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Five file for trustee

A February 16 primary will be held to determine which three out of four Republican candidates for Clarkston Village Council trustee will go on the March 8 election ballot.

Filing by Monday afternoon's deadline on the Republican ticket was incumbent Neil Granlund, Sashabaw Junior High teacher Neal Sage, Main Street Antiques owner Fontie Apmadoc and village planning commission member Jim MacArthur.

Lone candidate on the Democratic ticket (for which there will be no primary) is incumbent trustee Ruth Basinger.

Even though village president Keith Hallman hoped to run against someone, there were no takers for his seat. He filed for re-election unopposed, as did clerk Bruce Rogers, treasurer Art Pappas and assessor Ralph Thayer.

Deadline to register for the primary is January 19. Village residents must make sure they are filed as a village voter, not just within the township, clerk Bruce Rogers cautioned.

The council seats offer some monetary compensation for those who win. The village clerk's salary is \$2,400 annually, the treasurer's \$1,600 yearly, the assessor's \$300, the president's \$30 per meeting and the trustees' \$20 per meeting.

Happy New Year!



There's plans ahead for Clarkston's village park, pictured here (see "Booming", page 3)

U-D negotiating for Colombiere site

A portion of Colombiere University of Detroit campus, College in Springfield Township according to spokesmen from the may be used as an alternate two schools.

Negotiations are still continuing on the possible use of the former Jesuit seminary as a two-year college for those who can't or won't drive to the university's main campus in downtown Detroit.

A final decision may be reached by spring, according to U-D vice president for business and finance, Walter McCanna.

McCanna said North Oakland County is being considered as a site for a new campus because many people from the area have indicated they would take U-D courses if they didn't have to go to Detroit.

Colombiere is being considered seriously, he said, because it has quick access to I-75, is only 20 minutes away from Flint, and also has wide tracts of land that could possibly be purchased by the university in the future.

The University is definitely planning on beginning a two-year

program somewhere in the area by 1977. In that year, only freshman-level classes would be offered. In 1978 sophomore-level classes would be added.

Anyone attending for the first two years would have to transfer to the main campus in Detroit to complete their degree, McCanna said.

U-D hopes eventually to institute other programs at the new campus. There could be a graduate business administration program, and also adult education courses.

The University of Detroit is in financial trouble, McCanna said, and opening a new campus could boost enrollments that would indirectly help the school's financial picture.

Colombiere College, located at 9075 Big Lake Road, is now being used as a retreat center for visiting Jesuits and a conference center.

Snowmobile used in getaway

A burglar used a snowmobile as a getaway vehicle-December 26 after he robbed the M-15 Gulf station of \$76 worth of cigarettes.

The break-in was discovered shortly before 3 a.m. by an Oakland County Sheriff's deputy.

Police believe the deputy surprised the burglar when the deputy checked the station five minutes before the theft was discovered.

The burglar left through the rear of the building, deputies think, and made off in a snowmobile. A sheriff's deputy

tried later to follow the snowmobile tracks, but was stopped by a heavy snowfall.

Other break-ins reported last week included a shed behind 4931 Cecelia Ann. Two motorcycles, were taken, but recovered later that day. They had been dumped at separate spots on Cecelia Ann and Oakpark.

And sheriff's deputies reported the theft of \$635 worth of stereo equipment, tools and alcoholic beverages from a mobile home on Canterbury Lane in Oakhill Estates, Springfield Township.



Her prize was Santa

10-year-old Robyn Deighton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Deighton of Pine Knob Road, has her very own Santa to play with. Robyn won the huge stuffed Santa in a drawing at Jan's Sport Shop in Goodrich Christmas Eve. Robyn won't be the only one playing with Mr. Claus, though. Her father and several other teachers have laid claim to the old gent to show at their various schools.

Village president blasts apathy

Clarkston Village Council president Keith Hallman took a stab at the apathetic public last Monday, expressing disappointment at the low turnout of village residents at a public hearing on an expected federal grant. "I don't feel that we're being overwhelmed by the citizenry," he said, looking at the three village residents who had showed up for the council meeting—not for the hearing, but on other business.

"It's extremely disappointing to see the complete lack of interest by the citizenry about a matter as important as this," he said. The council had called the public hearing via a request by Oakland County, who asked that all communities expecting 1976 Community Development Act (CDA) monies hold two public hearings to find out what residents thought about the money's expenditure.

Clarkston received \$5,000 last year in CDA funds, and is expecting anywhere from \$7,000 to \$10,000 for 1976.

The funds are to be used primarily for low income housing improvements.

The village has discussed using the money to further improve the Depot Road park. It has set aside the 1975 CDA funds for paving the parking lot at the park.

Further improvements that have been suggested for the 1976 funds include landscaping the area, adding a tot lot, adding two bridges across the Clinton River stream there, possibly dredging the stream, and putting up lighting for the parking lot.

And a portion of the grant could pay for an architect's plans for the park.

The council has to send the minutes of the public hearings to the county, and thus needed at least some reaction from its citizens.

So with a little prodding from the council Nancy Prucher, member of the village planning commission and Fontie ApMaddoc, owner of Main Street Antiques, did express approval for the council's desire to improve the park.

Also speaking up was village treasurer Art Pappas, who approved of the park.

The consensus, president Hallman said, was that improving the park was favored, as long as careful planning was made for the improvements.

But, when Hallman asked the council for its reaction, trustee James Weber spoke up and said he didn't see the need for a park.

"You're going to find very few people who will use it," he said. "Why all this for the kids and nothing for the elderly?"

After some discussion, the council decided to incorporate some sort of program or facility for the elderly, either via the park or otherwise, as part of the use of the CDA grant.

But the council will not make any firm decisions on expenditure of the money until a second public hearing is held January 12.

At that time, Hallman said, he hopes more citizens will turn out to give the council alternatives to the park idea.

Winter programs

A number of classes are being offered through the Oakland County Parks and Recreation Department this winter.

Among them are ballroom dancing, taxidermy, and square dancing, all beginning January 19; contract bridge and dog obedience, beginning January 20; macrame, beginning January 21 and belly dancing, beginning January 22.

All will be held at the Waterford-Oaks Activity Center, 2800 Watkins Lake Road, Pontiac.

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Contract dispute is jeopardizing CETA

by Mary Warner
of The Clarkston News

Municipalities who have received funds from Oakland County under the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act (CETA) may have the rest of their funding cut off, if a contractual problem isn't ironed out.

County legal counsel Jack Hayes has asked all the municipalities to sign a new contract for the CETA funds. The new contract would give the local municipalities the burden of repaying all funds that were found to be ineligible for distribution.

In other words, according to Hayes, if the townships, cities or villages made a mistake in eligibility requirements for the funds, they would have to pay for whatever the federal government demands back because of ineligibility.

Right now, Hayes said, because Oakland County is the prime sponsor of the funds, it is responsible to Uncle Sam for any monies spent illegally.

Hayes feels the subcontractors, as the individual municipalities are called, should be responsible for any mistakes they made.

He told representatives from the various townships, etc. at a meeting December 3 that if they didn't sign the new contract, then the county shouldn't continue their funding under the CETA program.

Hayes said last Wednesday again that he would advise county officials to discontinue funding if the contract was not signed.

That doesn't mean the elected

officials (of the county) will listen to me, he said.

Hayes modified the original wording of the new contracts. In the original, Hayes would have had the sub-contractors paying for all funds deemed ineligible spent.

In a latter revision, he said the municipalities would have to pay back any funds that they distributed wrongfully, if it was their mistake in doing so.

Mistakes in eligibility requirements could be like one discovered by Independence Township when their Title II program was audited.

The township originally was told by the county that anyone could be hired who had been unemployed for 30 days, according to clerk Bob Lay.

A year later, Independence was told that a person must be unemployed thirty days before he could even apply for a CETA position.

As far as Lay's concerned, the mistake was the county's. If the county disputed the "culpability" of whose fault it was, then they could claim two employees' entire back salary from the township, if the township signed the new contracts.

Lay said Independence does not have any intention of signing the contract.

Clarkston Village has also said it would not sign.

Both municipalities said that if they signed, it could leave them wide open to all sorts of liabilities.

Springfield supervisor Don Rogers has been ill, and no action has been taken yet by that

township.

Clarkston Village has already spent about \$48,300 in 1975-76 CETA Title VI allocations, and has about \$14,241 left to spend.

Independence Township has spent around \$109,700 for both Title II and Title VI, and has until September, 1976 to spend \$140,400 more.

Springfield Township has spent \$44,021 in Title VI money, through November, with \$48,634 left to spend (part of which has already been spent in salaries for the month of December.) In title II money, they were allocated \$12,500.

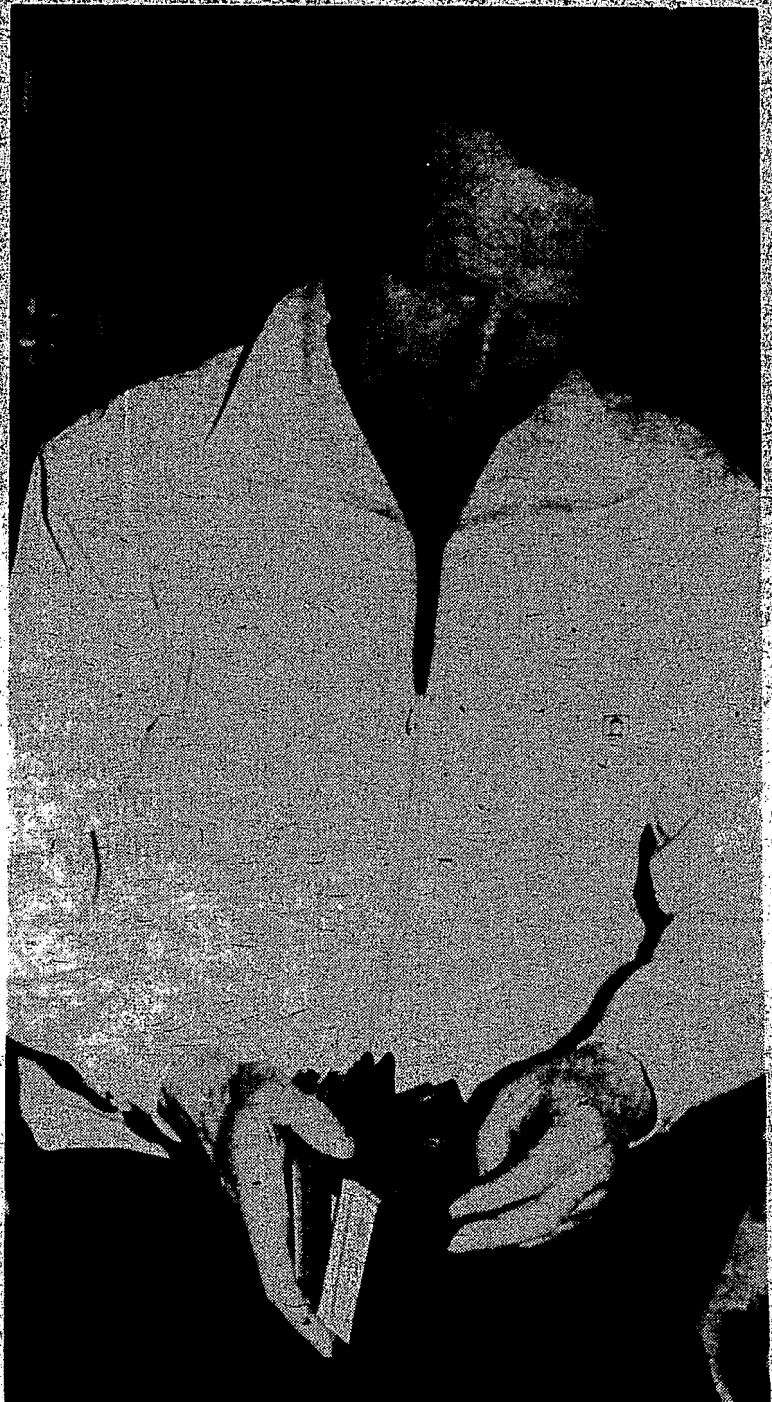
While it's not likely that the federal government would declare all the funds spent ineligible, if the new contract is signed and some funds are deemed ineligible, paying them back could put a serious dent in the townships' and villages' budgets.

Right now, Independence is waiting further word from the county on the problem. "We're not going to get serious about it until they (the county) tells us the funds are going to stop," Lay said.

For Clarkston Village, the matter might be resolved with a gathering of political pressure.

Village President Keith Hallman will be checking with other municipalities to see how they've responded to the county's request.

Perhaps, Hallman suggested to the council last Monday, the village would do well to join the organization "Michigan Alliance of small Communities." Such affiliation would help when a problem such as this arose, he said.



And after the holidays...

Where'd it all go? wonders a forlorn Roger Olney, of Hidden Lane, Clarkston as he peers into his empty wallet after the Christmas holidays.

