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Photo by Kathy Greenfield

## Down by the pond

Along the banks of the Mill Pond await adventures like the one discovered by Christine Stamas of Pear Street. The small white feathers from ducks make tiny floating boats!

## Teen crime blights neighborhood

By Kathy Greenfield  
Staff writer

Neighborhood crime. Youth gangs. Adults afraid for themselves and their children. People sleeping with loaded guns by their pillows.

That's big city stuff—the kinds of problems that don't mix with fresh air, the sound of wind whispering through trees and the sight of lake water in the distance.

But according to reports from the Oakland County Sheriff's Department, crime in Independence Township is up about 14 percent since last year.

That doesn't sound too bad until police and township residents start talking about problems they face dealing with youthful law breakers.

Round Lake, located in the northeast section of the township, is one of the hardest hit areas.

Two homeowners from the

area agreed to discuss some of their problems if their names were not used—they fear possible damage to their homes or families.

Their worries are well-founded, according to Charles Kimbel, acting director of township police services.

"I would have to agree that I would not want my name used, because I would fear retaliation," he said. "From what I've seen, they would do it."

The residents say they have been fighting for years to get their neighborhood cleaned up. They've met with people at the Oakland County Prosecutor's office, the sheriff's department and township police.

Most of the problems in their area stem from drugs and underage drinking, police say.

Motorcycles and cars travel down the streets at high speeds and are gone by the time police officers arrive.

And homes are burglarized. The residents also say the drugs, alcohol and stolen goods are taken to the schools and sold.

The police say their major problem is lack of an adequate number of police officers.

Kimbel said the minimum police force should have one officer for every 1,000 people.

Independence Township, with a population of about 23,000, has eight police officers.

"When you don't have the facilities to deal with it, it's frustrating," he said.

An intelligence officer from the sheriff's department who has also served with the narcotics division said that the secluded beaches offer a meeting place, but stressed that most of the young people in the township are not "dopers."

"It's a gathering place for local kids, especially ones that are into dope. But I would not

say the area is a dope-ridden area. You have a minority of kids smoking dope out there and raising hell, but not all the kids are bad," he said.

"I would say it's all over everywhere. I would say Independence is probably one of the cleaner townships," he added. "It is in the schools, there's no doubt about it."

Deputy Robert Wark, public information officer for the sheriff's department, calls the drug problem "a cultural thing."

"It's about average. It's not worse than any other school district," Wark said. "A lot of kids are dealing in marijuana, popping pills and using PCP (animal tranquilizers).

"Last year or the year before, I would have said that most kids were hitting the alcohol," he continued. "Now this year there seems to be an upswing into marijuana and some of the

heavier drugs."

Several factors make the school drug problem difficult to handle.

"You have to work with informants and these kids know each other," the intelligence officer said. "With the case loads that we have, we just don't have the manpower or reserves available to sit in an area and get known."

The police say parents can play a key role in stopping problems with drugs.

Not allowing their children to gather at known problem spots is one method they can use.

And if they find suspicious materials, they should call police who will do lab tests and try to help.

"The parents I think are the biggest factor," said the intelligence officer. "If they find marijuana or crystals, they should call the police and let them know."

# Citizens can study water levels

By Mimi Mayer  
Staff-writer

Residents concerned about dropping water levels in Clarkston area streams and lakes can now help to find out why.

A committee of citizens, created under the auspices of the Clarkston Village Council, can undertake a study of the area watershed.

Councilman Ruth Basinger, who has contacted local watershed experts about the problem, told the council about a three-step plan which such a committee could undertake to determine the causes of the dropping water levels.

Peggy Johnson of the Clinton River Watershed Council, advised Basinger on how to proceed.

From placing water gauges in area streams and lakes to scouting out local sources of the dropping levels, the local committee could collect data which can later be turned over to governmental water officials like the Department of Natural Resources and the United States Geological Survey.

To help the committee, Johnson mailed a topographical map showing where local sub-watersheds are located.

Committee members can also check with the U.S. Geological Survey for weather and watershed data.

No matter what the means, the study is a complex one. "You have to go through the whole chain fairly well upstream and fairly well downstream," Basinger said. "A committee would

look into these things."

Another avenue open is employing teams of college students who conduct field studies to determine why the water levels are dropping.

Johnson recommended that Basinger contact Professor Clifford Humphries of the natural resources faculty at Michigan State University to arrange this.

"If we are not able to determine what the water levels are to our satisfaction, then we can apply for a grant" from the state legislature, Basinger said.

Such a grant was obtained when water levels in Square Lake in Orion Township dropped dramatically.

Keck Associates, an international consulting firm specializing in hydrology, researched the problem.

To finance the venture, local authorities "applied for a grant and got one from the state legislature," Basinger said.

Johnson cautioned that such funding is usually available only if the water problem affects a fairly substantial area.

Council President Keith Hallman suggested that the citizens who signed a petition requesting that the council ask Clarkston Mills to increase the water levels in the streams adjacent to their properties to join the local water

research committee.

Also during the Aug. 14 meeting, a letter from Marc Alan, developer of the Clarkston Mills shopping center, was read.

Alan wrote, "We, too, are concerned and wish we could give you an answer."

Alan suggested that blocked

water upstream and dry weather might explain why the water levels would be low.

Alan also assured the village that Clarkston Mills will not be using an antique water-powered generator for lighting in the mall or its parking lot.

An official village request for

more information on local water levels was forwarded to the Department of Natural Resources by the Oakland County Drain Commission.

Drain commission officials also said that none of the waterways around Clarkston are under their jurisdiction.

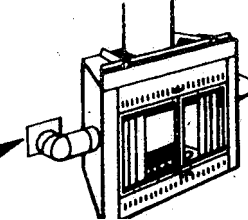
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## Drivers' pact negotiated

A tentative work agreement has been reached by negotiators for Clarkston School District's 36 bus drivers and the board of education.

If ratified, the agreement would cover a two-year period, according to Conrad Bruce, chief negotiator for the school board.

School bus drivers are expected to consider the proposal sometime next week, and the school board would vote on the pact at its Sept. 11 meeting.

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# New sign of the times?

## Fate of Clarkston Jaycees' events board is up to the community

By Mimi Mayer  
Staff writer

Clarkston may get a new Jaycee local-events sign if the community says it wants it.

The current sign board, located near the northwest corner of the Washington-Main Street intersection, has deteriorated over the years and the Clarkston Village Council has demanded that it be removed.

The Jaycees, on the other hand, want to replace the current sign with a new sign which they say will be easier to maintain. The new design will also make it more convenient to change the events announced on the board, the Jaycees say.

When Jaycee sign committee chairman Bruce Shull presented the proposed design for the new sign to the village council Aug. 14, several council members questioned the advisability of erecting a new sign.

Before the council makes a final decision on the sign, community input is needed. Anyone who has an opinion on the matter is encouraged to contact village council members.

Shull said the Jaycees have been concerned about the community events sign since last year. Originally, the service

organization planned to renovate the sign.

These plans were changed when a representative from the Pine Knob Music Theatre offered to contribute money for a community project in May or June, Shull said.

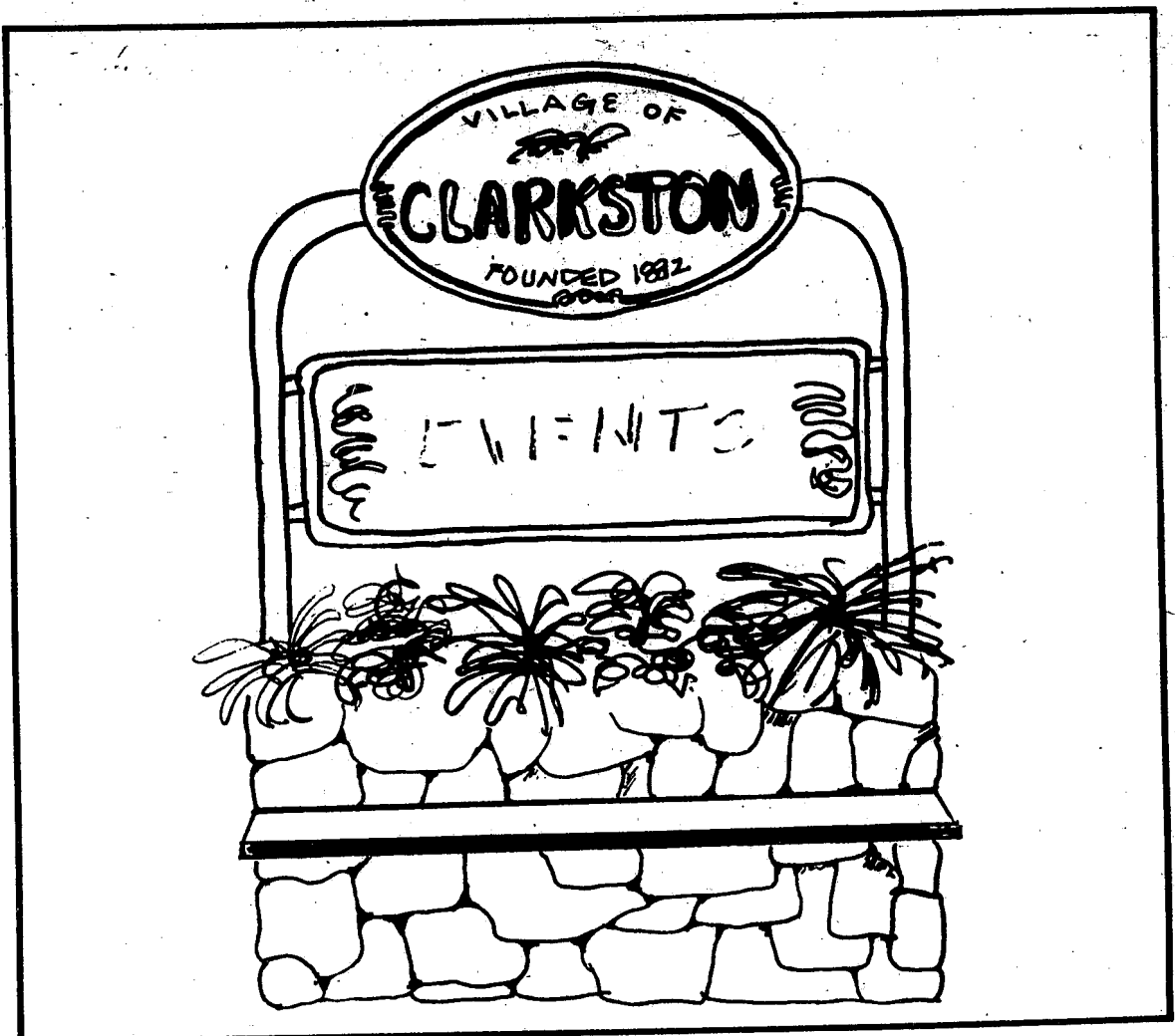
After some discussion, the Jaycees decided to build a new sign and sent Jaycee member Lonnie Harmon to work on the project.

Keeping in mind that the Jaycees wanted a sign that would compliment Clarkston's historic buildings, Harmon contacted Benj Svenson, an architect who had worked with the Michigan Historical Commission on various projects.

Svenson designed the sign to be cast bronze, supported by bronze tubing set in two millstones.

The two main elements refer to both the mill and the foundry that played major roles in Clarkston's past.

The millstones have been removed from the plan, which now calls for the sign to be anchored in a stone or brick planter attached to a concrete seat. This change provides not only seating but increased height for the sign.



Below the bronze oval sign—which would include the words "Village of Clarkston" and the year of its founding—would be another on which community events announcements would be displayed.

Shull stressed that the design may be further modified once a contractor examines the blueprints.

The total cost of the sign was estimated at \$5,000, Shull said. Though Pine Knob has offered \$1,500 of this sum, more money is needed.

Shull said he hopes other business interests located in the community will donate the balance of the money.

Names of the donors will be inscribed on the back of the sign.

The council expressed mixed feelings on the proposed sign. Council President Keith Hallman said, "It seems to me that when people are having activities, they want it on the sign board."

"We're proud of what you're trying to do," Hallman continued. "The council wants to support what you stand for. It's a difficult position to be in."

Hallman pointed out that the village is cracking down on signs that flaunt village zoning ordinances.

"It's rather difficult for the village to put up a new sign and ask merchants to take theirs down," Hallman said.

Hallman also said that the council is concerned about the

haphazard care the Jaycees have given the events sign in the past. Events are often outdated and

the sign itself is rundown, he said.

Shull responded by saying the proposed sign was designed to "age gracefully" and that the board on which the events are announced is lower and easier to change with the new design.

Hallman suggested that the Jaycees ask the State Highway Department about whether the new sign will obstruct motorists' views of the Main-W. Washington intersection.

Planning Commission Chairman Ted Thomson questioned whether the sign is in the interests of good planning.

"I wouldn't be misquoting if I said that (the planning commission) is fairly negative on the sign," he said.

On the other hand, councilman Jackson Byers supports the sign. "I think it's a good idea," he said. But Byers and fellow councilman James Weber said that the in-ground lighting is apt to be vandalized.

Councilwoman Ruth Basinger said, "I'd like to compliment you on the design. I think it's very attractive."

"It's the concept," she continued. "We're not sure that the sign which is demonstrated detracts from the trees."

"I think that your funds for something similar will be welcome for some other purpose," she added. Mrs. Basinger suggested that the Pine Knob contribution be used for signs identifying the village park or offices, both located off Depot Road.

Businesswoman Joan Kopietz suggested that the council and the Jaycees ask for public opinion on the sign. "Is the sign an integral part of the community?" she asked. "Does the community want a signboard up, does it provide a service?"

Those who wish to respond to these questions can contact Clarkston Village Council members.

Council members are Keith Hallman, 6024 Overlook; Ruth Basinger, 8 E. Washington; Jackson Byers, 6051 Middle Lake; James Schultz, 49 S. Holcomb; Michael Thayer, 46 Orion; and James Weber, 55 N. Main. Councilwoman Fontie ApMadoc is hospitalized.

## Independent view

"Since I'm the only one that's guaranteed to be here come November," Independence Township Trustee Jerry Powell volunteered to serve on the community center steering committee that was named by the township board last week.

Powell is the only board member whose term of office does not end this year. Treasurer Elizabeth Hallman is retiring. Supervisor Floyd (Whitey) Tower and Clerk Christopher Rose are running for re-election, and Trustee Frederick Ritter is running for the treasurer's position.

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We know of a couple of young women, preparing to enter Eastern Michigan University and Central Michigan University this fall, who are eagerly opening all mail from their respective universities explaining what's expected of "freshpersons."

Wonder what they'll be called when they graduate. Alumpersons? Surely not either the sexiest alumni or alumnae. For that matter, what are we now to call our alma maters?

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The Aeolian pipe organ from the Pine Knob mansion, which has been in the custody of Calvary Lutheran Church, is destined to next be heard in a church or private home in Pecos, Tex.

The 1,784-pipe organ, with its intricately carved oak panels, had been purchased by the parish that is in the process of building a new church on Bluegrass Drive in Clarkston. When plans to install the organ in the church were thwarted by high cost estimates, the massive musical instrument was put up for sale.

The church's pastor, Rev. Robert Walters, had hoped it would at least stay in Michigan.

James Blanchard of Pecos, Tex., saw an ad for the organ in a national antiques magazine and paid the \$4,000 asking price.

Blanchard had planned to give the organ to his wife's church, Walters said, but, after seeing it, decided it might also be suitable for their home.

Blanchard was last seen carting the organ away in a 32-foot moving van, headed west.

## Warning: Lock bikes

"Lock your bikes," is the simple and timely warning to youngsters who leave their cycles in downtown Clarkston.

The advice comes from Charles Kimbel, acting director of police services for Independence Township, who is investi-

gating a current rash of bicycle thefts in the village.

"They're stealing bikes faster than we can write the reports," Kimbel said.

Locks on bicycles would deter some thieves, he said.



# Wee-hour racers create havoc

Post-midnight reckless driving on the "Clarkston Grand Prix"—the parking lots around Clarkston High School—has local school officials in a quandary.

They're asking the Oakland County Sheriff's Department for advice on how to discourage the early-morning thrill driving that recently resulted in \$3,500 worth of damage to fences and other school property.

Clarkston Board of Education Trustee Eric Reickel, who put the "Grand Prix" label on the antics at the high school and neighboring Clarkston Junior High, has suggested that speed bumps be installed on the driveways leading to the schools.

Reickel said that putting the bumps on the pavement of the

drives leading to the school property from Waldon and Middle Lake roads might discourage speeders from entering the school grounds.

Schools Supt. Milford Mason said he thought the speed bumps might just become "a challenge for night speeders."

That method of speed control would also be a detriment to the "tremendous flow of traffic" which comes to the school legitimately, Mason said.

"A school bus traveling at 15 miles per hour would have to come to a virtual stop" at the bumps, he said.

"I don't have a good solution, Eric—that's my problem," Mason said.

High School Principal Dom-

inic Mauti also commented at the Aug. 14 school board meeting that the speed-bump method of traffic control "would cause more problems than it would be worth."

The idea of fencing and gating the school property also was discussed and discarded as being impractical.

Reickel, who lives near the

junior high school, said he is awakened about once a week by cars racing at the high school and into the junior high driveway across Waldon Rd. "It's not my sleep I'm concerned about—it's the safety hazard," he said.

