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Vote is Monday

All out effort to pass millage

By Dan Trainor
of The Clarkston News

A last minute campaign blitz is well under way this week in an effort to get the "yes" votes out for Monday's school election. Voters will be asked to decide the fate of a proposed 3.79 mill increase for school operations.

Placards, bumper stickers and window signs, absent during the unsuccessful spring campaign, are very much in evidence as the election campaign enters its final few days.

At stake in the election in addition to the millage is the extra curricular activities at all elementary and secondary schools along with the jobs of

cast during any given election.

The citizens committee, school officials and the Clarkston Education Association have gone all out to inform the residents what the outcome of the millage election will be.

The school board at last month's meeting said if the millage fails a second time, all extra curricular activities will be eliminated from the 1977-78 school program.

The extra-curricular activities, including all interscholastic athletics, intramurals and educationally related student groups, has an estimated cost of \$77,100.

The board acted upon the recommendation of Supt. Milford Mason who stated he could not justify the extra curricular activities when there may very well be a shortage of classroom instructors.

The cost of the activities, according to Mason, is the equivalent of about five teachers.

The campaign is an effort, Mason added, "to put forth, in the best effort we can, where we are going and what the issues are in hopes the people will look at them and give us a vote of confidence."

The school district is battling a lot of elements such as rising assessments and property valuations, which the district cannot control. Officials are hopeful voters give these factors consideration when going to the polls.

"Another factor laid at our feet," Mason said, "is students nationwide are not achieving the way people think they should. We get wrapped up in the national picture when it was shown last spring that, for the money we spend, we achieve very well on the state assessment tests."

"It is a crucial time for this district" Mason added, "and it is hoped people will respond for the sake of the children."

A full citizens committee campaign has been underway for some weeks with a door-to-door and neighbor-to-neighbor campaign explaining what the millage election will mean to the students.

Everyone should have been visited by the time the campaign is over, and a second visit is scheduled for many of the households, according to campaign coordinator Bill Potvin.

Flyers have been mailed out to all parents in the district and a door-to-door distribution of

flyers explaining the millage is expected to be completed by week's end.

In addition there will be reminder cards distributed over the weekend to all households urging them to vote on Monday.

The citizens committee, along with the CEA will be offering rides to the polls for anyone requesting the service along with babysitting services at the schools on the day of the

election.

For the first time in memory, there will also be poll watchers at all of the precincts.

Between 5 and 7 p.m. Monday, registered voters not having cast ballots by that time, will be receiving a phone call reminding them to vote and they will be offered any assistance needed such as rides and babysitting to get them to the polls.

The 3.79 mills (\$3.79 per \$1,000 assessed valuation) would, if passed, allow the school board to recall 35 teachers still on the lay off list and reinstate all current school programs, and continue the improvement of both instructional and non-instructional programs at a cost of \$1 million.

The improvements include

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VOTING INFORMATION

Date: August 8,
Poll Times: 7 a.m. - 8 p.m.
3:79 mills (\$3.79 per 1,000
of assessed valuation)

POLL LOCATIONS

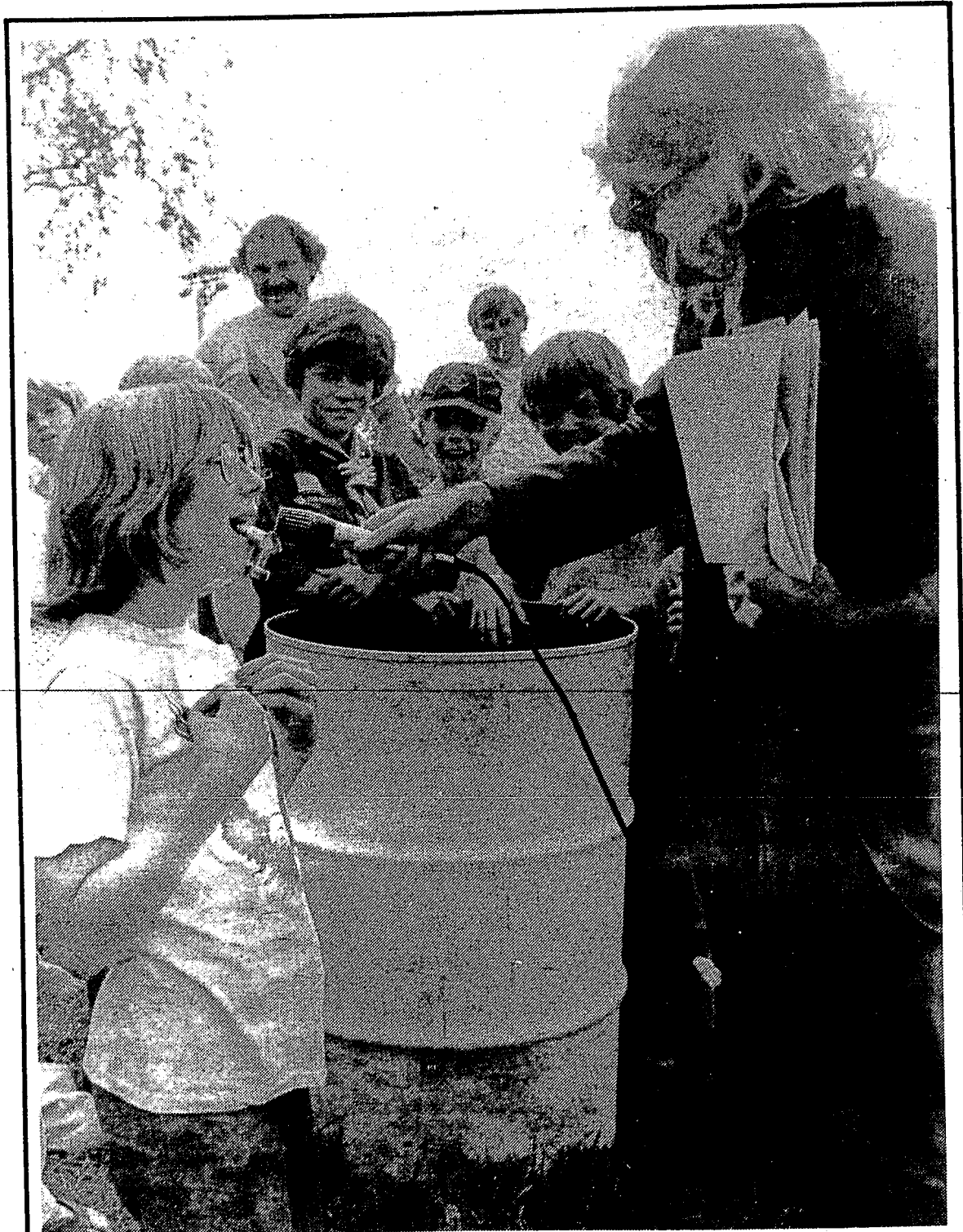
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- Precinct No. 11 North Sashabaw Elementary.

about 35 of the 49 teachers laid off by the school board.

The get-out-the-vote campaign has apparently been successful with 173 absentee ballots having been distributed as of noon Monday by Township Clerk Chris Rose. Voters have until 2 p.m. Saturday to vote by absentee ballot.

The number of absentee ballots already surpasses the 131 cast in the record setting voter turnout in June when 40 percent of the district's 12,235 voters defeated a 4.79 mill proposal by a narrow 207 vote margin.

Normally, Rose said, there are only 15 to 20 absentee ballots



Leonard Howarth, a Davisburg lawyer, masqueraded as a wino and Amber Shannon, of the Independence Eagles, not to be outdone, disguised herself as a garbage can, holding the sign "I Eat Trash". It was all for fun, but Amber received a free pass for a game of putt-putt golf for her efforts.

Schools

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upgrading of science series and two new textbooks in the elementary schools along with upgrading of elementary media centers, a program started two years ago, and the addition of 12 classroom aides to assist in overcrowded classes.

The only new program to be introduced would be a career education course for grades kindergarten through six.

At the secondary level, there would be new science equipment, reading support, instructional aides, media center and machine shop improvements, girls' lockers, band uniforms and replacement of the 17-year-old scoreboard at Clarkston Junior High.

Non-instructional programs would include roof replacements, asphalt repairs, window and door replacement and changing the lighting systems to fluorescent lights.

The millage would also erase a \$500,000 deficit being incurred in the school budget.

A lot of effort has gone into the campaign by the citizens, one school official said, but it is never known how successful it was until after the polls close and the votes counted.

Cost of Clarkston Schools August 8, Millage Issue
State Equalized Valuation
Approximately 50% of Market Value - of Homes for Tax Purposes
-NON SENIOR CITIZENS-

Gross Household Income	6,000	8,000	10,000	12,000	14,000	16,000	18,000	20,000	22,000	24,000	26,000	28,000	30,000	32,000	34,000	36,000	38,000	40,000
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Clarkston schools personnel say this chart depicts the exact amount of new tax which the millage will incur as dependent on household income and assessed valuation

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Rifle toting youths take animal toll

By Joe Gitter
of The Clarkston News

This is a warning to all animals. Do not venture into the Birdland subdivision, off Maybec Road, in Independence Township.

Small animals of all types, domestic and wild, have curious ways of dying in that otherwise peaceful, wooded area, according to Dorothy Stalker of 5855 Warbler.

Two young 14-to-16 year old, rifle toting youths have been responsible for the death and maiming of many squirrels, birds and cats, including her own 10-year-old tiger striped male, Stokely, says Mrs. Stalker. Recently, Stokely, who is neutered, was out roaming the woods with his pal Lucas, Mrs. Stalker said.

He limped home that afternoon. A .22 caliber pellet, fired from an air rifle had fractured his right front leg bone. As Dr. Earle Davis, a veterinarian, treated Stokely for the leg wound, he discovered three more pellets in the body area.

Dr. Davis said it would take at least 10 days for a pellet wound to heal completely.

"He had to be either held down or cornered. You just don't hit a cat that many times with a pellet gun," Mrs. Stalker said. "He's not going to sit still for that."

Dr. Davis pointed out, "This cat could have been shot on four different occasions."

Mrs. Stalker caught one boy stoning an injured blue jay in her back yard, apparently "putting him out of his misery," she mocked.

But, the animals are not the only ones threatened by these

trigger happy youngsters, she contends.

Children frequent the small woods that are the two youths' favorite hunting ground, Mrs. Stalker said.

"Nobody's been hurt yet to my knowledge, but it's coming," she added.

A .22 caliber air powered pellet rifle and a .22 caliber rifle, the youths' reported weapons, do have killing power, whether it be a squirrel or a child.

A nearby neighbor's house has had its back window pierced by a bullet, she said.

"I have a good idea who pulled the trigger," Mrs. Stalker said. A direct confrontation with the suspected child's parents proved fruitless.

As an animal lover, Mrs. Stalker has involved the Oakland County Sheriff's Department and Independence Township Police Services.



Stokely is lucky he's alive

New session set to digest Hawke's Cove material

The fate of the two month old Hawke's Cove proposed shopping mall and restaurant on Washington Street is yet undecided.

The Clarkston Village Planning Commission, buried beneath an influx of new information presented by planner Jay Eldridge of Vilican-Leman, ordered a special meeting for Tuesday, August 16 to reconsider the proposed rezoning.

"I don't think we should try to make a decision tonight," said commission president Jack Byers. "There's just too much to digest."

Hawke's Cove developer Marc J. Alan is requesting that the 7.1 acres of the Hawke Tool property be rezoned to a local business classification (B-1) from a light manufacturing one.

However, Eldridge maintains, the B-1 classification's intent as it stands now would not include the Hawke development. He proposed that the definition be modified by dropping the term

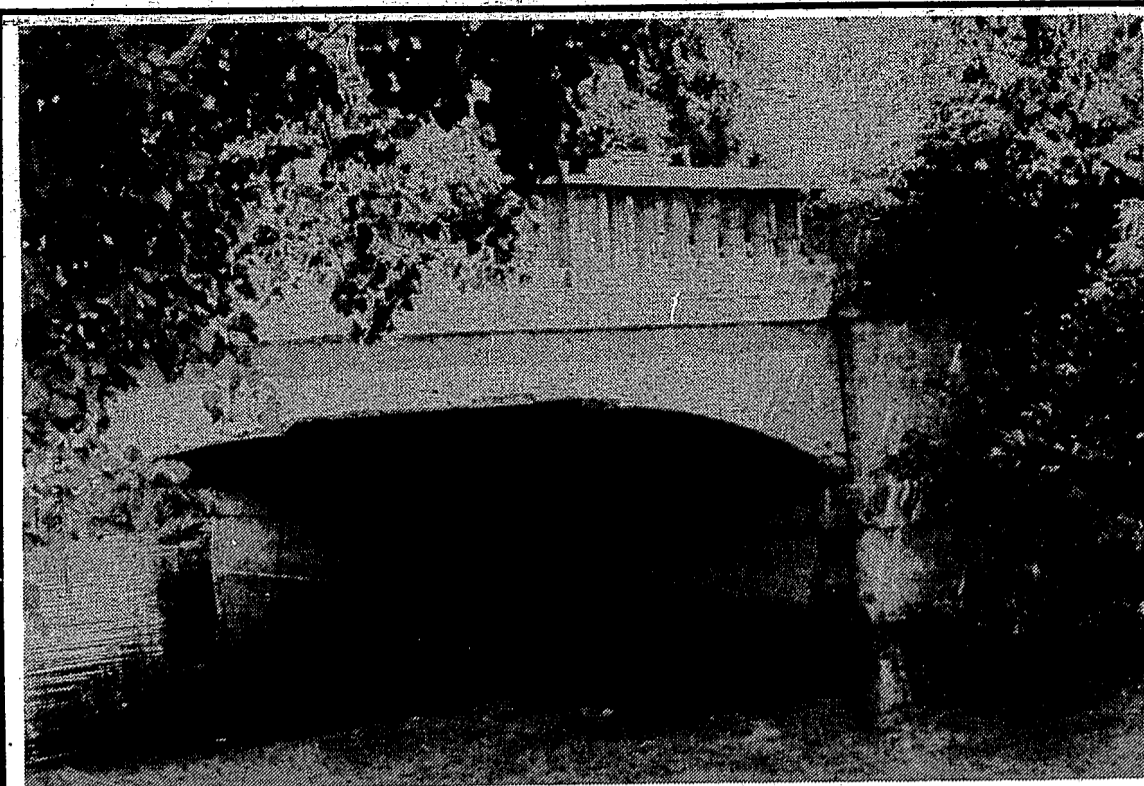
"local" and making provisions for a planned commercial development.

The most controversial Eldridge proposal, which caused an uproar in the packed meeting room, was the establishment of an access road from Washington Street through the Hawke property to Depot Road.

"The planners feel that the traffic situation in the village is bad enough as it is," Byers said. "The new traffic generated by Hawke's Cove is going to compound the problem. Routing the traffic as they have (through the Hawke property) will help alleviate some traffic problems."

Alternatives were presented, such as the extension of Waldon to connect with White Lake Road and the addition of a stop light at Depot Road and M-15, thereby facilitating two way traffic on that street.

The commission hopes to have a decision by the Village Council's August 22 meeting.



It's old, deteriorating and should be replaced, according to the Oakland County Road Commission. The problem is to replace the Andersonville Road bridge across Van Norman Lake, it will take \$100,000 and street repairs and improvements have a much higher priority at both the county and federal levels. The bridge is safe, road commission officials say, as long as the weight limitations are followed. The bridge is one of 70 in Oakland County declared deficient by the federal standards which are based on projected 1990 traffic standards. There is no imminent danger from any of the Oakland bridges, road commission officials added. The federal standards are much stiffer than necessary for driver safety.

Unsafe at any speed?

New heating gadgets less effective than wise heat use

By Jean Saile
of the Clarkston News

Homeowners, treated to a cool spell and already concerned about next winter's heating bills, would do well to proceed now with tried and true energy conservation methods, says Clarkstonite Bill Hampshire, senior heating and refrigeration inspector for the city of Pontiac.

"The savings to be gained from flue restrictors or dampers, or the piping in of outside air for combustion purposes are small compared to what good windows and storms, weather stripped doors and insulation can do," he says.

Hampshire points out that the safety of some of the controversial "retro-fit" devices has not yet been proven, and notes with approval a Space Heating Efficiency Improvement Program being undertaken in Macomb and North Oakland County by Consumer Power Co.

In that test program records will be kept on 70 homes, some of which will have not innovations made, some of which will have reduced orifices and flue restrictors and some which will have automatic ignition devices instead of furnace pilot lights and electronic chimney dampers.

William Tripp, Consumers district appliance and meter service superintendent, says the tests will consume two years, at which time all the add-ons will be removed.

The program is being undertaken with the cooperation of local governments, most of which have ordinances which do not allow the use of such devices, and homeowners whose living would be affected.

Tripp hopes that determination can thus be made as to efficiency, safety and cost savings.

While the City of Detroit is

now moving to allow flue restrictors, a method of keeping heated air in the furnace a little longer and preventing its escape up the chimney, Hampshire warns that faulty installation can cause poisonous fumes to escape into the house.

Flue restrictors are now on the market ranging in price from \$125 to \$400. Dampers, which do nearly the same thing, are also available on certain furnaces, but not yet as add-ons, Hampshire said.

He speaks of the necessity of municipal control to make sure add-ons are installed correctly and are therefore safe.

There is also talk about the efficiency of piping outside air into the furnace for combustion purposes, thus saving the already heated air. While such a system has been in use industrially for some time, Hampshire believes the savings negligible in comparison to wise use of heat.

"Most gas furnaces are already 80 percent efficient," he says. "Anything above 80 percent runs some safety risk."

His answer to spiraling prices, which he believes will triple in the next few years, is good windows as well as storms. "The savings in heat occurs because of the dead air caught between the window and the storm. If the window is faulty, it's not doing the job."

Good insulation is another proven money saver. So is the dismantling of yard gas lights, the glass screening of fireplaces and weather stripping of doors and storms.

Two arrested at Seger concert

Two 21-year-old men face a September 15 trial on charges of resisting a police officer stemming from a July 28 incident during the Bob Seger concert at Pine Knob Music Theatre.

Free on \$1,000 personal bond after entering not guilty pleas before District Court Judge Gerald McNally are James G. Kroetsch, of Livonia, and Michael E. Peeling of Detroit.

Kroetsch also faces trial on charges of possession of mari-

juana.

The pair were arrested, according to Oakland County Sheriff officials, after a plain clothed sheriff's deputy allegedly saw Kroetsch rolling a marijuana cigarette.

Sheriff officials said the officer identified himself and told the pair they were under arrest. They resisted, the official said, and a fight ensued before they were subdued and taken into custody.

Plans take form for big Labor Day weekend

Plans for a big Labor Day weekend in Clarkston, featuring a carnival, sidewalk sales, community events and a parade Monday, are already in the planning stages.

A carnival, sponsored by Clarkston Area Jaycees, is scheduled for September 2 to 5 in Depot Road Park. Besides rides, the park program will feature beer and handicraft tents, and a chicken barbecue will be served from 2 to 6 p.m. Sunday.

Village Business Association has planned sidewalk sales for Friday and Saturday, September 2 and 3.

Monday's program begins with a pancake breakfast served by Independence Township Fire Fighters at the main fire station, 3 East Church. Serving hours are 7 to 10 a.m., the \$2 adult and \$1.25 child charge being donated to help fight muscular dystrophy.

Rotarians are planning a giant parade at 10 a.m. through town. Theme of the parade is Community Pride.

Following the parade, the firefighters will sponsor a water battle tournament in the village parking lot at Main Street and Washington.

Afternoon events will include a corn-on-the-cob roast at the American Legion hall on M-15 just north of I-75.

Deer Lake Sailboat Club will be sponsoring regattas Sunday and Monday noons from the Deer Lake Beach.

High school band camp planned

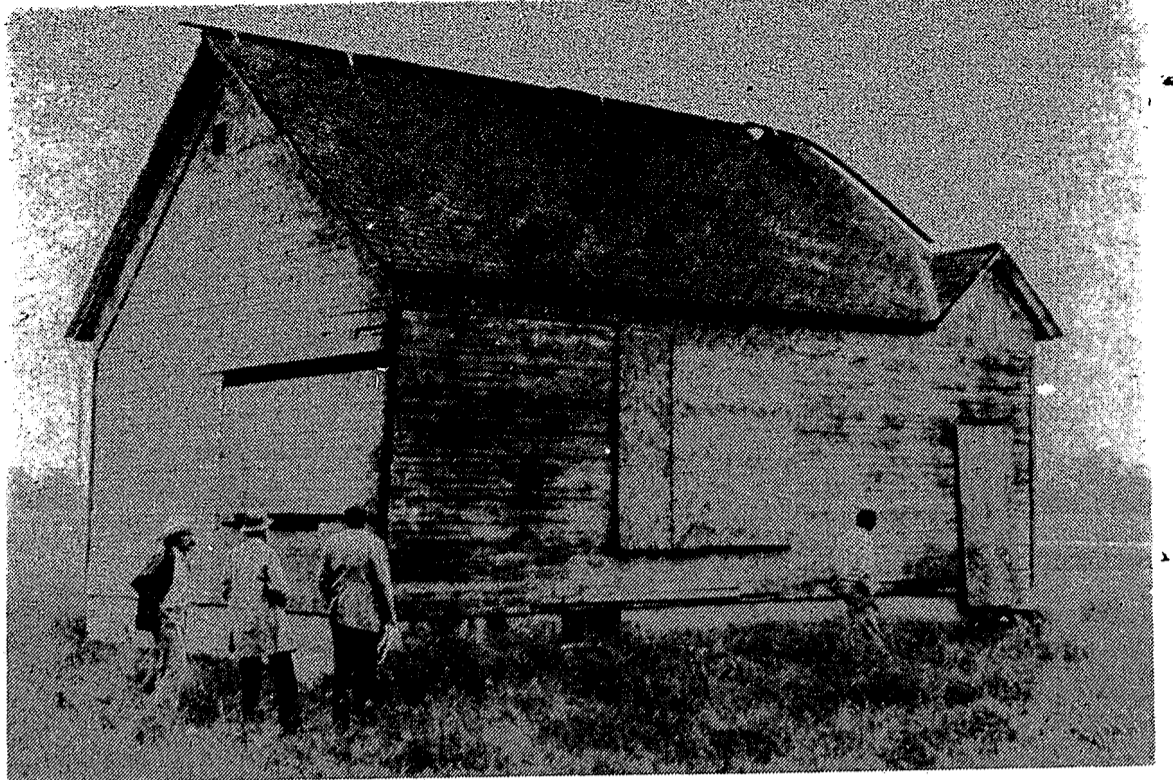
A number of Clarkston High School students, members of the band there, are in hopes the

August 8 millage vote is successful.

They're making plans for a band camp August 22 to 27 at Camp Holiday west of Ortonville, and hopes are that 80 to 100 students will turn out for the week long seminar under the skies.

Direction will depend on the success of the millage, they point out. A new band director to replace Keith Sipos whose teaching duties have been switched has yet to be hired.

Cost of the camp is \$55, a deposit due at the school by August 9.



A library board representative and renovators look over the old school building which will become a library.

Springfield library renovation job

Renovation of the old Andersonville School House at Andersonville and Hogback Lake Roads into a new Springfield Township library should begin within one month, according to Sue Adams, library board member.

At its July 25 meeting the board tentatively accepted a bid of approximately \$28,000 presented by Ty Cook of Mariner Building Co. The bid is subject to changes on inspection of the building.

The board has a budget of

approximately \$30,000 for the project. \$20,000 of the money is an advance awarded by the Springfield Township Board on the library's three-tenths of a mill annual budget. The interest free advance is to be paid back within four years.

The board hopes to cut Cook's estimate by utilizing volunteer services offered by township residents. The plumbing, electrical wiring and painting repair and installation have been volunteered, according to board

members.

Cook's bid was not the first to be accepted by the library board. Earlier a similar bid had been accepted, but the board had difficulty obtaining a building permit from the township. In the meantime, the bidders' construction company dissolved.

"All the enthusiasm for this project is winding down somewhat. It would be nice if we could get something going soon," said Kristie Rice, board member.