'75, '76 reviewed, previewed

Booming economy seen for village

by Mary Warner
of The Clarkston News

A booming economy for Clarkston Village for the first ten months of 1976 has been predicted by village president Keith Hallman.

Looking to the future, Hallman said that "on the whole, I think Clarkston will be better off than many other small communities in 1976."

Hallman said that Clarkson is influenced by the auto industry (although to a lesser extent than our southern neighbors). The village will feel part of an auto industry boom that will occur for the first 10 months of 1976, Hallman thinks. After then, the demand and supply for autos will have caught up to each other and the industry will again taper off production.

The village has a few projects in store for the coming year, he said, not the least of them the bicentennial.

A parade next May may be big enough to draw a large coverage, he said, if he plans for it work out.

The village council itself has been busy on many a project, some of which may see fruition in the coming year.

Plans for renovating a portion of the Depot Road Park, including paving a portion for a parking lot, are currently underway.

The village planning commission may be far enough along on a new master plan for the village for presentation to the council during 1976.

And the village may look even more like it did 100 years ago, if new lighting and old-fashioned street signs are put up. Those projects are currently being worked on.

Of course, the village will also be minus some headaches that took up much of the village council's time in 1975.

At long last, Hallman said, the sewer system for the village is 100 percent completed—even the matter of clean-up. All that's left is for those who haven't hooked in to do so.

Other projects included com-

pletely blacktopping the village streets—even M-15.

"There were hassles about that project," Hallman said, "but they were resolved."

The village also embarked on a \$63,000 program, financed by the federal government, to hire the unemployed.

Hallman said he feels the main goals of the "Comprehensive Employment and Training Act" program have been met by the village. It provided temporary work for the unemployed, and also, through director Bob Waters, allowed some of those hired to find permanent employment elsewhere.

The village's sidewalks were also repaired where damaged in 1975, Hallman said. Curbing was put in that conformed with the new requirements for the handicapped. And the village hall got a new look—it was completely renovated.

The village got a new flagpole and flag. The council bought a new maintenance truck with snowplow attached.

A revitalization of the old steps toward preserving its Village Business Association heritage.

lowed the downtown to embark on such successful projects as the Farmer's Market and Family Night this Christmas season.

The village got a new shopping center, the Mini-mall.

The only thing the village lost out on was securing a place for the new post office and district court within the village.

The Economic Development Corporation tried hard to work out a plan whereby Hawk Tool Co. could be used as a community center, including the district court and post office.

But plans fell through, and the post office and district court are both under construction at sites outside of the village now.

But thoughts towards the eventual use of Hawk Tool for either a community center or shopping mall have not been entirely dropped, and there exists the possibility that within the year, someone will come up with a viable plan.

The village did take some giant

steps toward preserving its heritage.

A new book outlining the village's history was published.

An attempt is being made by the bicentennial commission right now to purchase and restore the old Methodist Church.

Lastly, the Historical Society has undertaken a complete study of old village homes, so that eventually all those that qualify can be included in a historical district akin to Franklin Village.

A bright note to all of these accomplishments is that the village council has stayed in the black all the way.

The only added tax burden on village residents was the 12½ mill ad valorem tax for sewers. Aside from that, all the other improvements have been made with the village's two and one-half mill property tax levy.

And, said Hallman, it looks like both the sewer financing and the village general account will stay healthy, and at least for next year, the taxpayers won't be facing any additional village taxes.

Glennie sees tax fight in '76

By Mary Warner
of The Clarkston News

"Taxes will be one of the biggest issues, not only in our township, but statewide, in 1976," according to Ed Glennie, Independence Township supervisor.

"Something is going to happen in 1976 for property tax relief," Glennie believes. "People have been complaining about taxes for a long time, but I think they are going to do something about them now."

Glennie will be looking into some methods of changing the tax situation locally, he said. "I don't know what they will be," he said.

"I may have to get several busloads of citizens and take them over to Lansing."

But at the same time the fight for tax relief is being waged the township may have to ask its residents to support an additional millage proposal, to pay for police services, he said.

Costs for police services have gone up considerably, and the township is being faced with an increase in sheriff's deputy contract fees that cannot be paid without some additional funding.

The township board will probably decide whether to ask for the millage before the May presidential primary.

Big on the list of the township's problems to solve in 1976 is another financial matter—paying for the new township sewer system.

Since last summer, the township board has been taking steps to figure an alternate means of paying off a debt of three quarters of a million dollars annually for the next 25 years.

Currently revenues from sewer hookups are generating only a half or third of what is needed, he said.

Right now a financial consultant is studying the problem. Depending on what he advises, the township could choose one of three methods of financing—an ad valorem, a special assessment levy, or a combination of both.

The taxpayers should have an answer by March, Glennie said.

All is not gloom, though, a long-term project to construct a new township park is nearing completion.

The 37-acre Clintonwood Park off Clarkston Road has only a few areas left undone. Already there are ball diamonds, tennis and

all-purpose courts, and a storage building up.

Yet to go is some electrical and plumbing work, and the installation of a deceleration lane off Clarkston Road.

And it looks like construction is again picking up, Glennie said. "New construction was up 30 percent in the last six months. For the first time in three years," he said, "revenue from the building department is going to exceed the amount budgeted for it."

And it looks like the budget itself, which will be drawn up in the next few months, will contain no untoward increases.

But the township may be facing one unplanned cost in 1976... paying up to 75 percent of a \$169,000 project to improve the drainage system between Paramus and Dollar Lake.

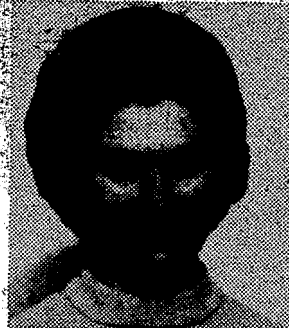
The state highway department has asked the township to pay a portion of the cost of that project, Glennie said.

The highway department was stopped from widening a portion of M-15 south of Clarkston by the drainage problem.

Not only is there a problem in that area, Glennie said, storm drains have been a big problem all over the township, and 1976 may be the year the township begins devising a plan to alleviate some of the problems.

Township officials have discussed using some expected federal funds to do a township-wide drainage study.

All of these issues may play a big part in upcoming township elections. All the township board members except trustee Fred Ritter are coming up for re-election. Petitions will be collected in June, the primary will be held in August and the election next November.



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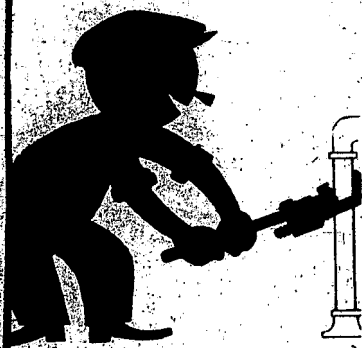
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Conservative air

Look for good year, not great year

by Jim Sherman

It would be easy to wisecrack about the outlook for 1976. Being an election year as well as the year of the country's 200th birthday, the airwaves, printed pages and Bob Hope will be filled with comment both caustic and hopeful.

We've interviewed a few people and read considerable material in recent weeks about what others expect in '76.

Generally, their expectations are conservative, which is about the theme of the country. The recent mayoral election in San Francisco and the rise in popularity of Ronald Reagan are strong indicators that people want a decrease in government spending.

Businesses, too, have become more conservative. The auto industry is not stockpiling labor as they did a few years ago. Leaders in manufacturing fields are talking of bringing pride back to products, which is another way of saying they want more work from their help and less goofing off.

"Job responsibility" is another phrase being used with the same meaning. One would get the idea some manufacturers think their workers are not earning their pay.

If you shopped much at Christmas time you undoubtedly noticed store inventories were shorter than past years. Stores were putting all their merchandise on racks and had less reserves. What you see is what you get, was about it.

Business is just not carrying large inventories. Soft goods makers are producing what they have orders for and very little more.

They are being conservative. There are few indicators that the outlook should be different.

General Motors is the only one which comes to mind. We wonder if their prediction of a record year in auto sales isn't so much wasted psychology.

It will take a major turn-around in public confidence, just as Henry Ford II says to make auto sales boom again.

Though there is some evidence (Christmas spending) that consumer confidence is changing, the general air of disbelief remains prominent.

Watergate, corporate payoffs to foreign governments, CIA activities, wheat deals, perjury by a member of the state supreme court, indictments of elected officials in Maryland and Virginia, the list seems to go forever and it all adds up to lack of confidence.

It will take some rare leadership, something like Gov. William Milliken shows at times, or like Gov. Romney had when he swept the state, to close the credibility gap.

As the cynic says, "A few funerals would help, too", but we've had far too many of them to allow that comment to be repeated very often. Behind all the minus factors is crime.

The election year is good for the newspaper industry. Public office seekers spend considerable cash promoting themselves. With two elections, primary and general, plus school elections, our business should be good, but that's too pinpointed.

Generally there is stability in an election year. It is the year when taxes are not usually voted by Congress or the Legislature. Office holders will do their darndest to avoid explaining a tax increase to their constituency, even with cutbacks in school aid, welfare, medical payments and

services touching nearly everyone. 1976 should not be a year for rocking the tax boat or spending

The Bicentennial will not generate much interest in these parts, let alone improve the economy.

Building starts will likely be about the same next year as this. And, 1975 was similar to 1974.

Remodeling will continue to rise, thus helping the local construction business. The big interest right now seems to be in bathrooms. Apparently the molded fiberglass approach has spurred sales.

However, construction over all is not expected to increase much.

over 1974. One of the major gravel producers is looking for a modest six percent increase in southeast Michigan.

What happened to all the money Washington said they were putting into the construction industry early in 1975 to spur employment? Did the planners get it all?

This might be a good time to sound a warning to small governmental units.

During the last few (about three years) townships and villages have had more money to work with than ever before. The Federal Revenue sharing program has

added thousands of dollars in Northeast Oakland County.

Various make-work monies have come from Uncle Sam to employ the unemployed and projects have been started that may be difficult to stop when the giveaways are terminated.

It is at this time that local governments have to be careful not to go the way of Detroit, New York and Michigan to some extent.

Local leaders should gird themselves to be ready to live within their means. The populace is not likely to look in favor of increasing taxes.

To pick up litter, sweep a street corner, or fill out forms that stop coming when the revenue sharing ceases.

The rest of us should gird ourselves for a good year, but not a great year. If you liked 1975, you'll like 1976. Employment should rise a little, prices should rise a little, wages a little and inflation a little.

But all will be held down with it being an election year and that old lack of confidence we wrote about above.

PEEKIN' into the PAST



25 YEARS AGO IN THE CLARKSTON NEWS

January 4, 1951

Mr. and Mrs. Vern Jarvis of Cherrywood Rd. announce the marriage of their daughter, Ellen-Jane to Pvt. Keith Thayer of Clarkston.

There will be a Luncheon and card party held at Our Lady of the Lakes parish hall on Jan. 24th. Be sure and attend.

Miss Marie Wescott returned to her home in Clarkston, Iowa after spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Albert Kray of Clarkston.

10 YEARS AGO IN THE CLARKSTON NEWS

January 6, 1966

The new year was rung in by a sign painted by Robert McCall, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack McCall of Ortonville.

The first steps toward computer research in voice disorders of children were made by Clarkston resident, Robert Baynes who used data processing to accomplish his goal.

Community calendar

- THURSDAY, JANUARY 1
 - Happy New Years Day
- MONDAY, JANUARY 5
 - Cl. Village Players
 - Cl. Rotary 6:30 p.m.
 - Civitan 7:30 a.m.
 - Village Plan :30
- TUESDAY, JANUARY 6
 - Basketball Lapeer (A)
 - Ind. Twp. Board
 - Cl. Nursery Inc.
- WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 7
 - Meth. Women's Circles
 - Civil Air Patrol

'If It Fitz . . .'

Write me a book, darling

by Jim Fitzgerald



"When are you going to write a book about how you sat behind me?" I asked my wife.

"I don't have any time for your nonsense right now," she said. She was busy writing out the dinner menu for me to take to McDonald's.

I should have married Maureen Dean.

You remember her. She always sat directly behind her husband, John Dean, when the Watergate hearings were on TV. He was the White House lawyer who admitted he was a crook and was sent without a blush to prison for practicing redundancy.

Maureen was the only hunk of cheesecake in the whole Watergate mess. John Dean received a light sentence because he squealed on President Nixon and because

Maureen kept crossing her legs. Through the entire ordeal she refused to leave John's side except when wide angle lenses were used.

Despite her husband's crimes, Mrs. Dean won public favor. People like to see a wife stick by her husband through thick. (Any old wife can remain faithful through thin. It's as easy as going to but not fro.)

Constant readers (Mother and Aunt Madeline) will remember that I was also summoned into court during that long year of Watergate. And I wrote a column thanking Maureen Dean for the inspiration she gave to my defense.

I was ticketed for going 50 mph in a 35 mph zone. Actually, I was the victim of a faulty speedometer but that's another story which won't be made public until my own book

comes out. As you know, I hinted at CIA sabotage on my lecture tour last winter. I didn't give full details because the lecture fee was only \$5,000. Just because I don't have a law degree doesn't mean I can be bought cheaply.

