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After 3-day strike

Teachers back, contract tentative

By Pat Braunagel

Clarkston School District's teachers are expected to vote Friday afternoon on the tentative contract which ended their

three-day strike.

Drafts of the proposed master contract for the district's 333 teachers were being prepared by the Clarkston Education Asso-

ciation for an after-school meeting Friday.

The board of education plans to hold a special meeting the following Monday to officially

consider the pact. Board members were briefed on the tentative agreement behind closed doors following their regular meeting Monday.

Teachers, who had been on strike since Sept. 4, met Friday at 8 a.m. and returned to work that morning, allowing school to resume for students Monday.

"We went through the information the teachers needed regarding the tentative agreement," said Al Bartlett, president of the CEA.

Details of the agreement on a three-year pact will not be released until contract is ratified by both sides.

Bartlett said he hopes the strike "will have some long-ranging positive effects as far as our ability to work together on common goals and also on our understanding of one another."

Bartlett said he is "personally pleased with the very professional manner things were handled by both sides in this crisis."

"Negotiating was done at the table—where it always has to be," he said. "The general attitude of the teams was professional."

"It did not get to the level where we were diverted from the task—that was to get a contract."

The CEA president called the tentative agreement "a fair and equitable settlement."

"Both sides will come out of it with some positive things I think they want," he said.

Clarkston Schools Supt. Milford Mason said he was "very happy with it."

He referred to the tentative agreement as "a culmination of a great amount of honest effort on both sides."

Bartlett commented that "a strike is an unnecessary thing no one likes to see happen," adding, "It happened. It was resolved. And now it's over and we're back to work."



Photo by Kathy Greenfield

More-or-less eager pupils

Despite the three-day-long teacher's strike that delayed his first day of school, kindergartner Nathan Smith [left] seems mighty displeased as Donna Koerber, a teachers' aide at Clarkston Elementary School, leads two boys to their classroom. The boy who holds Donna's other hand looks calm, but Mark can't remember his last name!

Springfield schools' water 'fine'

The water is safe for drinking at the two elementary schools in Springfield Township, the State Department of Natural Resources told local officials this week.

The two schools are Andersonville Elementary in the Clarkston School District and Davisburg Elementary in the

Holly School District.

Tests of water in the wells at the two schools were promised by DNR representatives last week during a three-and-a-half-hour meeting with residents at the Springfield Township Hall.

"They did that and we got the word this morning (Tuesday),"

said Township Supervisor Collin Walls. "The water's fine—no contaminants were found."

Meanwhile, testing is continuing at all water wells within one mile of the dumping ground on which barrels have been discovered to contain contamin-

ants, including PCB, a suspected carcinogen.

The site, where some 800 barrels have been discarded, is east of Ormond Road and north of Shindler near the Rose Township border.

Ten neighboring residential wells have been discovered to

contain contaminated water.

A second round of tests has enlarged the area of investigation.

Both the elementary schools are outside the one-mile radius.

Results of the tests now being conducted are not expected back for a week, Walls said.

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Monday voter registration deadline

Unregistered Independence Township residents interested in casting their votes in the Oct. 16 election have until Monday to register to vote.

The clerk's office in the Independence Township Hall, 90 N. Main, Clarkston, will have special hours Saturday and Monday to accommodate last-minute registrations.

The office will be open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and

from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday.

Clarkston village residents will not be allowed to vote on at least two of the questions scheduled to appear on the ballot: those concerning propos-

ed changes in the township's zoning ordinance provisions about recreational land uses.

However, village electors probably will be allowed to vote on a proposed .3-mill tax increase for

the purchase of 80 acres of property east of Clintonwood Park as a means of stopping a potential gravel mine.

Township Clerk Christopher Rose said he is

operating on the assumption village residents will have a say in the millage matter pending a legal opinion, which he expects to receive sometime before the election.

Parking fine set at \$5

Drivers guilty of illegal parking in Clarkston will be paying more in the future.

Currently, offenders who take their tickets to Independence Township Hall within four days of the violation are fined \$2, with a \$5 penalty assessed to those who wait longer.

The village council unanimously approved an amendment Monday that calls for a mandatory flat rate of \$5, regardless of when the offender pays.

"The change will take some time to implement," Council President Fontie ApMadoc said. "It probably won't take effect until the middle of next month."

She's winner

The lucky winner of the Toronto trip for two chosen during Clarkston's Village Days was Janine Brozes of Waterford Township.

Janine's name was drawn following the Labor Day parade from entries made at participating Clarkston stores and businesses.

The contest, sponsored by the Village Business Association, included round trip rail transportation from Windsor, two nights hotel accommodations at the Sheraton Centre, bellman's gratuity, daily breakfast credit and \$50 for spending in Toronto.

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Board wipes out township millage

Will use surplus funds to operate Independence

By Kathy Greenfield

A large chunk of Independence Township's surplus funds — \$236,000 worth — is slated to go back to the people through the elimination of the 1979 general fund tax levy.

Ironically, concern about the tax-saving township board decision is based on the Headlee Amendment approve by voters throughout the state in November to keep taxes in line.

"I think it is political prostitution and financial irresponsibility," said Township Treasurer Frederick Ritter, who voted against the millage wipe-out. "They can now be assured of reelection."

"If Headlee were well-defined, it's an excellent proposal," he added. "But the problem is, it hasn't been determined yet what will be our base year for roll-backs."

The township board approved elimination of the general fund tax levy this year and use of

surplus funds to make up the difference in a 4-2 vote at last week's meeting.

Last year 1.33 mills were collected for the general fund.

The board also approved roll-backs of other millages—from 1 mill to .95 mill for police and from 2 mills to 1.9 for fire—and the reduction of the sewer tax to .6 mill using an additional \$100,000 of surplus money.

As a result, a taxpayer with property assessed at \$20,000 (one-half market value) will save \$45.88 over what taxes would have been if millage rates had stayed the same.

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

While lowering township taxes seems to be a move that would leave elected officials elated, it has caused anger and dissension among board members, and the township attorney called the action "kind of dangerous."

Although Township Supervi-

sor Whitey Tower said he shares Ritter's concern that township income in future years could be in jeopardy, he said politics did not enter into the decision.

"I don't think politics has one damn thing to do with it," he said. "A year from now, people aren't going to claim it was a

'I think it is political prostitution and financial irresponsibility.'

Treasurer Frederick Ritter, dissenting board member

political move—if it was, we would have waited six months."

Using surplus funds instead of levying the millage was proposed by Clerk Christopher Rose.

"We've had a surplus for two years now that we haven't decided what to do on," Rose said.

"In watching the board, I don't think we ever would have reached a decision (on how to spend the surplus) we would have agreed on," he said.

"I think this is the best way to equitably refund the money to the people."

Although Rose's first motion to use surplus funds instead of millage for the general fund resulted in a 3-3 deadlock, with Rose and Trustees Rudy Lozano and William Vandermark voting "yes" and Tower, Ritter and Trustee Michael Thayer voting "no," Tower later switched his vote.

"This way it goes back to the public," Tower said. "At least it's going to end the fear that was expressed that we're going to run out and build a new building."

According to the Headlee Amendment, taxes can be increased only by the cost-of-living index (set at 7.7 percent for 1979 taxes by the State Legislature).

Using a base year, the highest amount that can be levied is then determined.

In Independence Township, because of a larger tax base than in 1978, taxes set at 1 mill last year were rolled back to .9536 mill this year.

"The question that hasn't been answered is do we roll back from 1.41 mills which is our maximum millage allowed by law or do we roll back from 1.33 which is what we levied in 1978 or do we roll back from zero?" Ritter asked.

If the State Legislation and/or the courts define the base year as the previous year, the township general fund that supports the supervisor, clerk and treasurer's offices and the recreation, water, sewer, building, and cemetery departments will be in serious trouble, he said.

"I can't believe those guys did that," Ritter said. "We may be locked into forever collecting zero."

Rose said of the base year is decided to be the previous year, the township board can request voters to re-establish the money needed for the general fund.

But although Rose said the voters would probably vote to reset the millage, Ritter said he has his doubts.

Ritter has asked township attorney Richard Campbell to do an analysis of the Headlee Amendment based on the latest legislation and to present a formal opinion to the board.

Campbell said he had not begun to study the matter, but he offered some thoughts on the millage elimination.

"No one understands what impact the Headlee Amendment is going to have on our annual tax rate," Campbell said. "The danger is, if we're tied to the previous year's rate, we're going to be tied to a zero rate."

"It impresses me as kind of a dangerous thing to do in terms of future township income," he added. "On the same token, I can understand the board's desire to return the surplus to the people."



It's a hit!

A successful bean bag toss through a giant clown's smiling mouth leaves a smug look on Jeffrey Jones' face. Jeffrey of Lake Angelus Road, Waterford Township, was among the many winners at the Crazy Carnival held by the Davisburg Jaycees and Jaycettes Saturday to benefit SCAMP, a summer camp program for children with special needs.

Structure must go

A structure at 4655 Jerome Street has been condemned by the Independence Township Board of Health.

A \$950 bid from Six J's Wrecking Co. of Pontiac for demolition of the basement and floor was accepted by the township board at last week's meeting.

The board of health has the same members as the township board, but must meet under the board of health title, so the meeting was held last week before the regular township board meeting.

Independent view

The idea that the Independence Township clerk wouldn't know the final voter registration day for the upcoming election is as ridiculous as--as--as discovering a typographical error in The Clarkston News.

Clerk Christopher Rose did know the date is Sept. 17, we did print it incorrectly in his letter to the editor last week, he's now lording it over us, and we're sorry. SORRY, d'you hear, Chris?

The United Way of Pontiac-North Oakland, getting ready to kick off its annual fundraising drive Sept. 25, has released its beneficiary study for 1978.

The study, based on just 18 of the 49 United Way member agencies, indicates that 2,484 Independence area people received benefits from the agencies surveyed. It is estimated that more than 80,000 people in North Oakland County received direct service from all 49 United Way agencies.

... But surplus won't go away

Surplus money in the Independence Township general fund will drop from \$463,000 to around \$50,000 this year after most of the money is used in lieu of taxes, according to Clerk Christopher Rose.

Rose bases his computations on the following figures: \$198,000 surplus from the fiscal year 1977-78, \$150,000 surplus from the fiscal year 1978-79 and \$115,000 from the improvement revolving fund where previous years' surpluses were placed.

From the \$463,000 total of the above figures, Rose subtracts

\$170,000 (\$100,000 for the sewer fund, \$30,000 for paving nearly one-half mile of Holcomb Road north of the village of Clarkston and \$40,000 for police services).

He then subtracts \$236,000, the money to be used in place of the 1.33 mills collected last year for the general fund.

The resulting surplus is about \$57,000.

Will this end the ongoing surplus decisions faced by the township board?

Not likely, according to Rose. "I think we're going to have another \$100,000 surplus this year," he said.

Motorists report sniper fire on Sashabaw

By Kathy Greenfield

Sniper fire from what police say they think was a pellet gun resulted in a window shot out from each of two cars heading north on Sashabaw Road the evening of Sept. 4.

The vehicle of Robin Schwartz, 17, of Sally Road, Independence Township, had the driver's side door window shot

out at about 10:48 p.m., according to police.

Then at about 10:53 p.m., a car driven by Michael St. Charles of Whipple Shore Drive, Independence Township, had the left rear window shot out, police said.

Both incidents occurred between the I-75 overpass and Flemings Lake Road.

Independence Township Reserve patrol officers were nearby directing traffic exiting from the Pine Knob Music Theatre and heading south on Sashabaw Road when the incidents occurred.

"That was a one-time incident, because we're there every night," said Charles Kimbel, director of Independence Township Police Services.

"I deliberately drove my unmarked car through there several times and we searched on foot," he said. "We found nothing."

Cynthia Schwartz, mother of the 17-year-old driver, said the shattering of the window "scared the daylight" out of her son Robin.

"You go by there and all of a sudden, you're out a window," she said. "That's going too far. I question the person that feels they should do something like this."

The incident occurred when her son was driving home from work, she said, and it will affect the routes her three sons take home from their jobs.

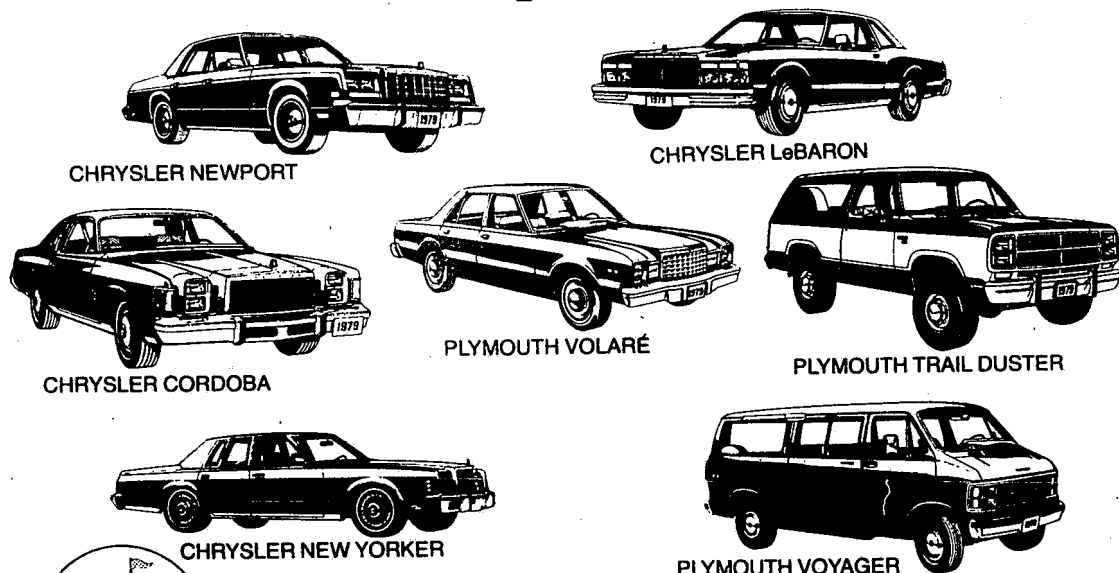
"They will reroute," she said, during the Pine Knob Music Theatre season. "I see no reason to take a chance again until this is all over."

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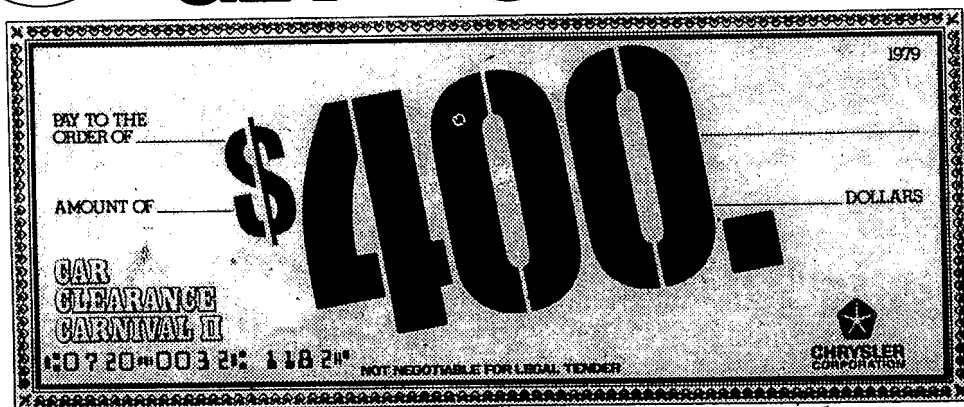
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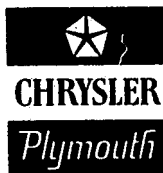
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TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS:

Notice is hereby given, That a Special Election will be held in the Township of Independence, County of Oakland, State of Michigan on

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 1979

At the place or places of holding the Election in said Township as indicated below, viz:

1. Township Hall—90 North Main Street
2. North Sashabaw Elementary—5290 Maybee Road
3. Fire Station—Cor. Clarkston Rd. & Sashabaw
4. Clarkston Senior High—6595 Middle Lake Road
5. Pine Knob Elementary—6020 Sashabaw Road
6. Bailey Lake School—8051 Pine Knob Road
7. American Legion Hall—8047 M-15
8. Clarkston Junior High—6300 Waldon Road
9. United Methodist Church—6600 Waldon Road
10. Clarkston Senior High—6595 Middle Lake Road
11. North Sashabaw Elementary—5290 Maybee Road

for the purpose of voting on the following Proposals:

PROPOSAL "A"

"Should the Independence Township Zoning Ordinance #83 under Article XXI RECREATIONAL DISTRICT be amended under Section 21.03, to add as a permitted use after conditional approval:

- #2. Convention - Resort - Hotel Facilities with a minimum site size of ten (10) acres."

PROPOSAL "B"

"Shall the Township levy 3/10 of a mill (\$.30 per \$1,000 assessed valuation) in excess of the constitutional limitation for a period of five (5) years for the purpose of purchasing a site or approximately 80 acres north of Clarkston-Orion Road and west of Sashabaw Road (commonly known as part of the proposed gravel pit site) for use by the Township for a civic center, park or such other purposes as may be decided by the Township Board?"

Said millage will be used to purchase the land directly, or it will be used to repay bonds which will be sold to purchase the land.

ADVISORY QUESTION "C"

"Should the heights limitation as contained in the Independence Township Zoning Ordinance be increased from 35 ft. to 200 ft. in Recreational Districts?"

The Polls of said election will be open at 7 o'clock a.m. of said day of election.

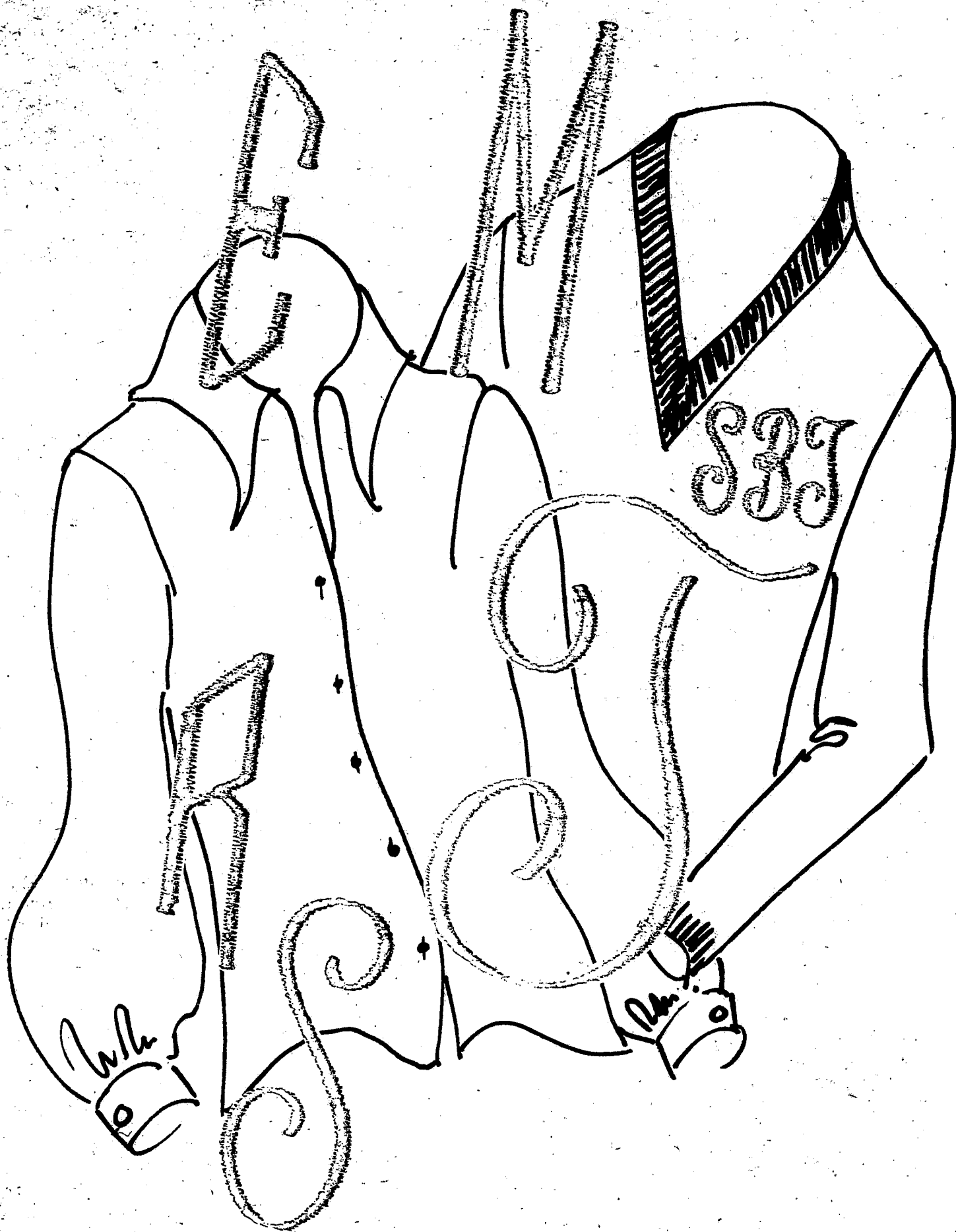
New voter registrations are being taken at the Independence Township Hall at 90 North Main Street, Clarkston, Michigan, Monday thru Friday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. plus the following hours:

- Saturday, September 15, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- Monday, September 17, 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

THE DEADLINE TO REGISTER TO VOTE FOR THE OCTOBER 16 SPECIAL ELECTION IS MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 1979 at 8:00 p.m.

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Letters to the editor

Councilwoman irks Fontie

Dear Citizens,

Last night I could not sleep because of worrying about a council member--and her attitude.

She had been appointed and accepted as the village delegate to the Michigan Municipal League Convention which starts Wednesday, Sept. 12.

This is one of the few chances that a small community has to get a larger and more influential organization to help get our feelings and needs to the state

government.

She had forgotten, she had not done her homework and would rather not go. At this late date no one else on the council is allowed to take her place at the convention. Our alternate is a businessman and could not cancel appointments now.

I too am for clean water and historical preservation--just like I am for helping the business community and our citizens to keep our village viable.

Many of us remember when Clarkston looked like it might become a ghost town--and what a joy that would have been for the state highway department.

I firmly believe that we should all have a project (mine is beautification) BUT I don't think that project or projects should keep us from remembering our other duties to our community.

Fontie M. ApMadoc

Band members earn boost

Letter to the Editor:

We would like to share with everyone the great experience we had as chaperones with the Clarkston High School band at band camp August 20 through 25.

We saw students pull together from individuals to a unit group in just a few days. We saw the rewards of hard work between teacher and student with understanding and caring blossom into patience and harmony.

The students we left with a week ago were not the same students we brought back home.

They returned ready for the up-coming season that lies

ahead of them with great enthusiasm. (Something that in past years has not been reached until mid-season.)

The people of Clarkston have no idea what a super person we have for a band director.

He gives of his time and himself more than 100%. We would like to stand up, take our hat off and say, "thank you Cliff Chapman for everything." (And Laurie Chapman too.)

As chaperones we want you to know it was a rewarding, impressive and fun experience. (We have signed up to go again next year.)

We also would like to thank the Band Boosters for their

generosity in covering one-half the cost of each student's camp: cost and the extra money given for first aid supplies, snacks and fruit and the Pizza Party our last night at camp.

We wish every band parent could have seen the benefits this groups hard work has accomplished this past year. We are hosting a twelve band competition on September 29 and hopefully parents will come out and back us and see all the hard work that has been accomplished by students, teacher and boosters.

Sincerely
Penny Bernard and
Eunice Mandilk

Independence Center grateful

Dear Editor:

It's with great pride to write to you to express independence center's gratitude to the community for "Durbin Day for independence center."