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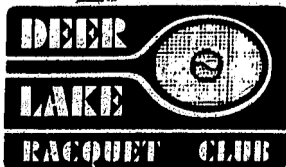
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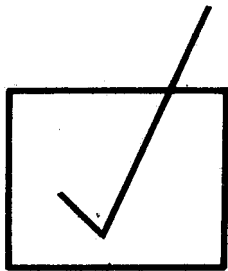
NOTICE OF ANNUAL ELECTION

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF CLARKSTON COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the special election will be held in Clarkston Community School District, Oakland County, Michigan, on Monday, the 8th day of August, 1977, that the polls for the election will be open from 7:00 o'clock A.M. to 8:00 o'clock P.M., Eastern Daylight Time, and that the voting places will be as follows:

- Precinct No. 1 — Independence Township Hall, 90 North Main Street
- Precinct No. 2 — North Sashabaw Elementary School, 5290 Maybee Road
- Precinct No. 3 — Independence Township Fire Station No. 2, 7825 Sashabaw Road
- Precinct No. 4 — Clarkston Senior High School, 6595 Middle Lake Road
- Precinct No. 5 — Pine Knob Elementary School, 6020 Sashabaw Road
- Precinct No. 6 — Bailey Lake Elementary School, 8051 Pine Knob Road
- Precinct No. 7 — American Legion Hall, Cranberry Lake Road and M-15
- Precinct No. 8 — Clarkston Junior High School, 6300 Church Street
- Precinct No. 9 — Clarkston United Methodist Church, 6600 Waldon Road
- Precinct No. 9A — Andersonville Elementary School, 10350 Andersonville Road
- Precinct No. 10 — Clarkston Senior High School, 6595 Middle Lake Road
- Precinct No. 11 — North Sashabaw Elementary School, 5290 Maybee Road

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Editorial



Vote 'yes' to give the schools an even break

A number of reasons coming across in conversation, by phone and word of mouth as to why some people are not happy about the forthcoming millage election Monday.

The increase in sewer, water, gas, electricity and phone rates jump to the forefront, closely followed by rising assessments, teacher and administrative salaries and generally everything deflating the pocketbook.

People are hesitant on pushing that "yes" button because it

will mean just one more increase they have to deal with in the household budget.

Oddly enough, the same reasons people are hesitant in supporting the 3.79 mill increase are the very ones wthey the school district needs the extra money.

The cost of operating the school district today is a great deal more expensive than it was five years ago; just as it is more expensive to operate a household today than it was five years ago.

Rising assessments have little to do with the school budget

since with each increase the district gets, it realizes that much less from state aid.

The schools are subject to the same increases as a household when it comes to utilities.

They are subject to the same increases a private corporation is when it comes to increases in payrolls and, for that matter, the working members of the household who receive salary increases.

What it boils down to is inflation.

Inflation hits the household, place of work, and it also hit the schools.

And, like its counterparts in the private sector, when expenditures surpass income something has to give—whether it be teachers or programs.

In Clarkston's case it will be both. If the millage fails more than 40 teachers will be permanently laid off—which can only mean an increase in the number of students per classroom.

In addition, all extra curricular activities will be cancelled with the resulting loss of possible college scholarships for students whether it be in athletics, music, drama or debate, not to mention the added enrichment those activities provide students.

It is not an easy choice but one that will have to be made and we hope it will be a positive one.

hill 'n gully



Concert time

by Jean Saile

If you should pass by the Saile domicile at about seven o' clock in the evening and you're greeted by the mournful howl of Trapper, the beagle, chances are Grandpa is playing his harmonica.

Trapper's talent for musical accompaniment was discovered some months ago when he objected to Liz' proficiency at the piano. Seated right next to the loud pedal, and unbudgeable, he added a distinct flavor to one of her Beethoven selections.

Doug thought any dog that smart (and Trapper is Doug's dog) ought to be able to both sing and accompany himself. He proceeded with the education, and finally there was one memorable day when we saw Trapper mount the piano bench, place both feet on the keys and whack out a few notes.

It turned out that Doug had left lunch meat on the music stand, and family visions of a million dollar dog disappeared with the table scraps.

Then came visit from my brother, Mel, whose claim to musical fame once consisted of a wired up contraption which held the mouth organ while he played and accompanied himself on the piano.

Mel is a vigorous man, and his offerings are always in conjunction with much foot stomping to mark the beat. He found

Grandpa's harmonica, and launched a stirring rendition of Red River Valley.

Trapper must have liked it. He sat right at Mel's stomping foot and kept up an incessant howling all the way through the whole number.

Even when we put him outside, he refused to budge from the door and rendered his solo from afar.

That was Trapper's best performance to date, however he is now and then moved to help Grandpa along in a softer rendition of Home, Sweet Home.

His howls are tentative so as not to offend, and there is much staring into Grandpa's face to make sure the help is appreciated.

What Trapper doesn't know is that it delights Grandpa no end.

And when I get my washboard, we just might go on the road. A little rhythm wouldn't hurt is the way I figure it.



Road work needed

The State Highway Department is taking steps to correct the traffic situation at White Lake Road and the Dixie Highway after years of controversy and many accidents. Turning lanes should be in use there this fall.

Now, if we can just get the state to take some action to provide even a fifth lane or an additional traffic light in front of Independence Commons Shopping Center, we might avert some further road problems.

In the two years since Clarkston District Court has been located in the area, the situation has worsened.

District Judge Gerald McNally says the area is especially hazardous in the late afternoon and on Friday nights. Many who appear in District Court drive old cars, and a car that falters even once as it pulls out into traffic on the Dixie becomes a statistic.

McNally believes the installation of a new light at the northerly entrance to Independence Commons, one coordinated with the light at Andersonville Road, could provide the break in traffic necessary.

We know something has to be done.

'If it Fitz . . .'

Bloodied but unbowed

by Jim Fitzgerald



For two reasons, it hurts me to type the following words: There is a big hole in the roof of the house at 1020 Pine Grove Ave., Port Huron, Mich.

The first reason it hurts is that there are five letter i's and two ,s (commas) in that sentence. In the touch system, the middle finger of the right hand is used to type i's and ,s. A large piece of flesh has been accidentally cut off the tip of the middle finger of my right hand.

There is blood on my i-and ,keys, and there are tears in my eyes, but I keep typing because this is my job and I will not back away from it, no matter how severe the pain.

Well, I have made one concession to the agony. The right-hand middle finger is also used for the k key. In fact, the k key is home base for that finger, and particularly hard, downward push is required to operate it. It hurts more to type k's than i's and ,s. So I am avoiding k's

whenever feasible.

Originally, today's column was going to be about the Cu Clux Clan. But that would be too bloody. So I am substituting the hole in the roof at 1020 Pine Grove Ave.

But first, you probably wonder how I cut my finger. It was my wife's fault. Pat left me waiting in the car while she dashed into the A&P to get a quart of milk. Because she was purchasing less than nine items, she could use the express check-out line, which meant she wouldn't be gone more than half a day. At our A&P, if you want to buy more than eight items, you first should get a leave of absence from your job.

I figured I would pass the time by reading the newspaper. I reached into Pat's beach bag to get my eyeglasses. You remember that beach bag. It goes everywhere, and carries everything. My wife never leaves anything home, for fear of

mildew. And I never carry anything in my pockets because they are lined with oilcloth and I must keep them available for smuggling slosh into the dry pavilion at Meadow Brook.

It is not easy to find what you want in the beach bag. While rummaging for the eyeglasses, I felt a sharp pain, and drew back a maimed finger.

"You must have found my razor," Pat said after I explained why I was sitting in my Oldsmobile full of blood. "I like to keep it handy for shaving my legs."

The dear woman must be afraid of 10 a.m. shadow.

So that's how I cut my finger.

Now you are wondering what is the second reason it hurt me to type those words in the opening paragraph. The second hurt is a pang, rather than a pain. I feel it in my heart, which is more useful than the middle finger, unless you are angry with some guy, in which case it is more

appropriate to give him the finger and keep your heart.

For most of the first 18 years of my life, I lived at 1020 Pine Grove Ave., in Port Huron. I love that house, and never would have left it if it hadn't been for Hitler. When I returned from overseas, I discovered my parents had moved, swishing a leafy tree branch behind them to erase their footprints.

Anyway, the other evening I returned to Port Huron to take Mother and Aunt Madeline out to dinner. (Since I got my Bank Americard, Mother is no longer sorry that I ultimately found her new home.) On the way to the restaurant, we drove to 1020 Pine Grove Ave.

As is my custom, I braked the car into a gunflection. That's when I saw the huge hole in the roof. It looked like the type of

hole fireman always chop into roofs, even when the fire is in the basement.

There wasn't time to stop and

investigate, but now here I am, back in Detroit, hurting for my old home. Was it gutted by fire? Most important, was the maid's room damaged?

That's where I slept. It was not as sexy as it sounds. Before the Depression, my family could afford a maid: She was laid off in 1934 and hasn't been called back yet. But her bedroom was called the maid's room forever after, even after I slept in it for 10 years.

It was Mother's way of keeping a tenuous hold on a grander past. If it were always the maid's room, there was always the hope the maid might return. Mother wouldn't have to wash windows anymore, and I could sleep in a cot in the basement.

Whatever, I loved that little room, and the pang will not subside. Someone in Port Huron had better reassure me about what happened at 1020 Pine Grove Ave.

As for my maimed finger, it is now a mess. The i key is bloodiest. I have paid for my ego in capital letters.

Clover Patch

For thinking people

by Dan Trainor



Jean Saile and I are thinking about opening a thinking persons bar where a couple can go for some peace and quiet and be able to converse without having a one-eyed monster blaring away, trying to surpass the decibel count of a quarter gobbling jukebox.

Sunday night was the last straw.

With three nephews down with the mumps, which provided them an excuse to watch the boobtube constantly over the weekend, Catherine and I had it and wanted to go out to have a drink at some nice quiet pub.

So it was off to the Main Event, only to find out it was closed on Sunday evenings.

How about the Green Parrot? That's close by.

That lasted long enough to walk in and see that one-eyed monster blaring away.

So it was head north to Donnell's.

The television was in full operation there also, but we found a back table with a post between us and the boobtube and, at the time, the noise level was tolerable.

That didn't last too long when a couple, still living the teeny bopper days, plunked their money into the juke box,

and from there it was a contest of who could get the volume the loudest.

Now it's heading south to the Holiday Inn on Telegraph but unfortunately that, too, was closed.

Okay one more try and then we will call it quits, my wife and I decided.

Onto the Harbor Bar in Keego we decide.

Alas, the television and juke box were both in operation but we decided enough is enough—we are going to surrender and have our drink anyway.

We had thought about buying a six pack and rowing

out into the middle of Orchard Lake but the way our luck was running there would probably be all kinds of fishermen with battery operated TV's and radios out there.

Well, after the one drink, the Tigers were down 2-1 and it was their turn at bat in the ninth inning. We thought that would give us just enough time to get home about the time of the third out, game over and the kids on their way to bed.

Aha, peace and quiet in the comfort of our own home, we thought.

As our luck would have it,

Ogilvie put one in the seats as we pulled into the driveway so it was another inning and a half of the +##*%°# televised game we had to sit through.

Someday we will find some nice quiet place with no television, jukebox, bands, singers, pinball machines or these electronic machines that bar owners feel are necessary to entertain customers.

Either that or we'll take Jean up on her idea of starting a place of our own where the entertainment is the conservation between people.



Letters to the Editor

The jury is out

By now we are all aware that the prosecution and defense have rested their cases regarding our upcoming millage election on August 8, 1977. The deluge of evidence, both pro and con, has been presented. It is time for the jury to reach its final verdict in this case.

The jury in this particular situation must weigh many pieces of circumstantial evidence: higher taxes, eyewitness testimony that this district does not need additional revenue, a lack of credibility between defense witnesses and the jury, the lack of employee contracts for 1977-78, etc. On the other hand, the jury must decide whether the defendant in this case is really guilty.

The defendant in this case did not really raise our taxes. As a matter of fact, he is a tax exemption for some of us. In

addition, he knows very little about school revenue, credibility or contract negotiations. He is still too concerned about learning how to read and write to think about such matters. Yet, he is the ultimate defendant; and the jury's decision may mean a life sentence for him.

At this time, all our defendant can do is wait for the final verdict on August 8, 1977. He really cannot predict his future until he knows what the jury has decided. One thing he does know for sure: whatever the decision is, it will affect his future—either in a positive or negative way.

As jurors, perhaps we should consider his future. After all, he is such a bright young fellow.

Al Bartlett, President
Clarkston Education
Association

The schools need our vote

I am taking this opportunity to express my concern over the state of our school district. As you know the last millage request was defeated by a very small margin of only 200 votes. When one looks at this figure one must realize that it is indeed a small amount when compared to the approximately 8000 qualified voters who did not take part in that election on June 13th. That millage election was said to have had an excellent turn-out for such elections. However, one must admit there is considerable room for improvement.

The urgency of the Special Election on August 8th is apparent. Twelve years have passed since the last millage increase for the operational budget for the Clarkston School District. This operational bud-

get pays for the staples of our children's education. These staples are things such as gasoline, bus driver salaries, buses, insurance, classroom materials, and utilities. These expenses are for things that most of us as parents are painfully aware of in running our individual households. Mounting increases in household expenses is fact. The financial crisis of our schools is fact. To compensate for the increase in operating the facilities, cutbacks in other areas are certain. The special reading programs, athletics, music, the new media centers, and many other programs may all suffer heavy cutbacks or termination. There is also the possibility of teacher lay-offs which will cause an increased classroom load for those teachers remaining.

Classes could reach as high as 40 to 45 students per teacher. One result of this overcrowding could be less individual and personal attention for our children.

The Clarkston area is growing and with it the student population. We have fine teachers and good facilities for teaching our children. My family and I moved to this area partially due to the reputation of the Clarkston School District and its progressive educational programs. I believe that in helping the school district we help our children. At this point in time the Clarkston School District not only needs our help but deserves it.

Sincerely,
Frank H. Millard
4635 Oak Grove
Independence Township

School administration should also bite the bullet

Sirs:

As an alumnus of Clarkston High, and as one who is keenly interested in education, I have paid attention to both sides in the millage argument. As a result, I am convinced that the problem with the school system in Clarkston is not the refusal by the voters to enact a higher tax, but poor and self-serving administration by the board, the superintendent, and several others who hold decision-making power within Clarkston's schools.

While the administrators have bombarded us with persuasions, requests, and even threats (under the euphemism "hard sell") by way of this paper, various "forums", and even use of the high school scoreboard (supposedly publicly owned and apolitical), they are indeed guilty of half-truth and attempting to

whitewash some very relevant facts. While they have threatened budget cuts in the services extended to the students, they fail to offer any cuts from their personal, self-benefitting, pork-barrel. A few examples are in order:

1. While threatening to cut the vast majority of sports at both the high school and junior high level, they mention nothing about the \$27,000+ job of sports supervisor. Will his job OR his salary be cut to match? I sincerely doubt it. He is already paid more than the holder of the same position in the city of Pontiac, and only has 1/2 the responsibility (considering the difference in size of school districts).

2. They have paid \$30,000 per year to a former high-school principal (who accomplished

such feats as being the first to campaign for a political candidate at a commencement ceremony under the phony guise of a congratulatory letter) to supervise cafeterias and road conditions (the correlation between the two escapes me at the moment). Considering his performance in the latter area last year (having school during a severe snowstorm—one of only two districts between Detroit and Flint to do so in that instance), I must question his value to this district as anything other than a full-time chum to those at the top of the administration.

3. When serious improvement is needed immediately in the college prep area (if such a thing actually exists) at the high school, the board has chosen to spend \$3,000 on a new scoreboard (the old one works fine,

\$7,000 on resurfacing the gym floor (it didn't look too bad a year ago), and \$20,000 on new band uniforms (they feel the band members are either too good or too dumb to help raise the money as is done in other districts). It would appear that in addition to some of the other qualities our brilliant board lacks, they know little if any about priorities.

4. While I agree that seniority should be one of the major factors in hiring and firing, it should not be the only one. Competency or performance should be another factor. Several younger teachers were let go because they had not worked in the district very long, despite the fact that they did an excellent job. On the other hand, the high school still has a chorus teacher who uses class time to rehearse her play lines, and still

pays three U.S. History teachers to do the work of one.

I could go on, perhaps filling this newspaper with examples, but I feel the point has been made. The administration must bite the bullet as well. If they were to do this in good faith (somehow I doubt their capability to do so), then I would reconsider my position on the millage. The kids deserve the best, and it is the job of the administrators to use our tax money wisely to see they have it, instead of padding their pockets with it. Therefore, I must urge a vote against the millage on August 8. Should the administration cut student benefits and not the administrative fat, I would also recommend any sort of recall or vote of no confidence that could be possible.

An angered resident.



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Maggie's one of the boys



On defense Maggie plays in the pitcher's position due to her speed and quickness.

By Joe Gitter
of the Clarkston News

Poor Dave Larkin! As coach of the Highland House sponsored Pee Wee boys' baseball team, Larkin was "stuck" with the last pick of the pool of eight or nine year olds signed up to play ball this year.

But, the last pick was not a little boy at all. More by default that design Larkin chose eight-year-old Maggie Gdula, the only girl to play in the Independence Township Pee Wee league.

Larkin got a few laughs and lots of kidding from other coaches in the nine-team league. But, now as the summer season draws to a close it appears the joke is on them.

"She's a super little ball player," Larkin said. "Maggie's above average on our team and we have an above average team."

Of course, Larkin made it clear at the very beginning of the season to Maggie and her parents that she was perfectly welcome on the squad and would be given an equal chance to play along with the boys.

Maggie made herself at home and Larkin didn't have to worry about the rest of the 15-member squad, all of whom are boys.

"The beginning of the season I told the kids that we've got a girl on the team," he said. "They asked me who she was and when I told them they said not to worry, because she was a better ball player than most of the boys anyway."

The team does not keep statistics, batting averages and the like, but Maggie starts every game either on pitcher's mound or in left field.

Larkin plays her on the mound because of her quick reflexes.

"She's a very competitive gal," he added. Being a fourth child with three older brothers who all play baseball gives the young lady plenty of opportunity for practice and competition.

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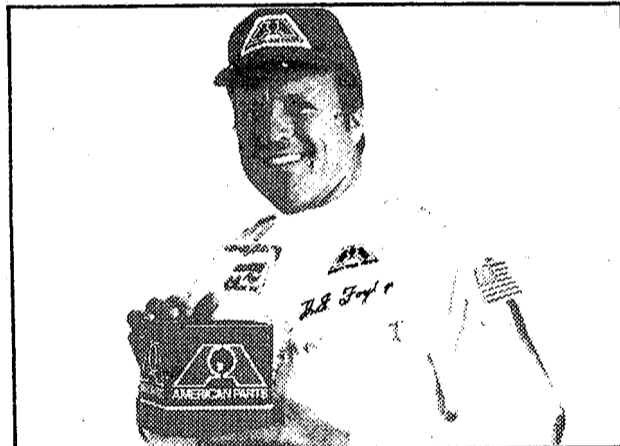


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- Pasteur discovers a scientific method.

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- Solve the energy crisis?
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(Above) Maggie's long brown hair gives her away. (Left) She's 'just one of the boys,' according to her coach Dave Larkin.

Maggie

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Maggie is just another ball player as far as anyone on the Highland House team is concerned. "She's just one of the boys," Larkin said.

In fact, with the matching team uniform, about the only way to distinguish Maggie from the boys is by her long, straight brown hair. It's hard to hide.

The Pee Wee League's regular season ended last week with Larkin's squad battling first place Pine Knob Pharmacy for supremacy in their division.

Despite their valiant efforts the Highland House squad was defeated in the bottom of the fifth, 6-5, and was relegated to fourth place, only half a game out of first.

But, Maggie and the rest of the team are looking forward to another chance as the post-season playoffs begin this week.

Answer

In the first group, the answers are known.

In the second group, the answers are heretofore unknown. The solution to the first group of answers came through love, hard work and dedication after years of what was the product of education.

The answers to the second group are locked in the young minds of our nation's children, maybe even here in Clarkston.

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Dr. James O'Neill

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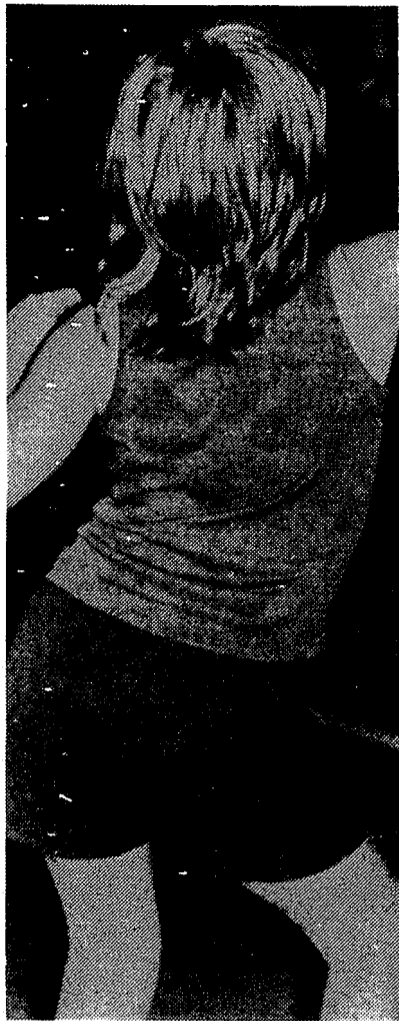
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It's a topsy-turvy world

Twenty-five hopeful future Clarkston High School cheerleaders, including six-year-old Kathy Gardner, have been practicing their jumps, stunts and cheers in the high school gym as part of a cheerleading clinic sponsored by this year's varsity cheerleading squad.



Physical exams due

Preparations are being made for the fall boys' and girls' sports programs in the Clarkston School District. The fate of those programs rests on the August 8 millage vote.

Physical examinations, required for participation in any sports program, have been tentatively scheduled.

Junior high boys would report to the Clarkston High School gym Tuesday, August 9 at 8 a.m. High school boys would report to the gym Wednesday, August 10 at 1 p.m.

A \$5 fee will be charged for all examinations. That fee is turned over to the Clarkston Athletic Program.

Girls' basketball tryouts begin

Girls' basketball tryouts for grades 10 to 12 will begin Monday, August 15 at Sashabaw Junior High. Tryouts will last approximately three days with two sessions daily from 9-11 a.m. and 3-5 p.m.

All girls must present a physical form in order to try out. Forms are available at the high school office. Those interested in the school sponsored physicals through Dr. James O'Neill should contact Miss Janet Modesitt (625-3864) or Miss Kathy DeArmond (625-8165) for an appointment.

Sashabaw Junior High will be open from 2-4 p.m., August 10, 11 and 12 for those girls interested in polishing up their skills before tryouts.

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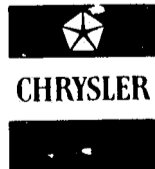
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Floodwaters swept thru Clarkston

The year was 1941 and fish were plentiful

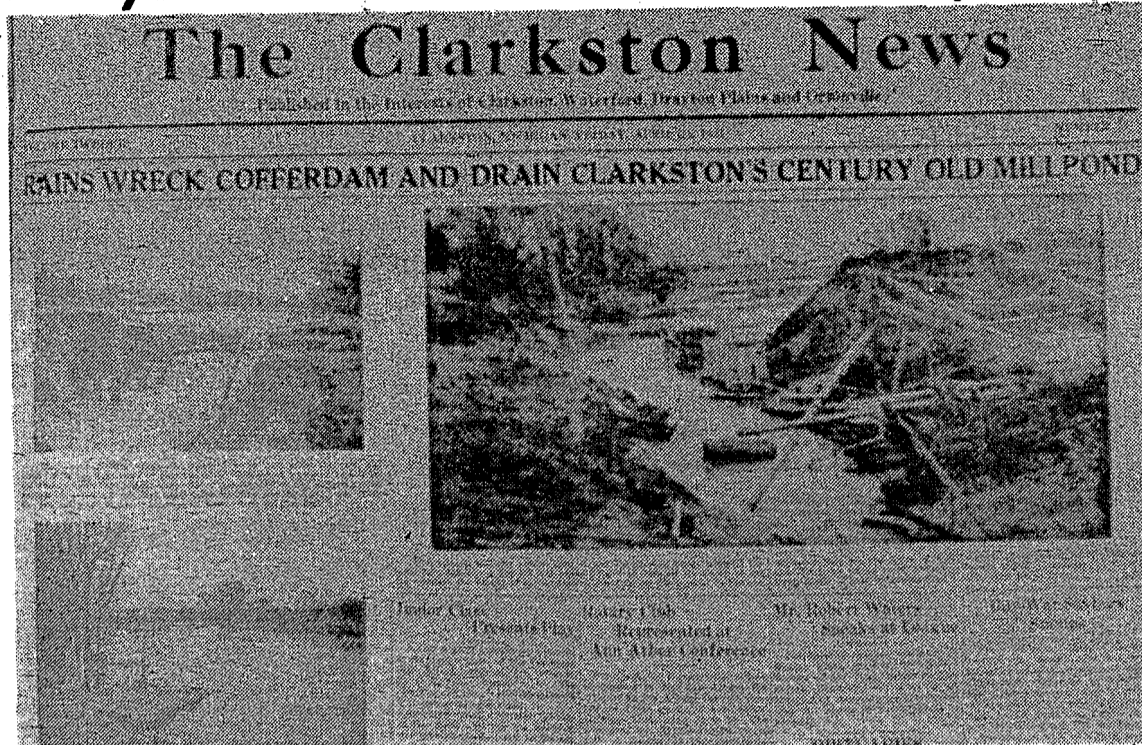
By Jean Saile
of the Clarkston News
When Stanley Cuthbert brought tales to Clarkston of his experiences during the most recent Johnstown flood in Pennsylvania, he evoked memories of a flood much more personal and close to home. The Clarkston News of Friday, April 25, 1941, put the time at about 4 p.m. Sunday, April 20. The old Mill Pond dam, built in 1838, had been weakened by construction work involved on the new Ford plant across Washington Street and three days of heavy rain.

