe he was too pumped up for the game."

umped up for the game." The winning goal was set up when defenseman Brian Mauer beat Clarkston to a loose puck in the neutral zone and fed it to Brent Stafford, who found Luxon streaking toward the net.

Clarkston came back from a 5-3 deficit with two goals in just over two minutes. Captain Ryan Peters scored on the power play with just under six minutes to play and sophomore Anthony Facione added the tying goal giv-



ice time: Clarkston sophomore Anthony Facione weaves his way through the Andover defense during the Wolves 7-5 win Saturday.

ing the Wolves new life.

They had chances to take the lead before Luxon's third goal, but Brandon Casanta came up with some big saves down the

Jeff Cluff scored twice for the Blades, Bret Postal, Ron Wells and Jason Stoecker each scored for Clarkston, who lost to Royal Oak in mid-December 7-3; In that game, the Blades' experience and physical play proved to be the difference.

Last week, it was the younger Clarkston team which appeared more in control through most of the game.

"It was a tough one for the kids to lose," MacDonald said. "They were pretty upset about it, especially when you feel you should win."

■ Saturday — Clarkston 7, Andover 5: The Wolves did recover on Saturday, defeating Bloomfield Hills Andover at

'it was a tough one for the kids to lose. They were pretty upset about it.'

> Glenn MacDonald Assistant hockey coach

Lakeland Ice Arena. They scored the game's final three goals in about a seven-minute span to pull out the victory despite, allowing Andover (8-8-1) to take a third-period lead.

Adam Leech scored the winning goal with 6:48 to play in the third period and Peters added an insurance goal three minutes later.

Andover had taken a 5-4 lead early in the period when their top scorer, forward Joe Tigay, scored two goals in a span of 1:06

"Tigay is the best player on

their best line and we had a hard time containing him until later in the third period," Mac-Donald said. "We needed to use the body on him earlier than we

The Wolves beat Andover 7-2 on the road earlier this year and may have been looking past their opponents, but needed the third-period rush to pull out the win. Sophomore Steve Badger picked up the win for the Wolves, who outshot Andover

33-26 for the game, John Bemis scored twice for Clarkston, Leech, Peters and Postal each had one goal and an assist in the game.

"I can tell you against some of the top teams that if we give up five goals we're not going to win," said MacDonald, "Against teams like (Port Huron) North-ern and (Bloomfield Hills) Cranbrook, if we give up five goals we are going to lose."



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Skiers finish with win

Clarkston's boys took the top four spots, and the girls matched them spot-for-spot as both teams posted prep ski wins over Waterford Mott Monday. Sara McKechnie took the

top honors for Clarkston's girls, who beat the Corsairs 10-31. She finished first in the girls race with a time of 46.55. Laura Pope was right behind her, finishing second in 47.84, while Nicole Villiere

was third in 47.85. Katie Kennedy finished fourth for the Wolves, with a

time of 47.95. Ruse Parrott led the boys to an equally-impressive 10-26 win, taking the top spot in

Michael Atkinson was second i 39:67, Ryan Srogi finished third in 40.70 and Jere my Parrott came in fourth in 42.40.

The first-place Wolves are at the Pine Knob Divisional today (Thursday), then ski in the Oakland Activities Association meet Monday.

The MHSAA regional at Mt. Holly is set for Feb. 12.

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Clement got his quick pin.

"At this point, it's obviously the biggest win of the season," Clarkston coach Mike DeGain said. "Every match is a key match, and every point counts. When you get a close one under your belt (like Auten's), it gets everyone going.

.The win sets up a scenario exactly the opposite of last year, when Adams won the dual meet

and Clarkston came back to win the league meet and share the title. When the OAA I league meet convenes at Troy Athens Feb. 13, it'll be the Wolves with the targets on their backs.

"(Last year) goes to show us we can't take anything for granted going into the league meet," DeGain said. "You've got to know Adams will use this as motiva-

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But Clarkston, until now kind of an afterthought in that regard, made a huge statement Wednesday, and no one spoke louder than 152-pounder Andy Auten, who came from way behind to post a controversial 12-11 decision over Adams' Luke Lazzo that kept the Highlanders at bay and triggered a string of four wins in five weights for

Auten fought off his back twice, and was behind 10-4 midway through the second period. But he put together the best comeback I have ever personally witnessed, and in the process perhaps demonstrated why no team should overlook the

"When I was on my back, I knew I couldn't give up the pin," said Auten, who got turned by Lazzo in the first and second periods. I was counting on myself for three (team) points, so

I knew I couldn't give up six." Even on his back, Auten was thinking "team." That may be the hallmark of the 1998 Wolves a strong sense of team. It starts with the acceptance of junior A.J. Grant — the team's best wrestler — as captain despite his underclassman status. The team knows Grant is its leader, and doesn't get caught up in his age

The Wolves can always count on Grant and sophomore Pat DeGain for wins, and Auten and Ryan L'Amoreaux are near-automatics. But the rest of the team kind of sneaks up on opponents. For instance, Bubba Clement might have expected to win in his first match since the Oakland County tournament, but who expected him to pin his opponent in 25 seconds? For the meet-clinching points?

Ryan McAleer earned a pin in 39 seconds, and Kevin Turnbull,

son, picked up a major decision. Even when they lose a match, they do it so it best benefits the team. Case in point was Dave Welanko, who lost to Adams' Pat Diaz 6-1. But he fought off an attempt at a pinning combination by Diaz that, if successful, would have given the Highlanders a four-point major deci-

three-point win. As it turned out, it wouldn't have mattered, but Welanko couldn't have known that at that point. The heart he displayed in not getting turned was what mattered.

sion instead of the conventional

"Every match is a key match and every point counts," said DeGain. "When you get a close (win) under your belt, it gets

everyone going."

The Highlanders found that out the hard way, going down for the first time since last year's state tournament. Coach Pat Milkovich had a feeling something like this could happen, because he didn't see the kind of intensity in his wrestlers he saw in the Wolves across the match.

"I didn't think we did a good job of preparing them," Milkovich said. "They didn't seem too fired up. Clarkston came in here real fired up."

And the Wolves may stay that way through the rest of the seabecause their level of confidence rises with each significant step. The team that started the season ranked ninth in the state may be headed for the top for

one simple reason: they believe. "I learned (from the Adams meet) they really believe in themselves," DeGain said of his young charges. "For a young team, that's a big thing. They all worked hard, and they all came through."

You can put the emphasis on they, because on this team, that's it's all about



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Dragons continue hot mat streal

If Clarkston and Rochester Adams were in some other wrestling league, perhaps the Lake Orion Dragons wouldn't be one of Oakland County's best-

Despite its 12-8 record, the Dragons continued to give other teams fits, adding victories over both Walled Lake Central and Berkley Friday to wins over Troy and Hazel Park earlier.

"We're moving right along," Lake Orion coach Doug Kline said. "The kids are wrestling pretty well,"

On Friday, Walled Lake Central thought it had the Dragons right where it wanted, taking a 15-3 lead after four matches. Mike Quigley's 5-2 win over Chris Hytel was Orion's only win in that stretch.

But the Dragons quickly put the matter to rest, earning seven-pins and a void in the next 10 matches to pull away from the

Vikings, 51-27. Nate Walter got the run started by pinning John O'Brien in 5:17 of their 130-pound match. Blair Richards pinned Ian Huff in just 1:12 to tie the score. Mark Hoffman took just 47 seconds to pin Greg Newman at 140, and Jamie Trimm pinned

J.D. Ziarkowski in 1:28 at 14 pounds to give the Dragons a 27 15 lead.