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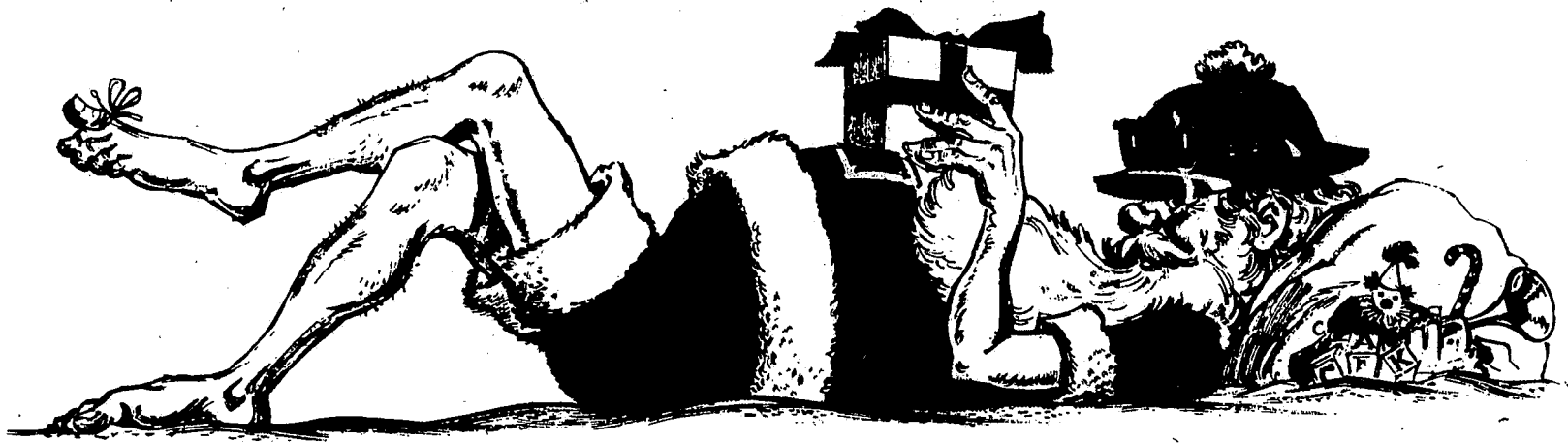
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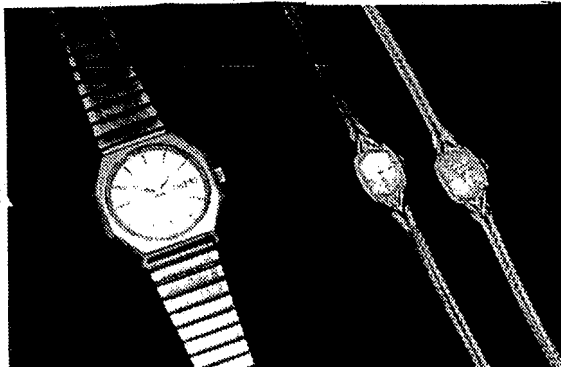
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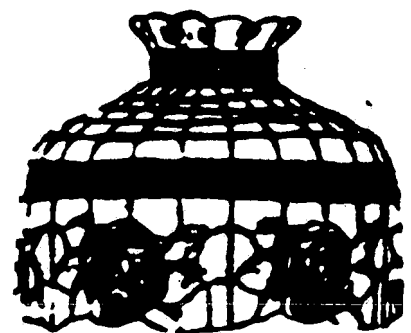


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# Take another look at 'tax limit' we voted

By Jim Sherman  
News publisher

When you see "tax limitation" what comes to mind?

If you're like me, and apparently a majority of taxpayers are, you think "tax cut." Holding down spending (taxes). Stop those spendthrifts in public office.

Maybe we should have read beyond the words "tax limitation" in Oakland County's Proposal 2, in the August 8 election.

I think people saw the heading and first four words of the proposal and flicked the "yes" switch as quickly as possible.

The heading read "Establish separate limitation." The first four words were "Shall separate tax limitations . . ."

With a "You bet" and a holler many county taxpayers voted an increase in taxes for themselves without having further voting privileges . . . except indirectly.

Let's bring that new tax limitation law back home where we can understand it.

The State of Michigan has statute limiting counties to spreading 15 mills for schools, townships and county without a vote of the people.

That law really allows this spreading "up to 15 mills" but it is always the limit in Oakland.

For Independence Township taxpayers in the Clarkston or Lake Orion school districts, last year that 15 mills was split thusly: county 5.23 mills, Independence Township 1.33 mills, intermediate schools .23 mill and local schools 8.21 mills.

Waterford schools got 8.13 mills.

In Springfield Township, the township's share was 1.01. For

**'We got it, probably because we didn't read beyond the first four words of Proposal 2.'**

property in the Holly School District, the portion that went to the local schools was 8.53 mills.

A county allocation board made this split, supposedly based on budgets submitted by these units. Each year the units of government involved proved a need for a larger portion of the 15 mills. Each year the difference never varied as much as a mill.

Oh, yes! August 8 we also voted out the Allocation Board. It no longer exists. Gone is the need for the units of government to submit budgets.

Now we have a new "separate tax limitation" law.

We voted to set a higher limit on taxes that can be spread by the four units involved.

Read that again. We voted to let our taxes be said by our elected officials. They can do it without our vote.

Earlier I said we have "indirect" influence. We can vote the officials out of office if we don't like their tax raising reasoning.

Back to Independence Township taxes. The new limitation for Oakland County is 5.26 mills, up .03. Independence Township's new limitation is 1.41 mills, up .08. Intermediate schools can levy .02 more millage or .25 total.

Springfield Township residents can get a .40-mill increase to 1.41.

The local school districts got the biggest wedge. Clarkston and Lake Orion schools could increase their levies to 9.54 mills . . . up to \$1.33 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation without asking us.

The Holly School District could collect another 1.01 mills, and Waterford Schools could get 1.41 mills more.

Elected officials we talked to favor the new limitation law.

Here's why.

It's negative reasoning. But it might be right. Under the former 15 mill limitation, if the township didn't need any money for a year, their portion went to someone else. That's the way the Allocation Board worked.

Now, if the township, county or schools do not need the limit they are allowed, our taxes will be decreased by that amount.

Let's see if it works.

We got it, probably because we didn't read beyond the first four words of Proposal 2.

By the way, I'm only talking about the "limitation" taxes. We still have all the others for schools, parks, libraries, or whatever we've voted. The new law doesn't affect this year's levy.

## Check it out

by Pat Braunagel



This year the Independence Township Library has got to get organized.

Likewise, the forces around it.

The Friends of the Library made an intelligent, and difficult, decision last week: not to become a political organization.

They certainly were sorely tempted to step in and fill the gap left by the library advisory board when that group's seven citizen members resigned en masse.

Tom Boothby and others with cool heads successfully argued that the relatively new Friends of the Library should maintain the stance implicit in their name.

One does not have to be a friend of the librarian in order to support the institution he's probationally in charge of.

The library needs all the friends it can get.

Librarian Sushil Lahiri, who attended the Friends meeting, asked for volunteer help.

The library could also use some volunteer visitors.

Lahiri has been ordered to increase both the number of library memberships and the book circulation during his eight months of probation.

I am not advocating that you

check a book out to pad these figures—the man is going to have to succeed or fail on his own merits as an administrator.

I am urging you to drop by your library to see what kind of shape it's in: Is there anything there you'd be tempted to check out?

The issue of the condition of the library is one about which average citizens can become rather easily informed on their own.

Township Trustee Jerry Powell, who is nothing if not frank, recently admitted to his fellow board members that he's only been in the library once.

His vote to extend Lahiri's probation was based not on his own experience as a library user but on his experience as a boss.

The board's ultimate decision on the librarian will be a personnel matter. One factor in that decision, we have been led to believe, will be the opinions of library users or potential users who find nothing in the library to interest them.

There are some other library-related matters which should be of public concern.

One is the reorganization of the library board.

Formerly organized in a haphazard manner with no bylaws, the board needs official status.

The best way to accomplish this would be by establishing an elected board to govern the library, but this authority cannot be ceded so long as the township board controls the library purse strings.

To put a library millage on this fall's ballot would be foolhardy in the extreme.

So the township board is going to have to take on the task of organizing advisors.

In the meantime, hang in there, Friends.

### Letter policy

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## Jim's jottings

# On litter, crime, Tigers

By Jim Sherman



Strictly personal opinions. Don't blame anyone else.

I believe McDonalds has taken over as "litter king" from Milwaukee's beer people. Michigan will have a deposit law to take care of Milwaukee's throw aways. We should adopt one to take care of those non-biodegradable, pressed styrofoam containers I pick up out of my yard too frequently.

For the last 3 years we've taken an August vacation in the Upper. It's been terribly cold. This year we went in July. The temperature stayed in the very low 70's by day and low 40's at night. August has been in the 80's all over. I have the same degree of success picking vacation dates as

picking election winners.

Have you ever heard of trouble at the Silverdome? One might get the idea that only sane, sober citizens attended affairs there. Or, you might think they, the daily paper in town, and the police have a pact to subdue bad news. I know two men in their mid 20's who were attacked, beaten and robbed in a parking lot following the Lions' first exhibition game. One was in the hospital a week later, Police were extremely casual about their investigation, and nothing has appeared in print. Maybe, of course, the victims asked that the incident be kept out of the papers, such as they did me. The attack did not take place in the

Silverdome parking area, but in a private lot.

It's Milliken vs Fitzgerald, Levin vs Griffin in November. Outstate vs Wayne County. Traverse City vs Detroit. It's almost like Milliken picked Levin and Fitzgerald, just as he did Griffin. Our governor's steamroller is powerful indeed.

My love-hate feeling toward the Tigers goes on. I'm pessimistically optimistic. In April and May I knew their winning streak wouldn't last. For the next six weeks I knew their losing streak would last. For the last month I've waited for an extended losing streak to start. Wow! They're exciting, but there is no way they are more than a .500 team. They're 9

games behind Boston. No Way! Go you Tigers!

Maybe it's my age, but I give much more conscious thought these days to good health. My employees probably think I should give more thought to my mental good health and brighten my outlook and attitude. Nevertheless, feeling great is great. Without good health you have nothing. Money won't buy good health. A lifetime of sayings are becoming meaningful. Including one that goes: "I complained because my hands were cold until I saw the man who had no feet." And, "Stop and smell the roses along the way."

# He moves a-head in women's world

By Joe Gitter

Girls, girls, girls ... one would think a young man of 18 would never tire of the word.

But, when you're one of two male students in an otherwise all girl school and you are constantly being referred to as "one of the girls" by well intentioned, but forgetful instructors, it can kind of get on your nerves.

Eighteen-year-old Mark Brown puts up with the chauvinism in a style that makes one proud of the male ability to handle a tough situation.

He is attending the Oxford School of Cosmetology at 7 N. Washington, training for a profession that traditionally has been considered a woman's field.

Cosmetology is not strictly a woman's field, no matter how it has been depicted, said Anna Romberger, owner and manager of the Oxford school.

"It's a wide-open field for men," she said. In fact, most of the top people in the field are men—Vidal Sassoon for example.

And then there is the Hollywood version of the profession in movies like "Shampoo." But, Romberger said that type of depiction has little relationship to reality.

Mark doesn't mind being surrounded by female students. He said they get along pretty well.

One thing that does bother him though are the textbooks, written by what he laughingly calls "Female chauvinist pigs."

"All the textbooks are prejudiced," he said. "They all refer

to the cosmetologists as her or she."

Mark is able to overcome the discrimination in stride and he continues his studies as a beginning student.

With 1,500 classroom hours needed for graduation, Mark has a long way to go after 250 hours. He is still practicing his "moves" on body-less manikins, like the well known "bug-eyes," with a face that would put Medusa to shame.

Between reading textbooks, curling, waving and setting manikins' hair, Mark puts in about seven hours a day at the school.

Mark has really got it made though. He's getting his training free on a scholarship from the school.

While attending Clarkston High School, Mark, along with one female student, attended a meeting for the Oxford School of Cosmetology. They were offering a scholarship. He got it.

"It had nothing to do with my grades. I was the only one interested in the scholarship after the girl decided she didn't want to attend the school."

But, he's finding cosmetology is no pushover as a future profession.

All cosmetologists must be licensed by the state, but only after rigorous training at a beauty school.

Subjects like anatomy, personal ethics (manners) and cosmetic chemistry are all drilled into the students' heads before graduation.

"It isn't just cutting hair. We must know why we're cutting it a certain way," Mark said. "It's a

little science and a little sociology."

Mark must also perfect his technique handling customers—what topics to talk about and what not to talk about to keep the customer active and happy during the often lengthy cutting sessions.

"We can talk about our customers' problems, but never our own," he cracked.

Once he graduates sometime in the next year Mark has an excellent chance of passing the state license exam and getting a job.

When he does get out in the "real world" Mark counts on doing well. "If you're good you

can make a lot of money. I decided I will. I don't like being poor."

The school does offer haircuts

and other cosmetic services to the public, done by advanced students preparing for graduation.



Right now 18-year-old Mark Brown must resign himself to working on "dummies." He must gain a few more hours of classroom experience before going to work on real heads at the Oxford School of Cosmetology.



This beauty, probably modeled after the ancient stone-eyed creature Medusa, is one of the student's favorite "dummies." She is appropriately nicknamed "bug-eyes."

## 'If it Fitz ...'

# A glad, sad recall

by Jim Fitzgerald



It was something like playing musical chairs, without the music. The players laughed a lot, but they weren't fooling each other. They all knew they felt like crying.

The son was there, and his wife, and his sister and her husband. They are all middle-aged, somewhat thick around the middle, and inclined to grunt when they get up out of low chairs. But on this day they felt like children again.

The son's daughter was also there, with her husband. They are the newlyweds, and they felt like ghouls. Because of their youth, they voluntarily stood first as the chairs slowly disappeared.

They had all arrived from out of town, on different highways, to meet in a small home in the city where the son and his sister had grown up, so many years ago. One couple drove a pick-up, and another couple had rented a trailer for the occasion.

Vodka and tonic was served. That's why the chairs and other furniture disappeared slowly. No one was in a hurry. They moved reluctantly, and sat

and sipped gratefully, even when most of the chairs were gone, and three middle-aged spreads had to fit on one couch.

They didn't want to do what they were doing. They hated doing it. They didn't want to move the chairs and other furniture out of the home and into the truck and trailer and car trunk. But it had to be done.

In the basement, the son found the wicker clothes basket. It still looks huge. Forty years ago, the son thought it was probably the biggest basket in the world.

He was surprised that he remembered. The last time he saw that basket, Franklin Delano Roosevelt was president. He hadn't thought about that basket since before World War II. How could he even be sure it was the same basket?

He was sure. And the memories came back in a rush. He remembered carrying that basket when his arms were barely long enough to reach the handles on each side. The basket isn't round, like most clothes baskets, it's

rectangular, and a little kid had to stretch to get a grip on it.

The son used to carry that basket from the basement to the backyard for his mother. It was always full of just-washed clothes that had to be hung out to dry. He could smell those wet clothes again, and he could remember how proud he was to lift something for his mother.

When he was a very little boy, before he became a wise-guy teenager, the son was a fool about his mother. He knew she was the most beautiful mother in the world and he wanted nothing out of life except to be near her.

He sat under the grand piano while she played "Tiptoe Through the Tulips." He was always there, begging to lick the dish, no matter what she was cooking. When she visited neighbors, he literally hung onto her skirt for fear she might get out of his sight.

There was a day when the sister was leaving on a glorious vacation to visit an aunt in Toronto. The father was certain the son was jealous, so he gave his shoulder a squeeze and promised the

son that some day soon he could also visit the aunt.

"I don't want to go anywhere," the son said, almost crying. He was horrified at the idea of leaving his beautiful mother.

The son remembered these things as he looked at the old basket so many years later, on the day of the non-musical chairs. He'd forgotten what a momma's boy he used to be. He was glad to be reminded, and sad.

The chairs and clothes basket and everything else must be moved out of the home because no one lives there anymore. The woman who used to live there is now in a nursing home and, on the way out of town that day, the middle-aged son stopped to visit her.

Her health is failing and she may never live in a home of her own again. She is almost blind, and when she passes a mirror, she can't see what the son can see. She is still the most beautiful mother in the world.

The son hopes she knows how much he aches because he can no longer lift her basket for her.



## Letters to editor

# Friend of library defends self

To the editor:

It has come to my attention that false rumors regarding me are circulating in the community, i.e. that my efforts to promote better library service are motivated by a desire to assume the position of Director of the Independence Township Library.

Such allegations are without foundation and detraction is a matter of conscience for those involved.

These rumors first came to my attention several months ago. I chose to ignore them. On Aug. 17 a resident of Clarkston came to my place of employment and repeated these tales to a member

of the staff.

That same evening these accusations were voiced at a meeting of the Friends of the Independence Township Library.

My activities relating to the Independence Township are:

1. Initiating the Friends Group—an organization whose function is not to do library programming or in library staff functions but to support those projects which normal library revenues are unable to sustain.

2. Suggesting free and inexpensive programs and program resources and preparing statis-

tical documentation to support the library's need for better funding.

At the Aug. 17 Friends of the Library meeting a proposal was made to seek a petition for reorganizing the library with an independent elected library board. An influx of new members appeared whose sole purpose was to block the proposal. An independent board free from political pressures and with only one concern—the library—is in the best interests of the community, the library and its staff.

I am not and have never been a member of the Advisory Board nor was I privy to information as to the Board's dissatisfaction with the librarian's job performance.

The Advisory Board worked quietly through the proper channels and their first and only public statement in the press regarding the controversy was their resignation.

At the present time I am Head of Children's Services at the Avon Township Public Library. Avon Township Public Library is an exciting place to work and

has a staff of energetic and enthusiastic people.

Its former director was the finest any library could hope for and the new director offers much promise. The independent elected library board is supportive of the staff and has worked diligently to promote the best library service possible.