Rudy Schwarze of Rudy's Market, which was located then in the building now occupied by Dennis Kacy's law offices, was standing at the rear of the store watching the rain. "There was a roar and the water went pouring through," he says.

The Clarkston News said, "So great was the force of this water that it cut a gap in the dam nearly 60 feet wide and washed out a steel and cement pier of construction work."

"The water in the pond dropped better than a foot a minute until the water had gone down about fifteen feet. Then while the speed slowed down, the pond continued to drain until as we go to press there is just a small stream flowing through the old mill pond."

The paper makes no mention



of personal injury or property loss, and oldtimers can remember none, however Bud Yoh believes a greenhouse once located in Depot Road park may have been flooded.

Bud was a 21-year-old amateur photographer, home from Alma College, when he saw people streaming past his Washington Street home. He took what are now the only existing pictures of the torrent.

Many of the thousands who came downtown in the flood's aftermath were equipped with spears and sticks to capture the

huge fish left stranded in shallow pools after the water had passed.

Rudy, Bud and Bob Jones, then president of the Clarkston Bank, remember them variously as pike, carp and bass, some of them three feet long.

"Anybody that wanted fish could get all they wanted," Yoh remembers. "What is now Depot Road Park was covered."

Henry Ford purchased the Washington Street property, now proposed as a new village mall, and was eyeing it for industrial uses as war began to

seem more and more imminent.

Jones says he had taken down the old mill and its foundations which sat at the rear of the present Rudy's Market, and he was working on the dam to revamp the water flow into a new facility.

To get the work done, he'd put in a cofferdam—a watertight enclosure from which water is pumped to expose the bottom—and the rear had been taken out to build a new sluice.

Heavy spring rains proved to much for the weakened barrier, he recalls.

Bob Boynes, then an employe of General Motors, watched from his Main Street home and remembers wondering if a construction crane on the bank wouldn't be washed away, but the bank held.

A road of heavy planks probably 10 feet long and a foot wide by four or six inches thick had been placed on either side of the waterway from the dam to Depot Road. "The flood waters floated these planks across Depot Road like so many toothpicks," said the paper.

Jones remembers that after the flood, Ford brought in 20 new Ford trucks. The side of the pond was redressed, stumps pulled from the bottom and hundreds of loads of "beautiful black dirt" were removed from the pond.

Ford trucked the dirt to anyone in the area who wanted it. Jones got some, so did Yoh. And when the job was done, the trucks were totally worn out, Jones remembers.

The new dam was installed in July or August and the stream closed off. Everybody in town started making bets it would take two to three years to fill the enlarged pond, Jones recalls.

"The Clinton river was only about two feet wide and not very deep, and then all of sudden the fall rains came and in two weeks' time, the pond was filled up," he remembers.

New residents survive Johnstown flood

By Joe Gitter
of The Clarkston News
Stanley Cuthbert, his wife Cookie, and daughters Ann, 6, and Karen, 2, were packed and ready to leave their Johnstown, Pennsylvania, home for Michigan when disaster struck.

Eight steady hours of hard rainfall burst the Laurel Run Dam, in the hills above Johnstown, sending a 10-foot high wall of water crashing down on much of the Conemaugh Valley below.

The Cuthberts, "one of the lucky ones," escaped with their lives and are now looking for a place to stay in Clarkston.

"It was a strange experience," said Cuthbert, with a look of disbelief on his face. "It started raining about 9 p.m. Tuesday and it rained steady and hard! We were sitting on our porch watching the rain—never realizing the possibility of a flood."

The family of four was evacuated from their rented home early the next morning before the flooding really began. According to Cuthbert, a nearby machine shop was filling with water. That shop contained salt bath heat treating furnaces, which will explode on contact with water, he added.

The remainder of that night and the next day were spent in

emergency facilities in the town fire hall as the flood took its toll on the community.

"Our house was one of the lucky ones," Cuthbert recalls, relieved at the thought. The basement was flooded to the first floor, but most of their possessions are safe and dry upstairs awaiting the trip to Clarkston.

Neighbors did not fare as well, however. The Cuthbert home is located on a rise along Ferndale Avenue in Johnstown.

"For a block on either side of us people took water halfway up the first floor. Friends of ours lived on the side of a nearby hill. The water and mud slides took out their house, car ... everything."

And the horror story continues. At least 60 people have died and another 60 are missing as clean-up operations attempt to salvage what is left from the worst Johnstown flood in 88 years.

"There have been two bad ones in the past," Cuthbert said. One in 1889 killed 2,209. Another less vicious flood took place in 1936. "This will be the third," he lamented.

But, Johnstown residents are not unfamiliar with excess amounts of water. The Conemaugh River overflows its banks

nearly every spring, Cuthbert said. Ironically, the river did not flood this year.

Luckily for many Johnstown residents this was the first year they could insure their homes and property against flooding, according to Cuthbert.

That will not help some of the victims. Most policies require that damage be done by actual flood waters, he added. The accumulations of rain water rushing down hillsides, so common to the Allegheny Mountain area, literally carried away some homes. Insurance policies won't do them much good, Cuthbert said.

"Imagine it (Johnstown) as a basin with houses built up the sides. The heavy rainfall came cascading down those sides picking up rocks and trees and carrying them into homes."

Conditions are improving in the coal-steel town of 42,000 as the flood waters gradually recede. Yet, thousands are left homeless, including the Cuthberts.

They gathered up their children and a few possessions and left Johnstown for Michigan as soon as possible, Sunday, four days after the disaster struck.

They are now temporarily

located in a Troy hotel as they search the Clarkston area for a new place to call their own.

"Right now we're looking as

hard as we can to find a place to move our stuff into," Cuthbert said.

He wants a dry spot.

Passing of the dam

The sparkling waters in the pond
"A gorgeous sight to look upon",
For countless souls like me who
found
This beauty spot in our home town.

But I find now that it appears
That generations thru the years,
For magic eyes had often wished
As they sat on the pond and fished.

They weren't content with waves
that rolled
But 'lowed as how there must be
gold,
And things of value by the score
Reposing on its murky floor.

Now Mother Nature, man's best
friend,
Had heard these longings, time no
end,
So thunder roared and rain came
down
And filled the pond in our home
town.
Great bulwarks planned by human
brains

Could not withstand such furious
rains,
That nature hurled at works of man
And so the passing of the dam.

Now people came from far and near
And stood in line so they could
peer,
Without the aid of magic eye
Upon the pond with bottom dry.

Instead of riches from a dream
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we'en
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dish,
Some mud and filth and grubby
fish.

Just when and if there comes a
time
The waves slosh on high water
line,
I think we all will be content
To view the surface as was meant.
Robert C. Beattie.
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Township building inspector busy man

by Dan Trainor
of The Clarkston News

\$50,000 to \$1000,000 homes. From the time a shovel hits the ground until the new township residents move into their freshly completed house, township inspectors visit the construction site 12 different times, eight by Curn and twice each by the electrical and plumbing inspectors.

With 150 homes in some stage of construction dotting the 36-square mile township, it makes for a busy schedule

If there is any one single person in the community that sees the continual progress and growth of Independence Township it would have to be Building Inspector Dick Curn.

Each morning, Curn picks up a handful of inspections slips, climbs into his pickup truck and is on his way, winding through the township, looking at wooden skeletons that will soon be

normally booked solid two days in advance.

The builders are cooperative, Curn said. By law they can request an inspection within 24 hours and if the inspection is not made they can legally proceed without it.

They realize the phenomenal building boom that is going on in the community, Curn added, and they wait until the township can fit them into the schedule.

His job takes him to every part of the township.

On a normal workday-morning, Curn stopped at Chapel View Estates on Clarkston Road on his way into work to make final inspection on two homes so the new owners could move in over the weekend.

"Friday is normally final inspection day," Curn said. "Everyone wants a final because weekends are move-in days."

After planning his day at the office, Curn was off to the northern edge of the township to make, what he thought, an inspection on a garage being added to a home on Oakhill.

It turned out to be just a request for advice on how to proceed on the addition and an inquiry by the woman whether her father, a carpenter from the "three nailer" vintage, could make the truss.

After advising her to buy a pre-made truss from a company specializing in trusses because of liability, cost and paperwork, it was off to the eastern section of the township for an inspection on Park Street in Thendara Park.

There it was crawling down an improvised ladder just to make sure the grade of the basement area was proper before cement was poured.

Then there was a final inspection on Harvard where he

found an anxious builder. The family was due to move in the following morning.

From there it was to the southern section of the township to check the backfill on the unfinished basement on Harding.

All during this time, Curn was making a few sidetrips looking at the homes and backyards of the area just to make sure no one hastily tossed up a shed or a garage since the last time he was through the area.

"It is amazing sometimes," Curn said. "You go through an area one day and a few days later you go through it again and there is a shed or a garage that has gone up."

"You wonder to yourself, was it there before or wasn't it?"

Then it is back to the office to research the records and, if there is no record of a permit, a violation notice is sent to the owner telling him to either come into the office and get the permit or face a penalty.

It makes for a busy six-day a week schedule, Curn added.

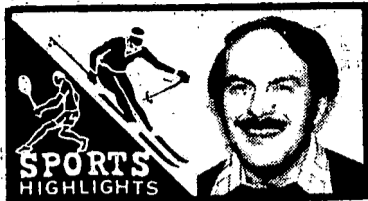
The name of the game for inspecting, Curn added, "is to protect yourself. I learned that a long time ago."

"When something goes wrong and I go looking for the builder, he is sometimes out of business or on vacation," he added.

"I have to live with the taxpayer for a long time and don't need the problems. I've got enough of my own."

One of the problems Curn doesn't readily talk about is trying to convince the township board he needs more help.

With the exception of part time electrical and plumbing inspectors, the job of making sure homes are constructed properly is up to him.



by David McNeven, Coach

Golf has always been known as the sport of kings. Perhaps this got started because members of the royalty were the only ones who had the room, the long rolling greens, at their disposal. But now it is a game for everyone, to the point where it has become a large problem at some golf courses. The sport, like skiing, is almost too popular on ideal days, and the golfer spends more time waiting at each hole than he or she does actually playing. Everyone accepts some waiting as part of the game, but if you come to a hole and there are fifteen people ahead of you, it could ruin your day. One way around this in both public and private courses, is some kind of reservations system.

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Letters to the Editor

House fire brings mixed reviews

My husband and I would like to make known our great appreciation of the Independence Township Fire Department. Our house caught on fire on July 21, and if it weren't for their quick response, our house would have gone up in flames. Instead we have a lot of smoke damage. Also, a big thanks to all the volunteer firemen. No one was at home at the time and when my husband and I arrived, we couldn't have asked for more kindness and consideration.

Would also like to make

known our deep disappointment in the Independence Township Animal Control Officers. They went into our house to get out our cat and because she was unconscious and looked dead, they put her in a black plastic bag and put her out in our backyard. Our great neighbor, Jake Drake, went out just to double check on her and found our cat was alive. The fire department gave her oxygen and we rushed her to the veterinarian and now she is home and doing quite well. We think Independence Township Animal Control

needs to learn that just because an animal is unconscious, they should at least check for a heart beat.

Thanks to all our wonderful friends and neighbors for all their help and consideration and a special thanks to Mrs. Morse who first discovered our fire while driving by and took the time to find a phone to call the fire department.

Hats off to our great fire department and thumbs down to our disappointing animal control unit.

Donald and Mary Phelps
Clarkston

School efficiency should be improved

Because the millage was defeated this spring, the school management for Clarkston Schools has laid out cutback threats and exaggerated needs for what other schools operate on more efficiently. This strategy is to lure the taxpayers to "OK" a request for higher taxes without a guarantee that an improvement in the basic skills will be forthcoming. This bothers me: why can't we be told of the improvements in efficiency and dollar use we will get, not the cutbacks, the frills and extras is not why the millage will not pass. A good number of people are disturbed that the quality is not evident and that the basic skills which education represent are not evident in our children. If it would pass, I feel

sorry for those people who think that the school management will put the emphasis back on education rather than their athletics and other frills. You must not know what goes on in your schools or have not been in Clarkston long enough to understand what is going on over there. I hope the commu-

nity once again lets the administrators know that they want to see better education first and frills second. We will all be better off! I urge you to get out and show them. We may be paying taxes for something we don't want.

Mrs. Robert Shall
Clarkston

We have the choice

Dear Jean,

A member of Calvary Lutheran Church just returned from a work assignment in Russia. He says the problems in our system are nothing compared to what the Russian people have to face.

They aren't even given the choice to vote \$6.32 more a month in taxes for educating their children. (Based on an

assessed valuation of \$20,000.)

We are given that choice on August 8, and in spite of our problems, I'm convinced we'll vote "Yes" to modestly increase the support for our kids who are counted as important by a proud and unselfish Clarkston community.

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Curtain time

By Joe Gitter
of The Clarkston News

Detroit is the capital of rock and roll and Bob Seger is king. 10,000 hyped-up, screamin' rock-'n-rollers proved beyond a doubt that nothing compares to loud, tightly performed rock, especially Seger's rock.

Jay Boy Adams, a six-man country-rock ensemble, began the show at 7:30 p.m. and performed a generally ignored 40 minute set. Few patrons paid much attention, obviously too engrossed in preparation for Seger's appearance.

But, Bob's been around a while and he knows how to handle a crowd. He manhandled this one. Forty-five long minutes preceded Seger's act after Jay Boys' disappearance.

An unprecedented number of frisbees flew overhead in the final minutes as the frustrated

crowd nearly burst with anticipation.

But, he did appear finally - garbed in his traditional black shirt with contrasting white vest and tight white pants.

Seger had the already rowdy crowd in the palm of his hand from his first tune "Rock and Roll Never Forgets." He cut right into "Travelin' Man" followed with his well known transition into "Beautiful Loser." The crowd was on its feet applauding every song.

But, Seger, controlling the pace of his show with an experience garnered through years on the stage, sat them right down again with his best known ballad "Turn the Page."

The crowd was yo-yo'd all evening, expertly manipulated by a masterful performer. Seger dug into his repertoire pulling out all his hits including, "Ship

of Fools," "Main Street" and the classic Segerized 50's tune "Mary Lou."

The five piece Silver Bullet Band is one of the finest in rock circles today. Tight, well performed instrumentals and spotlights on all the members thrilled the already heady crowd.

Two new songs, to appear on an upcoming fall album, received an outstanding response. Seger could do no wrong. "Feel Like a Number," a rocker in the vein of "Travelin' Man" had the crowd on its feet, an almost unheard of feat for a new tune.

A new ballad, "The Famous Final Scene," lacked the volume and power of "Number" but the crowd ate it up anyway.

"Nutbush City Limits," another Segerized tune, again got the crowd on its feet, clapping and dancing throughout the number.

Seger was hot, but the crowd was hotter. So again he slowed the pace taking the keyboards into an unnamed (and to me unknown) ballad dedicated to those who participated in the March of Dimes Superwalk this year.

From there, the last 30 minutes of the hour-and-a-half concert, was pure Seger rock and roll and one of the most frenzied finishes that music theater has experienced.

"Rambling Gambling Man" sent 10,000 fans to their feet and into fits of delight. This time Seger didn't give anyone a chance to sit down again.

Employing his classic transition into a 15-minute version of "Heavy Music;" then straight into "Katmandu;" and the crowd had lost it.

But, Seger didn't get away that easily. He didn't expect to. Two long encores followed, featuring his latest and possibly greatest hit, "Night Moves."

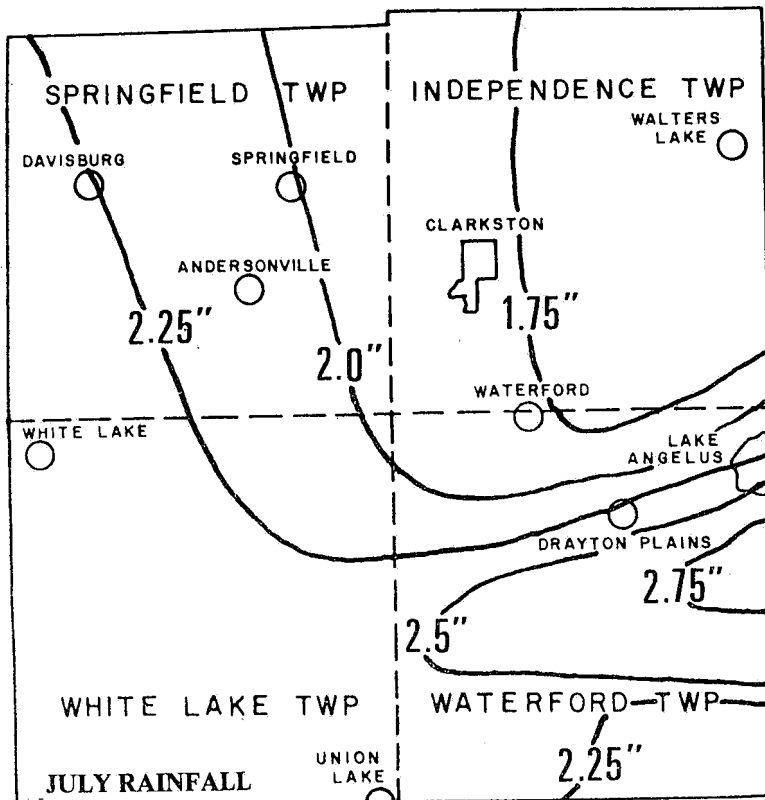
Charlie Martin, the Silver Bullets injured drummer, was

wheeled on stage and featured along with Bob through both encores.

Finally Seger just plain ran out of hits and reverted to a pair of faithful Chuck Berry movers.

The lights came on, despite the sea of flickering flames yet lighting the audience. And as the crowd shuffled out over beer soaked floors, a few die hards still shouted for more.

Seger wows them



Precipitation for the four township and surrounding area during the month of July ranged from a low of 1.74" at Clarkston/Gulick Lake to a high of 3.49" in Pontiac/Auburn Heights. There were no prolonged dry spells during July, as most stations reported measureable precipitation during each week of the month. Temperatures during July averaged well above normal. Based on data from the Clarkston/Gulick Lake station, the highest temperature recorded during the month was 98 degrees on the 15th; the lowest temperature was 46 degrees on the morning of the 27th. (The map was prepared by Robert C. Davis and Susan E. Rosin of Johnson & Anderson, Inc.)

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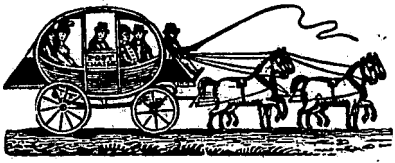
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Places to go

Three early-week "specials" are offered by Meadow Brook Music Festival, starting Monday (August 8) and including two standing-room-only concerts by singer-actor Kris Kristofferson.

The third special attraction is an open rehearsal Wednesday afternoon with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra. Guest conductor Otto-Werner Mueller will rehearse the orchestra for its regular Thursday evening classical concert, which will include Copland's Appalachian Spring Suite and Stravinsky's Pulcinella Suite. Garrick Ohlsson, pianist, is guest soloist.

Kristofferson and Rita Coolidge with Billy Shaw were originally scheduled for a single concert next Tuesday evening (August 9). Pavilion seats were sold out so quickly that Festival management arranged a second Kristofferson concert, back to back with the originally scheduled one, for Monday evening. A few lawn tickets at \$5.00 were still available, according to Leon C. Petrus, Festival manager director.

Tickets for the Wednesday afternoon open rehearsal of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra are \$3.00.

Two of the specials begin at 8:30 p.m. and the open rehearsal begins at 1:00 p.m.

Meadow Brook Festival concerts are presented in the open-air Baldwin Pavilion on the Oakland University campus.

Further information is available from Festival offices, 313/3771-2010.

Kid size version of the Indy cars will zip around the course at the Oakland County Sportsmen's Club on Waterford Road every Tuesday night at 7 p.m. until August 30.

Admission to watch the five to 16 year olds compete for points in the quarter midget races is free.

The racers are members of the Michigan Midget Racing Association, a branch of the Quarter Midgets of America. Anyone holding membership in the organization can participate in the Tuesday night event.

The village of Holly is making plans for its annual Carry National Festival which will be September 10 and 11 this year. The celebration will include a reenactment of Carry's visit to Holly and her attack on Battle Alley and a parade through town. Outdoor stage shows, crafts, gardening and a pancake breakfast are planned.

In conjunction with the planned festivities several area merchants are touting their wares as adding flavor to the historical observance. Diehl's Orchard and Cider Mill six miles south of Holly will be offering fresh cider and donuts. The Candle Factory in Davisburg will offer a look at the dimly lit past and Battle Alley itself is rolling out the carpet for guests of the town.

The International Institute and the International Visitors Council will again co-sponsor the Old World Market-Summer

1977 at the Birmingham Sports Ice Arena, 2300 East Lincoln, in Birmingham.

Features include a variety of food, drink and artifacts from around the world. The market is open August 25-28, beginning at 12 noon. Admission is \$2 for adults and \$1 for children 18 and under.

Proceeds from the event will go to the sponsoring organizations. For further information call the International Institute at 871-8600.

The Dixie Saddle Club, oldest organized saddle club in Michigan, will hold its 29th Annual Horse Show Saturday, August 6 at Hill and Dale Riding School, 1261 Brauer Road, Oxford, Michigan. The show begins at 8:30 a.m.

Senior citizens will be admitted free. Others will be charged \$1 at the gate.

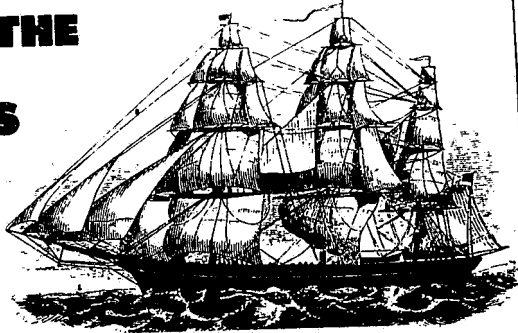
For additional information call the show chairman, Rose Ewerts at 625-5376.

It's encore time for the youngsters at Tiger Stadium—another Free Jacket Day.

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Michigan's 'No-Fault' insurance law

By Dave Nelson
Guardian II Insurance Center,
Clarkston

When the "no fault" concept was sold to the Michigan public in 1973, few persons expected the economic disaster that faces the consumer today. As an independent agent, I have become completely disgusted with the unjust manner in which the good drivers are paying for the bad drivers.

I could cite case after case where an individual involved in a "not at fault" accident is the recipient of a surcharge or even denied renewal of insurance completely.

Occasionally now, we will read of a new bill being introduced to modify "no fault" in some fashion. However, I have yet to see a comprehensive bill removing all the faults from "no fault." If we are going to correct a mistake, let's correct it completely!

In my many discussions with state legislators, regarding "no fault" the standard response seems to be unanimous: "I didn't realize that!" May I ask who was responsible for voting this into law?

What really sold "no fault" to Michigan buyers of auto insurance was the expectation of two big improvements . . .

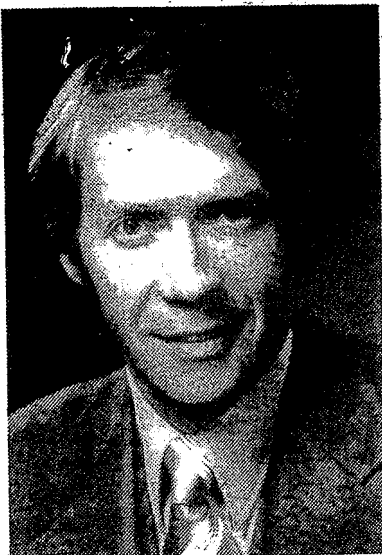
1—Simpler, faster, more certain coverage of medical costs on personal injuries resulting from automobile accidents.

2—Reduced premium rates on car insurance, or at the very least, only modest increases in these premiums, once "no fault" was working.