There are many people to thank: first, Mike Loszewski and Rainee Stricklin from Durbin Realty who came to us with the idea of Durbin sponsoring this fundraiser for us and also coordinated the event; the town-

ship officials who allowed us to use Clintonwood Park; the 1894 Washboard Band and the Crossroads Band who provided us with fine music; the Independence Squares with their enthusiastic square dancing; Independence and Waterford Fire Departments for playing a terrific softball game and Whitey Tower and Jerry Buckmaster who umpired; all the many people who helped run the midway

games; the i.c. volunteers who sold games tickets; the senior citizens for operating the food concession; and to Brooks Patterson and Dan Murphy and all the celebrity tennis players who participated in the tennis matches.

It's really great to see so many people from so many groups working together on a community project. We thank you all!

Sincerely, i. c. Board

We're waiting



by Pat Braunagel

Happy days — apparently — are here again.

Clarkston children are back in the classrooms where they should be, as are their teachers.

The three-day teacher strike was short and, both sides aver, sensible.

There was little of the mud-slinging and public displays of temper too frequently associated with labor disputes.

The teachers acted as professionals, making their statement simply and pointedly.

That done, they returned to work to start a new, fresh year.

The community is fortunate that the strike was short-lived.

It could have been a lot worse, as we are reminded daily in news reports from other districts across the state.

The tentative agreement on a master contract for the district's 333 teachers is yet to be ratified by either side—the teachers are expected to vote on it Friday and the board of education Monday—but negotiators are optimistic.

Members of the community have no reason to be otherwise.

It will be next week before we are given the details of the settlement, if the contract is ratified.

In the meantime, we can breathe a deep, if tentative sigh of relief.

Thanks, benefactors

To the editor:

The Independence Township Fire Fighters would like to thank all the people who attended the Pancake Breakfast on Labor Day morning.

Through the money donations collected at the shopping centers and at Pine Knob Music Theatre by the fire fighters and the funds collected through the serving of the pancake breakfast we were able to present a check for

\$6,100 to the Jerry Lewis Muscular Dystrophy fund raising telethon.

Thanks again to all those who donated so generously to this very deserving cause.

Independence Township
Fire Fighters

Letter policy

The Clarkston News encourages letters from our readers.

No restrictions are placed on length, however the newspaper reserves the right to condense and edit the letters.

As a matter of policy all letters must be signed and the writer's address and telephone number must be included. Names will be withheld at discretion of the editor.

Query from Herb

Dear Fontie:

The neighbors are complaining that the stump sign is getting shabby.

Should I repaint it or is there a chance that the stumps will be removed before snow?

Herb Rose



Jim's jottings

D'you remember?

by Jim Sherman

I hope my columns don't get as serious as I seem to have become lately. Toward that end, I promise to remain light and breezy this week.

Two children and their mother were approaching their car in a parking lot last week when I heard one of the kids yell . . . "I get to sit in the front seat this time!"

Wow! Remember saying that?

I do. My sister and I quarreled, "You got to sit in front last time." "No I didn't." "Did too!", etc., etc.

That was important stuff. Hands on the dash, nose on the wind-

shield, hand out the window shaped to cut the wind.

Whether I go pheasant hunting or not, after Labor Day I start thinking about it. With that in mind I called the Oxford postmaster to see if rural mail carriers still do a pheasant count for the Conservation Dept.

I like that title better than Dept. of Natural Resources.

Postmaster Truman Horton said, "Golly, Jim. I don't think we've done that for a couple years now."

Then he dispelled the idea I had that mail carriers kept a tally sheet beside them in the car and jotted down each time they saw a rooster

pheasant.

They didn't count birds, Truman said. They counted crows.

Not flying crows. Rooster crows. These carriers were told to drive so many minutes, then stop for 10 minutes or so, and listen for the sound of a rooster crowing.

The pheasant call was put on the DNR scale and when put with other information equally scientifically gathered, went to predict hunters habits wouldn't change.

I saw these two comments the same day.

"A man who dares waste one hour of time has not discovered the

value of life." Give Charles Darwin credit for that.

"One seventh of your life is spent on Mondays".

No one deserves credit for that, but somehow the two sayings go together.

Then this poem from a golfer.

Whenever I'm hitting them straight off the tee

You can bet it's not by the book. The reason, indeed, is more likely to be

That I'm putting a slice in my hook.

Taxes needn't be all that certain

By Pat Braunagel

Uncle Sam's nieces and nephews can put some fun into filing their tax returns, if they know the rules of the game.

Learning how to keep a bigger share of the money they earn can make them, if not happy taxpayers, at least a bit less grim.

Robert Kraud, an Independence Township resident whose profession is financial planning, is going to teach other area taxpayers some of the ins and outs of avoiding tax payment--honestly.

Kraud will explain some tax shelters and some ways to make tax-free or tax-deferred income in a three-week course entitled "Make My Life Less Taxing" through Clarkston Community Schools' adult education program.

The tax course is one of 16 to be offered this fall in the evening adult enrichment program at Clarkston High School.

"This is going to be a fun class," Kraud promised. He's also certain those who enroll can earn "40 to 50 times their \$6 investment (in the course fee) if they just pay attention to what's going on in the course."

The course, he said, is "aimed at anyone who feels their tax bite is bigger than it should be."

The complications of the U.S. income-tax laws become more confusing to more people in an inflationary period, Kraud noted.

Inflation throws money earners into rapid transitions they often aren't prepared to handle.

"Part of the problem here is that people are so frightened

they're not aware of what's happening to their money," Kraud said.

More money coupled with IRS rule revisions over the last three years have left more people feeling helpless when they start to fill in their long forms.

They need some financial advice.

"Most people don't have that kind of service," Kraud noted.

For those who do have some money in the bank, there are ways to invest it to earn more and pay less in taxes.

There are methods of deferring taxation.

"This allows you to use Uncle Sam's dollars to compound the growth of the principle," Kraud said. "If you can keep the money you normally would send to Washington, you can earn 8 or 9 percent on that."

There are tax shelters to be found in federal social programs under which the government attempts to alleviate problems--for instance, in housing.

One "very, very simple" tax shelter often ignored by taxpayers is the dividend exclusion, Kraud noted.

"Under the code, you are allowed, as a married taxpayer filing jointly, a \$200 dividend exclusion," he said.

A simple and relatively safe way to earn a \$200 dividend is to invest \$2,000 in public utilities stock, which is now returning at least 10 percent.

This tax-free income is the equivalent of 14 percent for those in the 30-percent bracket, Kraud said.

The federal income tax code contains "fantastic gray areas"



Robert Kraud

for most taxpayers.

"Do you take deductions or exclusions in those gray areas or do you just pass them up?" Kraud asked.

Kraud, an investment executive with Shearson-Hayden-Stone Inc. in Southfield, hopes his course will give more people the courage and knowledge not to miss those chances.

"Make My Life Less Taxing" is available from 7 to 9 p.m. on either Monday or Tuesday beginning next week.

Registration information for the course--and others dealing with law, bridge, cardio-pulmonary resuscitation, Spanish, the Lamaze method of childbirth and various crafts--is available by calling 625-5841.

After completion of the tax course, Kraud will teach another one dealing with financial and estate planning.



Here's Herb Speedo

By Herb Rose

When I mentioned the other day that my weight never varied but stayed right between 185 and 243, it sparked a general discussion of jogging as a weight control technique with specific note that President Carter can jog five miles in thirty-five minutes.

Now, the President's physical fitness is commendable, but perhaps the truly outstanding achievement is overlooked. I wonder if there is a Secret Service man in street shoes and a three piece suit who is morosely jogging along side of the President.

While Mr. Carter is comfortably and nattily attired in a superbly tailored and color-coordinated jogging outfit opting for as much visibility as the P.R. Department thinks advisable, the long suffering Secret Service man is bounding along in a suit that has been modified to conceal a hand gun and a walkie-talkie.

Not only must he jog without dropping the various tools of his trade but he must try to remain an inconspicuous part of the landscape.

Perhaps he nonchalantly polished his glasses or files his fingernails and whistles a plaintive air while maintaining a constant velocity of one mile every seven minutes.

These attempts at subterfuge would allow him to control his enthusiasm for running.

The pleasures of running were not too well illustrated on the T-shirts that were issued to the entrants in the 10,000-meter run

that was associated with Michigan Week '79.

The shirts pictures an athlete who apparently was running barefooted and at the instant the picture was taken had stepped on a rather sharp stone.

If you studied the tortured anguish on his face, you would promise yourself never to move faster than a moderate stroll.

One of my friends said he enjoyed running and regularly jogged three miles in 30 minutes.

I felt obligated to point out that if he and President Carter were contestants in a five mile race he would be a mile and a half back on the track when the victorious Carter roared over the finish line.

If this event had been booked as a contest only the staunchest of his supporters would wait to see the conclusion of such a fiasco.

My friend suggested that perhaps he wasn't old enough to jog five miles in thirty-five minutes. After all Carter is fifty-five.

I find the concept of speed being directly proportional to age fascinating. If 40 years old can jog faster than 30 years old but not as fast as those in their fifties then truly impressive rates can be predicted for octogenarians.

I can visualize an elderly gentleman possibly with white hair and a beard, racing along the road like a possessed cheeta provoking conversations like:

"What is that funny old man doing?"

"I don't know, I would say about 32 miles per hour."



'If it Fitz. . .

The 'ME' generation

by Jim Fitzgerald

Whatever happened to "Aw, shucks?"

It used to be that when a man received a compliment, he turned it aside modestly. He dug his toe in the dirt and said "Aw, shucks, it really wasn't anything." He might even have blushed.

Recently, Detroit Tiger manager, Sparky Anderson was asked what person he most admired. He admitted he admired himself the most. Several of his players, asked the same question, said they knew no one more admirable than themselves.

This is typical of the "I-am-the-greatest" trend, and it isn't confined by a jockstrap. Recently I asked an attorney to name the best trial lawyer in his state. He named himself and took a bow. Where I work, several different people claim to be the best writer on the staff, and one of them probably is, but, aw, shucks.

I know a TV sportscaster who is paid a huge salary to read scores and insult athletes who admire themselves most.

This a noble calling except the sportscaster is as egocentric as the athletes. He doesn't think it's stupid that he makes seven times more than the best schoolteacher in the world.

"More people watch me than watch any teacher," he explained. "They watch me because they admire me. They admire me because I am the best sportscaster in the business."

"I admire self-effacing people," I said.

"I'm the best effacer in the world," he said, digging his toe into the tile floor.

My distaste for braggarts probably results from my childhood. I grew up during the era of the slam book, not to be confused with the slam dunk, which no one had ever heard of in 1940, but you should have seen my two-handed set shot. Slam books were used to tell people what was wrong with them.

Anyone could publish a slam book. All you needed was a spiral notebook.

At the top of each page, you wrote the name of a different schoolmate. The

book was then circulated throughout the school and students wrote what they thought of each person below his or her name. I don't think there are such things as slam books today. Office bulletin boards are the nearest thing.

Slam books were an exercise in masochism. The kids were never as interested in writing what they thought about their classmates as they were in reading what their classmates thought about them. To facilitate this yearning for the pain, the classier slam books listed names in alphabetical order. Ziggy Zabowski started reading from the back.

The worst slam was to charge someone with being conceited. In those days, modesty really was a virtue. The populace would have been shocked if Lou Gehrig had said he was so good a candy bar should be named after him, or if Tom Harmon had celebrated a touchdown by dancing the Charleston in the end zone. It was shameful to be told you were stuck on yourself.

It wasn't only the risk of a humiliating review in a slam book that

made me grow up humble. There was also the threat of my parents jumping on my ego. They taught me not only was it unseemly to brag about my own accomplishments, but it was also wrong to boast about my close relatives. That's why, even today, I tell everyone that my very big sister, Terrible Jean (speaking of slam dunks,) is nothing to brag about.

In the playground of my mind, I might think my two-handed set shot is pretty hot stuff. But I would never say so out loud, and if I heard someone else say, aw shucks . . .

When I suggested to my friend the sportscaster that he might be even more admirable if he didn't force other people to blush for him, he scoffed.

"If a man doesn't have confidence in himself, nobody else will," he said. "There is nothing wrong with saying you're good if you really are good, and I am. It would be phony for me to deny it."

Boy, would I like to get that guy alone in a slam book.

Officials seek anti-gravel-mine tax

By Kathy Greenfield

A plan to chip away at land for a proposed 487-acre gravel mining operation using tax money as a tool will be put before voters in Independence Township.

Voters will be asked on the Oct. 16 ballot to raise property taxes by .3 mill for five years to buy 80 acres now owned by the Edward C. Levy Co. of Detroit.

The township board okayed the election step in Township Treasurer Frederick Ritter's stop-the-gravel-pit plan at last week's meeting.

If voters agree to raise taxes, the land would be condemned and then it could be purchased by the township, according to Ritter's proposal. Because 1 mill is \$1 for each \$1,000 of assessed property valuation, the .3 mill would mean an increase of \$6 a year in taxes for property assessed at \$20,000 (one-half market value).

Although Ritter said the property purchase would not in itself stop the gravel operation, if proposed purchases by the state and county are also made, the plan would work.

In any event, Ritter said the property would be a good investment for the township.

"Its location is nearly the exact geographic center of the township," he said. "It's on a primary road, and the fact that it's contiguous to our Clintonwood Park and our senior citizen center means it's a good piece of property for the township to own."

"And it might lend to the demise of the gravel pit if the state and county do their part," he said.

Despite repeated public and

governmental opposition to the proposed gravel pit, the Levy Co. purchased the 80 acres located on Clarkston-Orion Road, west of Sashabaw Road in August and has options on the remainder of the proposed gravel operation, Ritter said.

On May 24, the proposed gravel operation was brought before the township planning commission.

The eight commission members present voted unanimously to recommend denial of the necessary zoning variance to the township zoning board of appeals.

On July 19, an informal meeting was held at township hall between three Levy Co. representatives, 10 township and Oakland County parks department representatives, and State Sen. Kerry Kammer (D-Pontiac).

Kammer sponsored the Michigan Land Trust Bill that proposed purchase of environmentally significant property in the state.

Of the hundreds of parcels proposed for purchase, 200-plus acres of the gravel operation proposal that are part of the Clinton River Watershed are seventh on the list, Kammer said.

"I can guarantee, being the sponsor of the law, that gravel mining operation will not be permitted if it's attempted," Kammer said at the meeting.

Because the 80-acre parcel was purchased after the meeting, Ritter said timing is important.

"They were unwilling to accept the fact that we don't want their gravel mining operation here," Ritter said, "which shows

they aren't taking us seriously."

The proposed gravel operation's reclamation plan includes a 210-acre lake and about 44 three-acre house sites after some 19 years of mining.

In addition, 90 acres surrounding the Clinton River Watershed would remain untouched during the gravel mining, representatives of the Levy Co. said at the meeting.

Although Supervisor Whitey Tower said he supports stopping the gravel operation, he said a lake next to Clintonwood Park would be a positive aspect and he also noted the need for gravel pits in Oakland County.

"If we don't use Oakland County gravel, are we going to use it from Alpena at three times the cost?" he asked.

Tower also mentioned several court cases in which gravel mining operations were allowed despite local opposition.

"I am concerned about how

recent court cases have gone-- maybe three out of the last five in Oakland County were decided in favor of gravel operations," he said.

"I think the courts will decide it, but we have to take a stand against it, because the people are opposed to it," he said.

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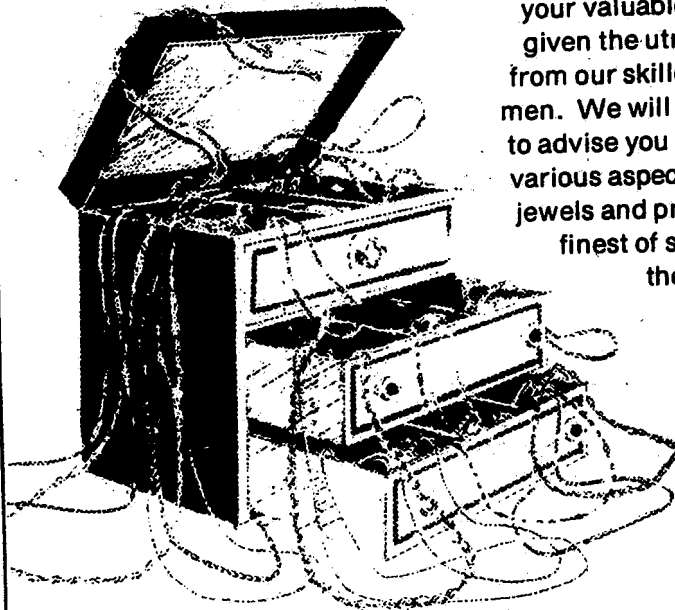
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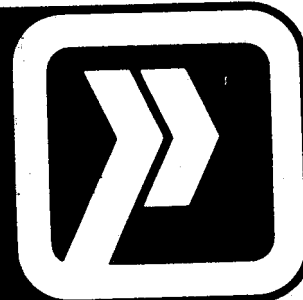
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☐ Personal and/or Car Loans

- ☐ Credit Cards
☐ Mortgage Loans
☐ Safety Deposit Box
☐ Other (Please specify _____)

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- ☐ Bank location
☐ Rates of interest charged
☐ Service charges on checking accounts or minimum balance requirements

- ☐ Friendly and competent service
☐ Interest rate on savings
☐ Banking hours

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☐ Tuesday
☐ Wednesday

- ☐ Thursday
☐ Friday
☐ Saturday
☐ Spread fairly evenly

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☐ Visa ☐ Other (Please specify _____)

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☐ No. If it is not, would a bank which is open on a full-service basis on Saturday be appealing to you? ☐ Yes ☐ No.

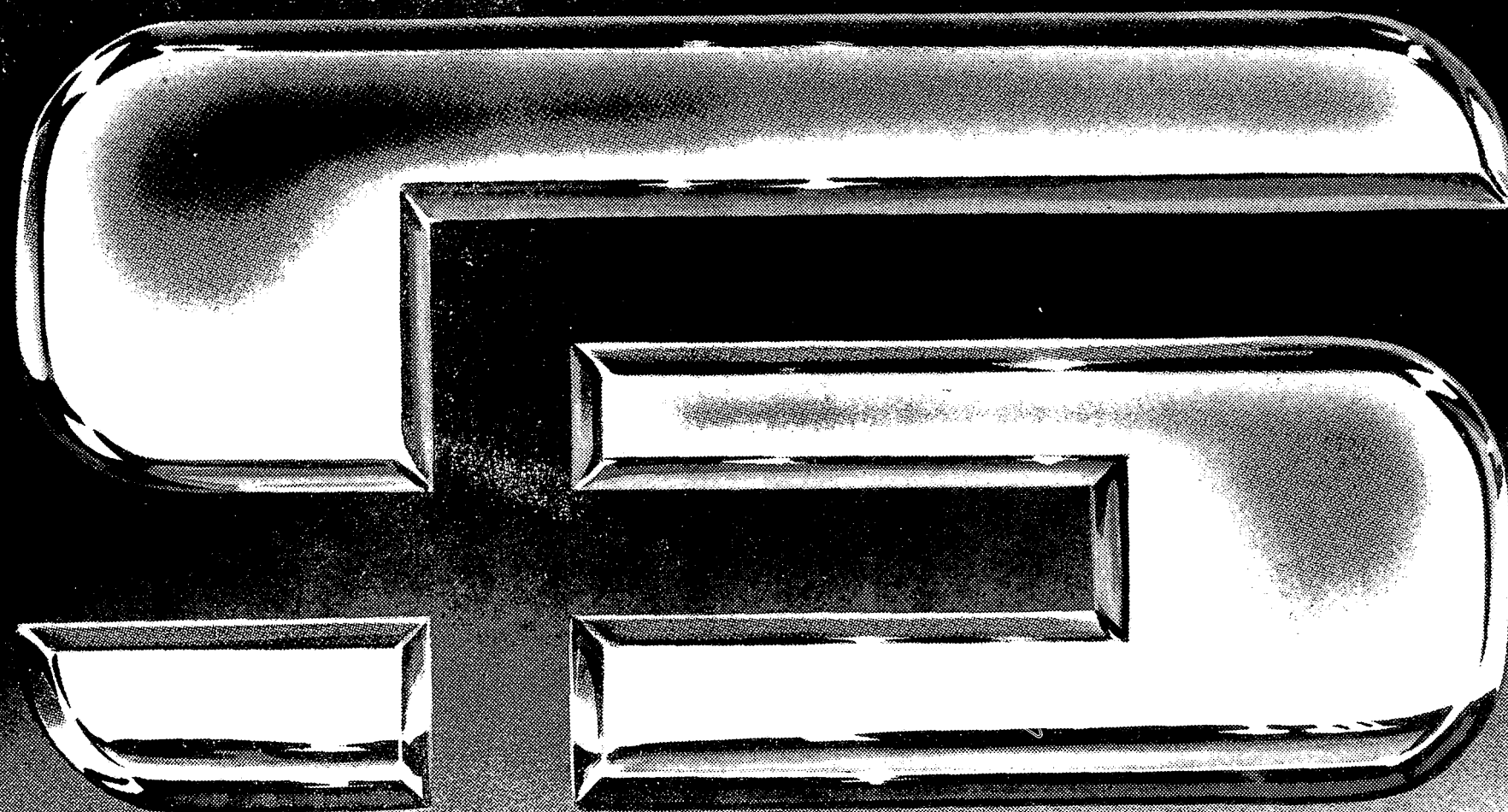
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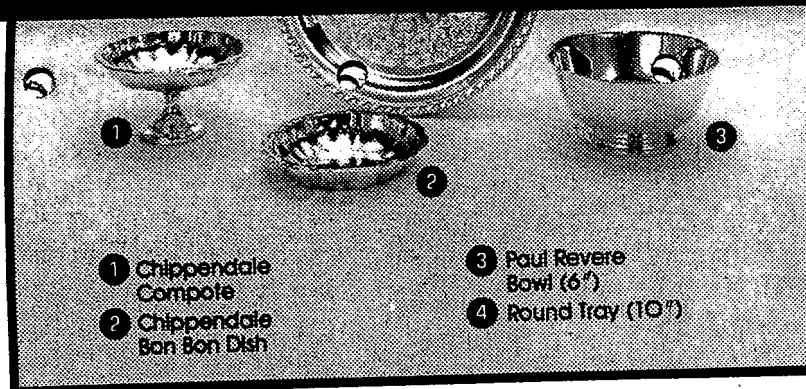


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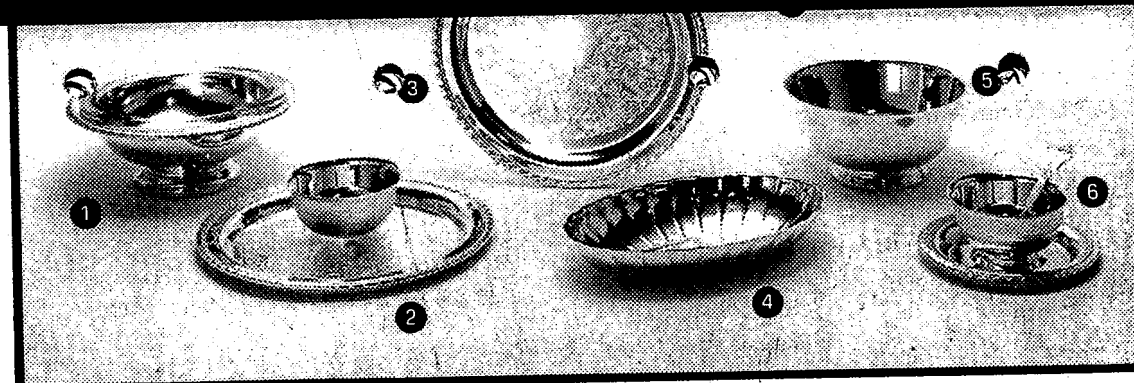
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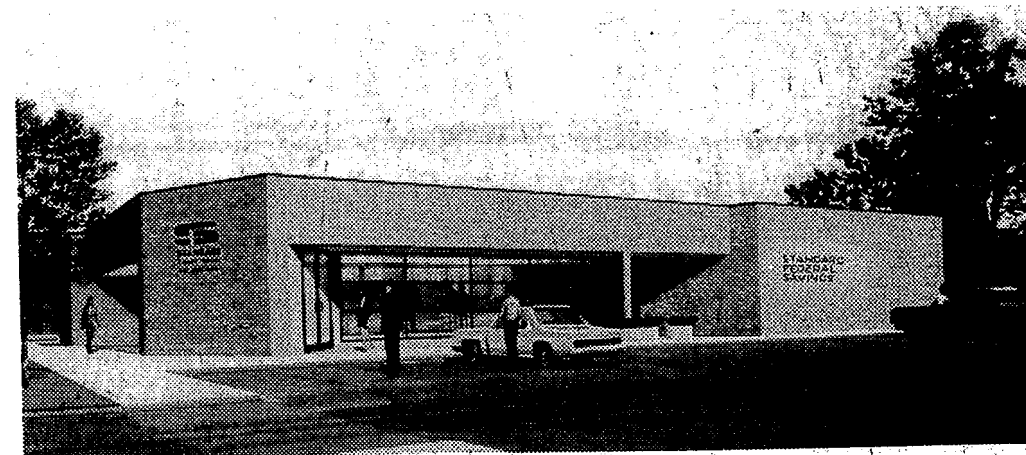
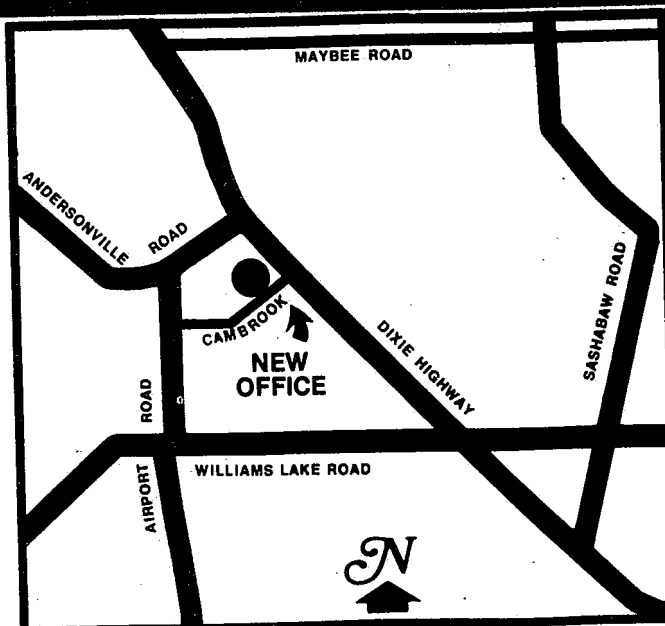
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Council to act on sewers

Clarkston village residents whose homes are still unconnected with the area's sanitary sewer system will be receiving letters as a result of Monday's council meeting, and may possibly face legal action in the future if their noncompliance continues.