I invite everyone in Clarkston and Independence Township to visit the Avon Township Library to see what we are missing in this community. The library is located at 210 W. University in Rochester.

Irene Rauth

## Caverly's cryptic

Dear Township Neighbors,

Although Mrs. Caverly's letter was confusingly cryptic, it did imply that sewer service within the village limits is benefiting from a township ad valorem tax on non-village residents.

The fact is that the village made a separate contract with the county for payment of sewers within its jurisdiction, and no part of their construction or use is borne by non-villagers.

It is due to the good judgment of past president Richard Johnston that the ad valorem tax levied within the village has proved to be a smooth-working and affordable method of payment.

Related to the separation that exists between village sewer financing and township sewer financing is the recent proposal to use surplus township money for township sewers. How would the portion of the surplus that has been paid by village residents be allocated?

Ruth Basinger

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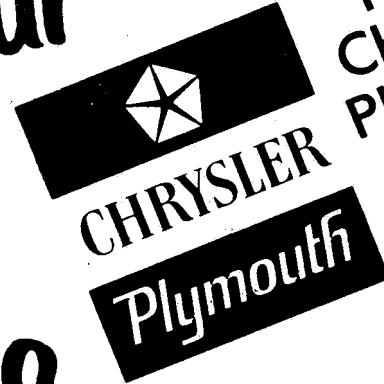
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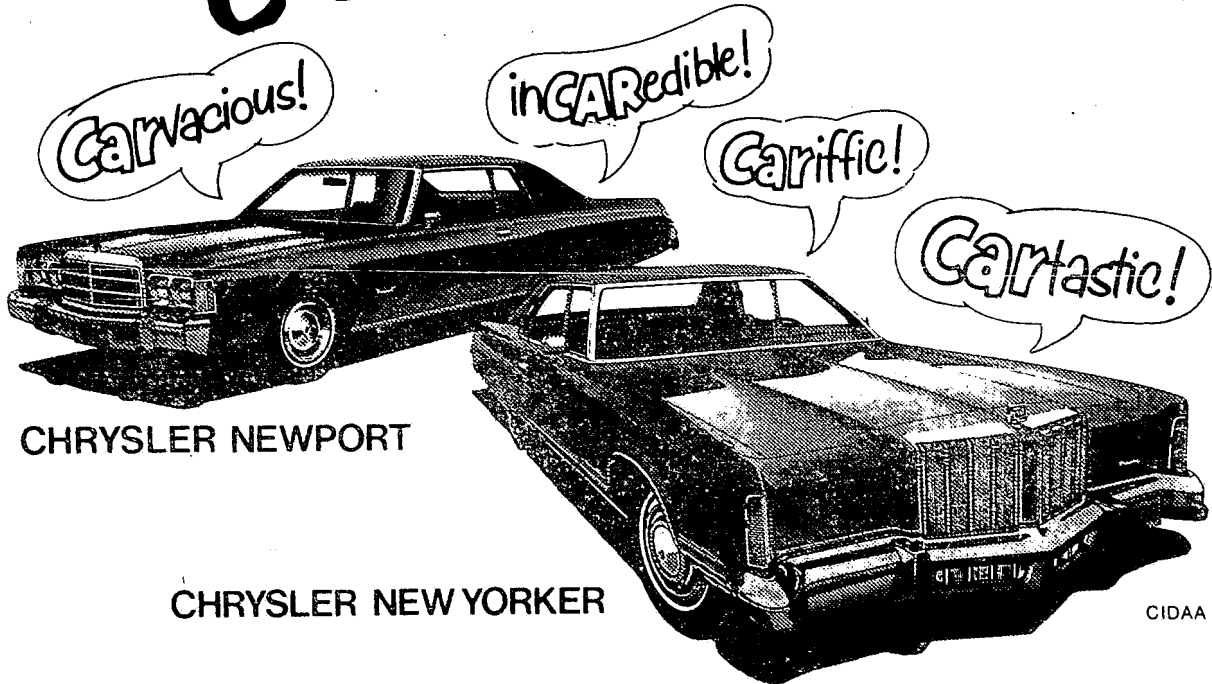
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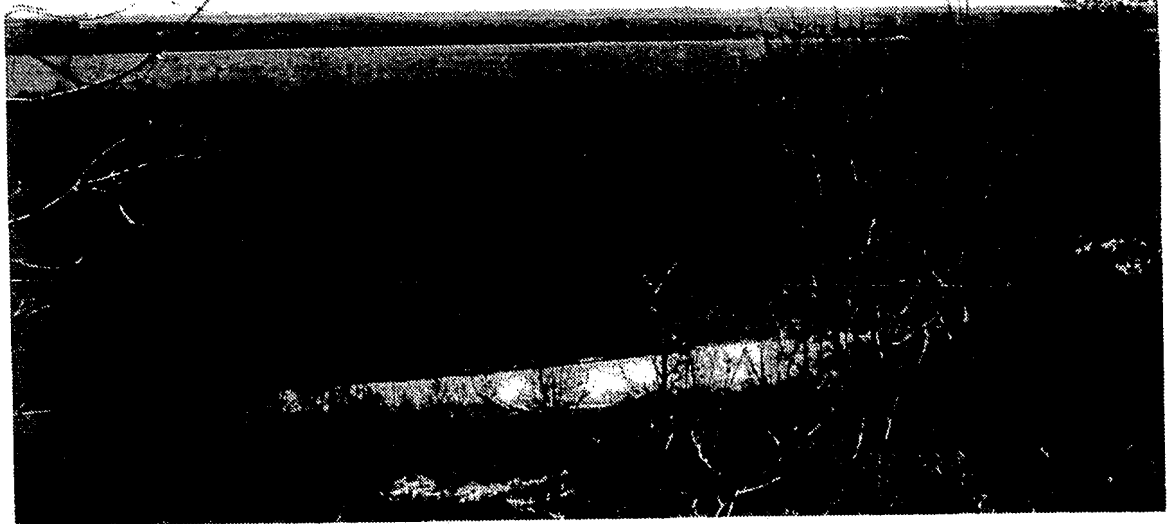
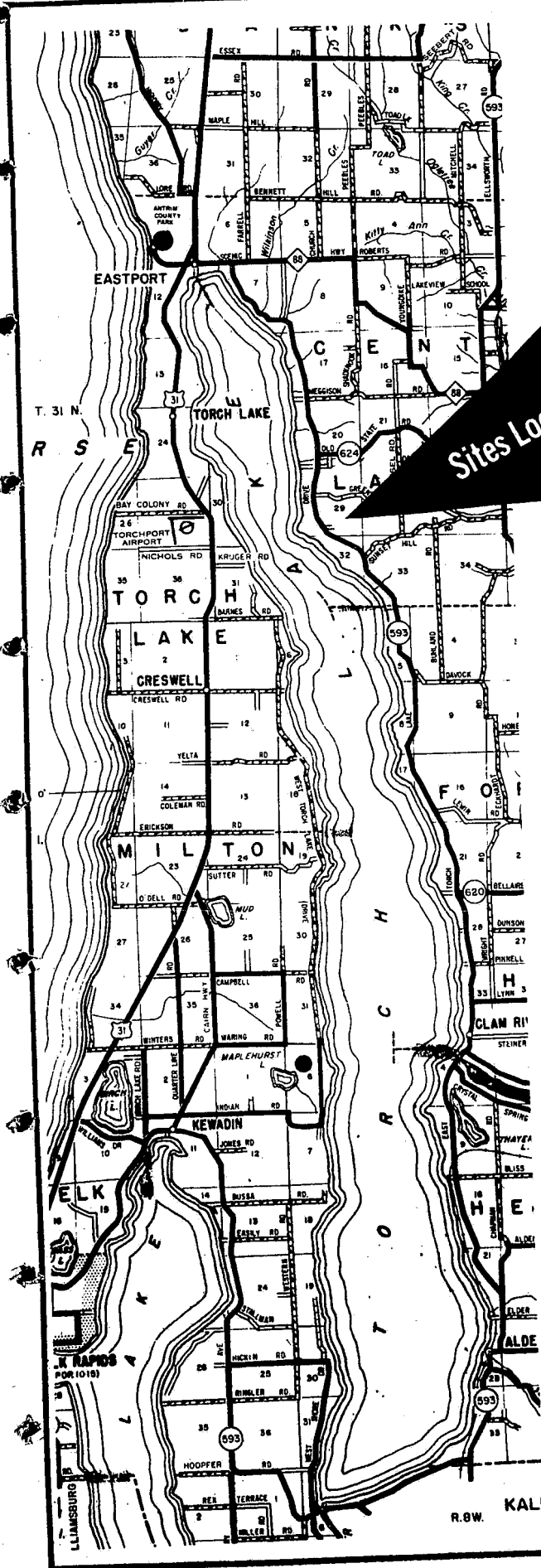
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# School board, administrators confer

The seven Clarkston School Board members and 24 school district administrators got together for an informal exchange of ideas and viewpoints during a two-day workshop last week.

The series of meetings, technically open to the public as required by law, was held at the St. Clair Inn.

School Board President Robert

Walters, who reported he was "very pleased" with the tone of the sessions, said, "We had suggested there be a workshop because that meant people on both sides could say how they felt."

No official business was conducted during the meetings Friday and Saturday.

"A non-business workshop

ends up facilitating business," Walters said.

Discussed during the Friday sessions and again on Saturday were procedures for evaluating teachers, administrators and the board.

An hour and a half was set aside to allow individual school board members to talk about their perceptions of the district

operation — their hopes, desires."

On Saturday, the agenda included a discussion of the Citizens Advisory Committee's report on school facilities. This session provided administrators an opportunity to respond to the report, Schools Supt. Milford Mason said.

Mason said the cost to the school district for the meeting would be based on the St. Clair resort's rate of \$40 per person, including meals.

Walters noted that administrators, whose salaries are based on a five-day work week, contributed the time they spent at the workshop Saturday.

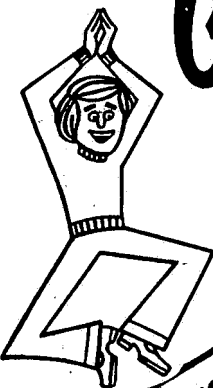
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# Village sign law violators want code changed

by Mimi Mayer  
Staff writer

and remove it from the zoning ordinances.  
"I would certainly not exclude

overhanging signs. I do feel that an overhanging sign should certainly be less than 100 square

feet," Byers continued.  
Before a new ordinance can be drafted, legal research must be

undertaken, Council President Keith Hallman said. "It will bring some expense," he added.

Aug. 14 has come and gone and signs violating village zoning ordinances can still be seen in Clarkston.

While the Clarkston Village Council moved July 10 to crackdown on merchants who display ordinance violating signs and demanded compliance by Aug. 14, local merchants responded with only one letter and two phone calls. No signs were changed.

Overhanging signs constructed after 1974 and flush signs larger than 100 square feet are forbidden by village ordinances.

To overcome the problem, the council may draft a new sign ordinance. A letter will be sent to members of the Clarkston business community asking them to attend a Sept. 11 council meeting to discuss possible changes in the sign ordinances.

Ted Thomson, chairman of the Clarkston Planning Commission, told the council, "We have either got to change the ordinance or enforce it." He pointed out that 13 signs currently violate ordinances.

Buck and Joan Kopietz, owners of Tierra Arts and Designs, 20 S. Main, appeared at the Aug. 14 council meeting on behalf of the Village Business Association of Clarkston.

Mrs. Kopietz said though the violations had been discussed at the association's meetings, most of the merchants whose signs violate the ordinances are not active members in the association.

The Tierra sign violates the code, Mrs. Kopietz continued, but she said it was done in innocence.

Village officials never told the couple that their sign was non-conforming, Mrs. Kopietz said. Nor did the village clerk say that a permit was necessary before a sign could be constructed when the Kopietzes opened their first store five years ago, she continued.

"I feel we were misled," Mrs. Kopietz said. "In essence, we didn't try to violate it."

On Friday, Mrs. Kopietz said other Clarkston store owners told her they plan to attend the Sept. 11 meeting to discuss changing sign ordinances.

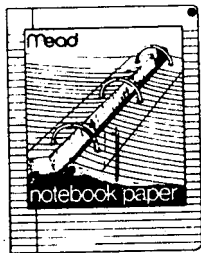
"Their interest has been encouraged by the fact that here was a slight reprieve," she said. Councilman Jack Byers told the council, "I think we ought to devise a special sign ordinance



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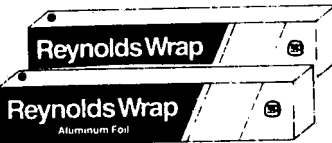
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# Independence Township Parks and Recreation summer softball league wrapup

## MEN'S T-TH LEAGUE

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National League Most Valuable Player	Tom Ross - Precision Pipe
American League Champs	Kustom Decorators
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American League Sportsmanship	Sam Allen & Sons
American League Most Valuable Player	Grant St. Armour - Kustom Decorators

## PLAY-OFF RESULTS

First Place	Peppers - National Division
Second Place	Clarkston Fuel Pumpers - National Division

## MEN'S 30 & OVER

**League Results**  
 First Place—Clarkston Methodist Church  
 Second Place—A. C. Firestone

**Play-Off Results**  
 First Place—Clarkston United Methodist Church  
 Second Place—Lyon Gear

## INDE-WATER LEAGUE

League Champs	Kentucky Fried
League Runners-up	Danny Paris & Little Caesars

**Playoff Results**  
 First Place Kentucky Fried  
 Second Place Danny Paris

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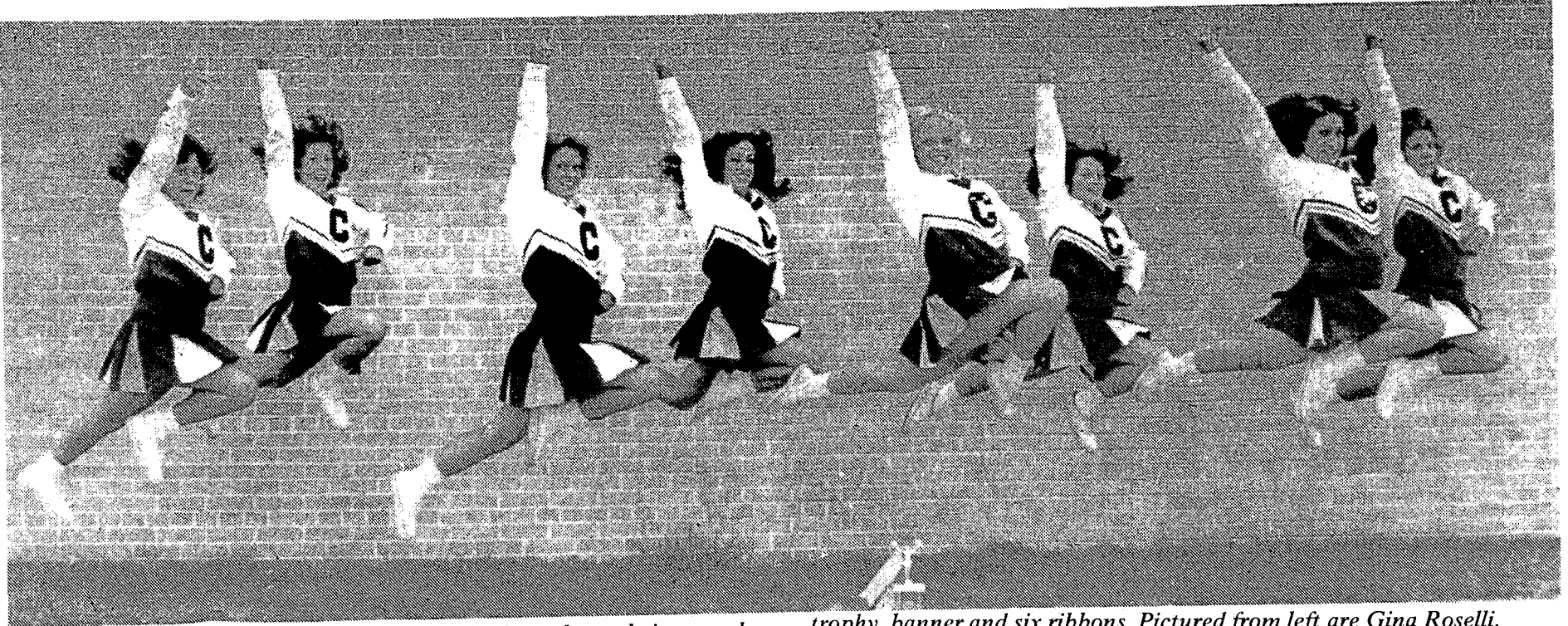
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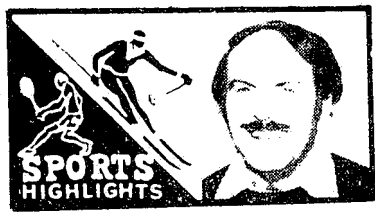




Clarkston High School varsity cheerleaders show their award-winning form. Competing against about 25 squads from high schools all over Michigan, the group won the highest award at a four-day camp in Albion. Their Golden Eagle Award included a

trophy, banner and six ribbons. Pictured from left are Gina Roselli, Karin Schebor, Liz Rekawek, Jill Thompson, Mary Olney, Sherry Williams, Tami Baldwin and Jenny Williams. Stephanie Cornell is not pictured.

Photo by Kathy Greenfield



by David McNeven, Coach

For added fun when bass fishing with surface plugs a fisherman may want to drop his lure into a pocket of water behind a lily pad. This is a great location for lunker largemouths, but it is a tough spot to negotiate for most anglers. If you have this problem, try this technique:

Cast accurately to the far side of the open water and slowly move your lure almost across it. Then, with a sharp upward and backward flip of your wrist transmitted to your rod tip, try to jump your lure over all the pads... Until you practice enough, you'll get into some dandy messes, even catching a few largemouths as you try to jiggle your lure free of tough lily stems. A bass will clear it for you with one swipe... Before you're done with this type of "fun" fishing, you'll learn to hop your plug from one watery opening in the weeds to the next one.