Of those expectations, only one came true. Coverage of medical costs for personal injuries everyone agrees is handled much better under "no fault" than it was before. The disappointments have come in these developments:

1. Car insurance is becoming hard to get: and harder to keep. To the average citizen the insurance companies seem to be completely unreasonable about whom they will insure. The companies, however, point out that "no fault" creates some extremely large reserves, and the more money tied up in reserves for existing claims, the fewer new policies the company can legally write.

2. "No fault" covers collision damage to an insured car only if the damage occurs while the car is legally parked. A fender scrape or rear end collision in traffic, *even if the other driver is at fault* is not covered by the basic "no fault" insurance.



Dave Nelson

Moreover, the current law will not allow you to sue the "at fault" party. The only way to cover collision damage is by buying an optional coverage to add to your basic "no fault" insurance.

3. Premium rates for automobile insurance have skyrocketed since "no fault" was introduced in 1973. And these rates are still on a rising trend with no end in sight. Some of this increase, of course, can be blamed on general inflation. Some from higher costs in insurance-paid expenses connected with automobile accidents—particularly in sharply increased medical costs and in severe price increases for auto repairs and repair parts. But a

fair slice of the premium increases trace to the fact that personal injury claims covered by "no fault" have run much higher than was forecast, and, as the law now stands, insurers have no way to predict how many premium dollars they will need to cover the future claims filed.

The Michigan "no fault" law needs two kinds of changes to meet criticisms and complaints from buyers and sellers of automobile insurance. These changes would . . .

• Hold down the costs so that car owners can afford to buy insurance, and insurance companies can afford to sell it . . . and . . .

• Make a negligent or at-fault driver pay for collision damage he causes.

Many insurance experts feel these goals can be accomplished by changing three features in the present law. The suggested changes would put a limit on medical benefits, remove motorcyclists from coverage, and require at-fault drivers who cause collision damage to pay for same through their insurance carriers or allow suing if this coverage is not carried.

Here's my reasoning in these suggested changes:

1—Limits on medical benefits: the "no-fault" law, as it now stands, sets no limits on the medical benefits an insurance company may be called upon to pay when one of the people the company insures is injured.

With no practical way to estimate future claims, insurers have no practical way to determine how many premium dollars will be needed to cover those unlimited claims . . . so they have a choice: set premiums high enough to cover the worst possible future experience, which sends insurance costs up; or, stop selling insurance which makes insurance unavailable. A reasonable limit on medical benefits seems a logical solution to the problem. The injured person would be assured the immediate, no hassle payment of medical bills in the crucial early hours and days immediately following the injury.

2—Coverage on motorcyclists: You can't insure a motorcycle under the "no fault" law; you are required to obtain a separate and different insurance policy. This is reasonable, however, because, after all, a motorcycle is quite different from an automobile. The problem arises when a person driving an automobile with "no fault" injures a person riding on a motorcycle. The "no fault" law states that the injured motorcyclist is—by legal definition written into the law—a "pedestrian." And as a "pedestrian," the injured motorcycle rider is entitled to all the "no fault" coverages such as unlimited medical benefits.

This makes no sense. It means that those who buy automobile insurance are paying to protect those who ride motorcycles. And

Clarkston folk find no-fault costs more

By Hilda Bruce
of The Clarkston News

Hiked insurance rates have Clarkston citizens' dander riled.

In spite of Bud Grant's (State Farm agent) statement that the insured pay more for no-fault because they get more, most folks The Clarkston News talked to in an unofficial poll this week don't agree.

"I'd just as soon not have it," said Tom Allen. "I'm not saving any money as it was claimed I would."

"I haven't had any trouble with it. I've had two claims and both were paid," Allen added.

Visenta Franco of Pine Knob Road noted that his rates have nearly doubled and that his son, who has a good record, pays close to \$1,000 for his policy.

"From the stories I hear it seems we're just carrying someone else," he said.

"My own good driving record is without value," said Dave Sherril, assistant assessor for Independence Township.

While he has collected on his insurance, he doesn't feel the system is fair.

"The police don't investigate as they used to. They could care less about determining fault," Sherril said.

A Clarkston mother fumed that her son pays \$840 a year for only liability and property

damage.

"For a long time he drove an old beat up truck even though he had a good job. It disgusted him that he couldn't afford a new car because of insurance costs. He was paying over \$300 just for liability and property damage on the old one. He finally broke down and bought a new truck," she explained.

Jenny Hagen's son, Jack, drove an old car to work because it got better gas mileage than his new one. But he carried only liability and property damage on it. When another driver pulled into him and totaled the car, Hagen was left with nothing.

"The other man was ticketed," Mrs. Hagen said, "and Jack's agent had not told him he could have bought a rider that would have protected him against such instances."

That is another point that upset Sherril. "I have to purchase collision in order to be protected against a moving accident."

Basic no-fault coverage only pays collision on a legally parked car.

Whether premiums go up because of accident claims is unclear. Some people think they do, others don't.

Leona Boch-related that twice her parked car was hit and no-fault paid. Once her husband

Harry was in a serious accident and the insurance paid.

"The rates went up but they would have anyway," she reasoned.

"If you're involved in an accident, even if it's not your fault the companies consider you accident prone, noted another housewife.

She collected over \$900 with no hassle from an accident claim in March. When her next billing came there was a \$12.60 accident surcharge, the woman said.

Then her daughter's car was stolen and never found. The insurance paid and again the rates went up.

But Mike Engan, assistant director of parks and recreation, hasn't had a rate increase since no-fault.

"My roommate was in a wreck with my car and the insurance paid," Engan said. "There hasn't been an increase yet."

But then there is Kathy Weber with the rear end of her car smashed to the tune of \$1,300 and her insurance cancelled.

"It wasn't my fault. I've never had a ticket for anything. But a week after the accident I got the notice. I just quick got another insurer," she said.



Ed Roberts, of Haupt Pontiac's Body Shop, puts the finishing touches on a repair job.

is 'Everybody's Fault'

the motorcycle exposures are such that, now, many insurance companies are unwilling to insure an automobile for a person who also owns a motorcycle. Some have gone so far as to refuse to insure the automobile of a person who has the cycle endorsement on their driver's license even though they do not own a motorcycle.

Motorcyclists, incidentally, are among the leaders in asking that the "no fault" law be changed to correct this non-logic. They want to have "no fault" available to cover themselves when they're in their cars; and they're willing to buy separate insurance for protection when they take to the streets on their motorcycles.

3—Payment for collision damage: A motorist driving a car covered by today's "no fault" package has insurance coverage for up to a million dollars worth of property damage he might cause while driving that car—unless the property damage is another moving car. If cars are damaged in a collision in moving traffic, even when both cars are insured:

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damaged car.

B—Neither driver has the damage to his own car covered by his own basic "no fault" package.

True, car owners can buy an optional collision coverage to pay the damage to their cars, however, to hold down the cost of such coverage, most car owners accept a deductible—which means more money out of their pockets when a collision occurs. Many companies, incidentally are offering the availability of a \$1,000.00 deductible! Again this logic escapes me.

Michigan motorists who have experienced collision damage and resulting increased premiums under "no fault" are loud in complaints on this part of the present law. They want it changed. They do not like the

idea of paying for somebody else's bad or negligent driving. They want drivers who cause collision damage to be responsible for repairing the damage they cause.

I am in complete agreement with these complaints, however, if these changes are to be accomplished, we must direct positive suggestions to those persons who are responsible for making the laws in this state. I urge everyone who is unhappy with the present "no fault" law to contact your state legislators and advise them of your feelings. I become greatly disturbed with those persons who complain but are unwilling to direct their complaints to persons capable of making these changes. Let's all get together and get the "faults" out of "no fault."



BY THE THIRD EYE:

One Clarkston man is reading his horoscope too soon. He'll get an increase in salary, maybe in September or October, but no promotion for a while.

Another man should dump his car. If he doesn't, it will end up costing him more money than to buy a different one. He should be hunting for a new car as opposed to a used one, which would only provide a different set of problems.

Another young man destined for college this fall will do alright, but his marks will suffer because of his interest in girls.

He won't be a straight A student.

One woman is going through an unexciting time of her life. She ought to hang in there, because things will perk up. They may involve a change in address, maybe to Lake Orion. I'm not sure how soon.

A young woman now having job questions will get a step up. I see books and she'll be quite active.

One real estate saleswoman will be receiving a proposal within a year. I don't know whether she'll marry, but she'll have the opportunity.

One activist will be busier than ever until after the school election, then she may get involved in the abortion controversy.

Another woman, trying out for a new job, will not like the job if she does get it. I see her staying home for some time.

One senior citizen of the area had better prepare for another hospital visit, but he will survive. He'll lose weight which he doesn't need to lose.



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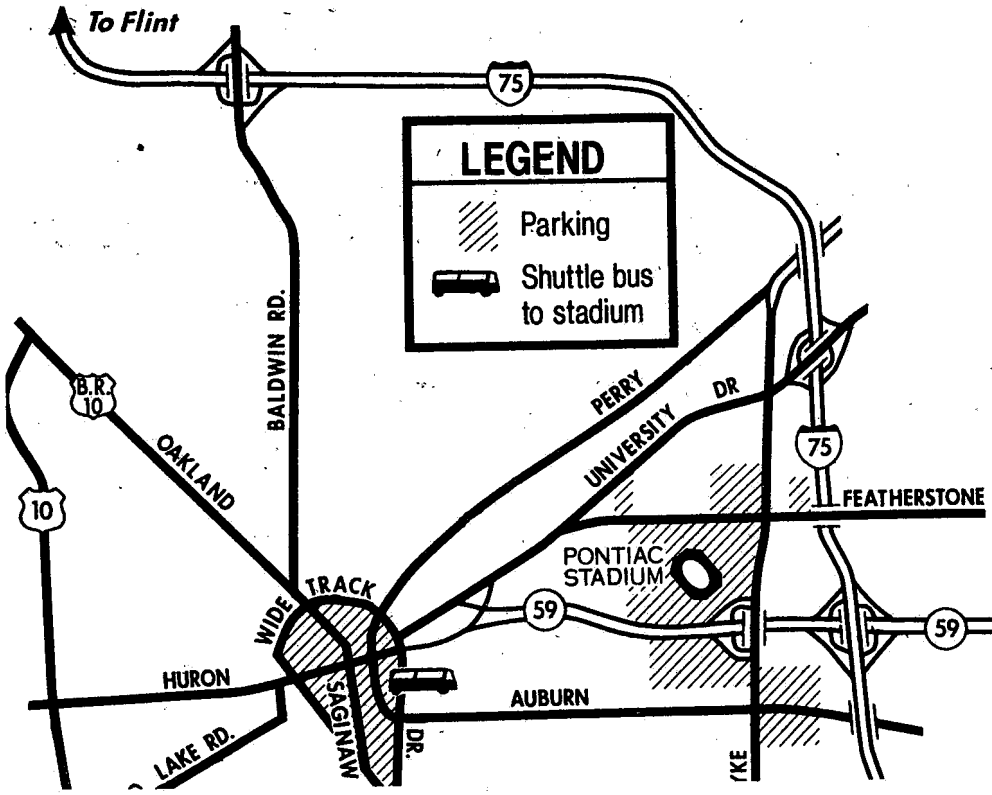
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Planning Commission of Independence Township, Oakland County, Mich. will hold a Public Hearing on August 25, 1977 at 7:30 p.m. at the Township Hall, 90 North Main St., Clarkston, Michigan, to consider the following request:

Amendments to Independence Township Zoning Ordinance #83.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO TOWNSHIP ZONING ORDINANCE #83

Sec. 5.05 Fences, Walls & Other Protective Barriers

Amended to read:

Planting, fences and walls in front yard: No fence wall or hedge shall rise over 48" (forty-eight) in height on any required front yard. No fence, wall or hedge planting shall interfere with visibility from a driveway. The superintendent of the Building Department is hereby empowered to cause all such obstructions to be removed in the interest of public safety.

Sec. 5.03 Accessory buildings in residential districts.

Amended to read:

1. Single family detached districts. Paragraph D In R-1-A, R-1-B, and R-1-C residential districts only no detached accessory building shall be located closer than 10 feet to any principal building nor shall it be located closer than 10 feet to any interior lot lines.

Sec. 5.12 Site plan explanation

Amended to read:

2. Any site plan approval granted here under shall be for such time as is indicated thereon by the Planning Department or the Township Planning Commission. However, in no event shall any site plan approved be for a period in excess of one year. Should building permits not be issued within one year of any site plan approval, that approval shall be deemed void and of no force and effect and as though not issued or given. Further, nothing in this paragraph shall in any regard limit the township's right to revoke site plan approval in accordance with applicable ordinance on state law.

Any further information regarding the above hearing may be obtained at the Township Planning Office during regular office hours, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, or by phone at 625-8114.

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If you spend a lot of time in downtown Clarkston you'd better begin abiding by the two hour parking time limit on village streets. Independence Township Police Service's new community service officer, 20-year-old Beth Hock, began patrolling Clarkston's streets last week issuing warning tickets to violators. She handed out 50 such warnings in two days. This week she begins issuing the real thing. But, Beth doesn't plan to go after the world record for ticketing. She's just here to help ease the overburdened on-street parking situation in Clarkston.

Sewer, water rates hiked

Beginning October 1 residents in Independence Township will be paying about 35 percent more on their sewer bills with a similar increase on their water bills.

The township board Tuesday approved the two rate hikes which will raise the basic costs for water from a \$4.50 quarterly minimum to \$6 and the sewer rates by approximately \$8-to-\$29 per quarter.

The board did reduce the amount of the sewer increase by \$1.48 through a reduction in the amount of ad valorem taxes some \$1,800 users now pay for debt retirement.

A sewer rate increase has already been put in effect by Detroit in the wholesale rate it charges Oakland county, George Anderson director of public works, said.

That rate, which is nearly doubled from \$10.80 to \$20.16 per household, will be passed along to the township by Sept. 1.

The increase came as a result of a lawsuit by the Federal Environmental Agency against the

city of Detroit charging the city with polluting the Detroit River with waste from its sewage treatment plant.

The EPA ordered the city and some 72 suburban communities to upgrade the plant or face the loss of the billions of dollars in federal grants.

The rate increase, part of the consent judgement between the state and EPA, will finance the needed improvements to bring the treatment plant up to federal standards.

A breakdown of the \$29 paid by township customers shows the county paying \$20.16 to Detroit. A \$4.52 charge is then added by the county to cover the cost of maintenance.

The township then adds \$2.90 for billing and administration plus \$1.42 for debt retirement.

The water rate increase, which will effect only 800 homes tapped into the township system, is the first rate hike in over 5 years, Anderson said.

Even with the increase,

Anderson added, it will not erase the approximate \$24,000 the dept. loses annually by not being able to receive credit on equipment depreciation.

The increase will raise an average customers bill by only \$14 a year, Anderson said.

That will raise about \$8,000 more a year for the dept. The township had the lowest rate in the county, he added, and even with the rate increase it will remain among the lowest in the county.

If the township were to make the water dept. a break-even operation, he added, the rates would have to be doubled to \$9.00 a quarter. The new rates will be increased from \$4.50 for the first 7,500 gallons to \$6.00, and from \$2.50 to \$3 for every additional 7,500 gallons.

The township board delayed the effective date to Sept. 30 to allow citizens to register any opinions they may have. Public hearings are not required to implement the increases.

3 year, 75 cent contract approved by township

The township board Tuesday approved the 3-year contract with its employees providing a 75 cent an hour pay increase during the life of the contract.

The 30-member union, members of Council 23 of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal employes, ratified the contract Monday night.

Terms of the contract call for employes to receive a 25 cent an hour increase in each of the three years of the contract.

In addition, the township will pick up the 5 percent employes pay into their retirement fund.

The other main part of the agreement will increase employe life insurance from \$10,000 to \$15,000.

The number of holidays will

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The contract, retroactive to April 1, expires March 30, 1980.



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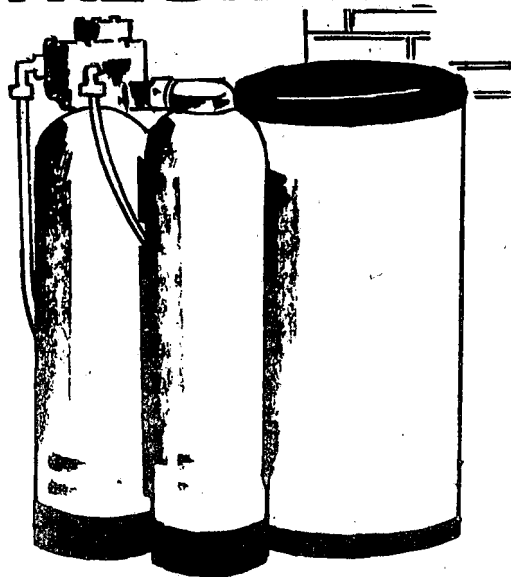
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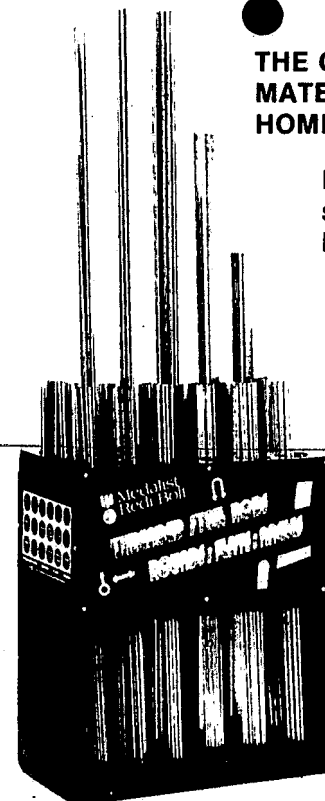
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Wonder if we can credit our new postmaster, Donald Stoll, with cleaning out all the cubbyholes at the Clarkston office. Last week a letter was returned to The Clarkston News, addressee unknown, which is just fine. But a look at the postmark reveals it was mailed in March, 1975.

We hear an S&H stamp redemption center is scheduled to go in where the old Wrigley's and Great Scott market operated in Drayton Plains Shopping Center.

There are times it would be very nice to have a list of former newspaper writers who might be interested in writing part time for local newspapers. We guarantee no jobs at present, but if you've been a newspaper person and might be available

again, drop us a line. We're interested only in people who live in the Independence-Springfield area.

"Hell fire and damnation" may be part of the Bible but in Springfield Township's book the second portion of the phrase is a no-no unless you get a permit, as officials at Dixie Baptist Church found out last week.

Once again the Springfield Fire Department responded to a trash fire behind the church and it was once too often.

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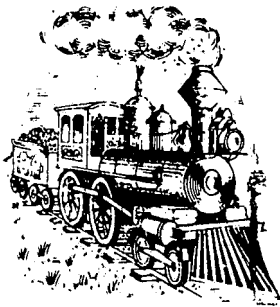
amount, will be invested in tickets, with the parks and rec department supplying the buses.

We hear Clarkston area resident Bob Carr, an attorney and unsuccessful candidate last November for an Oakland County Circuit Court judgeship, is lining up support for an appointment to the Probate Court bench. He hopes to succeed retiring Judge Donald E. Adams who will retire July 31.

A special Gallup Poll reveals that cancer is the disease most feared by the American public, followed by blindness and heart disease.

The 1976 poll, covering 1,548 persons across the country, shows the following breakdown of diseases and ailments most feared:

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The Planning Commission of Independence Township, Oakland County, Mich. will hold a Public Hearing on August 11, 1977 at 7:30 P.M. at the Township Hall, 90 North Main St., Clarkston, Michigan, to consider the following request:

To rezone 53 acres of land from R-1-R/Rural Residential (3 acre minimum) to R-1-C/Suburban Farm Residential. (1½ acre minimum).

Legal Description: Sidwell #08-19-301-010 & 08-19-301-011

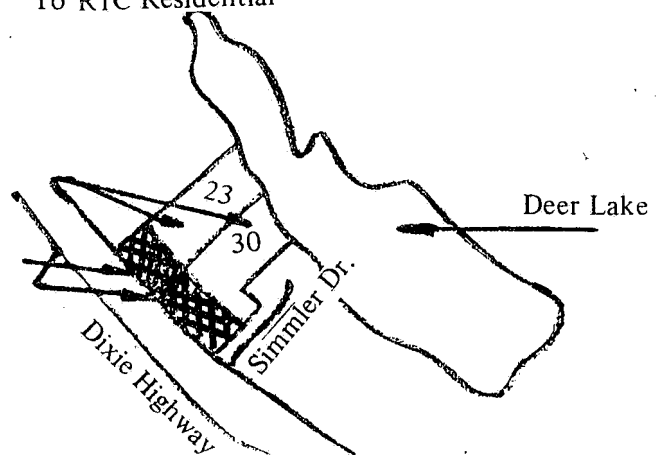
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Any further information regarding the above hearing may be obtained at the Township Planning Office during regular office hours, 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., Monday thru Friday, or by phone at 625-8114.

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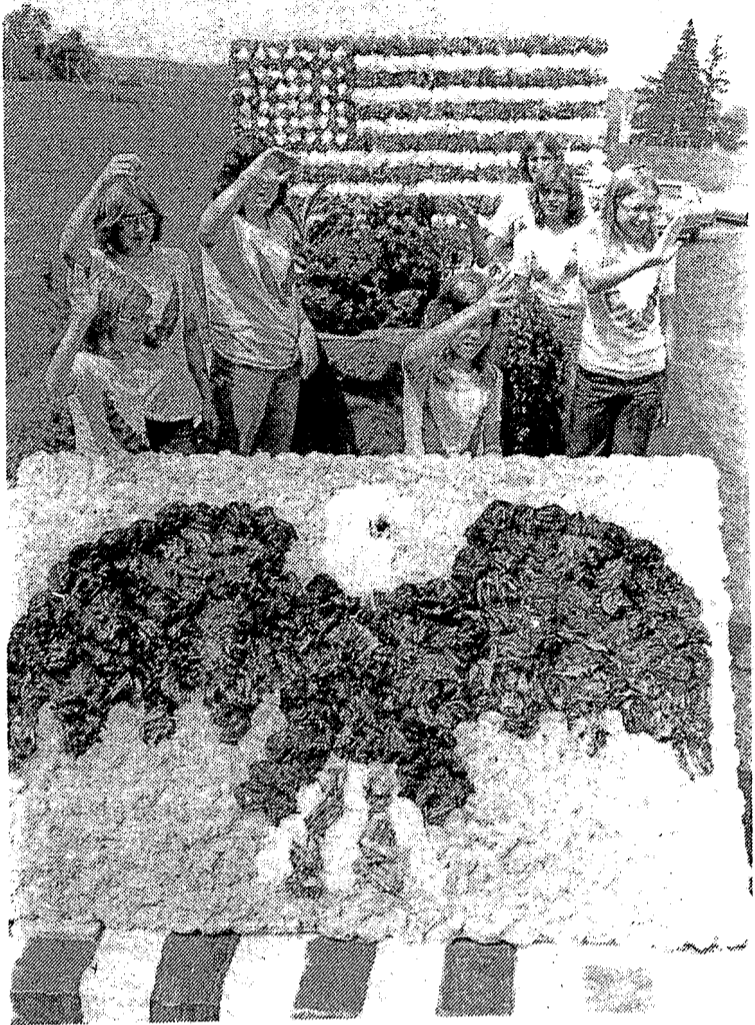
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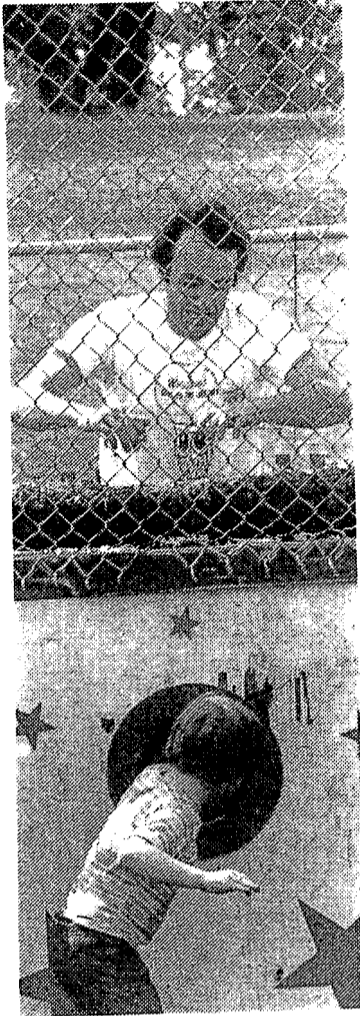
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The Independence Eagles 4-H Club grabbed a third place finish with their float entry in the Davisburg Summerfest '77 parade.