Anyway, I convinced my wife she had to sit behind me in traffic court. My ploy worked. The magistrate was so impressed with my wife's devotion he didn't have the heart to brand me a criminal while she watched, lips quivering. He suspended sentence with a warning. "Ploy it again, Sam," he said, "and you won't get away with it."

Now Maureen Dean has gone a step further in proving her love for John. She has written a book called "Mo". In it she explains why she sat behind John. "Whatever John had done, he was my husband. I loved

him, and whatever the future had in store, it had in store for both of us."

The book costs \$8.95 per copy. So it is only natural I suggest my wife should write a book telling how and why she sat behind me. The book I am writing myself (\$10.50, Simon and Schuster) will reveal how I was over-awed and ultimately victimized by a power-mad car with sweat on its upper bumper. These are the hard facts. My wife's book could tell the domestic side of the scandal—how it feels to be married to a man who was steered by his car. It would also be the compelling story of a love affair and marriage which survived one of the most terrible crises in traffic-court history. A best-seller for sure.

If I can only convince her to again go fro through thick.

Letters to the editor

A stocking full of thank-yous

Come and be heard

To the editor:
On December 22 I attended the open hearing meeting of the Clarkston Village Council, to express my feelings on how the 1976 Community Development Act monies should be spent in the best interests of our village.

Only two village residents, including myself and Nancy Prucher of the village planning commission, and two young people from the township--Joan and Buck Kopietz--attended the public hearing.

With the small attendance, how can the council possibly know how the majority of the residents feel this money should be spent?

I, myself, am all for this money being used for improvements to our parks--a place for our senior citizens to meet, to listen to our band concerts--a place to watch little children play in a tot lot.

With careful planning our Rose Garden can be a very appealing place for all of us.

The consensus of the Village Council was that the money should be spent in this way. But if residents have other ideas for the funds, they should attend a second public hearing being held January 12, at 7:30 p.m. in the village hall.

Come and be heard.
Fontie ApMadoc

Christmas Eve, Fitz?

Dear Editor:
How sad that Jim Fitzgerald had to pick the Christmas issue of the Clarkston News to attack us Christians on, what is to us, the holiest and happiest season of the year. Why refer to all of us as hypocrites because of one incident in Aledo, Ill? After all we're just humans not saints!

I realize in this great land of America, "freedom of the press," is his privilege. But, please, not this kind of editorial on Christmas Eve. With all the sadness in the world today of wars, depression, recession and what have you, surely a message with a message of good will would have been more appropriate. Even Jews, Athiests and many people of other beliefs have smiles on their faces and happy greetings to give to us this time of year.

Thank you and "God Bless," Jim.

Mrs. Edw. Mandilk

Questions ad

To the Editor:
The enclosed ad is from your Dec. 18, 1975 paper. I drove over to Lake Orion to discover that this was one car 1975 Model and it was already sold.

No where in the ad is there mention of one car or the year. I feel this information should be called out, not discovered after a 12-mile useless trip.

R. Hatcher
4616 Clinton
Drayton Plain

Dear Editor,
Thank you very very much for printing our poems and stories. I hope your viewers like our poems and stories.

Sincerely yours,
Jon Goderis

Dear Editors,
I like your paper very much. Thank you for putting our stories and poems in the paper.

Your friend,
Kent Cumming

Dear Editor,
Thank you for putting my story and poem in the paper my mom and dad were really happy and so was I.

Yours truly,
Brooke Barnfather

Dear Editor,
Thank you so very much for putting our poems in the paper. Really appreciate that. Thanks Again.

Sincerely,
Eric Stepnitz

Dear Editor,
Thank you for publishing the poems and stories. We appreciated it a lot and are hoping to read more.

Sincerely,
Brad McIntyre

Dear Editor
Thank you for putting our room and other rooms poems in the Clarkston News.

Sue Gilbert

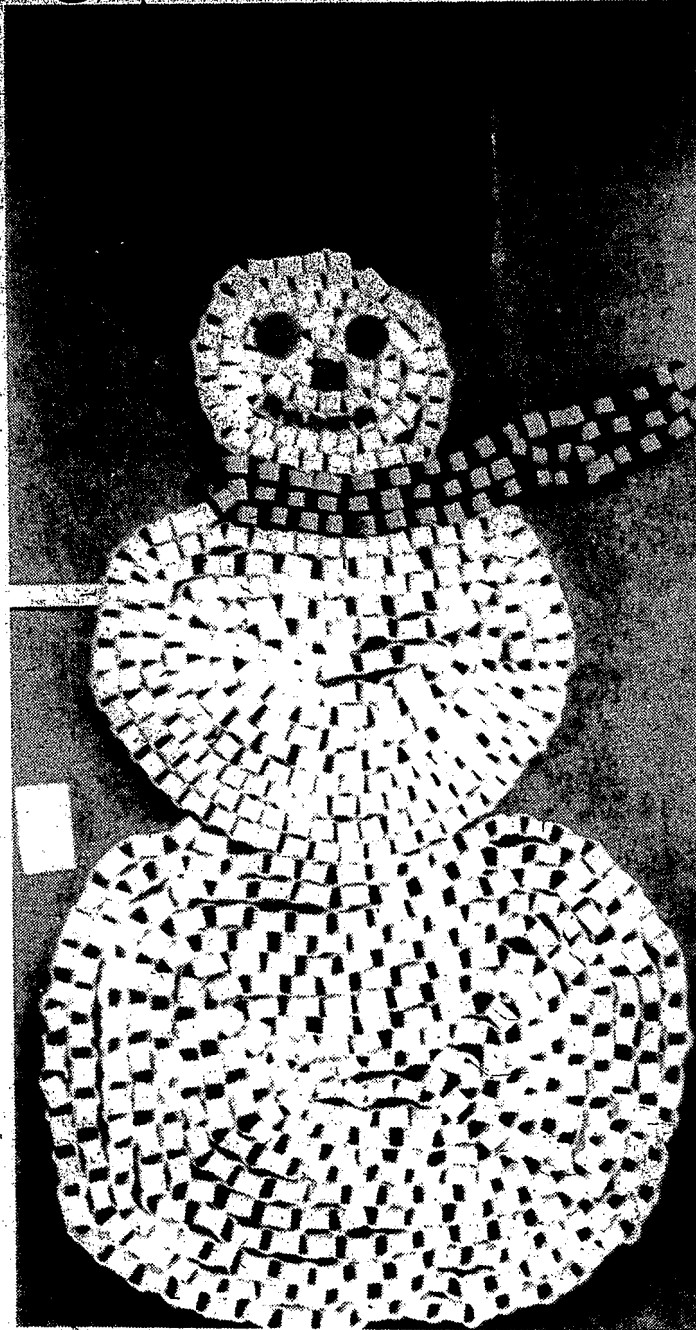
Dear Editor,
Thank you for publishing some of our poems and stories. We really liked that. I got news from Santa's workshop I hope I will be getting more. Thanks!

Your friend,
Marietta Foster

Dear Editor,
Thank you for publishing the Clarkston News. Sending our poems in. I enjoy the Clarkston News. I appreciate having it. My dad brings it home all the time.

From,
David Froling

Clarkston Editor
Thank you for putting My two



Mrs. Dodd's third grade at Bailey Lake did this chain Santa Claus.

poems in the news and my freind Eric Stepnitz I am glad you liked my poems and Erics. We are very happy and so are the other people.

Jeff Carte

Dear Editor,
Thanks for putting are stories and poems. I like reading them it is nice to see little stories in the paper from us kids.

Kevin Kintz

Dear Editor,
Thank-you for publishing my story on News from santa's

workshop. I will be sending you more stories and poems to you I hope you will pu lish them to.

Your friend,
Kevin Ferguson

Dear Editor,
Thank you for publishing our poems and stories that was in the Clarkston News paper. We all really appreciate what you have done for us.

Your friend,
Janice Fowler

Dear Editor,
Thank you for putting the

classes poems and stories in the Clarkston News.

Sincerely,
David Root

Dear Editor,
Thank you so much for putting my poem and story in the paper. Thanks for putting the poems and stories of the kids in my class.

Sincerely,
Lisa Angus

Dear Editor,
Thank you for publishing our poems and stories in the Clarkston news. And thanks for publishing the Clarkston news so you can put our poems in.

From,
Brian Bunton

Dear Editor,
Thank you for publishing all of our poems and stories we all appreciated it very much. I hope you have a very merry and happy Christmas and a very happy new year.

Love,
Lisa Maki

Dear Editor,
Thankyou for putting in my poem snow I think you published it and typed it very good. My mom and dad, and brothers loved to read it and said that was nice of the Editor to put it in.

Thank-you,
Nicola Cook

Dear Editor,
Thank you for putting my poems in the paper. I hope you like them. I wish you a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

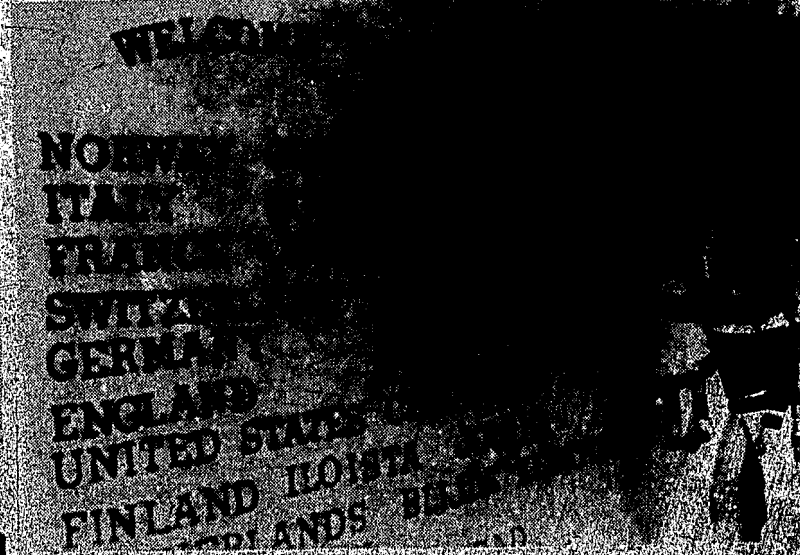
Sincerely,
Nancy Hubbard

Dear Editor,
Thank-you for letting us put our poems and stories in the newspaper. It was very fun to read about yourself. Thank-you

Sincerely,
Lorie Crass

Dear Editor,
Thank you for publishing our classes poems and stories. We are sending some more to you.

Thank you
Andrea Russell



Christmas around the world was the theme of Bailey Lake decorations, enjoyed at right by Lynda Gaudery

Places to go



If your New Year's Eve plans lack a little holiday spirit, and Guy Lombardo isn't what you're looking for, there are several activities being offered within the Clarkston area to welcome the New Year.

The Clarkston Cafe located on 18 S. Main Street, in the village of Clarkston will offer a dinner, dancing and entertainment. A door prize, favors and open bar top off the evening. \$50 per couple.

For those who'd rather attend a concert, there's swinging Elvis appearing at Pontiac Stadium. Tickets are still available at Montgomery Wards for his 8:30 Las Vegas show. Prices range from \$8 to \$15.

Pine Knob's restaurant and lounge will feature continuous entertainment with two bands for listening and dancing pleasure, Eddie Robinson, a quartet and Birch and Company. Buffet dinner will be served, and continental breakfast at 3:30 a.m. for the finishing touch. \$35.00 per couple. For Reservations call 394-0772.

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Located in Antique Village, Ben's Bull Pen offers a Modern country atmosphere for New Year's Eve with country musician Al Flatt and the Added Touch playing. Cover charge is \$2, party favors and entertainment provided.

Like something different on New Year's Eve? The preview performance of Lillian Hellman's *The Little Foxes* falls on New Year's Eve at Meadow Brook Hall. The play will be followed by a midnight candlelight buffet supper in the hall. Tickets are \$18.50 and \$19.50 per person, according to whether Section A or B tickets are desired. To make reservations call 377-3300.

The American Legion Post 63 will be hosting a New Year's Eve bash at their hall on M-15, beginning at 8 p.m. For free beer and live entertainment the Legion is charging \$20 a couple.

The Tuesday Musicale of Pontiac announced their annual Dora Dawson Scholarship Auditions set for January 18.

Applications are available now from Mrs. Walter Schmitz of West Kennett Road, Pontiac. The deadline for accepting applications is January 10, 1976.

Applicants must be high school seniors with a serious interest in music or be currently enrolled in a college music course. Residency in the greater Pontiac area is a requirement.

The Shrine Circus is coming to Flint, at the I.M.A. Auditorium for 18 performances beginning Saturday, January 17. Acrobats, clowns, elephants, horses, ponies, chimpanzees and dog acts will be some of the featured attractions. Tickets are available from all Shriners in the area and at the Masonic Temple in Flint, 755 S. Saginaw. For information call 767-6560.