The Vikings got a win at 152, but Chad O'Brien then pinned Brian Zaid at 160. Ed Spearing picked up a win by void at 171 and Chris Bettridge pinned James Fowler in 2:58 at 189 pounds. Heavyweight Chuck Ventimiglia closed out the scoring by pinning Paul Lindsey in

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enough. (Clarkston) pretty much kept hitting the same spot all night."

Senkyr agreed, pointing out the Wolves' final two points in the match were off spikes in the middle of the Troy zone.

"Coach (Richardson) told us there was a hole in the middle," she said. "It was open all night and that's the safest way to get a point because you don't risk hit-

n Wolves second at own tourney — Over the weekend, Clark-

ston nearly came away with the championship in their own tournament, despite not being con-. sidered a favorite

The Wolves advanced all the way to the finals on Saturday before losing to Rochester Adams, one of Oakland County's top teams, 15-10, 16-14. It was the only time the Wolves tasted defeat the entire week.

"More than anything else, the girls have begun to realize they believe in themselves," Richardson said. "We're competing

against anyone now, and we're doing it while still using some interchangeable parts.

He praised the offense of and Mitchell, who came up with important points down the stretch, and added Senkyr's overall game showed through in the Troy match.

n JV comes back from behind win — It was an impressive performance in the second and third sets for the Clarkston junior varsity team, which came from behind to down the Colts.

In the third set, Clarkston near ly blanked Troy, jumping out to 14-0 lead before winning 15-2.

The last three points took an eternity to play though, as Troy was called twice for illegal rotaions. The referee spent more than 10 minutes each time explaining to the Troy coach and players why the call was made. As a result, the varsity match did not start until almost 8:30 p.m.

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spend a lot of time perfecting everything."

That kind of necessary work ethic and the cost - up to \$1,000 a year, according to Shore might scare athletes off of other teams, and the pom pon squad loses a few every year to that kind of fright. Shore admits some girls leave the team

because of the stress, but notes the majority who come out for the team stick to it.

"You have a few who find out they bit off more than they can Shore said: "It takes a lot of hard work, a lot of practice, here and at home. But most of them stick it out."

The team is also under a lot of

most teams — because of the size of the crowds at Clarkston football and basketball games Clarkston's gym holds about 1.800 people, and it's usually packed for home basketball

While that puts a lot of pressure on the girls, according to

pressure - perhaps more than. Shore, it also helps when the team goes to competitions.

> "It really helps with their confidence," Shore said. "When they take the floor, that floor is theirs. You can just see it in their eyes."

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the Eagles started a fast break soared down the right side and flew to the hole, dunking over Clarkston's defenders. The play drew loud cheers from the Eagle fans — but only momentarily.

Seconds later. Fife fed a perfect alley-oop to a leaping Taylor, who stuffed it home and drew an even louder ovation from The Jungle faithful.

In addition to his 27 points, Fife dished out eight assists.

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Taylor grabbed eight rebounds, while Phalen and senior guard Mike Maitrott scored five points

Damon Lucas led the Eagles with 20 points, while Randy Royal finished with 19.

The easy win came in the shadow of the upcoming rematch with Pontiac Northern, which takes place at Clarkston Tuesday. The Wolves won a thriller at Pontiac Northern on a lastsecond basket by Phalen Jan. 9. Was Fife concerned his Wolves would look past the winless

"It doesn't matter who we're playing, I'd still be petrified," Fife admitted. "Anyone can come in and beat you. I don't think we're talented enough to just walk onto the floor and beat any one.

Friday — Clarkston 61, Rochester 48: Taylor did most

of the damage, scoring a gamehigh 27 points to lead the Wolves to the relatively easy win over the Falcons

Fife chipped in 14 points and Phalen added 10. Marlon Shelton led the Falcons with 13 points and 11 boards.

Clarkston built an 18-4 first-quarter edge and built it to 35-18 by halftime.

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Out of the Shadows: The Girls' U-12 Shadows team members include (front; l-r) Cloey Stacer, Kristi Hortsman, Kelly Boskee, Liz Hardy, Ashley Hudson, Maggie Adams and Kelly Dougherty; (back, I-r) Jenna Clavette, Ana Allingham, Alex Perrino, Pam Dougherty (assistant coach), head coach Pat Hardy, Lauren Davis, Colleen Mead, Maria Vermeulen and Megan Bildner

Youth programs have good year

The newly-formed Clarkston Soccer Club wrapped up its fall session recently, and the club teams enjoyed great success in

The girls Shadows teams, competing in premier or major leagues of competition, finished first in three of the five age groups. The boys Impact teams, playing in premier or major leagues, finished first or second in half of their competing age

Impact

The Clarkston Impact boys under-14 team had a successful fall season. After finishing in first place in the under-13 Major Division last year, they moved up into a premier league.

Under the direction of coach Mike Dougherty, the team worked extremely hard on defensive fundamentals and utilized a balanced scoring attack. Their dedication to hard work in practice and smart, aggressive play during games allowed them to finish 8-2-1 in league play, good for second place against the much-stronger competition.

In December, the 1986 Clarkston Shadows, a select soccer team comprised of 10- and 11-year-old Clarkston area players, won their second league championship in as many tries. Coached by Pat Hardy and Pam Dougherty, the U-12 Shadows had only four players who had any experience with soccer at this level of competition. All the other play-ers came from either the Independence Township or Waterford Township parks and recreation programs. So the inaugural season was expected to be a learning experience:

But it was the coaches and parents who were surprised when the girls ran off 10 straight victories in claiming the Michigan Youth Soccer League championship.

Led by the four returning players — Elizabeth Hardy, Kelly Dougherty, Jenna Clavette and Megan Bildner — the team palyed so well it outscored its opponents 77-7 for the 10-game season as every single girl scored at least one goal. Defensively,

Ashley Hudson, Jenna Clavette and Ana Allingham rotated most of the season at goalkeeper.

The team's forwards — Mag-gie Adams, Cloey Stacer, Maria Vermeulen — were afforded scoring opportunities through the play of midfielders Kelly Boskee and Kristi Hortsman. Colleen Mead anchored the defense at sweeper, while Lau-ren Davis and Alex Perrino kept the ball out of the Clarkston

With the coming of winter the team turned its sights on the indoor arena, playing in the U-12 division at Square Lake Indoor Soccer Club. The change of venue also brought a new player — Becca Wallis — who will strengthen the team when it moves up to the premier Division outdoors in the spring.

The level of competition was raised for the girls with the addition of two Little Caesar's travel teams, the LOBOS (Lake Orion/Oxford/Brandon) and the Rochester Lightning. Even at that level of competition, the girls finished with five wins



Big Impact: Members of the Boys U-14 Impact include (front, 1-r) Travis Roche, Sean Dougherty, Ryan Talbott, Dominic Humphreys, Stephen Hardy and Tom Nash, (middle, l-r) Shane Conroy, Grant Henderson and Aaron Elmy; (back, l-r) Jon Schultz, Kyle Yu, Ryan Cocciolone, Adam Kretz, Sean Eley, Andy Hamilton and coach Mike Dougherty.



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Golden career: (Above) The hallway of Barrett Strong's Grapevine Co. in Southfield is lined with gold records he received for writing several Motown hits including "Ball of Confusion" by The Temptations, and "Too Busy Thinking About My Baby" by Marvin Gaye. (Below) Southfield resident Liz Thomas, who performs under the name "Eliza," will perform her single "I Said You'd Be My Only Lover" on the "Jenny Jones Show" Tuesday, Feb. 10.

Motown music maker looks ahead



STORUES BY CHRISTINA FUOCO · STAFF WRITER

MOTOWN MEMORIES

Who: The Motown Museum and radio station WMXD-PM (92.3).