Six-year-old Chris Berry, of Davisburg, gave township supervisor Collin Walls a cheap shot and a quick drink in the water tank.



Seven-year-old Tommy Tang, of Davisburg, had the perfect spot for watching the water fight, right atop the fire engine.

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The Clarkston (Mich.) News Thurs., August 4, 1977 25



District 2 County Commissioner Bob Gorsline takes the plunge.



Even the women fire fighters from Springfield and Holly Townships got in the act at Springfield's Summerfest '77. The

Springfield women proved superior at this water game taking two out of three matches.



Rabajas enjoy their large family

Country Living

By
Hilda Bruce
of the

Clarkston News

For the first time since Arlene Rabaja was a child on a farm near Caledonia, Michigan, she is gardening. The results are buckets full of zucchini and a sink full of green beans.

The garden is a joint project with one of her friends because Bob and Arlene Rabaja's Springfield Township property is 3 acres of pine woods. The only sunny spot is filled with their tri-level home.

While the five older children (Dave, 9-Doug, 8-Dick, 7-Chris, 5-and Dan, 3) are at the playground at the school, Arlene takes two-year-old Carol and heads for the garden.

"There is one time during the year when they are all just a year apart and that's fun. But then someone has a birthday and spoils it," the blue eyed, curly haired mother noted. "I really do enjoy my kids. They're good kids."

Arlene enjoys working with other people's children too. This summer the former physical education teacher is teaching swimming and last winter she volunteered to teach after school tumbling sessions.

Then in March (the Rabajas had lived in their new home since last summer) she went to a PTO meeting at Davisburg Elementary and came home president of the group.

"How did that happen?" she mused, "I knew one person when I went. It sure was a good way to meet people!"

Now that Arlene is so involved and always on the go, she wonders why she has a ring with everyone else's house key on it.

"I was always here so the neighbors would say, 'I won't be here when the kids get home. Would you let them in the house?' or 'Would you let the TV repairman in?'"

Caught up in the whirl of daily living, the Rabajas are in no hurry to decorate and furnish their new home.

Bob who played baseball and basketball at Hillsdale College,

still plays both games and during the summer he is golfing.

While Arlene plays golf she is also Bob's biggest fan and supporter at the ball games.

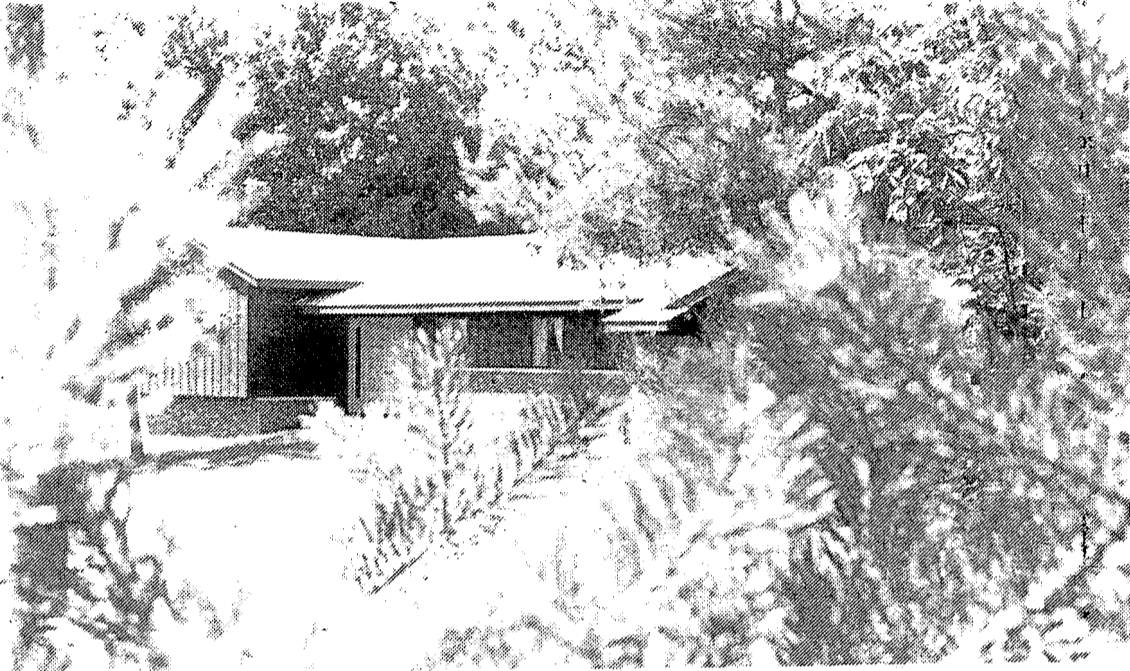
"I was a cheerleader in high school," she said.

As to the decorating she said, "I'm in no hurry. We'll be here a long time."

But Arlene does have a hold on it. She has made the draperies in the bedrooms and has the fabric for the family and living rooms.

The family room walls are accented with wood carvings her father, Glen Manning makes with his pocket knife. A divider between the family room and dining area was macramed by her sister-in-law, Mary Manning.

Another piece of Mary's handiwork is a large lighted macrame plant hanger in the



Rustic Springfield Township home is secluded on its wooded site.



Spacious living area of the Rabaja home is accented by family Manning and macrame divider by her sister-in-law, Mary Manning.

living room.

Eventually Bob, in quality control at Volkswagen, will make the rustic furniture for the family room. He has already made the trestle table for the dining room.

"It has about 25 coats of polyurethane on it," Arlene said feeling it's smoothness.

"He's a perfectionist. It's a good thing because I just get things done. As long as it is good enough—it's good enough," she noted.

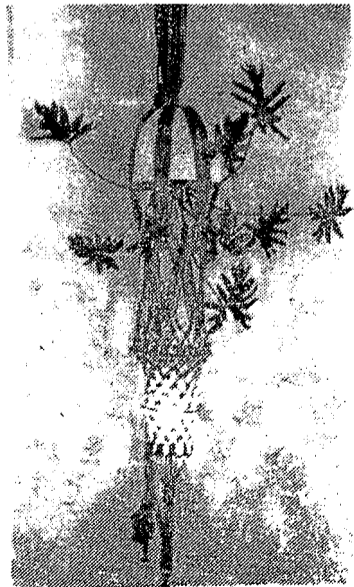
Arlene does help with the woodworking.

"I get to do the sanding," she said with a laugh.

"But now I get to help with the deck. Bob was trying to finish it before my parents came (they live in Florida) and cut his hand. He really did it up good. had to have surgery on it that night. So the deck didn't get done in time anyway."



View from the Rabaja foyer includes living room and three acres of pine woods.



Large lighted macrame plant hanger fills corner of living room.

Mary's attic

The good old summertime

by Mary Butterfield



Summers on the farm passed in a delightful haze for my younger sister and me. Our playground was 200 acres wide, not counting "the other place," a second farm where cattle were pastured and some fields were cultivated.

The remains of a four-room log house stood close to the road, and the lane into the farm was bordered with plum trees and lilacs.

Behind the house were gentle hills, fit for rolling down, while the groundhogs watched. We gathered hickory nuts and beechnuts from these hills, and arrowheads from the banks of the creek that meandered through the farm.

At the home farm, at mid-morning, my sister and I would take a jug of cool water to my father wherever he was working, and stay to play in the fence

corners, gathering wild flowers and berries. When the town bell rang the noon hour, we would be hoisted onto the board backs of the Clydesdale work horses for a ride home in state.


My father loved the land and all growing things. I have seen him many times walking over the farm after a day's work, and always felt that he wanted to be alone to commune with his acres. He could scan the sky and predict next day's weather with uncanny accuracy, be it a rainstorm, high winds or the first snow.

His solicitude for growing crops made weather his enemy. There was too much rain, or not enough. A late spring frost would wreak havoc, or a high wind could damage a stand of grain. I worried right along with him, and could never understand why the weather would not cooperate.

Finally the grain would be cut and bound and gathered into the barns in preparation for threshing. That was an exciting time for us—when the threshing machine steamed noisily into the barnyard. There was bustle inside and out as the threshing crew went to work, and enormous meals were prepared for them. We watched fascinated as this huge machine huffed and puffed, belching straw into the air and pouring a golden stream of wheat into the granary.

But all this changed the year my father was badly injured when he fell from an apple tree he was pruning. He died on a bright, beautiful September day.

Summer was never again the same.



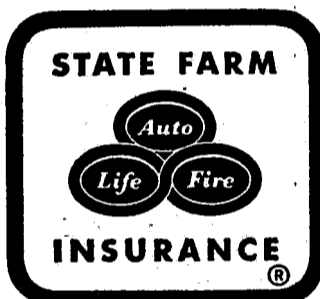
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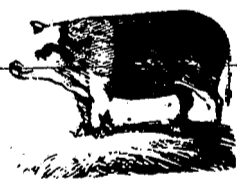


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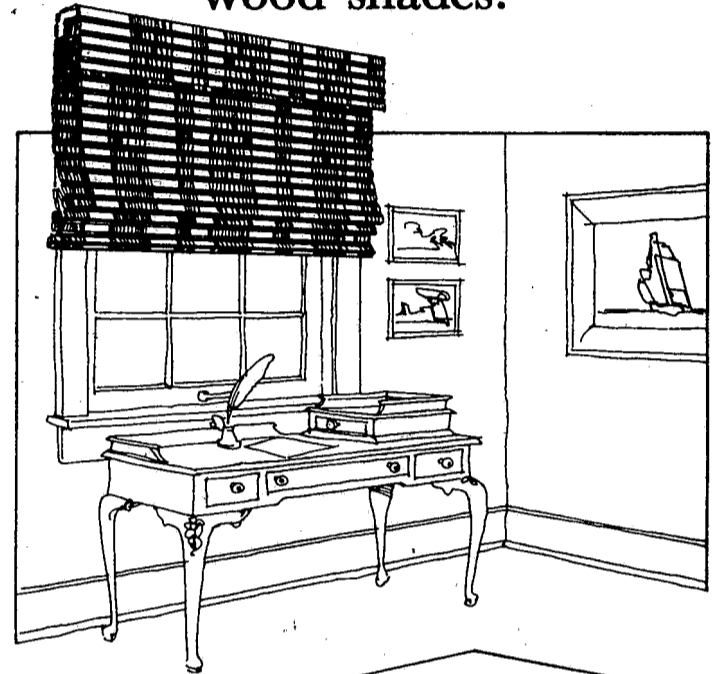
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Banks have changed their image

By Joe Gitter
of The Clarkston News

Few, remember the bygone days of the late 20's; the crash of '29 and the ensuing run on many banks which led to loss and hard times. The bedroom mattress became a popular "deposit box" for lifesavings, if any were left.

Through the New Deal of the 1930's and the passage of time, banks again returned to popularity. The federal government created the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, which now insures individual bank accounts up to \$40,000, to prevent a repeat of that disaster almost five decades ago.

With the growth of the nation and economy banks have become much more than just a relatively safe place to store money.

A variety of savings, checking and estate accounts in addition to a multitude of loan programs plus safety deposit boxes are just a few of the many services offered by today's bank.

They can buy and sell stocks and bonds, they issue credit cards, offer 24-hour banking, and many banks in Michigan act as distributors of lottery tickets.

Like everything else these days banking is turning to computers to speed the operation and increase efficiency. Banks now compete with each other, attempting to offer faster, cheaper and more varied services than their many competitors.

The Pontiac State Bank, with two offices in the Independence Township area, on Main Street and in the Pine Knob Plaza, is an example of the rapidly growing small banking chains flourishing throughout Michigan.

Soon tellers at PSB will take a customer's deposit, withdrawal or payment; punch it into their remote terminal, feed the information directly into a large computer, located in the bank's business center in Pontiac, said D'Arcy Gonzales, manager of the PSB Pine Knob branch.

The advantage of this new system will be to speed service to the customer as well as offering more security to the bank itself.

Right now tellers can pick up a nearby phone, dial a special code number and establish direct contact with the firm's computer. In doing so they can determine in a matter of seconds a customer's balance and if he or

she has adequate funds to cash a check or make a withdrawal, according to Gonzales.

But, the criminal mind has kept pace and even exceeded the rapid advances in computer technology.

Gonzales is aware of potential problems caused by that rising new breed of white collar criminal—the computer rip-off artist. With a minimum of knowledge about the bank's procedures it would be an easy chore for an experienced computer felon to tap the bank's computer. From there the possibilities are endless, without an alert staff and a system of checks and balances.

PSB, both his branch and the business office, are audited regularly by, either their own auditors, an outside firm hired by them, or the federal government. Any computer theft would not go undiscovered for long.

The familiar hold-up, rapidly becoming old-fashioned and outdated, is also still a hazard. Gonzales requested that as little information as possible be printed about himself to avoid the possibility of extortion threats and kidnapping. And he has been threatened, although that is as far as it has ever gotten.

Hold-ups do not occur frequently, but when they do they are remembered. The last one happened at the PSB's Joslyn office, Gonzales remembers.

"Two guys came in with shotguns, but they were caught just down the street," he said.

Movie cameras are placed at strategic points around each office to record on film any thief who dares their closely guarded security measures.



Inside the Pontiac State Bank.

School board opens rumor center

The Clarkston School Board offices have started to be more of a rumor control center during the last few days of the millage campaign.

Calls have started to come in from people stating if the 3.79 mill proposal passes Monday, some of the revenue will be used to provide athletic scholarships.

Totally untrue and unfounded, state the school officials.

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the law. The scholarships would be affected only in that students would not have the opportunity to play football, and perhaps excite the interest of a college.

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Coping with kids

When aloneness is dangerous

by Jim and Ellen Windell



One of the common signs of emotional problems in children is a lack of interest in activities and friends. Most parents know this, but some over-react to a child's wish or need to be alone interpreting any amount of time spent in solitary play as a danger signal.

Most parents want their children to be outgoing, friendly and popular, but not all kids are always outgoing and friendly while some never seem to be.

Psychological equilibrium and adjustment for some young people includes vast amounts of time spent in solitary indulgence of creative talents. Other youngsters may be alone but may be

lonely, bored, depressed, isolated, and alienated. These are the children and adolescents who are in need of help and assistance and for whom parents should be worried.

Friends and relationships with peers is of increasing importance as children grow older and it can

be said that one of the best indexes to a child's emotional development and stability is the quality of relationships with others. A preschool child may

have few friends and still be considered reasonably well adjusted, but the same could not be said of most school age children and adolescents.

Withdrawal is a frequently used defensive maneuver for young children. We have all observed a preschool child hide his eyes, run from the room, or hide behind a parent when a stranger approaches. When

infrequently used or utilized only as a temporary defensive reaction during a phase of development, withdrawal is relatively normal and not indicative of serious and long lasting problems. When used too often

or over an extended period of time, it signals a poor adjustment and a handicapped ability to cope with stress.

Loneliness and isolation play a role in the life of most teenagers. Teens have several difficult tasks, including their need to deal with emotions and with new people and situations.

Physical isolation can be a way of temporarily handling fear and anxiety while attempting to deal with these new internal and external tasks. Many teenagers

spend hours in their room or in lonely, secluded parts of a forest or park to protect themselves

from psychological hurt. Others simply wall off their feelings through cynicism, humor, sar-

casm or flippancy.

It is important throughout childhood and adolescence to maintain the kind of relationship with the child so that when

withdrawal and isolation take place it can be evaluated for dangerous potential. Some parents further alienate a young person by being critical or

nagging at a time when a withdrawn or depressed child most needs support, understanding, and communication. In some cases, parents should do their utmost in a kind, understanding way to encourage social activities.



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The expected loss for fiscal year ending June 30, 1978 if there is no increase in millage will be \$683,269.

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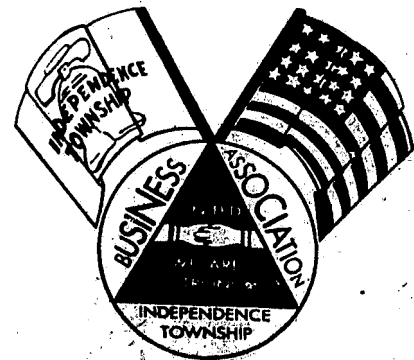
- The operational levy will be used to pay the costs of daily operation. It is not used for building structures.
- Our current total tax rate for schools (28.15) is less than what was paid in 1968 (28.33).
- With all issues approved, the total tax will still be less than the average of the twenty-eight school districts in Oakland County.
- Our existing debt is very low. As of June 1 this year, our debt to valuation ratio is 3.45%.
- Many stories are told about vastly increasing assessments. Newest figures show that increases for Independence Township averaged 11.1% and Springfield Township 7.6%.
- Most senior citizens can support all proposals and not pay one additional cent. If they are 65 years of age or older, the Michigan Property Tax Rebate Program will protect them. They must apply, however.
- The same program provides relief for non-senior citizens also, depending on family income and house valuation.
- Higher income families have the right to declare any tax increase on the Federal Income Tax Report and will either be rebated or credited with an amount allowed in line with their tax rate.

VOTING INFORMATION

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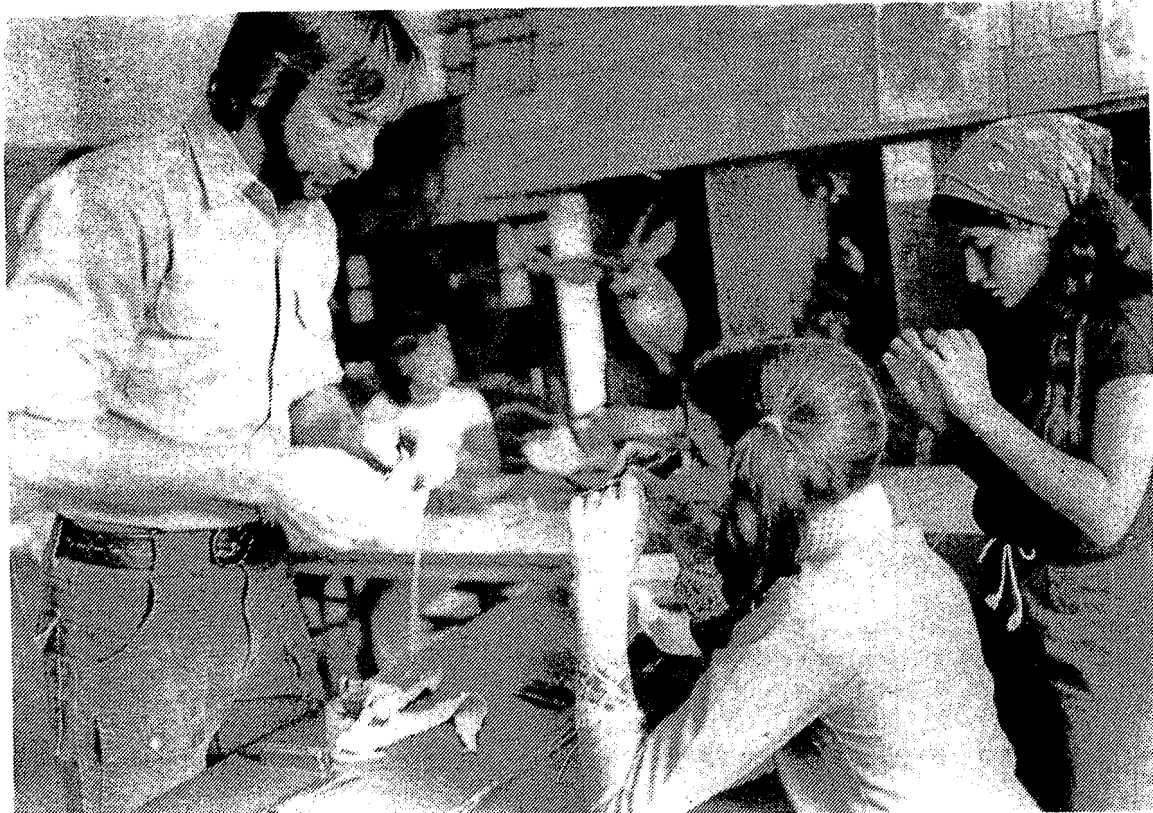
POLL LOCATION

- Precinct No.
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 - Clarkston High School
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 - Legion Hall (M-15)
 - Clarkston Junior High
 - Clarkston Methodist Church
 - Andersonville Elementary
 - Clarkston High School
 - North Sashabaw Elementary



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The lore of Indian handicrafts brings



Randy Childs provides a helping hand to Pam Warden and 12-year-old Cindy Harding in putting the finishing touches on leather projects.



Nine-year-old Scott Morse plucks the tall swamp grasses which will be used as thread to weave the youngsters' birch bark projects.



By Joe Gitter
of the Clarkston News

The disappearing craft of the American Indian was recalled from the past last week at the Drayton Plains Nature Center, off Hatchery Road, Twelve youngsters, ages nine to 12, used hundred-year-old techniques to construct their own Indian pouches and utensils.

Guided and instructed by Diane Spencer and Randy Childs, and earth and life sciences teacher at Pierce Junior High and summer naturalist, the kids utilize the center's plant life to make their Indian projects.

Beginning with the bark of a birch tree, scraped clean with a knife, a willow twig and a few strands of swamp grass, the kids add their own ingenuity and craftsmanship. When complete they have their own handmade water dipper or birch bark bowl. Rawhide skins become

pouches and knife sheaths. Before long the youngsters, without really even realizing it, have learned something about the American Indian and the way he lived.

Each week Childs and Miss Spencer, who came to the center three weeks ago through the Manpower program, take a group of 10 to 20 youngsters through different and unique outdoor adventure.

The children gather their own raw materials, most of which is available right on the center grounds. A respect for nature, its creatures and plant life, is stressed in the outdoor programs.

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dence or Springfield Townships participate, Childs said. he would like to see more people from this area enroll in classes this summer.

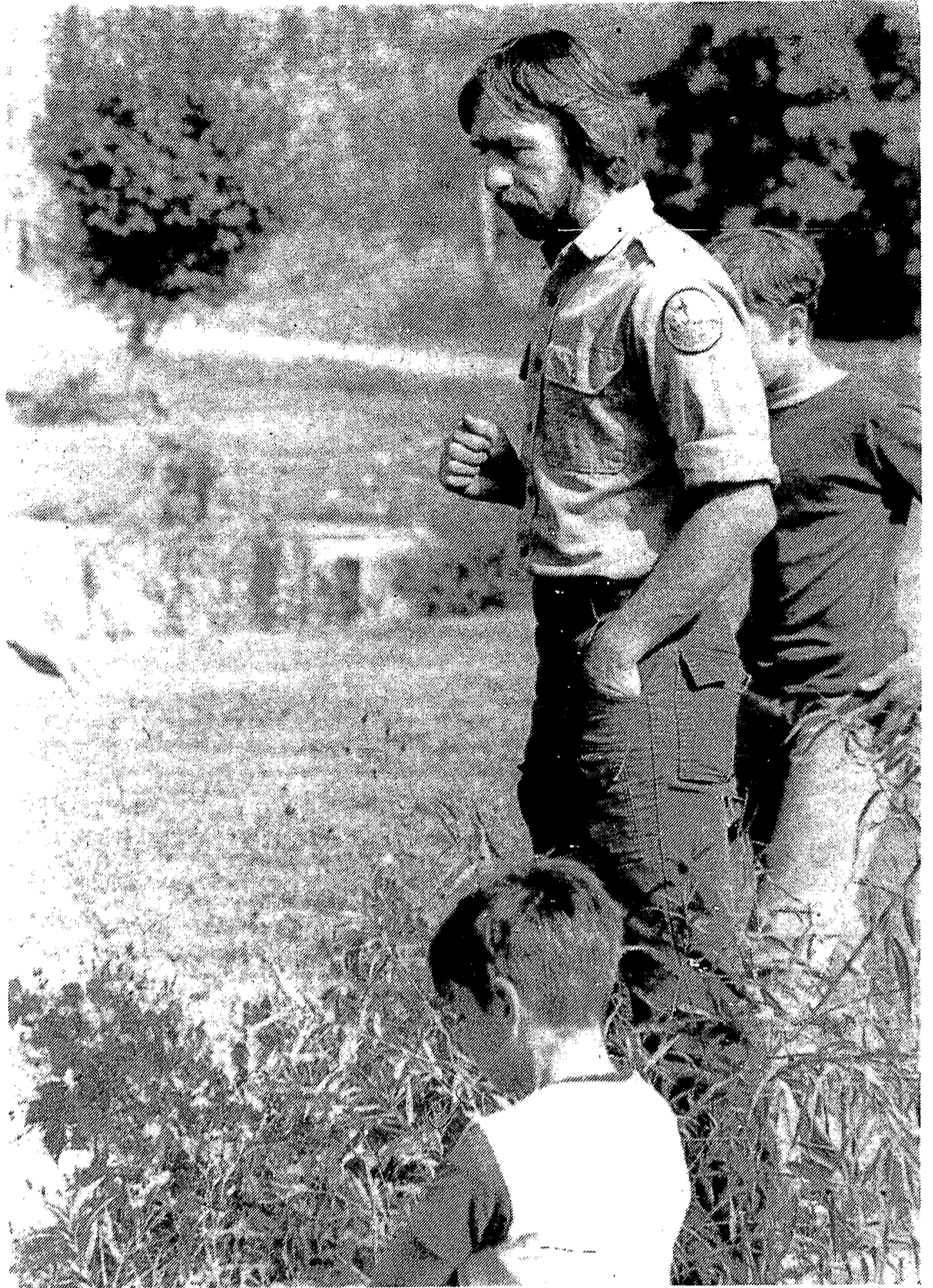
The center will be open though August offering such

activities as water studies, camping skills and a backpacking expedition for the children.

