

## But officer I was just ... 'Tis the season for excuses

by Jean Saile  
of The Clarkston News

So you're rushing around, trying to get your Christmas shopping completed, and thinking about what in the world you'll buy Aunt Nellie -- and suddenly you hear it.

A siren, and probably a flashing blue light. You've been speeding.

What do you tell the cops? Those ever alert guardians of the public highways?

If you're smart, police officers say, you'll have a very friendly attitude, probably a penitential one as well.

"It depends mostly on people's attitudes as to whether we write a ticket or not," says Deputy D.H. Castora of the Oakland County Sheriff's Department Traffic Division.

Sometimes a good story helps, he and fellow officers agree. They've had some doozies in their time, and some of them worked.

There was the case of the woman doing 80 on I-75 with a sick dog in the front seat beside her. Deputy Bill Evans reports, "She said she was taking her dog

to the vet before it died, and I believed her. She was from Muskegon and she said the vet was in Detroit."

Jack McCall, Independence Township Police Services Director, tells about the man of the cloth who went through a red light and a stop sign. He told McCall he's left his wallet at home and McCall let him off with a warning. A later check revealed the good father's license had been revoked.

McCall remembers another story. "There was this little old

lady who said she had to pick her granddaughter up at a bus stop and it was cold outside. I followed her to the bus stop and the granddaughter was at least 33."

Evans says a familiar response is the sad story of someone rushing to bathroom facilities.

Castora has heard the one several times about being almost out of gas and rushing to a gas station.

Just last week, he stopped a man who said his wife would get

kicked out of school if she weren't there on time. She was a student.

Another oldie but goodie, according to McCall, is the fellow who says, "I always wanted to be a police officer, and if you give me this ticket I won't be able to."

"Accelerator stuck" and "just keeping up with traffic" are also familiar, but Castora got a different version recently.

"The car behind was following me too close and I had to get out of its way," said an unsuccessful plaintiff.

### Council candidates must file soon

Candidates wishing to run for Clarkston Village Council in the March 8 election have until December 29 to file nominating petitions with the village clerk.

Five voting positions on the council are up, including president, clerk and three trustees.

Currently filling those posts are Keith Hallman, Bruce Rogers and Ruth Basinger, Neil Granlund and Kathleen McCall, respectively.

Also up are the village treasurer and assessor posts. Treasurer Art Pappas has indicated he will run again, as will assessor Ralph Thayer.

Out of the five voting members coming up for re election, only two have indicated they might not run again.

President Keith Hallman says he is not sure at this point if he wants to run, and trustee Kathleen McCall, said she will not run again.

Nominating petitions must have 10 valid signatures of Clarkston registered voters. All terms coming up for election are for two years.

If enough people run for the positions, a primary will be held February 16. The deadline for registering to vote for the primary is January 19.

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## How about a plastic fireplug under the tree?

by Jean Saile  
of The Clarkston News

If you include man's best friend on your Christmas list, there's a new shop on the Dixie Highway south of the Waterford Post Office sure to delight you.

Called Win-Shur's, it was opened in September by Cheryl Freeman who also offers dog grooming services from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. six days a week.

There, you might find Poochie his very own red plastic fire plug, which doubles as a toy box for all the other items available at the shop. The fire plug sells for \$12.

Again, your concern might be with the cold weather ahead, and you can outfit Fido with hand crocheted coats ranging in price from \$3 to \$7. If your tastes run to the more expensive, there's a suede number selling for \$14.98.

If it's only the thought that counts, squeaker toys range from 79 cents to \$1.60 and the bone-decorated Santa stocking to put them in is \$2.00. If you want a stocking already stuffed with Candy and bones, the cost is \$3.97.

Maybe you've a friend who is a dog lover, and you could have a

picture of her dog decoupage on a plaque or set into a locket. For the male fan, there are ties with breed pictures of his dog available.

Cheryl who is a bookkeeper for Bloch Bros. when she isn't minding the shop, started the business mainly as an adjunct to dog shows. Supplies, she found, were often available only in wholesale quantities, and expensive to boot.

That's where some of the homemade items have come in. Hand tied ribbons, sell for 49 cents each at the shop as opposed to \$1 on the market.

Her dog show table grew into a canopy and then into a trailer until she was able to rent her present quarters from her bosses.

Cheryl is off the dog show-trek now, finding a five-day-a-week job plus every weekend at dog shows a little too much to take. She's now raising golden retrievers and miniature pinchers, the latter from Germany and looking like miniature deer.

There still isn't a lot of time to curl up in the snuggly, matching handmade afghans the shop sells - one sized for her and one for her dog.



Cheryl could be considered the doggy Santa Claus.

## County mailing boosts Springfield hearing

By Mary Warner  
of The Clarkston News

Springfield Township has found out it's nice to have big brother Oakland County around once in a while.

The township was having difficulty getting input from citizens on the disbursement of \$15,000 in federal funds due Springfield for 1976.

A hearing in Springfield November 5 concerning the Community Development Act funds was a flop.

Only one person spoke up - fire chief Marlan Hillman - who suggested the money be spent in part for demolition of old buildings in the township.

The hearing lasted only five

minutes.

A second hearing December 3 yielded far different results, thanks to \$1300 spent by Oakland County.

The county sent 1,700 notices of the December public hearing to Springfield residents.

As a result, 41 people showed up at that hearing, most of them to discuss the CDA funds.

They were told at the meeting that the funds were to be used primarily to improve low income housing.

The Springfield funds had been divided up in five categories by the township -- \$5,000 for public works, facilities and site improvements, \$6,000 for clearance, demolition and rehabilitation,

\$1500 for planning and management development, \$1,000 for administration and \$1,500 for contingencies.

But no specific programs had been attached to these general categories.

Most of those who spoke up during the hearing felt that the money should be spent to improve low and moderate income property in the township, which would include some demolition.

Supervisor Donald Rogers said that since the residents seemed to want to "get the township cleaned up," that is probably what the bulk of the funds would be spent for.

This is the first time Oakland County has undertaken individual

mailings to announce hearings on federal funds.

Since the county has had a number of federal grants come their way in the past year, according to executive Daniel Murphy, it wants to keep a tighter rein on how the money is spent.

That is why it suggested townships who have been allocated funds hold public hearings.

And that is why it decided to mail individual notices to residents for all those townships requesting them.

Thus far, the area municipalities of Rose Township, Orion Township and Ortonville Village have requested the mailings, in addition to Springfield.

Independence Township has

not held its public hearings on an expected allocation of \$55,000 or \$60,000 in 1976 CDA funds.

The first hearing has been set for December 16 at 7:30 p.m. at the township hall.

The township plans on having about 150 notices of it mailed to Independence residents by the county, on a random basis, according to township planner Larry Burkhart.

Although the township wants input from citizens before making any commitments on spending the money, Burkhart said it has discussed using it for lighting of the new township park ball fields, acquisition of land for fire hall, and a township-wide drainage study.

# You can't be polite, trustee finds

Jim Shultz, Clarkston Village Council trustee, has found out "you can't be polite" when dealing with the State Highway Department.

Jim said he wrote to the highway department early this summer requesting information on the department's plans for widening M-15.

He never received a reply to the letter, and thus decided to take a different approach in subsequent letters.

He wrote to State Rep. Claud Trim, U.S. Rep. William Broomfield, State Sen. Kerry Kammer

and Robert Miller, historic preservation coordinator for the Michigan History Division.

Rep. Trim then wrote to Paul Riley, district traffic engineer for the highway department.

Riley wrote back to Trim, saying the matter of M-15 has been turned over to the department's program administrative section for review.

Riley said he would contact Trim if a decision is made on the future of M-15 by that administrative section.

Sen. Kammer wrote to John P. Woodford, director of the state highway department, asking him

to advise Kammer of the specific plans the department has for M-15, and also asking that any future department plans be limited to maintenance only of M-15 and not its widening.

Kammer has not received a reply to that letter yet.

Miller wrote back to Schultz, saying the Michigan History Division has been aware of the potential danger to the village from a widening of M-15.

The History division is working with the highway department to establish what plans are being made for M-15, Miller said.

He said his department does have a say with the highway department on what is done to M-15, as the village has taken steps to make the area a historical district.

The upshot of the letter writing is not only that Schultz got some results by taking a sterner approach in his letters, but also that plenty of people on a state level know now that Clarkston is prepared to battle for preservation of M-15 as it currently stands.

Ironic, though, was a map sent by the state highway department to the village council just recently.

The map showed M-15 as a state trunkline with a 120-foot right of way. Currently 66 feet of right of way make up the road through town, and any further incursions of right of way would put the road right smack in the middle of businesses both to the east and west of M-15.

### Local art on sale

Ink drawings and watercolor washes of eight Clarkston historic homes on notecards are on sale in various area stores. Created by Bob Hubbach of Springfield Township, they are a money-making project for the Bicentennial Commission.

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## REGULAR MEETING INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP BOARD December 2, 1975

### SYNOPSIS

1. No action on Helveston Agreement relative to refund to homeowners hooking into sewer.
2. No action on federally funded sewer extension.
3. Postponed action on new lot split ordinance.
4. Established depositories of township funds as Pontiac State Bank and Community National Bank of Pontiac.
5. Discussed placing additional police millage on the ballot May 18, 1976.
6. Final preliminary plat approval given Apple Ridge Estates.
7. No action on request to extend sewers by Mr. Sklar.
8. Discussed using CETA employee on 2nd shift as security custodial employee.
9. Agreed to enter into a consent judgement with D. Lackey allowing for 4 horse shows with restrictions.
10. Resolution recognizing Clinton Villa Homeowner's Assoc. as a non-profit organization.
  1. Finalized condemnation 5230 Eastview and instructed Building Department Superintendent to have job completed properly.
  2. Awarded heating plant bid to McGill Heating for police building.
  3. Authorized DPW Director to examine electrical bids for police building and award to true low bidder.
  4. Discussion on revisions to zoning ordinance to allow single family plats in multiple zones and clarification that construction of homes should be allowed if easements exist for roads and no new roads are actually created.

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Next meeting of Independence Township Board December 16, 1975.

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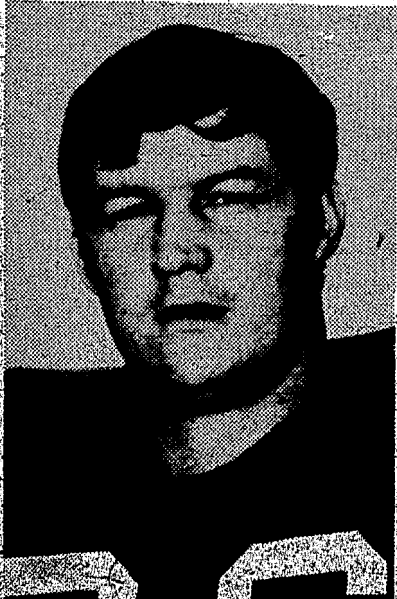
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# Hawk Tool space may be rented

A portion of the Hawk Tool plant may be rented to Clarkston Village at a tentative annual rate of \$5,000.

The village would use the rental space to store its vehicles and other maintenance equipment.

A majority of Village Council members indicated Monday that they would be in favor of the proposal, submitted by council president Keith Hallman on behalf of Earl Hawke, part owner of the property.

Hawke wants to take over sole ownership of the plant, which is now jointly owned by himself, his father Allen Sr., and his brother Allen Jr.

The village would be renting about 2,600 square feet in the newer part of the plant.

Hawke quoted a possible price of \$1.75 per square foot for rent, but the figure is not definite yet. Council members will ask him to attend a future council meeting to iron out the cost and the rental periods allowed.

Council treasurer Art Pappas said the village could probably fit the rental fee in next year's budget.

But expressing concern over the large amount considered was trustee Ruth Basinger, who said the expense would be one of the biggest items in the village budget.

Pappas and other council members suggested that other methods be explored for storing the village vehicles, including the eventual construction of a village garage.

Three tractors are now residing in cramped quarters in the basement of the village hall, and the new village truck is being kept free of charge at Hawk Tool.

Via Hawk, the council may also have found a solution to the Mill Pond Level control problem.

Hillman said Hawk may want to turn rights to a dam located within the plant over to the Oakland County Drain Commission.

He will attend a meeting set up by Hallman Thursday, in which Hallman, Independence Township Supervisor Ed Glennie and Oakland County Drain Commissioner George Kuhn will also discuss some problems that have cropped up on the level of Dollar Lake.



## Beach identification

Permanent identification of Deer Lake Beach on White Lake Road is held by Mike Engan, assistant, and Tim Doyle, Independence Township Parks and Recreation director. The plaque, made by Rochester Monument Co., is being imbedded in a stone donated and hauled to the beach by Jack Helveston of Clarkston.

# Springfield okays fire hall site

The Springfield Township Board has okayed the purchase of an \$11,500 parcel of land in the southern end of the township for a new fire hall.

The land is located between Big Lake and Andersonville Roads, just east of the Grand Trunk railroad tracks. It is owned by Frances Sommers.

The site was one of two under consideration by the board; the one not chosen was located just north of Andersonville Road, across from the acreage the board agreed to purchase.

The one and one-half acre site was recommended by fire chief Marlan Hillman, and was also the lower-priced of the two parcels.

The board has set aside \$10,000 in federal revenue sharing funds to pay for the land, but has not yet determined how it will pay for the

fire hall itself.

Chief Hillman said at the board meeting that in all likelihood the township will have to ask the voters for additional millage to pay for the hall's construction and equipment.

Currently the township receives one mill, or \$38,600, for fire protection.

Hillman wasn't sure how many additional mills may be needed for the hall, but said the decision may have to be made by the fall elections.

The question may be put on the

ballot next fall, he said, because another election won't be held for two additional years.

According to township supervisor Don Rogers, the Andersonville area was chosen as the site for a new hall because it has seen a large influx of residents during the past years.

He said the area would provide for the volunteers needed to man the station.

Hopefully, according to Hillman, the new hall will have three trucks—a pumper, tanker, and grass fire rig.

# Media centers school priority

The minimal outlay needed to offer media center programs with existing facilities in the elementary schools and at Clarkston Junior High School will be the subject of an upcoming Board of Education report.

The board has placed a number one priority on the need for media services, the second emphasis going to creation of physical education program with existing elementary school facilities, and finally replacement of Clarkston Junior High in last place.

The media centers are visualiz-

ed as combining libraries and facilities for learning aids -- "large enough to hold a whole class, but portable to provide different learning arrangements".

"We must keep in mind that a new Clarkston Junior High will be needed in the future, and we will have to have money for that," said Board President David Leak. He said the decision had been made to continue using the present junior high facility for another few years, that to repair it as recommended in a recent study would not be a good investment.