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When: 8-11 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 15
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■ Motown Records has numerous Items on its slate. It will release *Motown 40 Forever," a 2-CD set on Tuesday, Feb. 17; a special edi-tion of Motown's multi-platinum soundtrack to "The Big Chill;" and all a network docudrama about the career of The Temptations. Motown

http://www.motown40.com The Miracles, The Temptations and The Four Tops are tentatively scheduled to perform Thursday-Friatre, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Ticket information soon.

ith his bald head and gold earring dangling from his left ear, Barrett Strong makes an impression wherever he

He and his writing partner Liz "Eliza" Thomas walk into a sparse-ly seated Berkley diner and gener-ate a few looks. The ironic thing is that the glances are for his style

not for his notoriety. Nobody in the restaurant seems to know that Strong, a Grammy Award winner, penned many Motown hits including "I Heard It Through the Grapevine," "Papa Was a Rolling Stone" and "Ball of Confusion.

Down 12 Mile Road, their Southfield office is modest but shines from the gold records lining the hallway. Asked about the gold records, and the Grammy Award for "Papa Was a Rolling Stone" that sits between stacks of papers, Strong fondly recalls his days with Motown.

You look at it, and then you say, 'I wish those days can come back again.' Wow that was great. It was a beautiful time. Detroit was really jumping. I guess in any profession, when you achieve certain goals that you set for yourself, it brings a smile to your face."

s vear. Motown Records and its founder Berry Gordy are celebratin() its 40th year in business. The festivities began with the Super Bowl half-time show that included performances by The Temptations, Queen Latifah, Martha and the Vandellas, Smokey Robinson and Boyz II

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sation from his home in Amsterdam. Kerr auditioned and won his position

as co-concertmaster. He splits performances with another violinist while also performing in chamber groups and teaching at the Utrecht School of the The young, enthusiastic violinist has

been juggling life in a strange country, performing with a major orchestra and adjusting to a new marriage.

"Everybody in the states asks, how does everybody like you," Kerr said. Amsterdam is such a multicultural city and there are so many nationalities in the orchestra, it was easy to fit in. The person that had my position

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'The Wonderful World of Horses' showcases noble breed

BY KEELY WYGONIK STAFF WRITER

Saved from almost certain extinction by General George Patton and his men dur-ing World War II, the Lipizzaner Stallions are a rare and noble breed imported from

They will be galloping into The Palace of Auburn Hills for two shows on Sunday, Feb. 15.
"It's a very entertaining show," said

Gary Lashinsky who has been producer of "The Wonderful World of Horses" star-ring the "World Famous Royal Lipizzaner Stallions" for over 29 years. This tour features 14 stallions.

"Millions of people around the world have seen the show," he said. "This is a very special horse. There are only 2,500

to 2,600 registered purebred Lipizzans."

Besides entertaining audiences, Lashinsky said the show increases their understanding of this Austrian treasure. It visits metro Detroit every two to three years. They were last at The Palace in February, 1996.

This year's "A Symphony in White," salutes the Spanish Riding School of Vienna, a centuries-old training center in Austria, considered the "Harvard" of the

equestrian world. "We give you the opportunity to see something you can only see in Vienna," said Lashinsky.

"The Wonderful World of Horses" is an authentic presentation of the Spanish Riding School style, but is not affiliated with the school.

The show features all new music, choreography and routines with majo emphasis on the historical background and foundation of the Lipizzaner breed, from its original breeding and use as a horse of war to a horse of nobility and aristocracy to a living form of equestrian

"Seeing these horses perform is like stepping back 425 years in time," said Lashinsky. "The costumes are traditional, very European and a throw back to the 16th or 17th century."

You'll see the spectacular leaps and maneuvers, once used by riders in saddle to protect and defend themselves on the battlefield, which are now preserved as

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The Wonderful World of Horses Starring the "World Famous Royal Lipizzaner. Stalllons"

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by Rogers of The Miracles newouldn't have missed hing, the show "for the ning, the show "for Michigan inded me miniature Motown revue

Strong, however, had mixed

feelings. Lt's OK. It's great. I enjoy watching my friends and ev thing, But I'm a person like this: The music business is a youthpriented business. At some point you have to stand back and look at yourself and figure out what you got to do."

The yearlong celebration will also include a four-hour, prime-time special "Motown 40: The Music is Forever," hosted by Diana Ross, on ABC Sunday, Reb. 15, and Thursday, Feb. 19.

In conjunction with the special, the Motown Museum and radio station WMXD-FM (92.3) radio station WMXD-FM (92.3) are having a party 8-11 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 75, at the Roosertail where patrons can learn Motown dances, mingle with alumni, VIPs and celebrity guests, listen to Motown music, and watch the televison special.

The parties continue at 7 p.m. Saturday, April 4, when the museum will pay tribute to the late Ewart Abner, the former president of Motown Records, at its annual 2648 Celebration at the Roostertail, which is also cel-

ebrating its 40th anniversary, y
"We encourage people to really, recognize the impact of Motowo and this culture," said Kristina King, who works in development

at the Motown Museum, "When you really learn about the history of Motown and its extraordinary achievements, you'll see that it has uplifted people for 40 years and I'm sure it will go on forever. It was a remarkable, thing to happen he Strong jan't planning on cele; brating the anniversary.

"I haven't made plans except to congratulate them and talkto."

to congratulate them and talking them about how great it was how good it was that we made sound and how good it feels to be part of such a successful story."

Motown was founded in 1958 by Gordy, who referred to Motown as the sound of young Americas, with \$800 he borrowed from his family.

One of the that groups he

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worked with was Smokey Robinson and the Matadors, later known as the Miracles, whom he discovered in 1958. He recorded their songs as an independent producer and leased the first producer and leased the first Miracles' record, 3 Cot a Job/My Mama Done Told Me" to the New York label End.

Rogers and Bill, Baran, his Dearborn based manager, contend that 1998 is actually the 40th anniversary of the Miracles not necessarily Motovi.

"We released Got a Job' Feb. 19, 1958, Motovin wasn't really in existence at that time. I guess

in existence at that time. I guess the plan was in motion," said Rogers who lives in Southfield. "That was our first recording but since it was recorded by Berry Gordy who is like Motown, I guess that's why we say it's Motown's 40th anniversary."

For Rogers, the 40 years have

flown by.
"No, I can't believe (it's been 40 years). I still think I'm about 25, he said with a laugh.

Rogers along with fellow.Miracles David Finley, who joined the group in 1978, and Sidney Justin, the former lead singer of Shalamar, will perform at the Fox Theatre in June with The Temptations and the Four Tops.

Modest career

The Miracles were the first band signed to Motown but the label's first hit came courtesy of Strong and his single "Money (That's What I Want)" in 1959. Strong, who met Gordy in a Detroit nightclub, is modest

"I was just a writer there. As an artist I recorded the song

"Money." That was pretty much a worked out great."

It doesn't end there. Strong worked with Gordy for 10 years before leaving to work for Yes-Jay Records in Chicago, the company which was the first to have masters of music by the Beatles.

"While I was there I wrote a song called 'Stay in My Corner for The Dells. Then I came back to Motown where I became partners with Norman Whitfield. We wrote songs for The Temptations and 'I Heard it Through the Grapevine.

For two years Strong has been running the appropriately named Grapevine Co. in South-field, of which Blarrit Records and Studio B are a part. He started the label as a way of releasing his and Eliza's music

"The music business today is so strange you never know what's going to happen. No matter what philosophy you have you have to believe in yourself and go for it. It's basically the same thing that Mr. Gordy did. He put the records out and he made it happen for him.

Strong recently released his single "Cold Hearted Woman/I Can't Love Again," and Eliza's album "I Want More," They are available at all Harmony House

The Detroit music scene, Strong said, lacks the camaraderie between acts it had in the '60s.