A \$5 fee is charged per child for each program. For further information call the center at 674-2119.



Dan Card, 12, climbed high in the limbs of a nearby willow to get the right branch.



Randy Childs, a summer naturalist at the Drayton Nature Center, oversees the kids' activities.



Pam Warden, 13, selects just the right willow twig.



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Basic Ed offers new freedom

Millstream

by Hilda Bruce ■ 625-3370



By Pat Braunagel
Personal independence, even in small doses, can have a significant effect on a man's or woman's well-being.

Some 150 adults have earned themselves a little bit more freedom this year through a new program offered in five North Oakland County school districts.

They have participated in adult basic education classes in Oxford, Lake Orion, Clarkston,

Brandon and Holly.

Kay McKirgan, director of the program, is busy in her Oxford office this summer appraising the first year's efforts and making plans for upcoming classes.

Starting with 63 students last fall, the ABE pilot project grew in both numbers served by it and in the scope of its service.

The "top line" goal of the program is to bring participants

up through eighth-grade competence in math and reading or to mastery of the English language.

Along the way, students have picked up what Mrs. McKirgan calls "certain survival skills."

These include the whole spectrum of skills classified as consumer information: reading ads in newspapers, checking prices and amounts and counting change.

The ability to read can free a person from depending on the advice of others when it comes to

Kurt Gerald Hesse, an Albion college senior from Clarkston, has been named an Albion Fellow.

To earn this honor, a student must have a 3.7 or better grade point average (based on a 4.0 system) for three consecutive semesters, ending May 1977, while carrying a full class schedule.

Hesse is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Hesse, 779 Reese Road.

Joyce Fleeger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Fleeger of West



Bob Bentley of Haupt Pontiac's body repair shop got a pleasant surprise on his 40th birthday last week. Bruce Jackson, Keith Gilchrist and Rob Bentley were responsible for the large sign on the shop's Main Street wall proclaiming Bentley's birthday to passersby. However, the boys did admit that the whole thing was Mrs. Bentley's idea.

filling out forms, reading directions and registering to vote, for instance.

Persons enrolling in the program bring their own goals, Mrs. McKirgan noted.

"They want to be able to do something in particular," she said. "They may want to qualify for a job or to enter a high school completion program."

She looked back at individual accomplishments for the year. "Several got their citizenship," she said. "Several have skipped ahead, taken the GED (general educational development test) and passed it as a result of their studies."

"Some have gotten jobs or improved the job status as a result of improving their reading and math. Quite a few registered to vote."

Mrs. McKirgan sees some needs which aren't being met by the program, funded only to cover academic pursuits.

"Special education teachers are on my 'want list,' and so are transportation scholarships for people who would like to go to the community centers but can't."

FISH is one of the organizations which came through with some extras for the program this spring.

Sunbury, Penn., and Sgt. Neal Farner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Farner of Clarkston, were married July 23 at Armor School Chapel at Fort Knox, Ky.

Donald Mulligan of Wisconsin was best man and Debbie St. Germain of Philadelphia, Penn., was matron of honor.

The couple will live in Radcliff, Ky. The groom is an instructor at the Armor School at Fort Knox and his bride is also serving with the Army.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Farner, the groom's parents, and Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Farner of Bancroft, Mich., drove to Kentucky for the wedding.

The Davisburg Joggers Senior Citizens will be meeting at the

Mrs. McKirgan received state funding to start pilot programs in four adult foster care homes in the area.

"The homes are for persons 18 years or older who are unable

to maintain independent living situations at this time because of physical, emotional or mental handicaps," she said. "The arrangement may be temporary or long-range."

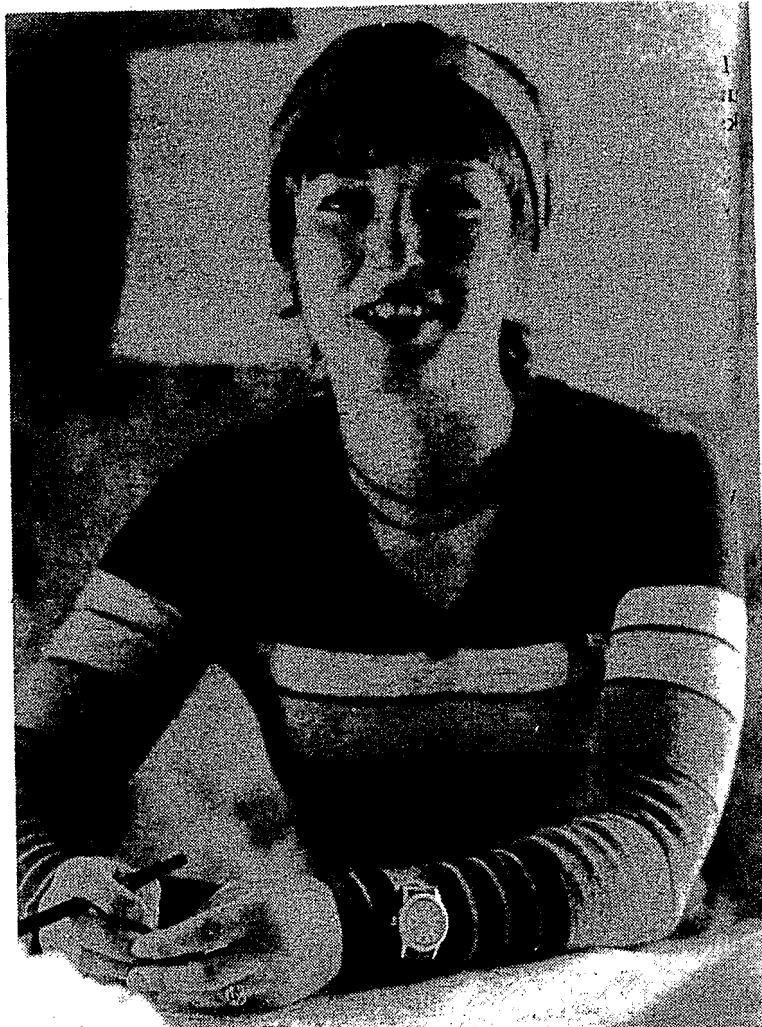
The six-week classes were held in homes too far away from the learning centers or with too many people to permit regular transportation.

"We wanted to do some pre-vocational training," Mrs. Mc

Kirgan said. "FISH got donations of craft items we could use."

With this impetus, the State Vocational Rehabilitation Department is establishing some cottage craft locations throughout the area.

Some of the persons living in foster homes will be making items for sale and taking another step toward being self-sufficient.



Kay McKirgan is director of adult basic education program

Springfield Township Hall in Davisburg on Saturday, August 6. Potluck dinner is at noon, followed by a business meeting and entertainment. Officers will be elected.

Clarkston United Methodist Vacation Church School will be from 9:30 a.m. to noon August 15 to 19. Children from kindergarten to the sixth grade are invited to attend. The program will consist of crafts, recreation, music and lessons.

Mrs. Jo Rollison and Mrs. Dottie Allen, secretaries at Clarkston High School, have been named recording secretary and treasurer, respectively, of the Oakland Association of Educational Secretaries.

Eastern Star Chapter No. 294 will sponsor a rummage sale August 12 and 13 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Clarkston Masonic Temple, 2 North Main, Clarkston.

Yoga classes will again be available to area residents this month. Balanced Life Yoga four week classes will begin August 9 and 10. Tuesday's yoga one and two classes will begin at 7 and 9 p.m. Wednesday, August 10, a special yoga two class is scheduled. For further informa-

tion call Betty June Alexander at 634-4571.

Airman First Class Philip J. Sawdon, son of Mr. and Mrs. James T. Sawdon of Lake Orion, has arrived for duty at Torrejon AB, Spain.

Airman Sawdon, an administrative specialist with a unit of the U.S. Air Forces in Europe, previously served at George AFB, Calif.

The airman is a 1975 graduate of Rochester High School. His wife, Wendy, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Vassallo of 4870 Lakeview, Clarkston.

Oakland County Republicans will get together at 1 p.m. Sunday, September 11 for an annual Ox Roast at Camp Dearborn, near Milford. Cost is \$2.50 per person, \$1 for children under five.

Whisenhunt comes to Waterford Church

Waterford Community Church, Airport Road and Olympic Parkway, has filled the pastoral vacancy created by the departure of Rev. Roger Campbell a year ago.

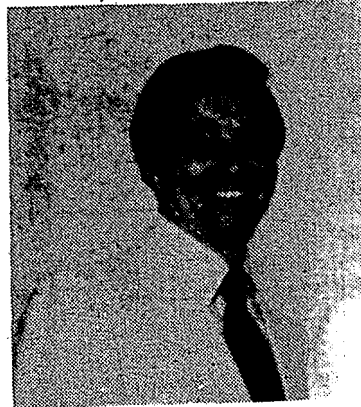
Rev. Phil Whisenhunt and his wife, Lois, have come to the church from Racine, Wisc., where he was pastor of Racine Bible Church for almost 18 years.

Rev. Calvin Junker, interim pastor, is returning to the Japanese mission field.

Rev. Whisenhunt, a native of Sand Springs, Okla., received his education at Austin College and Dallas Theological Seminary.

The Whisenhunts have three children, Beth, Jim and Gwen, each of whom will be attending college this fall.

The family will be feted at a



reception Sunday evening following the 6 p.m. service. During his introductory sermon at 11 a.m., the new pastor will be joined by a new church minister of music, Ed Fahey, who received his bachelor of music degree from Detroit Bible College.

Movies on the hill

by Jennifer Radcliff

Saturday afternoons are pretty quiet in Clarkston's business district. Friday afternoons—now that's something else again. But Saturday?

Well, not long ago Saturday was The Day.

During the 1920's and 30's, Clarkston had two or three grocery stores, a couple of butcher shops, a pool hall, two hardware stores, blacksmith shops and later an auto supply store, a woodworking shop, a dry-cleaning establishment, a feed mill.

The buildings which now house offices contained a confectionery, a meat and fish store, the Township hall, and a dry goods store.

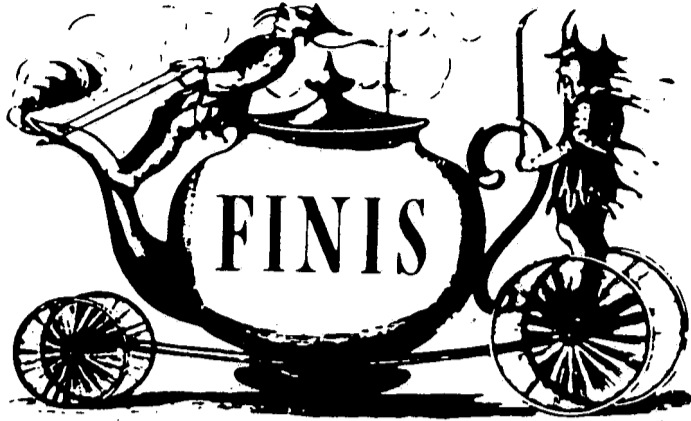
It was a bustling scene, with two big tourist hotels just outside of town and a third right on the corner of Main and Washington. And a bus line connected them all to the railroad depot.

On Saturday all this activity came to a peak, with the farm families coming in to do business and the tourists arriving from the city.

For several summers in the late 20's, one of the big Saturday attractions was the free "movie on the hill" that was shown after dark.

The "hill" was the area next to where the Hawke's Cove building now stands. Arnold Mann and Duane Hursfall remember people sitting on the hill, about where Mr. and Mrs. Hawke's home is now, with the screen down the hill a little way.

The crowds grew so large, with people sitting in cars and buggies along Washington Street, that the street would be closed for an hour or so while the



movie was showing.

It was great for people watching even if you weren't a movie fan! Westerns and Abbott and Costello movies seem to bring the fondest memories.

All of this was free, courtesy of the local businessmen, who passed the hat among themselves to raise the money.

An outside firm was then hired to provide the movie, the projectionist, and the canvas that was hung between poles for a screen.

Some of the amenities might have been lacking, but there was popcorn and ice cream for the patron. During the summers of 1928, '29, and '30, or thereabouts, Bob Jones and John Miller earned money toward college expenses by operating a popcorn stand near Waterbury & Terry's market, where Clarkston Shoe Service is now.

Later other entrepreneurs such as Stan Spencer, sold popcorn by Addis' confectionery (look up at the brick work above the Clarkston Real Estate sign). And then there was famous-for-miles-around-Cheeseman's for ice cream before and after the show.

Bob Jones remembers the

bank being open from 9:00 am to 3:30 pm, and again from 7:30 to 8:30 pm, in order to handle all the transactions a busy day generated. "Those people would stand on the steps of the bank talking to friends 'til 8:25 and then walk in! And we were all in a hurry to balance out, meet family and friends, and get to the show on time!"

The movies would be shown for a year or two, then business sponsors would lose interest and the program would drop for a while. Then someone would generate the necessary enthusiasm and there would be another season of movies.

Sometimes the movies would be shown on the front of the old Post Office, sometimes on the south side of the old Leonard and Miller Buick garage (now Rudy's), occasionally in the '40's on the front of the Ford building (now Hawke's Cove), and often on the north wall of Walter's store (now the Clarkston News-Max Broock building).

But always they were well received by friend and visitor alike, and added a pleasant finish to a busy day in a busy town.



Todd Collins, son of Mr. and Mrs. Al Collins, 7600 Pine Knob Road and a student at Clarkston High School, raised this 1,000 pound steer from a calf for display and sale this week at the Oakland County 4-H Fair in Davisburg. The annual stock auction is 7:30 p.m. Friday.

AREA CHURCHES AND THEIR WORSHIP HOUR

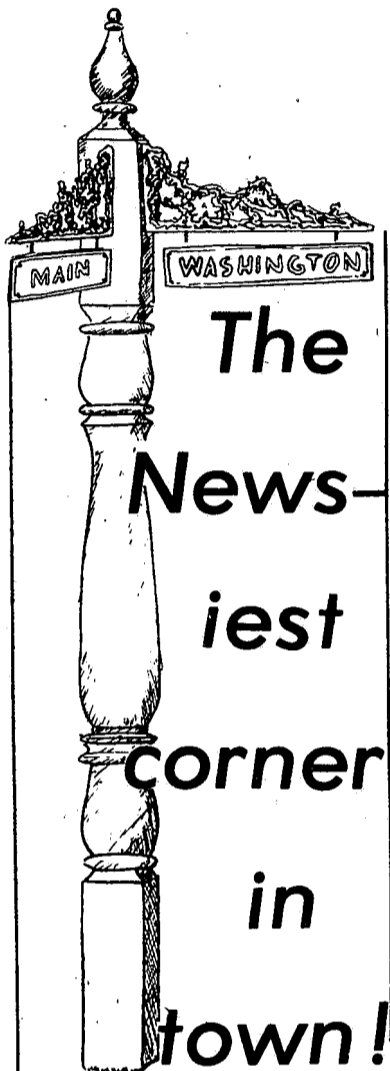
SASHABAW UNITED PRESBYTERIAN 5300 Maybee Road Pastor Mark H. Caldwell Church School 9:00 a.m. Worship 10:00 a.m.	LAKE LOUISE CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE M-15 at W. Seymour Lake Road, Ortonville 9:45 Sunday School 10:50 The Hour of Worship 6:15 Youth and Bible Study 7:00 Evening Service Wed. 7:00 p.m. Family Prayer & Bible Study
CLARKSTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 6600 Waldon Road Rev. James R. Balfour Worship & Church School 10:00 a.m.	CLARKSTON CHURCH OF GOD 54 South Main Sunday School 10 a.m. Morning Worship 11 a.m. Eve. Evangelistic 7 p.m. Wed. Prayer, Bible & Youth 7 p.m. Pastor Richard Lowe
GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH 1950 Baldwin, Lake Orion, MI 48035 Sunday School 9:15 Family Worship 8 and 10:30 a.m. Pastor Charles Kosberg	SPIRITUALIST CHURCH OF THE GOOD SAMARITAN 5401 Oak Park off Maybee Rd. Rev. Allen Hinz Worship Hours: Wed. 7 p.m. - Sun. 7 p.m.
ANDERSONVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH 10350 Andersonville Rev. Wallace Duncan Worship 11:00 a.m.	CLINTONVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH 5301 Clintonville Rd. 9:45 Sunday School 7:30 Evening Worship 11:00 Morning Worship Wed. 7:00 Choir 6:30 Training Union 7:30 Prayer Service
MARANATHA BAPTIST CHURCH 5790 Flemings Lake Road Rev. Philip W. Somers Worship 11:00 a.m.	CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH INDEPENDENT NEW TESTAMENT CHURCH Gene Paul, Minister 3246 Lapeer Rd. (M-24 near I-75) B. School 9:45, M. Worship 11 a.m. Eve. Worship 6:00
ST. DANIEL CATHOLIC CHURCH Holcomb at Miller Rd Father Francis Weingartz Sunday Masses: 9 and 11 Sat 5 p.m. & 7 p.m.	WATERFORD COMMUNITY CHURCH Airport Road at Olympic Parkway Sunday School 9:45 Morning Worship 11:00 Evening Service 6:00 Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 Rev. Philip Whisenhunt, Pastor Elizabeth Jencks, Children's Worker
FIRST BAPTIST 5972 Paramus Rev. Clarence Bell Sunday School 9:45 am Morning Service 11:00 am Primary Church thru 4th Grade Evening Service 7:00 pm	ST. TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH 7925 Sashabaw Road Pastor Rev. Ralph C. Claus Sunday Worship 8:30 and 10:00
DRAYTON HEIGHTS FREE METHODIST CHURCH Corner of Winnell and Maybee Rd Rev. Clancy J. Thompson 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Worship Hour 6:00 Vespers Wednesday, 7 p.m. Family Night	CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE 4453 Clintonville Road Church School 10:00 a.m. Worship at 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Family Prayer Wed. 7:30 p.m. Gerald K. Craig, Youth Pastor Wayne G. Greve, Pastor
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.	PENTECOSTAL TABERNACLE 9880 Ortonville Rd. Worship 11 a.m. & 7 p.m. Wed. Nite Prayer 7 p.m. Pastor Rev. James Holder
PINE KNOB COMMUNITY CHURCH 3041 Reeder Road off Clintonville Pontiac, Michigan Ken Hauser Worship 10:15 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.	EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION 6490 Clarkston Road Rev. Alexander Stewart Worship 8:00 & 10:00
NEW HOPE BIBLE CHURCH 5311 Sunnyside Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Worship Service 11 a.m. Worship at 7 p.m. Rev. H. W. Crawford, 674-1112	CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH 6805 Bluegrass Drive Rev. Robert D. Walters Summer Service The Service and Nursery 9:00 a.m.
SEYMOUR LAKE UNITED METHODIST Sashabaw at Seymour Lake Rd. Rev. Larenz Stahl Sunday School 9:15 a.m. Worship Service 10:30a.m.	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF DAVISBURG 12881 Andersonville Road, Davisburg Rev. Robert R. Hazen, Pastor Phone 634-9225 Sunday: Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. Evening Gospel Hour 6 p.m. Wednesday: Family night program 7 p.m. Awana clubs 7 p.m.
CLARKSTON COMMUNITY BIBLE CHURCH Presently meeting in the Clarkston High School Auditorium Sunday School 10 a.m. Worship Service 11 a.m. Evening Service 6 p.m. Pastor, Rev. Myron Gaul, 625-0519 Christian Ed., Roger Sykes	UNITY in Pontiac West Huron at Genesee 3 blocks east of Telegraph 10:30 Worship Hour 10:00-11:30 Sunday School, Pre-school through Junior High
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Board of Education,
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Board, 1st Wednesday



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ORDINANCE NO. 92

AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT BY REFERENCE THE
FIRE PREVENTION CODE AS RECOMMENDED BY
THE AMERICAN INSURANCE ASSOCIATION

THE VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON ORDAINS:

SECTION I. CODE ADOPTED

There is hereby adopted by reference by the Village Council of the Village of Clarkston for the purpose of prescribing regulations governing conditions hazardous to life and property, a code known as the Fire Prevention Code recommended by the American Insurance Association, being particularly the 1970 edition thereof and the whole thereof, save and except such portions as hereinafter deleted, modified or amended (by Section II of this Ordinance), of which code not less than one (1) copy has been and now is filed in the office of the Clerk of the Village of Clarkston and the same is hereby adopted and incorporated as fully as if set out at length herein, and from the date on which this Ordinance shall take effect, the provisions thereof shall be controlling.

SECTION II. AMENDMENT TO THE CODE

A. That "Article 3 Automobile Wrecking Yards, Junk Yards and Waste Material Handling Plants, Section 3.4 Burning Operations" is amended to read as follows:

The burning of wrecked or discarded automobiles or any parts thereof or junk or any waste materials shall be done only in incinerator enclosures approved as free from fire hazard for burning purposes by the Bureau of Fire Prevention.

B. That "Article 28 Precautions Against Fire, General, Section 28.1 Bonfires and Outdoor Rubbish Fires" is amended to read as follows which amendment includes the creation of subsections (e), (f) and (g):

ARTICLE 28

PRECAUTIONS AGAINST FIRE, GENERAL

Section 28.1. Bonfires and Outdoor Rubbish Fires.

a. General Regulation. No person shall kindle or maintain any open bonfire or open rubbish fire or authorize any such fire to be kindled or maintained within the Village of Clarkston, unless permitted hereunder. During construction or demolition of buildings or structures no waste materials or rubbish shall be disposed of by burning on the premises or in the immediate vicinity.

b. Location Restricted. No person shall kindle or maintain any bonfire or rubbish fire or authorize any such fire to be kindled or maintained on any land unless the fire is contained in an approved waste burner located safely not less than fifteen (15) feet from any structure.

c. Attendance of Fires. Bonfires and rubbish fires shall be constantly attended by a competent person until such fire is extinguished. This person shall have a garden hose connected to the water supply, or other fire extinguishing equipment readily available for use.

d. Chief May Prohibit. The Chief of the Fire Department may prohibit any or all bonfires and outdoor rubbish fires when atmospheric conditions or local circumstances make such fires hazardous in his opinion.

e. Wherever or whenever burning is permitted under the provisions of this or any other section of this code such fires shall not be used to dispose of automobile or other similar materials of the type that upon combustion emit inordinate amounts of smoke or noxious odors. (Tires, other rubbish products, plastics, etc.).

f. The provisions of subsections (a) and (b) of this Section shall not be construed to prohibit fires of charcoal or a non-ash producing fuel when used on private property for the exclusive preparation of food for human consumption. Further, it shall not prohibit non-ash producing fuels from being used not less than fifteen (15) feet from combustible materials when used in metal containers for the heating of building materials and for the warmth of workers.

g. Notwithstanding any of the foregoing provisions of this Section, or any other section of this Ordinance, special or occasional fires shall be allowed if the Chief of the Fire Department shall determine that the maintenance of such a fire will create no hazard to surrounding property or persons in close proximity thereto and if, upon making such determination, the Fire Chief issues a special permit to maintain such a fire.

C. That a new Article is created as follows:

ARTICLE 32

REFUSE AND LIQUID INCINERATORS

Section 32.1. Requirements

No incinerator shall be permitted to be constructed, installed, or altered nor shall any incinerator be permitted to be operated within the Village of Clarkston unless all of the rules and regulations of the Air Pollution Control Commission and all other provisions of the Air Pollution Control Act being Act 348 of the Public Acts of 1965 have been complied with, including the making of application for a permit to construct, install, alter or modify and operate same and the granting thereof.

Section 32.2. Exception

This Article shall not apply to domestic incinerator units up to and including five (5) cubic feet storage capacity.

SECTION III. REFERENCES IN CODE

A. References in the Fire Prevention Code to "Municipality" shall mean the Village of Clarkston.

b. References in the Fire Prevention Code to "Corporation Counsel" shall be held to mean the attorney for the Village of Clarkston.