## Trouble averted

This is a photographer's set-up, but the area in question was dangerous enough that County Road Commission crews have come out to change new signs and striping which contributed to some near accidents during their short life. A passing zone on Clarkston Road would do the trick.

# Some preschoolers headed for class

Half day sessions during the school year for two dozen three-to-five-year-olds who need additional learning help will get underway in the Clarkston School District next month.

Robert Brumback, director of School Special Services, said the program is estimated to cost \$12,560 and will be paid for largely through the use of state and federal funds.

The service to pre-schoolers has been mandated by state legislation, he explained.

Priority for the classes will be given children with readily identifiable handicaps, Brumback said. Diagnostic evaluations will be made, parents will be consulted throughout the program, and classroom activities will include such items as vocal music, motor skill development, tactile awareness, auditory and visual discrimination, language

back said. He added community facilities would be utilized to provide classroom and conference room space.

The program would undoubtedly start with parents being responsible for the child's transportation, Brumback said. He noted, however, a need for a similar pre-school program in the greater north county area, saying federal funds might be available for such a program, and that transportation would be involved as a matter of necessity.

The program is an expansion of the pre-school screening program and summer kindergarten preparation course offered in the district the last four years, Brumback said.

A teacher, aide, speech and language therapist and the use of school social workers and psychologists would be needed, Brum-

Preview Christmas in downtown Clarkston this weekend



Clarkston High School choruses under the direction of Grayce Warren prepare for a concert December 16.

## You can't keep competition out

Whether competition should be encouraged or discouraged in Independence Township recreation programs has been relegated to obscurity by the township board, which adopted a new set of general policies last week.

The original draft had included a paragraph downplaying compe-

### Mobile homeowners

Clinton Village Civic Association, comprised of homeowners in the mobile home development there, is in the process of forming a non-profit corporation, according to manager Bob Emery.

Bingo games, open to the public, are planned to raise money for various charities.

tion but board members decided competition was integral to the program -- particularly as youngsters got only.

They decided they'd let another paragraph emphasizing the main purpose of the program as providing recreation, encouraging participation and good sportsmanship stand in its stead.

In other action, the board included sisters and brothers playing in different leagues as part of the same family, entitling them to reduced rates.

It stuck with the original position that no program directors could have relatives playing in the program. That is the rule

that is expected to affect former baseball program director Bob Davidson, who wound up in an altercation with a parent during a game in which his son participated.

Unreasonable practice hours or long trips will not be tolerated. Children will not be excluded from participation for lack of ability.

Sponsors, managers and coaches can be banned from games, the unstated penalty for compliance being forfeiture of the game.

Audience control is also emphasized during games, the only cheers allowed being those of encouragement.



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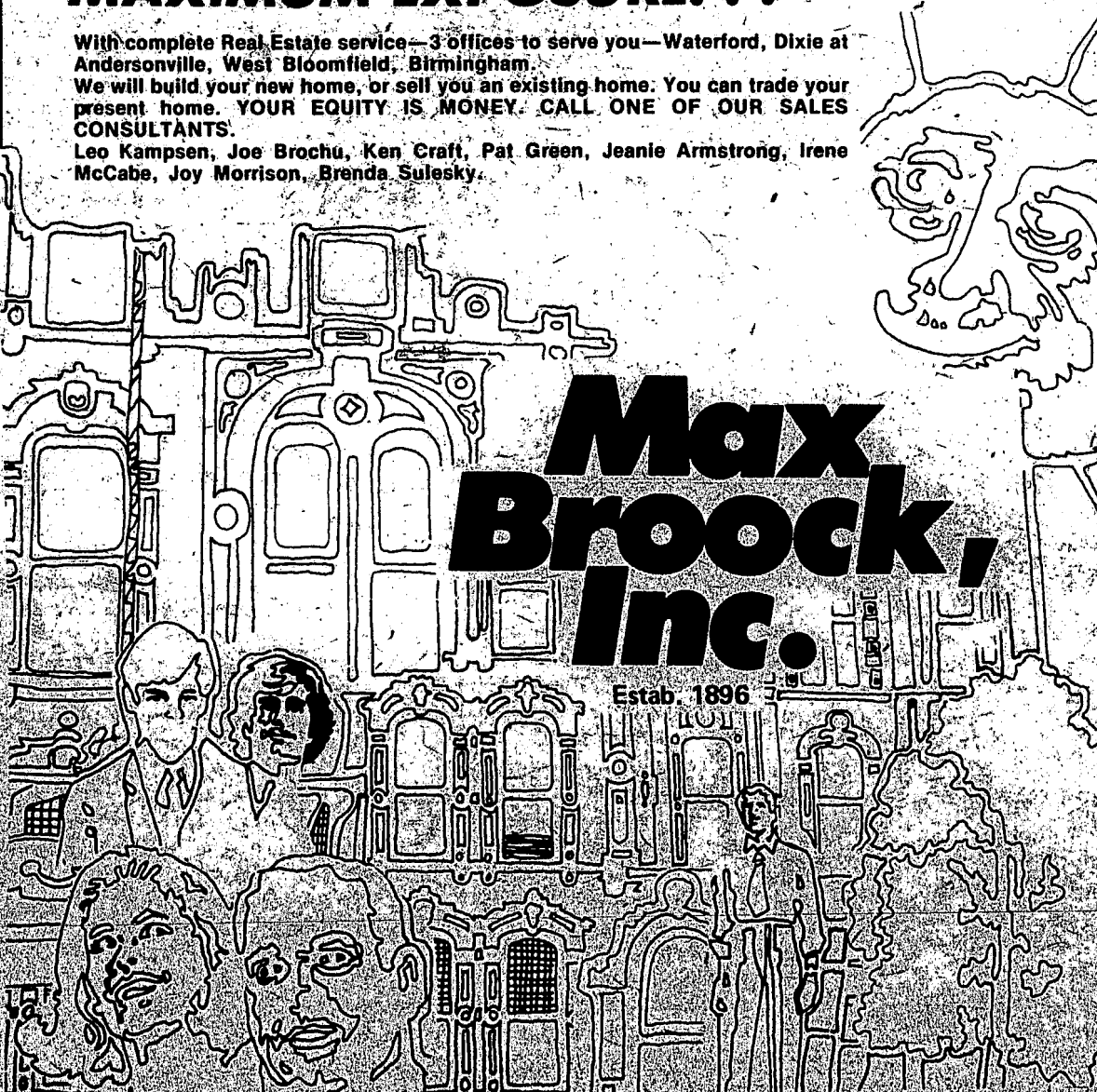


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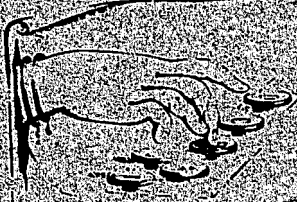
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# Editorial



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# Traditions

by Jean Saile

## Facing the bills

Probably this is the wrong time of year to even be thinking about bills—but the fact remains that some hard truths affecting our pocket-books are going to have to be resolved within the next few months.

Most immediate, undoubtedly, is how the township will

meet its sewer bonding payments next year. That probably will affect about a third of us to noticeable extent, but could affect all of us to some degree, if the township chooses to use an ad valorem tax in addition to special assessing.

We're informed by the township that police millage is

not sufficient to continue our present level of services. A decision, whether to put more money in the kitty or cut back on service, will probably be made by the voters at the May primary.

There's been talk for some time now about the need for spending more money for school facilities. Media centers and physical education facilities in the elementary schools, plus a remodeled or totally new junior high to replace CJH, are being discussed. Undoubtedly there will be a vote to see if people are willing to ante up for the cause of education.

There are also expensive drainage problems to solve throughout the township.

Anybody with a grain of realism knows that not all these projects would win voter approval. Whether any would remain doubtful in the light of our current economic climate.

One way to provide some relief is through the use of federal funds. We have quite a bit of money coming into the township via that route, and a public hearing on how to spend \$55,000 to \$60,000 of it is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. December 16 at Independence Township Hall.

Park lighting, fire hall land purchases and a drain study have been suggested. Maybe there are areas of greater importance now.

It may have been because just about everybody was suffering some effects of winter colds, but our long and lanky kids reverted to little last week.

There was a fire roaring in the fireplace and the snow was getting ready to dump another load on us when Liz turned on the story of "Rudolph, the Red Nose Reindeer".

Kids began drifting in from the kitchen, out of the living room, and from bedrooms and plunked themselves down in front of the television.

To give them the credit due, there were some smart remarks bandied about, but for the most part their eyes were following the trials and tribulations of Rudolph.

"We had announcements of when the scary parts were supposed to begin, what the good stuff was, and even I tore my eyes away from the crossword puzzle enough to pretty much follow the action.

We've watched Rudolph every year since Rudolph started, and that puts some of those long and lanky ones back in the diaper stage.

I discovered Rudolph, who wasn't even invented when I was a kid, was now a Christmas tradition—complete even to the popcorn we munched in some agitation as he faced his loneliness and perils.

Traditions are good in a changing world, and it occurred to me a mighty wrench is coming as the kids start

families of their own. They won't always be around on Christmas Day or for the family Christmas Eve celebration. That's going to be tough.

We've just reached the point where Jim and I have abandoned our annual "how to decorate the tree fight", having turned it over to the kids who carry on in grand style.

The first fight now takes place between Mike and Doug over which tree they should select. It comes home, is subject to some philosophy as to which is the best angle to display it, and finally up it goes.

Then comes the war about small ornaments to the top, big ones to the bottom, and the special ones to the front. The final and never quite solved issue is how the icicles should be hung. We have as many theories as there are icicles, and the sparkle is changed frequently throughout the Christmas season.

It's all part of the process and the fun, just as the arrival of the Christmas cookies, the last minute wrapping, the family and friend visits and now—Rudolph—have become.

### WHAT DOES A ELF LOOK LIKE

By Nancy Hubbard

What does a elf look like red, pink, blew or yellow. Is he or she a gril or a fellow. Oh, Now I know what a elf looks like he is a boy and he's yellow and he lookse like a fine old fellow.

## PEEKIN' into the PAST



### 25 YEARS AGO IN THE CLARKSTON NEWS December 9, 1950

Don't forget the Holiday Hop, Dec. 22 at the Clarkston Gym sponsored by the freshman class.

Mrs. Della Neal has returned home after spending several weeks in Indiana.

### 10 YEARS AGO IN THE CLARKSTON NEWS December 9, 1965

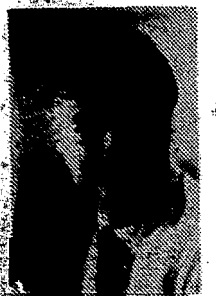
The Frank Glowzinski family moved there from their home on Plum Drive to another home on Warbler. Before their move, a farewell party was given by their neighbors.

Clarkston's junk yard was turned down by the Independence Township Board. Another plea is planned by Mr. Roy of Roy Bros.

### 'If It Fitz . . .'

## The world's really like that

by Jim Fitzgerald



Lawyers are chief among those who make it tough for a wise-guy columnist to do his thing.

What I mean is, we smartie writers often depend upon exaggeration to make our point. It's the type of writing that more erudite people might call satire or caricature or at least sarcasm.

For example, I wouldn't simply write that my baby sister is overweight. I would write that the Rand-McNally people requested her to stand still long enough for alternate routes to be mapped for motorists who want to avoid having to drive around her. Now you know she isn't really big enough to be put on a map, like an alp. But you do get the idea she must proceed sideways through canyons, which is correct. See?

The trouble comes when the satirist must deal with subjects so

outrageous they can't be exaggerated. How could I stretch the truth if my sister really did weigh 10 tons?

Washington has been an awful problem in recent years. We had a Secretary of the Air Force who didn't know his planes were bombing Cambodia. We had an FBI director who hid secret papers in his shirt drawer. We had a Pentagon that kept score of the war by counting dead bodies and having cheerleaders announce the results every hour on the hour.

For years the kidding columnists had written that most politicians were dirty crooks who should run out of office and into jail. Then came Agnew and Nixon and the Watergate lawyers. There was no way to exaggerate about those birds short of accusing them of being Nazis or murderers. Then we

learned about the FBI and CIA plots.

Things aren't much better in the smaller towns, especially when it comes to lawyers. I used to kid lawyers for charging \$500 for advising a client, after a 2-year delay, to pay a \$10 traffic ticket. But how can I kid the 5 lawyers who were recently shot down in Howell, Mich?

These guys worked on a Detroit Edison condemnation case and submitted a total bill of \$438,000. But a probate judge ruled their work was worth only \$75,000. That's an 80% slash!

One law firm, for instance, submitted a \$148,000 bill to Edison. Judge Dwight Cheevers cut it to \$22,960. And he added that the lawyer had done a lousy job, saying he "failed to read the court files and then proceeded to waste the court's

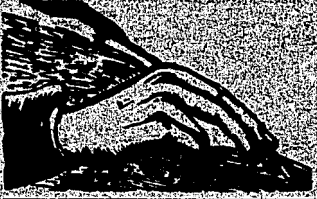
time as to a matter that had already been heard."

About all 5 lawyers the judge said: "In effect, the very number of attorneys prolonged the length of the trial yet each attorney is requesting full payment for the time spent by him and other attorneys prolonging the trial."

The whole thing sounds like something Art Buchwald might write. Whoever heard of a lawyer charging \$148,000 for \$22,960 worth of work? It has to be an exaggeration.

But it really happened, thus adding to the woes of the wise-guy columnists who might as well smash their distorted mirrors. The world really looks like that.

The next time you see me writing with tongue in cheek, check it out. It will probably be bubble gum.



## Letters to the editor

### Builders cite sewer, construction problems

To Independence Township you the following: the costs, restrictions and methods of payment of your sewer as it pertains to new construction, comprise one major factor and reason for many of our builder members not seeking new starts in your Township, however, the above factor and incentive for development is further hampered by our extremely restrictive zoning ordinance.

As it stands right now, many developers we know are not interested in purchasing property for single family construction in Independence Township because the requirements and restrictions are so prohibitively expensive and burdensome that development is not feasible.

As a result, single family subdivisions are not being formed at the rate that they should be,

thereby closing doors to a very viable home building and growth market.

The balance of your zoning in the form of one acre and up parcel requirements is not conducive to new single family construction due to the scattered site arrangement of the parcels and the high cost of the large land size. These large lot requirements cause the further problem of discouraging utilities and other amenities from being extended and made available due to the fact that it is not economical. The zoning ordinance should be thoroughly reviewed (with developer representatives included in the review) and then revised.