"It was a great experience that I'll always remember," he said of his Motown days. "We were just one big old family. There were a lot of laughs, a lot of fun. There were a lot of tears shed. But it

Kim Weston, who took part in the second and third National, Motor Town Revues, said that was one of the highlights of her ears at Motown.

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One of the things that proba-bly was the best experience for me was the family that the artists became," said Weston who released her first record.

"Love Me All the Way" in 1963. Now living in a "black Hebrew community" in Israel, Weston is scheduled to tour with the musi-cal "Sound and the Kidnapped African," an anthology of black history. She is portraying herself. in the 1960s when she sang the "black national anthem Lift Every Voice and Sing."

Weston attributes Motown with her success in "secular", music but sounds bitter about its anniversary. After mentioning that she will receive the R&B. Foundation's Pioneer Award this month she explained, "That's because of Motown but unfortunately they did not include me in: the celebration. At least somebody's recognizing me."

Leaning back in his chair and glancing around the room ner-yously, Strong had nothing but praise for his years at Motown.

"I learned from the guy who to me was the master, as far as like picking a hit recording, and motivating and making things happen. It was a great experience for me because it gives me something to teach the new people that come through my studios," he said.

"I'd love to do it again. If I die and come back, I'd come back doing the same thing."



"I never thought I'd meet: someone like that in the store. said Eliza, pronounced Eleeza.

The two hit it off and have since become writing partners. The result is her debut album "I Want More," on which she covers Strong's hit single "Money (That's What I Want)." The album, which couples acoustic-based music with hip-hop beats, was released on Strong's Blarrit Records last year. It is available in Harmony House stores:

She will perform the first sin gle, the upbeat dance song "I Said You'd Be My Only Lover,"

on the "Jenny Jones Show" at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 10, on WDIV. FR "That is such a big thing. It was fun. I did a warm up and then Jenny Jones came in and said hi. She said she really loved -

the song."

Strong was just as impressed. "She did a heck of a job. She's a very talented lady. I think she's going to prove to be a real force in the industry if she gets a chance. We're going to do every-thing we can to make that hap-

A songwriter since she was in her mid-teens, Eliza grew up in a musical family. She and her sisters, Valerie and Michelle, frequently performed in their Armenian church. At home their father played the guitar and har-

Although her parents discouraged a career in music, describ-ing it as an "unstable lifestyle," Eliza entered Wayne State Uni-

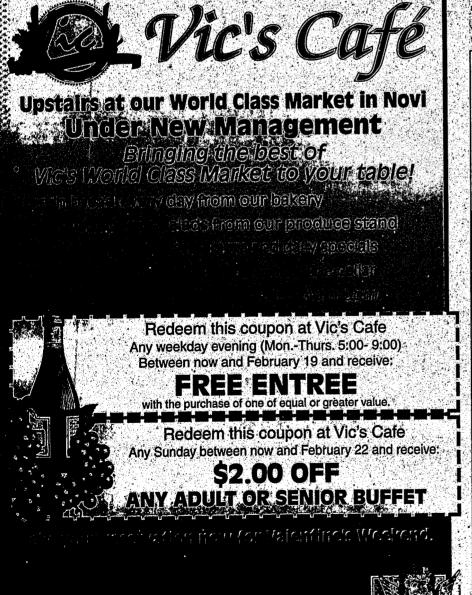
versity to study opera and piano. When her pop music ambitions took a toll on her vocal chords, she was forced to choose between rock and opera. She concentrate ed on pop and earned a bache lor's degree in music from Wayne;

State University in 1992. She now works as a full-time musician performing her music acoustically in coffeehouses, and singing top 40 sofigs with the corporate-type wedding band, Royces

Eliza said it is difficult to book shows in the Detroit area so she and Strong, who recently released the single "Cold Heart; ed Woman/I Can't Love Again,"

are considering a tour of Japan. ... "They say they love American music over there.







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an equine ballet. Their routines accompanied by classical and

classic pop music,
"Every horse is working
together, which is very rare for
stallions," said Lashinsky,
"These horses mirror one another so they have the same look,

The riders are all dressage trained, and come from all over the world including the United

like the Rockettes."

Dressage is a French word for "schooling of the horse," and means harmony between horse and rider. Riders guide their mount through a set of maneuvers, without the perceptible use of hands or reins. Dressage can also be thought of as an equestrian ballet or aerobics where horse and rider work together.

They're very dedicated, and in their 20s and 30s," said Lashin-"We have the only outlet for exhibiting these horses. We're only competing for applause and the enjoyment of the audience

With increased understanding and appreciation of the Lipizzan breed have come renewed efforts to save it.

The Spanish Andalusian and the Arabian are the ancestral forefathers of the Lipizzan. Archduke Maximilian, later Emperor of Austria, began breeding Span-ish horses around 1562. Eighteen years later, Archduke Karl, ruler of four Austrian provinces, established a royal stud farm in Lipizza. The horses became the property of nobility and the military aristocracy. The stallions were trained for battle, and the gentle white mares became the coach horses of the elite.

After the break up of the old Austrian Empire, Lipizza became a part of Italy. The Italian and Austrian governments divided the Lipizzaner herd

equally. The Republic of Austria took their horses to Piber in Steiermark. Piber, a privately owned stud farm, was founded in 1798 to breed calvary mounts for the army. In 1858 it became a government breeding farm, and produced Lipizzans of another and lighter strain for stud purposes in the provinces. A number of the Lipizzans appearing in the show were purchased from the Spanish Riding School of Vien-na, or born at the Piber Stud

The Lipizzan is usually born black and changes slowly over a period of six to 10 years to final, pure white color. Their average

pure white color, Their average life span is 30 to 35 years.
"There are now two breeding associations in the United States, which register the horses," said Lashinsky, "All go back to the original blood line to maintain their pedigree, These horses are like a Mercedes."



Equestrian art: When you see the Royal Lipiz zaner Stallions perform, it is like stepping back four hundred years, and viewing one of the greatest equine : ballets in history.

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before me was Russian

Kerr joked that his contract requires him "to make an effort to speak Dutch." He said he's picked up some of the language and has all the musical terms down so he can get through rehearsals.

And the marriage?
"I'm apologizing to my wife every day, our lives are in such hectic chaos," he said.

Kerr was invited to audition for the orchestra three weeks before the wedding and his new bride had to adjust to starting married life in Holland.

"It's a big strain. But it's exciting for a new couple to go on a journey, move to a new country,

experience Europe," Kerr said. Still, the music has been worth the inconveniences. The Royal Concertgebouw Orchestra under the direction of Riccardo Chailly has been receiving rave reviews for its concerts and its record-

Founded in 1888, the orchestra takes its name from the acoustically acclaimed concert hall in which it regularly performs ("God's instrument," says Kerr). The orchestra has won renown for its performances of late 19th century and post-Romantic works including the music of Brahms, Mahler, Bruckner and Richard Strauss. Many famous composers have been guest conductors for the orchestra or have written explicitly for it.

The orchestra will perform Bruckner's unfinished Symphony No. 9 in D minor and a Mahler tone poem, "Totenfeier," in Ann Arbor. At other venues on the monthlong tour, the orchestra will perform Mahler's Symphony No. 5 in D-sharp minor, which has just been released as a-CD on Decca/London. The orchestra has a long association with Mahler and the Fifth Symphony, which Mahler premiered with the orchestra in 1906.