SECTION IV. ESTABLISHMENT AND DUTIES OF BUREAU OF FIRE PREVENTION

A. The Fire Prevention Code shall be enforced by the Bureau of Fire Prevention of the Fire Department of the Village of Clarkston which is hereby established and which shall be operated under the supervision of the Chief of the Fire Department.

B. The Fire Marshal in charge of the Bureau of Fire Prevention shall be appointed by the Chief of the Fire Department.

C. The Chief of the Fire Department may detail such members of the Fire Department as inspectors as shall from time to time be necessary.

D. A report of the Bureau of Fire Prevention shall be made annually and transmitted to the President of the Village of Clarkston; it shall contain all proceedings under this Code, with such statistics as the Chief of the Fire Department may wish to include therein; the Chief of the Fire Department shall also recommend any amendments to the Code which, in his judgment, shall be desirable.

SECTION V. MODIFICATIONS

The Fire Marshal in charge of the Bureau of Fire Prevention shall have the power to modify any of the provisions of the Fire Prevention Code upon application in writing by the owner of lessee of any property or his duly authorized agent, when there are practical difficulties in the way of carrying out the strict letters of the Code, provided that the spirit of the Code, shall be observed, public safety secured and substantial justice done. The particulars of such modification when granted or allowed and the decision of the Fire Marshal thereon shall be entered upon the records of the Department and a signed copy shall be furnished to the applicant.

SECTION VI. NEW MATERIALS, PROCESSES OR OCCUPANCIES WHICH MAY REQUIRE PERMITS

The President of the Village of Clarkston, Chief of the Fire Department and the Fire Marshal in charge of the Bureau of Fire Prevention shall act as a committee to determine and specify, after giving affected persons an opportunity to be heard, any new materials, processes or occupancies, which shall require permits, in addition to those now enumerated in said Code. The Fire Marshal shall post such list in a conspicuous place in his office, and distribute copies thereof to interested persons.

SECTION VII. PENALTIES

A. Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of the Code, hereby adopted or who fail to comply therewith, or who shall violate or fail to comply with any order made thereunder, or who shall build in violation of any detailed statement of specifications or plans submitted and approved thereunder, or any certificate or permit issued thereunder, or who shall fail to comply with such an order as affirmed or modified by a Court of competent jurisdiction, shall severally for each and every such violation and noncompliance respectively, be guilty of a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of not less than \$15.00 nor more than \$500.00 or by imprisonment for not more than 90 days of by both such fine and imprisonment. The imposition of one penalty for any violation shall not excuse the violation or permit it to continue; and all such persons shall be required to correct or remedy such violations of defects within a reasonable time; and when not otherwise specified each ten days that prohibited conditions are maintained shall constitute a separate offense.

B. The application of the above penalty shall not be held to prevent the enforced removal of prohibited conditions.

SECTION VIII. ORDINANCE REPEALED

Ordinance No. 63 adopted April 13, 1971 taking effect April 23, 1971 relating to Fire Prevention is hereby specifically repealed upon the effective date hereof.

All other ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of the Fire Prevention Code are, to the extent of such inconsistencies, hereby repealed.

SECTION IX. VALIDITY

The Village Council of the Village of Clarkston hereby declares that should any section, paragraph, sentence or word of this Ordinance or of the Code hereby adopted be declared for any reason to be invalid it is the intent of the Village Council that it would have passed all other portions of this Ordinance independent of the elimination therefrom of any such portion as may be declared invalid, and such invalid portions shall not affect the validity of the remaining sections hereof.

SECTION X. DATE OF EFFECT

This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force twenty (20) days after publication.

Aye Votes: ApMadoc, Granlund, Sage, Shultz, Weber.
Nay Votes: None.
Absent: Basinger.

VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON
Keith Hallman, President
Bruce Rogers, Clerk



Public Notice

BIDS

Independence Township will receive bids for the sale of the following equipment:

- 1—1970 Nova 2 door coupe, minimum bid \$350.00.
- 1—1970 Chevrolet pickup truck, minimum bid \$200.00
- 1—1959 Ford Tractor with front end loader, minimum bid \$1,500.00
- 1—1969 CJ 5 Jeep with snow plow, no minimum bid
- 1—1 big cement mixer, no minimum bid

Mail all bids to:
Christopher L. Rose, Independence Township Clerk
90 N. Main Street, Clarkston, Michigan
ENVELOPE MUST BE MARKED "SEALED BID".
Bids will be opened August 16, 1977 at Township Board meeting, 7:30 p.m. Terms of sale are: cash, cashiers check or certified check only. Independence Township reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Christopher L. Rose, Clerk

August 4 & 11



Clean-up requested

Owners of the Quik-Pik Party Store were given a warning last week to either clean up the morning litter or face court action. Jack McCall, director of police services, said the owners have been cooperative in the past in removing the trash left from the previous night's business but lately have been lax. They will be given the opportunity to resume the clean-up program, McCall said, and if they don't further action will be taken.



Public Notice

NOTICE

THE Springfield Township Board of Appeals will hold a meeting Thursday, August 18, 1977, 8:00 P.M. at the Springfield Township Hall, 650 Broadway, Davisburg, Michigan to hear the appeal of:

1. Leo J. Gruber, 9017 Louisiana, Livonia, Michigan 48150, to build a garage three (3) feet from south side of 50x150 ft. lot #21 of H. C. Hillman Sub-division, in section 28 of Springfield Township, SW# 07-28-401-005. Property address, 5830 Morning Drive, Davisburg, Michigan.
2. William H. Gay, 32275 Bingham, Birmingham, MI to build a car port 15 to 20 ft. from the front lot line. SW# 07-28-251-010. Property address, 6049 Long Pointe Dr., Davisburg, Michigan.
3. Michael and Sue Kahn, 9203 Dixie Hwy., Clarkston, MI 48016, to split parcel SW# 07-07-200-002 with a variance from the 4 to 1 ratio. Property address 13101 Rattalee Lake Road, Davisburg, MI.
4. The Springfield Township Library Board request an extension of a variance to black top the parking area of the Township Library, at the corner of Hogback Lake Road and Andersonville Road.
5. Wayne Tatu, 10359 King Road, Davisburg, MI 48019 to construct an attached garage 12 feet from the lot line on lot #32 of Supervisors Plat #10 SW# 07-10-451-031.
6. Dale E. Cook, 2925 Highland Road, Highland, Michigan 48031, to build a home on parcel SW# 07-14-176-032 which does not have the required road frontage. Parcel is behind 9700 Dixie Hwy., Clarkston, MI.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the proposed variance and any maps may be examined at the Springfield Township Clerk's Office, 650 Broadway, Davisburg, Michigan during regular office hours each day Monday through Friday until the date of the Public Hearing.

J. Calvin Walters
Springfield Township Clerk



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Growing things

Prune those raspberries

by Lyle Abel

Prune those raspberries now! The crop has been harvested and the sooner the fruit bearing canes are pruned out the better. As any experienced gardener knows, the raspberry stem or cane is a biennial. Those new canes (stems) that are growing now will produce next summer's berries. The sooner the bearing canes are removed after harvest the better next years crop will

be. This annual chore helps control diseases and makes it easier to manage the planting.

July is also a good time to thin out the many canes that red raspberries produce. These surplus sprouts come from the roots and if not removed, your raspberry planting soon becomes a jungle of brambles. If you wish to make a raspberry planting, this fall is a good season to start and the surplus sprouts may be used for this purpose.

One suggestion however is to get "virus free" plants from a reputable nursery. Raspberries tolerate many virus diseases that reduce the quality and the yield of berries— as witness the berries on most wild plants. The virus-free plants are much superior and well worth their cost.

For your raspberries choose a well drained place, add plenty of organic matter - compost, manure, peat, grass clippings, leaves, whatever—and allow plenty of room. Raspberry plants in rows should have at least 6 to 7 feet between the rows, five to six feet if you plan to keep them in hills. Berry rows can be trellised on wires. Hilled berries may be staked for easier picking and spraying.

Black and purple raspberries propagate by tip-layering. As the tips of the slender branches reach the soil they will form roots and start a new plant.

This is also the season to fertilize raspberries. Apply a high nitrogen fertilizer such as ammonium nitrate—a pound to each 10 feet of row—will greatly improve next years yield of berries. High nitrogen lawn fertilizer will do a creditable job also. This too is a good time to mulch the berry planting by spreading a heavy layer of straw, hay, lawn clippings, leaves around the plants. The mulch will control the weeds and hold the moisture in the soil.

Raspberries are one of the easiest of fruits to grow in a

home garden. A planting with good care will last 8 to 10 years and supply an ample amount of delicious fruit at a season when many other fruits are not available. The planting needs to be promptly pruned after harvest, severely thinned, and liberally mulched. It will make a rewarding addition to any home garden.

If you are a fruit lover but have only a small space in which to grow trees, why not try training them to a trellis. Start with dwarf varieties of apples or other fruits and keep the branches tied to the wires of the trellis, pruning them back severely.

The Oriental people with their lack of space have carried this method of growing fruit on wire supports to great extremes. We had the privilege of seeing some of the systems used by gardeners on a trip including Japan. Grapes grown in the villages we visited were trained to a canopy of wires making an arbor that seemed to cover the entire area in some of the villager's lots. In Nationalist China pear trees were pruned to long branches supported by wires and were said to be very prolific producers of high quality fruit. A trellised tree is capable of supplying several bushels of fruit for a family and it makes an interesting addition to one's home grounds. Trellising also simplifies the spraying, pruning and harvesting of the fruit.

Leon Storm of Lake Orion called my attention to one virtue of milkweeds that was left out of the discussion of the plant in the column a short time back. Leon says that tender young sprouts of milkweed are as delicious as any asparagus. He suggests one should cut the stems just as they emerge from the soil and prepare them as you would asparagus. Score another for the lowly milkweed!

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The Army provides all the training needed by the beginner, but those who have studied chemistry, biology - or who have had courses in shop, electricity or mechanical drawing and drafting - will find them helpful.

For additional information, consult your local Army recruiter, listed in the Yellow Pages under "Recruiting", or in the White Pages under "U.S. Government".

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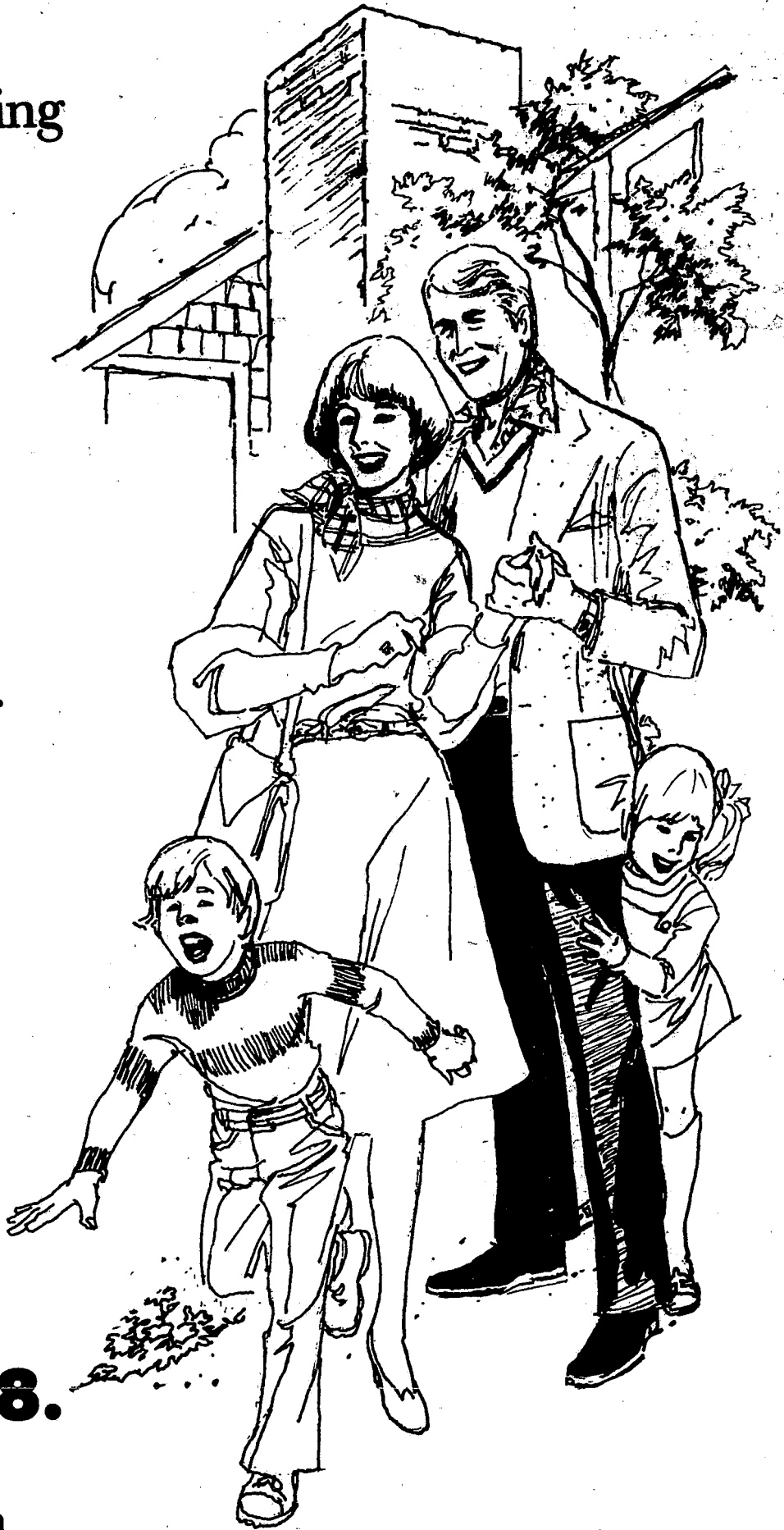
Public Notice: The next regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Clarkston School district will be Monday, Aug. 8 at 8:00 P.M. at the Board Office, 6389 Clarkston Road.

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Public Notice: PUBLIC HEARING Notice is hereby given that the Springfield Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on August 16, 1977 at 8:00 p.m. in the Township Hall, 650 Broadway Street, Davisburg, Michigan to hear comments regarding the following proposed text amendments to the Township Zoning Ordinance. The proposed text amendments are as follows: 1. Amend Schedule of Regulations, Article 23.00 by adding a new footnote "i" as follows: In the R-3 and R-4 Single Family Zoning Districts where individual lots and/or parcels are classified as non-conforming as to the minimum lot area and/or minimum lot frontage, the side, front, and rear yard setbacks may be reduced by the same percentage ration as is determined by dividing the actual frontage of the lot or parcel by the required frontage for the district provided however that the minimum side yard set back on one side shall be at least ten (10) feet in width. Notice is further given that the tentative text and any maps of the Zoning Ordinance to be amended may be examined at the Springfield Township Clerk's Office, 650 Broadway Street, Davisburg, Michigan until regular office hours each day Monday through Friday until the date of the Public Hearing. Springfield Township Clerk J. Calvin Walters July 28, Aug. 11

Public Notice: NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF AMENDMENTS TO THE UNIFORM TRAFFIC CODE Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the provisions of Act 62 of the Public Acts of 1956, State of Michigan, amendments to the Uniform Traffic Code for cities, townships and villages were adopted by reference by the Council of the Village of Clarkston on the 25th day of July, 1977. The purpose of such code is to regulate the operation of vehicles, to provide for the regulation and use of streets, highways and alleys and other public and semi-public places within the Village of Clarkston and to provide penalties for the violation of said Code. Complete copies of the Uniform Traffic Code are available at the office of the Village Clerk for inspection by and distribution to the public at all times. No further or additional publication of the Uniform Traffic Code is required or contemplated. Bruce Rogers, Village Clerk Keith Hallman, Village President July 25 Dated: July 25, 1977

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Businesses get expansion ok

The Independence Township Planning Commission approved site plans for two additions and a portion of a small office building last week.

Approved were the plans for an addition to the Waterford Racquet Club on Dixie Highway south of Waterford Hill. The plans call for the addition of five racquet ball courts bringing to six the number of courts at the club.

The only provision required by the planning commission was that a door be added to the north side of the building.

Also approved was a 2,900 square foot addition to the Clarkston Auto Body located on Sashabaw.

The planning commission also approved a portion of site plans for a proposed professional office building to be located on Dixie at the Independence-Waterford Township boundary line.

Jerry Anderson, owner of the proposed building, will now have to receive approvals from Waterford officials for that portion of the building located in Waterford Township.



by Maralee Cook

Three Clarkston area residents won the Home Value Sweepstakes sponsored by the National Hardware Association and COUNTRY VALUE HOME CENTER & HARDWARE. Mary Vandermark and Claire Rudlaff received Wiss pruning shears and Larry Feneley won a Lustrorip-top basket. Congratulations to all. Country Value is located at 5797 M-15, corner of Dixie Hwy. Phone 625-1122.

The "Rocco Sisters" will be entertaining at the PINE KNOB RESTAURANT & LOUNGE through the month of August. Both a full dinner menu and entertaining at the PINE KNOB RESTAURANT & LOUNGE, 7777 Pine Knob Rd., through the month of August. Both a full dinner menu and sandwich menu are available from 5:30 p.m. nightly. Call 394-0772 for reservations.

THE LONDON SHOE SHOPPE is now open for business at its new location, 5590 Dixie Highway in the Harvard Plaza, rd. If you hurry you can receive a savings of up to 75% on selected summer shoes, some savings on new fall styles, and owner Carrol Reis reports that all her new back-to-school shoes are in.



VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON ORDINANCE NO. 80

An ordinance to adopt by reference amendments to the Uniform Traffic Code for Michigan cities, townships and villages; and to make changes in and additions to said amendments to the Uniform Traffic Code for Michigan's cities, townships and villages.

VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON ORDAINS:

SECTION I, Amendments to Code Adopted

Amendment to the opening paragraph, Page 2, is hereby adopted by reference to read as follows:

"The following Uniform Traffic Code for cities, townships and villages is authorized by Act No. 62 of the Public Acts of 1956, being section 257.951 to 257.954 of the Compiled Laws of 1970. It was promulgated by publication February 14, 1958 in Supplement No. 13 to the 1954 Michigan Administrative Code. Amendments were promulgated, effective February 14, 1961 and published in Supplement No. 25, and effective February 26, 1968 and published in Supplement No. 54, to the 1954 Michigan Administrative Code; and effective August 4, 1976, and published in Supplement No. 88 to the 1954 Administrative Code."

Amendments to Sections 1.003, 1.016a, 1.025, 2.5, 2.5a, 2.6, 2.28, 2.36b, 2.40, 2.46, 2.51, 2.52, 5.15, 5.26, 5.35, 5.44, 5.62, 5.69, 5.79, 5.86, 5.90, 5.97, 6.16, 6.17, 6.23, 7.4 of the Uniform Traffic Code for cities, townships and villages, and the amendment of such Uniform Code by the addition of Sections 1.003a, 1.003b, 1.031b, 1.031c, 1.043b, 2.7, 3.12, 4.4a, 4.16, 4.17, 4.18, 4.19, 4.20, 4.21, 4.22, 5.9a, 5.15a, 5.15b, 5.15c, 5.15d, 5.28a, 5.73a, 5.80a, 5.98a, 6.17a, 6.23a, 8.23a, 8.23b, 10.01, 10.001, 10.002, 10.003, 10.004, 10.005, 10.006, 10.007, 10.11, 10.12, 10.13, 10.14, 10.21, 10.22, 10.23, 10.31, 10.32, 10.33, 10.34, 10.35, 10.36, 10.37, 10.38, 10.39, 10.40, 10.41, 10.51, 10.61, 10.71, 10.72, 10.73, 10.74, and 10.75, all of which were promulgated by the director of the Department of State Police, effective August 4, 1976, and published in Supplement No. 88 to the 1954 Michigan Administrative Code, in accordance with Act. No. 62 of the Michigan Public Acts of 1956, are hereby adopted by reference amending and adding similarly numbered sections of Ordinance No. 80, adopted September 9, 1974.

SECTION II, Changes in Code

The following sections and subsections of the Uniform Traffic Code for cities, townships and villages are hereby amended or deleted as set forth and additional sections and subsections are added as set forth herein.

SECTION 2.17c, Procedure Upon Arrest for Certain Offenses

Section amended to read:

"Section 2.17c, Procedure upon arrest for certain offenses.

(a) A person arrested without a warrant on a charge of violating Section 5.14 of this ordinance, shall be taken, without unreasonable delay, before the magistrate or probate court having jurisdiction. If under existing circumstances, it does not appear that releasing such person pending the issuance of a warrant will constitute a public menace, the arresting officer may issue a citation as is provided in Section 2.10 of this ordinance."

SECTION 2.36, No Stopping, Standing or Parking Zones.

Section amended to read:

"Section 2.36, No stopping, standing or parking zones.

The traffic engineer may determine and designate zones where stopping, standing or parking is prohibited due to hazardous conditions which may exist or where conditions exist which would cause undue delay to traffic. Such zones shall be designated by posting proper signs at such locations. The distance between any two such signs shall be that distance determined by the traffic engineer as an appropriate distance."

SECTION 3.2a, Fleeing an Officer

After Section 3.2a, add the following amendment to the entitlement of said section and add a paragraph to said section as set forth below:

"Section 3.2a, Fleeing an officer.

A driver of a motor vehicle who has been stopped by a police officer and subsequently flees or attempts to flee or elude the officer, either by a motor vehicle or on foot, shall be in violation of this Section."

SECTION 4.6, Traffic Control Signal Placement and Legend.

Subparagraph (c), Steady red indication, is amended to add a second paragraph to read:

"Vehicular traffic facing a steady red signal, after stopping before entering the crosswalk on the near side of the intersection or at a limit line when marked or, if none, then before entering the intersection, shall be privileged to make a right turn from a one-way or two-way street onto a two-way street or into a one-way street carrying traffic in the direction of the right turn; or a left turn from a one-way or two-way street into a one-way street carrying traffic in the direction of the left turn unless prohibited by sign, signal, marking, light or other traffic control device. The vehicular traffic shall yield the right-of-way to pedestrians lawfully within an adjacent crosswalk and to other traffic lawfully using the intersection."

SECTION 4.21, "Bicycle Paths," Vehicles Prohibited; Snowmobiles Permitted Under Certain Conditions

The entitlement of said Section is amended to read as follows: Section 4.21, "Bicycle paths"; vehicles prohibited. Section 4.21(2) is hereby deleted.

SECTION 5.8a, Making a False Report.

After Section 5.8, add a new Section 5.8a, to read as follows:

"Section 5.8a, Making a false report.

It shall be unlawful for any person to willfully and knowingly make to any police officer a fictitious report giving false information relating to a traffic accident or violation of a traffic ordinance, knowing the same to be false."

SECTION 5.12, Violation of Signs.

Section amended to read as follows:

"Section 5.12, Violation of signs.

It shall be prima facie unlawful to exceed the speed limit stated on signs erected in accordance with the traffic ordinance of this governmental unit, and it shall be prima facie unlawful to drive at a speed lower than the posted minimum speed on any freeway, except when reduced speed is necessary for safe operation or in compliance with the law."

SECTION 5.15, Driving Under Influence of Intoxicating Liquor or Narcotic Drugs.

Section 5.15(2) is hereby deleted.

SECTION 5.16A, Consumption of Liquor on Highways or on Property Open to Public.

Section amended to read as follows:

Section 5.16a is hereby changed to Section 5.16b, Consumption of liquor on highways or on property open to public.

The last sentence of Section 5.16b(2) is hereby amended to read as follows:

"If the vehicle does not have a trunk or compartment separate from the passenger compartment, a container which is open or uncapped, or on which the seal is broken, shall be encased or enclosed. This Section shall not apply to a chartered passenger vehicle licensed by the Michigan Public Service Commission."

SECTION 5.20, Overtaking and Passing on right of Moving Vehicles.

Subsection (d) amended to modify the last sentence thereof to read as follows:

"In no event shall such movement be made by driving off the pavement or main-traveled portion of the roadway for the purpose of passing or driving."

SECTION 5.26a, Driving in a Left Turn Only Lane.

After Section 5.26, add a new Section 5.26a to read as follows:

"Section 5.26a, Driving in a left turn only lane.

On streets where a center lane is clearly indicated by signs as being reserved for the exclusive use of vehicles desiring to turn left, it shall be unlawful to make such a left turn movement from any other lane and it shall further be unlawful for any vehicle to enter such lane except to make such a left turn movement and then only within the block immediately preceding the intersection at which the turn is made; provided that this section shall not prohibit a left turn movement from this lane into a driveway, when such turn can be made in safety and without interfering with vehicles lawfully in such lane to make an intersection turn. Provided further, that such vehicle shall enter the left turn lane only in the block within which the left turn is to be made."