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# Sports Shorts

## Softball-a-thon will aid charity

A softball-a-thon for Muscular Dystrophy, co-sponsored by the Waterford Parks and Recreation Department and the PDQ Women's Softball Team, will be held during the Labor Day weekend.

Organizer Ellen Ivory said that last year the games raised \$1,500 for muscular dystrophy research. While only women played last year, men's teams can join the fun this year. Women's competitions, held

at Shell Park, 4373 Dixie Highway, will continue all day Saturday, Sept. 2. There is no limit on the number of women's teams that can play.

Fees for the women's teams are \$10 per game with each team

playing four games. A trophy will be awarded for the best team.

To register, call Ellen Ivory, 623-7102.

The men's games, played at Herrington Park, 1216 Loch-

aven, will run on Friday and Saturday. A 12-team limit of Class B and C teams has been established.

The entry fee is \$50. Men's teams interested in registering can call Nick Pappas, 682-5241.

## CHS girls' varsity tennis meeting

Any Clarkston High School girl who wants to play on the girls' varsity tennis team is encouraged to attend a meeting in the school cafeteria at

approximately 2:30 p.m. Aug. 30.

Tennis coach Link Smith said that any interested girl is invited to attend.

### Parents:

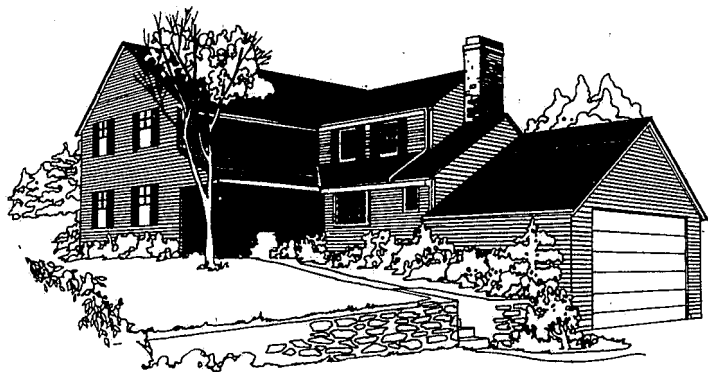
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starting Sept. 17. Drafts for players on the house teams occur Sept. 29 and 30 and Oct. 1. Games will be played from Oct. 21 through the end of March.

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must sell. L.H.A. jerseys will also be awarded to each player.

The registration times for players are: Atoms, Sept. 5 6-8 p.m.; Mites, Sept. 6, 6-8 p.m.; Squirts, Sept. 7, 6-8 p.m.; Pee Wees, Sept. 8, 6-8 p.m.; Bantams, Sept. 9, 10-12 a.m.;

and Midget and Junior C, Sept. 9, 1-3 p.m.

There is a \$25 registration fee which is non-returnable. Lake-

land Arena is located at 7330 Highland Road, Waterford Township. For more information call 666-1910.

## Class for tennis starters

New series of tennis lessons for beginners and advanced beginners will be offered by the Independence Parks and Recreation Department in the early fall.

Starting Sept. 12, the classes will run for four consecutive Tuesday nights and will last approximately an hour and a half per session. Dick Swartout,

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# Police mill on Independence ballot

The growing cost of police protection has prompted the Independence Township Board to seek voters' approval for higher taxes.

The township board unanimously approved placing a request for up to 1 mill for a 10-year period on the November ballot.

One mill is \$1 for each \$1,000 of assessed property valuation.

The present 1-mill levy for police protection expires in 1980.

If the latest millage proposal is approved, a total of 2 mills could be collected in 1979 and 1980.

Trustee Frederick Ritter said he requested that Clerk Christopher Rose put the police millage on the board's agenda.

"It would be my intention to word the ballot 'all or part of said 1 mill should be levied at the discretion of the township board,'" Ritter said. "My intention is, if we need 2 mills, we'll spend it. If we don't need 2 mills, we won't."

Some residents at the meeting said the millage request should be higher.

"I have been harassed on my own property," said Michael Luchenbach of Dvorak Road. "I'd like a 24-hour patrol. A 9-to-5 police department doesn't do me any good."

"I would like to see one or two

sheriffs added to the police department," he continued. "With the growth of this area, the people need more protection."

But board members said a request for more than 1 mill would be defeated by voters.

"The thing we have to look at is in 1976 this proposal was defeated two separate times by a 2-to-1 vote," Ritter said.

Dale Stuart of Mustang Drive asked if statistics on vandalism have increased since the defeat of the 1976 millage request.

"It's greatly increased," said Charles Kimbel, acting director of police services.

"It could be that the public is more aware now than they were," Stuart said. "If I had my choice, I'd vote for the 2 mills."

Trustee Jerry Powell said he felt the 1-mill request would have a better chance of passing.

"If something like this doesn't pass, we aren't going to get the services we have now," he said. "If this fails, something's got to go."

"I think money-wise we definitely have to go for 1 mill," Supervisor Floyd (Whitey) Tow-

er said.

This year's revenue from the 1 mill is projected at \$145,000. The police budget for the fiscal year that started April 1 has been set at \$270,570.

In order to balance the police budget this year, \$49,000 will be used from federal revenue sharing funds, and \$11,000 will be transferred from the general fund.

Other projected sources of income are the Pine Knob traffic control contract, \$32,000; liquor licenses, \$7,500; animal control, \$7,500; ordinance violations, \$4,000; single business taxes, \$1,000; interest, \$200; and "other" \$600.

The police budget covers equipment, maintenance and

the salaries of Kimbel, one full-time office employee, and four deputies contracted from the Oakland County Sheriff's Department for \$138,000.

The budget figure does not include federal funds from the

Comprehensive Employment Training Act (CETA) which cover the salaries of one Oakland County Sheriff's deputy, two township police officers, an animal control officer, and three radio dispatchers.

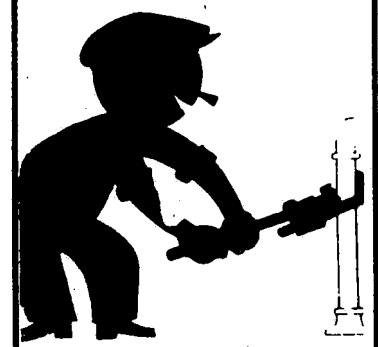
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# Grieving parents get, give help

By Kathy Greenfield  
Staff writer

"Parents helping parents deal with the death of a child" is the slogan of a group called Parents in Grief.

Cherri Detkowski of Drayton Plains and formerly of Clarkston is a charter member of the group that was formed in March.

The Detkowskis' infant son died last January. He was five months old.

Cherri was handed a sheet of paper at the hospital explaining sudden infant death syndrome, but she felt she needed more.

"When the baby died, the first thing I wanted was somebody to talk to who had experienced the loss of a baby," she said. "I wanted to make sure that I wasn't the only person in the world that this had happened to."

So part of the group's plans are to have brochures with telephone numbers available in hospitals and doctors' offices.

The group meets every other Monday evening at 7:30. There are no fees. Sponsored by the YWCA, they meet at the Y's Pontiac branch at 269 W. Huron.

They now have about seven regular members, but "we just feel there are people that need us," Cherri said.

Members have experienced the death of children of all ages and from a variety of causes.

A social worker leads the group discussions.

"We usually just talk about our feelings. That's the main thing. That's what we found we needed," she said.

Cherri also attends monthly meetings on the sudden infant death syndrome at Children's Hospital in Detroit. She started shortly after her son's death.

"I still go to them, they help," she said. "But the one here is closer for me and if I need some help, I have someone to call."

"Your friends get depressed, but you have to talk about it," she said. "We all understand because we are all going through the same thing."

When people come to meetings and talk about the loss of a child, other members can respond honestly with, "I know how you feel," Cherri said, and the ability to help each other eases the grief.

"It makes you feel good to hear somebody say, 'I don't know where I'd be if I didn't come here,'" she said.

For more information on Parents in Grief, call Cherri at 674-1581, Joy Sneddon at 569-3037 or Myra Cowlshaw at the YWCA at 334-0973.

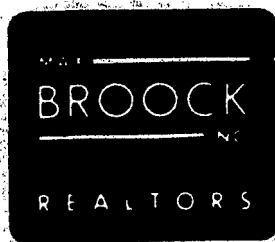


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Miss one of the three Mostly Mozart Nites scheduled for Thursday, August 24, Saturday, August 26 and Sunday, August 27. All will be performed by the highly skilled Musica Aeterna Orchestra, conducted by Fred-eric Waldman.

Mostly Mozart Nite #1 on Thursday evening features cellist Leonard Rose, violinist Joseph Goldman, oboist Melvin Kaplan and bassoonist Morris Newman. Vocalists are highlighted on Saturday's Mostly Mozart Nite #2. They include soprano Benita Valente, tenor Kenneth Riegel, mezzo-soprano Brenda Boozer, John Cheek, bass, and the Kenneth Jewell Chorale. Both performances are scheduled for 8:30 p.m.

Sunday's Mostly Mozart Nite #3 is an afternoon program beginning at 2 p.m. Featured artists are duo-pianists Mischa and Cipa Dichter.

A special daytime luncheon concert performed by the Musica Aeterna String Ensemble is planned for Friday, August 25. It will be held in the outdoor English Garden at Meadow Brook Hall. A summer lunch will be served at noon with the full-length concert immediately following. Tickets for this event, including lunch, are \$12.50 each. Reservations can be made by calling (313) 377-3316.

On Friday evening, August 25, the focus turns to one of our country's top female recording stars—Helen Reddy.

The performance begins at 8:30 p.m. All pavilion seats are sold out; lawn tickets are available.

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Tickets may be purchased at the Festival Box Office or at any Hudson's, Sears, Montgomery Wards or Grinnell's ticket services. For additional information call (313) 377-2010.

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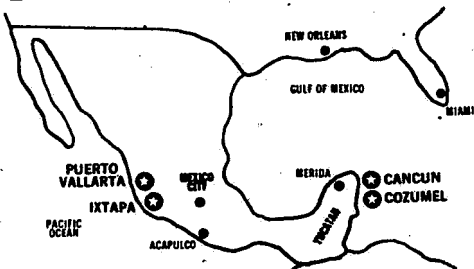
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Enrollment in the class is limited to 10 people. For more information, call Daryl Cook at 857-8121.

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The Pontiac chapter of Parents Without Partners announced that its 11th anniversary dinner dance will be held on Saturday, Aug. 26 at the Airways Lounge Lower Deck, 4825 Highland Road, Waterford.

All Parents Without Partners members, eligible single parents and PWP alumni can attend.

The cost for the dinner and dance is \$8.50 for members and \$9.50 for guests. Members pay \$4 and guests \$5 for the dance only.

Cocktails will be served at 6 p.m., dinner at 7 p.m. and dancing will begin at 9 p.m. with music provided by the Bluewater Band.

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The Michigan State Fair will open officially Friday (Aug. 25) and run 11 days, through Labor Day September 4.

The grand opening parade will move down Michigan Avenue from Tiger Stadium to Kennedy Square beginning at 11:30 a.m. Thursday and continuing into the noon hour. Harold Arnoldi, the fair's director of special events, said the parade will include 125 floats, bands and other units.

The big-name entertainment at the fair includes superstar Andy Gibb, scheduled for opening day, and the Osmonds, including Donny and Marie, who will appear August 30. All the star entertainment at the fair is free to fairgoers.

Admission, which includes the entertainment, is \$3. Youngsters under 12, accompanied by an adult, are admitted free.

The Michigan State Fair has been on a winning streak the past two years since the "Rain Fair," setting records in entries and attendance. Last year's fair was the most profitable ever.

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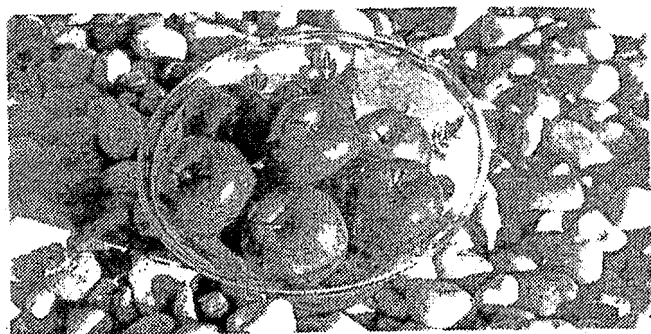
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Part of the motocross scene is partaking in some hot dogging. Brian Barlow demonstrates his skill by leaping over a downed bike.

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# Clarkston kids show two-wheel skill

By Kathy Greenfield  
Staff writer

Hitting the bicycle motocross racing circuit and heading for the state championships at Jackson Sunday were a group of enthusiastic bikers from the Clarkston area.

Mike Yovich won a three-foot-high, first-place trophy in the 15-year-old age group. He also took home a trophy for fourth place in the open class race.

Also among the 335 registered motocross racers was Rob Mortimore who won fourth place in the competition for 12-year-olds and sixth in the open class.

If bicycle motocross, or BMX, is an unfamiliar term, it will soon be a household word around town if the group has its way.

Seven of the 15 area regulars met last week to talk about their favorite sport.

Brian Barlow, 14; Mike Nickoloff, 13; Rob Mortimore, 12; Ed Burnette, 14; Mike Tower, 15; Dan Hahn, 14; and Vince Young, 14; said they plan to take their request for a track of their own to groups like the American Legion, Jaycees and Rotary Club.

They now race on tracks at Waterford Oaks, Owosso, Jack-

son and Woodhaven. Entry fees ranging from \$1 to \$3 make the tracks self-supporting, they said.

The sport started in California about 5 or 6 years ago, they said, and the Waterford track has been operating three years.

The quarter-mile dirt race tracks include jumps, mud holes and some features with names familiar only to BMX fans like "whoop-de-doo," a series of bumps, and "berms," banked turns.

Although the boys said the races are won "mostly by the rider," their bikes cost from \$150 to \$500.

But getting started can involve

a method like Ed's.

"My first bike was my sister's old bike," he said. "As I got better, I got more parts."

His motocross racer is made from parts he bought, and his bike is one of the best on the circuit, the boys said.

The group has demonstrated that the special equipment is worth hard work.

Mike's \$400 bike has been paid for by mowing lawns and shoveling driveways.

Vince's \$200 model has put him to work stocking coolers in a party store.

A job at the Oakland County Sportsman's Club pulling traps keeps Brian going on his \$400 bike.

And Dan washes dishes, buses tables and cooks at the Big Boy to help pay for his \$250 bike.

The 20-inch bikes should be strong but light weight, under 30 pounds, with special aluminum

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Leading off at the starting gate is Dan Hahn who won a third place at Waterford Oaks Saturday. The bicycle motocross track is behind the Wave Pool. Races are held every Saturday starting at 11 a.m.



Andy Gee takes part in a practice run over a ramp. He landed safely.



# Motocross circuit lures pedalers



Bringing his bike to a quick halt in gravel, Vince Young shows the importance of keeping the 20 inch bikes under control.

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alloy rims, chrome-moly frames and extra grip tires.

Wide handle bars are needed for racers over 12-years-old to withstand the pounding.

The group delights in hot-dogging, but races mean serious riding without tricks "unless you're way out in front," they said.

Helmets, mouth guards, gloves and bike padding are musts for racing.

Long-sleeved shirts, long pants and "a parent or guardian" are also required.

Their motives for racing are as varied as the jobs to pay for the bikes.

"Most of our parents wouldn't let us get motorcycles, so we got these," Dan explained. "They're the next best thing."

Rob said he likes "the challenge of it."

"Bicycle racing is all you," Vince said. "It's all your muscles put together."

Racing also takes "guts" and work to develop courage.

"If you don't have the guts to do it, you aren't going to win," Brian said. "You've got 12 guys in the starting line and you're going into a single lane turn..."

Ed has been racing for two years, and he's gained confidence.

"I'm getting more guts and

getting up with the pack and trying to pull out in front," he said.

They all agree that the "hole shot" is important—beating other racers to the first turn.

Good sportsmanship stands out as another asset.

"The best guys I've seen are the group from Clarkston and Waterford," Ed said, and they

usually win trophies.

"People are really friendly," he added.

"Everybody's so nervous, they have to be friendly," Mike said.

But don't underestimate the hard-riding, aggressive group. A track in Clarkston isn't their only goal.

"We think it should be in the Olympics," Brian said.

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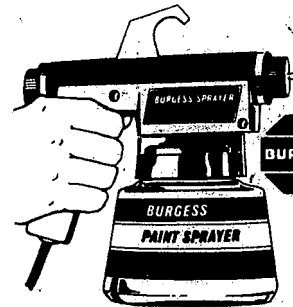
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## For silent observers

# Cash for crime tips

By Mimi Mayer  
Staff writer

Citizen crime fighters now can be eligible for cash rewards in Independence Township.

Since 1971, the North Oakland Chamber of Commerce has sponsored the Silent Observer program in a handful of communities where residents, local police and the media work together to apprehend criminals.

The program has recently expanded to include 29 law enforcement agencies in Oakland County with the Independence Township Police being one of the newest participants.

Designed for citizens who wish to report a crime anonymously, the program offers cash rewards ranging between \$50 and \$1,000 for information that leads to the arrest, prosecution and/or conviction of felons.

If a citizen knows of a crime committed or about to be committed, he can call local law enforcement officials and identify himself as a "silent observer" if he wishes to remain anonymous. The informant's true name and address may also be used if he desires.