Chailly, an Italian and the orchestra's first non-Dutch conductor, has performed many 20th century works with the

symphony.
"He's brought a lot of contem-

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porary music into their repertoire," Kerr said. "It's incredible what he's done with this orches-

tra in the last 10 years." But, Kerr said, the orchestra itself carries on a rich tradition. He said the spirit of Mahler and Bruckner actually seem to be present when the orchestra

rehearses and performs.
Comparing the two composers,
Kerr said it is often said that a Mahler symphony is like a jour-ney up a mountain and the end is where you look around at the world below while with Bruckner

you're already on top of the mountain and spend a lot of time looking around.

Kerr said the important thing about the unfinished symphony was creating the right atmo-

sphere.
"He was à religious man," Kerr said. "This is an unfinished work, and he's seen death approaching, but somehow he's hopeful. There is a simplicity you don't find in other Bruckn-er."

The Concertgebouw CD of the Mahler Fifth is a dynamic, rich,

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beautiful production showing off the orchestra's acclaimed warm, full string section and also its pure, clear horn and woodwind sections and dramatic percus-

"It's a typical Mahler fest, one of the most beautiful I know

said Kerr, who said he hadn't heard the new CD yet. He said the symphony's famous slow Adogietto is sublime and always associated in his mind with Leonard Bernstein because it was played at his funeral.

"Always when I hear that I think of that, of Bernstein and of the tragedy of Mahler's life," Kerr said.

Kerr began learning violin when he was 7 years old. His mother was a concert planist and his father played guitar. He studied at the Juilliard and Curis music schools.

"For me, it's more than just the music," he said, "I'd see people going off to 9 to 5 jobs every day that they didn't like and I'd say why do they do it. I play violin. I get to have fun when I

work and when I don't. The music drew me in and I couldn't live without it. ... It's a dream to play in this kind of orchestra. I wouldn't give it up."

Kerr said he wants to continue with the orchestra, teach and develop his chamber perfor-

He tries to spend at least three months in the United States. Meanwhile, he scans the World Wide Web for news from home and searches for someplace where football doesn't mean soc-



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Detroit Repertory celebrates 40 years with dramatic Fences Remember ration builds immunities toward selected their all-time favorite way that Troy struggles to break culture and classical music. it's not used personally. These it's not used personally. These

that time of youthful joy when you mind was uncluttered and free? At some point, all that unfettered bliss was corrupted by the introduction of elemental unanswerable questions on

hose answers the shape of you fledgling worldview would forever hinge, For me, the introduction occurred during a children's song that asked, "Which came first, the chicken or the egg?" Innocence lost, I could never enjoy simple pleasures like Malt O Meal

all really meant. Happily, the process of matu-

these paralyzing questions. It also ruins your appetite for Malt O Meal, but everything has its price. So it's with some effort that we adults have to address certain questions. And here's the biggie: does art imitate life or does life imitate art?

Before you get a headache, there's no answer. But tonight on Backstage Pass on Detroit Public Television, we'll see the work of artists who force the question by bringing their personal experiences into the cre-

Blair Anderson will host a performance from August Wilson's Pulitzer Prize-winning play "Fences," currently running at the Detroit Repertory Theatre. Blair explained the significance of this staging. "97-'98 is the again without wondering what it Detroit Repertory's 40th anniversary season. Subscribers

shows in various categories, and 'Fences' came out the top all-

Blair explained a bit about August Wilson's oeuvre, "Wilson's writing a play for each generation – Joe Turner's Come and Gone' in the teens; 'Ma Rainey's Black Bottom' in the '20s; 'Piano Lesson' in the '30s. Some people have talked about his grand scheme being the odyssey: What is the African American experience in the 20th century?"

"Fences' is a very dense piece set in the '50s. The central character is Troy Maxson, the son of a share cropper who spends time in a penitentiary for killing a man during a robbery. Now he's working on a garbage man and raising a family. In a sense it's about the sins of the father visited on the son — in the same way that Troy was abused by his father, he finds himself in a similar situation with his son.

"Troy philosophizes about life. here's a whole lot of story telling on the porch. The same

a pattern of cultural and social oppression, he speaks to a larger community. Everyone can identify with his struggle. Troy is very reminiscent of Willy Loman in 'Death of a Salesman,' in that the play addresses issues of individualism, culture and society all at the same time.

We should celebrate this special 40th anniversary season at the Detroit Repertory. Blair summed up his thoughts, Detroit Rep has so completely integrated itself with the community. They are so strongly committed with the neighborhood and the city of Detroit and everyone working together, and the fact that they have been around for 40 years speaks to their excellence.

Next, I spoke with crack Back-stage Pass feature producer Katherine Weider about composer Michael Daugherty, whom she's bringing to the Detroit Public Television studio. "The reason he's getting attention is because he bridges so much of that gap between American pop

with the classical world being distant and removed from the popular culture, and he's bringing it back to reality, often by using humor. You have to laugh when you hear the titles - Elvis Everywhere, 'Le Tombeau de Liberace,' Jackie O' – there's a sort of light-heartedness that's needed, or at least is missing when we think of classical.

"But they're still serious, carefully constructed compositional structures, very complex works. You still would consider them classical, and he's very well regarded as a classical composer. He's definitely using the idioms of jazz and rock and funk, but. Detroit Public Television.

are things from his experience growing up, like memories of sit-ting in a hardware store reading a Superman comic book. He draws on these kinds of uniquely American experiences." We'll speak with Michael Daugherty and hear an in-studio performance of his work.

We'll also hear music from William Topley, a rising star on the pop music scene, and visit "A Communion of the Spirits: African American Quilters, Pre-servers and Their Stories" at the Museum of African American History. That's all on Backstage Pass tonight at midnight, repeated Friday at 7:30 p.m. on

'Deep Rising' is a shallow blood bath

By John Monaghan Special Writer

When "Jaws" premiered over 20 years ago, I came to a conclusion that the moviegging public falls into one of two categories: those who liked the movie for the interaction between the shark hunters and those who craved gross-out shots of dismembered body parts sinking to the bottom of the ocean. Only the latter group will get

anything at all out of "Deep Rising," a sea monster movie which spends all its energy on gory spe-cial effects while leaving its story out to dry.

According to writer/director Stephen Sommers, "Deep Rising" (what does that title mean anyway?) mines the last true frontier, the endless and still-uncharted depths of the China Seas. Here lurks a gargantuan, squid-like monster whose million hungry arms will devour you, suck all the fluid from your screaming body, and then excrete your steaming bones.

I offer such a vivid description because the movie is filled with this kind of literally gut-wrench-ing detail. One of the victims appears with half his flesh eaten away, begging those still stand-ing for help. Others are dispatched more mercifully, sucked underwater and replaced on screen by a gushing fountain of

The plot, such as it is, involves a cynical charter boat captain (Treat Williams) whose "cash on the table means no questions asked" policy gets him in hot water. His latest passengers include an arsenal of torpedoes whose destination we soon discover is a luxury ship called the Argonautica.

But the terrorists don't count on a sea monster beating them to the punch. We get the usual creatures-eye-view of the ship's bottom as it quickly surfaces and strikes. Screaming passengers crash through plate glass windows and are stomped on by stampeding masses with the kind of gusto unseen since the days of Irwin Allen.

I'm still not sure if it's just one creature with a lot of arms or a whole slew of them, but the toothy tentacles invade the ship, devouring everything in their path. The filmmakers offer a kind of class-conscious satisfaction in seeing the rich slaughtered, sparing only a spunky pickpocket (Famke Janssen) from the wellheeled passenger list.