Nature hikes are scheduled for the general public Sunday, January 11 and Sunday, January 25 at Stony Creek Metro Park, Kensington MetroPark and Oakwoods MetroPark.

Each walk starts at 9 a.m. and takes about two hours.

For more information contact the Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority, 961-5871.

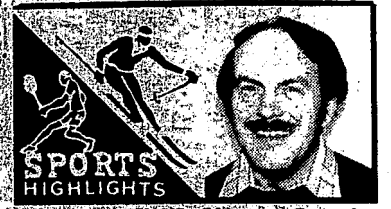
"Inherit the Wind," Jerome Lawrence and Robert E. Lee's drama based on the 1925 Scopes' monkey trial, opens at the Bonstelle Theatre, 3424 Woodward, January 23 for a two weekend run.

Performances are Friday and Saturday, January 23-24 and 30-31 at 8:30 p.m. and Sunday, January 25 and February 1, at 2:30 p.m.

Tickets are on sale at the Wayne State University Theatre box office, 577-2960, at J.L. Hudson's ticket offices and Oakland University Ticket Service.

"Of Mice and Men" will be performed Wednesday, January 7, at Hillberry Theatre at 2:30 p.m. On Thursday, January 8, Hillberry will present a matinee and

8:30 p.m. performance of "Death of a Salesman." January 9, the theatre will give a performance of "The Devil's Disciple."



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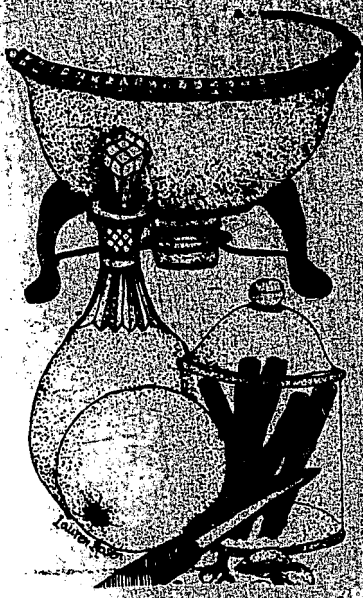
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things to do



Drink a special concoction

by Bev Bonning of The Clarkston News

Clarkston-area bartenders have given out a few of their secret recipes for New Year's Eve cheer. At the Beef 'n' Bourbon, bartender Bill Searle's special is a Pinacolida.

Mary also said that cocktails in champagne glasses are nice during a New Year's Eve Party and suggested drinks such as a Grasshopper or Pink Lady.

PINACOLIDA
pineapple juice
3 teas. oil of coconut
rum

Blend it, top it off with 2 pieces of pineapple chunks and a cherry.

PINK LADY
lg. shot of creme de almond
small shot white creme de cocoa
half shot cream

Blend with ice and strain into champagne glass.

Remi Zeeman of the Old Mill Tavern gave two recipes that can be made as a punch, or single drink.

HUMMER
ice cream (any flavor)
light rum
Kahlua

Blend and pour into glass.

From Heaven, located in Waterford, came the drink called the Dirty Banana.

DIRTY BANANA
1 jigger hershal Chocolate by Mohawk
1 jigger creme de banana
splash of cream
Blend it with ice.

COLD BUTTER RUM
butter pecan ice cream
light rum

Blend and pour into glass.

MIMOSA
Simply mix half champagne with half orange juice.

It seems that rum is the favorite among local bars for New Year's Eve. Bartender Mary Skaritt at Howe's Lanes also recommended using rum.

PLANTER'S PUNCH
lime juice
2 parts sweet syrup
3 parts rum
4 parts water
Blend, pour into tall glass over crushed ice.

Music Hall Center holds first event

The Music Hall Center, located on Madison Avenue in Detroit hold its first first event for 1976 on January 6 with the Alvin Ailey American Dance Theatre performing.

Last season the 26-member dance company had three sell-out performances at the Music Hall. This year the engagement has been extended to six performances.

The Alvin Ailey Company will perform on the Music Hall stage January 6 through 10, evenings at 8:30 p.m., Wednesday and Saturday matinees at 2:00 p.m. Tickets are priced from \$4.50 to \$8.50.

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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
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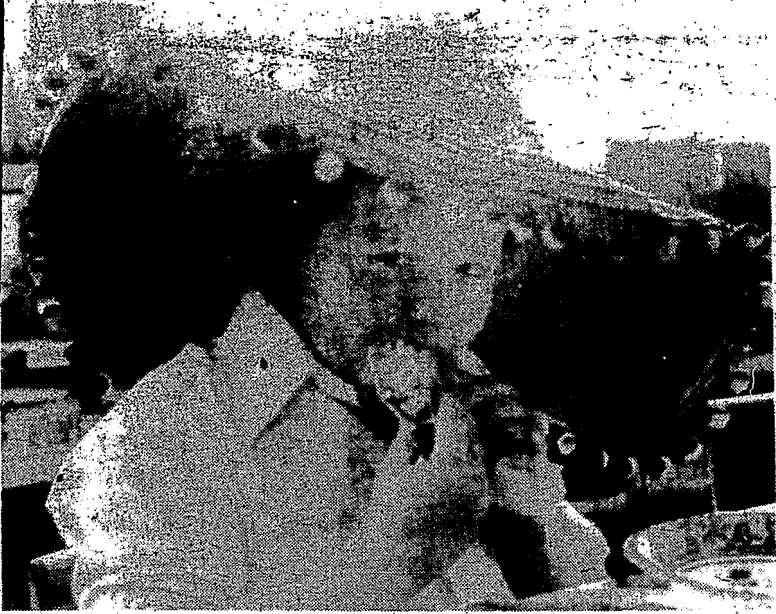
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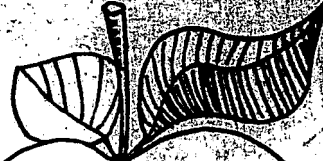
An around-the-world feast



There was food of all nationalities.



The tacos went fast during a "Christmas Around the World" dinner in Mrs. McCurdy's class at Pine Knob Elementary.



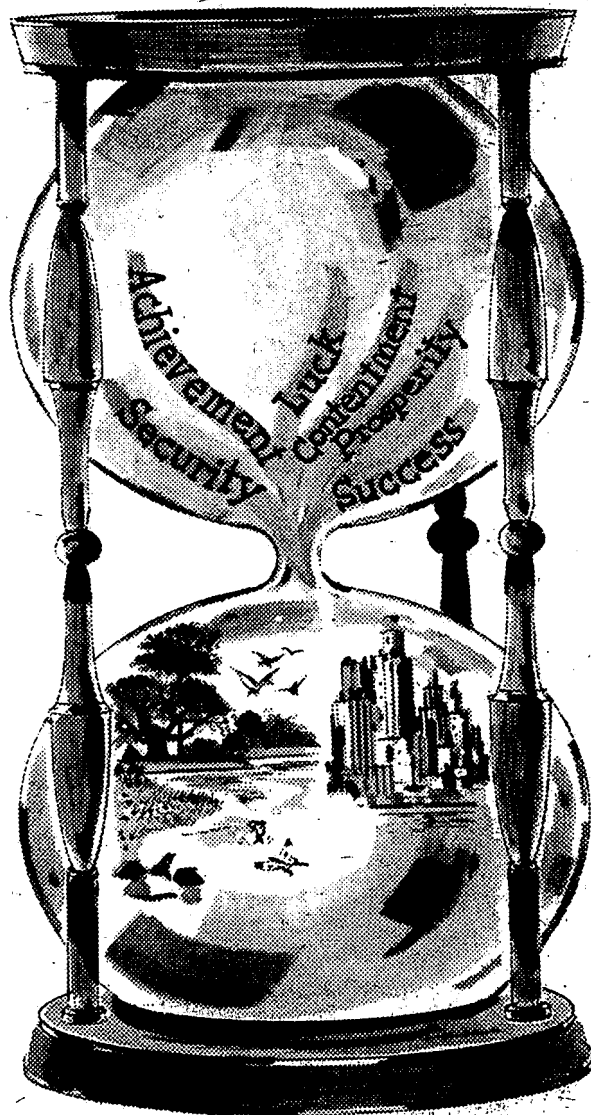
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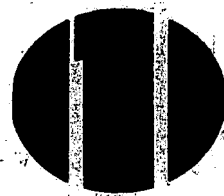
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His ship, homeported at Norfolk, Va., is currently deployed with the U.S. Sixth Fleet and he and his shipmates are participating in a NATO training exercise, Titled "Ocean Safari", the exercise involves 17,000 men aboard 65 ships from 15 countries.

Earlier in the cruise, Brown was designated a "Bluenose," a traditional nautical title earned by sailors who have crossed the Arctic Circle, while taking part in a NATO exercise off the coast of Norway.

A 1974 graduate of Brandon High School, Ortonville, he joined the Navy in June 1974.



HEALTH HINTS
BY Keith Hallman, R. Ph.

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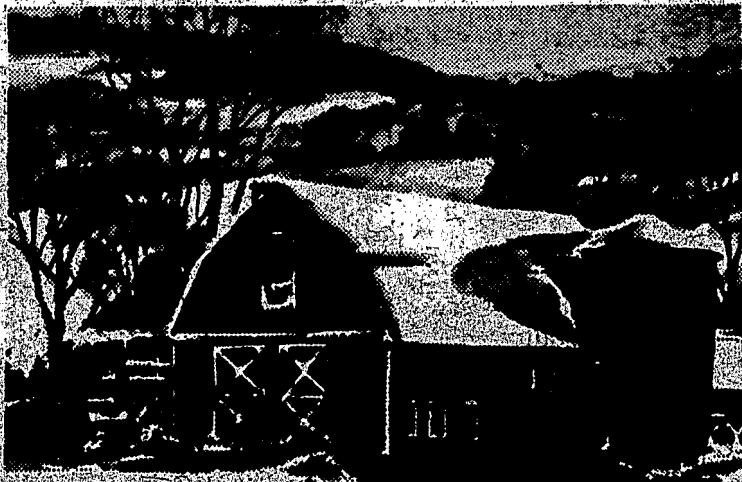
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Classes are free to anyone working toward a high school diploma and not enrolled in a public day school; those persons under 20 years of age with a high school diploma; all service veterans regardless of age or diploma status and high school students attending private schools and taking classes for high school credit.

There is a \$35 registration fee and a \$5 to \$15 lab fee, depending on the class for people who do not qualify for free registration. Payments must be made at the time of registration.

For additional information, call the school at 625-5202.

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Estate of Kevin J. Ritter also known as Joseph K. Ritter, deceased.

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TAKE NOTICE: On the 19th day of December, 1975 at 9 a.m., in the Probate Courtroom, Oakland County Courthouse, Pontiac, Michigan, before the Honorable Norman R. Barnard Judge of Probate, a hearing was held on the petition of Mary E. Ritter. The Will of the deceased dated September 15, 1970 was admitted to Probate. Administration of the estate was granted to Mary E. Ritter and Thomas H. Ritter the executors named in said Will. Creditors of the deceased are notified that all claims against the estate must be presented said Mary E. Ritter, 2815 Edgefield, Pontiac, Michigan, and Thomas H. Ritter at 5577 Hummingbird Lane, Clarkston, Michigan and proof thereof, with copies of the claims, filed with the Court on or before March 2, 1976. Notice is further given that a determination of the legal heirs of said deceased will be made on said date at 9 a.m. Notice is further given that the estate will be thereafter assigned to the persons appearing of record entitled thereto.