Based on our impressions and studies of this situation, it would appear you will have to allow builders to finance a sewer tap the way you do an existing home-

owner, i.e., over a twenty year period rather than requiring all of the money in cash prior to or during construction.

Requiring the cash to be paid immediately increases the amount of actual cash necessary for an individual to be able to construct a new residence. This extra burden on the home buyer prohibits many prospective buyers from qualifying for mortgages, therefore eliminating them as future residents of Independence Township.

Unless relief is obtained in both areas, I can assure you that builders and developers alike will continue to avoid Independence Township in the future, as they have in the past.

Very truly yours,  
North Oakland County  
Builders Association  
Harold Muxlow, President

### Building critics attacked

Dear Editor,

Your recent editorial is one of your best, since you have been editor of the Clarkston News. It is a healthy relief, in the media, from name calling and maudlin efforts of graphic discourse.

I want to stress an all important fact. Builders and developers are a group of legitimate and recognized business people. They are licensed and must adhere to well defined rules and laws of our government. They are financed by our banks and lending institutions and these financial institutions must abide by government rules and laws. Calling an effort of this group an effort of vultures is the type of graphic emissions that could be expected from individuals with an I.Q. below 30.

#### Contacts rep on property tax

To Representative Claude A Trim I am afraid that the Michigan State Legislature has waited too long to make significant changes and improvements in the Michigan property tax laws.

Judging by the phone calls that we are receiving, it would not take too much for someone to organize a formidable assault on the capitol.

I feel that intelligent men can do anything they set their minds to. Further, I feel it is far past time to set yourself shoulder to shoulder with your fellow legislators and accomplish significant changes in the tax laws. The people of my township will no

longer stand for the kind of taxation pressures being applied to them in a fashion which is reminiscent of tactics used by certain countries across the great pond to the east.

This is not a personal affront. However, I know of no other way to explain and exclaim that your people and my people of the State of Michigan can no longer tolerate the tax burdens that the state, through its legislative action and the tax commission, is imposing. The economic climate in our area is going to be a precipitating quantity - so stand forewarned.

J. Edwin Glennie, Supervisor

Why not tell it like it is? Many people do not have the capacity or guts to go into any kind of business. They are aware of their inability and for psychopathic reasons they attack those that are able to go into business for themselves and to provide benefits and retirement for their employees.

Throughout these attacks on what is called capitalist builders and developers, I detect the shadow of the hammer and sycle. When one comrade attacks, another comrade seems to raise his clinched fist in support. Will we, the people of this area, that believe in Democracy, stand by and allow socialist and communist dominated individuals and groups to destroy a reasonable and healthy economic growth in this community? These are the type people that would demand busing for political reasons only. I ask again, shall we stand by and allow socialist and communist shadows to destroy our local economy. Wake up citizens, remember some of Joe Stalin's advice to the party. You can call Communism a reform or a church or another political party but keep it alive and moving.

In closing, I must say, that Supervisor Glennie's intent to reevaluate the failure of development and economic growth in this area is the best thing in local government during the last five years.

Donald J. Sheldon Sr.

### Support appreciated

To Mary Warner, sports editor:

On behalf of the girls' basketball program at Clarkston High School, we would like to thank you and your staff for your interest in and support of girls' athletics in Clarkston. We appreciate your publishing of the basketball articles each week in an attempt to give coverage to girls' athletics as well as to boys.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the parents of our players for their cooperation and the many other enthusiastic fans that girls' basketball at Clarkston has come to know and appreciate over the last 10 years.

Sincerely,  
Jan Modesitt, Varsity coach  
Kathy DeArmond, JV Coach

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# School sports are a big business

Sports in the Clarkston School District is big business, costing about \$200,000 in the course of a year, when all incidentals including equipment, uniforms, staff, heat, lights and maintenance are taken into account.

That was the sum of a report given to the Board of Education Monday night by Conrad Bruce, who serves as district athletic director in addition to management of student services.

## Sports watch

Bruce told The Clarkston News that proceeds from football, the traditional big money maker of the school program, were down this fall to just over \$6,700. One less home game, two non-league home games and a game on Halloween night helped knock the total down from the \$10,000 plus last year.

Basketball, while it fails to generate the money football does, costs less to present, Bruce added. "Dollar to dollar, it's a game that would put us further in the black. It could be our biggest source of revenue."

The Booster Club, which has concession stands at both football and basketball games, raised \$1,700 this fall, the money to be

turned back into the sports program, Bruce said.

Another source of income is the \$5 charged by local physicians for sports physicals, the money reverting to the sports program, Bruce added.

The program this fall involved 324 girls and boys in grades 9-12 and will involve another 236 this winter, he reported. There are 38 total programs for grades 9-12, 14 for boys and 13 for girls, in the high school, and 7 boys' and four girls' programs in the junior highs.

It cost \$77.97 to outfit each of the 193 high school students for football and \$22.10 to outfit each one at CJH and \$19.12 to outfit each one at SJH, Bruce reported. The average cost for student participation for all sports is \$50.60 per student.

While not a money maker, Bruce stressed the value of the intramural program in the junior highs. 84 boys and 85 girls in grades 7 and 8 took part at Clarkston Junior High and another 84 boys and 95 girls in grades 7 and 8 took part at Sashabaw Junior High. All were allowed to participate. "There were no cuts," Bruce said.

Several improvements have been made in the athletic program. New High school lockers, new bleacher sections and fencing has helped. Crowd control has been improved.

The North Oakland Activities League, to which Clarkston now belongs, is expected to include Rochester and possibly Lake Orion next year for a total of seven teams. Bruce said the league is sponsoring competition in other areas as well as sports.

He also reported he is making available to the Independence Township Recreation program the facilities it needs for its programs.



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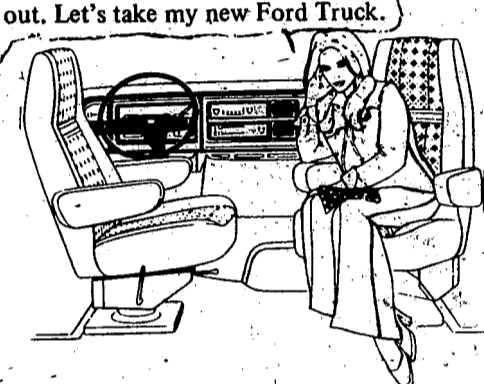
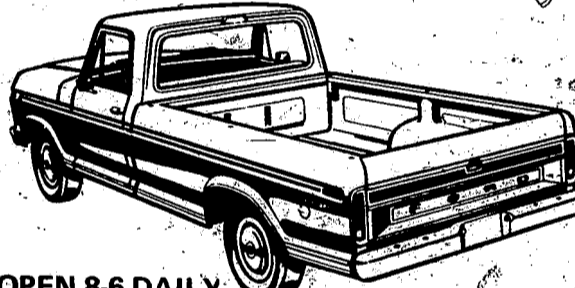
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# Cagers wrap up season

The girls' basketball season at CHS ended last week as the team bowed out of competition in the first game of the regional tournament.

The Wolves found themselves facing a good shooting, strong-rebounding team from Detroit Northeastern High School. Clarkston trailed early in the game as they committed too many turnovers and missed several easy shots.

The team settled down in the second quarter and played good ball, but trailed the Detroit team 35-20 at the half.

Both teams played fairly evenly through the third quarter, but the Wolves lost their offensive momentum in the final period and wound up losing to the more physical and aggressive Northeastern team by the convincing score of 67-37.

Autumn Matlock played a fine game at both ends of the court, and as Clarkston's leading scorer and rebounder she poured in 16 points and hauled down 10 rebounds.

Other players who scored for Clarkston were Dede Miller with seven points and eight rebounds, Nancy Chartier with six points and 3 assists, Kathy Rush with 5 points, Diane Curry with two points, and Kathie Warren with 1 pt.

The Wolves finished their 1975 playing season with another successful record of 18 wins and 5 losses. Along the way, the team collected a co-championship in GOA League competition and a third consecutive State District title. The accumulative record of the girls' Varsity basketball team in the last ten years is 108 wins against only 24 losses.

Final statistics for the 1975 season show Clarkston outscoring their opponents 1,055 points to 741 points.

Dede Miller led all Clarkston scorers with 198 points for an average of 8.6 per game.

Kathy Rush averaged 8.2 points per game, Autumn Matlock 7.9, Nancy Chartier 7.3, and Diane Curry 7.

Dede was also the leading free-throw shooter for the season, averaging 72.2 percent of her charity tosses. This fine average establishes a new record for

free-throw shooting by a Clarkston girl.

Autumn Matlock led the field goal shooting and rebounding categories with a 35.5 percent average from the floor and 186 rebounds for an average of 8.5 rebounds per game.

Finishing first in both the steals and assists departments was Diane Curry, who captured a total of '88 steals while offering to her teammates a total of 70 assists for the season.

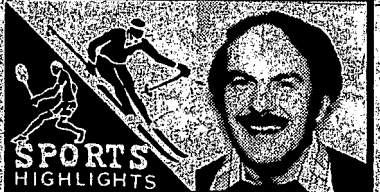
## Managers meet

Manager of Bidy and junior basketball leagues will meet at 6:30 p.m. December 15 at the township hall, 90 North Main. Bidy play is for grades four and five, junior for grade six.

## Teams needed

Three additional teams are needed for The Mens Open (18 and over) Basketball League. Deadline for registration is Thursday, December 18.

## Sports Watch



by David McNeven, Coach

According to authorities, the Frisbee reportedly got its first start at Yale after World War II. Throwing empty pie plates back and forth was a campus fad, and the tin plates the Yale under graduates threw happened to come from a pie-making company in nearby Bridgeport that was called the Frisbie Bakery. When somebody stepped into the path of a spinning pie tin, he was warned to duck with the shout: "Frisbee!"

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Clarkston's Wayne Thompson grabs two of his 11 points during Friday's victorious clash with Lake Orion.

[Photo by Bill Matthews]

# Basketball Clarkston High School

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#### 1975-76 Basketball Schedule

Date	School	Home or Away	Time
Fri. Nov. 28	Davison	Away	6:30
Tues., Dec. 2	Pontiac Northern	Home	6:30
Fri., Dec. 5	Lake Orion	Home	6:30
Tues., Dec. 9	Rochester	Away	6:30
Fri., Dec. 12	West Bloomfield	Away	6:15
Fri., Dec. 19	Milford	Home	8:00
Tues., Jan. 6	Lapeer	Away	6:30
Fri., Jan. 9	Detroit Thurston	Home	8:00
Fri., Jan. 16	Andover	Away	6:30
Tues., Jan. 20	Waterford Mott	Away	6:15
Fri., Jan. 23	Waterford Kettering	Away	6:15
Tues., Jan. 27	Rochester Adams	Away	6:30
Fri., Jan. 30	West Bloomfield	Home	6:30
Tues., Feb. 3	Waterford Township	Home	6:30
Fri., Feb. 6	Milford	Away	6:30
Tues., Feb. 10	Lake Orion	Away	6:30
Fri., Feb. 13	Detroit Thurston	Away	8:00
Tues., Feb. 17	Davison	Home	6:30
Fri., Feb. 20	Andover	Home	6:30
Fri., Feb. 27	Waterford Kettering	Home	6:30
Mon., Mar. 4	District Tournament		

#### INTERSCHOLASTIC WINTER SCHEDULE

12-08-75	Clarkston Junior	9th - Basketball	West Bloomfield	A	7:00 pm
12-09-75	Sashabaw Junior	9th - Basketball	Waterford Crary	H	7:00 pm
12-09-75	Clarkston Senior	Wrestling	Lapeer West	H	6:30 pm
12-09-75	Clarkston Senior	Basketball	Rochester	A	6:30 pm
12-11-75	Clarkston Senior	10th - Basketball	Our Lady of the Lakes	H	7:30 pm
12-12-75	Clarkston Senior	Basketball	West Bloomfield	A	6:15 pm
12-13-75	Sashabaw Junior	9th - Basketball	Clarkston Jr.	A	7:30 pm
12-13-75	Clarkston Junior	9th - Basketball	Sashabaw Jr.	H	7:30 pm
12-13-75	Clarkston Senior	Wrestling	Lake Orion Quad.	A	8:30 am
12-15-75	Sashabaw Junior	9th - Wrestling	West Bloomfield	A	7:00 pm
12-16-75	Sashabaw Junior	9th - Wrestling	Lake Orion East	A	3:30 pm
12-16-75	Clarkston Junior	9th - Basketball	Milford Lakeland	H	7:00 pm
12-17-75	Sashabaw Junior	9th - Basketball	Rochester VanHoosen	H	7:00 pm
12-17-75	Clarkston Junior	9th - Basketball	Oxford Jr.	H	7:00 pm
12-17-75	Clarkston Junior	9th - Wrestling	Lake Orion West	A	3:30 pm

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## JVs downed

Clarkston's JV basketball team lost both games they played last week. They were overpowered by a much taller Pontiac Northern squad, and also suffered a 58-43 defeat to Lake Orion. The loss to Orion was the Wolves' third in as many games.

Northern used the height difference to their advantage as they out rebounded the Wolves threefold. They outscored Clarkston 11-2 in the opening minutes before taking a 21-10 first quarter lead.

The Wolves played the huskies even-up throughout the middle two quarters, each team scoring 24 points. However, Northern held Clarkston to 4 points in the final period while scoring 14

themselves to take the victory. John Bullen led the Wolves in points and rebounds with 14 and 8 respectively. Tim Fogg helped out with eight points and six rebounds, and Tom White, had seven rebounds.

Against Lake Orion, the Wolves controlled a 21-18 lead midway through the second quarter. However, the Dragons struck for five straight points at the end of the half and 10 more at the beginning of the third quarter to take a 33-21 lead.

Although the remaining portion of the game was basically even, Lake Orion went on to victory. Tom White finished with 13 points, Matt Wenzel had 10 and John Bullen contributed six.



Forward Geoff Becker avoids a Lake Orion defender during Friday's game.

# Clarkston beats Orion, 54-49

By Dave Johnson

Clarkston's varsity basketball team split a pair of games last week, to increase their season record to one win against two defeats. The Wolves lost to Pontiac Northern, 69-64, before spending Lake Orion, 54-49.

The Pontiac Huskies looked like they were going to blow the game open in the first quarter by outscoring the Wolves 11-2 through the first four minutes of play.

Suddenly, Clarkston's offense began to roll. They went on a 20-9 scoring binge and closed the gap by two points. However, Northern picked up the pace and took a commanding 39-24 halftime lead. Northern took a 21-point lead in the third quarter by hitting their first three shots from the floor.