The police will then give the silent observer a code number, usually an easily remembered figure like a social security, driver's license or license plate number.

If the tipoff directly leads to the arrest, prosecution or conviction of a criminal, the silent observer is entitled to a reward.

Complete anonymity is prom-

ised to any silent observer. Since the program's inception in 1971, not a single silent observer has been called to testify in court.

"We don't even care who they are," said Detective Michael Meles of the Pontiac Police Department. "You know that you're not going to pry for their names."

How do silent observers collect then? An account of the criminal case is delivered from the prosecutor's office or the police department to the chamber of commerce rewards committee.

The committee passes the information on to the local news media, including the fact that there has been a conviction based upon the silent observer's tipoff.

The silent observer then notifies the chamber of commerce rewards committee, identifying himself by his code number.

Once the committee determines the silent observer's eligibility, the reward is given confidentially.

Felonious crimes, including murder, assassinations, breaking and entering, arson, armed robbery, auto theft, fencing and drug sales, have been reported by silent observers who later collected rewards.

All reward money is donated by businesses and civic organizations.

An anonymous tip led Independence Township Police to apprehend the vandal who was destroying the potted trees which line downtown Clarkston, Director of Police Services Charles Kimbel said.

"If it works somewhere else, why can't it work here? I can see no reason why citizens can't avail themselves of the program even on minor crimes," Kimbel added.

## Art fair's a hit

Keatington's First Annual Art Fair was a success.

Carroll Sheeran-Kirshman of The Artistree said many of the visitors called it one of the best fairs they had attended. Over 1,000 cars were parked on Sunday, she said, and estimating two to four people per car, there was a good size crowd.

"Everybody was very happy about the show," she said. Mrs.

Sheeran-Kirshman added many of the artists sold something and asked if they could come back next year.

Mrs. Sheeran-Kirshman reported John Neuman of Dearborn Heights won the Best of Show award for the two-day fair. The award was presented by George Innes, the fair judge.

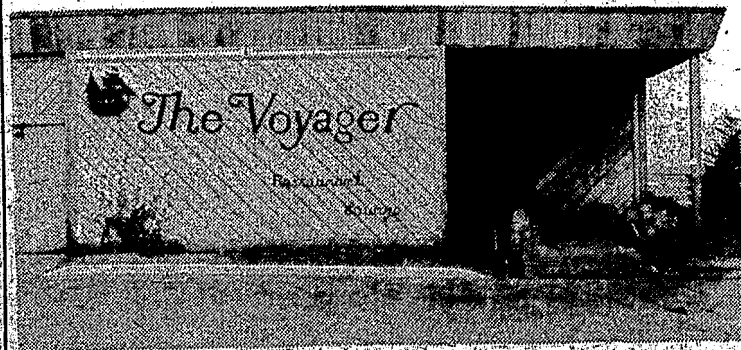
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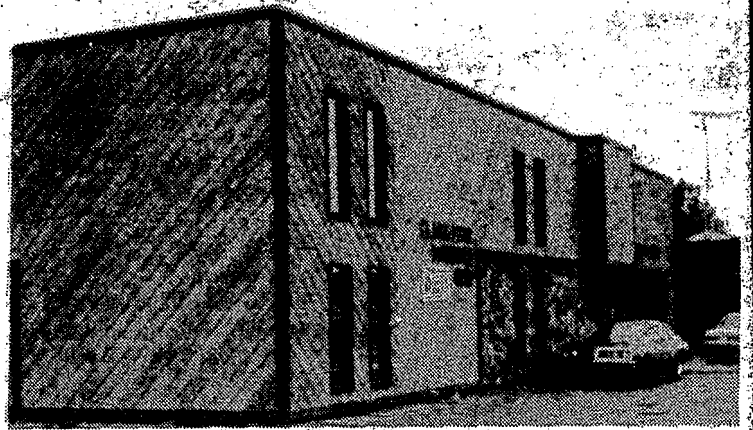


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# Pitchers find country contentment

## Country Living

By Kathy Greenfield  
Staff writer

Pat and Keith Pitcher, who were born and raised in the city, were reluctant at first to leave their home on the east side of Detroit and move to the country.

The orchards area east of Clarkston's village has been their home for two years with their children Ellen, 11, and Kevin, 9.

To their surprise, they quickly found contentment with the change in lifestyle.

"I think we made the big adjustment in about an hour and one-half," Pat said. "After I got out here, I thought, 'Why was I so reluctant to get out of Detroit?'"

Three years ago, Keith took a job as assistant director of

public relations for General Motors Truck and Coach in Pontiac.

The long drive to and from work prompted them to put their house on the market and begin the search for a new home.

"When we first started looking, we thought Clarkston was too far out," Keith said.

It took them a year to sell the house in Detroit, so they had plenty of time to house-hunt.

Persistent friends living in Clarkston convinced Keith to look in Independence Township.

When Pat returned to look at a house Keith liked, their search ended.

"We've been so happy out here," she said. "We went through more than 100 homes—it was all worth it."

Although they live in a subdivision, compared to living in Detroit, they feel like country dwellers.

"We had a 35-foot lot in Detroit, and the frontage here is 215 feet," Keith explained, and apple trees adorn their backyard.

One advantage they enjoy is lake swimming, and Deer Lake beach is only a short drive away.

"When we were in Detroit, beaches were something only for vacations—it was never an everyday thing," Pat said.

The nearby county park offers another side of country life.

"Kevin and I last Sunday went over to Independence Oaks, rented a boat and spent about six hours there and caught some fish," Keith said. "And it

was really nice, because when we came back, we were only about five minutes from home."

As Pat and Keith talked, their family-oriented lifestyle was emphasized by their children.

Ellen and Kevin offered ideas for photographing their parents.

They thought pictures of their Dad reading the newspaper would be appropriate.

After laughing about the suggestion, Keith explained that his job in public relations requires reading several newspapers and magazines each day.

And "being a former newspaperman, I enjoy looking at news," he said.

The Pitchers met when Keith worked for The Michigan Catholic, a weekly paper serving the Detroit area Diocese.

Pat majored in journalism and elementary education at Marygrove College.

"I got a summer job on the Michigan Catholic," she said. "I had my typewriter next to his and that's where it all started."

The children also suggested taking photos of their Mom with her needlework.

Many of the walls in their home are decorated with embroidery and wall hangings Pat

has fashioned.

Ellen also takes credit for finding her mother a job.

"Ellen was reading The Clarkston News and said, 'Mother, here's a job opening that may be of interest to you,' and I went and applied," Pat said.

Before moving to Clarkston, she had taught at a cooperative nursery school in Detroit.

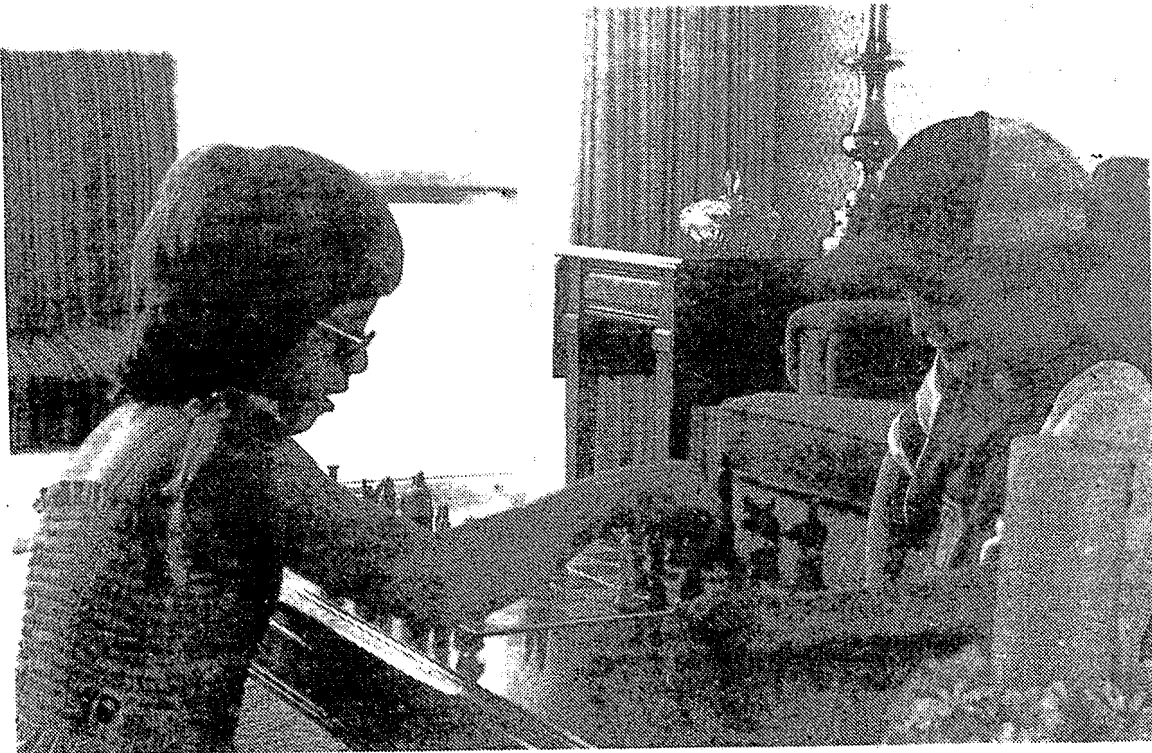
Because there were no job openings at local co-op nurseries, she had returned to school at Oakland University and started work on a master's degree in teaching with an early childhood endorsement.

She is continuing at school parttime and also teaches two mornings and three afternoons a week at Clarkston Cooperative Nursery.

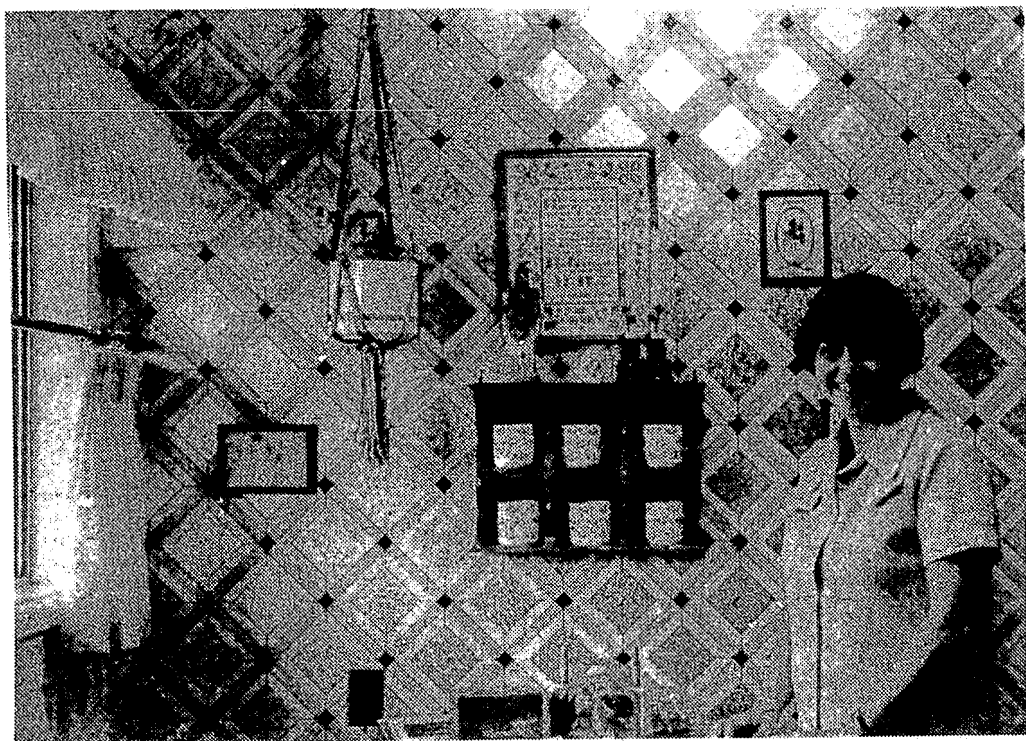
Pat finds her job ideal because she can be home when their children are.

And she has a philosophy she embraces as a parent and teacher.

"As parents, there are days when we haven't done anything particularly significant, but if we do a good job of just shaping one individual, that's the most important thing," she said.



Ellen and Kevin share a quiet moment at the chess board.



A wall in the Pitchers' kitchen is reserved for Pat's Irish collectibles. "I'm Irish on both sides," she explained. "We grew up with St. Patrick's Day being a very special day."



Although he misses working on newspapers, Keith said his job in public relations is never boring.



### Trees to be barrier for restaurant

A stand of trees will take the place of a required six-foot cement-block wall as a natural barrier between one Dixie Highway business and the adjacent residential area.

Calvin Lang, owner of the Elias Brothers' Big Boy at 6440 Dixie Highway, was given permission to add 22 spaces to the business' parking lot if the natural barrier is maintained.

The Independence Township Zoning Board of Appeals also made removal of debris from behind the restaurant a condition of its approval.

Lang said he also will plant evergreens along the property line behind the restaurant, according to Timothy Palulian, township building department administrator.

The cement-block wall which is now required in the zoning ordinance was not stipulated when the Big Boy was built, Palulian said.

John Ridan of West Bloomfield Township, co-owner of an undeveloped residential tract behind the business, objected to the lack of a screening wall between his and Lang's property.

The existing parking lot for the business will be expanded to the southeast.

### Law agencies at workshop

The Independence Township police and the Oakland County Sheriff's Department will be among the law enforcement agencies participating in a school cross guard workshop today at Rochester Senior High School.

Sponsored by the American Automobile Association, the workshop will cover traffic control, first aid and other topics.

Under a new state law, school crossing guards must receive four hours of safety training and two hours of annual review before they can shepherd school children across streets.

### Crossing guard in village

Parents of school children attending Clarkston Elementary, Clarkston Junior High and Clarkston High School can rest a bit more easily.

The Clarkston Village Council voted to hire a crosswalk guard posted at the intersection of M-15 and Middle Lake Road.

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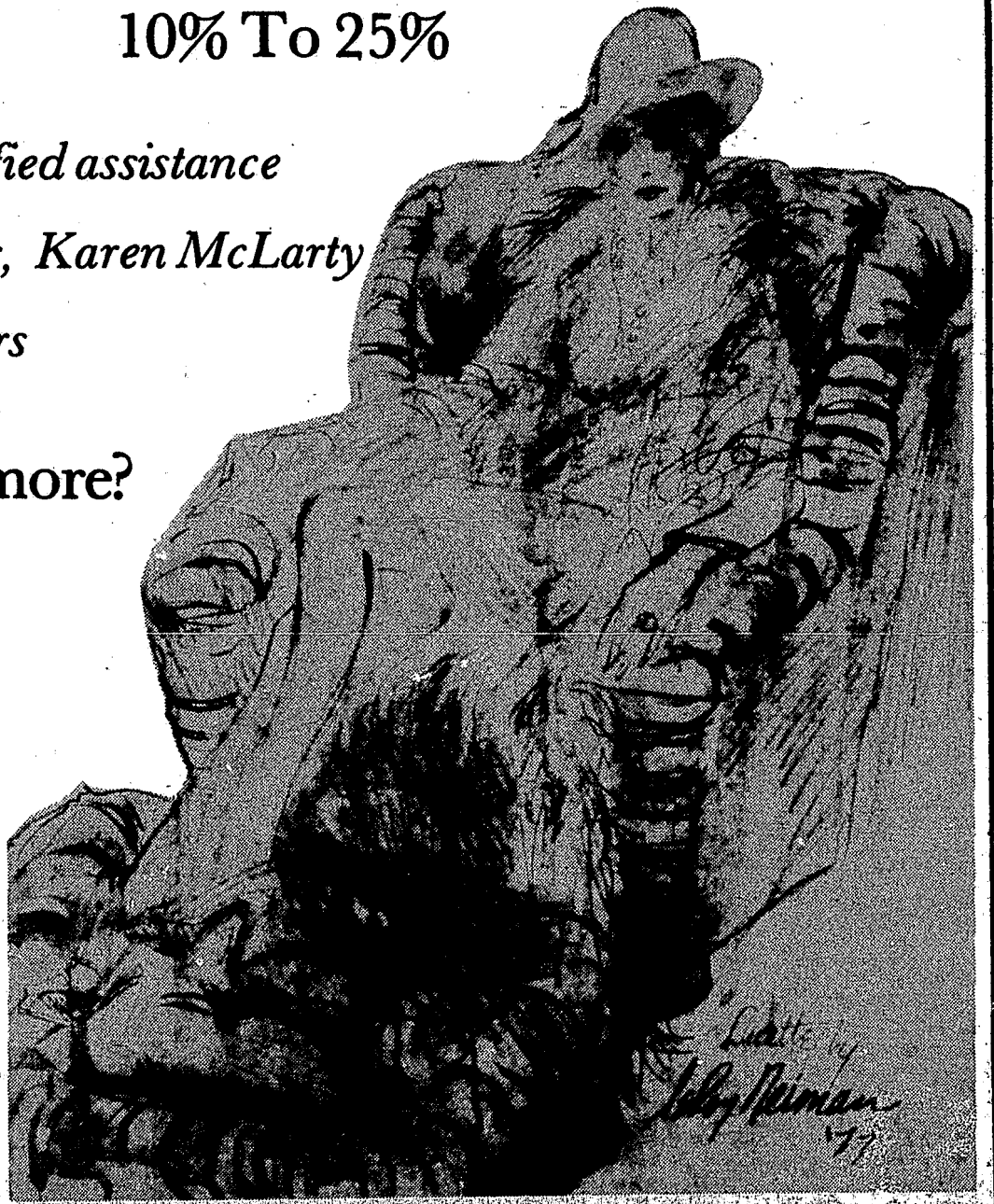
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# The plant doctor

By Greg Patchan

**Dear Plant Doctor:**

All of a sudden one yew in a shrub planting turned brown and died. The shrubs have been planted for two seasons and the surrounding yews are completely healthy. What happened?  
P.P.—Pontiac

**Dear P.P.:**

From your description of the problem, a disease or insect attacking the foliage is not the problem. Some type of injury has interrupted the sap flow in the shrub. I suggest you closely inspect the trunk including several inches below the soil surface. Girdling by mice could be the problem. Quite frequently shrubs are girdled by wires and synthetic fibered ropes left around the trunk. As the trunk expands, the wire or rope will strangle the shrub. Years ago when natural fibers were used, girdling seldom developed because these materials rapidly decayed. Root damage from vine weevils could also be a problem. In this case, most of the feeder roots will have been destroyed, and the needles will have notches cut out of them. Vine weevils can be controlled by spraying the shrubs and soil with Lindane at the end of June. When you remove the shrub, a close inspection should reveal one of the problems.