Dated: Dec. 19, 1975

Mary E. Ritter

Petitioner

2915 Edgefield

Pontiac, Michigan

John W. Steckling

Attorney for Petitioner

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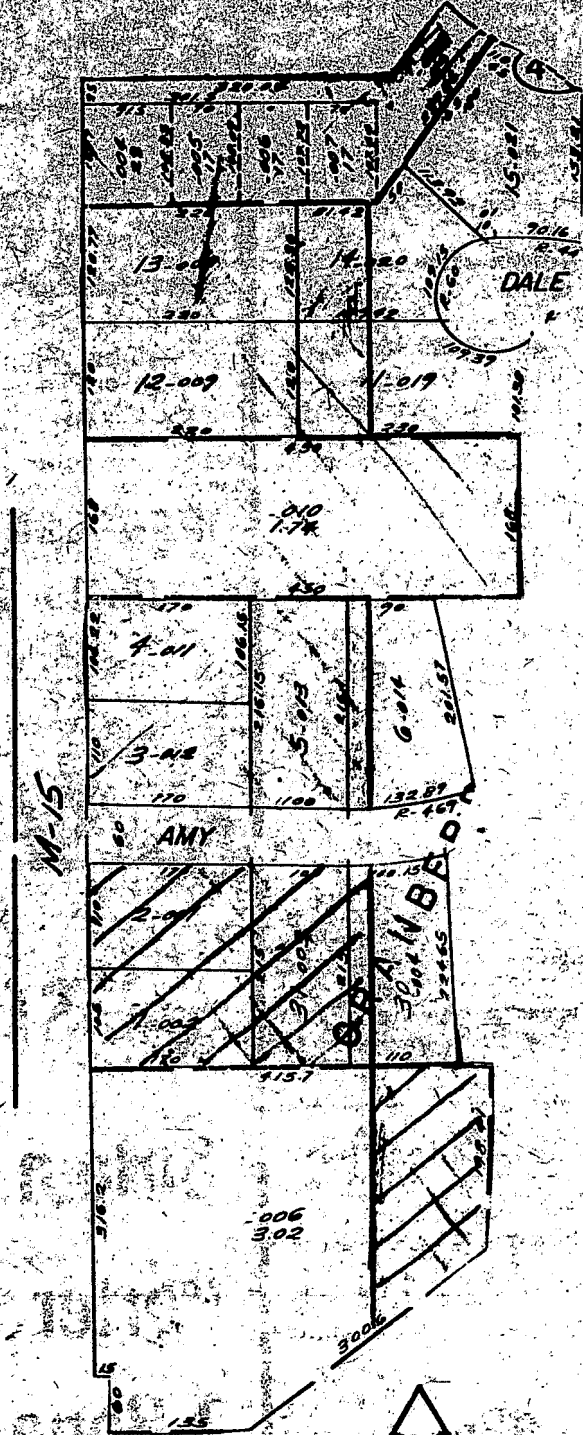
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The Planning Commission of Independence Township, Oakland County, Michigan will hold a Public Hearing on January 8, 1976 at 7:30 P.M. at the Township Hall, 90 North Main Street, Clarkston, Michigan to consider an amendment to Zoning Ordinance #83 in the form of rezoning the following described property:



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- 08-17-401-003
- 08-17-401-004
- 08-17-401-005
- 08-17-401-006
- 08-17-401-007
- 08-17-451-003
- 08-17-401-013
- 08-17-451-004, the westerly 30 ft.
- 08-17-401-014, the westerly 30 ft.
- 08-17-401-010.

MEL LEROY VAARA, CHAIRMAN
Independence Township Planning Commission

Public Notice

VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

December 22, 1975

Meeting called to order by President Hallman.

Roll: Present - Basinger, Granlund, McCall, Weber. Absent - Schultz, Thayer

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

A public hearing was held to discuss possible uses for 1976 federal funds that will be allocated to us through the Community Development Act. The following comments were made by village residents:

Ruth Basinger, 8 E. Washington - she would like to have the funds used for developing the park on Depot Rd., and listed several ideas for this.

Nancy Prucher, 52 N. Main, she would like to have a tot lot as a portion of the park.

Jim Weber, 55 N. Main, he would like to have facilities for senior citizens in the park.

Fontie ApMadoe, 14 N. Main, she would like to have the funds spent on landscaping the parking lot and the park.

Art Pappas, 55 W. Washington, he would like to use the funds to have a community park developed to be used by all ages.

Keith Hallman, 6024 Overlook, he would also like to see the funds used for developing a park on Depot Rd. The use of the band program there last summer was received quite well by the residents, and this would be a beneficial program to be part of a park development.

After a discussion on these items, the public hearing was adjourned by President Hallman. The next public hearing on this matter will be held on January 12th, at 7:30 p.m. at the village hall.

Trustee Weber reported on the following items:

The council should be thinking about enacting a dog control ordinance in the near future. The Solicitor's Ordinance will be adhered to by having applicants request permission directly from Police Services, rather than the council. The parking ordinance amendment will be passed at the next council meeting, and the council should make provision to have someone empowered to issue tickets to enforce the two hour parking limit on downtown streets, according to Police Director Jack McCall. The council felt this would be a good idea, and Mr. Waters will be contacted for his recommendation for an employee to do this.

Kieft Engineering, Inc. has given approval to the latest flood plain map, so Trustee Basinger will put together some recommendations for a flood plain ordinance for the council to study.

President Hallman met with the county drain commissioner, along with Ed Glennie and Earl Hawke, to discuss the multi-lakes level control. He was told that the dams further down the Clinton River chain don't affect our lakes, as these are lower than our lakes. He recommended that we pursue efforts for the turning over of the Hawk Tool water rights to the county for now.

A legal opinion from the attorney was received, stating that it is legal to donate funds to the Clarkston Area Youth Assistance Committee, under Public Act 1967, No. 179.

Nancy Prucher reported that the planning commission was presently working on a land usage map, and would be interviewing planners soon for the development of a master plan. They will try to have a building department official at their next meeting to further discuss a proposed fee ordinance and land development plan review ordinance.

President Hallman reported that Bob Waters had recently attended a meeting to discuss the 1976 CETA agreement with county officials. It was decided by the council to follow Mr. Waters recommendation and not sign the new agreement until further checking is done with the county and other municipalities on the section in the proposed agreement that would make the county free from responsibility of ineligible expenditures, and would instead make the municipalities themselves liable.

Correspondence from the county regarding three changes in the unit factors for quarterly sewer usage billing was referred to trustee Granlund for study.

Meeting called adjourned by President Hallman.

Bruce Rogers
Village Clerk

Knifing occurs at local bar

An assault with intent to commit murder was reported between 12:05 a.m. and 12:25 a.m. in the dining room of the bar 29 at the 10-Hi Bar, 6761 bar Dixie Highway in Clarkston.

The alleged assault occurred a.m. in the dining room of the bar 29 at the 10-Hi Bar, 6761 bar Dixie Highway in Clarkston. According to Oakland County Sheriff's deputies, Marvin R. Coackley, 23, of Pontiac received a knife wound to the left side of the neck.

Arrested in connection with the stabbing was Thomas Kenneth Ward, 25, of Pontiac. Ward was arraigned before Judge McNally on Monday, December 29, and bond was set at \$6,500.

Coackley was treated and released from the hospital Monday.

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REGISTRATION FEE AND LAB FEE TO BE PAID AT TIME OF REGISTRATION

Meter maid possible for village

Clarkston Village residents who make a practice of parking illegally could face ticketing or even having their car towed away in the near future.

The village council is considering an amendment to their parking ordinance that would tighten up on enforcement of parking within the village.

The amendment provides the village with the option of hiring a meter maid to write parking tickets.

The council decided at their meeting December 22 to look into

hiring a meter maid, probably full time, using federal employment funds for the maid's salary.

"It's time to enforce our ordinance," president Keith Hallman said.

According to Jack McCall, public safety director for the village and Independence Township, several complaints have been received by him about violations of the two-hour parking zones downtown.

McCall has been pushing for stricter enforcement of the parking restrictions in the down-

town area because of a shortage in parking space for businesses.

McCall also submitted the ordinance amendment so that it would conform with one passed by Independence Township.

The township has recently had to tighten up parking regulation enforcement on school grounds.

Part of that enforcement package included being able to pay tickets at the township hall for \$2 if the offender paid within 48 hours of issuance of the ticket.

A similar provision is made in the village parking ordinance

amendment. Also included is a provision that the ticket would cost \$5 if paid within 14 days. After 14 days, the offender would have to appear in court.

Another provision in the amendment would allow McCall to have cars parked illegally towed away—at the owner's expense—if the cars are parked illegally.

According to village council trustee Jim Weber, McCall has had cases where cars have sat in illegal zones for up to two weeks without being moved.

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INDEPENDENT view

More sunlight but colder temperatures will mark the month of January, according to University of Michigan astronomer Hazel M. Losh.

Even though in January our days will increase by an hour over the shortest day of December, don't get your hopes up too high for the coming of spring," she says.

"The increase in daylight will have little impact on the weather until the rate of the earth's heating overtakes its rate of cooling, which won't occur until roughly the beginning of February."

A policy change has been initiated by the Clarkston Village Council for solicitation within the village.

Anyone wishing to get permission to sell something will have to go to Jack McCall, the village and township police services director.

Previously, the council passed a resolution allowing the solicitation, but problems of enforcement have arisen, and the council felt McCall's supervision of the matter would allow stricter control.

Clarkston Village won't know for awhile whether it will have to spend \$5,000 a year rent for maintenance equipment storage at Hawk Tool Co.

Earl Hawk, who is negotiating with the village over the matter, has gone south, according to village president Keith Hallman, and won't be coming before the council until later to give details

of the rental proposal. In the meantime, the village will continue to keep equipment at the plant rent-free.

Hawk is also negotiating with the village and the Oakland County Drain Commission over level control rights to the dam located within the Hawk Plant.

President Hallman said the village must "consider very carefully" the plan to give control of the level to the drain commission.

Such a move could be more costly to village residents than either maintaining the dam as it is or having the village take it over, Hallman said.

Many projects the drain commission has in level controls are financed via a special assessment district of property owners who live within the area affected.

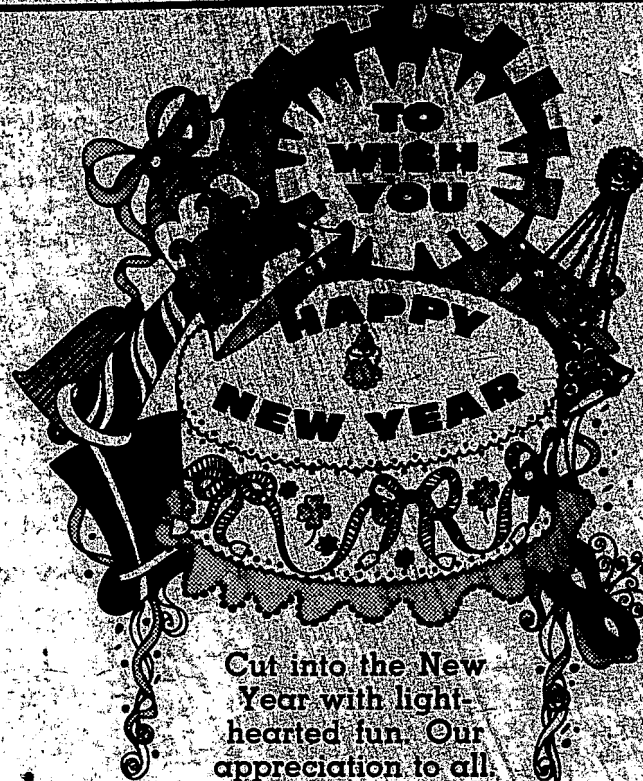
According to Oakland County Sheriff's Department crime reports, during the month of November there was a total of one assault, 17 burglaries, 22 larcenies and one motor vehicle theft in Independence Township.

Murder and manslaughter have decreased by 75 percent, rape and attempted rape by 25 percent, while robbery has increased 75 percent.

Also showing an increase over a month's period of time was a seven percent jump in assault, 20 percent increase in burglary, 20 percent in motor vehicle theft and a nine percent increase of larceny.

Springfield Township recorded 14 burglaries during the month of November and also 11 larcenies.

Rapes and attempts decreased by 100 percent, robbery increased by 33 percent, assault increased by 17 percent, burglary and attempt by two percent, larceny by 31 percent and motor vehicle theft, 27 percent.

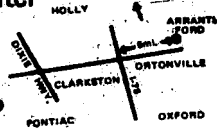


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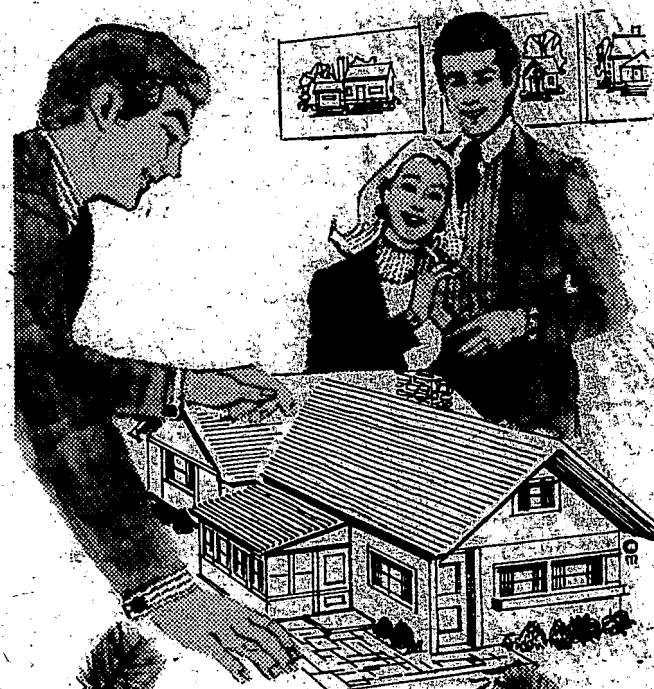
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Fashions are changing this new year

Earth shoes, denim and patriotic colors



Kevin Halsted of Hiller's Men's Store in Lake Orion models one of the many styles in men's suits that is growing in popularity with the new year.



A woman's choice in fashion will be left up to her own individual taste with so many different styles and fashions to choose from.

by Bev Bonning
of The Clarkston News

To start the year, choose a different hair cut, permanent or the latest clothing fashion, be it way out or conservative, and presto—a new you for 1976!