Williams' charter captain owes plenty to Humphrey Bogart and John Garfield, who played essentially the same part in movie versions of "To Have and Have Not." He has the requisite worldweariness, but the dialogue will never get mistaken for Heming-

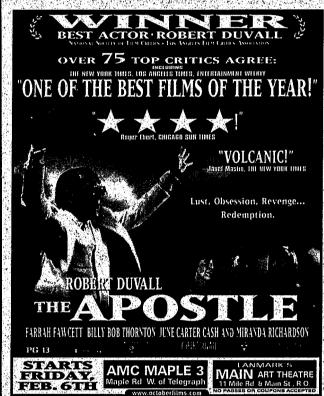
Janssen, who played a sexy Russian agent opposite James Bond in "Goldeneye," can still handle a gun and looks great doing it. Comic relief comes from Kevin O'Connor, who will win over undiscriminating audiences with his Bobcat Goldthwait-style interpretation of Williams' loyal mechanic. The real stars of "Deep Rising" are, of course, the special effects. Watching Williams and company dispatch marauding Medusa heads often rivals the exhilaration of playing a good video game. But the creatures, though formidable, have none of the dimension that made even the worst "Alien" movié so

creepy.

I guess at this point in the monster movie genre, we expect something more than just carnage. You won't get it from "Deep Rising," a typically shallow monster movie that should sink fast in theaters.

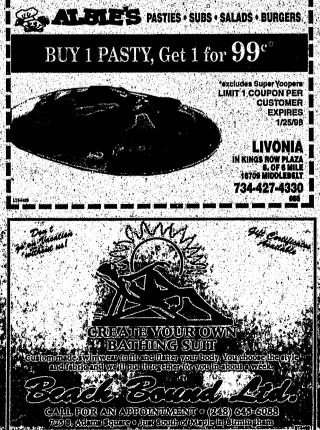
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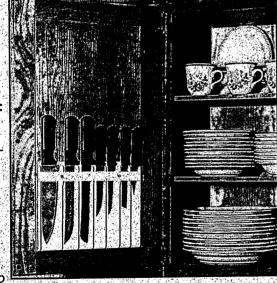


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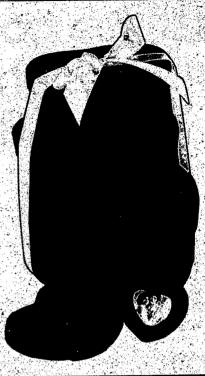
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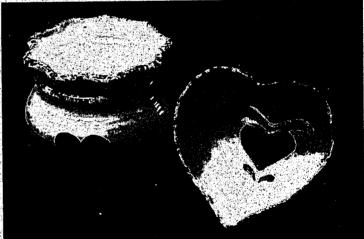


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On the border: Frames enhance, make style

By MARY KLEMIC At Home Editor

What and where aren't the only considerations about a drawing or painting. How the work is set off - that is, the type of frame you choose for it - is important

"I think it's very important," said Nancy Randall, showroom manager of Fine Arts Framers at Michigan Design Center in Troy.

"Your first consideration is the art."

A frame doesn't just contain the art. Frames can enhance not only art, but treasured

Many people don't want to spend more on the frame than they did on the work of art, especially if the work was an inexpensive reproduction. But that isn't always a good guideline, Randall said. She remembers a quote-

"A good work of art deserves a good frame, and a bad work of art needs a good frame."

Frames may be convex, concave or flat; Styles include Italian, Spanish, and French, with surfaces that are sleek, ornate or a combination of the two. Different frames may be stacked around one

Even matting has a variety of looks, such as a thin bor-der of colorful marbling between the outer and inner

Frames don't follow trends of their own, but susually follow furniture styles, Randall said.

For example, 21 years ago a rustic barn wood look was popular. Now the look is less rough, with a subtle touch of

metallic glint. But the frame should be matched with the object, not with the room.

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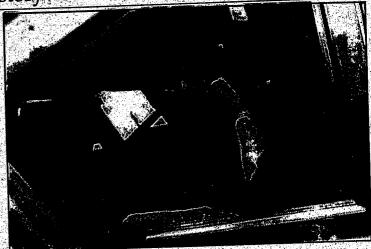
Generally, the kind of art determines the kind of frame for it. Contemrary pieces would have contemporary frames, with simple lines and flowing surfaces. More ornate, heavier, broader frames would go with traditional works. Frames Unlimited, with other stores in

Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills, Clarkston, Livonia, Canton, Rochester Hills, Southfield, Troy and West

Bloomfield, among other communiies offers a variety of frames. Isistyleston custom frames include oak

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Frame and fortune: Nancy Randall, showroom manager at Fine Arts Framers at Michigan Design Center in Troy, advises that the frame should enhance, not overwhelm, the object. Staff photos by Dan Dean.

Randall said. "If it is big, bold, bright you need to balance that in the frame."

Soft pastels shouldn't be overwhelmed by a bold frame. The frame, and any surrounding matting; shouldn't be too busy and distract from the piece;

Also, keep in mind the background of the wall on which the framed item will hang. You wouldn't want the piece suspended in glass if patterned wallpaper will

"Floating" a work in a frame is done two ways - by putting the item on top of a background so it is raised, or between two pieces of glass so it appears suspended The latter is a good way to show off both sides of objects such as coins, Thierbach

Items other than art that Frames Unlimited has framed include old clock parts; old posters, christening dress, purses and Red Wing jerseys.

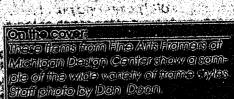
"Bring in something they like, not something everyone else has," Thierbach

Irreplaceable items should never touch directly on glass, Randall warned. She has had clients who brought in framed old photographs that were stuck to the glass and couldn't be saved. Matting or spacers can prevent this.

Bring in the art work when you want to select a frame, otherwise it's like trying to buy a dress for a woman without the woman being present, Randall said. Interior designers and professional framers can help.

Beautiful borders:

Styles of frames at left Include Louis XV. second from top; Florentine, fourth from top; Franco-Italian, third from bottom; and drawing frames, bottom two. At right is. another type of the ornate Louis XV. The frames are at Fine Arts Framers





Home show brings out the questions

By JOE GAGNON

I have just spent four days at the Novi Expo Center, which hosts the first of the year annual Home and Garden Show and what an exciting time it was I spoke with thousands of people and did the weekend radio show live on location which is always invigorating. I sat at my publisher's booth and autographed books and pictures until my hand hurt and my heart smiled.

People stood in line to ask a question or two and that fact alone made it all worth while. The one-on-one contact that I get to share with consumers at these kind of functions is a learning period for me. Let me give you some of the comments from the good folks who attended the show.

It is no surprise that many said they read the column in this fine newspaper. It is a bit different to have many say they cut out each column and put them in a book format, I guess it goes to show what I've said for years, "We are starving for consumer information that makes us all smarter."

Many of the homeowners I spoke

with told me of their problems with three and four year old appliances. The lack of customer satisfaction is evident with these people and the hard stand being taken by some of the manufacturers is something I wrote about a year ago. It appears that once the exact warranty closing date arrives on your new product, that's it, nothing extra being done by the brand name producer. Stoves are always a big subject and again the same comment by the cooker in the house. There is too much heat escaping from the oven while it cooks. The knobs get too hot and some discoloration occurs around the trim pieces, Refrigerators sound too noisy, so do dishwashers, and the washing machine doesn't rinse out like the old one did. The comments and questions went on for hours, and I sure wasn't leaving as long as the people stood in line. Like I said earlier, it is a great learning period.

Recently, I watched a television report on appliances and service contracts and I heard a consumer expert proclaim that appliances made today are made better than those of yesteryear

and have a long life span. I couldn't disagree more with the statements made on television, and I'm making a point of straightening out this situation. A year ago, a consumer magazine reported the drop in life expectancy of major home appliances and the number of years depicted was considerable. We in the service industry know that there is more junk out there than ever before. If a consumer simply goes out and shops without finding out certain facts, they may very well be in line next year at the Novi Center.