At this point, forward Wayne Thompson led the Clarkston attack with six points, as the Wolves outscored Northern 12-0 to cut the deficit to nine points, 36-36. By the end of the third quarter the Huskies held a 51-41 lead.

The Wolves traded baskets throughout most of the fourth quarter before cutting Northern's lead to three points with 43 seconds left in the game. However, Clarkston couldn't compete with the clock and Northern both as time ran out, giving the huskies the 69-64 victory.

Northern guard Ed Stroman had all scorers with 21 points. High scorers for Clarkston were Weldon Graham with 20 points, Thompson had 15, and Chris Adams with 13.

Graham pulled down eight rebounds, Jeff Becker had 5, and Thompson had four.

The Lake Orion Dragons jumped out to an early 4-2 lead in their Friday night contest with Clarkston but were never to have the advantage for the rest of the game.

The Wolves, behind Weldon Graham's season high 22 points, earned their first victory of the season. Wayne Thompson added 11 points and Jeff Becker contributed eight.

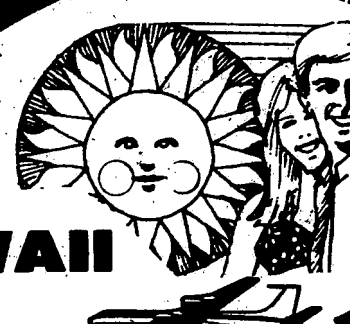
Jeff Naylor paced Lake Orion's offense with 21 points and Jack Parker added nine.

Clarkston controlled a 32-21

halftime advantage but found the Dragons pecking away at their lead in the third quarter. Lake Orion held the Wolves to six points in that period and closed the gap to four points, 38-34 going into the last quarter.

But the Dragons couldn't get any closer as Clarkston outscored them 16-15 to take a 54-49 win. The Wolves resume action Tuesday, away at Rochester before traveling to west Bloomfield on Friday to play last year's Wayne-Oakland League champions.

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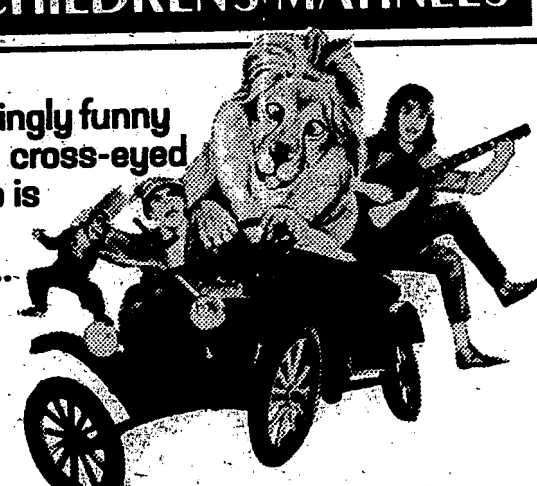
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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12  
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Ind. Twp. Board

MONDAY, DECEMBER 15  
Cl. Rotary 6:30 p.m.  
Civitan 7:30 p.m.  
Cl. area Athletic Boosters 7:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16  
Ind. Twp. Board

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17  
Cl. Jaycees 7:30 p.m.  
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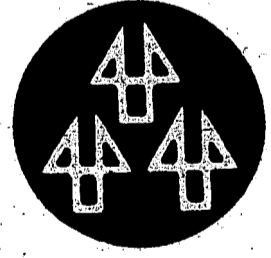
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# things to do



## HEALTH HINTS

BY Keith Hallman, R. Ph.

In your home workshop, a dull blade may be more dangerous than one that is razor-sharp. Accidents happen when the tool won't cut; you compensate with more pressure; your control lessens and the tool slips. Too bad for anything in the way!

## Hallman's Apothecary

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Oakland County Parks and Recreation Commission expects over 200 senior citizens to attend the Christmas dance on Saturday, December 13, at the Waterford-Oaks Activities Center.

The dance will be 7:30 to 11 p.m., with music provided by Floyd Snyder's band.

The center is located at 2800 Watkins Lake Road, Pontiac. For information, call 858-0913 between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Oakland County residents will have an opportunity to examine and comment on the 1976 budget of the Oakland County Road Commission on Tuesday December 16.

The Board of County Road

Commissioners has set that date for the hearing, which will take place in the County Commissioners auditorium, 1200 North Telegraph Road, Pontiac, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Oakland County painters and sculptors can plan now to enter Spirit of Art '76, the 14th annual Oakland County Art Show to be held February 5-15, 1976, at Pontiac Mall Shopping Center.

The multi-media art entries will be judged individually, and cash prizes, scholarship money, art supplies, and ribbons of merit will be awarded to county artists.

The fine arts competition and exhibition is open to all artists residing in Oakland County, 16

years and older.

Exhibitor's fee is \$1 per entry and artists may enter as many as four pieces of original artwork. Categories are oil, acrylic, drawing, graphic, pastel, watercolor, collage, mixed media, sculpture and textiles. To celebrate our nation's 200th birthday, a new

category for art with Bicentennial themes has been created. Art work entered in the bicentennial category may be created using any of the aforementioned media.

Entry date for the Oakland County Art Show will be Wednesday, February 4, from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.



Jaycees Steiner Clark and Jim Wilson with Marty Durlacher, chairman, cooked pancake breakfasts for 100 senior citizens and guests Saturday morning. The seniors heard former supervisor, Robert Vandermark, talk about property tax relief and how to file their 1975 income tax forms.

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# the CHRISTMAS peddlery shopper's guide

## MY FEELINGS OF CHRISTMAS

by Robin June  
6th grade - Mrs. Glover

Christmas is not only  
Santa and snow,  
Christmas is sharing and  
the love we know.

Christmas is not only  
candy and presents,  
Christmas is skiing and  
hunting pheasants.

Christmas is not only  
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Christmas is Jesus and or-  
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## ME AND MINE

By Pat Sherwood

### Special gifts for special folks

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place.
2. Promise a weekly bunch  
of flowers for a month.
3. Plan a special night at a  
favorite restaurant or theatre.
4. Enroll someone for cook-  
ing, art, Yoga, Crafts, Langu-  
age lessons, or whatever he's/  
she's really into—or wants to  
do.
5. Collect a bunch of special  
buttons—maybe old, maybe  
just grand, expensive ones.
6. Get a first edition copy of  
a favorite book.
7. Hire a cleaning person  
for a day . . . or as long as you  
can afford.
8. Get an autograph of  
some special hero (but not too  
special because it's expensive.)
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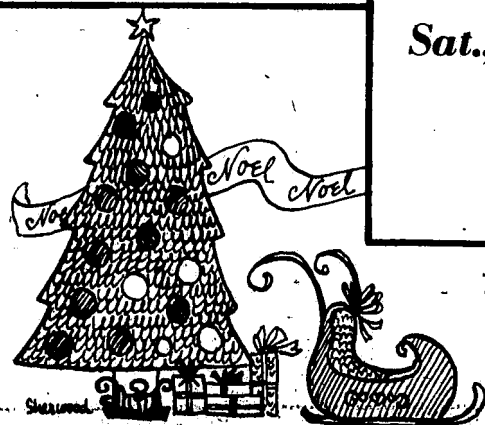
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### HOW TO CLEAN UP AFTER CHRISTMAS DINNER

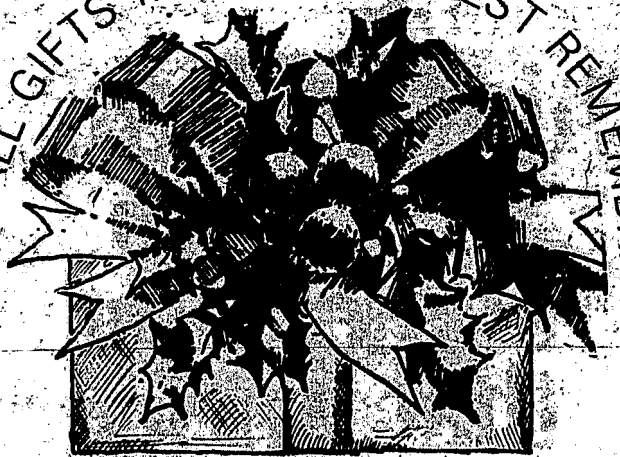
Pick up the plates. Get the cloth off the table. Take out the garbage. Get dish soap, any kind. Use a handful. Get a washrag. Get on pan full of water. Wash the dishes with the dishrag. Put them away. Go out and play. If you've got 18 people you'll need 2 pans of water and 2 handful soap.



Mrs. Claus' Christmas Cookie Recipe  
by Lisa Angus

It was Christmas Eve and the snow was blowing all over the place! I was sitting in the living room watching T.V. My mom and dad were out at a party, and brother was at his friends house spending the night down the street. I was watching Rudolph-the-red-nosed reindeer and then a special news bulletin was on, it said, "Mrs. Claus has lost her cookie recipe, if anyone has a recipe for people popovers please contact Mrs. Clause right away!" People popovers! I said, I got that recipe! I ran to the kitchen and got the recipe and look at it, Boy I said what a recipe, it called for 27 people and 52 cups of sugar, 90 cups of flour and 13 cups of vanilla, bake at 950 degrees let cool and add decoration if you want." I called Mrs. Claus and told her the recipe. She thanked me and she said she'll make the popovers look just like everyone in our class. She got them done in time for Christmas, and they did look like everyone in our class!

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### Oysters Lafitte

Serve six individual oyster shells for each entrée or one coquille shell for an appetizer—

- 4 tablespoons butter or margarine
- 2 cups chopped fresh mushrooms
- 1 cup chopped cooked shrimp
- ¼ cup chopped green onion
- ¼ cup snipped parsley
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 2 dozen fresh oysters, shucked or 2 8-ounce cans oysters
- ½ cup dry white wine
- ½ teaspoon salt
- Dash cayenne
- 1 cup cream
- ¼ cup all-purpose flour
- 24 oyster shells or 8 coquille shells
- Rock salt
- ½ cup fine dry bread crumbs
- 2 tablespoons butter or margarine, melted
- ¼ teaspoon paprika

In skillet, melt the 4 tablespoons butter or margarine. Add mushrooms, shrimp, onion, parsley, and garlic. Cook 1 minute. Drain oysters, reserving liquid (add water if needed, to make ¾ cup). Add oyster liquid, salt, and cayenne to skillet. Bring to boiling; simmer for 1 minute. Combine cream and flour. Stir into wine mixture; cook and stir till thickened and bubbly. Arrange oyster shells (or coquille shells) on bed of rock salt in shallow baking pan. Place 1 oyster in each oyster shell; spoon about 2 tablespoons sauce over each oyster (use 3 oysters and ½ cup sauce for coquilles). Combine bread crumbs and melted butter. Sprinkle over shells. Bake in 450° oven for 10 to 12 minutes. Makes 4 main dish servings or 8 appetizer servings.



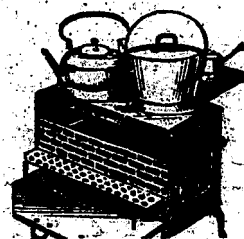
### THE CHRISTMAS TREE

by Lisa Angus

We brought our Christmas tree last night, it was so pretty, green and bright. We decorated it with ornaments and candy canes, later the presents. And on the top we put a star. What a sight the Christmas tree was so beautiful that night!



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- Put everything in the stuffing—the celery too. Put it in a pan. Cook it at 5 degrees for 5 hours. Serves 5 (my mother makes it better than I do. I don't even know how to make it. My mother told me the recipe.)

### Holiday RX for bored bartenders

- TOOTSY ROLL:** Combine 2 jiggers (3 ounces) creme de cacao and 2 jiggers (3 ounces) orange liqueur over ice. Serves one.
- EGGNOG:** Slightly beat 6 egg yolks; gradually add ¼ cup sugar, beating till thick. Slowly beat in 1 to 1½ cups bourbon (or rum or milk). Chill. Add ¼ teaspoon salt to 6 egg whites; beat to soft peaks. Whip 1 cup whipping cream till stiff. Stir 2 cups milk into yolk mixture. Fold in egg whites, then whipped cream. Chill 1 hour. Makes fifteen 5-ounce servings.
- BROWN VELVET:** In tall glass, pour 4 ounces chilled Guinness Stout. Add 4 ounces chilled champagne. Serves one.
- HOT APPLE WINE PUNCH:** In saucepan, combine 3 cups apple cider, ¼ cup sugar, 3 inches stick cinnamon, 6 whole cloves, and the peel of ¼ lemon cut in strips. Bring to boil, stirring till sugar dissolves. Simmer, covered, 15 minutes; strain. Add one 4/5-quart dry white wine and 2 tablespoons lemon juice. Heat through. Serve in preheated mugs.

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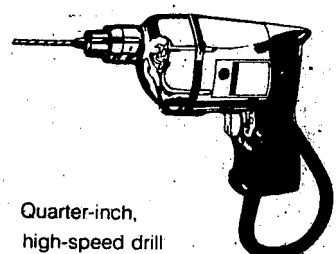
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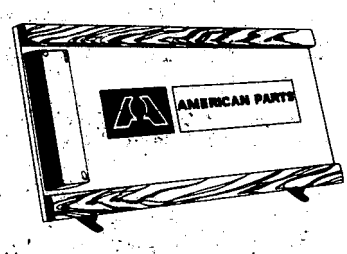
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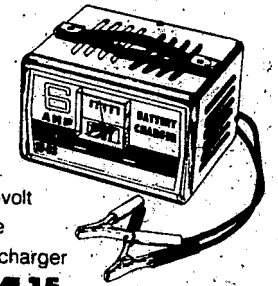
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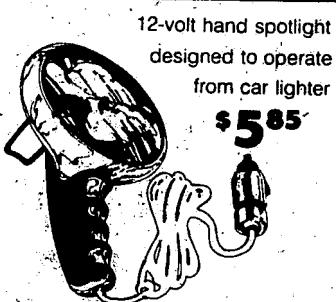
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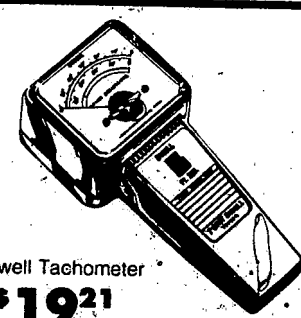
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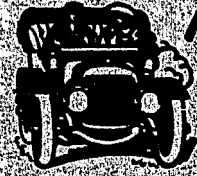
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**SNOW**

By Nicola Cook

Snow is soft and fluffy too. Children play in it, and have a ball. They throw snowballs at each other. That's what snow is all about.

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**A TREE WITHOUT ORNAMENTS**

By Nancy Hubbard

A tree without ornaments is like an ice cream cone without ice cream. A tree without ornaments is like sleeping without a dream. So please, please put at least some tinsel or a popcorn scene.