**Dear Plant Doctor:**

Our lawn seems to be full of crabgrass. What can we do about this weed at this time?  
R.S.—Waterford

**Dear R.S.:**

I suggest you let nature run its course. Crabgrass is an annual, and it will be killed by frost. Post-emergent killers are avail-

able, but they are most effective on young crabgrass. At this time, crabgrass is quite tough and difficult to kill without the risk of injuring your desirable grasses. Be sure to apply a pre-emergent crabicide next April to prevent the crabgrass from reappearing in the bare areas created by this year's infestation.



**Real Estate HAPPENINGS**  
by Bob & Marvel White

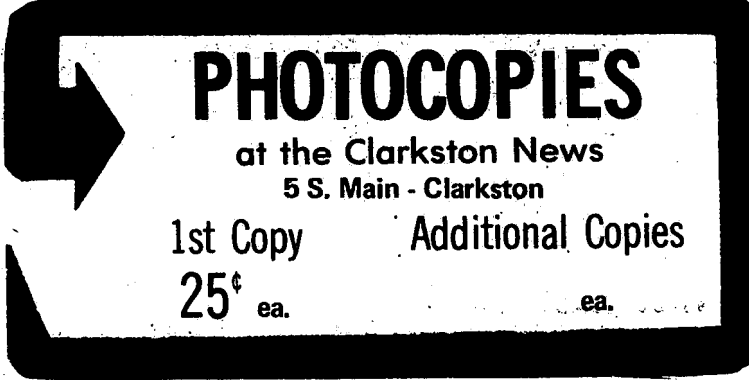
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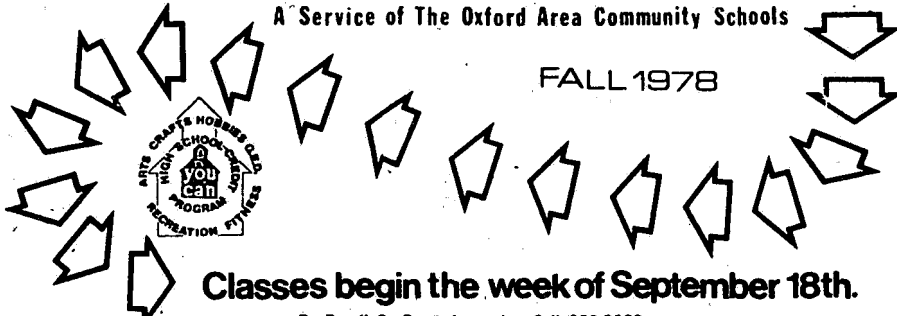
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## Sub proposed for Powe farm

By Kathy Greenfield  
Staff writer

Wildflowers, a covered bridge, bridge paths, nature trails and preserved wetlands are part of Bitterbrush, one of Independence Township's newest proposed subdivisions.

The plan for 18 10-acre homesites and four parcels of at least three acres was presented to the township board at last week's meeting by developer Frank Walker.

"We want to keep it basically in its natural state," Walker said.

The 213-acre subdivision, commonly known as the Powe farm, is owned by Bitterbrush Inc. It is located in the northwest corner of the township off Reese Road.

Knox Lake, Waumega Lake and several ponds are located on the property.

A natural spring flows into a "stream that comes out of the swamp into Knox Lake and eventually goes to Deer Lake," he said.

"The low swamp area will be retained as a natural area," he continued, and the nature and bridge paths will wind through the acreage.

The original plans for Bitterbrush were denied by the township lot split committee because of questions about private road frontage and a lot split, according to Township

Supervisor Floyd (Whitey) Tower.

When the lot split committee denies a proposal, the plans may be resubmitted to the township board, Tower said.

The Bitterbrush plans had been revised to correct objec-

tions by the lot split committee, Walker said.

Because the township board had no major objections to the revised plans, they approved review by the zoning board of appeals where the final decision rests.

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# Brochure promotes local businesses



By Maralee Cook

Village businesses are getting a boost via brochure. Just like the resort towns. The Village Business Association has hired a PR firm to produce the image maker-calendar.

Main Street Public Relations and Advertising, run by Jean Sale and Rhea Lodge, presented their brochure to the Business Association of Independence Township recently.

The leaflet is designed to promote and help customers locate village and Independence Township businesses. It will have one old-fashioned sketch, a map of the village with the Village Association members listed on one side, and another old-fashioned sketch with a map of

Independence Township and a list of the members of BAIT on the other side.

The folder also includes a calendar of events for 1979 which are scheduled as follows:

May 4 and 5, Spring Stroll; July 4-July 4th celebration; July 20-Moonlight Madness; August 10 and 11-Farmers' Night; and Aug. 30, 31 and September 1, Village Days and Labor Day celebrations.

The cost of the leaflet is \$800 with the cost to the Village Association about \$255. There will be approximately 2,800 for distribution.

Bob Hubbick will be contact-

ed to put on a concert in the Village Park on Wednesday, August 30. Clarkston cheerleaders will also be asked to sell lemonade and popcorn Wednesday evening.

Village Days will be Thursday, Aug. 31 through Saturday, Sept. 2 with sidewalk sales held all three days and downtown stores open until 9 p. m. Friday. Booth space for outside groups is available and those interested in renting booth space may call Tierra Arts and Design at 625-2511. The fee is \$5 per booth.

Although a discussion was held about raising the 1979 dues

to \$25 with a \$25 advertising fee, no vote was taken.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

The next meeting will be held Tuesday, September 8 at 7:30 at the Village Council Hall on Depot Road.

## BAIT gathering on course

The Third Annual Business Association of Independence Township (BAIT) golf outing was held Aug. 16 at Clarkston Golf Course, 9241 Eston Road. Noteworthy on the course

were Winnie Beach for the highest score; Henry Holcomb for the lowest score; Harvey Craft for the longest drive; and Tom Gruich for wildcard low score.

Moved by Weber, seconded by Thayer to approve a request by REACT and the Minstrel Mongers to hold a benefit in the park on Oct. 7th. Motion carried unanimously.

The council discussed the possibility of adopting a new sign ordinance or starting to enforce the present one that's contained in the zoning ordinance. Getting input from the business establishments was recommended.

Moved by Weber, seconded by Byers to send a letter to all businesses in the village stating that the council is considering the drafting of a new sign ordinance, and inviting them to the Sept. 11th meeting to review their ideas on what changes should be made if it is decided to adopt a new sign ordinance. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Byers, seconded by Weber to approve the hiring by the township of a crossing guard for students at the M-15-Middle Lake Rd. intersection for the upcoming school year, with the village paying the salary for this guard at the rate of \$3.00 per hour, the cost being about \$45.00 per week. Ayes, Basinger, Byers, Thayer, Weber. Nays, none. Motion carried.

A request was made by Dick Leaf of 104 N. Main to purchase some of the road right-of-way on Robertson Ct. so that he will have enough square footage to split his lot and build another house on it. The council and attorney discussed whether selling this would establish a precedent for similar future requests.

Moved by Byers, seconded by Weber to refer this request to the attorney to research the feasibility and propriety of selling portions of road right-of-way and to also refer this to the planning commission for their opinion on this matter. Motion carried.

Some residents from N. Holcomb were present to complain about the loud noise and vandalism at the park. The council discussed the problem and decided to write a letter to the Oakland County Sheriff stating that we expect better service on patrolling the park and enforcing current ordinances. A more inclusive ordinance may be needed later.

Moved by Basinger, seconded by Thayer to extend the deadline for payment of 1978 village taxes to the third Monday in October, October 16th, 1978. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Weber, seconded by Thayer to waive our right to any portion of the 1978 returnable licensing fee from Marc Alan's transfer request of a 1978 12 month Resort Class C and SDM licensed business, as per the request of the Michigan Liquor Control Commission. Motion carried unanimously.

The council agreed to authorize the changing of the records for assessment purposes of Lots 20 and 21 of Assessor's Plat of Clarkston, to reflect the exchange of three feet and four feet on these lots that was done in 1955 and recorded in 1961.

Mr. Hyde of Waldon Rd. complained that the Methodist Church didn't have a permit to expand their parking lot without installing a greenbelt. This parking lot adjoins his property. The attorney said that a permit or a greenbelt isn't required, since the parking lot originally was there before the present zoning ordinance was adopted.

Moved by Basinger, seconded by Byers to have the planning commission consider the portion of the zoning ordinance dealing with greenbelts by parking lots and expansion of parking lots so that the situation that occurred with the Methodist Church parking lot won't happen again. Motion carried unanimously.

Correspondence from the Oakland County Road Commission concerning their plans for the improvement of the Depot-White Lake-Holcomb intersection will be referred to Kieft Engineering for their review.

Moved by Weber, seconded by Byers to adjourn at 11:20 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Bruce Rogers  
Village Clerk

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### VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING August 14, 1978 Village Hall, 375 Depot, Clarkston

Meeting called to order by President Hallman at 7:30 p.m. followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Roll: Present, Basinger, Byers, Thayer, Weber. Absent, ApMadoc, Schultz.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Moved by Weber, seconded by Byers to pay the following bills:

Wages	\$1407.75
Municipal Services	4726.99
Administration	3051.85
Legal Fees	347.80
Insurance	53.91
Sewer Charges	9473.20

TOTAL \$19,061.50

Roll: Ayes, Basinger, Byers, Thayer, Weber. Nays, none. Motion carried.

Trustee Thayer will check on prices for street lights on Glenburnie and Middle Lake Rd.

Trustee Basinger was given approval by the council to proceed with a study to outline the hydrology of the waters in the area through the Clinton River Watershed Council. She would like help from volunteers for a committee on this.

Letters from Clarkston Mills and the Oakland County Drain Commissioner were read, concerning our letters to them about the low water levels in the area. Clarkston Mills responded by assuring us that they will maintain the level of the Mill Pond to permit water to flow into Parke Lake and Middle Lake as long as weather conditions permit, and the county stated that none of the waters in this area are under their jurisdiction, but that they have forwarded our letter to the Dept. of Natural Resources for their review.

Trustees Byers and Weber will check with the Clarkston News on the price for printing a synopsis of the minutes of our meetings rather than the entire minutes.

Another letter will be sent to the Detroit Free Press to remove their newsstand on M-15 which is still there.

Trustee Schultz will be contacted to see if he can follow through on speeding up the stump removal, especially on N. Holcomb.

The Clarkston Jaycees presented plans for a new signboard to the council. They are working on lining up donors for the estimated cost of \$5000, and have received one donation for \$1500. The need for a signboard and conformity with our sign ordinance were discussed by the council. This will be reviewed again at the next meeting.

The Jaycees reported that they will not be having a Labor Day Carnival this year, but would like to combine efforts with the Historical Society and sponsor a beer tent and chicken barbecue during the Crafts and Cider festival. Independence Center Children's Theatre would also like to put on a play in the park on that Saturday.

Moved by Weber, seconded by Byers to grant permission to the Jaycees to have a beer tent and chicken barbecue and to the Independence Center Children's Theatre to put on a play in the park during the Crafts and Cider festival this year. Motion carried unanimously.

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# Neighbors bid Claras adieu

## Millstream

Fifty-nine friends and neighbors of George and Maxine Clara, formerly of Bluegrass Drive, gathered Sunday afternoon to wish them well in their new home in Cass City.

They met for a potluck dinner at the home of Norm and Carolyn Hunt, the Claras' former neighbors on Bluegrass Drive.

The Claras lived in Independence Township for almost 14 years. Their move to Cass City

was prompted by George's retirement.

"They're really going to be missed," Norm said. "They've been grandparents to every kid in the neighborhood."

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Two Independence Township couples became grandparents this month when Mr. and Mrs. Greg Miracle of Pontiac welcomed their son Lance Ryan into the world.

Lance was born Aug. 14. He weighed 8 pounds, 3 ounces.

His grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Herbert T. Amos of Independence Drive and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Miracle of Gulick Road.

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An Independence Township woman was elected first vice president of the Michigan Court Recorders/Reporters Association during its annual summer seminar held at Schuss Mountain, Mancelona, Aug. 9-11.

Mrs. B. June VanKeuren, 7972 Perry Lake Road, will serve a two-year term in office. She is a court recorder/reporter at the 52nd District Court, Independence Township.

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A "Carry In" potluck dinner was held this month by the Clinton Valley Barracks No. 2803 Veterans of World War I and Auxiliary.

Fresh vegetables and flowers from members' gardens were shared with those unable to have gardens.

The 17 members present voted to participate in the "Vial of Life" program.

Members may contact Alice Rioux if they were absent and wish to take part in the medical information program. The vials will be distributed at the next meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Orrie Adams on Maybee Road, Independence Township on Sept. 9.

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Robert C. White of 6001 S. Main has been installed as president of Clarkston Lions Club for 1978-79.

Other officers are D'arcy A. Gonzales, immediate past president; R. Fred Boss, second vice president; Rickard H. Jones, third vice president; John J. Moreau, secretary; Jack Shader, treasurer; Julius C. Dael, lion tamer; and Michael W. Upham, tail twister.

Directors are William C. Bildstein and Upham until June, 1979, and Robert L. Key and Blaine Priebe until June, 1980.

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Among students receiving scholarships to Alma College in 1978-79 are five from Independence Township.

Those receiving presidential scholarships, awarded on the basis of academic merit, were Gail M. Caldwell of Waldon Road, Ruth E. Dennis of Drayton Road, Michael J. Fogg of Peach Drive and Peggy A. Fry of Foster Road.

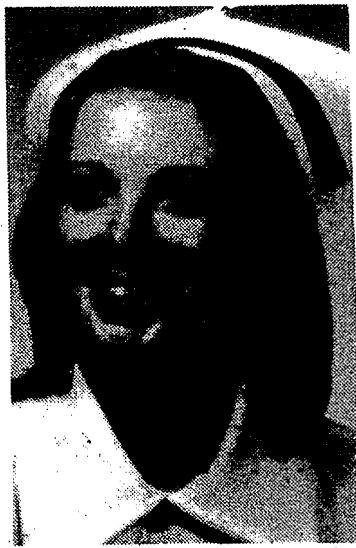
A trustee honors scholarship for superior academic and extracurricular achievement was awarded to Shirley R. Dennis of Drayton Road.

A weekend revival with singing and preaching by Deborah and Ralph Jordon from Port Huron is planned for Friday, Saturday and Sunday at 7 p.m. at the Pentecostal Tabernacle.

The church is located four miles north of I-75 at 9880 Ortonville Rd., Independence Township.

For more information, call 627-3909.

## Graduate nurse

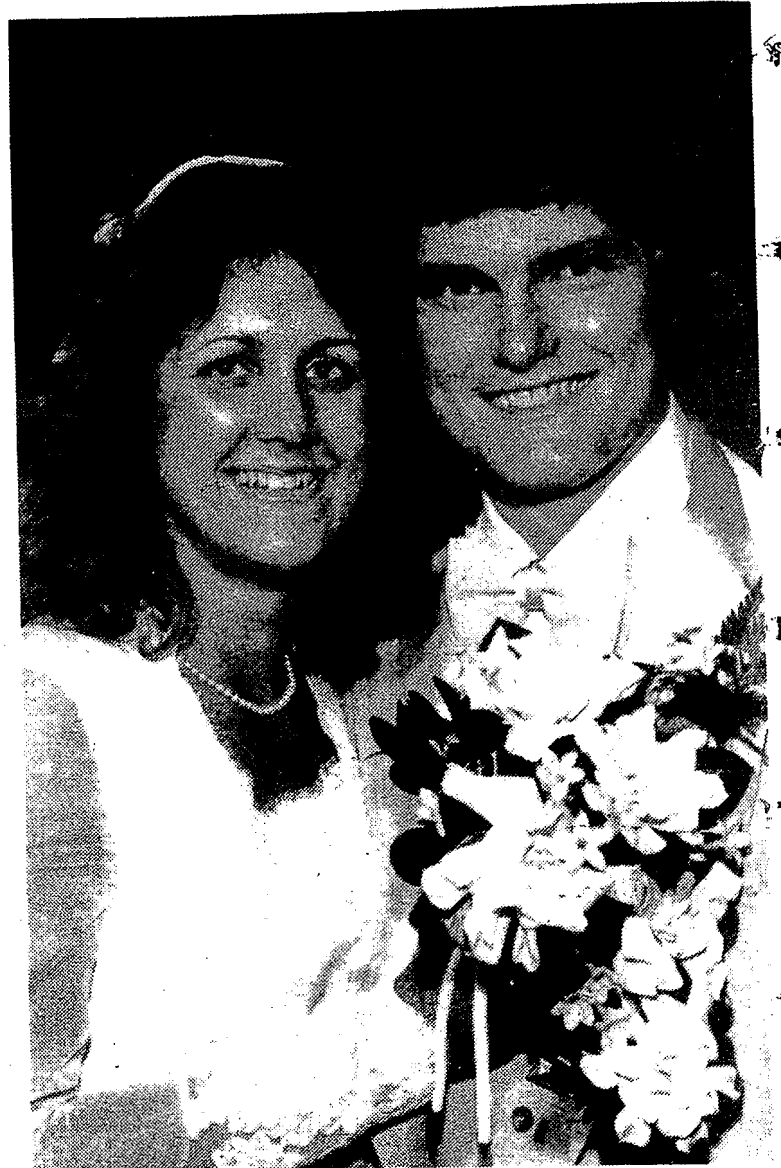


Judi Tilley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Tilley of Transparent, Independence Township, recently graduated from Hurley Medical Center School of Nursing. Judi is now employed by Beaumont Hospital, Royal Oak.