There were several displays of major appliances at this year's first home and garden show and the one thing I noticed was that there was all top-of-the-line products being shown to consumers. Can you imagine what it would be like if they displayed those products which we in the service industry classify as junk. People would walk down the aisless and up to that particular booth and scream their heads off, "I hate that product." That could be the major reason why you always see the "best foot forward" at these home shows. In some ways of thinking, the four upcoming

home and garden shows could be the best place to shop around before you make a serious purchase for around the house. It also stands to reason that the crooks within the industry don't put themselves on display in front of millions of people. There is a certain level of trust that we can feel at these home shows. I do and I hope you can, too. Good luck.

at home calendar

- The Frank H. Boos Gallery, 420 Enterprise Court in Bloomfield Hills, will have an auction 6 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday, Feb. 10-12. A préview will take place noon to 8 p.m. Thursday-Friday, Feb. 5-6, and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday, Feb. 9. Call (248) 332-1500.
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Plan for gifts from heart to heart

By Lisa Luckow-Healy Special Writer

Once a year, you circle a special date on your calendar when heartfelt wishes are truly recognized and seldom taken

Children happily exchange hearts. and candy with their school peers. Teenagers discreetly ask parents for extra cash in hopes of being able to afford roses for their sweetheart, that are two to three times their everyday price, You and your spouse even take time for each other, sharing in a candlelight dinner, if you are so lucky to arrange the baby-sitter. Rise to the Valentine's Day occasion with gifts from heart to heart.

As a parent, you can never forget the extraordinary love you would feel on Valentine's Day when your 6-year-old sweetheart hands you his homemade book of love, a stack of heart-shaped paper bound by a red ribbon at one corner. Inside, he might write and illustrate all the reasons he loves you (with the help of your spouse or a grandparent).

Help your children make the working parent's day special, whether one or both parents work out of the home

Try creating a heart story - a valentine photo story chronicling the most precious moments shared by parent and child from birth to the present. Gather the necessary supplies for your homemade valentines, including red, white or pink construction paper, a glue stick (preferably photo archival-safe glue), scissors, a silver or gold paint pen, four treasured photographs, a hole puncher, and red or pink ribbon.

Cut your four hearts out of construction paper. Select the first photo in your series and glue it onto the center of your heart. If you plan to replace the photögraphs you have selected in your photo album after Valentine's Day, you may wish to tape them onto your hearts using double-sided tape. If necessary, help your child write her valentine message around each photograph.

Your child can start her yalentine trail to Dad by putting the first valentine on the kitchen table where he will see it at breakfast on Valentine's Day. The second valentine in her heart story can be placed on the driver's seat where Dad will see it when he gets into his car or

truck. The third heart story valentine might appear on his dinner plate, while the last photo valentine can be placed under Dad's pillow awaiting his bedtime arrival.

Fill your child's day with hearts and extra special love. If you seldom, if ever, tell your child you love her, perhaps Valentine's Day is a good time to resolve to begin to tell her how you feel more often, forging a new bond between you and your child.

Make a date with your child. If you have more than one child, plan to spend a portion of the day with each.

Go to a favorite restaurant for lunched or dinner, take in a movie, spend quiet. time reading a good book, make your child's favorite dessert together, go shopping, take your daughter for a manicure, visit the hobby shop with your son, or grab tickets for the museum or a concert your child has been talking

Tell your child how proud you are of her recent accomplishments, or just because she is a wonderful, loving child, if you haven't mentioned it already.

Concoct Valentine's Day goodie bags

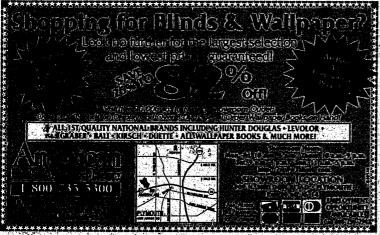
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Sweets for your sweetheart are the icing on the cake. Take time out of your busy family schedule for you and your

Making each other feel special shouldn't be defined by how lavish the gift is from the jeweler. Valentine's Day is an occasion to stop and smell the roses - to realize how lucky you and your spouse are to have each other and your loving family.

Your special valentine wish might meán revisiting the place where you became engaged, renewing your wedding vows, reminiscing about your courting days at your favorite restaurant or sending the children off to your parents so you can enjoy a romantic bubble bath from heart to heart.

Tell Lisa Luckow-Healy what you do to let your children or your spouse know how much you care on or around Valentine's Day, Your story could be in a column. Call Luckow-Healy from a touch-tone phone at (313) 953-2047, then her mallbox. 1903; or e-mail UHealy@aol.com





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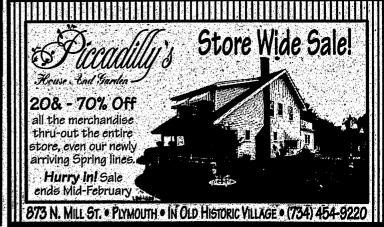
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About six weeks later, the plants will be about 10 inches high and bursting at the seams to get into the 10-inch pot. Repeat the same process as the second step, abut put only 1 inch of soil in first.

Now's the time to set the stake into the pot. Do this before transferring the plant to the 10-inch pot. Fill the pot with additional soil, again to within 1 inch of the rim. Firm it. Tie the plant loosely to the stake with a soft strip of material.

In the next three or four weeks growth will reach about 2 feet and plants will begin to flower. To encourage side shoots to grow, pinch off the growing tips of the plants higher than this.

In the early part of May, begin to accustom the plants to the outdoor environment by placing them in full sun for a couple of hours in the morning and in the shade for the rest of the day. The nights may still be chilly, so plan to bring the plants back indoors then.

After a week, gradually give the plants more sunlight. When there is no longer danger of frost, plant the tomatoes in the ground. Small green fruit may already, be forming. Our last frost date is generally between May 5 and 20, so watch the weather forecasts.

Dig a hole 1 foot deep, 1 foot wide

to its growing place. Keep the soil event to and 2 feet long. Set a 6-foot-tall stake in one end of the trench; lay the root ball of the plant on its side at the end of the hole opposite the stake. Until the plant from the smaller stake; gently bend the plant and tie it to the new stake. Remove all the leaves that will be buried when you cover the root ball and part of . the stem

Fill the trench with a mix of compost and soil, firm and water well. By burying some of the stem along with the root ball, heavy root growth will result.

Before you know it, you'll be the first gardener in your neighborhood to enjoy the lush flavor of a home-grown tomato.

. When you buy seeds, look at the date on the package to be sure you are getting seed for this season. If you compare price, most seeds are sold by weight. Read the helpful information on the back of the seed packet...

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■ Sow seeds of slow-growing annuals and spring and summer perennials late this month

- Order evergreen and deciduous trees, shrubs and vines grown in a northern nursery to ensure hardiness, for spring planting.
- Send seed orders now for flowers, vegetables and herbs. Try something new this year.
- Fertilize house plants that show signs of new growth. Follow label direc-
- Reapply anti-desiccants to broad leaf evergreens if temperature remains above 40 degrees for several days. Some anti-desiccants aren't recommended for arborvitae; read the label.
- If you find yourself in Cleveland Feb. 7-15, visit the exciting Cleveland Home & Garden Show at the IX Center near Cleveland Airport.

at home calendar.