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**CANDY CANE**

By Andrea Russell

Candy Cane Licking, sticking Red, white, sweet It is a Christmas candy sucker.

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**ANGEL**

by Lisa Maki

An Angel hung over baby Jesus's crib, like a bib around a baby's throat. She was smiling you could see a joyful smile on Mary's face. I wish I was there to see her. He must have been a beautiful baby.

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**SLEIGH**

By David Root

In the winter I ride a sleigh The sets are made of hay You can't ride in May Cause there ain't no snow To make it go.

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**MUSIC BOX**

Brooke Barnfather

The Music Box makes such a pretty noise that every night I go to bed I listen to its music.

**NEWS FROM SANTA'S WORKSHOP**

by Kevin Ferguson

One day I got a letter from Santa he said that Christmas wasn't coming, so I got on my honda and started for santa's house when I got there santa was sitting in his chair sobbing I asked why isn't christmas coming because mother nature's sons Mr. Hot and Mr. Cold hate each other and Mr. Hot was going to make the city hot about 200° and Mr. Cold was going to make the north pole 300° below "0" and then Santa can't get out of his house so I went to Mr. Hot's house I was burning up but I could not convince him to stop so I went to Mr. Cold's house but he wouldn't either so I went to Mother Nature's house and she called Mr. Hot up and Mr. Cold and in a few minutes she had it all sewed up.



**SNOW**

By Kelly Furman

Snow is white there is a lot of things that you can do with snow. Like, you can make a fort with snow you can have a snow fight with snow even make a Frosty the snowman with snow. Snow means Christmas is coming.

\*\*\*

I love Christmas! Because Santa Claus comes and brings lots of presents. I might get a pop corn maker and a Sesame Street toy and maybe an alarm clock. Christmas is fun! I love presents. My brother loves Christmas too. Michelle VanVoorhies

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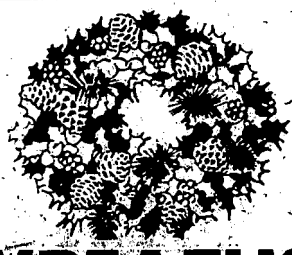
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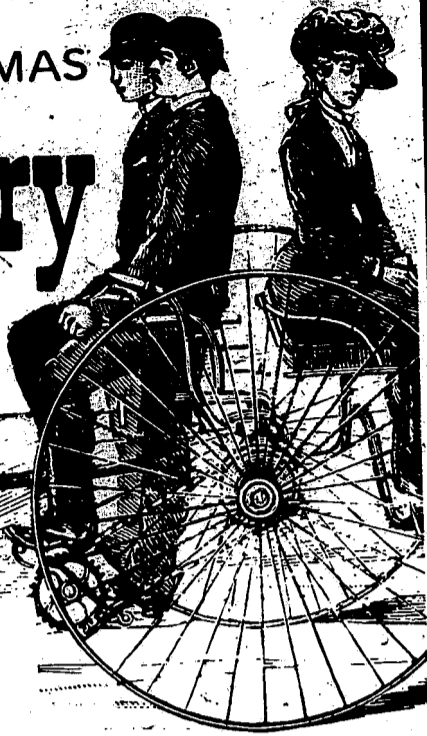
## RECYCLING CHRISTMAS CARDS

To be a step ahead on your '76 Christmas decorations—and, to save on paper—try a few of these suggestions.

1. Take off the illustrated front flaps of cards to use as postcards next year. If there is no personal message written on the inside flap, just use as is. If it's written on, glue rectangles of construction paper over the flap so that you can write a message and the address. To fit the postal regulations, the card must be at least 3x4 1/4 inches and not more than 4 1/4 x 6". The card should be as heavy as a regular postcard and should have a smooth surface (not embossed or flocked).

2. Clip pictures that you especially like from smaller cards, back them with construction paper, and punch a hole in the corner. Then add a loop of colored string or yarn and use them as Christmas gift tags for next year's presents.

3. One of the best ways to recycle your cards, if you don't want them yourself, is to donate them to the children's ward of a hospital, the Y, day-care centers or similar organizations. Many of these are grateful for fresh supplies of cut-and-paste materials to keep small patients occupied and craft programs moving.



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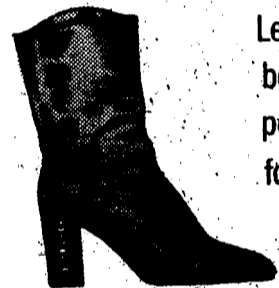
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Because the drink is served hot it has to be made and served immediately.

The recipe for the Tom and Jerrys came to the Hunters with the punch bowl, a Hunter family heirloom. Most recipes for the drink call for both rum and whiskey, the Hunters use only whiskey.

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- 3/4 oz. rum
- 3/4 oz. whiskey
- 3/2 glass hot milk

Mix with one beaten egg pour into glass and sprinkle with nutmeg. Makes one serving.

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Tina

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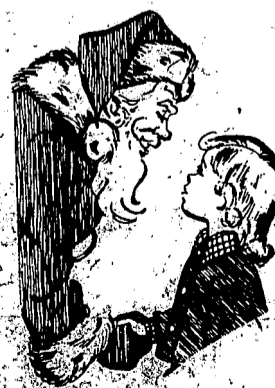
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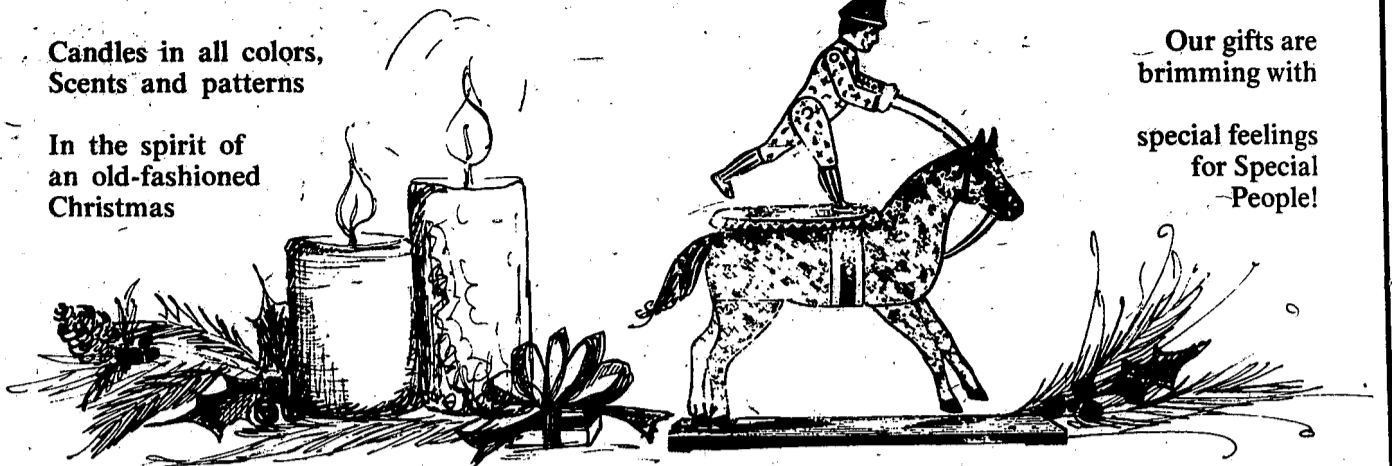
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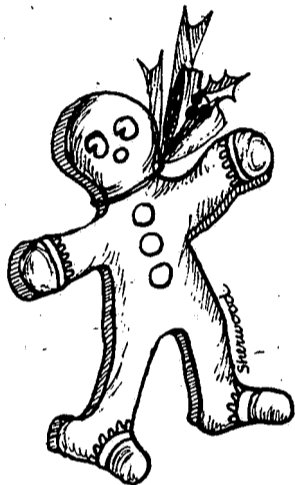
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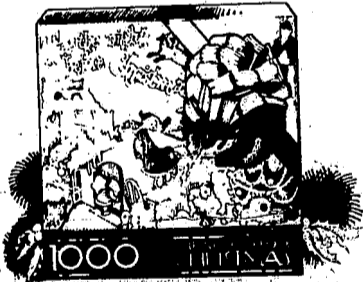
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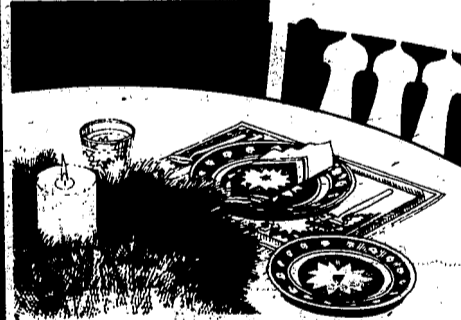
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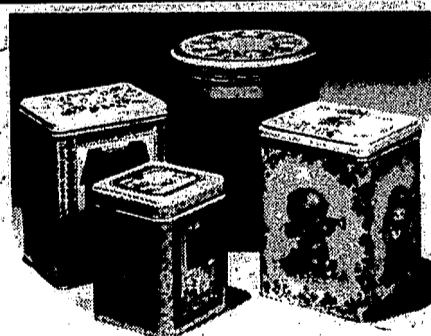
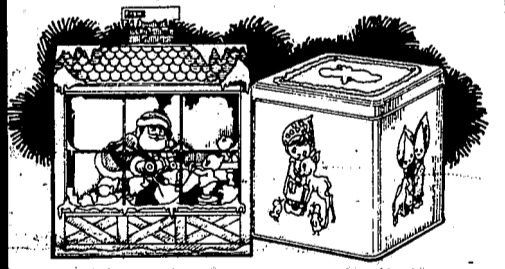
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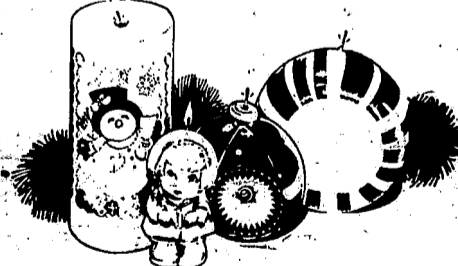


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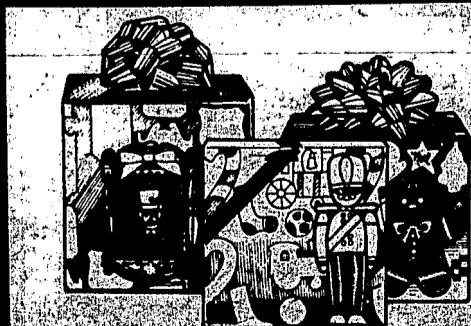


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# 'Ringing' in a Christmas mood



by Shirley Bonning  
*Thanksgiving has passed and the days are quickly slipping toward the Christmas season.*

*A mother caught up in the hustle and bustle of the two holidays feels a twinge of guilt for having just delivered an unwarranted scolding to a child she loves.*

*A glance at the "Mood Ring" on her finger gives an instant analysis - she is tense, inhibited and overworked.*

*A glance at the child's ring tells her he is strained and anxious.*

What is this miracle of science? Is it indeed a true indicator of the wearer's mood or is it just a 'fun' piece of jewelry - a fad soon to be relegated to the bottom of the costume jewelry box.

Dr. Maxwell Teague, of Lake Orion chief research scientist for Chrysler Corporation, says the rings, pendants and other "Mood" jewelry are probably made of temperature sensitive organic crystals that measure not the mood of the wearer but the temperature where the piece of jewelry is being worn.

turers say the stone changes color to coincide with the mood of the wearer and include a color code with each purchase for interpretation.

For example: If the stone turns black, the wearer is tense, inhibited or overworked; when the stone is reddish brown the wearer is strained, anxious; golden yellow, unsettled; light green to bright green, average, no great stress; blue green would indicate emotionally charged or somewhat relaxed; bright blue, relaxed, free and easy; violet blue, the ultimate mood.

Dr. Teague explained that if the manufacturer uses the aforementioned crystals the temperature range could be adjusted and the melting and solidifying of the crystals would produce the varied colors, a method used in the manufacture of color coded thermometers.

Hallman's Apothecary in Clarkston is selling its stock of the rings quickly. Keith Hallman reports three sources have been contacted to keep the store in supply. The rings sell for \$3, \$5 and \$6.95.

At Tierra Arts and Design, Joan Kopietz has her own mood rings in sterling silver. She's selling them at \$20 each. Furthermore Joan has hopes of obtaining chemicals that will revitalize the rings, which she says wear out after one or two years or if they get wet. With application of the chemicals, she says they can

be rejuvenated to tell again the mood of the wearer.

At the Essence of It in the Mini-Mall, the rings are going like hotcakes at \$5 each. Both women's and men's are in stock, and there have already had to be several reorders.

Wonder Drugs at M-15 and the Dixie are selling the Christmas items fast. They've got them priced at \$3.55 and \$5.

Queen's Attic in Independence Square was all out of stock Friday. They were reordering with the expectation that the price would be the same -- \$7.50.