"There are still approximately 24 residents who are not connected to the sewers," Council President Fontie ApMadoc claimed. "There's some concern about the pollution this may be causing, particularly for those living on the water."

Village Attorney Thomas Gruich will advise council on the content of the letters notifying residents, but ApMadoc stressed that there is still time for compliance.

"This is the first time council has set on a policy of legal action," ApMadoc said. "Those that do receive the letters will still be given a reasonable length of time to comply."

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Date	School	H/A Time
Sept. 7	Grand Blanc	A 7:30
Sept. 14	Lamphere	A 7:30
Sept. 21	Andover	H 8:00
Sept. 28	Rochester	H 8:00
Oct. 5	W. Bloomfield	A 7:30
Oct. 12	Milford (H.C.)	H 8:00
Oct. 19	Kettering	A 7:30
Oct. 26	Roch. Adams	H 8:00
Nov. 2	Brighton	A 7:30

JUNIOR VARSITY FOOTBALL		
Date	School	H/A Time
Sept. 6	Grand Blanc	H 4:00
Sept. 13	Lamphere	H 7:00
Sept. 20	Rochester	H 7:00
Sept. 27	Andover	A 7:00
Oct. 4	Rochester	A 7:00
Oct. 11	W. Bloomfield	H 7:00
Oct. 18	Milford	A 4:00
Oct. 25	Kettering	H 7:00
Nov. 1	Brighton	H 7:00

Boys' Golf		
Date	School	H/A Time
Tues. Sept. 4	Dayton	H 3:00
Mon. Sept. 10	Andover	A 3:00
Tues. Sept. 11	Brandon	H 3:00
Thurs. Sept. 13	Kettering	A 3:30
Tues. Sept. 18	W. Bloomfield	A 3:00
Thurs. Sept. 20	Milford	A 4:00
Fri. Sept. 21	Oxford	A 3:30
Tues. Sept. 25	Rochester	H 3:00
Thurs. Sept. 27	Andover	H 3:00
Tues. Oct. 2	Kettering	H 3:00
Thurs. Oct. 4	W. Bloomfield	H 3:00
Mon. Oct. 8	Milford	H 3:00
Thurs. Oct. 11	Rochester	A 3:00
Sat. Oct. 13	Regional	

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Date	School	H/A Time
Fri. Sept. 7	Oxford	A 4:30
Sat. Sept. 8	W. Bloomfield Invt.	A 9:30
Tues. Sept. 11	Andover	A 4:00
Thurs. Sept. 13	Rochester Adams	H 4:00
Sat. Sept. 15	Holly Invt.	A 10:00
Tues. Sept. 18	Rochester	A 4:00
Tues. Sept. 25	W. Bloomfield	H 4:00
Fri. Sept. 28	Fenton	H 4:00
Tues. Oct. 2	Milford	A 4:00
Sat. Oct. 6	Oakland Co. Meet	
Tues. Oct. 9	Kettering	H 4:00
Thurs. Oct. 11	Avondale	H 4:00
Sat. Oct. 13	Oxford Invt.	A 10:00
	League Meet	A 10:00
Wed. Oct. 24	W. Bloomfield	A 10:00
Sat. Oct. 20	Brandon	H 4:00
Wed. Oct. 24	Regional	

Coach: Mike Kaul

Girls' Basketball		
Date	School	H/A Time
Tues. Sept. 4	Fenton	H 6:15
Tues. Sept. 11	Rochester Adams	A 6:15
Thurs. Sept. 13	Avondale	A 6:00
Tues. Sept. 18	Open	
Thurs. Sept. 20	Andover	H 6:30
Tues. Sept. 25	Wtd. Mott	H 6:30
Thurs. Sept. 27	Kettering	A 6:15
Tues. Oct. 2	Troy Athens	H 6:30
Thurs. Oct. 4	Milford	H 6:30
Tues. Oct. 9	Lasher	A 6:15
Thurs. Oct. 11	W. Bloomfield	A 6:15
Tues. Oct. 16	Ferndale	A 6:00
Thurs. Oct. 18	Rochester	H 6:30
Tues. Oct. 23	Walled Lake Western	H 6:30
Thurs. Oct. 25	Andover	A 6:15
Tues. Oct. 30	Wtd. Township	A 6:15
Thurs. Nov. 1	Kettering	H 6:30
Thurs. Nov. 8	Milford	A 6:30
Thurs. Nov. 15	W. Bloomfield	H 6:30
Tues. Nov. 20	Rochester	A 6:15

Coach: Dave McDonald
Sheryl Stickley

1979 Girls' Tennis		
Date	School	H/A Time
Fri. Sept. 7	Almont	H 4:00
Wed. Sept. 12	Andover	A 4:00
Fri. Sept. 14	Kettering	A 4:00
Mon. Sept. 17	W. Bloomfield	A 4:00
Wed. Sept. 19	Milford	A 4:00
Fri. Sept. 21	Rochester	H 4:00
Mon. Sept. 24	Andover	H 4:00
Tues. Sept. 25	Brandon	A 4:00
Wed. Sept. 26	Kettering	H 4:00
Fri. Sept. 28	W. Bloomfield	H 4:00
Mon. Oct. 1	Milford	H 4:00
Wed. Oct. 3	Rochester	A 4:00
Mon. Oct. 8	Almont	A 4:00
Fri. Oct. 12	Regionals	
Sat. Oct. 13	Regionals	

CLARKSTON JUNIOR HIGH FOOTBALL		
Date	School	H/A Time
Sept. 6	Sashabaw	H 7:00
Sept. 12	Roch. Vanhoosen	H 7:00
Sept. 19	Roch. West	A 4:00
Sept. 26	Open	
Oct. 3	Roch. Ruether	A 4:15
Oct. 10	Brandon	A 7:00
Oct. 17	Lakeland	H 4:00
Oct. 24	Crary	H 7:00
Oct. 31	Sashabaw	A 7:00

SASHABAW JUNIOR HIGH FOOTBALL		
Date	School	H/A Time
Sept. 6	Clarkston	A 7:00
Sept. 12	Roch. West	A 4:00
Sept. 19	Roch. Reuther	H 7:00
Sept. 26	Lakeland	A 4:00
Oct. 3	Roch. Vanhoosen	A 4:00
Oct. 10	Wtd. Pierce	H 7:00
Oct. 17	Brandon	H 7:00
Oct. 24	W. Bloomfield	A 6:30
Oct. 31	Clarkston	H 7:00

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Wolves bow, 49-6

Bobcats romp in season opener

By Al Zawacky

It was hardly what you'd call an auspicious start for the Clarkston Wolves 1979 football season, as the Grand Blanc Bobcats

rolled to a 49-6 victory over the hometown boys last Friday night.

"We obviously didn't play very good football," Clarkston

Coach Walt Wyniemko said later. "Grand Blanc has an excellent team and two outstanding college prospects in (Steve) Smith and (Joe) Durbin, but I'm not offering that as an excuse. I know we can play better than this."

Clarkston got in trouble right from the opening kickoff when a penalty followed by a quarterback sack placed the Wolves in a fourth-and-20 situation on their own 22-yard line.

A poor punt followed, giving the Bobcats excellent field position on the Clarkston 41 where star quarterback Steve Smith went to work, connecting first to tight end Norm Butts for a long first down, and then finding teammate Joe Durbin for the touchdown.

The extra point off the foot of Jeff Delosh was good, and the Wolves found themselves very quickly on the short end of a 7-0 score.

Delosh's kick went all the way into the end zone, placing Clarkston on its own 20 where two successive running plays failed to move the football. Quarterback Brad Sheldon took to the airwaves on third down, only to be intercepted by the Bobcats' Tom Stanbury.

Grand Blanc turned the ball over shortly thereafter when Nick Hool made an outstanding interception of a Smith pass deep in Clarkston territory, but the Wolves were again unable to capitalize and left Grand Blanc with excellent field position on the Wolves' 46.

Smith made no mistake this time, connecting on passes to Dale Edwards and Durbin again to earn the Bobcats their second TD of the quarter.

On Grand Blanc's next possession, Matt Conquest crossed up the Wolves' defense with a well executed pass to Butts, good for another Bobcat touchdown.

A successful two-point conversion attempt followed, and the score was then 22-0.

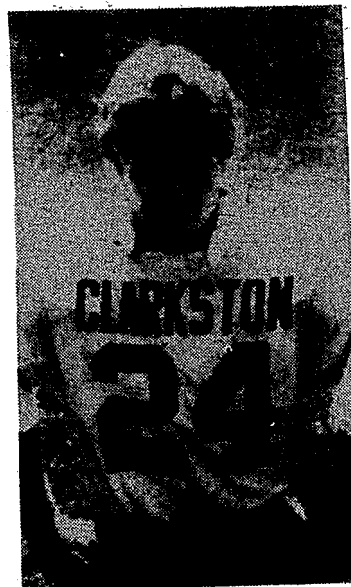
Player of the week

Clarkston football fans didn't have a whole lot to get excited about last Friday night.

However, the 49-6 loss at the hands of Grand Blanc might have been even worse but for the efforts of The Clarkston News' player of the week, Mark Hughes.

Hughes, a 5-foot-10, 160-pound junior, made two outstanding catches late in the game to set the stage for the Wolves' only touchdown, scored on a one-yard keeper by quarterback Brad Sheldon.

Hughes finished the game with four pass receptions for 41 yards and 34 yards rushing for a total of 75 yards—half the Wolves team total.



Mark Hughes

Sports

Experience thin

on girls' squad

Two words best sum up the 1979 edition of the Clarkston Wolves girls' basketball team: potential and inexperience.

"We're very young," coach Dave McDonald said recently, pointing out that his nine-member squad includes seven sophomores and juniors. "But we do have a pretty solid program here and a good attitude among the girls. As the season continues and the girls gain experience, they'll get better and better."

Playing their first game of the year last Tuesday, the Wolves were soundly beaten by an outstanding Fenton squad, 59-22. Lisa Forsyth led all Clarkston scorers with nine points, while teammate Mary Barks contributed a four point effort.

Patti White had three points, Tracee Antos and Lanette Whitehead had two, and Lynn McCormick and Jane Acton each had one point apiece to round out the scoring.

"Fenton is one of the best

teams in the state—they were a tough opponent to draw in our first game," McDonald noted.

A former coach at the boys varsity level, McDonald is making his debut this season in girl's athletics. This year's squad consists of seniors Kelly Kelliketzler and Pat Bradley; juniors Mary Barks, Jane Acton, Patti White, and Lisa Forsyth; and sophomores Tracee Antos, Lynn McCormick, and Lanette Whitehead.

Forsyth was a starter last season, while Kelliketzler saw limited action on last season's team. The remaining seven cagers are entering the campaign with no prior experience at all, noted McDonald.

"Again, the girls are just very young," McDonald concluded. "It's going to take some time, but I'm confident that we can show some progress as the season continues."

The girls next contest will be Thursday, September 13 at Avondale. Game time is six o'clock.

pass interference call against the Bobcats placed the ball on the Grand Blanc 21.

Hughes then redeemed himself for a key missed tackle earlier in the contest by making two outstanding receptions, allowing Sheldon to slip into the endzone from the one yard line with just five seconds remaining in the game.

Statistically, Farnsworth led the Wolves in the rushing department, while Sheldon and Nick Lekas were a combined 10 for 28 in the air for 74 yards.

"I know we're capable of playing much better football than this," Wyniemko repeated in concluding. "We made a lot of mental mistakes, and they (Grand Blanc) are the type of team that know how to capitalize on them."

The Wolves' next game will be another road contest this Friday night in Madison Heights, as Clarkston takes on Lamphere.

Wolverines dump Cougars in 'rain bowl'

By Al Zawacky

Any athletic contest between crosstown rivals Clarkston and Sashabaw junior high schools can usually be counted on to produce some spirited performances, and last Friday's football game was no exception.

It was Clarkston that survived the showdown however, rolling to a 28-0 victory before a sparse but hearty crowd that braved both rain and cold to witness the contest.

Offensive stars in the game included Clarkston halfback Rich Schrader, who carried the ball 18 times for a total of 68 yards, scoring one touchdown and a two-point conversion.

Schrader also pitched a halfback pass to teammate Scott Temple, good for 17 yards and another TD.

Quarterback Rick Carter was four for 12 in the air with two of

his completions going in for six pointers. Greg Seddon, who totaled 11 tackles, and teammate Pat Rausch with six sacks, were two defensive standouts.

"In the three years I've been here we've always beaten Sashabaw in our first meeting," Clarkston coach John Craven observed afterwards. "But they usually come back and beat us later in the year."

"We try and play the rivalry thing down a bit, just to keep it on friendly terms," the coach continued. "But it's still pretty intense. We usually fill the bleachers for this game—a combination of the weather and the teachers' strike kept Friday's crowd small."

Sashabaw will swing back into action this Wednesday at Rochester West, while Clarkston will entertain Rochester Vanhoosen.



Wolverine halfback Rich Schrader eludes a Cougar defender on a running play in Friday's contest against Sashabaw. Clarkston Junior High shut out its crosstown rivals, 28-0.

'Funday' run Oct. 7

Area residents wishing to benefit from all the healthy aspects of vigorous exercise without having to endure any of the drudgery can sign up now for the Independence Parks and Recreation "Funday" run on October 7.

At a cost of \$8, contestants may register for either the two- or five-mile run, depending on their stamina, and also enjoy a post-race picnic featuring hot

dogs, potato chips, potato salad and beverage.

Runners may bring guests to the picnic at an additional cost of \$2.50 each.

The race will begin at 10 a.m. at Independence Oaks, with registration taking place between 8:30 and 9:30. Those who take the time to pre-register by Sept. 28 will receive a runners T-shirt free of charge. Pre-registration forms may be obtained at the Parks and Recreation building on 90 North Main.

In keeping with the event's "fun" aspect, no special awards will be given to the winners, but all the participants will receive a runner's certificate.

Family passes

Family passes to high school and junior high athletic events will be available next week in the Clarkston School District.

For \$35, the pass entitles everyone in a family to attend all Clarkston High School, Clarkston Junior High School and Sashabaw Junior High School home games.

League meets and state tournament games are excluded.

Teen cards hole-in-one

Mike Suran, 14, son of Robert and Barbara Suran, 6000 Overlook, Clarkston, carded a hole-in-one at the Lost Lake Woods Club in Lincoln recently.

Mike, a ninth grader at Clarkston Junior High, aced the 172-yard 17th hole using a No. 5 wood Aug. 22.

Runner-up in the club's junior golf tournament, Mike has been playing golf for two years. Last year he participated in the Independence Township Park and Recreation Department's program at Holly Greens.

'A-thon' for riders

Everybody's heard of the "walk-a-thons" and "Skate-a-thons" regularly held to raise money for worthy charities, but the Oakland 4-H has added a new and appropriate twist in an effort to raise revenue for its "Horseback Riding for Handicappers" program—a "ride-a-thon".

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Area residents who own horses and would like to participate may pick up pledge sheets at their local tack shop or may obtain more information by calling 858-0892 during the day or 625-3383 evenings.

Participants will meet at the Highland Recreation Area, 5200 E. Highland Road, Saturday.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

The Independence Township Board of Appeals will meet Wednesday, September 19, 1979 at 7:30 P.M. at the Independence Township Hall, 90 North Main Street, Clarkston, Michigan, 48016 to hear the following cases:

CASE #909 Frank F. Petrick
APPLICANT REQUESTS CLARIFICATION ON VARIANCES.
Lakeview Lots 54 & 55 Sunny Beach C.C.
08-13-106-051

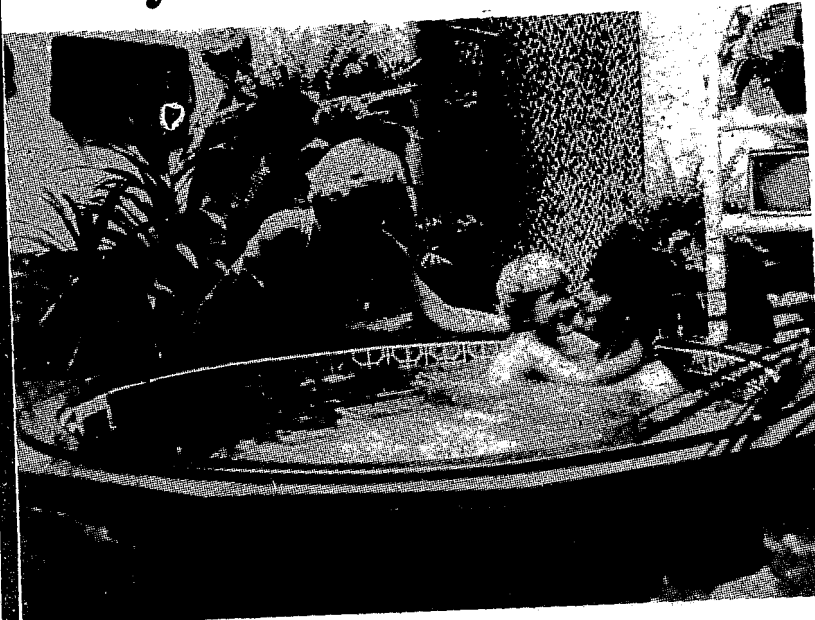
CASE #932 Terry L. Hicks
APPLICANT REQUESTS BUILDING PERMIT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF NEW HOME ON A NON-CONFORMING LOT OF RECORD.
Glenalda & Jerome Lots 101 & 100 Woodhull Lk. Sub.
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CASE #933 Futrell & Futrell, Inc.
APPLICANT REQUESTS REAR YARD SET BACK VARIANCE OF 2' TO CONSTRUCT A NEW HOME.
Hillside 1.04 Acres.
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NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the proposed variances may be examined at the Independence Township Building Department, 90 North Main Street, Clarkston, Michigan, during regular office hours each day Monday thru Friday until the date of the Public Hearing.

Respectfully submitted,
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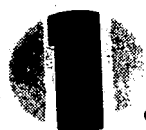
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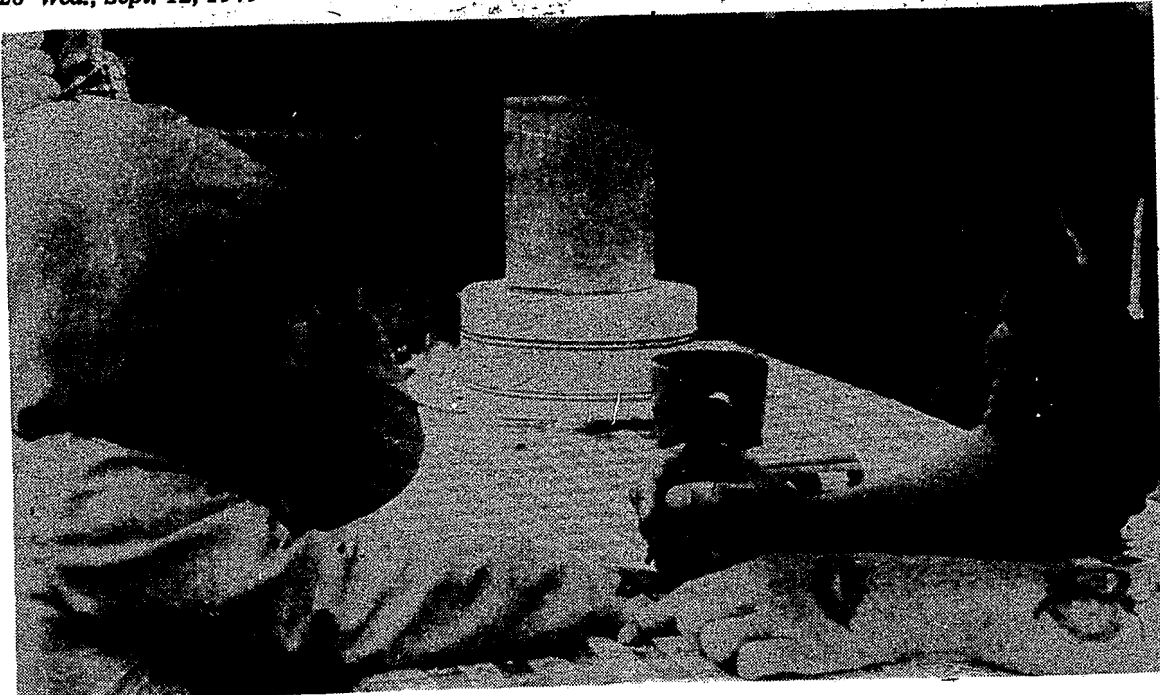
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At Crazy Carnival



Ann Nickerson of Brandon Township grins over thoughts of the flower "tattoo" Betty Anderson completes with tiny centers.