Fashion is changing rapidly with the upcoming new year, as platforms transform into wedgies, striped ties turn into ties with flowers or bird designs, long tresses and dresses become shorter and signs of equality become apparent, with both sexes getting permanents in the same hair shop.

For clothing, spring seems to be just around the corner, although there's still six inches of snow on the ground.

Many clothing shops are receiving spring orders of light-weight clothes and bathing suits.

'In keeping with the bicentennial mood, we'll be seeing a lot of red, white and blue . . .

Judy's Fashions for the Young, located in Independence Commons on the Dixie Highway, have already put the children's spring line on display.

Children's clothing has many similarities to older brothers and sisters' fashions. Denim is big for the young, mainly because of its durability and the hard wear and tear given it by the young.

Overalls and prewashed jeans can also be individualized with hand-sewn patches, pockets, embroidery and zippers.

For a special occasion, young boys are wearing the knit leisure outfits with jacket and pants, while the young girls are being dressed in longer skirts and dresses.

Today's male has come a long way when it comes to fashion. His choice of styles is almost as diverse as a woman's.

Expect to see the comeback of suits for men this year, while the leisure suit fades out.

Sweaters are still the predominant seller, especially the sweater vest.

At Hiller's Men's Store in Lake Orion, conservative colors have been replaced for some time with vibrant pastels and prints.

Gone is the perma-press cotton shirt. Replacing it is the soft closed-knit, which comes in a variety of prints, ranging from scenery to soft swirls.

And no longer is the woman tied to fashion designers' whims. Today she can choose almost any style or combination of her preference.

Long dresses for social affairs are not as popular as they used to be, while more and more pant suits, jump suits and mid-knee skirts and outfits are being worn.

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Gerry Hamlin of Mr. G's demonstrates the ease of applying and wearing a hairpiece.

According to Ann Morgan of the Clothes Tree on Main Street, the store has sold a ton of scarves over the holidays.

The versatility of a scarf can really dress up any outfit.

In 1975, everyone jumped on the bandwagon when the earth shoe made its debut. Its popularity with the high school and college age group made it number one. Both the Clarkston Shoe Service and the London Shoe Shoppe agreed it was their hottest seller for 1975.

Controversy over the safety of the platform shoe has led to the popularity of the wedged heel and also the ankle-strap shoe with thin sole.

Recently introduced for this next few months is the scalloped beige sole and also the leather fly boots with a square toe and decorated with sewn embroidery or leather tooling.

'Jewelry for men will be popular, especially chokers and necklaces'

Jewelry, like a scarf, can add something totally new to an outfit.

Today and for the coming year, it's make your own - with beads, macrame, wood or coral.

People are wearing more jewelry because making it is so inexpensive. Instead of the new watch band, a macramed one looks just as nice and is fun to make.

Chokers for men and women are still in, according to Joan Kopietz of Tierra's in Clarkston. The pulka shells, turquoise and coral liquid silver necklaces came in 1975, and are really into their own for 1976.

Many people consider the mood rings a passing fad, however the seriousness of analyzing a mood makes the ring even more popular.

The indian turquoise is definitely out for next year, says Buck Kopietz of Tierra's, while semi-precious and precious stone beads will be in fashion, such as light green peridot.

Jewelry for men will be popular, especially chokers and necklaces.

Hairstyles, like anything else, vary with the individual.

Permanents are his n' hers alike nowadays, mainly because of the ease in management.

Most popular is feather and layer cuts, going short on top and trimmed to the shoulders.

Mr. G's has experienced a trend toward the wave, according to Jerry Hamlin, owner.

40 percent of the business at Mr. G's Men's and Women's Hairstyling in Waterford, is involved with replacing the hair with hair transplants, hairpieces and suture (sewing the hairpiece to the scalp).

Caring for a hairpiece is fast and simple. Many men use curling irons to curl or shape their own hair and hairpiece.

"It's the hottest thing right now for men, says Gerry Hamlin, part owner of Mr. G's. "Not just here in Clarkston but all over the world. There hasn't been anything hotter for men's hairstyles in a long time.

Bleached blond hair is a thing of the past. Today a hair shop is equipped to 'rost, tip, paint or sun-streak hair.

Pine Knob Beauty Salon also believes hair is going shorter, perhaps with a flip above the collar where the hair is blown away from the face.

'For clothing, spring seems to be just around the corner'

What was stressed, especially with hair, was individuality. Fads and crazes pass but clothes, jewelry, hairstyles and shoes should be chosen to reflect the person you are and what is comfortable to your lifestyle.

Not mentioned for 1976 was powdered wigs, knee breeches and black buckled boots.

In keeping with the bicentennial mood, we'll be seeing a lot of red, white and blues this spring and summer, along with denim skirts and jackets.



Evergreens & garland spice the Lambert home

COUNTRY LIVING

by Hilda Bruce
of the
Clarkston News

Seclusion and privacy are nice, but so is easy access to a main highway, especially in inclement weather: Chuck and Claudia Lambert enjoy both at their Independence Township Home.

Their ranch home is nestled among giant trees at the end of a winding drive that protects them from the hum of traffic on the busy highway.

"It's perfect," said Claudia. "We're close to all facilities and yet there is space for the children to roam; and they do."

"I never want to move," she continued, obviously content.

"We had planned a larger home," she said, "but Stephen came along and the home we were in was too small, so we had to build sooner than we had planned."

Claudia explained that they found a model they liked and rearranged it to their liking. Although the house was built by a builder Chuck and his life long friend Bill Mathisen who lives next door installed the plumbing and heating.

Claudia pointed out the copper sculpture in the living room and said, "Bill made us the copper tree as a house warming present. It's left over plumbing."

The copper pipe fits well with the rooms decor; mercury, white and a light rusty brown colors on walls and furniture accented by glass and chrome.

The colors flow into the dining room where the brown and gold used in the kitchen and family room begin to appear.

Even the Christmas decorations carry out the color scheme and the understated simplicity of the decor. The pine cone wreath on the fireplace sports gold bows, made by Claudia. "I got the wreath at a bazaar a few years ago and took all the stuff off of it," she explained.

The tree is ornamented with gold bows and white and gold balls with an occasional golden bird fluttering on the branch. Claudia made the huge bow used as a tree top decoration.

"I'm really not very creative with artsy-crafty things," Claudia commented. "I usually find someone else to make the things I want. It is a matter of priorities."

With three young children: Scott, 7, Nicole 5 and Stephen 4, Claudia is involved with their interests and education. She is treasurer for Creative Co-op Nursery where Stephen is enrolled and "I do what I can for P.T.A.," she said. She also does telephoning from the Clarkston Citizens for Child Oriented Education.

Since she never wants to move she is very interested in improving the area schools.

When Claudia is not involved with the children she propagates plants in her green house. "We even had luck with the yucca,"

she said proudly, "next year we'll try some shrubs." The results of her endeavor hang throughout the house.

Pointing to the three hanging pots in the family room she said, "My babysitter, Nancy Bryan, made the macrame hangers".

Because she likes growing things, Claudia plans a garden next spring. "It's so shaded here that the garden will be small until we determine if anything will grow," she said.

But right now she is more concerned with getting her Christmas baking done. "I enjoy baking," Claudia commented. Having taken a cake decorating class she uses her skill to make elaborately decorated cookies for gifts. Claudia also makes date bars, Russian tea cakes, and caramel candies.

"They're the only kind I ever made that really worked so I keep making them," Claudia said of the caramels.

After the holidays the Lamberts want to finish the children's play room, the master bedroom and Claudia's sewing room. "They only need the finishing touches," she said.

She also wants to redecorate the dining area. "I've decided I want it more country," Claudia said, "It's too modern to suit me."

Whether or not all those tasks are accomplished depends on how much time is left after snowmobiling (the children have their own Kitty Cat by Arctic Cat), and paddle ball. Chuck, who runs Noreast Erectors, recently broke his foot while engaging in this past-time. The healing also determines how soon the family will begin a season of camping, bike riding, and tennis. "I'm not very good at tennis but I like the exercise," Claudia said.



Family room, dining area center around fireplace flanked by bookcases.



Pink and gold Christmas bows highlight chandelier over dining table.



Light, airy living room accented with Christmas greens.

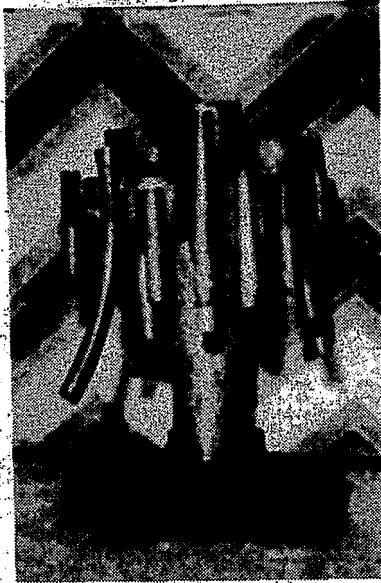


From plumbing pipes to holly and satin

COUNTRY LIVING



The warmth of the holidays is followed through in this spot of interest.



House warming gift from Bill Mathisen is a copper tree from left over plumbing.



Dining area blends with sunken family room.

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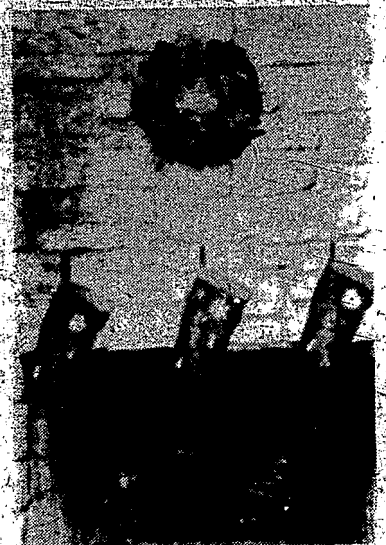
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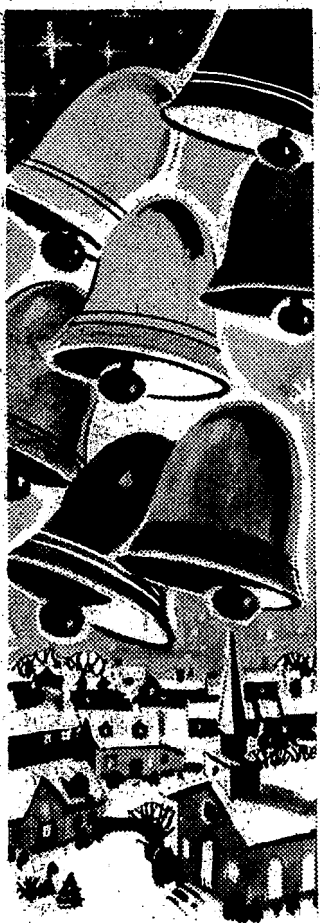
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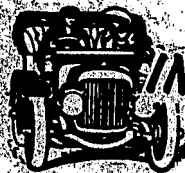
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All of 1976 is going to be a letdown. There'll be a feeling of depression--almost like 1976 hasn't lived up to its publicity and people are going to get tired of the year before it's over.

There's going to be more violence this coming year. People should be more on guard for their personal safety.

There will be plenty of jobs available, though, and there will be an increase in business activity.

I think some big event at the Pontiac stadium will be a bust. A religious booking at the stadium will have more success.

I feel that President Ford is going to say something that will change the tide of the election. It will be very revealing and astound quite a few people.

I think the papers will be full of a couple of murders around the first of this year.

I also see a large wave like a tidal wave--perhaps indicating there will be serious flooding somewhere this coming year.

The Mississippi River will come into the headlines again. There'll be some talk of engineering corrections.

In Independence Township I

see some building going on this coming year. People will be moving in and out of the township at a slower rate. The majority of the people will be working--there'll be no unemployment problem.

Springfield Township is going to grow this new year.

The township is also going to have some more problems. I see fires, and what looks like a dispute over a building.

I see some more little businesses leaving Clarkston. It looks like one big concern is thinking of moving out, but then decides to expand within the township.

For the new year, I wish all my readers a prosperous and very positive outlook for themselves, and may God bless you all.

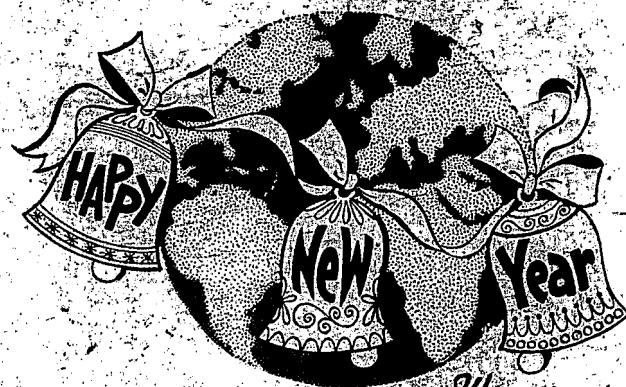
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independence center

people helping people help themselves

by Margaret Wiederhold

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

The staff and Board of directors wish, at this time, to express their sincere appreciation for the support individuals, organizations and churches have given to independence center this past year.