*What color is your mood?*

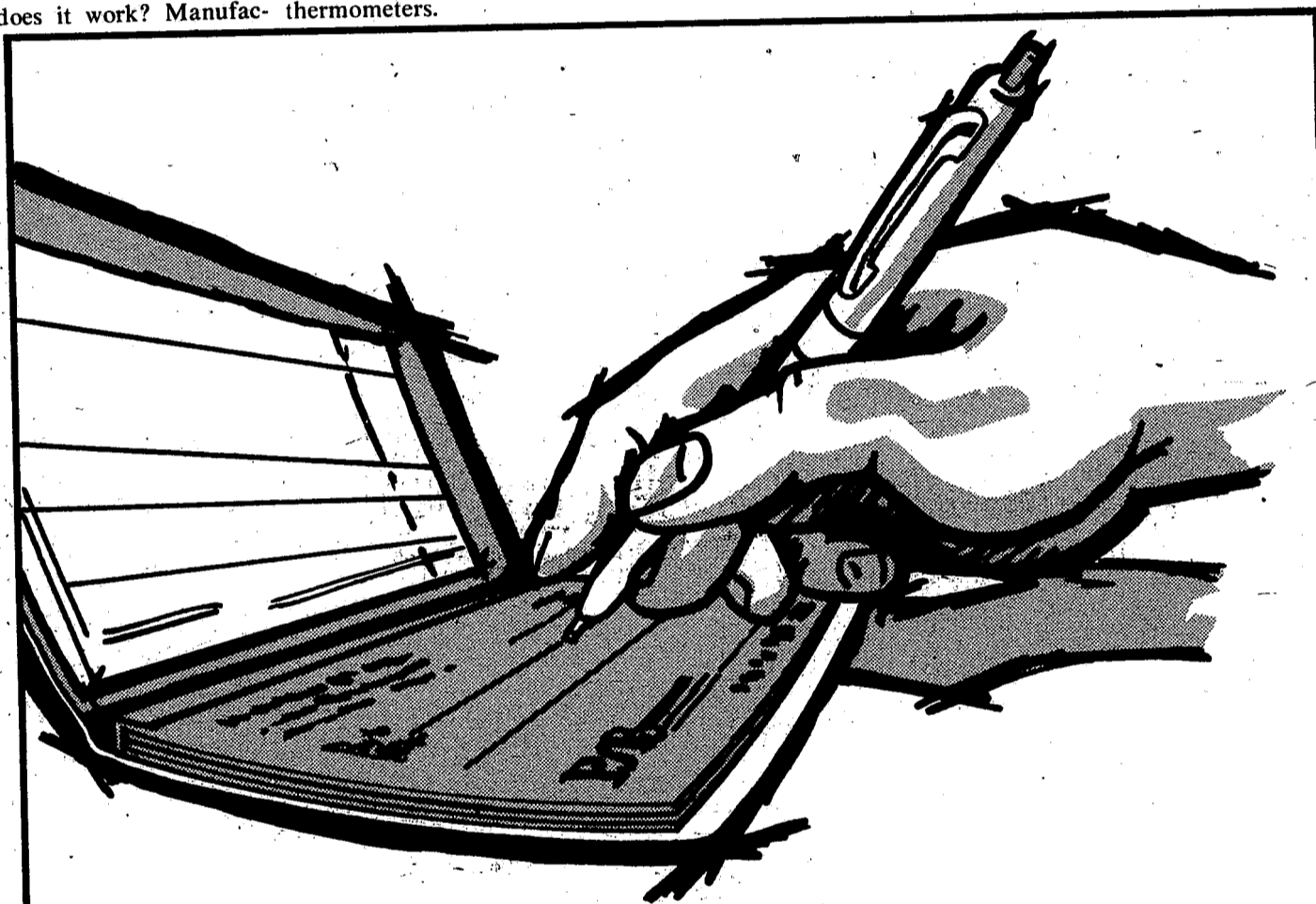
Even so, customers have been seen waiting in line to buy a piece of the jewelry that will tell them what kind of mood they're in.

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### Obituary

#### Lee M. Clark

Lee Milton Clark, great-great grandson of Jeremiah Clark, founder of Clarkston, died December 5 at the age of 94. He was buried in Lakeview Cemetery.

Mr. Clark, owner of the Vulcan Co. of Detroit and Clarkston, manufacturers of decorative iron and bronze ware, was born July 17, 1881. He married Bertha Hadley Clark, who predeceased him, as did a son Nelson L.

Surviving are three children, Milton H. Clark, Virginia Owen and Arthur E. Clark; nine grandchildren; and seven great grandchildren.

Mr. Clark was a member of Clarkston United Methodist Church, and the Royal Arcaneum fraternal order and the former Clarkston Businessman's Club. He was a lifetime member of Cedar Lodge No. 60 F&AM.

His Vulcan Metal Company created the gates for Lakeview Cemetery. Mr. Clark also started the Community News, forerunner of The Clarkston News, in 1920. He was a staunch supporter of the YMCA, and was instrumental in establishing the local Lyceum Course on the Chataqua Circuit.

# COUNTRY LIVING

# Christmas on a grand scale

By Mary Warner  
Of the Clarkston News

What do you do when Christmas is rolling around and you have to decorate your 100-room Tudor mansion in a manner befitting the home's magnificent decor?

You call up area florists and assign them a room or two to decorate.

You assemble a massive array of Christmas bulbs, holly and people to put them up.

You call Santa Claus down from the North Pole for a visit to the five room brick playhouse.

Then you mix a great batch of punch and invite everyone in to see what you've accomplished.

At least, that's what Oakland University did with Meadow

Brook Hall, a 100-room mansion built by Matilda Dodge Wilson, heir to the Dodge Brothers automotive company.

Each year the university holds a "Christmas Walk" through the mansion.

This year, in keeping with the bicentennial, the decorations reflected those of earlier Christmases, and many a holly branch was outfitted with polished fruit, berries, and other natural materials.

The walk, which is used by the university to raise funds for operation of Meadowbrook activities, attracted thousands of visitors during the four days last week it was held.

Visitors were able to see what "real country living" was all

about.

Inspiration for the home's design came from English manor houses toured by Mrs. Wilson and her husband, Alfred G. Wilson, in 1925.

Mrs. Wilson's first husband, John Dodge, died of pneumonia in 1920. Matilda and her surviving children, Frances and Danny, acquired the 120-acre farm on which Meadow Brook Hall was located.

When Matilda married Alfred, construction was begun on the hall, which took three years to complete.

Among its features are 36 individually designed brick chimneys, a ballroom with carved arch-beams and gargoyles, a drawing room, sun room, organ room, library, morning room, huge formal dining room, an oriental breakfast room, a games

room, and a fountain room named after the fountain built into one corner.

The estate even has a \$10,000, five-room "playhouse," built for Frances.

Despite its elegance, the home has a "lived-in" look.

Mrs. Wilson built it for a family with children, and "no attempt was made to meet any standards except those that suited the family's tastes and living preferences."

In 1957, Mrs. Wilson donated the estate, which had grown to 1,400 acres, to Oakland University, but retained the mansion until her death in 1967.

Since then, the university has used the hall for a residential conference and cultural center--and, each year at Christmas--for a delightful holiday showcase.



Mrs. Wilson's study, or the "morning room," was the center of all the Wilson home activities.



A picture of Mrs. Wilson resides in her study.



Jerry Earles Florist kept to the bicentennial theme of the Christmas decor by using fruit and other old-style decorations in Mr. Wilson's study.



The library chandeliers were gaily festooned.



Antique dolls, a six-foot dollhouse, and toy soldiers were just some of the delights to be found in the upstairs nursery, decorated by Holland's Floral.



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## Superintendent replacement studied

Clarkston Board of Education will meet in study session at 8 p.m. next Monday at board offices to determine how it will choose a successor to retiring Dr. L.F. Greene, superintendent. The board last night accepted the resignation of Greene, and George Barrie, assistant superintendent, with "Deep regret and undying gratitude for exemplary service."

They will serve until June 30. Whether to go with an executive search firm, use executive consultants, the Michigan Association of School Boards or to pick the successor from several

candidates themselves is to be discussed.

Gordon Andringa, a citizen of the district, asked for formation of an ad hoc committee composed of board members and citizens to screen applicants and establish criteria.

## Old library gets facelift

The little white building next to Independence Township Hall is getting a considerable face lifting, in an effort to bring it up to code.

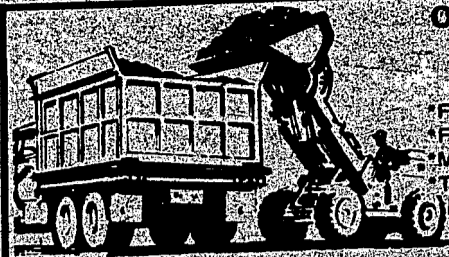
The building, once the home of Fanny Irish and later a library, is now used by the Police Services and the Recreation Department.

A new heating plant, involving a 130,000 BTU gas fired furnace and a 50-gallon hot water heater will be installed by McGill Heating of Clarkston. Their bid of \$1,499 was the lowest of three solicited.

An electrical bid, in the area of \$1,800 has been referred to the building department for determination of true low bidder. Two local businesses, including Arnold Electric which bid \$1,856, were outbid by Draffen Electric of Farmington at \$1,787.

While the board was inclined to keep the business local, it found some discrepancies in the two lowest bids.

A new roof is also going up on the building.



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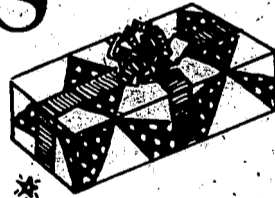
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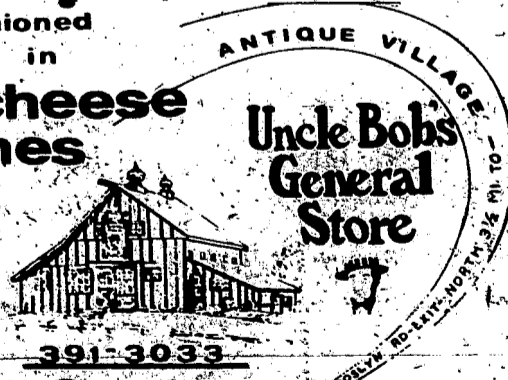


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## Heavy truck ban sought

Clarkston Village will ask the Oakland County Road Commission to stop heavy trucks from traversing Holcomb and Washington streets.

The Village Council has had several complaints in the past that gravel trucks and other heavy trucks are passing over the center

## School move planned

A committee, charged with working out plans to provide space for the historical one-room Andersonville School on present Andersonville School grounds, has been formed by Board of Education administrators and members of Springfield Township Historical Society.

line when making a right turn from Holcomb to Washington.

Complaints have also come in that the trucks are noisy, are a hazard to pedestrians and other drivers, and are tearing up the streets.

The council is also asking residents on the two roads to call the village hall, 625-1559, on days when there is heavy truck traffic. The council wants to make a count of the number of trucks traversing the area, in hopes of getting the road commission to re-route the trucks.

A letter to the road commission will ask that trucks over a certain weight keep going north on the Dixie Highway instead of cutting through town to I-75 via White Lake to Holcomb to either Washington or Miller.

## 2 arrested

Warrants have been issued for the arrest of Joel A. Norton, 18, 8125 Overpine, and Matthew J. Strzelecki, 18, 8141 Reese Road, in connection with the chain saw destruction of a silver maple tree at Clarkston High School. The two are charged with a felony on a law that involves the taking or injury of trees, shrubs or plants. The \$85 posted in rewards were paid out last week by school officials.

Strzelecki, arraigned Friday in Clarkston District Court, will have a court date January 15. He is out on \$1,000 personal bond. Norton will not be arraigned until he arrives home at Christmas, court officials said.

## Faulkner bound over

Roy F. Faulkner, accused of shooting two Independence men outside B's Bar November 23, has been bound over to Oakland County Circuit Court for arraignment.

A preliminary exam was held Wednesday in Waterford 51st District Court. Faulkner faces two charges of assault with intent to commit murder.

Two counts of assault to commit murder were dropped against another suspect involved in the case. William G. Ramsey of Detroit was instead charged with carrying a concealed weapon, and also bound over to Circuit Court.

Both face arraignment in front of Judge William Beer December 17 at 2 p.m.

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# INDEPENDENT view



Clarkston's school budget could be reduced more than 2.3 percent in its general fund this year, due to cutbacks in state aid, according to board of education administrators and officers.

David Leak, board president, said he'd been informed at a legislative breakfast that the cuts were also to be continued next year.

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A road rally by New Horizons was being discussed by Clarkston Village Council members Monday. Trustee Jim Weber cautioned the village to make sure the organization has all the okays from the county and state police it needs to run its rally through the village.

His reason for caution? He said he recently went on a treasure hunt in Holly. "We were about the tenth car through," he said, "and all of a sudden we had three sheriff's deputies pointing sawed-off shotguns at us."

"They thought it was a dope pickup."

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The Clarkston Village Council will be looking into the condition of a home adjoining the old Buffalo Street Methodist Church. The building has been ordered boarded up by Independence Township, and the Salvation Army, which owns it and the church, has complied with the order.

The council will be checking into how long a home can remain boarded up before further action should be taken to keep the structure from becoming hazardous.

Township ordinance enforcement officer Tim Pallulian, in a letter to the council, said that if the structure is unsafe, either unboarded or not brought up to code, condemnation proceedings could be started by the village.

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Because "of other commit-

ments" Jerry Powell has resigned from the board of the Independence-Clarkston Bicentennial Commission.

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Developer John Helveston was seeing residents of Perry Lake Road this week, working out a payment plan for sewer connection help he'd promised them at the time he extended the system to Deerwood, north of Cranberry Lake.

Helveston said he would pay those people living along the sewer extension \$1,000 each to help them meet costs of connection under the law which forces them to hook up within a year. He's made five of the payments,

but seven are now outstanding, the township board reported.

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There's a good bargain available in bathroom ceramic tile at the J-Shop, 197 Oakland Avenue, Pontiac, according to Ingrid Smith who devotes much of her time to the shop. It's a place for the handicapped to sell their wares, however the tile was leftovers in a close-out which was donated to the enterprise.

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The Holly Volunteer Ambulance service has a new ambulance. President of the Volunteers, Roger Gillespie showed up with the brand new ambulance at the Springfield Township Board

meeting.

That makes three ambulances that serve the townships of Springfield, Rose, Holly and Groveland.

Those townships helped make it possible to purchase a new ambulance through a service charge of \$20 every time a call is made to their area.

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It's the first November in Supervisor J. Edwin Glennie's memory that the township has gotten through November without having to get a loan to tide it over until tax receipts begin coming in. "I hope that indicates fiscal responsibility," he said.

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Leo Sklar, developer, has

requested installation of sanitary sewers to some 40 acres of industrially zoned property in the Sashabaw/Waldon area.

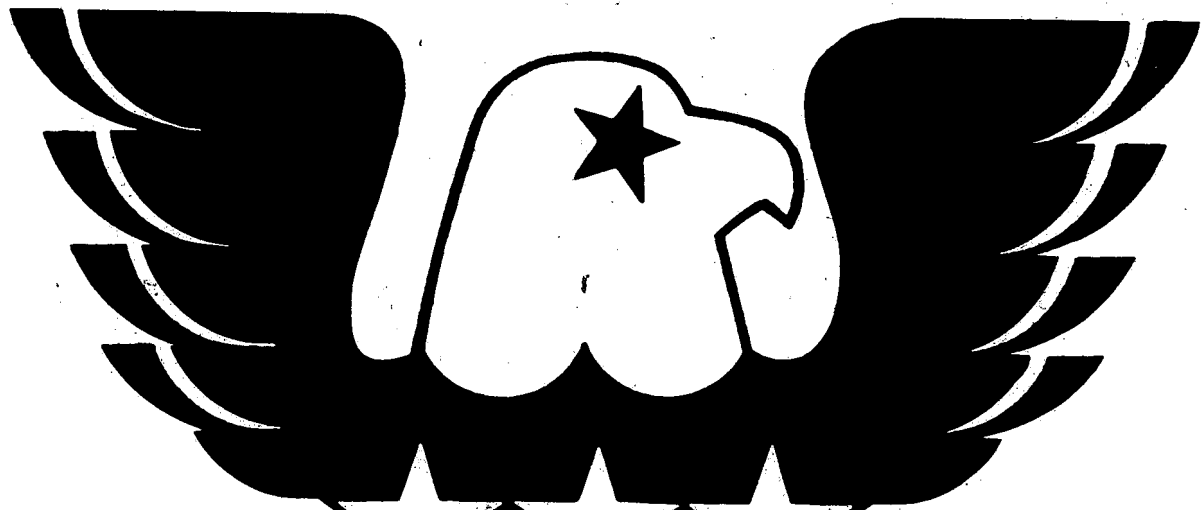
He is preparing to petition for a special assessment district which would involve present property owners along the route the sewer would take. It would also involve several acres zoned for condominiums.