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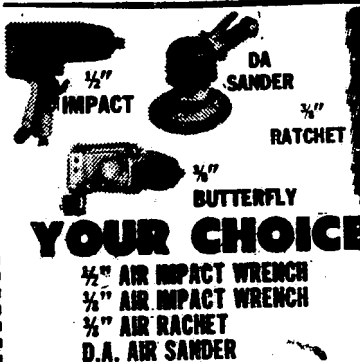


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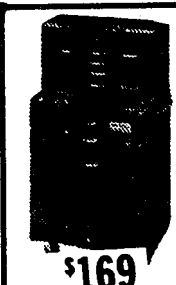
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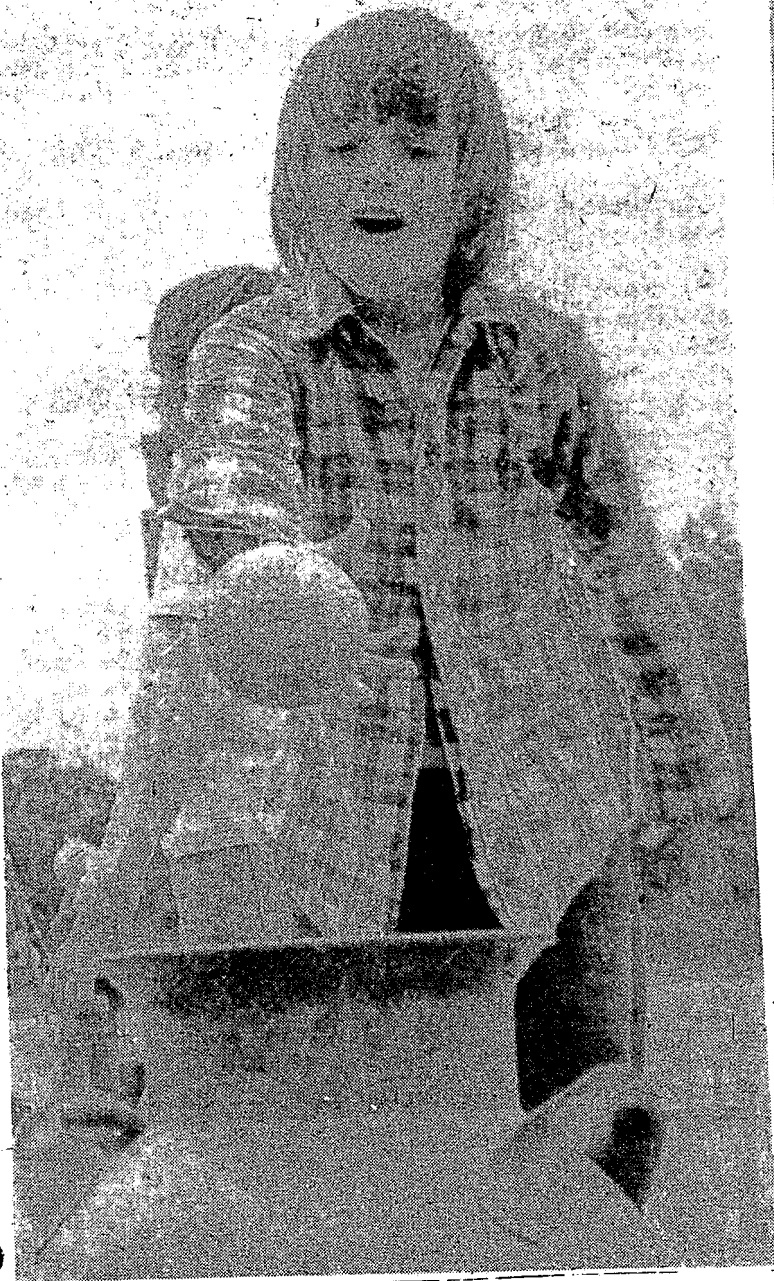
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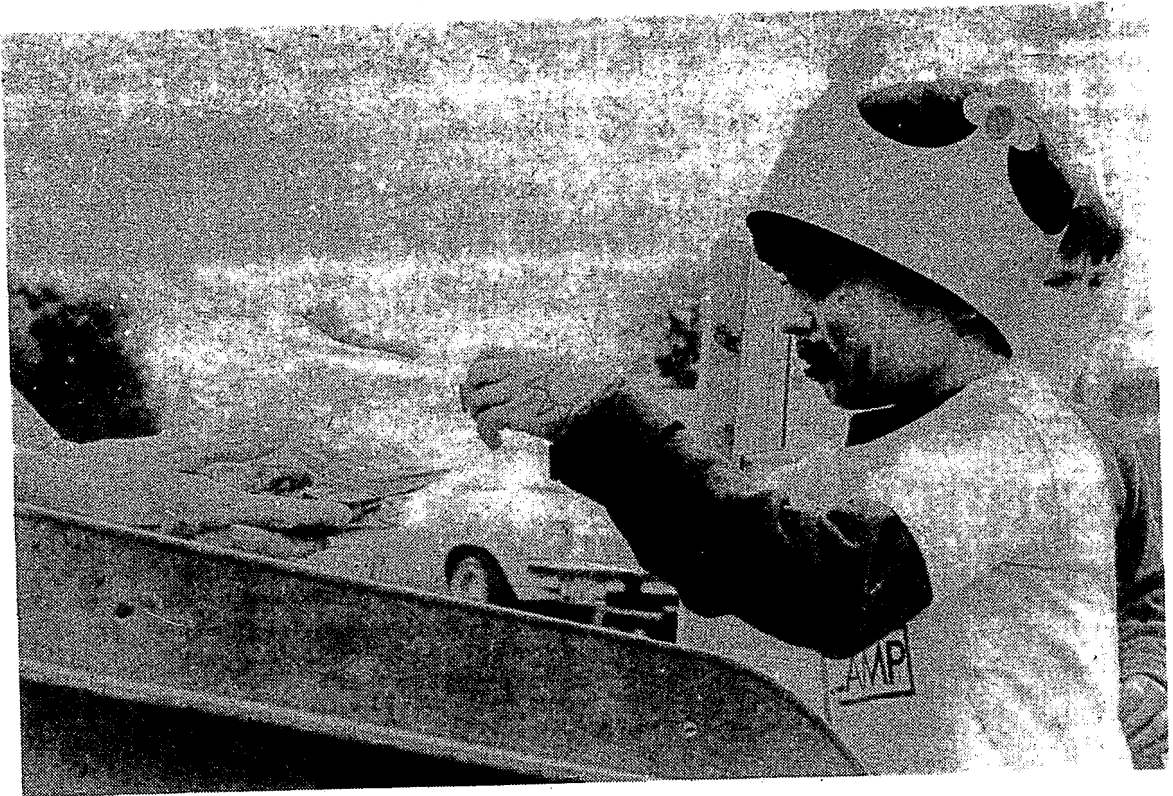
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Photos by Kathy Greenfield



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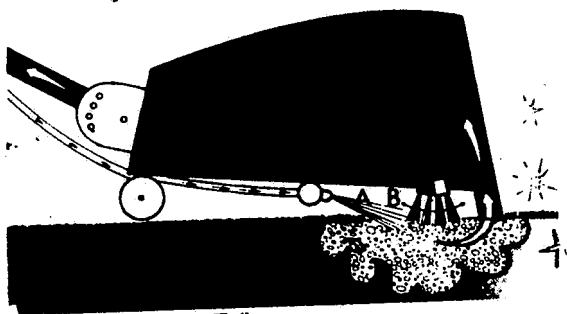


Sporting a decorated face and crown from other Crazy Carnival booths, Betsy Ruple of Eagle Hill Road, Springfield Township, collects her prize for a winning ring toss. The carnival to benefit SCAMP was held at Andersonville Elementary School.

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Parents to explore changes in adolescents

By Kathy Greenfield

Changes a parent can expect from junior-high-aged children is the theme of "Enjoying Your Adolescent."

The series of five discussions is being offered by Clarkston Youth Assistance beginning Sept. 26.

The five-week series is scheduled Wednesdays from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. at Clarkston High School, 6595 Middle Lake Rd., Independence Township.

Although the program is geared toward parents of sixth

through ninth graders, parents of younger or older children may participate.

A child entering the adolescent years faces several hormonal and social changes, said Sher Butzine, chairman of the Youth Assistance Parent Education Committee.

"If the parents have the information, they can understand the changes the child is going through," she said. "That doesn't mean the parents have to accept the behavior their child may demonstrate, but at least understand it and don't get

turned off or upset.

"The more information parents can get about communicating with children of any age, the more comfortable they'll feel," she said, "and they'll probably function better as parents."

Kick-off speaker for the series is Dr. John Pietrofesa, a Wayne State University professor, whose topic is "Identity and Search for Self."

A musical dealing with drug and alcohol abuse, "Common Ground" by the Common Ground Center of Birmingham, is scheduled Oct. 3.

Ingavarda Hanson, a psychiatric nurse at Wayne State University, is to present her topic, "Values and Moral Development," on Oct. 10.

On Oct. 17, Julius (Chip) Dotos, a full-time social worker with Family and Children Serv-

ices of Berkely, is to speak on "Communicating with Your Adolescent."

"He is a new parent himself and he's very much into communication," Butzine said, adding that he will give samples of some methods for better communication between parents and children.

The final discussion topic is "Teens Then and Now," by Lisa Kaichen.

Kaichen's presentation is to include a questionnaire for parents, Butzine said.

Questions like how many parents had friends with parents who worked when they grew up, how many had friends who smoked marijuana at age 14 and how many had friends whose parents were divorced when they

were 14, will be asked, Butzine said.

The purpose of Kaichen's topic is "to show how much more children are now exposed to different things in our society," he said.

The fee for the series, which includes all five discussions, is \$6 for one or both parents.

A registration form is in today's Clarkston News. Forms are also available at Independence Center, 5331 Maybee, Independence Township.

For more information, call the center at 673-1219.

Springfield Oaks lists activity classes

A variety of activity-oriented classes will begin at Springfield Oaks Activities Center the week of Oct. 1.

Beginning and intermediate tennis classes for men and women will be offered, along with introductory sessions in volleyball and badminton.

Easy disco dancing and beginning ballroom dancing will be taught by Chuck and June Kopta of Birmingham, dance instructors for more than 25 years.

The Koptas, who teach dancing on cruise ships, attracted

more than 85 persons to their disco class last year.

Their classes are open to couples and singles.

Additional special interest classes at Springfield Oaks include beginning dog obedience, beginning basket weaving and dried flower arranging.

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Painters needed for center project

More volunteers are needed to complete the painting of historic Independence Center.

The job was started Saturday, but it was not finished.

Volunteers are requested to bring brushes, rags, scrapers and high ladders for the painting spree and to arrive at the center located at 5331 Maybee, Independence Township, at 8 a.m. on Sept. 15.

Paint for the project was purchased by the Clarkston Community Historical Society to help preserve the 123-year-old building that formerly housed

the Sashabaw First Presbyterian Church.

Volunteers should bring a sack lunch. Dessert and beverage will be provided.

For more information, or to volunteer, call the center at 673-1219 or Herschel Fry, project coordinator, at 625-1941.

Travel, travel everywhere

Trips to New York City, Toronto, Las Vegas, Chicago and the Montremblant ski area near Montreal are being planned for area residents by the Independence Township Parks and Recreation Department.

All arrangements are for two nights and three days except the

Las Vegas trip, which is three nights and four days.

The New York City trip is scheduled for Oct. 12-14 and includes a ticket to a Broadway show in addition to transportation and hotel room. The price is \$270 a person. Deadline for submitting a deposit is Monday.

Other scheduled trips are:

Toronto, Nov. 2-4, \$88, Oct. 12 deadline; Las Vegas, Nov. 22-26, \$305, Oct. 26 deadline; Chicago, Nov. 23-25, \$99, Oct. 26 deadline; and Montremblant, Jan. 25-27, \$260, Dec. 3 deadline.

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Season tickets for the 1979-80 Clarkston Village Players four productions are available until Sept. 15.

The \$12 cost is a savings of \$2 for the plays that begin in October and end in May.

The first offering of the

season, "The Cat and the Canary," has been case and the production is underway.

Directed by Margaret Moser, the play is to open Oct. 12.

Making their first appearance on the Depot Theatre stage are to be Sue Ellen Sausell, Steve

Rood and Scott Meyers.

Pat Thomas, Pete Rose, Judy Rood, Larry Bate, Jan Malane, Denny LaLone and Mike Kaul complete the cast of characters for the comedy-mystery.

For ticket information, call 363-0188.

Book sale

Used books will be sold at prices ranging from a nickel to a quarter next month at the Springfield Township Library.

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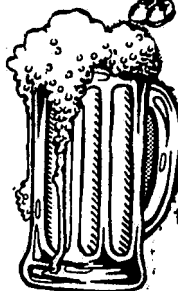
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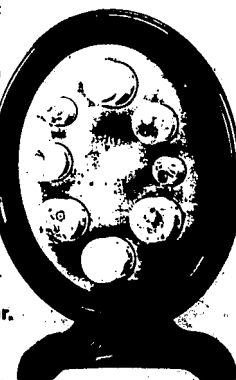
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Artists:

Californian teaches Indian crafts

By Kathy Greenfield

Indian crafts and lore from Apache, Navajo, Ojibway and Hopi tribes have been part of Beverly Mountain's life for the past six years.

When Beverly moved to her Independence Township home on Green Haven Drive two months ago from California, she wasn't expecting to be asked to share her knowledge.

But Buck Kopietz, who owns Tierra Arts and Design in Clarkston with his wife Joan, was putting together a new arts and crafts program for the Independence Township Parks and Recreation Department.

He met Beverly through her interest in crafts items at the store and asked her to teach the class.

"I'm really excited about it," Beverly said. "I came home and told my husband about it and he said, 'Is it another volunteer or is it paid?'"

"And I said, 'Gee, I don't know'."

Beverly's interest in Indian crafts and history started six years ago when the Mountains became foster parents of an Indian boy through the Church of the Latter Day Saints.

"He knew nothing about his heritage," Beverly said. "I thought it was terrible."

"I started getting books and things for Gilbert to read to try to teach him about his heritage."

The Indian foster child placement program was conducted by the church in conjunction with the Los Angeles area social services agency.

"After we took Gilbert, I decided I wanted to be one of the case workers," Beverly said.

So she worked five years with 16 Indian boys and their families.

As a result, she visited the Apache, Hopi, Navajo and Walaphi reservations in Arizona while accompanying the boys to their parents' homes in the summertime and back to the foster homes in the fall.

The Mountain home also served as a gathering spot for Indian children who lived at a nearby boarding school.

The Indian boys and girls would bring their crafts projects with them on visits and teach Beverly their skills.

As the parent of five children in addition to her foster son who lived with the family six years and is now married, Beverly's experience in teaching Indian crafts was further broadened.

Over the years, she has been a Cub Scout den mother, a Girl Scout leader, a church and Girl Scout camp director and a teacher's aide.

Beverly's eight-week-long Indian crafts and lore class will meet on Tuesdays from 4 to 5:30 p.m. starting Sept. 25.

Apache trade bead work, pottery, a miniature Navajo Hogan (house), an Ojibway dream-net game, Navajo sand painting and a loin cloth for boys and cape for girls are crafts to be taught.

Two to share their creativity with Independence children



Beverly Mountain works on a weaving project in the living room of her new home.

The final class will feature a typical Navajo meal of fry bread and lamb stew.

The classes are designed for 8- to 12-year-olds.

Beverly will also teach a beginning weaving class for 12- to 15-year-olds from 3:30 to 5 p.m. on Thursdays beginning Sept. 20.

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SECTION TWO

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Tree House II for preschoolers

By Kathy Greenfield

Take color games, flowers, creatures and finger painting and wrap them around number and letter concepts, basic geometric shapes, three-dimensional figures and abstract design.

Add a smattering of Spanish, improved communication techniques and listening skills.

Then throw in some exercises, snack time, and suggestions for more learning at home.

The result is Tree House II, a new preschool art program designed for parents and their child or children and taught by

Anne Langs for the Independence Parks and Recreation Department starting this fall.

Anne came up with the idea of Tree House I for Walled Lake Schools.

She taught the first classes there in 1971 and the program continues to thrive, she said.

Her choice of names for the preschool art classes helps explain her philosophy for teaching basic classroom knowledge to tots.

"Wouldn't you rather have lunch in a tree house? Wouldn't

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Anne Langs uses Sam Snake to teach preschoolers the sound of letter 's' during the reading readiness section of her class.

She'll teach children to sense surroundings

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you rather live in a tree house?" she asked. "It's a place for magic meetings. It's a special place."

Two eight-week long sessions are planned to meet at Independence Township Hall Wednesday or Thursday mornings from 9:30 to 11:15 beginning Sept. 19.

Each class is built on previous classes, so that by the time the series is completed "most children learn the words 'color' and 'draw,' know color words and numbers," Anne said.

"It's painless, it really is," she said.

Much of the class time is spent teaching children the three-dimensional concept--such things as a rectangle wrapped into a circle makes a cylinder or coffee-cup shape.

"I want to make their minds flexible so they can look at the world around them and they can see the shapes," she said.

Anne moved to her new home on Main Street in Clarkston in July.

She is working to restore the historic Vliet home to authentic Gothic Victorian.

So far, she has removed five layers of wallpaper and has replaced it with Victorian prints.

Each room is to have its own

wood-burning stove, a return to old-style heating.

Anne taught first and second grades and elementary art to kindergarten through sixth graders for five years.

She has a bachelor's degree in art education from Michigan State University and is working on a master's degree in art education. Recently, she worked with sculptor Jack E. Anderson who created the statue of Bishop Baraga, the snowshoe priest, in Baraga County in the Upper Peninsula.

She worked with Anderson on 11 bronzes that are now hanging in the Manistique Courthouse.

Anne will also be teaching three other courses for the parks and recreation department this fall.

Oil painting for beginners to advanced students will be offered one day a week for eight weeks.

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"In these classes, I bring in my love of art history," she said, as well as balance, color mixing, perspective and shading techniques.

Ceramic sculpture is also to be offered one time a week.

"A person may want to come in and do a bust of their dog, a person may want to do pottery, another person may want to do tile," she said.

The course will include the basics of firing, glazing, hand building and, again, art appreciation.

Gourmet cooking is the fourth class Anne will teach.

She has worked as executive chef off and on for the past five years at a Sheraton Hotel, she said.

She has also worked at Duff-

fy's of Harbor Springs.

Four complete meals will be prepared from appetizers to desserts during four sessions. The fifth session will be a wine-tasting party.

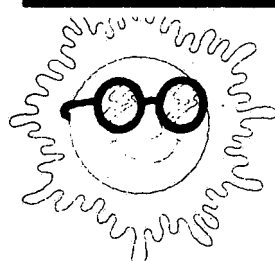
"I am going to be just like the galloping gourmet," Anne said.

"I'm going to prepare two-thirds of it and show the people how it

works."

In addition, Anne works part-time as senior citizen activities coordinator at North Hill Farm of Pontiac, a senior citizen complex.

"I enjoy being super busy. I thrive on that," she said. "The more active I become, the happier I am."



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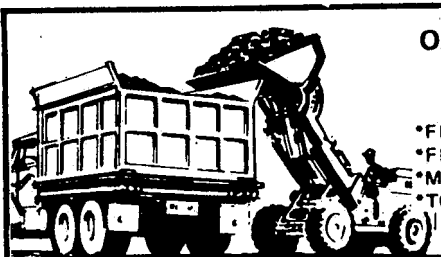
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TOWNSHIP BOARD OF HEALTH
September 4, 1979

The meeting called to order at 7:15 p.m.

Roll: Lozano, Rose, Thayer, Tower, present; Powell, Ritter, Vandermark, absent.

The Board declared a home a public hazard and asked the Building Department to proceed with immediate condemnation.

Directed to accept the low bid for the removal of the public hazard.

Cemetery Fees

Increased the fees for the township cemetery effective immediately.

Health Officers

Appointed a health officer for the township.

The meeting adjourned at 7:24 p.m. All votes were unanimous unless otherwise indicated. The Township Board is also the Township Board of Health and Board of Health meetings are called as needed.

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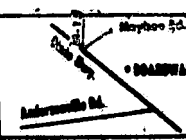
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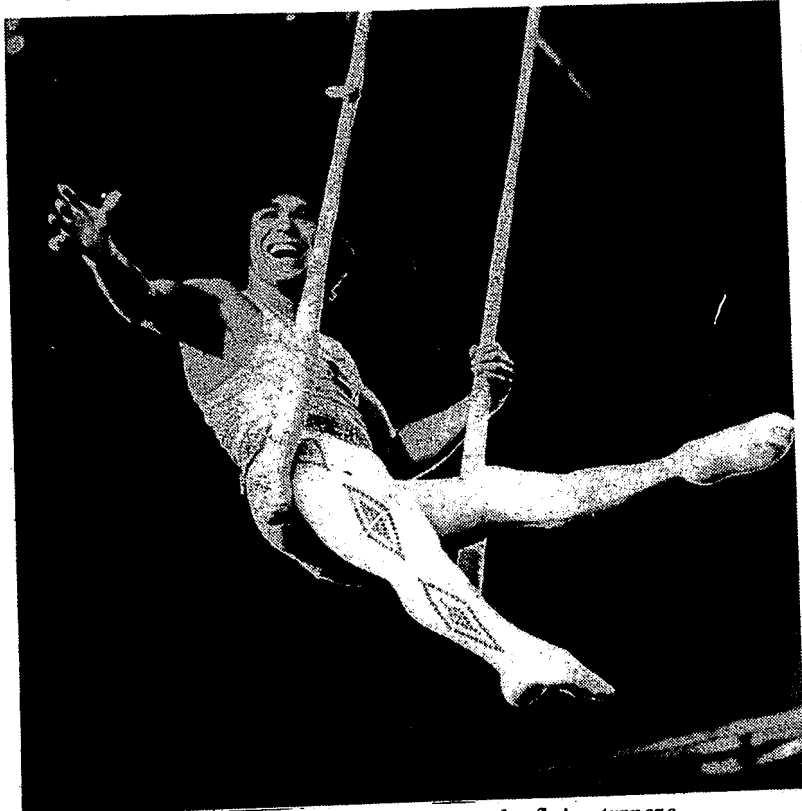
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Faculty exhibit reception, Birmingham-Bloomfield Art Association, 1516 S. Cranbrook, Birmingham, 2-5 p.m. Sept. 15.

Works of more than 70 art instructors are on view. Gallery hours are 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday. During the last half of the reception, several of the instructors will discuss their work.

West Bloomfield Symphony Orchestra will open its 1979-80 season with an all-Tchaikovsky concert at West Bloomfield High School Oct. 14.

Included in this year's program will be an assortment of works covering the entire musical spectrum from Beethoven's seventh symphony to Scott Joplin's ragtime.

Performances throughout the season will begin at 7:30 p.m., with ticket prices set at \$6 for adults and \$3 for students and senior citizens. Concertgoers may reserve seats ahead of time by calling the symphony office at 626-1560.

"The Phantom," a musical based on the classic film "The Phantom of the Opera," at the Barn Theatre of Oakland University, Rochester, Sept. 14, 15, and 16 and 21, 22, 23.