The annual membership meeting will be held on January 8, 1976 at the center at 7:30 p.m. In addition to the annual reports and a brief summary of activities, the 1976 board of directors will be elected.

Some special awards will be presented and there will be entertainment and refreshments.

According to the by-laws, individuals who contribute financially or otherwise to the operation of I.C. are considered members.

An Immunization Clinic will be held at independence center, 5331 Maybee Road, on January 8 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

This service is offered to

infants, preschoolers, and school age children by the Oakland County Department of Health. There is no charge for this service.

It is suggested that parents or guardians bring previous immunization records, if you have them, with you at the time the children are brought into the clinic. For further information please call Independence Center, 673-2244 or the Oakland County Department of Health, 858-1280.



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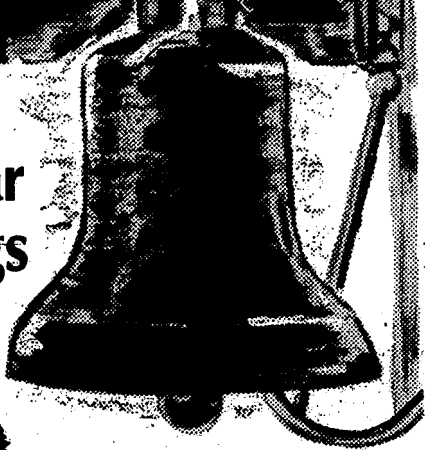


and thanks

We're building up to wishes for happiness and prosperity in the coming year for all our friends.

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Goals for the new year:

The focus is on jobs, money and good will towards others

by Bev Bonning
of The Clarkston News
New Year's has always been a symbol of a new beginning, a new outlook, and a time for optimism and change.

Although pessimism lingers, there's a note of relief that the year 1975 is passing and an exciting year of bicentennial activities and elections lies ahead.



Bucks Webber

Overall, many people are hoping for personal, material, or occupational accomplishments.

Mrs. Albert Hill of Davisburg was shopping at Independence Commons on the day before Christmas. Her first thought for 1976 was the hope of being a better person towards others.

"There's nothing else better that I could think of," she said. Christmas spirit and goodwill

lingered elsewhere at the Commons, because no sooner had Mrs. Hill walked away, than another Davisburg resident, Ruth Jenks, simply stated she would like to "help other people" when asked what she hoped to accomplish in 1976.

Albert Bucks of Pontiac owns a janitorial service, and his accomplishment for the new year would be success in his business.

Marilyn Webber of Waterford said she had just started a new job as a medical secretary. "I have no medical knowledge, so my accomplishment would be to become more proficient in my new job."

Plans for home improvement topped some lists, but again those plans could be interrupted by the



Milligan Studaker

state of the economy. "If I keep working," said Robert Studaker, "I'll probably

paint the inside of my house." Howard Milligan, who has been employed by Pontiac Motors for 30 years, hopes to purchase new



Billig Pourcho

furniture in 1976. For Bill Billing, out shopping in Clarkston with his daughter Wednesday, building a rec room will be his 1976 project.

Money was the major topic for Mary Lynn Pourcho, who said she would like to save enough funds to go to college.

She plans on going to either Northern or "wherever it's the least expensive."

"And", she added to her list of hoped-fors, "I've got to get skinny."

It's alright to think ahead, but Howard Webster is a jump ahead of 1976.

"There's nothing I want to accomplish," he said thought-

fully. "There's got to be something, but I think I have accomplished it already in 1975!"

That reply was repeated, once more when a 69-year-old gentleman who only gave his name as "anonymous" said that since he is almost 70, there isn't going to be much he'll want to accomplish in the future--he's simply content with the way things are.

For others, thoughts are turning to spring and summer.



Robinson Powell

that his accomplishment would be to play a better game of golf next year. To which Phyllis Robinson, a customer standing nearby, quickly retorted, "and I hope to beat him by one stroke."

And in the best tradition of that season which celebrates the birth of Christ, Donna Childers said her accomplishment for the new year would be "to be a better Christian and win souls for the Lord."



Webster White

"I hope to have a good garden, hope that the roses bloom, and everyone stays healthy," said Stanley White, a resident of Clarkston.

There seems to be a hint of competition among golfers at Rudy's market in Clarkston.

Employee J.D. Powell stated



Childers Goldner



the mill stream

It's pot luck with the joggers

by Mary Warner
phone 625-3370



The Davisburg Joggers Senior Citizens will be meeting at the Springfield Township Hall in Davisburg on Saturday, January 3, 1976 with potluck dinner at noon, followed by a business meeting and entertainment.

The Waterford Branch of the American Association of University Women will meet on Thursday, January 8, at 7:30 p.m., at the home of Lois Banik, 5925 Strathdon Way, Waterford.

The title of the evening's discussion will be "Found Money". The members will discuss the art of being thrifty and in finding money within the kitchen, wardrobe, and house. For further information call Mrs. William O'Connor, 673-1591.

At the "Burning of the Greens" on Sunday, January 4 at 6:30 p.m. Calvary Lutheran Church will mark the close of the Christmas season and the beginning of Epiphany and invites community members to join them.

Old Christmas trees are piled behind the parking lot and we will sing Christmas carols as they burn and then share refreshments afterward. "Trees may be brought to the church anytime after Christmas," Pastor Robert Walters said.

The Oakland Association for the gifted and talented will hold a meeting Wednesday, January 7 at 7:30 p.m. at Andover High School, on the corner of Long

Lake and Telegraph Roads. The meeting will be held in the media center of the school; anyone interested is invited to attend.

Daniel Murphy, Oakland County Executive, will be the guest speaker at the PTA General Assembly Meeting on January 8, at 7:30 p.m. The meeting will be at Bailey Lake Elementary School on Pine Knob Road. The public is invited.

The St. Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church has a new home!

Beginning on December 29, the congregation started the big move to the Sashabaw and Clakston Road location.

The congregation plans to work on Friday, January 2 and Saturday, January 3 and they need folks to pack, unpack, paint or drive vans and trucks.

To volunteer call 623-0075.

Appointed to the Clarkston Methodist Church, effective January 15, is Rev. James Balfour who will begin his job as Associate Minister on Sunday, January 18.

Rev. Balfour has served as Associate Minister in Menominee, Houghton, Sault Ste. Marie and Mt. Clemens before coming to Clarkston.

He and his wife Emmalynn are graduates of the University of Michigan and have two children, both married.

Expectant parent classes

The Oakland County Health Department is offering a winter series of Expectant Parent Classes that will begin on Thursday, January 8, at 7:30 p.m.

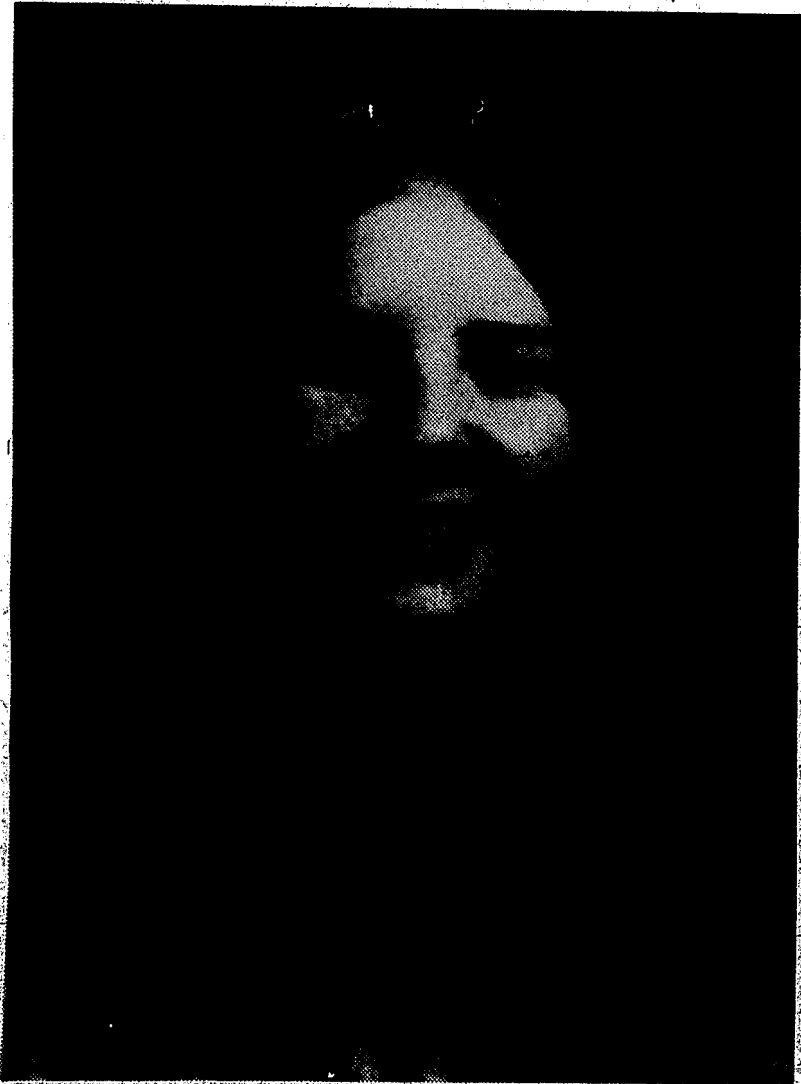
The topics covered by the series of eight classes include mental health of the family unit, growth and development of the baby before birth and immediately after birth; labor and delivery, and the care and feeding of the infant.

Films and other audiovisuals are used to illustrate some of the topics. One of the class sessions will be the tour of one of the local hospitals.

The classes, taught by a Public Health Nurse are co-sponsored by the Oakland County Medical Society and various adult education departments in Oakland County.

Classes will be held weekly for eight weeks from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m., in the auditorium of the Oakland County Health Department, 1200 North Telegraph Road, Pontiac.

To register please call the Oakland County Health Department, 858-1394 or 858-1280. Pre-registration is advised, classes are limited as to the number enrolled. There are no charges for these classes.



Mr. and Mrs. James Benson of 6092 Middle Lake Road have announced the engagement of their daughter, Kathleen to Michael Peel, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Peel of Millersburg, Mich. Miss Benson and Peel are both students at Oakland University. A May 22 wedding is planned.

New nursery school holding open house

Parents and their pre-schoolers will get a chance to take a peek at a new concept in nursery schooling when the new Clarkston Preschool holds an open house January 3.

The open house, which is being held both for registration and "getting acquainted" purposes, will be held at the site of the new school, the Sashabaw United Presbyterian Church, 5300 Maybee Road, right next to Sashabaw Junior High.

The program will begin with punch and cookies at 2 p.m. At three p.m. program director Sandy Andringa will give a short talk

explaining the new school's rooms or learning centers which will focus on family living concepts.

Those concepts were derived from a number of different nursery schools, according to Mrs. Andringa. Foremost influence on the school was the British system of nursery schooling, which is only being used by one other school in Michigan.

Mrs. Andringa and other school founders Nancy Planck and Chris Kittridge have based the school's principles on "play is the medium through which children learn."

The school will include four

rooms or learning centers which will focus on family living, reading, math, science, art, music, and programs for muscle and motor control development. Mrs. Andringa and Mrs. Planck will be teaching the new

school. Both are currently taking courses towards their masters degrees in early childhood education at Oakland University.

Miss Kittridge is the school's director. The school will open for two

daily sessions on January 12.

Day care will also be provided at the school.

Three and four-year-old children are eligible for the classes.

For registration information, call Mrs. Kittridge at 625-5028.

Ritter named Chamber V.P.

A local businessman was recently elected to the Board of Directors of the North Oakland Chamber of Commerce at the director's meeting held December 15 at the Old Mill Tavern in Waterford.

Elected as a Vice-president was Thomas Ritter, of Ritter's Farm Market, Dixie Highway, Clarkston. Ritter will hold this office for the year 1976.

Also elected was William Belaney of Rochester as Chamber

President. Vice-presidents were C.A. Brooks of Orchard Lake, Thomas Plunkett, of Pleasant Ridge and Richard Rudloff of Union Lake. Treasurer is James Stone, secretary, Jack Harrington and executive vice-president, Earl A. Kreps.

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Eve. Worship 6:00

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Worship at 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.
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Airport Rd. at Olympic Pkwy
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Rev. Ken Hodges, Asst. to Pastor
Rev. Chuck Warren,
Minister to Youth
Betty Jencks, Children's Worker

ST. TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
5860 Andersonville Rd.
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Bible School 9:45

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M-15 at W. Seymour Lake Road
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9:45 Sunday School
10:50 The Hour of Worship
6:15 Youth and Bible Study
7:00 Evening Service
Wed. 7:00 p.m. Family Prayer & Bible Study

CLINTONVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH
5301 Clintonville Rd.
9:45 Sunday School
11:00 Morning Worship
6:30 Training Union

SEYMOUR LAKE UNITED METHODIST
Sashabaw at Seymour Lake Rd.
Rev. Larenz Stahl
Services at 9:15 and 10:30

DIXIE BAPTIST CHURCH
8585 Dixie Highway
Rev. Paul Vanaman
Worship - 10:00 a.m.
Evening Service 6:00 p.m.