Township policy in the past has been that is a developer wanted a sewer, he paid for its extension.

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Clarkston High School Madrigal Singers will be performing for the Davisburg Rotary Club, the CAI Golden Agers, Clarkston Jaycettes and Clarkston village shoppers

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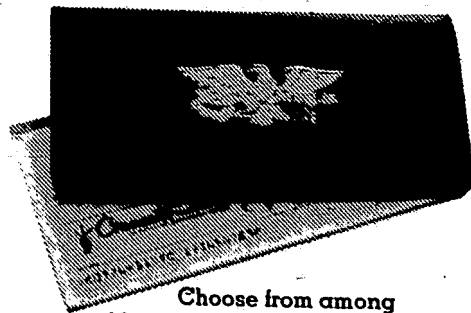
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## Village to clear up charity issue

Clarification on whether or not Clarkston Village can legally donate money to charities will be forthcoming soon, according to village attorney John Steckling.

Steckling said he will answer a letter at the council's December meeting written to him by village resident Virginia Walter, asking the legality of the village donating to Clarkston Area Youth Assistance.

## Springfield okays plats

Two subdivisions in Springfield Township were given plat approvals by the Springfield Township Board at its meeting Wednesday. Englewood Meadows, being developed by Darrel Adams, was given final plat approval. The subdivision consists of 16 lots in 10 acres of land located south of I-75 just west of the Dixie Highway.

The homes will be single family residences. Adams previously received approval from the board to change the name of one of the subdivision roads from Rinke Road to Englewood Drive.

Delaney Lanes subdivision, being developed by Springfield resident Doris Underwood, received preliminary plat approval.

The subdivision is located on the south side of Big Lake Road near Andersonville.

municipalities can contribute to Youth Assistance, he said, since the program, which deals with juvenile delinquency, etc., was originally set up through the county Circuit Court.

The question arose several council meetings ago, when Steckling stated that members must be careful when donating to charities.

Mrs. Walters heard the attorney's comment and subsequently wrote a letter to the Village Council asking clarification of the charity issue.

Steckling said that local municipalities are prohibited from

giving to charities other than Youth Assistance. But he said, exceptions may be made under a new state statute that says money can be given for historical activities.

That means funding for the bicentennial may be able to be partly financed via public funds.

Thus far, the village council has only given Youth Assistance money in 1974 to provide bus service to summer camp for Youth Assistance youths.

No money has been given to either the village's historical society or the bicentennial commission.



BY THE THIRD EYE

Hoffa's body is not in New Jersey. It is in Michigan. I still see the construction wire, the cement, and smokestacks in the background. If he were alive or a prisoner, I would see the construction wire in front of Hoffa. As it is, it seems to be

behind where he is standing.

Detroit will handle its financial affairs a little differently than New York and I do not see our metropolitan city bottoming out like the Big Apple. Federal government money will trickle in.

I see Elvis having some problems with his throat and I see him in Pontiac Stadium, but nobody else is there. I don't know what that means, but it sounds like there are going to be problems. Maybe he won't even be there.

There will be changes with the Detroit Lions. It could affect both players and coaches. There will be at least one resignation, not due to pressure. I also see some trading, both good and bad. They'll get someone they don't want, trade him to someone else, and find it was all a big mistake.

## Federal funds coming

Upwards of \$10,000 might be coming Clarkston Village's way in 1976 through the federal Community Development Act (CDA).

Oakland County who is administering the grant has asked municipalities to hold public hearings to discuss ways of spending the funds. The CDA program was set up primarily to improve low and moderate income housing.



### Real Estate HAPPENINGS

by Bob & Marvel White



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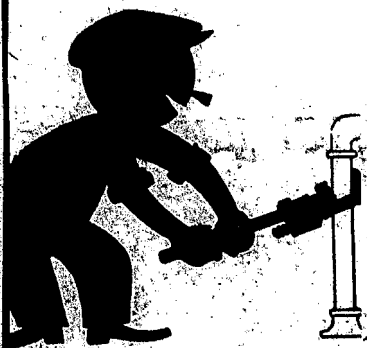
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**New nursery school  
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Based on the philosophy that play is the medium through which children learn, the new Clarkston Preschool will open its doors January 12 for a semester that runs to June 11.

"Experiences are provided that enable the child to explore, experiment, learn and communicate his feelings," say the school's two teachers, Sandy Andringa and Nancy Planck. "Our emphasis is on fostering social, emotional, physical and cognitive development."

The school, which will operate

in Sashabaw United Presbyterian Church at 5300 Maybee Road, will open its doors at a get-acquainted party from 2 to 4 p.m. January 3. Registrations are now being accepted by Director Chris Kittredge at 625-5028.

Two sessions daily are planned -- from 9:30 a.m. to noon and from 1 to 3:30 p.m. An option for an all day program lasting from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., or for additional sessions, is also provided. The classes are planned for three and four-year-olds.

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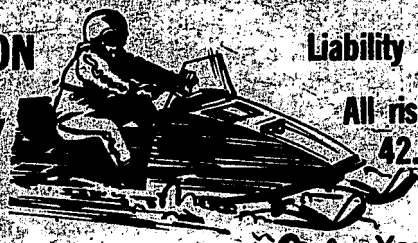


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Sandy Andringa, program director and teacher for the new Clarkston Preschool which opens January 12, elicits the interest of future students, Tierra Andringa and Matthew Foyteck.

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by Mary Warner  
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the mill stream



A very special Christmas present arrived early at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Denne of Oak Park. Jason, 4 months, is admired by his new mom and Rodney, 4 1/2. Both boys were adopted, the Dennes waiting nearly four years for Jason. Grandparents are Dr. and Mrs. Ernest Denne of Clarkston and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Mohar of Marquette.

Robert D. Nicoson, a 1968 Clarkston High School graduate, has been named to the position of general manager of The Messenger, a semi-weekly newspaper at Plainfield, Indiana.

Nicoson, who once was employed at The Clarkston News, graduated in 1972 with a degree in journalism at Indiana State University, Terre Haute, Ind.

He resided in Clarkston from 1964 through 1968 with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Nicoson, and brother, Randy. He is married to the former Deborah Head, also a '68 CHS graduate. Mrs. Nicoson is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Head, Jr. of Waterford.

Nicoson was active in sports and extra-curricular activities at

CHS. During college, he was editor-in-chief of the daily collegiate press and held memberships in social, honorary and service organizations and fraternities. He was also one of three student members on the ISU Board of Trustees.

Prior to moving to Plainfield, he was editor of The Culver Citizen, a weekly publication at Culver, Indiana. While in Culver, his wife was employed as a caseworker at the Marshall County Welfare Department.

Campbell Richmond Unit No. 63 American Legion Auxiliary past presidents met at the Old Mill Tuesday for their annual Christmas get-together. Gifts were exchanged following the luncheon and a short meeting.

Mary A. Porter, 10952 Andersonville, Davisburg, has been granted a bachelor of arts degree in the elementary inter program at Michigan State University.

Spring Lake Country Club's Christmas dinner-dance will be Saturday, December 20. Reservations are limited to 150 guests. Music will be provided by Jean Boroska and Company.

Waterford Book Review Club will meet at 1 p.m. December 15 at the home of Mrs. C. Johnson, 3585 Lotus. Mrs. Tull Lasswell will review a potpourri of poetry by American women.

Twenty-six cadet and senior members from Civil Air Patrol units in Oakland County Group CAP, along with two guests, flew from Oakland-Pontiac Airport this morning to have breakfast at the Pines Restaurant at Owosso Airport.

The trip, the second one in two months, was an opportunity for the cadets to enjoy an orientation flight, let the cadet and senior members become better acquainted and gave all a chance to observe the 34th anniversary of the founding of Civil Air Patrol.

1/Lt. Harry D. Edwards, Deputy commander of Oakland County Group, and Captain Dave Sunday, commander of Oakland County Senior Squadron, who have organized the trip, have plans for more flying outings to the Air Force Museum in Dayton Ohio, and to Mackinac Island in the summer months.

Other CAP units participating were Walled Lake Composite Squadron and Waterford Cadet Squadron. Pilots from the newly-formed Oakland County Senior Squadron flew the 6 private and 1 CAP aircraft needed for the trip. CAP members from Clarkston Cadet Squadron included CWO Mike Saile and Cadet Kevin Cleveland.

The Clarkston Rotary Anns Christmas party was Dec. 2 at the Clarkston Cafe. Each Rotary Ann brought a

Christmas gift for a child, at the Oakland County Crippled Children's Christmas party on Dec. 17. The Rotary Anns have sponsored the Oakland County Crippled Children since 1947, the year Rotary Anns started in Clarkston.

Mrs. Martha Cargo, widow of Rev. Paul Cargo, deceased pastor of Clarkston United Methodist Church, has moved with her family to Tennessee where she plans to attend Vanderbilt Divinity School next fall. The Cargo Living Memorial Fund, established by the Church at the time of Rev. Mr. Cargo's death this fall, will aid her in her goal of becoming a minister.

Barbara G. Neff, 6420 Snowapple; Katherine L. Gusie, 6695 Meadowlawn; Kevin A. Bass, 2145 Oakdale; Penny D. Cooper, 4655 Pelton; Thomas P. Gates, 4401 Elmdale; Michele Jean Martin, 4265 Roseberry; Catherine L. Owen, 3623 Silver Sands; and John E. Verhey Jr., 4434 Cheeseman of the Clarkston and Drayton Plains area were named to the academic honors list during the fall quarter at Ferris State College, Big Rapids.

The sounds of marches and madrigals will get the holidays underway here in the Clarkston Secondary Schools. Under the guidance of the music directors, a total of three concerts are planned for two consecutive days.

On Wednesday, Dec. 17, at 8 p.m. Keith Sipos will conduct the 64 students who make up the High School concert band. Along with festive Christmas melodies will be heard marches and Latin American Music.

The Choral Madrigals, a group of twenty young singers, will be directed by Miss Grayce Warren. Bart Connors and Doug Doty, directors of the junior high schools, will be guest conductors.

Thursday, December 18, concerts will start at 7:30 p.m. at both the Sashabaw and Clarkston Junior Highs. Bart Connors at Clarkston will lead the Cadet Band in Jingle Bells around the World. The Honors Band will feature a trumpet trio doing John Denver's Sunshine around my Shoulder. At Sashabaw, Doug Doty's cadet band will feature a group of songs telling you to Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas. The Sashabaw Honors Band will play George Frederick Handel's Hallelujah Chorus from the Messiah.

Admission for the concert at the high school is \$1 for adults and 50c for students. There is no charge at the junior high schools.

Clarkston Rotarians raised more than \$1,100 for charity from the sale of Goodfellow editions of The Clarkston News during their sale last weekend. Bud Hawke peddled copies at the corner of Main and Washington.



The engagement of Sandra Kay Buzzell of Pontiac to James William Isaacs Jr. has been announced by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Buzzell of Tower, Mich. He is the son of James Isaacs and the late Mrs. Clara Isaacs of Pontiac. A March 13 wedding is planned. The Buzzells are former Clarkston residents.



The engagement of Nancy Ann Vollbach to Joseph Walkowski has been announced by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Vollbach of 6371 Simler. Her fiance is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Walkowski of Pinconning. A spring wedding is planned.

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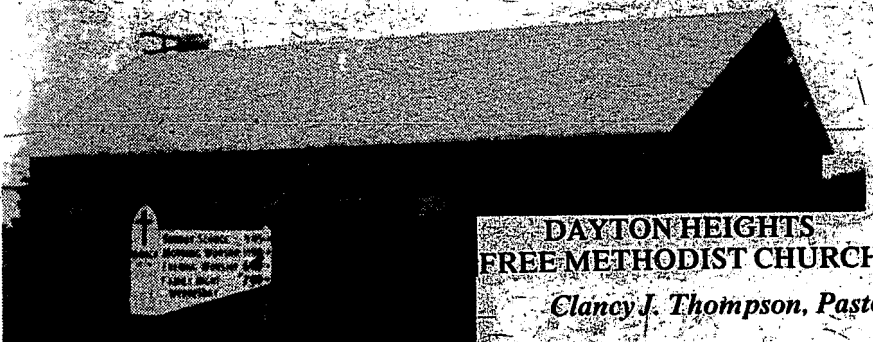
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The Christmas Day communion service will be at 10 a.m. New Year's Eve services begin at 7:30 p.m.

Davisburg Area Jayettes. Admittance is \$1 per person. Children must be accompanied by an adult, and reservations must be made by December 18. Those interested should call 625-9386 or 634-7364.