SECTION 5.31a, Required Position and Method of Turning From a Roadway at Other Than an Intersection.

After Section 5.31, add a new Section 5.31a to read as follows:

"Section 5.31a, Required position and method of turning from a roadway at other than an intersection.

Turns from a roadway at other than an intersection, where lawful, shall be made in the same manner and from the same lane as specified in Section 5.31 for turns at an intersection."

SECTION 5.43, Right-of-way, Vehicle Turning Left.

Substitute the former Section 5.43 with the new Section 5.43 to read as follows:

"Section 5.43, Right-of-way, vehicle turning left.

The driver of a vehicle intending to turn to the left shall yield the right-of-way to any vehicle approaching from the opposite direction which is so close as to constitute an immediate hazard, but said driver, having so yielded and having given a signal when and as required by this ordinance, may make such left turn and the drivers of all other vehicles approaching from the opposite direction shall yield the right-of-way to the vehicle making the left turn; provided, that at an intersection at which a traffic signal is located, a driver intending to make a left turn shall permit vehicles bound straight through in the opposite direction which are waiting a go signal to pass through the intersection before making the turn."

SECTION 5.51, Boarding or Alighting from Vehicles; Hitching to Vehicles.

After Section 5.50, add Section 5.51 as follows:

"Section 5.51, Boarding or alighting from vehicles; hitching to vehicles.

No person shall board or alight from any vehicle while such vehicle is in motion. No person shall climb onto or hitch on any moving vehicle with or without operator's consent and no operator shall knowingly permit such action."

SECTION 5.59a, Riding Outside of Confines of a Moving Vehicle.

After Section 5.59, add a new Section 5.59a to read as follows:

"Section 5.59a, Riding outside of confines of a moving vehicle.

(a) No person shall ride in or operate any motor vehicle unless all portions of such person's body are entirely within that portion of the vehicle designed for the carrying of passengers or merchandise or as otherwise permitted by this ordinance; provided however that this section does not apply to any person whose employment makes it necessary to ride otherwise.

Quality of life, not quantity

By Carol Calkins

I truly never realized before 1973 how hard decision-making can be, especially when it involves your life. One mistake is all your allowed!

It was difficult to say "yes" to that first surgery, because I neither felt, nor looked any different than before the tumor had begun it's path of destruction.

I listened very carefully to the doctors prior to my first surgery. I saw the X-rays and could detect in my own lay person's eyes that which didn't belong there. There was no hesitancy; "get it out."

It wasn't that simple, and as the years progress, there are more problems to face and more decisions to be made.

So I stopped in the middle of this nightmare, back in Sept. 1975 after they found re-occurrence of tumor, and made one big decision that I will abide by for as long as humanly possible.

I will accept the way of life that offers me quality - not quantity.

I had flown out to Denver for my third operation before John, for some additional tests. When I was all settled in and had forced myself once again to accept the pain of surgery, three specialists approached my bedside.

They told me the tests showed I was in far worse position than before. The tumor had chosen residence on the Internal Carotid Artery, the artery which flows the blood in the brain.

They suggested a two-way course; radical surgery, which meant cutting the artery and possibly a better chance of removal of this creature. But they couldn't guarantee me, it would work.

The other course, not cut the artery and only get the amount of tumor accessible. I felt like I was playing some role in a soap opera. I asked the risk level if I said "go for broke, cut the artery."

The answer 20% chance of complete paralysis on the left side plus brain damage and no guarantee of success. They cautioned this would be my third head surgery and they couldn't keep cutting my head open.

The less radical surgery would be followed up by Cobalt, where there was no statistics of success for this rare tumor.

I got up from the bed and faced the wall for several moments, I asked their opinion, they couldn't nor wouldn't give me an answer. It was my choice.

I told them I'd let them know in the morning what I had decided. I actually had to fight the bile that rose in my throat and grip my fists to keep from going mad. I walked up and down the halls thinking, seeking and praying for the right answer.

Finally late that night I called my doctor back in Mich. He told me "do what's best for Carol." Well at that point I had to decide what did Carol want from life. I stayed up half the night, praying and talking to myself and projecting myself into the now future, when I was satisfied with the picture I saw, I slept until the nurse had to wake me.

I chose the less radical surgery, some doctors said I chose best, others disagreed. I would rather live with the chances I do, but I choose to live my life in my capacity as I do, now, disregarding the years involved.

The third surgery was the most painful and the trauma of the facial paralysis (which last 6 weeks) made me grit my teeth in pain. But along with the pain came the self-determination to live not only each day but each hour in a satisfying one.

The fatigue and nausea of

the cobalt made me wonder some days if I had made the right choice. But I had made an irrevocable decision and it was up to me to make the best of it.

Really that's all any of us can do once we've made a decision which can't be altered, make the best of it or go stagnate, if not crazy. I kept reminding myself while I drove through the worst of winter, freezing and sliding, that at least I could still drive and remain independent. This was a very strenuous time in my life both physically and emotionally.

I'd wait my turn, sometimes hours, for the cobalt only to be so tired and so sick afterwards, that I lay on the floor with my coat still on. But I kept telling myself it wasn't getting worse.

I knew what to expect each day, so it became easier to accept, soon I would be better, if not all the time than at least, some of the time. When a person chooses to live his life to the fullest, there are often high prices to pay - but for me it's not too expensive.

I'm giving myself prime time, there aren't many re-runs in my life, each day is different from the last.

Con't from page 38

(b) It shall be unlawful for the operator of a motor vehicle to allow any person to ride in the said motor vehicle unless all portions of such person's body are entirely within that portion of the vehicle designed for the carrying of passengers or merchandise; provided however, that this Section does not apply to the operator of a motor vehicle whose business makes it necessary to ride otherwise."

SECTION 5.63, Possession, Display.

Section 5.63 is amended to read as follows:

"Section 5.63, Possession, display.

Every driver shall have his operator's or chauffeur's license in his immediate possession at all times when driving a motor vehicle, and shall present the same upon the request of any police officer for the officer's inspection."

SECTION 5.81, Windshields, Obstruction to View.

Section 5.81 is amended to add a second paragraph thereof to read as follows:

"No person shall drive any motor vehicle without first removing snow, ice or frost from the front windshield, side windows and rear window of such vehicle."

SECTION 5.101, Limited Access Highway, Entry, Use, Stopping Restricted.

After Section 5.99, add Section 5.101 to read as follows:

"Section 5.101, Limited Access Highway, entry, use, stopping restricted.

No person shall stop a vehicle on a limited access highway or on the paved portions of any ramp connecting such limited access highway to any other street or highway for the purpose of boarding or discharging passengers or pedestrians."

SECTION 9.3, Penalties.

Section amended to read as follows:

"Section 9.3, Penalties.

Unless another penalty is expressly provided by the ordinance of this governmental unit, every person convicted of a violation of any provision of this ordinance shall be punished by a fine of not more than Five Hundred and 00/100 (\$500.00) Dollars or by imprisonment for not more than ninety (90) days or by both such fine and imprisonment."

SECTION III, Notice to be Published.

The Village Clerk shall publish this ordinance in the manner required by law and shall at the same time, publish a supplementary notice setting forth the purpose of the Uniform Traffic Code and of the fact that complete copies of the Code as hereby amended are available at the office of the Clerk for inspection by and distribution to the public at all times.

SECTION IV, When Effective.

This ordinance shall be in effect twenty (20) days after publication.

BY THE ORDER OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON.

Made and passed by the Village Council of the Village of Clarkston this 25th day of July, 1977.

Bruce Rogers, Village Clerk
Keith Hallman, Village President

Aug. 4



Public Notice



NOTICE

The Independence Township ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS will meet on August 17, 1977 at 8:30 P.M. at 90 North Main Street, Clarkston, MI, to hear CASE #A-676, an appeal by Marvin Bresler for property located at 8975 Allen Road, Parcel ID# 08-07-400-012. Applicant seeks variance from Ordinance #83, to be allowed to stay in a mobile home on the property while new home is being built.

Secretary, Fred Ritter

Public Notice



NOTICE

The Independence Township ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS will meet on August 17, 1977 at 7:30 P.M. at 90 North Main Street, Clarkston, MI, to hear CASE #A-672, an appeal by A.C.E. Inc. for property located at 5591 Sashabaw Road, Parcel ID# 08-27-300-017. Applicant seeks variance from Ordinance #83, sign approval required.

Secretary, Fred Ritter

Public Notice



NOTICE

The Independence Township ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS will meet on August 17, 1977 at 8:50 P.M. at 90 North Main Street, Clarkston, MI, to hear CASE #A-677, an appeal by Chris Easley for property located at Hubbard Hills, Parcel ID #08-17-126-003. Applicant seeks variance from Ordinance #83, for a variance on width to depth ratio for approval on a lot split.

Secretary, Fred Ritter

Public Notice



NOTICE

The Independence Township ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS WILL MEET ON August 17, 1977 at 7:50 P.M. at 90 North Main Street, Clarkston, MI, to hear CASE #A-673, an appeal by Claire Robertson for property located at Lots 1, 2, and 3, Block 43, Sunny Beach Country Club, Parcel ID #08-13-156-014. Applicant seeks variance from Ordinance #83. For a square footage variance of 4,340 square feet.

Secretary, Fred Ritter

Public Notice



NOTICE

The Independence Township ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS will meet on August 17, 1977 at 8:10 P.M. at 90 North Main Street, Clarkston, MI, to hear CASE #A-675, an appeal by Dalep Karem for property located at Lot 4 & 5, Kleinstuber Sub, 4342 Fowler, Drayton Plains, Parcel ID 08-34-453-004, 005. Applicant seeks variance from Ordinance #83. Requests to have Lots 4 and 5 combined to create one parcel for sewer assessment purposes.

Secretary, Fred Ritter

About Books

A Pride of Healers

By Marian Trainor

A medical horror story, Richard Clark Hirshhorn's "A Pride of Healers" (Morrow) will make the reader think twice before signing the permission slip for an operation.

An intensely realistic story of medical practice in a stratified New England city, it is a panoramic view of the lives and loves of a group of men whose center of existence is Mercy Hospital.

Chief among them is Samuel Halpern who has worked his way up from poverty to become one of Mercy's most respected physicians. Many of the residents of the town owe their lives to his surgical skill including Lyman Bell, who as the town's richest citizen, is the most influential member of the board.

Although Halpern has achieved much, his top ambition is yet to be realized. He has based his whole life on the dream that his son, Stephen who has just completed his internship, will become his partner and eventually inherit the respect and honor which he has fought so hard to attain.

But Stephen has other plans. He has joined forces with Chris Amen who plans to open a clinic where the poor can come for medical aid. But unless Chris can be granted privileges at the hospital, the plan is doomed.

Sam, angered over the loss of his son to a rival, completely disregards the benefits the clinic could bring to those who need it, and arranges for Chris to be denied hospital affiliation.

His plan backfires. When Chris is denied the use of the hospital, he takes his clinic to another city and Stephen moves with him.

Sam Halpern's story is just one among others involving manipulation and deceit where none should be present because the odds are so frightful.

An aging surgeon who so values the esteem attached to his staff position insists on operating, although his skill has diminished to the point where he is dangerous with a knife.

A hysterectomy is bungled by another and he allows himself to be blackmailed by a colleague to avoid a malpractice suit.

A deformed child is born and the question of its right to live is explored as a bitter father, a loving mother and a bewildered obstetrician ponder the issue.

The frightening power of a medical doctor is vividly portrayed as a betrayed husband inflicts a horrible revenge on his rival.

Although the stories of individual characters and their disregard for any form of code is disturbing, the real shock of the novel is the vividness with which the author describes the medical procedures of the various operations. They are described in all their blood and gore. The reader who has been shut off from these acts by shining white

walls and immaculate sterile gowns will probably learn more than he cares to know about the indignity attached to the repair of the human body.

The sex scenes are explicit also and are a little jarring to the sensibilities.

Dr. Hirshhorn is a florid writer, so much so, that some of his scenes and characters become caricatures. However, he has strung together a good substitute for any afternoon of soap opera which has followed the trend of letting it all hang out.



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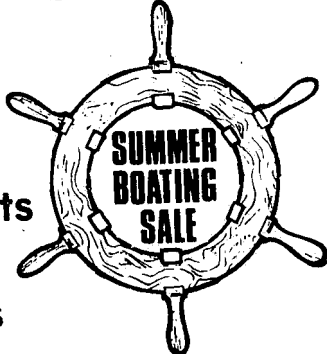
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Village of Clarkston
Minutes of Regular Meeting
July 25, 1977

Meeting called to order by President Hallman at 7:40 p.m.

Roll: Present—ApMadoc, Granlund, Sage, Schultz, Weber. Absent—Basinger.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The council agreed that it would be better if Depot Rd. can be closed during the Labor Day carnival, and the road used to set up the carnival rides rather than having them in the park.

Moved by ApMadoc, seconded by Sage to approve angle parking on the south side of Depot Rd., west of the stream, with the approval of Jack McCall. Depot Rd. would continue to be a one-way street. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Weber, seconded by Schultz to have bars installed on the three windows on the south side of the municipal building at a cost of \$202.50. Roll: Ayes—ApMadoc, Granlund, Sage, Schultz, Weber. Nays—none. Motion carried.

The building committee will get prices on grass seed and sod for the area around the municipal building.

Trustee Weber reported that Jack McCall and the county are working on the proposed marking of the crosswalk between the end of the safety path and the entrance to Deer Lake Beach.

Trustee Granlund and President Hallman reported that the county will be likely passing on a quarterly usage charge increase of \$9.36 per unit to area users. We will update our list of people not yet hooked into the sewer.

Trustee ApMadoc will check with our insurance agents as to the cost of increasing our liability insurance to a million dollars.

A letter will be sent to the Fire Dept. Auxiliary, thanking them for the flowers that they've planted in the park.

Moved by Schultz, seconded by Sage to adopt Ordinance No. 92, adopting the National Fire Prevention Code with amendments. Roll: Ayes—ApMadoc, Granlund, Sage, Schultz, Weber. Nays—none. Motion carried.

Moved by Sage, seconded by Schultz to designate the Independence Township Fire Chief as the Fire Chief for the Village of Clarkston. Motion carried unanimously.

The council discussed the procedure for the sale of the village hall. It was agreed to advertise for bids, making them due at 7:30 p.m. on August 22nd. The building will be open for inspection on August 9th and 16th, between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Pontiac State Bank will be contacted to see if they will appraise the building.

Moved by Granlund, seconded by Sage to apply to the Oakland County Road Commission on behalf of the Citizens for Millage Committee, to place a banner across M-15 from August 3rd to 9th. Roll: Ayes—Granlund, Sage, Schultz. Nays—Weber. Abstain—ApMadoc. Motion carried.

Moved by Weber, seconded by Granlund, to approve the site plan for a garage for the Methodist Church, if the planning commission gives its approval. Motion carried unanimously.

Frank Walker presented plans for a boardwalk along part of the south shore of the Mill Pond, across from the proposed Hawke's Cove development. The opinion of the village attorney was read, stating that the property should be rezoned to permit a boardwalk there.

Correspondence from Village Needlecrafts, Tierra Arts & Design, and the Village Business Association of Clarkston was read, concerning their support of the proposed Hawke's Cove development.

Moved by Weber, seconded by Sage to set the date for the Public Hearing on the request to rezone Lot No. 115 from M-1 to B-1 at August 22nd at 7:30 p.m., at the Village Hall. Motion carried unanimously.

President Hallman and Trustee ApMadoc will meet with Township Supervisor Tower to discuss the safety walk project along M-15 between the village and the township.

Moved by Weber, seconded by ApMadoc to adopt the proposed amendments to Ordinance No. 80, the Uniform Traffic Code. Roll: Ayes—ApMadoc, Granlund, Sage, Schultz, Weber. Nays—none. Motion carried.

Correspondence from Jack McCall was read, stating that Beth Hock has been hired as Community Services Officer, enforcing the parking ordinance.

Moved by Weber, seconded by Sage to adjourn at 10:20 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Bruce Rogers, Village Clerk

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Charles Gates
6677 Snowapple
Clarkston, Mi. 48016

NOTICE

SENIOR CITIZENS free transportation to vote, August 8, 1977, Clarkston Area. 625-4466 or 625-3355.††50-1c

William Innis
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Andersonville	625-5300
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Clarkston	625-4900
Pine Knob	625-1583
North Sashabaw	674-3139
South Sashabaw	673-7756
Sheriff's Office	858-4911
Township Police Services	625-8600
Fire Emergency	625-3311
Fire Department	625-1974
Springfield Township	625-4802
Springfield Fire Dept.	634-8611
Davisburg Post Office	634-4193
Independence Township	625-5111
Building Department	625-8111
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CLARKSTON COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT Oakland County, Michigan

NOTICE OF ABSENT VOTER BALLOTS
Applications for absent voter ballots for the special school election to be held on August 8, 1977, may be made in person or by written request not later than Saturday, August 6, 1977, 2:00 p.m.

Deadline for voting by absentee ballot at the Independence Township Clerk's office, 90 N. Main, Clarkston, Michigan is August 6, 1977.

All Clarkston Community School District registered voters residing in the townships of Independence, Springfield, Waterford and White Lake will be voting at the Independence Township Clerk's office.

Applications for absent voter ballots may be made for the following reasons:

1. Absent from the community for the entire time the polls are open on election day.
2. Physically unable to attend the polls without assistance.
3. Cannot attend polls because of the tenets of religion.
4. Precinct inspector other than precinct of residence.
5. Sixty (60) years of age or older.
6. Confined to jail awaiting arraignment or trial.

Carolyn A. Place
Secretary of the Board of Education

July 28, Aug. 4

The following statement has been received from the County Treasurer as to previously voted increases in the total tax rate limitation affecting taxable property in the school district, to-wit:

COUNTY TREASURER'S STATEMENT AS REQUIRED BY ACT. NO. 62 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1933 AS AMENDED

I, C. Hugh Dohany, County Treasurer of the County of Oakland, State of Michigan, do hereby certify that according to the records in my office, as of June 17, 1977, the total of all voted increases in the tax rate limitation above the 15 mills established by Section 6 of Article IX of the Michigan Constitution of 1963 affecting taxable property in the Clarkston Community School District in said county, is as follows:

Local Unit	Voted Increases	Years Increase Effective
Clarkston Community School District	3.00	1971 to 1980 Incl.
	5.00	1973 to 1982 Incl.
	4.00	1974 to 1983 Incl.
	5.00	1976 to 1985 Incl.
County School District of Oakland County	.50	Unlimited
	.50	Unlimited
	.50	Unlimited
Oakland Comm. College	1.00	Unlimited
County of Oakland	.25	1977 to 1981 Incl.

C. HUGH DOHANY, TREASURER
OAKLAND COUNTY TREASURER'S OFFICE

Dated: June 17, 1977
July 28, Aug. 4

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Public Notice

PUBLIC HEARING

A Public Hearing will be held August 8, 1977, 7:30 p.m. at the Village Hall, 25 South Main Street, Clarkston, Michigan 48016 to discuss a request to rezone Lot No. 82, Supervisor's Plat #1, Village of Clarkston, from R-2 One Family Residential to B-1 Local Business.

Bruce Rogers
Village Clerk

July 21, 28, Aug. 4

Public Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE

A Public Hearing will be held August 22, 1977, 7:30 p.m. at the Village Hall, 25 South Main Street, Clarkston, Michigan 48016 to discuss a request to re-zone lot #115, Assessor's Plat of Clarkston, the proposed Hawke's Cove Development, from M-1, Light Industrial to B-1, Local Business.

Bruce Rogers, Village Clerk

Aug. 4 & 11

Public Notice

NOTICE

Bids are now being accepted for the purchase of the present Clarkston Village Hall, located at 25 S. Main St., Clarkston, 48016. The building may be inspected between the hours of 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on August 9th and 16th. Bids should be sent to the Village Hall, at the above address, in care of Bruce Rogers, Village Clerk. Bids are due at 7:30 p.m. on August 22nd, 1977, when they will be opened and discussed at the Village Council meeting at that time. The Village of Clarkston reserves the right to reject any and all bids. Further information may be received at the Village Hall on August 9th and 16th, or by contacting the Village Clerk, phone number 625-3686.

Bruce Rogers, Village Clerk

Aug. 4 & 11

Food for thought or thoughts of food



The quality of painting is in the eyes of the artist and three-year-old Jason Beltz, while no Leonardo De Vinci yet, enjoys his version of free style pop art . . .



Meanwhile Elke Pessl, 3, improvises with a bucket of water and a paint brush with the sidewalk as her canvas.

Summer school's last fling

Some 15 children ran and played, husked corn and then ate corn on the cob.

There was painting, riding toy trucks and generally a lot of fun for a lot of little pre-schoolers.

Last Thursday, however, was different.

For them it was their last day of school while their older brothers and sisters are just now thinking about getting ready for school's start just a few weeks away.

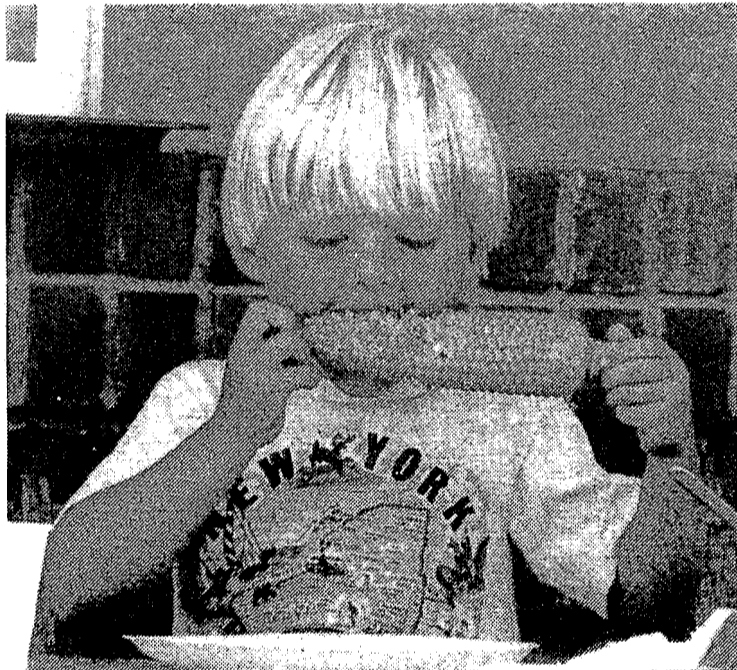
Each Monday through Thursday for the past seven weeks, the children have been attending the Sashabaw United Presbyterian pre-school classes learning to paint & draw and how to make little sailboats, fishing poles and other playthings.

For some it will be their last day of school until they enter kindergarten in the fall of 1978 while others will be returning for the fall session of the pre-schooler classes.

Registration for the fall semester, which begins Sept. 12, is now being taken. For information on the classes, call Jill Stringer at 391-2504.



Four-year-old Scott Stringer does all the work in husking the corn . . .



But it's Dexter Mayworm, also 4, who gets all the enjoyment even though getting the corn off the cob can also take a little work.

Jim's Jottings

Quotable quotes

by Jim Sherman



Bob Myers, publisher of the Lapeer County Press, often says things worth quoting. A recent column is particularly appealing. ***

He wrote:

It was about 25 years ago, when I was farming, that I was irritated by the daily papers' frequent use of the term, "Farmer-dominated legislature."

I counted heads and found there were more lawyers than farmers in the legislature.

While the dailies were pre-occupied by the farmers stealing

some oats, the lawyers were making off with the barn.

About all the farmers in the legislature could do was get a bigger appropriation for county fairs and fight a delaying action against yellow oleo.

In the meantime, the lawyers were winning tax breaks for their business and industrial clients.

So my ears perked the other day when I heard a lawyer complain that the teachers were now running the legislature. I counted again.

Of our 148 legislators, 23 are teachers, while 18 are lawyers and 14 are farmers.

But the real surprise was this: The real control of the legislature is now in the hands of the professional politician.

There are now 48 legislators who have never drawn anything but a government paycheck.

Their entire career has been as a military, civil service, appointed or elected employee of government.

The number includes some of the 23 teachers.

Mostly these are the younger people. A typical biographical sketch reads like this:

DENNIS DUTKO (Macomb

Co.): BA degree Western Michigan, MA Wayne State. Teacher. Elected president of Warren city council at 25. Elected Macomb Co. Commissioner in 1970. Member, executive committee Macomb County Democrats and executive committee 18th Congressional District Democrats. Elected to Legislature 1974.

It's plain that a growing number of people are starting early in life to plan a career in government.

I suppose it's all right, but I'd feel better if they had a year or so experience paying taxes before they began living off them.