## Engaged

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth E. James of Holcomb Road are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Janet Lee to David Michael Sauter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Victor D. Sauter of Maywood, N.J. The bride-elect is a 1977 graduate of Otterbein College, Westerville, Ohio. She is employed as investor communications director at Standard Realty Corp., Southfield. Her fiancé is a 1977 graduate of Miami University, Oxford, Ohio. He is associate manager of Sports Illustrated Court Club in Saginaw. The couple plans an April, 1979 wedding.



## Evening wedding

Mary Joanne Townsend and James Douglas Head were married in an evening ceremony at Our Lady of the Lakes Catholic Church.

The bride, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Townsend of Holcomb Road, Independence Township, graduated from Our Lady of the Lakes High School in 1974. She was employed by Community National Bank, Pontiac Mall Branch.

Her husband, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerle Head of Clinton Drive, Drayton Plains, graduated from Clarkston High School in 1974 and from Michigan Technological University in 1977. He is employed by Johnson Controls Inc. as an electronic engineer.

For her July 7 wedding, the bride wore a gown of imported raw silk with long illusion sleeves and imported French re-embroidered, hand applied lace on the bodice and sleeves. A cathedral-length train accented the gown.

Her Julian lace-covered cap was attached to a three-quarter

chiffon veil. She carried a cascade of gardenias and stephanotis.

Maid of honor was Deborah Valentine of Clarkston. Martha Ball of Drayton Plains and Mrs. John Bicking of Monroe served as bridesmaids.

The bride's attendants wore light blue sleeveless Qiana dresses. They carried Colonial bouquets of bachelor buttons, static and stephanotis.

Andrew Head served his brother as best man. Attendants were Patrick Deshaine and Mark Townsend, the bride's brother.

Ushers were Kurt Townsend and Christopher Townsend. The bride's brother Matthew Townsend served as altar attendant for the ceremony.

The groom's attendants wore dove gray tuxedos. A reception for the 250 guests was held at Knights of Columbus Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Head honeymooned on Paradise Island in the Bahamas. They are residing in Wheeling, Ill.

# Zoning may protect historic homes

By Mimi Mayer  
Staff writer

Many of Clarkston's older homes may eventually receive governmental recognition as historical buildings.

Though the segment of Main Street which runs between Miller and Waldon roads has already been designated as a historical corridor by Michigan state officials, members of the

Clarkston Community Historical Society and the village planning commission hope to create a historical preservation district maintained by village ordinances.

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We would like to take the time to thank a swell bunch of guys called the "Clarkston Fuel Pumpers" for bringing us the second place trophy in their league and the runner-up trophy in the playoffs.

Thanks for the second place trophies guys, you're still number one with us.

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Clarkston Fuel & Supply



## SYNOPSIS OF ACTION TAKEN AT THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE Independence Township Board August 15, 1978

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. Roll: Hallman, Powell, Ritter, Rose, Tower, all present.

Appointments were approved to the Community Center Steering Committee.

An amended police budget was adopted.

The Private Road Ordinance was discussed.

Bills totaling \$105,430.67 were approved.

Approved a liquor license transfer for the Deer Lake Inn.

Granted conditional approval for a lot split on Eastlawn.

Granted final preliminary plat approval for Keatington North

No. 1, and Deer Lake Pines.

Approved an ordinance exempting Deer Lake Pines from the central water system requirement; Ayes: Hallman, Powell, Ritter, Tower; Nay: Rose.

Granted final preliminary plat approval for Lake Maria Woods with bonding to guarantee completion of the pond.

Gave conditional approval to an acreage split off Sashabaw

Road with a private road. Ayes: Hallman, Powell, Ritter, Tower; Nay: Rose.

Gave conditional approval of an acreage split off Reese Road with a private road.

Approved a police millage proposal for the November election ballot.

Agreed to lower the sewer ad valorem tax for this years tax collection to 1.46 mills.

Discussed the State Police Team concept.

The meeting adjourned at 10:59 p.m. All votes were unanimous unless otherwise indicated. The next regular meeting of the Independence Township Board will be September 5, 1978 at 7:30 p.m. at the Township Hall, 90 N. Main Street, Clarkston. Copies of the minutes of this meeting and past meetings are available in the Township Clerk's office during regular business hours.

Christopher L. Rose, Clerk  
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## ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

The Independence Township Board of Appeals will meet Wednesday, August 30, 1978, at 7:30 P.M. at the Independence Township Hall, 90 North Main Street, Clarkston, Michigan, 48016 to hear the following cases:

CASE #794 Amoco Oil Company Rep By: William Randall of the Randall Sign Company  
APPLICANT REQUESTS EXPANSION ON NON-CONFORMING EXISTING SIGN - ADDITIONAL EXPOSURE OF 38 Sq. Ft.  
6480 Sashabaw Rd.  
08-34-201-001

CASE #795 Henry N. Spurlin Rep By: Daniel Spurlin  
APPLICANT REQUESTS VARIANCE ON WIDTH TO DEPTH RATIO AND A 5' SIDE YARD VARIANCE TO EFFECTUATE LOT SPLIT.  
Pine Knob Lot 8 Supervisors Plat #4  
08-35-401-001

CASE #796 Clifford L. Church  
APPLICANT REQUESTS VARIANCE TO CONSTRUCT AN OVERSIZED ACCESSORY BUILDING (1210 sq. ft.)  
Westview Dr. Supervisors Plat #6  
08-35-201-024

CASE #797 Kerry N. & Diane L. Snow, Sr.  
Rep By: Ron Carpenter  
APPLICANT REQUESTS A 10' FRONT YARD SET BACK VARIANCE TO CONSTRUCT A NEW HOME.  
Mustang Drive Lot 1 Timberline Estates  
08-31-202-011

CASE #798 Edward W. Richardson  
APPLICANT REQUESTS A SECOND FRONT YARD SET BACK VARIANCE OF 4' AND A REAR YARD SET BACK VARIANCE OF 10' TO CONSTRUCT AN ATTACHED GARAGE.  
Lakeview Lots 1-2-3-4 Sunny Beach C.C. #2  
08-13-151-011 & 041

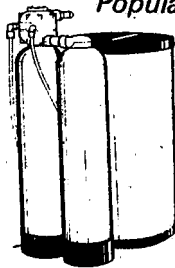
CASE #799 Petra-Maria Curtis  
APPLICANT REQUESTS REAR YARD SET BACK VARIANCE OF 4' TO CONSTRUCT A NEW HOME.  
Guyette Corner of Maybee 0.50 Acres  
08-34-103-021

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the proposed variances may be examined at the Independence Township Building Department, 90 North Main Street, Clarkston, Michigan, 48016 during regular office hours, each day Monday thru Friday until the date of the Public Hearing.

Respectfully submitted  
Christopher L. Rose  
Independence Township Clerk  
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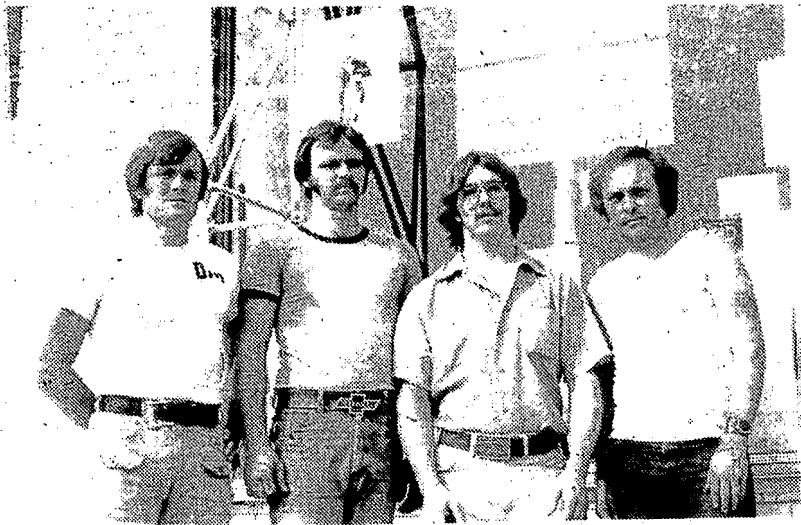
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# Success handle for CB shop



Duane Olk, at right, above, owner of Sound Wave Communications, 4472 Dixie Highway, Drayton Plains, is pictured with his technical staff. They are, from left, Dave Keith, Wayne Fletcher and Dave Land.

Duane Olk's hobby used to be tinkering with his and friends' CBs. That was about two and a half years ago. His "hobby" is now a fulltime business called Sound Wave communications, located at 4472 Dixie Highway in Drayton Plains.

Olk had previously worked for 13 years as a car dealership mechanic and service manager, and also as a truck driver. He enjoyed his hobby so much that he decided to open up a store and moved from his garage to his present location near Frembes Road.

He opened up on a shoestring budget with a sink-or-swim attitude in April of 1977, and is now proud of what has become a very successful business.

Olk offers CB radios and accessories from manufacturers such as Cobra, President, Browning, Motorola and Royce, and can special order any others. Brand-name stereos include Sanyo, Craig, IDI with Pioneer on special order. He also employs a fulltime salesman, installer and mechanic.

Olk said that when he opened his store he had no knowledge of the construction plans for Dixie

Highway, and that business was hurt somewhat in the beginning. Now, however, business is climbing because people who are stopped in traffic look around and notice the business more than before.

Olk says his prices are competitive. He tries to keep merchandise priced below the

average and then make up for it by selling a larger volume.

And the CB business continues to boom, said Olk.

CB beam antennas, previously allowed to be constructed only 20 feet above the ground can now be constructed 60 feet above ground, allowing for much better transmission.



ADOPTED: August 15, 1978  
EFFECTIVE: August 15, 1978

## TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

### ORDINANCE NO. 97

AN ORDINANCE EXEMPTING DEER LAKE PINES SUBDIVISION FROM THE REQUIREMENTS OF A CENTRAL WATER SYSTEM AS REQUIRED IN INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE NO. 52, AS AMENDED

#### PREAMBLE

Whereas, Independence Township has, by virtue of the powers extended it by State Enabling Act, established by its Ordinance No. 52 certain standards and procedures governing the creation of platted subdivisions within the bounds of said Township, and whereas the standards include a requirement for central water systems in all such subdivisions, and in recognition of the fact that certain subdivisions, for reasons relating specifically to those subdivisions cannot reasonably be constructed with such central water systems, and further in recognition of the fact that the Township of Independence can be harmoniously developed with reasonable protection extended concerning the health, safety and welfare of its citizens if, in those few instances where the facts merit, the requirement for such central water systems are waived, this Ordinance is therefore adopted waiving said requirement as it concerns the above named Subdivision only, and no other.

THE TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE, OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN ORDAINS:

#### ARTICLE I. EXCEPTION FROM CENTRAL REQUIREMENT.

Section 1.1 The above named **Deer Lake Pines** subdivision is hereby excepted from all of those provisions of Ordinance No. 52 requiring the installation of a central water system, including those portions requiring a central pump house, the granting of easements, and the like. All other aspects of Ordinance No. 52 shall remain in full force and effect as it concerns said Subdivision, the only exception being the central water system requirement, it being the Township Board's intent that no central water system be required, but that all other aspects of the said Ordinance No. 52 be enforced in full.

#### ARTICLE II. EFFECTIVE DATE.

Section 2.1. There being no penalty provision in this Ordinance, said Ordinance shall take immediate effect, but said Ordinance shall nevertheless be published in accordance with the requirements of state statute.

Adopted this 15th day of August, 1978 by the Independence Township Board by the following vote:

Ayes: Hallman, Powell, Ritter, and Tower.  
Nays: Rose.  
Absent: None.

Christopher L. Rose, Clerk  
Independence Township

Published August 24, 1978

## PROBATE NOTICE

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT  
FOR THE COUNTY  
OF OAKLAND

Honorable Francis X. O'Brien  
(P 18381)

CHERYLE A. DINSMORE,  
Plaintiff,  
vs  
DONALD G. DINSMORE,  
Defendant.

No. 78 174550 DO  
JEROME K. BARRY (P10496)  
Attorney for Plaintiff  
ORDER TO ANSWER

At a session of said Court held in the Court House in the City of Pontiac, Oakland County, Michigan, on Aug. 18, 1978.

Present: Honorable Francis X. O'Brien, Circuit Judge

On July 19, 1978, an action was filed by Cheryle A. Dinsmore, Plaintiff, against Donald G. Dinsmore, Defendant, in this Court for Absolute Divorce.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Defendant, Donald G. Dinsmore, shall answer or take such other action as may be permitted by law on or before October 26, 1978. Failure to comply with this Order will result in a Judgment by Default against such Defendant for the relief demanded in the Complaint filed in this Court.

Robert L. Templin  
Circuit Judge  
For Francis X. O'Brien  
Circuit Judge

Jerome K. Barry  
Attorney for Plaintiff  
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### CLARKSTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING

August 14, 1978

#### Synopsis

1. Approved minutes of the July 10, 1978 meeting as amended.
2. Authorized payment of bills in the amount of \$140,929.29.
3. Appointed Mrs. Thomas as Oakland Schools Designate and Legislative Representative to Oakland County School Boards Association.
4. Formally dismissed the Citizens Advisory Committee.
5. Authorized compensation adjustment for the superintendent for the 1978-79 school year.
6. Reviewed policy revisions which will be submitted at the September meeting for adoption.
7. Approved the building trades site selection.
8. Accepted administration's recommendation for the boundary line change for Chapel View Estates subdivision.
9. Adopted the resolution to submit a Future State Aid application to the State to borrow \$1,000,000.00.
10. Accepted administration's recommendation to set the 1978 Tax Levy at 29 mills for operation with a debt levy of 2.65 mills.
11. Reviewed bond issue time schedule.
12. Elected directors to Michigan Association of School Boards.
13. Adjourned to executive session to receive an update report on negotiations.

Mary Jane Chaustowich  
Secretary

# Smiths celebrate 40th

## More Millstream

Jim and Betty Smith of Allen Road, Independence Township, celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary Sunday with a giant party.

The Smiths' four children planned the celebration and traveled from their homes to take part in the event—from Chicago, Jim, his wife and Sally and their three children; from Rockford, Laura Jean Weld, her husband Dick and their two children; from San Francisco, Wes, his wife Jill and their two children; and from Birmingham, Kathy Meek, her husband Tim and their two children.

Guests from as far away as England gathered for the reception at the Episcopal Church of the Resurrection on Clarkston-Orion Road.

## Recipe File

By Lorna Bickerstaff

Mrs. Robert Tilley gave us the recipe for Peanut Butter Pie. Nancy said she always takes this to the church card party because she has a friend who is a diabetic and it is something she can have.

**Peanut Butter Pie**  
Graham cracker pie crust—make your own and leave

out the sugar  
1 qt. vanilla ice cream  
About 1/2 c. peanut butter (to your taste)

Chopped peanuts  
Let the ice cream soften enough that you can beat the peanut butter into it. Mound into crust, sprinkle with chopped peanuts. Freeze for several hours.

## Peeking into the past

10 YEARS AGO  
August 29, 1968

Four European countries were visited for three weeks by eleven Clarkston High students and ten adults. The tour took the group to Czechoslovakia, Switzerland, Austria and Germany.

The Mounted Division of the

Oakland County Sheriff's Department held their annual picnic at the home of Donald Trarop, on Pine Knob Rd.

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Rummins celebrated their 58th wedding anniversary at a family dinner at the Old Mill Tavern.

A double honor was bestowed on Carolyn Trent as she became the bride of John Frank Miller. Their wedding ceremony was the first to be performed in the newly completed Andersonville

Community Church.  
25 YEARS AGO  
August 27, 1953

Monday afternoon the Clarkston Fire Department answered a call to O'Dell Drug store, discovering the front awning of the store ablaze. The awning was destroyed but the fire contained at that location.

One of Clarkston's landmarks, The Caribou Inn, will be expanding with the addition of a Dining Room, reports owner, Mrs. Alsbach.