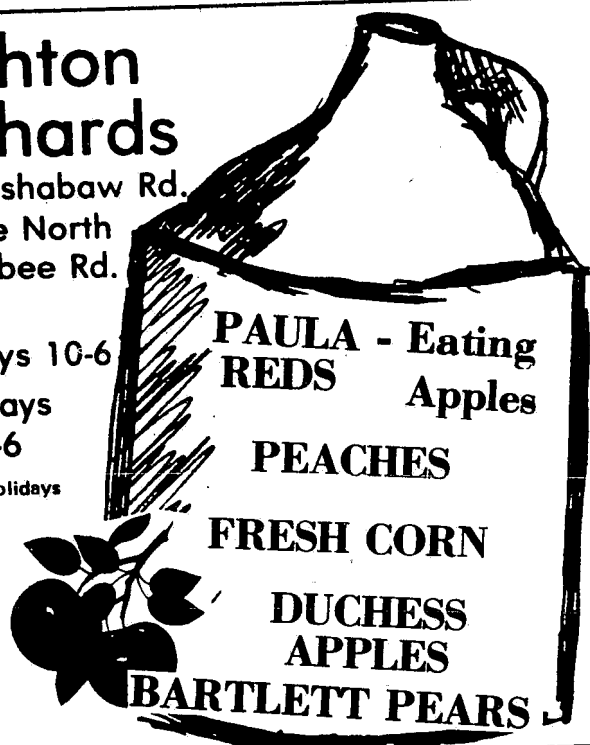
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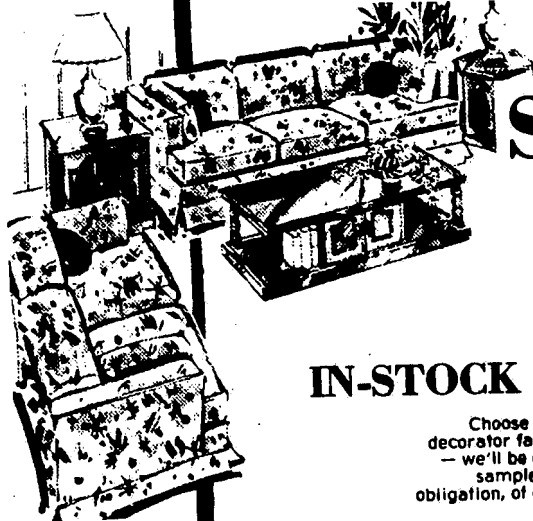
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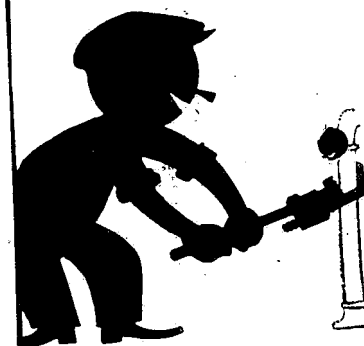
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Zahms enjoy old-fashioned night,



The Zahms enjoy a good card or board game at any time of the year, but they're looking forward to the shorter days of winter when they can share good times by firelight during their old-fashioned nights.

The first winter Dennis and Mary Zahm and their two children spent in their Independence Township home they had to endure the Big Blizzard of 1977.

The Zahms, along with thousands of other families in the area, had no electricity in their home for two days.

They had to make do with candles and oil lamps and fires in the fireplace.

They were housebound for two days without many modern

conveniences, including television.

They had a ball.

They played games, told stories, concentrated on each other. The experience was so rewarding it was the start of a family tradition: old-fashioned family nights.

"We had a lot of fun during the storm," Mary said. "After that, we decided, why wait for a disaster?"

Starting in October, the week-old old-fashioned nights will con-

tinue as long as it gets dark before the children's bedtime. The occasions lose their charm when daylight extends to 9 or 10 p.m.

Thursdays have been designated for old-fashioned nights because there are no regular outside commitments then.

It starts right after dinner," Dennis said. "We get out the oil lamps, light a fire in the fireplace in the living room and play card games or board games."

The children—Jennifer, 9, and Jenji, 3—have been enthusiastic supporters of the family event.

Last winter his parents attempted to skip one old-fashioned night but Benji wouldn't hear of it. In fact, he has been successful in expanding this particular brand of family fun to other nights, when the wait until the next Thursday became too long.

He and his sister each have their own candle. These are lighted in addition to the oil lamps.

After the electrical lights are turned off, a real attempt is made not to revert to them. Flashlights are used for trips out of the living room.

Besides playing games, the elder Zahms read stories to their children.

"And the kids entertain us," Mary said. "They don't need any music to dance."

Jennifer, who was in an extra-curricular gymnastics class last year and also is learning how to play the piano, gave the family demonstrations so they could keep tabs on her progress.

The old-fashioned evenings are the Zahms' special way of insuring that the family members pay attention to each other during a week which can sometimes become hectic.

The parents know the importance of this kind of communication.

Dennis is a child care supervisor at Clinton Valley Center, and Mary, a master's-level psychologist, also works with children.

"A lot of our therapy is just getting kids to talk," she said.

They limit the old-fashioned evenings to the family, although Dennis noted they often entertain in a similar manner when they do have company.

Aside from her professional viewpoint, Mary has her own childhood to refer to in support of the just-for-family evenings.

She grew up in Kansas in a large family.

"My parents reserved Sundays for picnics or trips to historical sites," she said. "In Kansas, there are a lot of forts and other historical sites for families to visit."

As a teenager, Mary rebelled against being required to spend Sundays with her family.

"But now I really look back on those as good memories," she said.

Dennis, the oldest of four children, recalls camping trips that were important to his family.

The old-fashioned nights also relate to the Zahms' philosophy of being as self-sufficient as possible.

Mary sews most of her and Jennifer's clothes, and Dennis has crafted many of the finishing touches in their home.

She does macrame and needlepoint work. He made their daughter a puppet theater last Christmas.

"I think things are more meaningful when you make them," Mary said. "When you buy them, they're all the same."

"We both enjoy working with our hands—and so does Jennifer."

With a six-year gap, between their two children, the Zahms have been somewhat hard-pressed to find games they can all enjoy.

For some games, Benji and his mother team up.

The parents attempt to keep the games on a noncompetitive, just-for-fun level.

"If the emphasis is on winning, it can be bad," Dennis said. "If it's on having fun, it's a good experience."

They don't usually bend the rules for their children, Mary said.

"Sometimes," she noted, "the kids make up new games using the same parts with different rules."

Both youngsters said they're looking forward to the start of old-fashioned nights again this year.

One problem that fell by the wayside with the family's regular turning off of electricity was Benji's fear of the dark.

"Now he says, 'Hello dark,' and is not afraid anymore," his mother said.



The fascination of firelight sets the tone for the old-fashioned evenings ahead for Jennifer Zahm, her brother and parents.

School lunch menu

SEPTEMBER

- 17—Hot Dog in bun or Chili with Bread & Butter, Carrots, Green Beans or Apple Cobbler.
- 18—Meat Balls with Bread & Butter or Pinwheels, Mashed Potatoes, Lettuce Salad, Fruit and Milk.
- 19—BBQ on bun or Macaroni & Cheese with Bread & Butter, Stewed Tomatoes, Peas or Fruit and Milk.
- 20 Tacos or Baked Beans & Hot Dog with Roll & Butter, Spinach, Corn or Pears & Milk.
- 21—Fishwich or Goulash with Bread & Butter, Cabbage Salad, Buttered Beets or Fruit & Milk.
- 24—Cheeseburger or Spaghetti & Meat Sauce with Bread & Butter, Potatoes, Carrots or Fruit and Milk.
- 25—Peanut Butter Sandwich, Cheese Wedge or Lasagna with Homemade Roll & Butter, Peas, Spinach or Applesauce and Milk.
- 26—Sloppy Joe on bun or Chili with Bread & Butter, Corn, Vegetable Salad, Fruit & Milk.
- 27—Pizzaburger or Spanish Rice with Bread & Butter, Green Beans, Lettuce Salad, Fruit Cup and Milk.
- 28—Homemade Chicken Soup with Bread & Butter or Cheese & Egg Sandwich, Potatoes, Pickled Beets and Milk.

Menu is subject to Change

Police auction

Items ranging from a bulldozer to hospital beds will be on the auction block during the Oakland County Sheriff's Department sale of unclaimed stolen property and the County Executive Auction scheduled Sept. 15.

The surplus government property from the county to be auctioned includes three 18-foot fiberglass boats, two GMC vans and 15 passenger vehicles.

The sheriff's sale is to begin at 10 a.m. at the County Service Center, 1200 N. Telegraph Rd., just north of the Pontiac Mall.

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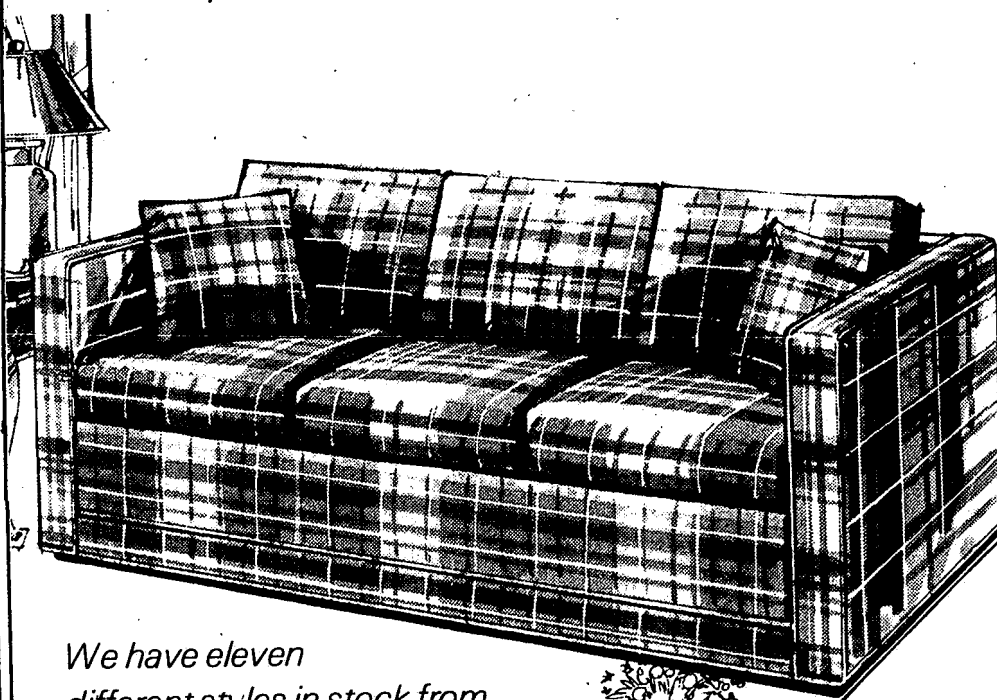
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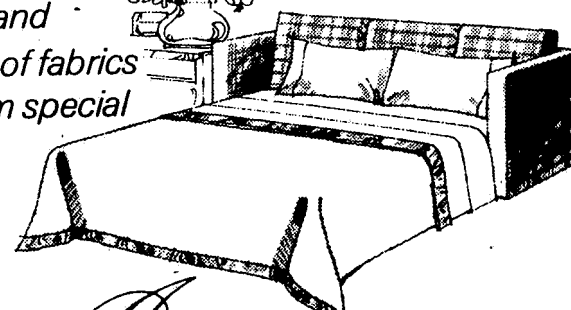
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Girl's dog first at state fair

Kim Roberts and her poodle Pippi walked away with a stack of ribbons and trophies during August.

Obedience classes were started for her year-old standard poodle in June by Kim, 16, who lives on Whipple Lake Road, Independence Township.

Then on Aug. 1, she entered Pippi in obedience and showmanship at the 4-H Fun Match in Davisburg and won a first in obedience and second in showmanship.

At first, though, she found herself winning prizes, because there was little competition in Kim's age group for beginners.

That soon ended as they entered larger shows, and Kim and Pippi won first premium obedience and took top prize in showmanship at the Michigan State Fair a little over a week ago against 15 competitors in each category.

"I was surprised when I won at the state fair, because there were a lot of really nice dogs," Kim said.

Showing her dog and giving him directions while under the

watchful eye of judges while in the ring has had its traumatic moments.

"You can't touch him or anything, you just say it once and hope he does it," she said. "At one fair, he never did come."

In all, four trophies and several ribbons were won by Kim and Pippi at shows including the State 4-H Dog Show, the Oakland County 4-H Fair and the Wayne County Fair.

She's giving her dog a break from training, but plans to begin the 15-minute daily sessions again soon.

Membership in 4-H and work with her horses at fairs got Kim interested in having a dog to show.

A junior at Clarkston High School, Kim is the daughter of Virgil and Diane Roberts.

She plans to attend Michigan State University and become a veterinarian for small animals.

Kim said she talked her parents into buying Pippi, because he doesn't shed.

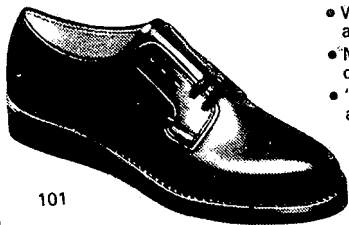
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"They're pretty proud of me," Kim said.



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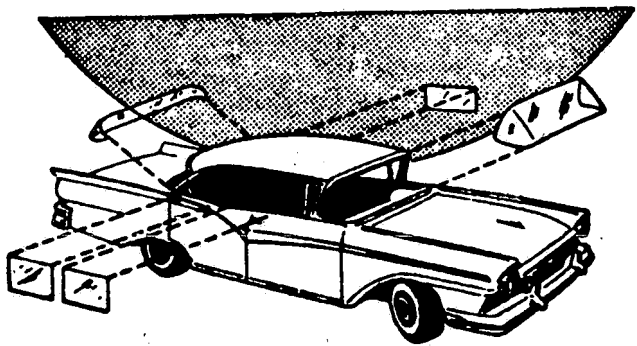
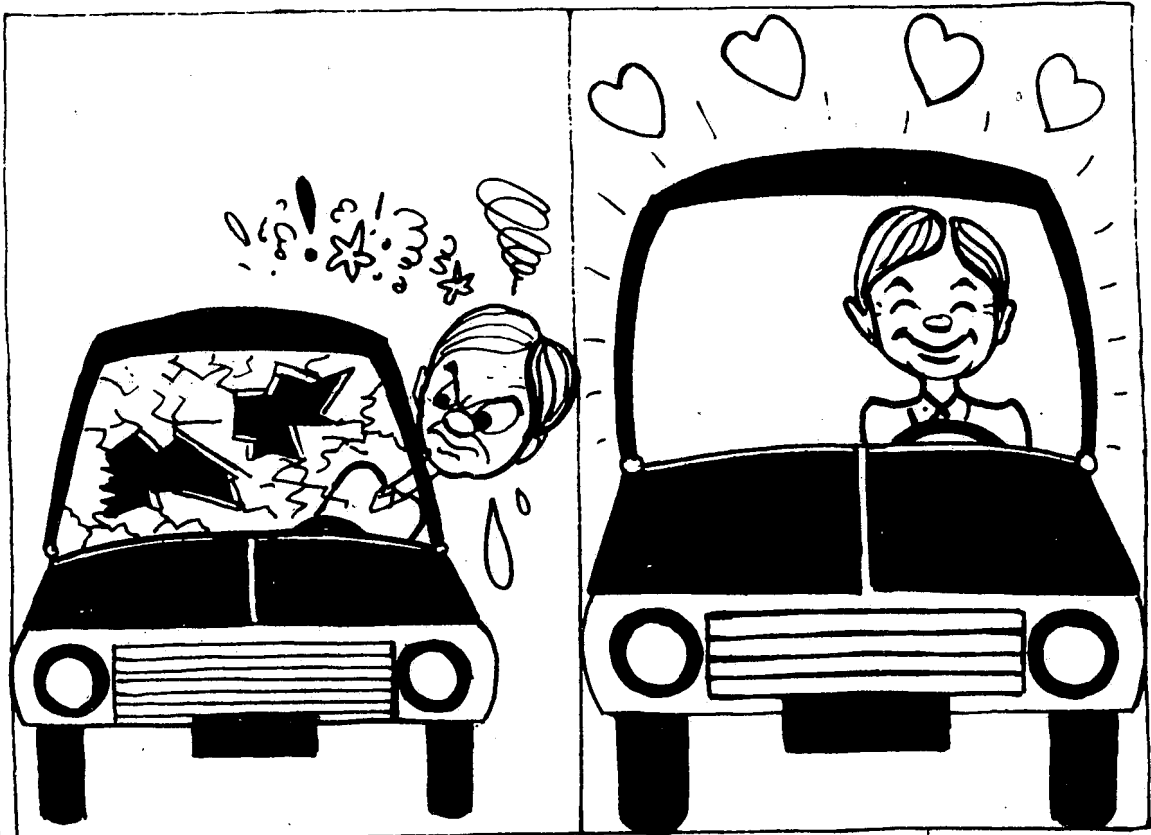


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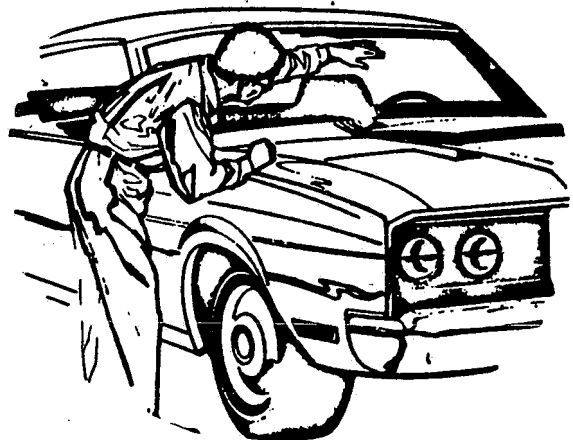
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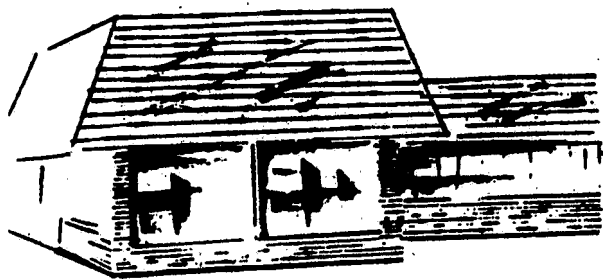
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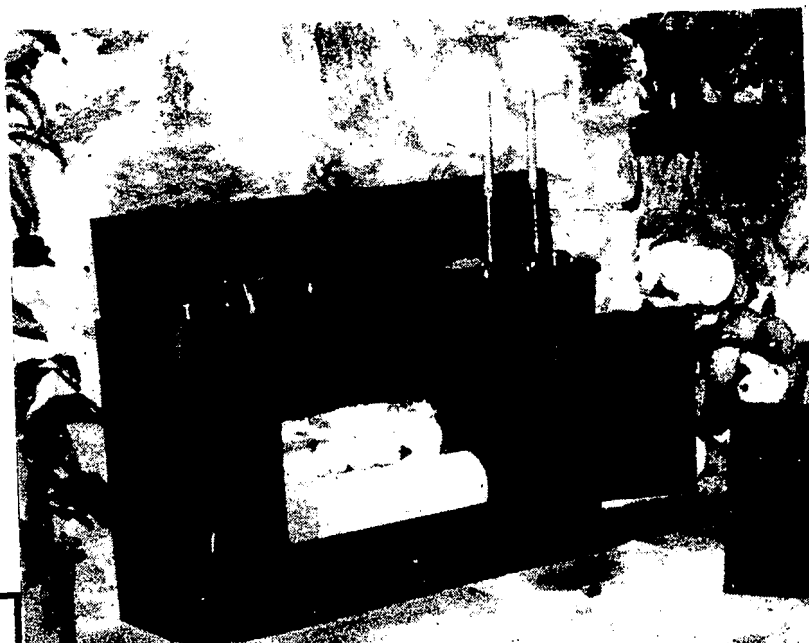
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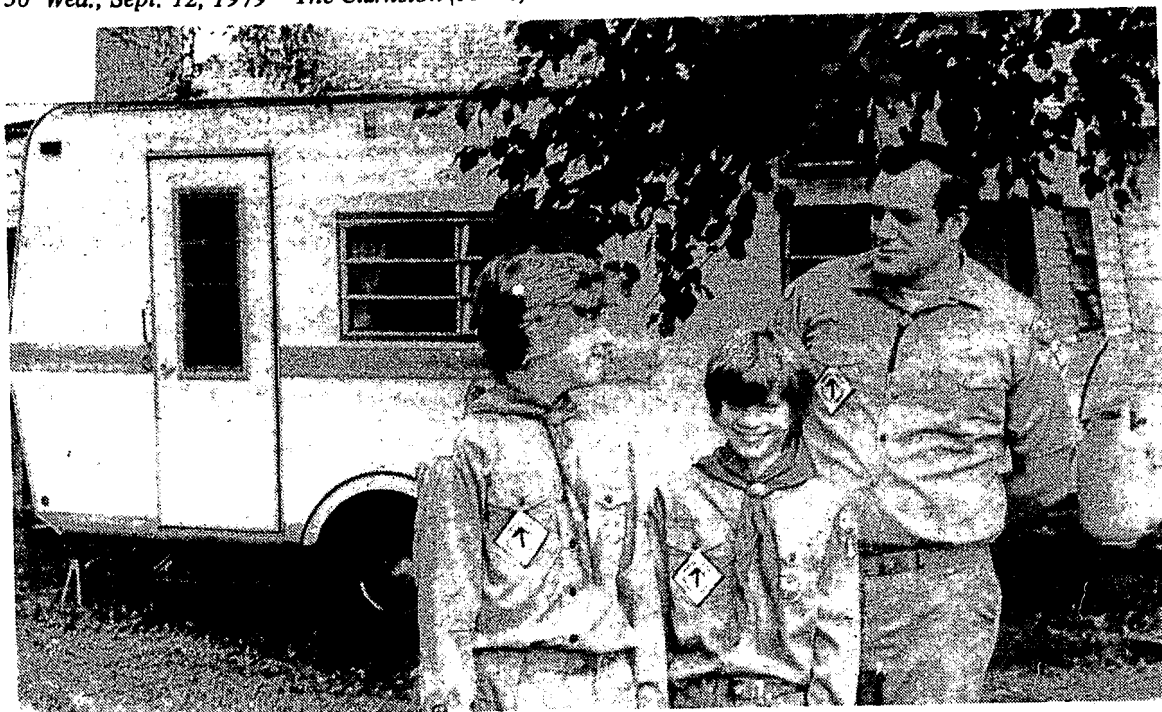
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Boy Scouts [from left] Philip and Matt Montreuil and Scout Master Tom Gray are among those who will use the 19-foot camper. While the camper awaits its new home, it is being stored by the Montreuils on Clintonville Road, Independence Township.

Scouts have trailer, now need barn

Boy Scout Troop 105 needs donations for a rummage sale with a difference—they're trying to raise \$3,500 for materials to build a pole barn.

The Independence Township troop's need for a barn started with a request in newspapers for a supply trailer for the boys; numerous camping and hiking outings.

When a call came from a philanthropic Independence Township couple who wishes to remain anonymous, Scout Master Tom Gray went to look at the trailer they offered.

"How could we refuse it?" he asked, pointing to the 19-foot travel trailer. "It's really a nice trailer."

"Our original thought was to rebuild the inside," he said. "We don't even have to do that."

The trailer is quite a contrast to the "old, built-up snowmobile trailer" the scouts used to use, Gray said. "The door kept falling off and it leaked."

The trailer is a boon for the group that loves to camp—their first outing with the camper along is planned soon at Camp Agawam in Orion Township.

And a hiking and camping trip to the Smokey Mountains next year will utilize the trailer as a base camp.

A refrigerator will hold food for the outings, a bed will be available for any scout not feeling well and there's even a bathtub.

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Road, Independence Township, has agreed to let the boys use its land to build a storage structure if the pole barn is large enough to hold the post's tractor.


The scouts are looking for donations of used furniture, appliances, clothes in good condition, toys, bikes, books, outdoor

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SYNOPSIS

OF ACTION TAKEN BY THE
INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP BOARD
September 4, 1979

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m.

Roll: Lozano, Ritter, Rose, Thayer, Vandermark, Tower, present. Powell, absent.