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<b>CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE</b> 4453 Clintonville Road Church School 10:00 a.m. Worship at 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Family Prayer Wed. 7:30 p.m. Gerald K. Craig, Youth Pastor Wayne G. Greve, Pastor	<b>CLINTONVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH</b> 5301 Clintonville Rd. 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Morning Worship 6:30 Training Union	<b>EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION</b> 6490 Clarkston Road Rev. Alexander Stewart Worship: 8:00 & 10:00	<b>FIRST BAPTIST</b> 5972 Paramus Rev. Clarence Bell Worship 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.	<b>MARANATHA BAPTIST CHURCH</b> 5790 Flemings Lake Road Rev. Philip W. Somers Worship - 11:00 a.m.
<b>WATERFORD COMMUNITY CHURCH</b> Airport Rd. at Olympic Pkw. Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Sun. Morn. Worship - 11 a.m. Sun. Eve. Serv. - 6 p.m. Mid Week Serv. - 7 p.m. Rev. Roger Campbell, Pastor Rev. Ken Hodges, Asst. to Pastor Rev. Chuck Warren, Minister to Youth Betty Jencks, Children's Worker	<b>SEYMOUR LAKE UNITED METHODIST</b> Sashabaw at Seymour Lake Rd. Rev. Larenz Stahl Services at 9:15 and 10:30	<b>CLARKSTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH</b> 6600 Waldron Road Rev. Paul M. Cargo Worship & Church School - 10 a.m.	<b>NEW HOPE BIBLE CHURCH</b> 5311 Sunnyside Rev. David Spurrell Worship 11:00 a.m.	<b>SPIRITUALIST CHURCH OF THE GOOD SAMARITAN</b> 5401 Oak Park off Maybee Rd. Rev. Allen Hinz Worship Hours: Wed. 7 p.m. - Sun. 7 p.m.
<b>ST. TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH</b> 5860 Andersonville Rd. Pastor Rev. Ralph C. Claus Sunday Worship 8:30 & 11:00 Bible School 9:45	<b>DIXIE BAPTIST CHURCH</b> 8585 Dixie Highway Rev. Paul Vanaman Worship - 10:00 a.m. Evening Service 6:00 p.m.	<b>ANDERSONVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH</b> 10350 Andersonville Rev. Wallace Duncan Worship - 11:00 a.m.	<b>SASHABAW UNITED PRESBYTERIAN</b> 5300 Maybee Road Pastor Mark H. Caldwell Worship - 11:00 a.m. Church School - 9:30 a.m.	<b>ST. DANIEL CATHOLIC CHURCH</b> Holcomb at Miller Rd. Father Francis Weingartz Sunday Masses: 9 and 11 Sat. 5 p.m. & 7 p.m.
		<b>GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH</b> 1950 Baldwin Rd. Sunday School 9:15 Family Worship 10:30 Pastor Charles Kosberg	<b>DRAYTON HEIGHTS FREE METHODIST CHURCH</b> Corner of Winell and Maybee Rd. Rev. Clancy J. Thompson 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Worship Hour 6:00 Vespers Wednesday, 7:00 p.m. Family Night	<b>CLARKSTON CHURCH OF GOD</b> 54 South Main C. J. Chestnutt Worship - 11:00 a.m.



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**Scene II: Further Announcements**  
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take Mary as your wife! For the child within her has been conceived by the Holy Spirit. And she shall have a son, and you shall name him Jesus (meaning Savior) for he shall save his people from their sins."

Joseph did as explained. He became vulnerable before God and society. He was a gracious, outstanding man of principle, guarding the reputation and character of one he loved at his own risk. Besides, he obeyed God. And God was in control.

**Scene III: Vulnerability in the Manager**

Christ was born—exposed to the world in every sense of the word—vulnerability. The world taxation, of no room, of a non-sterilized situation, of lowly animals, of a threatening governor, and of men. He did not cling to His rights as God's son. He gave them up—for His love for "us."

**Scene IV: A Vulnerable Message and Life**

His message was spectacular—and misunderstood by many. For example: "Blessed are the poor in spirit for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven. Blessed are they that mourn. You must be born again—in a spiritual way."

His life measured to His message. He healed, forgave, made well in mind, spirit and body. He loved. His life-style was different, but it was an example—for us—and God wants to help us duplicate the life-style of Christ. It is our world's answer to all our ill—social, racial, political and spiritual—to hunger, want, and needs.

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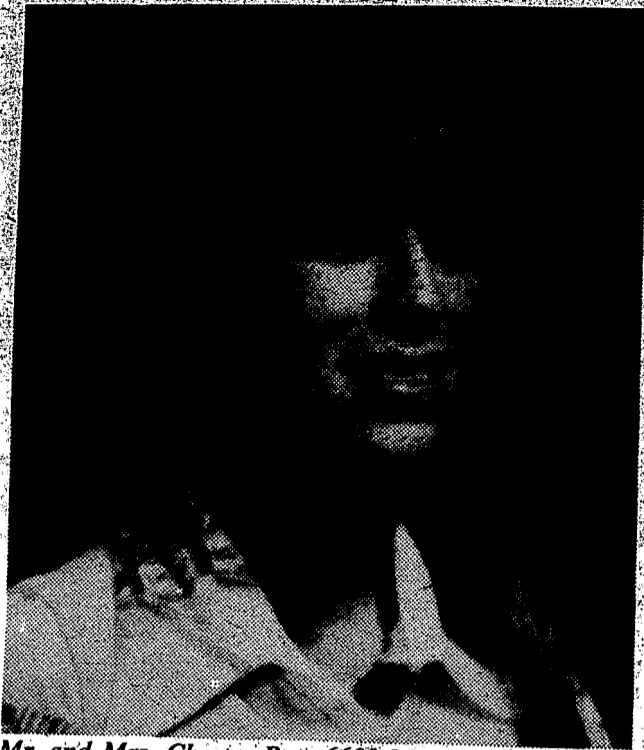
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**'Opal' in  
production  
by Players**

The Clarkston Village Players have cast their winter production, "Everybody Loves Opal" and are currently in rehearsal. Cast members include: Pat Beach in the title role of Opal Kronkie; Linda Dewey, Ken Willson and Al Bartlett portray an "unsavory trio" who scheme to do away with unsuspecting Opal.

Other cast members are Pete Rose as the doctor and Ray Welch as the policeman. A special appearance will be made by Buttons Beach as Mister Tanner, Opal's cat. This "prank" under the direction of Homer Biondi is scheduled for production on January 30, 31 and February 6 and 7. Cindy Inman is producing.

**MSU chapel wedding scene**

Wedding vows were exchanged November 15 by Kathleen O'Neil and Jon E. Lewis in Michigan State University's Alumni Memorial Chapel.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon O'Neil of Owosso. Her husband is the son of Mr. and Mrs. R.E. Lewis of Church Street.

Daisies, roses, baby's breath and carnations decorated the chapel as Fr. Jake Foglio performed the ceremony before 100 guests.

The bride wore a floor length muslin gown featuring short puffed sleeves. Flowers adorned her hair.

Lansing was maid of honor in pink muslin. Lori Lewis and Buddy O'Neil served as flower girl and ring bearer, respectively.

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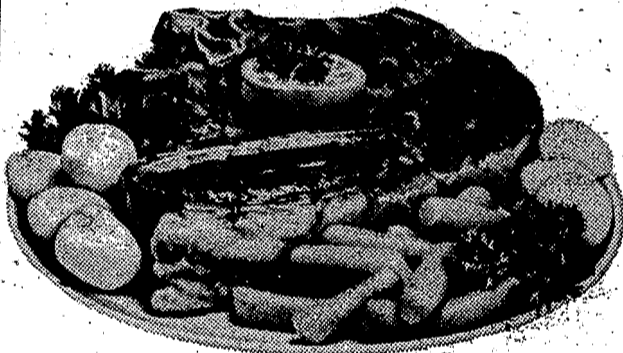
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**ROOM MATE:** male professional to share house in South Ind. Twp. Three bedrooms, garage. 673-7703 after 6 p.m.†††14-3c

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any size-condition  
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## Cards of Thanks

THE FAMILY of Jim Putnam wish to acknowledge with deep appreciation the kind words, thoughts and prayers received from all his friends and neighbors, especially from Holcomb Street and Gramlane Drive. We also send our many thanks for all the acts of kindness shown by Harold and Norma Goyette, Mr. Paul Vanaman, Rev. Al Kasten and Mike Ledbetter. God bless you all. Glenn and Alita Putnam.†††16-1c

## AUTOMOTIVE

**1974 FORD F100 XLT** 360. Automatic, PS stereo and air. 394-0026.†††14-3c

**1969 OLDS** Custom 4 door, hard top. Power windows, air, radials, many new parts. \$650. 625-8421.†††14-3p

**1968 CORVAIR,** needs work. \$75 or best offer. 625-9678.†††14-3c

**1972 Mercury Colony Park,** 10 passenger station wagon, loaded. 45,000 miles, \$1,575. 394-0633.†††16-3c

**1968 CHEVY** 6 cylinder automatic. P.S. and P.B., good tires, \$300. 1965 Chevy, make offer. 628-4084.†††16-3c

**AMC 1973 Hatchback,** radio, air conditioned, radial tire, 6 cylinder, call evenings, 334-7528.††† RC16-3\*

**'75 OLDS** Cutlass. AM-FM, P.S., P.B., \$3350. 625-2739 after 5 p.m.†††15-3c

**1940 PONTIAC** Deluxe. 625-4127 after 6 p.m.†††10-1fc

**JUNK CARS,** free tow. Will buy certain models. 334-2148, 628-3942.†††1-1fc

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## HELP WANTED

**WANTED,** adult person to solicit subscription sales for weekly newspaper. Experience in circulation department helpful. Must be personable and experienced in meeting people and selling. Car necessary. Apply in person at the Oxford Leader, Inc., 666 S. Lapeer Rd., Oxford.†††3-1fdh

**COUPLE ASSISTANT** manager of new apartment, good salary plus two bedroom apartment. Pleasant work without pressures. Sycamore Creek Apartments, 391-1322.†††14-3c

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**DOZER,** backhoe and loader work. Dirt removed, driveways graveled, sewer and water line installation. 623-1305.††† 42tfc

**TREES CUT,** yards cleaned, 625-5877.†††14-3p

**WOULD LIKE** to take care of Children in my home, during the day. \$20.00 per child. Interviews, 9770 Hadley Road, 2-6 p.m.†††16-3p

**INTERIOR PAINTING,** Larry Bennett 625-4171. Nea Hoxsie, 625-2186.†††16-3p

**NURSE** available for private duty in home, references. 673-3046.†††15-3c

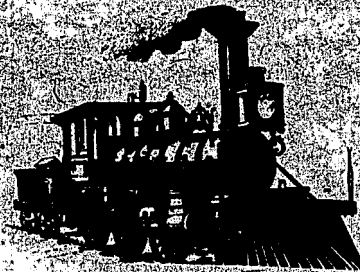
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## LOST

**LOST - black and white** Siberian Husky, 2½ years old, Springfield Twp. area. 391-2510 or 625-1849.†††16-3p

**YELLOW** male neutered tabby cat. Flea collar, vicinity of Green Lake. Call after 7p.m. 625-9549.†††14-3c

## FREE

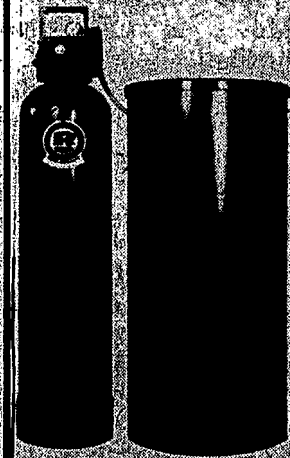
**FREE TO GOOD** home, small male, part Poodle, part Scottie. Very friendly. 625-5343.†††16-3c

**EXCEPTIONALLY** Shaggy female - Collie-Poo. Approximately 4 months old. Free to good home, loves children. 625-8576.†††14-3f

## Public Notice

The Clarkston Village Council will hold a public hearing December 22, at 7:30 p.m. in the Village Hall, to discuss possible ways of spending federal funds expected for 1976 through the Community Development Act.  
Bruce Rogers  
Clerk

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# Christmas preview

## Family night -- Friday

## Parade - 10 a.m. Sat.

December 12—Stores open until 9 p.m.

Ornaments accepted for community Christmas tree at the corner of Main and Washington from 5 p.m. on.

Tree-lighting ceremony at 9 p.m.

Caroling, hot cider and donuts throughout the evening.

Bicentennial group will sell flags, patches, maps and books.

December 13—Parade at 10 a.m. from Clarkston Junior High down Church Street to Main.

Santa's shed offering Christmas shopping facilities for youngsters and adults will open immediately after the parade in Independence Township Hall.

Clarkston High School Madrigals will sing downtown at noon.

Christmas kids' show at 2 p.m. at Clarkston High School Little Theater.



### Give a Heritage Book for Christmas



Kip Kruep [left] is fascinated by some of the tricks in magician Greg Hoenstine's bag. Greg will be providing some of the entertainment at the Christmas kids' show being held at the Clarkston High school Little Theatre December 13 at 2 p.m. Other activities in the show include a singalong, movies, and a candy cane handout by Santa himself.



Katie [left] and Kendra Siple got a preview look at some of the articles on sale at Santa's Shed December 13. Gifts for children to buy for \$2 and under will be sold, as well as crafts for the grown-ups. Santa's Shed will open up at Independence Township Hall immediately following the parade.



Bicentennial items make good stocking stuffers. They'll be on sale this weekend.



### Jim's jottings

## Unbelievable Rome

by Jim Sherman

1975 is a holy year for the Roman Catholic faith, but that is not why Father Mike Green went to Italy the last 6 weeks.

He went to oversee the setting up of a print shop for the Foundation House of Silvesteran Benedictans. That's the Mother House where the order began. It's in Frabrino, Italy, a small town north of Rome.

Fr. Mike operates the Monk Press printing shop at St. Benedicts on E. Drahnner Road in Oxford. He's well qualified to foreman a plant. He can find more deals on equipment and supplies than any other commercial printer... ever.

When Father Mike describes his visits to churches in Italy, the art work, the Vatican he constantly uses the word "unbelievable."

Michelangelo's sculpture of Moses is unbelievable, it's so lifelike.

Raphael's paintings in Florence are unbelievable.

Seeing Rome from atop the winding stairs of the Basilica of St. Peters is unbelievable.

Being surrounded by 300,000 people as the Pope said Mass at St. Peter's Square on a Holy Sunday is unbelievable.

Fr. Mike says there are about 500 churches in Rome and he was in 499 and a half. He said the churches don't have pews. People stand in St. Peters, the largest church in the world. However, you can rent a folding chair, though he saw none.

Remembering how it feels to be at U. of M. stadium when 100,000

people get up to leave, I asked Fr. Mike what it was like with 300,000.

First of all, he said, there are no exits to leave by. It is all open. And, in 15 minutes the crowd is gone.

We wondered, too, what made 1975 a Holy year. It is declared by the Pope and has been that way every 25 years (Jubilee year) since the 1300's. During a Holy year one of the 5 doors of the Basilica is opened.

After the year is over it is sealed with brick, not to be re-opened for 25 years. People entering this door during a Holy year are able to gain special indulgences or graces after praying for the intentions, or of the intentions, of the Holy Father, Pope Paul VI.

Father Mike was moved, obviously, by various things he saw

during his visit. He said, "You have got to be impressed with the magnetism, or power, or respect the office of Pope has to draw so many people. Any Sunday noon when the Pope appears at his library window to give blessing there will be at least 200,000 in the square."

Sundays the Pope blesses and prays for people all over the world.

I'm sure Fr. Mike is right about people being impressed. A Protestant I talked to this week, who was in Rome 3 years ago, says that Sunday visit to the square remains the most impressing thing she ever witnessed.

I've never particularly wanted to visit Europe, but maybe I'll change my mind, especially if I talk to any more enthusiastic priests.