## AREA CHURCHES AND THEIR WORSHIP HOUR

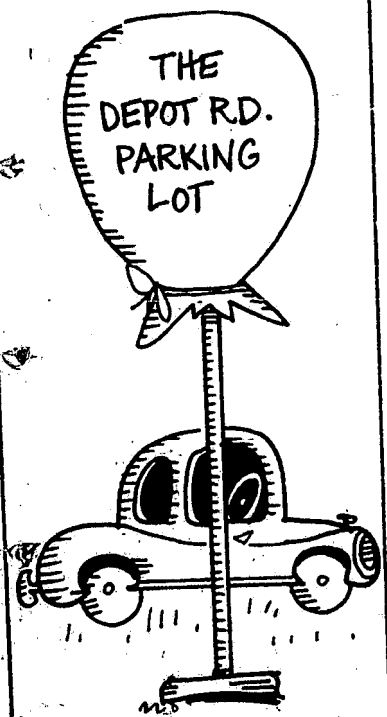
SASHABAW UNITED PRESBYTERIAN 5300 Maybee Road Pastor Mark H. Caldwell Church School 9 am Worship 10 am	LAKE LOUISE CHURCH OF THE NAZARENS M-15 at W. Seymour Lake Road, Orionville 9:45 Sunday School 10:00 The hour of Worship. 6:15 p.m. Youth and bible study 7:00 Evening Service Wed. 7 pm Family Prayer & Bible Study
CLARKSTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 6600 Waldon Road Rev. James R. Balfour Worship & Church School 10 am	CLARKSTON CHURCH OF GOD 54 South Main Sunday School 10 am Morning Worship 11 am Eve Evangelistic 7 pm Wed. Prayer, Bible & Youth 7 pm Pastor, Carl Mayfield
GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH 1950 Baldwin, Lake Orion, MI 48035 Sunday School 9:15 Family Worship 8 and 10:30 am Pastor Charles Kosberg	SPIRITUALIST CHURCH OF THE GOOD SAMARITAN 5401 Oak Park off Maybee Rd. Rev. Allen Hinz Worship Hours: Wed 7 pm, Sun. 7
ANDERSONVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH 10350, Andersonville Rev. Wallace Duncan Worship 11:00 am	CLINTONVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH 5301 Clintonville Rd. 9:45 Sunday School 7:30 Evening Worship 11 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 am	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 am Eve Worship 6:00
ST. DANIEL CATHOLIC CHURCH Holcomb at Miller Rd. Father Charles E. Cushing Sunday Masses: 9 and 11 Sat. 5 pm & 7 pm	WATERFORD COMMUNITY CHURCH Airport Road at Olympic Parkway Minister of C.E., Russel G. Jeandell Minister of Youth, Jonathon Toliver Sunday School 9:30 Morning Worship 10:45 Evening Service 6:00 Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 Rev. Philip Whisenhunt, Pastor
FIRST BAPTIST 5972 Paramus Rev. Clarence Bell Sunday School 9:45 am Morning Service 11 am Primary Church thru 4th Grade Evening Service 7 pm	ST. TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH 7925 Sashabaw Road Pastor, Rev. Ralph C. Claus Sunday Worship 8:30 and 10:30
DRAYTON HEIGHTS FREE METHODIST CHURCH Corner of Winnet and Maybee Rd. Rev. Clancy J. Thompson 9:45 Sunday School 11 Worship Hour 6:00 Vespers Wednesday, 7 pm Family Night	CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE 4453 Clintonville Road Church School 10 am Worship at 11 am & 6 pm Family Prayer Wed. 7:30 pm Wayne G. Greve, Pastor
FIRST MISSIONARY CHURCH 4832 Clintonville Rd. Phone 673-3638 Services: Sunday Sunday School Bible Study 10 am Worship Hour 11 am Youth Hour 5 pm, Gospel Hour 6 pm Wednesday, Hour of Prayer 7 pm	PENTECOSTAL TABERNACLE 9880 Orionville Rd. Worship 11 am & 7 pm Wed. Nite Prayer 7 pm Pastor, Rev. James Holder
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SEYMOUR LAKE UNITED METHODIST Sashabaw at Seymour Lake Rd. Rev. Larenz Stahl Sunday School 9:15 am Worship Service 10:30 am	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF DAVISBURG 12881 Andersonville Road, Davisburg Rev. Robert R. Hazen, Pastor Phone 634-9225 Sunday: Sunday School 9:45 am Morning Worship 11 am Evening Gospel Hour 6 pm Wednesday: Family night program 7 pm. Awana clubs 7 pm
CLARKSTON COMMUNITY BIBLE CHURCH Presently meeting in the Clarkston High School Auditorium Sunday School 10 am Worship Service 11 am Evening Service 6 p.m. Pastor, Rev. Myron Gaul	FIRST CHURCH OF GOD 6300 Clarkston Road Clarkston 625-1323 Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship 10:45 a.m. Evening Worship 6:00 p.m. Mid-week Service Wed. 7:30 p.m. B. G. Dale, Pastor
OLD FASHIONED PENTECOSTAL CHURCH Rev. Omer Brewer 5785 Clarkston Rd. Sunday School 10:30 Sunday Evening Service 7:00	MT. BETHEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Jossman and Bald Eagle Lake Rds Pastor, Susan Bennett Stiles Church Worship 9:30 am School 10:30 am
CLARKSTON GOOD SHEPHERD ASSEMBLY OF GOD 6051 Sashabaw Rd. near Maybee Rd. Sunday School 9:45 am Morning Worship 11 am Evening Worship 7 p.m. Mid-Week Worship Wed. 7:00 pm Pastor: Peter Magdi, 673-3068	TEMPLE OF LIGHT A Spiritual Center for Healing, Learning & Worship 661 Broadway, Davisburg Services Sun 1 pm Wednesday 7:30 pm Silver Tea 1st Thurs of each month, 7:00 Pastor, John Wilson — 625-4294

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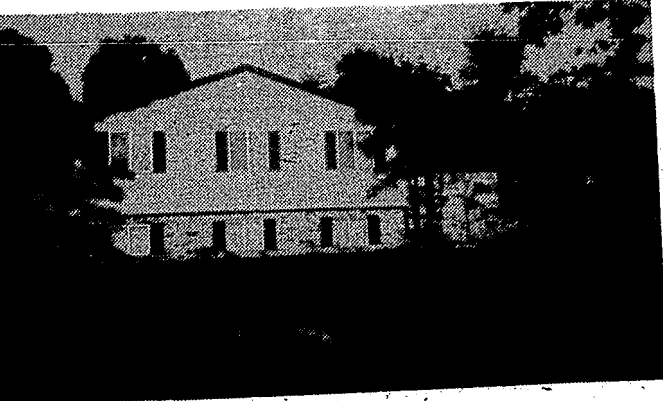


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# Coping with kids

## Back-to-school crises



By Jim and Ellen Windell

It may be hard to believe that summer is over, unless you are a parent who has spent the last three months with young, school-age children. Back-to-school time means some problems for some youngsters, however.

Those children who had difficulties last year may be more depressed and tense as school approaches. Some children will begin to show symptoms which were not apparent all summer but during the fall may occur with increasing frequency. A fear of school, or school phobia, may take the form of headaches, crying, diarrhea or stomach problems.

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these symptoms, when not physically caused, are the result of anxieties related to home and family life rather than school. Most often children do not develop "phobias" toward school but anxieties and tensions within the home, often very subtle ones, may keep a previously good student from attending.

Parents have to handle such problems with firmness and assurance. Allowing the child to stay home "until she gets over this feeling" will generally only intensify and strengthen the inability to attend school.

Often these feelings develop in a child who has a close relationship with his mother. This makes it more troublesome for the mother to "push" the crying or anxious child out the door and insist he go to school.

The feelings of being physically ill are real feelings for the child and since vomiting may on occasion occur it may be difficult at first for the parent to realize the extent of the

problem.

Monday mornings and the day after holidays are frequently the most difficult. If the parent

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## NOTICE

DINNER DANCE Saturday, August 26, Spring Lake Country Club, Clarkston, Cocktails 7:30 pm. Dinner 8:30 pm. Dance 9:30 pm. Call Lorraine or Carol for information and reservations. 625-3731.††52-2c

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NOTICE TO ARTISTS and craftspersons: A fall festival sale of arts and crafts will be held on Saturday, Sept. 9 at Jacobsen's Garden Town in Lake Orion. There is no charge for displaying your crafts, only register as soon as possible, as indoor space is limited. This will be a rain or shine show from 9am to 4pm and there is space for 25 to 30 exhibits inside and unlimited space outside. If you have been making, or know of someone who has been making attractive items for sale, call Jacobsen's Flowers and Gifts at 693-8383 to reserve a space for this fall festival sale.††C51-3

ATTENTION: Would you like to lose 10 to 20 pounds this month? Total nutrition, satisfaction guaranteed. For more information call 373-2623.††RC51-3

TODDLER-PARENT program sponsored by Country Town Nursery for children ages 13 to 30 months, once a week session begins Sept. 15. Call 628-5492.††RC523

ANTIQUA AUCTION Saturday, August 26 at 7 pm, Hall's Auction, 705 W. Clarkston Rd., Lake Orion. 693-1871.††RC1-1

FLEA MARKET Sunday, Sept. 3 and Monday, Sept. 4, 9 until 9, Hall's Auction, 705 W. Clarkston Rd., Lake Orion. 693-1871.††RC1-2

ARTISTS, Handicrafters, rent a space, sell your wares. Lake Orion Donut Days, Sept. 8 and 9, 2 days, \$5. Reserve by August 31. Phone 693-8331.††RC1-1

FLEA MARKET: Farm tractors, guns, tools, lots of furniture, glassware, crocks, jugs, antiques, collectables, baskets, dolls, toys, pool heater, 1956 Desoto classic, lots of misc. August 25, 26 and 27. 7855 Sashabaw Rd. north of Clarkston Rd.††LC1-1

PLEASE: Anyone at Nickelodeon Restaurant in Clarkston after 10pm Wed., Aug. 16 that noticed silver and black Honda motorcycle in parking lot, contact 625-3768, 625-5972, 643-6650.††1-2cw

FLEA MARKET, Sunday, Sept. 3 and Monday, Sept. 4, 9 until 9, Hall's Auction, 705 W. Clarkston Rd., Lake Orion. 693-1871.††RW48-2

## LOST

SHRINER'S DIAMOND RING. Lost Spring Lake Country Club vicinity, week of Aug. 7. Generous reward. Call Lorraine, 625-3731.††52-3c

LOST: Silver and black 160 Honda, Clarkston area. \$300 reward. No questions. 625-3768, 625-5972, 643-6650.††1-2cw

## FOUND

FOUND: man's gold-color Timex watch at Clintonwood Park. 394-0201.††52-3c

## ANTIQUES

DAVISBURG ANTIQUES Market, Springfield Oaks County Park building, Sunday, Aug. 27. 4th Sunday of each month. 12451 Andersonville Rd., 1/2 mile south of the little town of Davisburg. 10am-6pm. Free admission, free parking.††52-2c

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MOVING SALE Saturday 10-4, corner Paramus and Havelock. Clarkston.††52-1p

WATERFORD HILL 6 family garage: children's and women's clothes, furniture, skis, misc. Aug. 24 and 25, 8-5. 6334 Balmoral Terrace.††1-1cw

MOVING SALE: girl's bedroom set, misc. furniture, lamps, pictures, lawn furniture, bikes, toys and ice skates, many household items. Fri. and Sat., 6945 Hubbard Hills Dr. off M-15, one mile north of I-75.††1-1cw

ANTIQUA CANNING jars, furniture, good clothing, misc. items. Something for everyone. Thurs., Fri., Sat., 9-5. 8175 Foster, north of White Lake off Dixie Hwy.††1-1c

HOUSEHOLD SALE: Mrs. Merle Bennetts, 7962 Dixie Hwy., Friday, Aug. 25; Sat., Aug. 26. 10am-4pm. Conducted by Daisy Dowling and Gini Schultz. Twin beds custom made by Merle Bennett; cherry desk, store fixture shelves, jelly cupboard, elec. stove, refrigerator, pressed glass, hand painted china, pottery, chests, bicycle, tote items, apple crates, wheelbarrow, etc.††1-1c

MOVING SALE Fri., Sat. Stove, dresser, gas dryer, air conditioner. Clothes, much more. Corner M-15 and Amy Drive.††1-1c

MUCH ANTIQUA furniture, freezer, refrigerator, bunk beds, other furniture, clothes all sizes. 11401 Clark Rd. off Andersonville Rd. Thurs., Fri., Sat. 9-6.††1-1c

AUG. 24-26, 10am to 7pm. Corner Maybee and Clintonville Rd. north of I-75. Hunting trailer, western saddle, youth bed, clothing all sizes. Many misc. items.††1-1c

GARAGE SALE. August 25, 26, 27, 9 'til dark. 6360 Pine Knob Road.††1-1cw

GARAGE SALE. Picture frames, depression glass, baked goods. Much, much more. 5250 Cecelia Ann off Maybee. Clarkston. Thurs., Fri., Sat., 9-7.††1-1cw

GARAGE SALE: Aug. 23, 24, 25. 9 to 5. Oval braided rug, hanging velvet lamps, lawn furniture, antique furniture, antique dishes, misc. Ladies' clothing sizes 7 to 14, boys' 14 and 16, new things added each day. Corner Ratalee Lake at 9497 Ellis; 3 miles north of Clarkston off M-15.††1-1cw

1974 185 SUZUKI, baby items, misc. collectables, skis and boots. Fri. and Sat., 10 to 5. No pre-sales. 5362 Milane Circle.††1-1c

LAST CALL: moving sale Aug. 31 to Sept. 3. Call 625-2050.††1-2cw

GARAGE SALE, 23, 27, 9-5. Dixie north to Big Lake Road to Bridge Lake to 9858 Clark.††1-2c

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## At Meadow Brook

# 'Brel' very much alive

There's almost no way to put on a bad production of the musical "Jacques Brel is Alive and Well and Living in Paris."

A producer needs only four good singers, a stage and a microphone. Brel's songs will do the rest.

The production of "Brel" Sunday night at the Meadow Brook Music Festival added to the show's luster. But it had a bit of bewilderment, too. More on that later.

Brussels-born Brel surely is one of the world's great songwriters, saying as much with his music as he does with lyrics. His songs are like three-to-five-minute plays, each evoking at least one emotion and sometimes a whole range.

His works, in French, were largely unknown in this country until the "Alive and Well" production opened in January 1968 at New York's Village Gate.

The show doesn't have the conventional book and plot, but its 25 songs supply more satisfaction than most musicals because each is a mini-drama, together giving us a microcosm of life.

Brel's vivid imagery not only calls up such bittersweet memories as lost loves, it provokes us to new empathies.

We understand, for example, when he speculates that the bulls who die for us on Sunday afternoons "may pardon us their

deaths" when they recall what we did to each other at places like Verdun, Hiroshima and Saigon.

Only the flint-hearted could hear Brel's "Sons of" and "The Old Folks" and not feel tears brimming. Or hear about "the time they called me Jackie" and not laugh.

For inspiration, there's the show's final number, "If We Only Have Love," with its lines like "We can melt all the guns, and then give the new world to our daughters and sons." That's usually the one audience members hum as they leave.

At Meadow Brook, Elly Stone and Joe Masiell—two much-praised veterans of the stage and film versions of "Brel"—were supposed to star. Masiell made it, but Stone didn't.

The preshow announcement of her absence disappointed me, because she had been impressive in the New York and film versions, and because of her close identification with Brel. She introduced many of his songs to the U.S., and her husband, Eric Blau, along with Mort Shuman, helped Brel translate them into English. Shuman and Stone starred in the musical's opening.

Betty Rhodes, who was one of the show's replacements in New York, stepped in for Stone at Meadow Brook and did well enough to overcome my disappointment. She provided two of the evening's highlights with her

torch-song version of "My Death" and her smooth handling of the tongue-tripping frantic finish of "Carousel."

Masiell displayed a good voice and comedic talents, although he could've used more machismo in the gutsy "Port of Amsterdam."

The other two singers? Ah, there's the bewilderment.

Nowhere—not in the program, not at the beginning or end of the show—was there any mention of their names.

It took a phone call Monday to find out that the clear-voiced tenor whose young face contrasted with his silver hair was named Joseph Neal. And the pretty blonde in the slinky black dress who sparkled in "Timid Frieda" was Betty Cook.

The program also made no mention of a director, and the production sometimes looked as if there was none.

In a couple of numbers, for instance, the performers moved away from the mikes, and words were lost—especially unfortunate with a Brel song.

The pacing was ragged, too. Some numbers seemed to end too abruptly, others too slowly. And a second or two more between numbers would have allowed a smoother shift of emotions.

The flaws, however, were minor. Meadow Brook's Brel production was better than most.

—Don Braunagel

## Library scene

The following contemporary fictions and reference works have been added to the Independence Township Library's collection this week:

"Medical and Health Information Directory."

"College Blue Books," 16th edition, five volumes.

"Standard Postage Stamp Catalogue," three volumes.

"The Taming of the C.A.N.D.Y. Monster" by Vicki Lansky.

"A Portrait of Barbara" by Robin Squires.

"Getting Custody: Winning the Last Battle of Marital War" by Robert Woody.

"By the Rivers of Babylon" by Nelson DeMille.

"My Enemy the Queen" by Victoria Holt.

"The Ghost Who Fell in Love" by Barbara Cartland.

"The Woman Who Loved Paul" by Winthrop Neilson.

"City of Whispering Stone" by George Chesbro.

A 20-volume set of Junior Encyclopedia has been added to

the juvenile collection. Summer movies and story hours are continuing as scheduled, every Wednesday afternoon at 3 and Thursday mornings at 11. For further information come to Independence Township Library or call 625-2212.

Beginning immediately, the \$5 fee for the use of Independence Township Library will be waived for Springfield Township residents, and they will be extended full library privileges.

—Sushil Lahiri, librarian



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While her mother takes a tennis lesson, Lisa Bertling plays on the nearly new slide at Clintonwood Park. The slide has been a popular addition to Clarkston area summertime fun.

# S u m m e r m o v e s

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Jeff Pierce is strutting his stuff on the tennis courts at Independence Township's Clintonwood Park.



Eight-month-old Jamie Symons learned about the wonders of water this summer when her mother Denise took her for swims at the Deer Lake beach.



Skateboarding still reigns as THE sport for kids of a certain age group. Though Scott Oliver has been skateboarding for over two years, he said he still gets an occasional scrape.