1. Agreed to add 2 items to the agenda.
2. Tabled action on the proposed M-15 drain until the State Department of Transportation holds its hearings on the widening of M-15. Ayes: Ritter, Rose, Thayer, Vandermark, Tower; Nay: Lozano; Absent: Powell.
3. Tabled action on the Hiwood drain to wait for an opinion from the township attorney. Ayes: Rose, Thayer, Vandermark, Tower; Nay: Lozano; Abstain: Ritter; Absent: Powell.
4. Rejected all bids for the D.P.W. maintenance building and authorized the rebidding of the project.
5. Added a .3 mill property purchase request to the October 16, 1979 special election ballot.
6. Approved bills totaling \$37,664.88.
7. Decided to send the Pine Knob Country Estates tentative preliminary plat back to the Planning Commission for review of an outlet to Pine Knob road. Ayes: Lozano, Ritter, Rose, Thayer, Vandermark; Nay: Tower; Absent: Powell.
8. Tabled action on an agreement with the Consortium for Human Development for review by the township attorney. Ayes: Ritter, Rose, Thayer, Vandermark, Tower; Nay: Lozano; Abstain: Powell.
9. Agreed to levy 1.9072 mills for the fire fund on the 1979 tax bills.
10. Agreed to levy .9536 mills for the police fund on the 1979 tax bills.
11. Agreed to levy .635 mills to pay for the sewer debt on the 1979 tax bills.
12. Approved the street lighting special assessment districts for the 1979 tax bills.
13. Decided not to levy any general fund millage for the 1979 tax bills. Ayes: Lozano, Rose, Vandermark, Tower; Nay: Ritter, Thayer; Absent: Powell.
14. Approved having Community Planning & Management, Inc., prepare a township wetlands map.
15. Tabled action on an increase in pay for the police reserves. Ayes: Lozano, Ritter, Rose, Thayer, Vandermark; Nay: Tower; Absent: Powell.
16. Tabled action on a contract with the school system on police traffic service.
17. Approved an amendment on a contract with the school system on police traffic service.
17. Approved an amendment to the townships' traffic ordinance.
18. Tabled action on the renovation of the senior citizen center carriage house.
19. Tabled action on the use of the Flemings Lake road property as a park site.
20. Approved an SDM-SDD liquor license transfer from 4740 Clarkston road to 4710 Clarkston road.
21. Accepted the low bidder on the demolition of a home that had been declared a public nuisance.
22. Designated Pontiac State Bank, Community National Bank of Pontiac and First Federal Savings of Oakland as depositories of Independence Township funds.
23. Approved a resolution asking for federal aid to repair the bridge on Andersonville Road.
24. Rescheduled the regular meeting of October 16 due to the special election that day and set it for October 23, 1979.
25. Discussed the office space problem in the Assessor's Office.
26. Approved having the Assessor post a new position in that office.
27. Appointed a new senior citizen site hostess.
28. The meeting adjourned at 1:30 a.m. All votes were unanimous unless otherwise indicated. The next regular meeting of the Independence Township Board will be September 18, 1979, at 7:30 p.m. Some tentative agenda items include:

1. Hiwood-Chapter 20 drain resolution.
2. Rezoning R1R to R1C - Brennan.
3. Oakland County "Right-of-Way" proposal.
4. Oak Hill Meadows No. 2 tentative preliminary plat.
5. Police reserve rate.
6. Police school contract.

Christopher L. Rose, Clerk

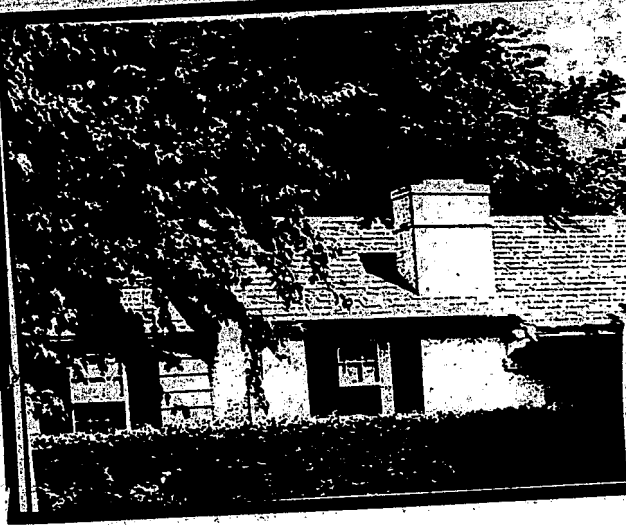
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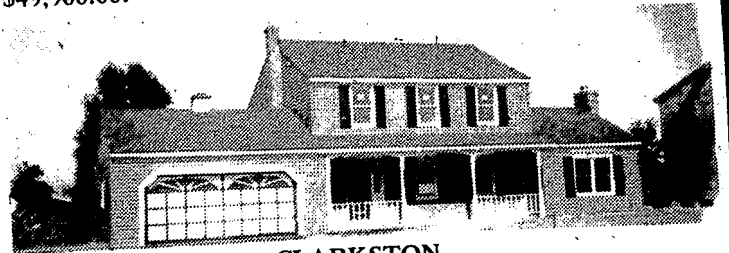
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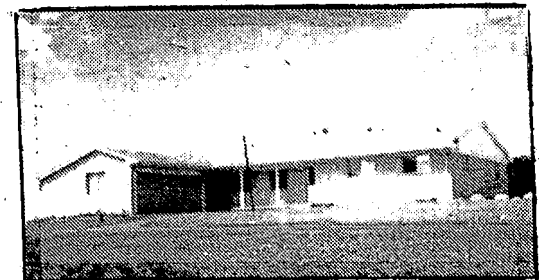
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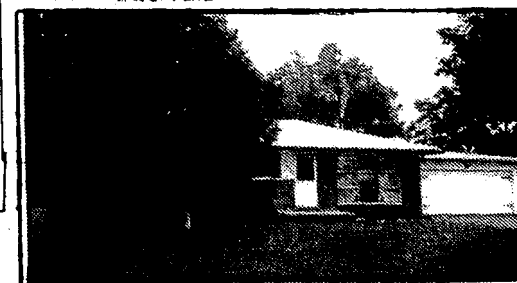


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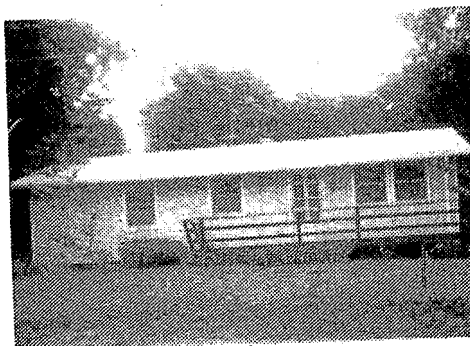
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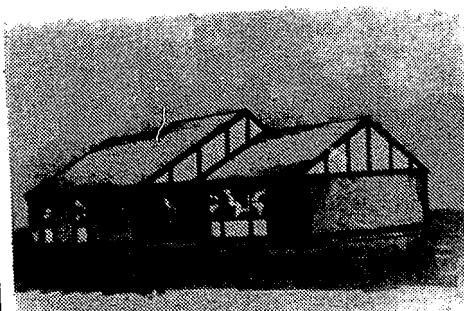
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A mother facing a five-or-six-year-old going off to school for the first may fully understand for the very first time the import of our initial statement.

Mothers, perhaps more so than fathers, who at least pretend to understand and handle everything in stride, often feel the anxiety and trauma and sense of loss that sending a child to school brings.

After nurturing, loving, protecting this cute and sensitive child, you must give him up to a horde of howling children, a bus driver who may not care much about this one child and a school full of busy youngsters and adults who know their way around.

Will your child find his classroom? Get along with the other children? Be picked on and ridiculed? Hurt himself on the playground? Get on the wrong bus coming home? Miss you at school and cry? Get kidnapped walking home?

All of these feelings are there for most young parents embarking on the beginning of a school career with their first (or sometimes youngest and last) child.

The day will go slowly. And some mothers may feel a sense of relief if they have first followed

the bus in the car to spy on the child to make sure the principal or a friendly teacher met new kids getting off the bus to make sure they got to the right room. But, the day will crawl by and you will be at the bus stop early waiting anxiously for the bus and the precious child to return safe and sound.

How the child handles the first day and week in school and separation from his mother will depend on how much time and

effort has been devoted prior to that time learning to allow the child to be separate and an individual. All of those nights that he or she was allowed to spend the night with grandma or play two houses down the block will pay off.

How the mother has handled her separation anxieties will either give the child a sense of self-assurance and a feeling of independence or will hamper

such efforts to find himself in a new role in this world.

When the child finally returns home from that first day at school, you can hardly wait to ask him how it was and the exciting events of the day.

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During the noon-5 p.m. event, there will be pioneer craft demonstrations, a muzzle loaders' shoot, a Revolutionary soldier close-order drill, pony cart rides, races, games and old-fashioned goodies to sample. The center is located at 3854 Crawford Road. Admission is \$1 for adults and 50 cents for children.

Exercise both your body and mind at the YWCA's fall classes.

Pontiac-North Oakland YWCA will start autumn workshops, clinics and classes in October. Classes for children include yoga, ballet, and creative dramatics, while adult classes feature daytime and evening yoga and swimming.

In addition, new workshops providing instruction in assertion training, coping with stress, time management and handling personal, family and financial problems will be offered.

For more information, call the YWCA at 334-0973.

Join a square dance club, even if you're single and don't have a partner to help form a square.

The Solo Stars Square Dance Club, which meets Monday nights at Schoenhals School in Madison Heights, is accepting beginning dancers through Oct. 1. More advanced members meet on Thursdays. For information call John at 773-0062, Helen at 588-3834 or Marcia at 781-3216.

Tour Battle Alley in Holly with the Waterford Welcome Wagon Club Sept. 20.

The tour will be followed by lunch in Fenton. Newcomers to the area can call 673-6053 for

reservations or 673-3836 for information about the club.

Get some assistance in searching for Canadian ancestors at an Oct. 6 seminar, "Lost in Canada?" sponsored by the North Oakland Genealogical Society at Oakland University.

Joy Reisinger, author of a book on Canadian genealogical research, will conduct the seminar from 10 a.m. to 3:30

p.m. at Oakland Center. The fee is \$9 if paid by Sept. 20, or \$10 at the door. Reservations can be made with Mrs. Paula B. Johnson, 130 Annadale, Leonard 48038.

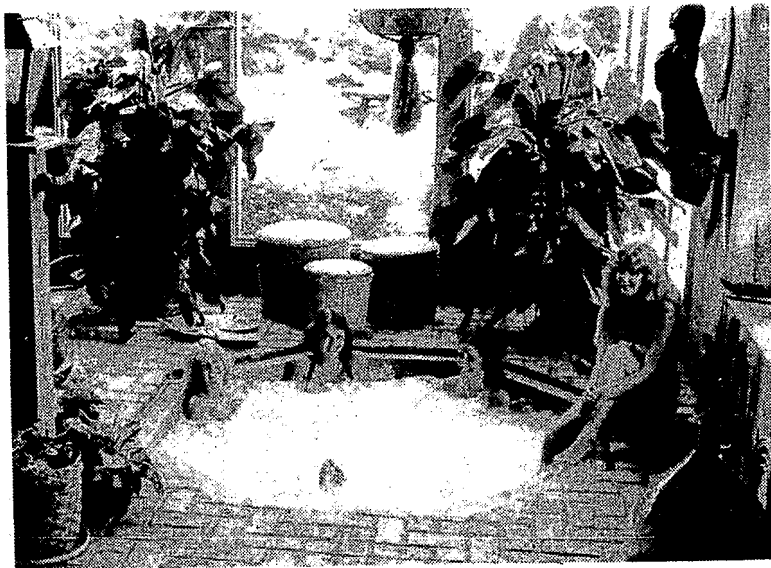
View fashions and furs from Chudick's of Birmingham and support the teenage parents program of the Children's Center in Detroit.

The Wayne County

Osteopathic Association Auxiliary will hold its ninth annual luncheon and fashion show at Vladimir's in Farmington Sept. 25. For tickets or information, call Mrs. Diane Schwartz, 545-8355, or Mrs. Sue Oipari, 851-4427

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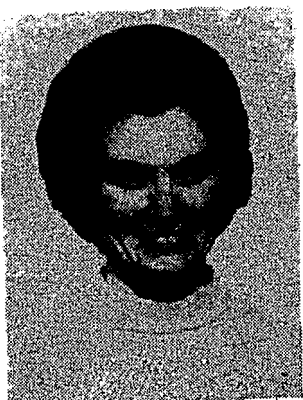
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Jerry Cokewell, of the In-

dependence Squares, will be on hand to do the calling.

Refreshments will also be free at the dance held at the church located at 6805 Bluegrass, Independence Township.

For more information, call Louise at 394-0649.

Cheerers honored

Our Lady of the Lakes Catholic High School varisty cheerleaders won the third-place team award at the 1979 session of the United States Cheerleaders' Association held recently in Hartland.

Members of the award-win-

ning team are Margaret Allen, Waterford; Amy Serra, Waterford; Caron Erznaznik, Pontiac; Laurie Seeterlin, Drayton Plains; Audrey Hryckowian, Holly; Ann Mauro, Waterford; Angie Jacques, Waterford; and Carol Harworth, Clarkston.

College news

Lester Holt of Pine Knob Road, Independence Township, was among recent graduates of the truck driver training program at Lansing Community College.

Holt completed the four-week course and passed an extensive road trip in excess of 1,000 miles.

Robert Wolley has received his master's degree from the University of Michigan through a fellowship program.

Robert, who also completed his undergraduate studies at University of Michigan magna cum laude, is a 1972 graduate of Clarkston High School.

Previously an employee of the Dow Chemical Co., Midland, he

has left for Tucson, Ariz., where he will be employed by IBM as a chemical engineer.

Robert is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Wooley.

Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Roy R. LaLone of Pontiac, three of whose six children live in the Independence-Springfield area, will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary Sept. 19.

Their children include Robert and Raymond of Clarkston, Mike of Davisburg, Larry and Nanette of Waterford Township and Betty Arthur of Waterford Township. They also have 15 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.



Chapman gets parade award

The top award for the Labor Day parade participants goes to Clarkston High School band director Clifford Chapman [center] for the marching band's performance. On hand to make the Rotary President's Award is Delton Lohff [left], president of the Clarkston Rotary Club. CHS Principal Dom Mauti offers his congratulations. Other winners in the parade were the Clarkston United Methodist Church for the entry that most typifies the "International Year of the Child" theme; Mr. G's of Waterford Township for the best float; Timberline Estates for second in the float category; Clarkston Community historical Society for third place float; the Davisburg Jaycettes for best costumes; Sashabaw Valley Alternative Marching Band placed second for costumes; and Deer Lake Racquet Club won third place costume honors. Honorable mention was won by the Clarkston Chiefs, CHS varsity cheerleaders, Independence Squares, the old-fashioned steam engine, Clarkston Junior High School cheerleaders and Emerson Brown in his 1911 Buick.



Firefighters, Pine Knob help MD

The Musculr Dystrophy organization is grateful to Pine Knob and so are the Independence Township Firefighters, because local firemen collected more than \$5,000 for the charity this year by stationing themselves near the music theater gate before concerts. At a recent plaque presentation are [from left] Jerry Staley, music theater manager Joel DuShane, Dwight Spiker, Ed Bailey and Pine Knob community relations director George S. White.

Recipe File

By Lorna Bickerstaff

This recipe for Pumpkin Cake Roll was given to us by Mrs. Charles (Sharon) Chamberlain last spring, but pumpkin reminds me of fall.

Pumpkin Cake Roll

3 eggs
1 c sugar
2/3 c pumpkin
1 t lemon juice
3/4 c flour
1 t baking powder
2 t cinnamon
1 t ginger
1/2 t nutmeg
1/2 t salt

1 c chopped walnuts

Beat eggs at high speed 5 minutes. Gradually beat in sugar. Stir in pumpkin, lemon juice. Stir together flour, baking powder, cinnamon, ginger, nutmeg and salt. Fold into pumpkin. Spread in greased and floured 15x10x1-in. pan.

Top with nuts. Bake in 375° oven for 15 minutes. Turn out on towel sprinkled with powdered sugar. Starting at narrow end, roll towel and cake together. Cool. Unroll for filling.

Filling: Combine 1 cup powdered sugar, two 3-oz. pkgs cream cheese, 4 T butter and 1/2 t vanilla, beat smooth, spread over cake, roll and chill.

New arrival

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Schiller of Cheboygan became the parents of a new daughter Sept. 7.

Mrs. Schiller is former Clarkston resident Janice Wedge.

Alana Marie weighed in at 8 pounds and measured 20 inches.

Awaiting her arrival home was her brother Craig, 19 months.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Wedge of Susin

Lane, Independence Township, and Mrs. Gladys Schiller of Levering.

Great-Grandparents are former Clarkston residents Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Asbaugh of Harrison.

Around town

Thursday, Sept. 13--PLUS (People Listening, Understanding and Sharing) committee meeting, 7:30 p.m., Clarkston Schools Special Services Building, 6590 Middle Lake, Independence Township, first meeting of the fall, those interested in becoming committee members may attend.

Thursday, Sept. 13-- Woman's Interdenominational Bible Study classes to begin with a coffee and question-and-answer session, 9:15 to 11:30 a.m.,

Drayton Heights Free Methodist Church, corner of Winnell and Maybee roads, Independence Township. (Char Cowdin—625-5408)

Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sept. 13, 14 and 15--Used book sale, Springfield Township Library, 10900 Andersonville, noon - 6 p.m. Sept. 13, 14 and 9 a.m. - noon Sept. 15.

Saturday, Sept. 15--Davisburg Jaycees and Jaycettes '50s-'60' Dance, Springfield Oaks

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Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 15 and 16--"Born Again," a film on Watergate figure Charles Colson's life and religious rebirth, 7:30 p.m., First Church of God, 6300 Clarkston-Orion Rd., Independence Township, free.

Tuesday, Sept. 18 and Wednesday, Sept. 19--Recruitment meetings for Camp Fire, on Sept. 18 at Bailey Lake and Andersonville elementary schools and on Sept. 19 at Pine Knob and Clarkston elementary schools, 7 p.m. at all

locations, for all boys and girls in first and second grades and for all girls in third through sixth grades, slide show and refreshments.

Wednesday, Sept. 19--Independence Township Safety Path Committee meeting, 7:30 p.m., Township Hall, 90 N. Main, Clarkston, anyone interested in attending is welcome. (Blair Schweitzer, 625-1711).

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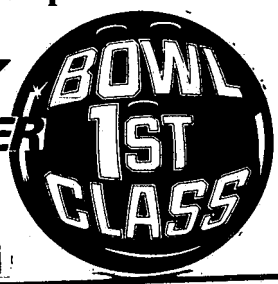
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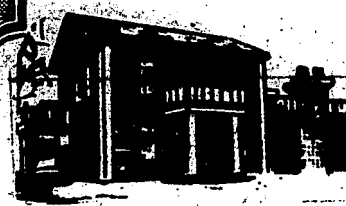
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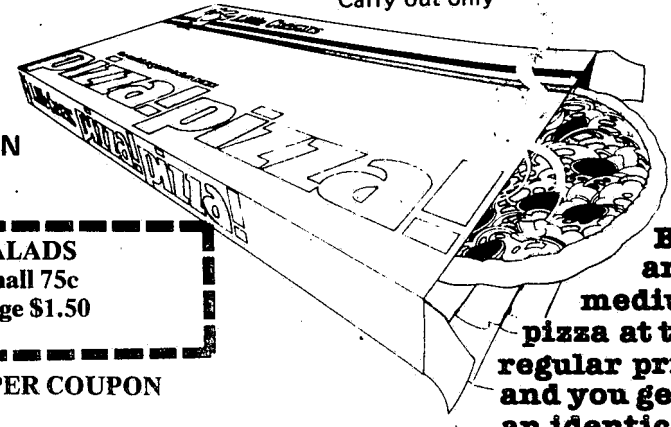
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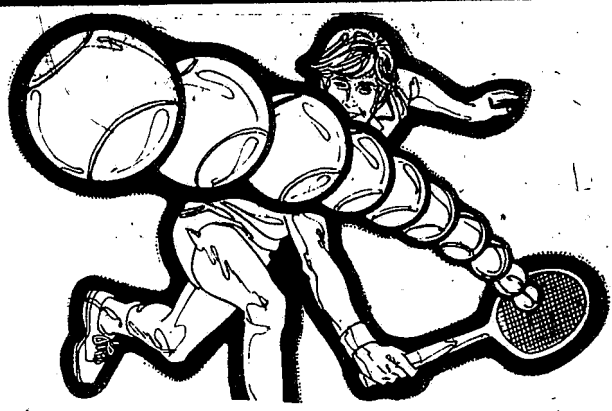
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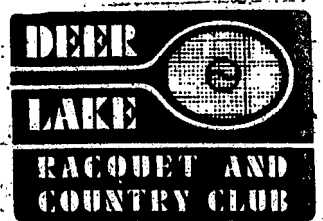
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Beth Anderson presented Dr. Harold Ford a Plaque of Appreciation for his many years of assistance and advice in the school sponsored fluoride program.

The high school opening found two prominent changes: One the addition of a new trophy-display case in the common's area and the second the fact that only grades 10 through 12 will be housed there this year.

25 YEARS AGO
September 9, 1954

Local residents may note a familiar face in the current issue of the Saturday Evening Post. Ronny Walter appears in the issue, as the photographer's model, for the advertisement for New Departure bicycle brakes.



by Rustle Leaf

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FOR RENT: 3 bedroom home, Long
Lake area. Beautiful setting. No
pets, references required. \$400 per
mo. Call 546-8458 !!!LX-35-3 L-33-3
LR-50-3

**FRESHLY DECORATED ONE-
BEDROOM** Apartment. Carpeted,
appliances, heat furnished. North
of Oxford. Ideal for couple. 628-5805
!!!LX-35-1c L-33-3c

1978 RM125 SUZUKI. \$700. Ex-
cellent condition. 752-9119
!!!LX-35-1

FOR SALE: 1972 Bolens
snowmobile for parts, super good
shape, \$70 or best offer. Also 1973
440 Free Air Skidoo, \$350 or best of-
fer. 628-1621 !!!LX-35-2

FOR SALE: 1972 350 KAWASAKI.
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ROSSIGNOL SKIS, Look bindings,
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19 FT. SAILBOAT, loaded, trailer,
sleeps 2. Trade for or toward
economy car or \$3500. Dealers in-
vited. 651-1063 or 651-4574
!!!LX-35-1

1972 DUNE BUGGY, VW, fiberglass
body, excellent engine. \$750.
628-9281 !!!AX-35-1

YELLOW LAB: Male, \$75, no papers.
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693-9014 !!!LX-35-1

ONE YEAR OLD GOLDEN Lab,
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excellent watch dog. 628-7257
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**SPECIAL NEW BOX SPRINGS &
mattresses,** quilted, \$100 per set,
this month only at Hall's Auction,
705 W. Clarkston Rd., Lake Orion,
693-1871 !!! R50-1, RA35-1, RL33-1,
RC3-1

MOVING SALE: Keatington
Meadows, clothing to kitchenware,
even a Xmas tree. Thurs. thru Sat.,
3339 Blasser Dr. 391-0517. !!!R-50-1
RC3-1 RA35-1

FOR SALE: Tandem Axle trailer. 15
ft. bed, 2-6000 lb. axles, electric
brakes, \$750. 628-5265 !!!X-35-2

BEAR WHITE TAIL Compound Bow,
like new. \$65. Call 628-1165 after
5pm !!!X35-1c

CARPETING, 8x11, spinet organ,
dinette table & six chairs, reclining
chair with vibrator, light maple
hutch. Best offer. 628-4044 !!!X-35-1

PEARS FOR SALE: 1245 Rhodes, Lk.
Orion. 693-6840. \$5 bushel. !!!X-35-2
LR-50-3

1969 CHEVELLE for parts, make of-
fer. 8 wk. old male cock-a-poo pup
for sale, \$10. 628-7879 !!!X-35-1

GAS DRYER (Whirlpool, Avocado),
2-tone pink shag carpeting, 16x10,
horse tank. 693-2557 !!!LX-35-1

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struments, draw bars, tape. Ex-
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after 4:30. !!!LX-35-1

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Airlines. \$50. 693-1815 !!!AX-35-2

FROST FREE REFRIGERATOR,
Philco, 16 ft. coppertone, good con-
dition. Call 627-4869 !!!LX-35-1

AMF SLATE POOL TABLE, regula-
tion size, \$550; Wurlitzer spinet
piano, \$900; 350 Honda CL, \$450,
Honda 70, \$200; high back swivel
desk chair, brown vinyl & cloth, \$75.
652-6426 !!!X-35-1

GRAY GEESE, reasonable. Chests
of drawers, different styles,
693-2070 after 4pm !!!AX-35-1

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Pointer, Terrier mix. 628-3880
!!!LX-35-1

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1978 HONDA, 5-speed Accord. 27,000 miles. \$5300. 625-0584. !!!X-4-1p

1977 KROWN TENT CAMPER, sleeps 8, furnace and refrigerator, stove, curtains, like new, only used 3 times. \$1800. 625-4865 after 4:30. !!!1-2c3c

BOOTHBY'S OLD FARM SHOP. Sept. clearance table. 33-50 percent off. Dixie & White Lk. Rd. 625-5100 !!!3-2cncac

BOOT SALE: Buy one at regular price - second pair half off. (Western, English, Fashion, & insulated boots). Sept. 12th - 19th. Covered Wagon Saddlery. 628-1849. !!!X-35-1c

FIREPLACE, RED CONE, magic heat, pipes, grate. \$160 or best offer. 628-5978 !!!A-34-2, 1 cw 3-2

CLARKSTON EVERGREEN NURSERY has a variety of nursery stock. 12 to 18 inch potted transplants 3 for \$10. We also have larger trees. We do landscaping and sod work. Call for free estimates. 625-8782. !!!52-6cwp

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PLANNING A PARTY? Clarkston News now has "Hello My Name Is" name tags in red, blue, and green.