FIRST MISSIONARY CHURCH
4832 Clintonville Rd.
Phone 673-3638
Services: Sunday

Sunday School Bible Study 10:00 a.m.
Worship Hour 11:00 a.m.
Youth Hour 5:00 p.m. - Gospel Hour 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday - Hour of Power 7:00 p.m.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION
6490 Clarkston Road
Rev. Alexander Stewart
Worship - 8:00 & 10:00

CLARKSTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
6600 Waldron Road
Rev. Paul M. Cargo
Worship & Church School 10 a.m.

DRAYTON HEIGHTS FREE METHODIST CHURCH
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

ANDERSONVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH
10350 Andersonville
Rev. Wallace Duncan
Worship - 11:00 a.m.
GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH
1950 Baldwin Rd.
Sunday School 9:15
Family Worship 10:30
Pastor Charles Kosberg

CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH
6805 Bluegrass Drive
Rev. Robert D. Walters
Spoken Communion 8:00 a.m.
Sunday Church School and Contemporary Worship 9:15 a.m.
Traditional Service & Nursery 10:45 a.m.

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5972 Paramus
Rev. Clarence Bell
Worship - 11 a.m., 7 p.m.

NEW HOPE BIBLE CHURCH
5311 Sunnyside
Rev. David Spurrill
Worship - 11:00 a.m.

SASHABAW UNITED PRESBYTERIAN
5300 Maybee Road
Pastor Mark H. Caldwell
Worship - 11:00 a.m.
Church School 9:30 a.m.

PENTECOSTAL TABERNACLE
9880 Ortonville Road
Worship - 11:00 a.m., 7:00 p.m.
Rev. John K. Hendley

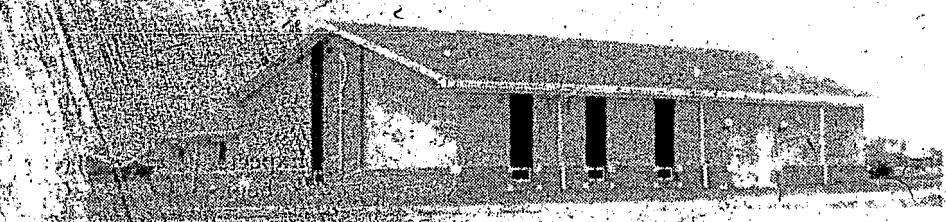
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Worship 10:30 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.

MARANATHA BAPTIST CHURCH
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Rev. Philip W. Somers
Worship - 11:00 a.m.

SPIRITUALIST CHURCH OF THE GOOD SAMARITAN
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Morning Worship 11 a.m.
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Wed. Prayer, Bible, & Youth 7 p.m.
Pastor A.L. Chester



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Spiritual Message

WEIGHTS AND SINS

"Since we have such a huge crowd of men of faith watching us from the grandstands, let us strip off anything that slows us down or holds us back, and let us run with patience the particular race that God has set before us."
Hebrews 12:1
Living Bible paraphrase

This is the season when if you don't watch your driving you can be tangled up with a snow bank and find yourself spinning your wheels at 60 miles an hour going nowhere! Don't get me wrong, I love a snowy white winter; it's so much more cheerful than a barren, bleak one. But still it clings so closely,

speckling your vision if you wear glasses, wadding up under fenders of cars, sticking to the snow shovel. So it is a parable in nature of what weights and sins are in the spiritual life.

Jack Kerouac's two boys in "On the Road" are no help here at the dawn of a New Year—when one says, "Come on, let's go, we gotta keep going!" The other says, "Where are we going?" The first replies, "I don't know, but we gotta go, fast!"

The writer of the Letter to the Hebrews would agree we are in a race and we ought to run fast, but first we should know where and why. It's a race directed by matters of faith, and the old pro runners from the past are crowding the grandstands rooting for us to break their records. Maybe the grandstand image is misleading because it's not running in circles around a track, but a road course toward a destination.

To zero in on the one thing which often becomes a critical factor in this race, we are instructed "to lay aside the weights and sin which clings so closely." This is no sack race or three-legged race. And we don't want to wear a heavy overcoat to run in.

Weights and sins may both hinder the running so both are to be put aside, but weights may be harder to discard because they seem harmless and innocent. Eating and drinking too much might be good examples at the holiday season. But if our particular "weight" is eating to excess rather than drinking, the "putting aside" is harder because we have to eat to live, right? Weights may be innocent involvements which hurt no one except that they keep us from ever being Olympic competitors in the real game of life. If it isn't eating or drinking it may be anything else that causes us to kill time instead of redeem it.

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Make a mental note

Telling a child about therapy

by Jim and Ellen Windell

Although many parents believe their child has problems serious enough to warrant psychological help, when they consider what to say to the child they become confused and indecisive. They wonder what reaction the child will have to being told he has a problem and they ask, "Won't therapy make him feel that he is special or that he has a serious problem?"

Some mothers and dads say things to the child that are inappropriate although their intentions are good. Parents want to persuade the child to go willingly to see a therapist. Furthermore, they want to reduce their own guilt feelings associated with having a child with problems. So, parents frequently say something such as, "We're taking you to see a nice man who is going to be playing games with you," or "You will be seeing a doctor every Wednesday for therapy."

Parents usually think that mentioning the word doctor will be useful in explaining where they are taking the youngster. However, going to see a doctor conjures up images of hypodermic needles and terrible medicine to most children.

There are also those parents who because of indecisiveness about what to say to the child end up not saying anything and the helpless boy or girl is whisked off to a therapists' office and the visit has a mysterious nature. This presents an unnecessary stumbling block to the therapist.

We believe children should be told in advance that they will be talking to someone regularly and this should be communicated in such a way that the child can understand.

Instead of telling the child that he must see someone about his "emotional problems" or his "psychological difficulties", the

youngster might be told that he will be talking to a man (or a woman) about his problems, worries, or troubles. These troubles or worries must be spelled out.

For instance, he can be told that he is going to receive help so that he will not wet the bed as much or that he goes around hitting other children and will learn to control this. The word "therapy" should be left out in the explanation as it is difficult to understand what therapy actually is. The child can also be told that everyone has problems and sometimes when a person cannot solve his own problems he goes to see someone who can help him.

By talking to a person who has special training to help people, he will be better able to go to school or he will learn to control his angry feelings. It is also well to put an emphasis on the problem as belonging to the entire family rather than just to the child.

The fear that therapy will increase a child's problems is usually unfounded and perhaps reflects the parents' anxiety. It would seem that the possibility of a reduced or eliminated problem

is worth the slight risk that the problem will be intensified.

If a child has some negative reaction associated with therapy, this reaction can be dealt with in therapy if it is brought to the therapists' attention.

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J. Calvin Walters
Springfield Township Clerk



The Clarkston Village Council will hold a Public Hearing on Jan. 12, 1976 at 7:30 p.m. at the Village Hall, 25 S. Main St., Clarkston.

The purpose of the Public Hearing will be to discuss possible ways of spending federal funds expected for 1976 through the Community Development Act.

Bruce Rogers
Village Clerk

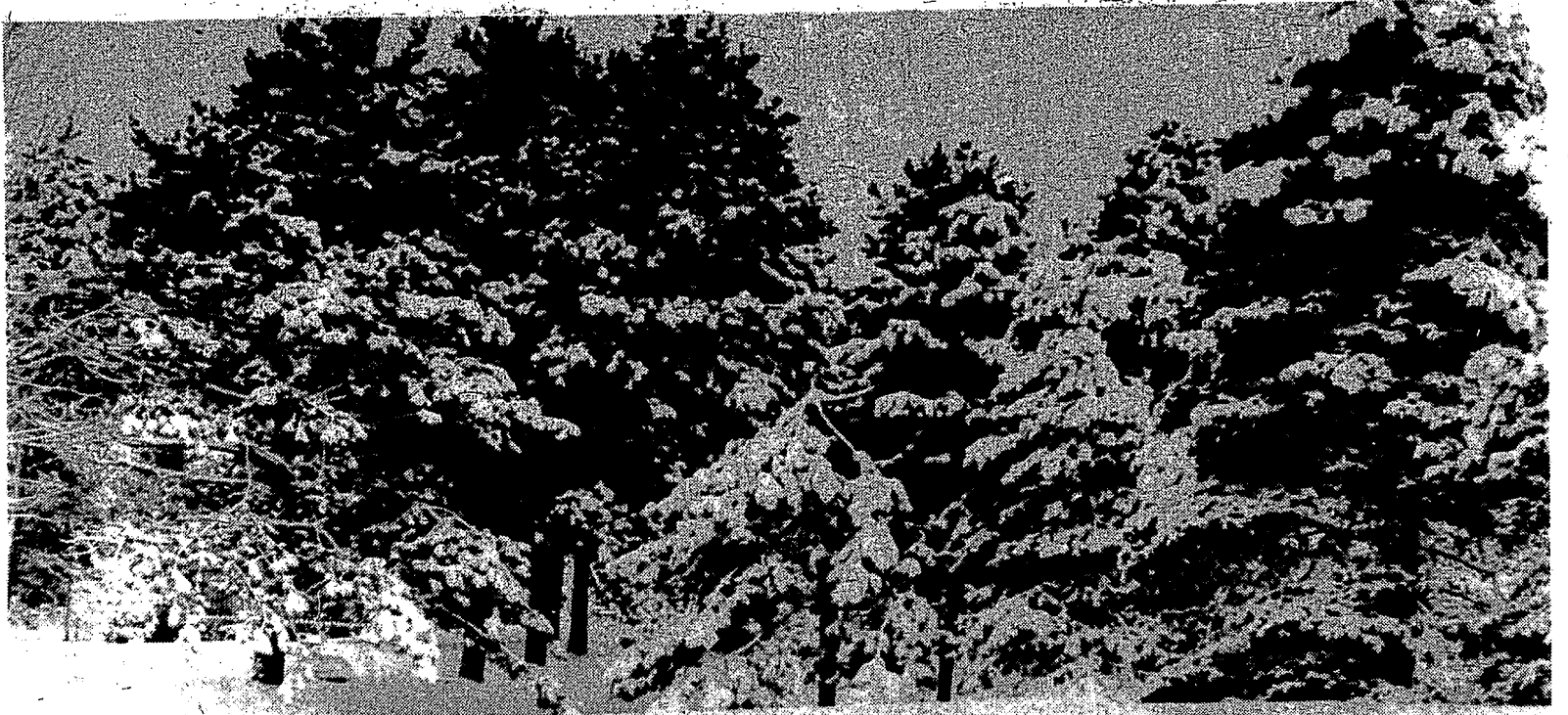
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Kerry Leegon [front] and Desiree Kellogg took advantage of snow-covered hills near their homes on King Road in Springfield Township last Thursday to have a little fling with their sled.



Jim's jottings

We may be the best ever

by Jim Sherman

Wonder if any conclusion can be drawn from the way people are buying Michigan's bicentennial license plates?

Could it be that people are caught up in the spirit of '76, that their cup runneth over in patriotism?

And, should this be so, are we willing (wanting) to rededicate ourselves to making the country over, starting with our communities?

Having drawn this conclusion (see how easy I talk myself into things), here's my list of areas or objects I'd like to see accomplished.

I'd like to see Pontiac Stadium become self-supporting. No more Engadine taxpayer dollars should

be spent on the Lions playpen.

I'd like to see the Tigers trade Bill Freehan, Joe Coleman, Ben Ogilvie, and Ron LaFlore for Mickey Lolich.

Let's re-elect all incumbents then give them a 52-week vacation, the assumption being it will be cheaper for the taxpayer to pay their wages than to pay the tax increases required from whatever action they will take.

It would be nice if '76 were the year I'd see a 10-point buck in my sights and have a 5 pound walleye on my line, and the same for you, my outdoor friends.

I'd like to see the county commissioners and sheriff's dept recognize their responsibility to resi-

dents in unincorporated portions of the county by supplying police protection.

It would be just fine if county executive Dan Murphy backed the above project. I really don't understand why police patrol became a township responsibility. It was never so in the part of Michigan I came from... nor in Oakland until rather recent history.

The drop in the murder rate in Detroit is a good sign, as is the drop in automobile deaths in Michigan. Now if we could decrease kidnappings, assassinations and attempts thereof, b & e's, and assaults this might not be a bad place to raise our children.

Wouldn't it be fine if the U.S.

brought home the most gold medals from the Olympic games this year in Montreal?

I'd like to hear of a country in turmoil where our CIA is not involved.

I'd like to have an anti-perspirant work the way it is advertised. The same is true of women's hair dryers (I just buy them, I don't use 'em), men's after shave, golf balls, Rapala (any) fishing lure, and our vacuum cleaner.

It goes without saying I'd like to see another year without our involvement in war, prosperity without inflation, and twice as many subscribers to this newspaper.

Happy New Year.