George Papadelis, owner of Telly's Greenhouse, will speak about new perennials and highlights from the 1997 Plant Symposium at a meeting of the Troy Garden Club noon to 3 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 11, at the Troy Community Center, 3179 Livernois, north of Big Beaver Road. Guest donation \$3. For information, call Barb at (248) 879-1393:



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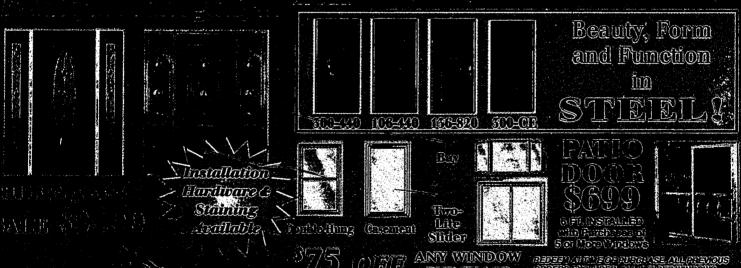
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Gear up now for move in

BY DOUG FUNKE

If you're pondering a move this summer after the kids get out of school, jump start the process now. It's later than you think.

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"You'd be surprised how fast June comes around," said Ronald J. Fron, bro-ker/owner of Clark & Fron in Livonia, "Now is definitely the time."

"I guess we all today plan our lives pretty carefully," said Maud Granzow, a Realtor with the Prudential Great Lakes Realty in Bloomfield Hills.

"We have day planners, computers. If you're selling your biggest asset, or one of your biggest assets, you should spend some time on that, too," she said.

"Most people make the mistake of having to do a mad dash in two weeks in April or May when they decide to sell," said Michael Kehrer, a Realtor with the Prudential Pickering in West-

Any time is a good time to sell as long as the house is in mint condition, Realtors say. From their experience, most houses aren't.

Tve walked into houses and told peo ple, 'No one will want to look at this house,'" said Frances Yatooma, a Realtor with RE/MAX Executive Properties in Farmington Hills.

"I don't think most people look at their house hard enough," Fron added. "They think it's absolutely ready and fail to see the shortcomings.

"If you know you're moving, the time o take action is right away, not waiting



Tidy up: Replace worn carpeting before listing a house for sale. Neutral colors work best.

until two weeks before signing a (list-ing) contract,? Fron said.

While winter weather here precludes much attention to a house's exterior or yard work, the track is wide open when it comes to the interior. Little by little, room by room, everything gets done.

Pick a room, paint it, replace, paint

or varnish the trim, then put in new faceplates over the electrical outlets," Kehrer said.

Other tips on the house, itself: Remove clutter from basements, garages, attics and dens. Clutter is any-thing you don't regularly use or didn't know was there. Donate usable items to charities or put them in storage. Throw

other things in the trash.

Find out if your municipality requires an inspection prior to a sale and what electrical, plumbing, mechanical and structural upgrades or repairs you may have to deal with.

Repair all faucets that drip or leak. ■ Clean or replace ratty-looking carpeting. If there are hardwood floors

under bad carpeting, consider removing the carpet and polishing the wood. ■ Make sure all doors open and close

properly without squeaks, ■ Neutral colors, please, on all wall and floor coverings.

Realtors offer other advice.

"Clean closets out," Fron said. "Maybe put some extra furniture you have in storage to make the house more roomy.

"Clean screens," Kehrer said, "Make sure they're in good shape. If they need to be replaced, take them to the hardware store now and avoid the spring rush."

"If you have a light fixture you really love, take it down and put another one up," Granzow said. "A lot of time, the buyer loves the fixture, too, and (if you don't want to let it go), the whole deal can go south."

There are other things sellers should be thinking about now, in a broader sense, regarding a relocation.

Things like what is the value of your current house, how much house can you afford to buy and who best to sell your house and help you find another.

A good Realtor is invaluable.

"They should go with somebody that specializes in the area," Yatooma said. An agent can look at your house and tell you what needs to be improved and what can be left alone."

"Word of mouth is a great way to find a Realtor," Granzow said. "We're real-ly applying for Johs. It's like any other decision = is this person comfortable to work with?"

"If they haven't bought a house or sold a house in the last five years, there's a a house in the last five years, there's a lot of law changes they should get familiar with a seller disclosure, agency disclosure; lead based paint disclosure, Granzow added, A Realtor can clarify.

Other issues should be addressed now.

"At this time of year, I'm having people call and ask me to do a market analysis so they know how much they

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can get on their existing home." Kehrer said. "I do a market analysis a day, and " none of those people plan on selling until April ôr Mây.

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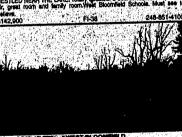


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The Real Estate Investors Association of Oakland hosts Ernie Kessler, an investor with real estate holdings throughout the country, at a dinner/seminar 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 13, at the Royal Oak American Legion, 1815 Rochester Road. The topic. Breakaway Thinking and Strate-

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Dinner is \$14 for everyone The price of the seminar, which begins at 8 p.m., is \$10 for nonmembers.

Kessler presents an all-day conference on the same topic 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 14, at the American Legion Hall. Price is \$29.

To register for either event, call (800) 747-6742.

CONSTRUCTION EXPO

The Construction Association of Michigan, American Institute of Architects Michigan and the Detroit Chapter of the Construction Specifications Institute cosponsor their annual trade show

Expo '98 11 a.m. to 7 p.m Wednesday-Thursday, Feb. 11-12 at the Pontiac Silverdome.

Exhibit space will cover more than 150,000 square feet. Free tickets to those involved

in the construction industry are available in advance at (248) 972-1000.

GREAT LAKES REALTY

Realtors affiliated with the Prudential Great Lakes Realty headquartered in Clarkston host open houses of their listings the weekend of Feb. 14-15 to benefit the Sunshine Kids.

Agents who participate make a donation to the Sunshine Kids, a non-profit organization dedicated to providing group activi-

ties, events and trips to children with cancer. Informational painphlets about the Sunshine Kids will be available at the houses.

Last October, the Prudential Great Lakes Realty raised \$500 for the Sunshine Kids during a similar open house weekend.

NEIGHBORHOOD EXPO

The Neighborhood Expo, a free show for prospective sellers and buyers to meet Realtors, representatives from banks/mortgage companies, inspection services and moving companies, goes 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 15, at Burton Manor, 27777 Schoolcraft just west of Inkster Road For information, contact Kathleen George at (248) 740-1814....

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Vogelsberg lives in Milford and is president of American Glass & Metals Corp. in Plymouth.

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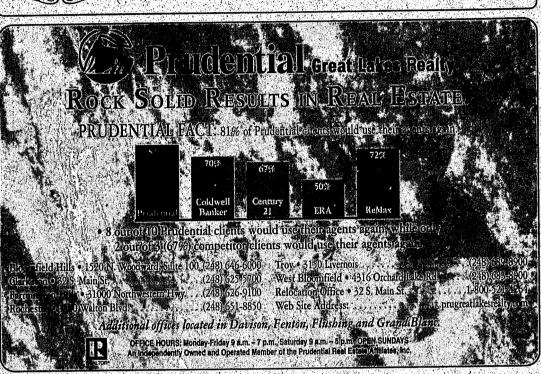
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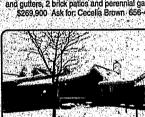
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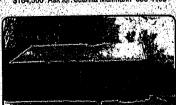
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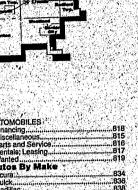
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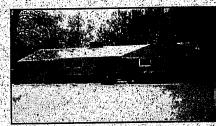
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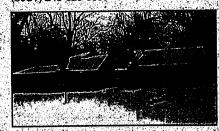
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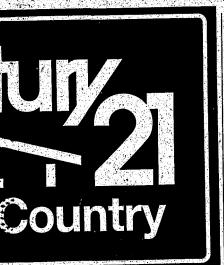
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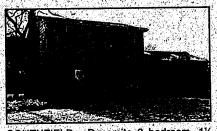


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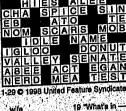
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