Old fashion maple bedroom set. Double bed with head & foot board, wide 3 drawer chest w/mirror plus tall 4-drawer chest. Very good mattress & springs included if desired. \$160. 394-0179 !!!3-2cwc

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SEARS 2-SPEED HUMIDIFIER, \$35, Magnavox Odyssey 200 TV game used once, \$50; Kodak EK 4 instant camera with case, \$30; Delco AM 8 track stereo, \$25; chair, \$20. 394-0634 or 623-1687 (Pam) !!!3-2cwc

1 ONLY - Pine end table, \$50; Maple brunch table, \$30; 3 marble top tables, \$158; 3 glass top tables, \$100; Chrome base table lamp, \$30. Winghamire Furniture Store-Holly. !!!X-4-1c

1 ONLY - Sofa - Floral nylon velvet that makes a full size bed. On sale for \$498.88. Winghamire Furniture Store-Holly. !!!X4-1c

FOR SALE

SINGER AUTOMATIC zig zag sewing machine, sews single or double needle. Designs, overcasts, buttonholes, etc. Modern cabinet. Take over payments of \$7 per mo. for 8 mos. or \$56 cash balance. Still under guarantee. Universal Sewing Center. FE4-0905 !!!X4-1c

COLONIAL country pine hutch & buffet. Beautiful honey pine with antique brass hardware. Excellent condition. \$300. 625-1038. !!!X4-1p

10-PIECE brown velvet pit group sectional sofa. Blue nylon frieze sleeper sofa, RCA 25" color TV, custom-built stereo cabinet w/Fisher Turntable. 625-4965 !!!X4-1c

TRAVEL TRAILER, Shasta. 15 ft. \$500. 693-9144. !!!X-35-1

1972 GP 433 YAMAHA Snowmobile. Will trade for air compressor & hydraulic floor jack or 14 ft. alum. fishing boat. 335-2184 !!!X-35-1

FOR SALE: Sears automatic iron filter. 3 wks. old. Still under warranty. Paid \$240, sell for \$180. 693-4728 !!!X-35-1

FOR SALE: GE side-by-side refrig., 2 yrs. old, like new, white. 391-9785 !!!RX35-1

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13 FT CUSTOM BOAT, 6 cylinder 1/0 motor, with trailer. \$900 or best offer. 391-1387 !!!X-35-1*

STARFIELD FOLK GUITAR. Brand new. 628-6246 !!!X-35-1

1978 STERLING MODULAR. 24x60. 1440 sq. ft. 3-bedroom, two full baths. Landscaped, family section, \$30,000 or best offer. 628-2098 !!!X-35-1 L-32-3

FOR SALE: Roll bar, grill bar, exhaust system from 1978 Jeep. Wet & dry vacuum. Good condition. 693-4856 after 6pm. !!!X-35-1*

JONATHAN & MCINTOSH APPLES (bring container) 405 E. Jackson St., Corner Hauxwell, Orion. !!!X-35-2*

FOR SALE: 1974 100 cc. Suzuki, purchased new July 75. Enduro fully equipped for st. or trail. Mint condition. 1500 actual miles. Garage-stored. Price includes tool kit & matching helmet. \$400. 391-3893 after 5pm. !!!X-35-1

SIGNATURE WASHER, Harvest gold, excellent condition. \$100; Frigidaire gas dryer, \$25. 391-3893 !!!X-35-1

FOR SALE: 1973 INDY 12x65 3-bedroom. Central air, water softener, upright freezer, shed. 693-8454. !!!X-35-2

2-BEDROOM HOUSE for rent in Lk. Orion. 2-car garage on 2 acres. \$350 per mo. plus utilities. 693-8444 !!!X-35-2c LR-50-3c

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FOR SALE

LIMITED EDITION. Annual Christmas ornament; Biedermann, Norman Rockwell and Wilton Armatale on sale thru Sept. Boothby's, White Lk. Rd. & Dixie 625-5100 !!!3-2cncac

WHEELHORSE TRACTOR - Snowblade, mower deck & chains. Needs new engine. \$170 or best offer. 625-9542 !!!X4-1c

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RAILROAD TIES, \$7.95 each. U-Load. Ortonville Stock Yard. M-15 at Mill St., 627-4360 !!!A-34-1f LWC-2-1f

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RED RASPBERRIES. U-pick. Plentiful 16 acres. Symanzik's Berry Farm. M-15, 2 1/2 miles north of Ortonville to Horton Rd., west 2 1/2 miles to Gale, north 1 block to E. Baldwin Rd., west 1/2 mile; or I-75 north to the Grand Blanc M-54 exit, north 1/2 mile to E. Baldwin Rd., east 2 1/2 miles. Ph. (313) 636-7714. !!!X35-1f



ATTENTION BRIDES: The Clarkston News will be happy to let you check out one of our wedding invitation books overnight or for the weekend. If there is a particular book you would like please call 625-3370 to reserve it. !!!22-dh

1977 NEW MOON mobile home, adult section Springfield Estates. 2 bedroom, redwood deck. All appliances, immaculate. 625-4138 !!!X4-1c

FOR SALE: International Farmall Cub Tractor with hydraulic lift, 60" mower, wheel wts. & chains, plow cultivator 2-section drag & disc., right angle power take-off, new over-sized tires. \$3500. 625-8715 after 1. !!!X4-1c

22 MAG. SAVAGE Ansh. rifle with scope, \$200. 625-4124. !!!X4-1c

FOR SALE: Oil fired boiler, 170,000 BTU. 7 yrs. old \$125. 628-6777 !!!X4-1c

EVERGREEN TREES, EVERGREEN SHRUBS, uprights, spreaders, large selection. 10 plants, \$30. You dig. Cedar Lane Evergreen Farm. 8970 Dixie Hwy., Clarkston. 625-1922. !!!X4-8p

BAND STUDENTS! Conn Coronet. Very good condition, \$75. Call 625-9424 evenings. !!!X4-1p

FLAT DECK trailer for light hauling or snowmobiles. Call 628-6217. !!!X-35-1

SURRY WITH FRINGE ON TOP, over 130 yrs. old, great condition. Also cutter and 4-piece bob sled. Must see. Ph. 1-359-5725. !!!X-35-1

WOOD STOVE: Old timer, Seria hearth, Grizzly Woody King. Fireplace inserts, Black Bart & old timer. Furnace adapting models. Energy mate, Southern Air & Royal. Ortonville Stock Yard, M-15 at Mill St. Hours Monday thru Sat., 9 to 6, Sunday 10 to 4. 627-4360 !!!X35-1f

FOR SALE

3 METAL GARAGE DOORS, 9x7', all hardware included. \$150. 628-5179 after 5 pm. !!!X-35-1

FRANKLIN STOVE with screen & grate. Like new. \$175 or best offer. Call 627-4409 !!!X-35-1*

250 YAMAHA DIRT BIKE. Good condition, \$250 or best offer. Call 627-4409 !!!X-35-1*

55 GAL. SALTWATER AQUARIUM. Eheim filter, custom stand, etc. 625-1889 after 6pm. !!!X4-1p

APPLES & PEARS-U-PICK. Macintosh & Barlett pears, also Jonathan delicious & N. Spy apples later this season. After 4 weekdays & after 10 on weekends. Pacer's Orchard, 10380 Gibbs Rd., Holly. 634-8112 !!!X4-1p

1971 HONDA CBI75. \$225. 693-8233 !!!A-34-2 LCW-3-2

WALNUT LUMBER, Rough sawn. After 5pm & weekends. 628-3478 !!!X-35-4c

FOR SALE, NEW IDEA mow/conditioner, good condition. \$1,300. Call 693-8405 !!!X-35-1

FIREWOOD, last few orders at last years price. 2 face cords for \$80, delivered. 628-0693 !!!X-35-4

74 RUPP RMT-80 trail bike with extra new engine. \$325. 798-3484, Leonard. !!!X-35-1

MINI-MOTOR HOME: 23' Kountry Aire, Ford 460. \$11,900. 628-3147. !!!X-35-1

ATTENTION, BAND STUDENT: Flute for sale; prime condition; Haynes. \$125. Call after 1:00 628-1720. !!!X-35-1

1975 MINI MOTOR HOME, excellent condition. Reasonable offer. 797-4116 !!!X-35-2

FOR SALE: 2 free-standing fireplaces, one with Magic Heat. Call after 4. 628-1549 !!!X-35-1

FOR SALE: Holton trombone, school approved. \$150. 3030 rifle, \$85. 22 rifle, \$35. 391-0785 !!!X-35-1

16 FT. STARCRAFT, 85 H.P. Johnson with power tilt, full canvas, with trailer. Equipped. Best offer over \$2500. Excellent condition. 628-0786 !!!X-35-1

DOUBLE BED COMPLETE, mattress like new. \$35; Harvest table, \$75. 625-1474 !!!CX4-1c

MINI MOTOR HOME: 14mpg, 1974 Ford Van-sized, open road, self contained. Extras, good condition, \$3850. 628-0693 !!!X-35-1

UPRIGHT PIANO, Ivory keys. Excellent condition, \$450. 391-3670. X4-1c

DRY HARDWOOD, oak or birch. \$40 a face cord. Call 625-2784. !!!4CX-1f

LIKE NEW Sears Kenmore, heavy-duty electric dryer. Excellent working condition. \$100. 634-5085 after 6pm. CX4-dhtf

1971 LARK POP-UP camper. Good condition, stove, ice box, sleeps 8, extras included. \$850. 627-3357 !!!X-35-1

1971 APACHE RAMADA pop-up camper, sleeps 8. Ice box, gas stove & furnace. Nice shape, asking \$600. Call 693-7505 mornings. !!!X-35-1*

FOR SALE

STEEL GARAGE DOOR: 16 ft., almost like new, \$150 or best offer. 678-2859 !!!X-35-2

19 CU. FT. UPRIGHT frost-free freezer, works good. \$175. 627-4055 !!!X-35-2

ATTENTION: Pick-your-own apples at Stoney Creek Orchards Fri., Sat. & Sundays only. Sales room open daily 10-6pm with apples, pears, honey, preserves & cider from our mill. 2 1/2 miles east of N. Rochester Rd. on Romeo or 32 Mile Rd. !!!XL-35-2

30 INCH Tappan electric stove. Good condition, \$50 or will trade for gas stove. 628-3290 !!!X-35-1

ANTIQUE COFFEE TABLE, \$30, doll house, new, \$40. 628-4609 after 5pm. !!!X-35-1

FOR SALE: Honey rocks, tomatoes, Pontiac potatoes, sweet corn, cucumbers, (watermelon & McIntosh apples coming). Tues., Thurs., Sat. & Sun. on M-24 just south of Parkhurst trailer court. !!!AX-35-2c L-33-3c R-50-3

FOR SALE: Mobile Home with add-a-room, partially furnished. 693-2384 !!!AX-35-1

LAMPS - tall pair crystal, \$80. 334-1818. 625-5660, Mrs. Hayes !!!CX4-1c

WINDOWS: 4 prime wood sash - 2.0 x 4.0 - \$100. 693-4308 !!!X-35-1f

SEASONED FIREWOOD FOR SALE: Call 628-1080 & 628-9425 !!!X-35-6c

SILVER GETZEN TRIUMPH, excellent condition, \$350; Noblet wood clarinet, excellent condition, \$125; Philco electric range, \$35; 20 female beagles, free to young hunters with parents permission. 628-4598 !!!AX-35-1

5-SPEED SCHWINN, \$40; FM converter; New H-78-14; CB converter. 628-6068 !!!AX-35-1

1976 Arlington 14 x 65 Mobile home in Clarkston Lakes. Appliances, partly furnished. \$8500. 628-6061 evenings. !!!CX4-1p

2 BIKES - Robin Hood 3-speed girls/boys. full size. 625-3062 !!!CX4-1p

COLLECTORS ITEM - Genuine R.C. Cola belt buckles, only \$4.95 while they last! Mr. Whistle's Pop Shop, 2580 Dixie Hwy., Pontiac, Mich. 674-3422 !!!CX4-1f

1977 GLASTON 150 15 1/2 silver metal flake speedboat. 70 h.p. Mercury engine, stereo, trailer, sk equipment, cover. Excellent condition, \$4200. Ph. 625-3846. !!!CX4-1p

CARPETING: Approximately 25x15 3 inch shag, 100 percent wool, \$125. 625-9595 !!!CX4-1c

MOVING SALE: Now at 5401 Sunnyside Dr., off Maybee, Clarkston. Twin box springs & mattress, 3-drawer dresser w/mirror, many other items. !!!4-1cc

HO RAILROAD Industrial park layout, 11x7x2 dogleg, no landscape, track completely wired with all 17 switches, including AMPACK, diesel switcher & rolling stock, \$125 complete. 682-9665 or 625-1970 evenings. CX4-1P

GAS STOVE WITH HOOD, gas-electric refrigerator for van or motor home. Both in excellent condition. Asking \$350 for both. Call 693-7505 mornings !!!X-35-1*

AUTOMOTIVE

1974 CHEVY IMPALA - Clean, \$1,000. 391-3670. !!!X-4-1c

1978 BUICK REGAL V6. A/C, PS/PB, rustproofed, rear defroster. 1-963-2786 days, 693-4481 evenings, Ken. !!!X-35-1

1978 CUTLASS SUPREME. PS/PB, air, AM/FM radio, Ziebart. Executive car. \$5300. 391-2683 !!!X-35-1

1971 CHEVY IMPALA with 1973 engine, PS/PB, new tires, \$600. 625-3537 CX-4-1c

1978 CHEVY CUSTOM VAN, silver outside, red velvet interior, regular gas, low mileage, rust proofed, \$8,000. Call after 4pm. 625-4865 !!!CX-4-dhtf

1979 TRANS-AM, mint condition. Sun roof, air, loaded. Call after 5pm. 625-4416 !!!CX-4-dhtf

FOR SALE: 1974 Cutlass Supreme. PS/PB, air, good tires, AM radio, white with maroon interior and vinyl roof. \$2,000 or make offer, 628-3318. !!!A-26-tf, L-24-tf, LR-41-tf, LC-47-tf

FOR SALE: 1972 Plymouth Satellite wagon, good transportation. \$250. Roll-away bed, \$15, floor polisher, \$15, stereo cabinet, \$10. Call 693-8497 !!!X-35-2

FOR SALE: 1970 Dodge D-100, 1/2 ton pickup. 6 cylinder stick, 45,000 miles. 628-2986 after 5pm. !!!X-35-1

1977 FI50 pick-up. R/H, 351 engine, PS, stick, ziebarted. \$1850. 693-8233. !!!A-34-2 LCW-3-2

RARE 1964 OLDS CUTLASS 442, '73 engine, good condition. \$750. Call after 6. 625-9613. !!! 3-2cnap

FOR SALE: 1972 FORD Econoline Club Wagon. Chateau 302 eng. stick, PS/PB, stereo 8-track, CB radio, Beds, roof-rack, hitch. \$1095. 628-3235 evenings. !!!X-35-1*

1963 MERCEDES BENZ: Air conditioner, 18000 BTU; 1973 Motorcycle, 100 cc; Dog feed, \$15 per 100; 2 deep or shallow well pumps, 1/2 horse & tank. 391-3536 !!!X-35-2

1973 GRANVILLE, 60,000 miles, excellent condition. \$950. 625-5256 !!!3-2cwc

LIKE TO OWN A Z-28? I did until a Golden Eagle Jeep caught my eye. Now I'm taking offers on my 1978 Camaro. Looks, runs, sounds great. 350 V-8 engine, automatic trans, other good stuff like 8-track stereo & rally wheels. Silver with red interior. Call any of these numbers. 653-3511 (Davison), 628-4801 days and 628-2064 evenings. !!!A-34-tf L-35tf R-52tf C-6tf

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1977 CAPRICE. Excellent condition, 4-door black, 31 extra options, reg. gas. \$3,995. Work no. 625-5488, home 391-1370. !!!3-2cnap

FOR SALE: 1970 Cadillac Convertible. AM/FM. Quadra-sonic, 8-track CB. New starter, new alternator, shocks. Good rubber, uses no oil. 19 mpg hi-way. See to appreciate. Cream puff. \$2000 firm. 693-9398 after 7 pm 693-4417 !!!X-35-1c

AUTOMOTIVE

1970 BUICK LASABRE for parts. 5 radial tires & mags. 628-1416 X-35-2*

1977 BUICK REGAL. 350 engine, blue vinyl top, PS/PB, power seats, \$3450 or offer. 3644 Estate Dr., Oxford. 628-5872 !!!X-35-1 L-33-3

1978 GRAND SAFARI WAGON, loaded. \$7595 or best offer. 628-2098 !!!X-35-1

1976 CAMARO, 305, power windows & power locks, must sell. \$2900 or bst offer. 796-3433 !!!X-35-2

1975 CHEVY PICK-UP, 3/4 ton, Camper Special, loaded. \$2800. 391-0171 or 335-4963 !!!X-35-2

FOR SALE: 78 OLDS Cutlass Station Wagon, full power, may extras, \$5000. 678-2944 !!!X-35-1 L-33-3

'68 VW BUS, \$800 or best offer. 628-3554 !!!X-35-1*

1978 SUNBIRD, Excellent condition. 4-speed stick, P.B.P.S., Sunroof, radial tires, aluminum wheels, AM/FM stereo, \$4,000. 625-4865 !!!3-cnap

'74 CHEVY 1/2 ton, standard equipment, also VW Superbeetle for parts. 628-3554 !!!X-35-1*

1965 CHEVY SS FLORIDA CAR. 1974 F250 pickup. Nice condition \$1200 each. 634-3940 !!!3-2cwc

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1979 GMC VAN, 8,000 miles, custom interior, loaded. \$6,895.00 Call 623-1241 !!!A-34-2, L-Cw3-2

1971 CHEVY KINGSWOOD, runs good, clean, \$350 or best offer; 1970 COUGAR, needs work, good interior, \$125. 625-4751 X-35-1

1978 MG MIDGET. Excellent condition. AM/FM stereo, luggage rack, rust-proofed. \$4750. 625-5025 !!!3-2cnap

1976 CORDOBA, PS/PB, air, tilt steering wheel, 31,000 miles. 394-0643 !!!X-4-2p

1966 VW rebuilt engine, good m.p.g., \$500. 625-5563 !!!X-4-2c

VW GHIA PARTS. 693-2287 X-35-1

'75 MARK IV, \$3,900, firm 625-1414 !!!X-4-1p

1975 CUTLASS SUPREME. Very good condition, air, PS/PB, radials, 61,000 miles. \$2500 or best offer. 373-1051 after 6pm !!!X-35-1

FOR SALE: 1972 GREMLIN. Call 628-6149 !!!X-35-1

FOR SALE: 1972 Plymouth Satellite Wagon, good transportation. \$250; Roll-a-way bed, \$15; Floor polisher, \$15; Stereo cabinet, \$10. Call 693-8497 !!!X-35-2

1979 JEEP CJ-7 hardtop with polyglycoat, rust-proofed, heavy duty pkg. and extras. \$6,200. 625-1183. !!!CA-31-2

1974 CHEV. SUB. Air conditioning, all power \$1700. 625-8597 !!!X-4-1c

1970 CATALINA 2-door from Fla. Exc. condition. Mag. wheels, runs perfect. \$750. 625-8597 !!!X-4-1c

FOR SALE: 1957 Cadillac in good condition. 693-1709 !!! R50-3, RX35-1

AUTOMOTIVE

1976 SUNBIRD 4 cyl. AM/FM 4 speed, good MPG, extra set of tires, one owner. \$2300. 627-4374 !!!X-4-1c

1977 OLDS VISTA CRUISER. Black/camel, 9 passenger, loaded, factory CB, luggage rack/hitch. \$4195. 623-1455 or LI9-3011 !!!4-2cnap

1971 PINTO, Best Offer. 625-8471 !!!LC-4-1

1978 CAMARO Z-28, loaded. 7,000 miles \$5,800 623-0399 !!!X-4-1c

1979 SUBURBAN 4-wheel drive Silverado, 3 seats, air, 40 gal. tank AM/FM radio, custom high-back seats, speed control, rally wheels, much more. 375-1565 !!!X-4-1c

1972 CHEVY STATION WAGON 400. Excellent running condition. With 5000 lb. trailer hitch, posi-traction rear axle, new transmission, water pump, brakes, muffler. \$650 firm. 693-1114 or 693-7319 !!!X-35-1

1971 FORD WINDOW VAN, V-8, auto, rebuilt trans., 70,000 miles. \$1250. 627-3357 !!!X-35-1

1977 MUSTANG II. V-8, PS/PB, low mileage. Excellent condition. \$3500. 391-1736 !!!X-35-1

1978 GMC PICKUP. Heavy duty, PS/PB, excellent condition, 4-wheel drive. 627-4869 !!!X-35-1

FOR SALE: 1973 6-cylinder 1/2-ton Chevrolet pickup. Motor good, body rusted. \$400, Cleon Middleton, 628-3636 !!!X-35-1

1972 PINTO, excellent mpg, AM/FM radio, snow tires included. Good running condition, needs some body work. \$275 or best offer. 628-9408 !!!AX-35-1

1979 BONNEVILLE BROUGHAM, loaded, under 10,000 miles. \$7500. 628-4629 !!!XA-35-2

1978 CHEVY VAN, PS/PB, AM/FM, 16,500 miles, \$3895 or best offer. 628-1748 before 3:30, 628-4300 after 4pm, ask for Walt. !!!AX-35-2

1971 CHEVY 1/2-ton pickup, V-8, stick, cab, rust, runs. \$175. 634-1587 after 5:30 !!!CX-4-1c

1970 DODGE DART, runs good, body needs work. Make Offer. 628-0893 !!!X-35-2

SERVICES

EXPERIENCED PAINTER—Interior, exterior, references. Reasonable rates, free estimates. 625-3297 or 625-9637 !!!3-2cwc

FAST DELIVERY: Top soil, black dirt, stone, gravel, masonry & beach fill sand, fill dirt. Best deal in town. 391-2605 !!!X-35-4

YARD CLEANING. 625-4751

CLARKSTON EVERGREEN NURSERY has a variety of nursery stock. 12 to 18 inch potted transplants 3 for \$10. We also have larger trees. We do landscaping and sod work. Call for free estimates. 625-8782. !!!52-6cwp

AKC REG. BROWN toy poodle at stud. Please phone after 5. 628-9151. !!!A12-1fdh, L10-1fdh, LR27-1fdh, LC33-1fdh

SPECIALTY CAKES. Wedding, showers, all occasions. Your imagination or mine. Family trees, baseballs, golf balls, bassinets, bowling pins, cookie monster, etc. 625-9212 !!!1-4cwp

FLUTE & PIANO LESSONS in my home. Experienced. 628-4379. !!!A-34-1 LWC-2-1 LR-49-3

SERVICES

BLACK DIRT and light hauling. 625-4747. !!!33-tfcw

UPHOLSTERING, 27 years experience. Free estimates. 673-5229. !!! 2-cwtf

ALUMINUM SIDING, gutters, trim, etc. Call Mike 666-4070. !!!3-2cnap

TAILORING & ALTERATIONS done in my home. Men's, women's, also repair work. 623-7379. Rosalee !!!X-4-TF

DON JIDAS ENTERPRISES, Home 693-1816-Business 693-8980 or 693-2242, Reliable hard workers, over 15 years local experience. References and free estimates. Spring clean-up special, call and ask. Rake yards, woods, fields-hauling light or heavy. Landscaping, retainer walls, waterfront, steps, complete picture portfolio, broken concrete, Wolmanized, etc. Sodding, guaranteed seeding. Tree Trimming, removal and pruning. Ponds - call now limited number of contracts, complete excavating and landscaping. Mud dozer for hire. R-L-C-A-tf



INSTANT PRINTING now at the Oxford Leader, 666 S. Lapeer Rd., Oxford. Fast printing, low prices. Call 628-4801. !!!25-dh

AKC REG. brown toy poodle at stud. Please phone after 5, 628-9151. !!!LC33-tfdh

WE BUY JUNK cars & trucks, \$5 to \$100. 334-2148 or 628-3942 !!!X-4-tfc

HORSESHOEING, reasonable rates, reliable Bill Schuyler. 678-2993 !!! A-34-4 L-32-4 LR-49-4 LC-3-4

PIANO & ORGAN LESSONS. Theory & Harmony included. 391-3207 !!! A-34-4 LCW-3-4

LADIES your local Sweet Adelines chapter invites you to follow our path to Harmony, Happiness, Fellowship and Service thru song. Call Gail at 627-4110 !!!XA-35-1 L-32-3 LR-30-5.

PIANO TUNING: For appointment call Bob Button 651-6565 !!!XA-35-tfc

EXPERIENCED exterior, interior painting, stain work also. Have references. 625-0933 !!!X4tfc

WANTED: Sewing repairs and alterations. Coats relined, zippers replaced, my home. Andersonville Rd. Reasonable rates. Joyce, 623-1612 !!!52-6cwp

ROOFING: Shingles, guaranteed work, low rates, 10 years' experience. Free estimates. Clarkston, surrounding areas. Evenings 628-2084 !!!X4-tfc

DRYWALL repairing. Free estimates. 625-3742. !!!51-cwtf

SEAMSTRESS-Mary's Bridal, custom gowns for the bride & bridal party. Alterations, 625-0167. X-4-6p

WALLPAPERING, painting & staining. Decorate with energy saving style. Call Bob Jensenius. 887-4124 or 623-7691 !!!X4-tfc

UPHOLSTERING: 27 yrs. experience. Free estimates. 673-5229 !!!X4-tfc

ELECTRICAL: If you need it done call Sparky and get it done. Reasonable rates. 627-4264 !!!X4-tfc

DRYWALL REPAIRING. Free estimates. 625-3742 !!!X4-tfc

FOR RENT

FOR RENT: Oct. 1 to June 1. Two bedroom furnished house, well insulated. \$225 plus utilities. No singles, no pets. Security deposit & references required. 1-521-1366 !!!X-35-1* L-33-3*

GARAGE FOR RENT, convenient Oxford area. \$30 per month. Call 652-1758 !!!X-35-1

ADDISON LAKEFRONT, private home. Prefer working married couple. Security, no children or pets. \$475 per month. 1-851-1439 or 693-9513 !!!X-35-2 L-33-3

2 BEDROOM mobile home by month. Clearwater, Fla. 625-4106. !!!43-16p

FOR RENT: Lakefront 2-bedroom furnished home. Sept.—May. References, security deposit. No pets, no children. 693-1001 or 1-581-8697 !!!X-35-1

FOR RENT: 40 acres of good farm land. Call after 5pm, 693-9247 !!!X-35-3

FOR RENT—House available immediately. Furnished 2-story, 4 bedroom house on lake in Clarkston Village. Excellent beach, swimming, fishing. Rent by month until June. Ph. Clarkston 625-2301 or Royal Oak 545-3639. !!!X4-tf

KEATINGTON TOWNHOUSE, extra sharp. 2-bedroom, all appliances, plus washer and dryer, garage. \$375. 394-0589 !!!X4-2p

RENT A CULLIGAN: Fully automatic water conditioner. Credit towards purchase. Free estimates. Bill Miller, 693-8233 !!!A-34-12

FOR RENT: 3 bedroom house. Clarkston area. Security deposit, reference. 394-0379 !!!3-cna2P

APARTMENT FOR RENT in Village. 80 N. Holcomb. 1 or 2 people. Fireplace. \$300/month plus utilities. 673-8515 between 3 & 5 pm !!!3-cna2p

3 BEDROOM LAKEFRONT home near I-75 in Clarkston. \$450. 625-9094 or 623-0299 Ask for Pat. !!!3-2cwc

FOR RENT: Furnished 2-bedroom mobile home. Heat & water furnished. No drinkers, no pets. Married couples preferred. \$225 per mo., \$225 deposit. 678-2723 !!!AX-35-1

FOR RENT: 3-bedroom home N. Main St., \$325 per month plus security. 625-1868 after 5pm. CX4-1c

KEATINGTON 2-bedroom colonial condominium. Lake privileges, garage, appliances. \$350. 334-1818. 625-5660, Mrs. Hayes. !!!CX4-1c

NOTICE

ANTIQUE SHOW & SALE: Winchester Mall, Rochester & Avon Rds., Rochester, Mich., Sept. 20-23. During Mall hours. !!!X4-2c

DAVISBURG ANTIQUE MARKET, Sunday Sept. 23rd. 4th Sunday of every month. Springfield Oaks County Parks Bldg. Andersonville Rd., 10am to 5pm: Antiques & collectables only. Free admission and free parking. !!!X4-2c

FLEA MARKET-Lapeer County Center Building. Starts Sunday Sept. 9th. Every Sunday after thru May 9am to 5pm. For information call 313-664-8832. !!!1-3cwc

THE SMALL MALL of FLINT Antiques Show and Sale, Sept. 14, 15, 16. During Mall hours, 3600 S. Dort Hwy., Flint. Free admission & parking. !!!X4-1c

NOTICE

Your Oxford & Lake Orion Area Camp Fire Organization will conduct membership meetings for youth grades 1 - 12 and adult volunteers at the following locations:

Sept. 18, 3:45pm, Daniel Axford School, 74 Mechanic, Oxford.
Sept. 19, 7:00pm, Thomas School, 3846 Thomas Rd., Oxford
Sept. 19, 7:30pm., St. Joseph's School, 703 N. Lapeer Rd., Lk. Orion
Sept. 19, 7:30pm, Old Township Hall, 571 S. Lapeer Rd., Lk. Orion.
Sept. 20, 7:00pm, Clear Lake Elementary, 2085 W. Drahnner Rd., Oxford.
Sept. 22, 10:30am, New Township Hall, 2525 Joslyn Rd., Lk. Orion.

WE STILL HAVE OPENINGS in Monday morning womens League: Openings for mixed couples on Sunday evenings, 6:30 or 8:30. Collier Lanes, Oxford. 628-2851 !!!X-35-2c

IT'S NOT TOO EARLY to place your order for handmade Xmas. items & stuffed toys. Mrs. Eunice Tremper. 623-7030. !!!X-4-2p



CLASSES in ceramics, porcelain dolls, stoneware, certified Mayco teacher. 625-2197. 625-2111 !!!2-6cwp

SMORGASBORD DINNER: Sat., Sept. 15, 12 to 7, Sunday, Sept. 16, 1 to 7. St. Mary's in The Hills Church. Just below Antique Village, Lk. Orion. !!!X-4-1p

DOG OBEDIENCE -Waterford Cal, Dan Marlowe, instructor. Beginning classes starting Sept. 19. Advanced classes also available. For information call 625-0375. !!!X-4-2p

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COLLIER LANES Youth Leagues sign-up day, Sept. 22, 10am-3pm !!!X-35-2c L-33-2c LR-50-2c

SENIOR CITIZENS & HANDICRAFTERS - Do you want to sell your handiwork? Call 391-0439 !!!X-35-1*

QUILTERS-KNITTERS-CROCHETERS. Do you want to sell your handiwork? Call 391-0439 !!!X-35-1*

TEACHERS! COACHES! ADMINISTRATORS! You are/were in education, but the current educational climate is such that it would be wise for you to have something else going for you. Why not do something about it now? \$1200 a month and up to right persons. Full or part-time positions available. Call Ernie Gruenberg, a professional educator too, at 628-2290 between 5-7pm to arrange for an interview or write E & R International, Box 165, Oxford, MI 48051 !!!X-35-1c

SMORGASBORD DINNER: St. Mary's in the Hills Episcopal Church, 2512 Joslyn Crt. (South of Antique Village), Sept. 15, 12 to 7:00 and Sept. 16, 1:00 to 6pm. !RX-35-1*

LADIES AUXILIARY OF THE K of C, 4th Annual Dinner Dance. Sept. 22, 8pm to 1am. K of C Hall, Orion Rd., Lk. Orion. Donation \$10 per person includes dinner, dancing & set-ups, beer available, BYOB. Music by "Side Street". For reservations call 628-4404. !!!R-50-2 RL33-2, RX35-2

MAGIC SHOWS: All occasions, Birthdays, school, churches. Reasonable. Call 693-2855 !!!A-34-2 LCW-3-2

WILL FRANK WALKER who called Karen about the apartment in his house, please call her back at 681-5768 or 673-1288. !!!3-1CNAC

NOTICE

YOUNG DRIVERS: Bet I can beat your present auto insurance rate. 673-1276 !!!X-4-TFC

FRAME-ART on Dixie Hwy. in the Waterfall Plaza 20 percent off all ready made frames and frame kits - ALWAYS

623-1552 Prints, Paints, Pottery

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All 1979 hunting & fishing license in stock now, Snug Harbor, 160 Heights Rd., Lk. Orion. 693-9057. !!!R50-1f, RL33tf, XA35tf

PHOTO SHOW and contest, awards. Antique Village, Oct. 7th, Lk. Orion. Call for information 391-0959 or 391-0311 !!! R-49-5 RL32-5, RC2-5, RA34-5

GARAGE SALES

YARD SALE: Clean mens, teenage girl, baby clothes. 2 white dressers, double bed frame, kitchen table with 4 chairs, double cabinet sink, electric stove, 2 bar stools, antique dining rm. set with 6 chairs. 7786 Lavon Dr., Clarkston. Across from Dixie Baptist Church. Sat. 9-7pm. !!!CX-4-1c

6-FAMILY GARAGE SALE: Furniture, appliances, misc. Oakwood Rd. to Connell to 5945 Sinroll Rd. Thurs.-Sunday. !!!X-35-1*

GARAGE SALE: 2642 Lance, Lk. Orion. Perry Acres Sub. 13th - 15th. !!!LX-35-1

GARAGE SALE: Sept. 13, 14, 15. 460 Waldon Rd., between Joslyn & M-24. Furniture, stove, refrigerator, Avon, clothes, lots of misc. !!!X-35-1

GARAGE SALE: Fri.-Sat. Clothing, furniture, household items. 2160 W. Clarkston, Lk. Orion. !!!X-35-1

MOVING OUT OF STATE: 7 ft. Colonial couch, 2 yrs. old, excellent condition, \$150; Girls 26 in. 3-speed Schwinn bike, good condition, \$35; RCA 24" Console TV, black & white, beautiful condition with Antenna, \$70. 693-4491 !!!X-35-1

GARAGE SALE: 46 First St., Oxford. Tues., Wed., 9am-6pm. Thurs., Fri., Sat. 3pm-7pm. Huge sale. Stove, refrigerator, washer & dryer, air conditioner, furniture, 3 sets of encyclopedias, small appliances, dishes & other household items. !!!X-35-1* L-33-3*

GARAGE SALE: Table, chairs, buffet, dressers, books, dishes, trailer, wood-burning stove, Hammons organ, Baby Grand upright piano, etc. 829 Markdale, Lk. Orion. Thurs. thru Sat., 9 to 7. 693-1541 !!!X-35-1 L-33-1

GARAGE SALE: Keatington 4-family. Decorator items, tools, fishing motor, baby items, boys bike, clothes & more. Thurs. & Fri. 9 to 4pm. 2332 Browning, off Eaton Gate. !!!X-35-1

PUPPY DAYS YARD SALE: Sept. 21, 22, 23. All breeds-Protective shepherds, more-all ages. Special \$10. & up sale days only. Kittens, cats, Siamese, \$5 with purchase. "You will never have to walk alone again." !!!XA-35-1*

GARAGE SALE, Main Street. Play pen, headboard, desk, WW II uniforms, antique nightstand, telephone table/chair. Sept. 13-14, 10 to 4. 33 N. Main, Clarkston !!!X-4-1c

GARAGE SALE

BIG SALE: Moving out of State. Appliances, furniture and misc. clothes. 65 Mechanic St., Oxford. 628-6090. Sept. 13th. !!!X-35-1 L-33-1

GARAGE SALE: 6800-Wellesley Terrace, Aug. 31-Sept. 1, 10 to 5. Refrigerator, air conditioner, antique kitchen cupboard, childrens clothes, baby items, misc. !!!2-1cwc

GARAGE SALES: 8 families - We will have a little of almost everything, Sept. 13 & 14, 9 until 5pm, 5390 Pine Knob Ln., south off Maybee between Sashabaw & Clintonville. !!!R-50-1 RX-35-1 RL-33-1

GARAGE SALE: Thurs, September 13, 10-5. Refrigerator, double door stove w/self-cleaning oven, Fisher Price play family toys, boy's clothing, many odds & ends. 3546 Hi-Lure Dr., Lk. Orion !!!RX-35-1*

GARAGE SALE - Childrens clothes, misc. Sept. 6 and 7, 6702 Delmonico. Between Princess and Paramus. !!!3-1CNAC

GARAGE SALE, 1390 Sashabaw. Ortonville between Granger and Sherwood. Sept. 6, 7, 8, 9. !!!3-1CNAC

TWO GARAGE SALES. Furniture, glassware, etc. Almond Lane off Waldon. Sept. 6-7. 9am to 5pm !!!3-1cnac

GARAGE SALE. 5955 Chickadee Lane, off Maybee Rd., Sept. 6 and 7th. !!!3-1cnap

YARD SALE: Misc. household & childrens items. 3500 Collins off Orion Rd., near Paint Creek Cider Mill. Fri., Sat., Sun. !!!X-35-1

GARAGE SALE: Friday & Saturday, 9 to 6. 6581 Nadette, 1 block off Dixie Hwy. at Big Lake Rd., Clarkston. 4-1c

FREE

ONE FREE FEMALE puppy, part Border Collie & Terrier. Call 678-2678 !!!LX-35-1 L-33-1*

FREE TO GOOD HOME: 9 wk. old kittens. 39 Broadway, Oxford (upstairs). Must go. !!!X-35-1 L-33-1

IRRESISTABLE Part-Beagle puppies looking for a good home. Free to loving heart. 628-1900. !!!X-35-1

FREE-Small amount aluminum siding. 623-9574 !!!X-4-1c

WHITE FEMALE POODLE type dog, Free. 1 yr. old. 628-2213 !!!X-4-1c

SILVER SHAGGY DOG, trained, 1 yr. old. We found. 673-8522. !!!X-4-1c

FREE CAT to good home. Must sacrifice. Spayed. 682-5509 !!!3-2cwf

FREE-BEAUTIFUL German Shepherd-Save me from Brown Road. 628-0836 !!!LX-35-1*

REAL ESTATE

LET'S TALK TURKEY: Fall season is about here and we have property with turkeys, deer, in fact a sportsmans dream in the Fairview area. 40 acres, surveyed into smaller parcels. Sell all or part of low down. Touches National land. DETRICH REALTY 517-685-2868 P.O. 731, Mio 48647, Free Brochure. Ask for Jean or Norm. -026. !!!A-34-3c LWC-2-3c

OL' JACK FROST is making his mark and you should prepare to make yours also for the fall & winter sports season approaching us. We have many cabins, acreage, mobile homes. Let us know what your looking for in the Rose City-Mio area. Free Brochure. DETRICH REALTY, P.O. 731, Mio 48647. 517-685-2868. Ask for Norm or Jean. !!!A-34-3c LWC-2-3c

REAL ESTATE

CLARKSTON GARDENS - \$76,900. Newly decorated 3 bedroom brick ranch, 1 1/2 baths, living room, family room with fireplace, finished rec. room in basement with fireplace. 2 car garage, screened in patio, above ground pool. 1/2 acre lot very nicely landscaped with the privacy of the woods behind the house. Community water, paved street and sewer. All schools within walking distance. Call for appointment after 4:30. 625-4865. No agents. 42-cwdh

10 ACRES west of Harrison - beautifully wooded - some parcels border State Land - some with electric on County Road - \$7995. \$600 down - \$70 monthly - 9 percent Land Contract. Call 616-258-5747 day or evenings or write Forest Land Company - R No. 1 - Box 191A - Kalkaska. Mich. 49646. !!!1-3cwc

HUNTING SEASON within a week away in the North Country, Rose City-Mio area. Half mile from National land, maintained rd., sell in 5 or 10-acre parcels with low down. Beginning at \$6900 DETRICH REALTY 517-685-2868, P.O. 731, Mio 48647. Free Brochure. Ask for Norm or Jean-040 !!!A-34-3c LWC-2-3c

CLARKSTON LAKES - Best buy! 2-bedroom, 2 bath Castle Mobile Home, 1973. Includes stove, refrig., A/C plus heat saver. Hook-up for washer/dryer. After 4, 628-9420 !!!X-4-1p

FOR SALE OR RENT W/OPTION. Elizabeth Lakefront 2-bedroom, \$89,900. 625-5563. !!!X-4-2c

GREENS LAKEFRONT - A most beautiful winged colonial with everything a family could want or ever need. 4 bedrooms, dining rm. family rm. with fireplace & garage. Lawn is terraced in rear with patio leading to swimming or boating on Greens Lake. Land contract terms. Aerowood Real Estate, 693-7111 !!!X-4-1c

IN CLARKSTON: 4-bedroom ranch; 2 1/2 baths, finished basement, walk-out to patio 48x10, deck 49x10, 2 1/2 car garage, paved drive 48x24, builders personal home. \$99,900. Call after 6 pm. 625-4767 !!! 3-2cwp

Sharp 3-bedroom ranch, Clarkston. 1 1/2 baths, fireplace, family room, 2 1/2 car garage, extra large lot. Lk. Orion schools. By owner. 628-7818 !!!X-35-2

PASSING THE BALL is for football, same season, wrong game. Let's try hunting. 10 acre parcels, Lewiston area, as low as \$5500 with less than \$1,000 down. DETRICH REALTY, P.O. 731, Mio 48647. 517-685-2868. Free brochure. Ask for Norm Or Jean -025 !!!A-34-3c LWC-2-3c

HUNTERS & SNOWMOBILERS DELIGHT. Lovely little mobile home with many extras, walk to national land, between Rose City and Mio. \$8000 with low low down. DETRICH REALTY 517-685-2868, P.O. 731, Mio 48647. Free Brochure. Ask for Jean or Norm. 205 !!!A-34-3c LWC-2-3c

24x56 MARLETTE MODULAR, 3 bedrooms, laundry room, central air, porch, awning, shed. May remain in Romeo park. Call after 6pm. 752-2289 !!!X-35-4

COUNTRY LIVING with none of the hardships: This is a well built 4-bedroom, 1 1/2 bath ranch with country kitchen, carpeted hardwood floors, plastered walls, full basement, much more. Call today for an appointment to see G-505. 682-4000. !!!AX-35-1

HOUSE FOR SALE by owner. Beautifully decorated, 3(possible 4) bedroom home in Village of Oxford. 2 full baths, kitchen, formal dining rm., living rm., den. & enclosed porch, finished basement is paneled & carpeted, 2-car garage. \$54,900. Call 628-1983 after 5pm. No Agents. !!!X-35-2

REAL ESTATE

10 BEAUTIFUL wooded acres, Mancelona-Bellaire area. Tall maples, beech, ash, bass, near Jordan River State Forest & many streams. Excellent hunting & fishing location, remote, \$6500 with \$650 down & \$65 per mo. on 9 percent land contract. Call 616-533-6436 day or evening, or write Northern Land Co., Rt. 3, Bellaire, Mich. 49615 !!!

CX-4-1c

BY OWNER, CLARKSTON AREA. Cape Cod, 3bdrm., 2 full baths, full basement, fireplace, built-ins, paved street. 625-4936 !!!3-2cwc

HOLLY TWP. 3-4 bedroom, living room, fireplace, formal dining room, kitchen, small acreage. No pets inside. Ref., security deposit. Good location. 634-3750 after 6:30. !!! 52-4cwc

HUNTING & FISHING: Kalkaska County - 10 acres back in away from it all - wooded - rolling - good trail road, excellent hunting - close to lake - \$5995 - \$700 down - \$60 monthly - 9% land contract. Call 616-258-4873 or write Wildwood Land Co., R-1 - 72 - Kalkaska, Mich. 49646 !!!2-3cwc

5.88 ACRES, Independence Township. Woods. \$24,900. 29% down. 625-0095. !!!3-4CNAC

HELP WANTED

SCHOOL BUS driver: Kingsbury School. \$4.75 per hour to start. 7-9am and 3-5pm. 628-2571. !!!A32-3c, L30-3c, R47-3c, C1-3c

MATURE WOMAN to manage card shop, sales experience preferred. 681-4280. !!!CX-4-1c

WE HAVE A JOB OPENING for a rural route carrier. Leonard, Ortonville, Clarkston, Lk. Orion & Oxford area. Men & women over 18. Must have dependable car. Route takes between 3-4 hours 1 day a week. Deliveries must be completed by 8:00 am. Call for a confidential interview. A.P.S. at 313-693-9369. Advertisers Postal Service !!!LX-35-1c

RELIABLE FULL TIME PERSON to work on horse farm. Experienced & references preferred. 628-5495. No evening calls !!!LX-35-1

BABYSITTER needed to get 2 children off to school, mornings. 625-9781, 6pm to 10pm. !!!CX-4-1c



CLASSES in ceramics, porcelain dolls, stoneware, certified Mayco teacher. 625-2197. 625-2111 !!!2-6cwp

SMALL MANUFACTURING PLANT needs good set-up man must be able to run tool room machines, maintain equipment & set up jobs, machines & welders. Good wages & benefits, apply at Handi-Vet, 1776 W. Clarkston Rd., Lk. Orion. !!!R-49-3, RL32-3

PART TIME, DENTAL office. Three 7 1/2 hour days per week, Mon. and Tues., chair side assisting; Thurs. secretarial duties. Experienced necessary. Call 693-6021. !!!RC38-1f

HELP WANTED: Full time woman to work laundry & general housecleaning. Mon.-Fri. Hours adjustable. Call 625-5611 between 8am - 2:30pm Mon.-Fri. Ask for Mrs. Head. 3-2cnac

PART TIME retired man for general janitorial work Mon.-Fri. Hours adjustable. Call 625-5611 between 8am-2:30pm, Mon.-Fri. Ask for Mrs. Head !!!3-2cnac

HELP WANTED

HELP WANTED: Full time woman to work laundry & general housecleaning. Mon.-Fri., Hours adjustable. Call 625-5611 between 8am - 2:30pm Mon.-Fri. Ask for Mrs. Head. 3-2cnc



DRIVER NEEDED to transport children after school. Must have good driving record & references. Will pay time plus gas. 625-5778 !!!X4-1c

LONG-TERM, mature adult needed after school babysitting. Clarkston Elementary area. 625-1391 after 5pm. !!!3-2cwp

TUTOR SPECIALIST in reading & spelling. References available. Will come to your home. 634-4939 !!!X4-1c

SECRETARY/RECEPTIONIST wanted for architectural office, Ortonville/Clarkston area. Full time only \$130 per wk. to start. Typing, light bookkeeping, payroll & tax experience. 627-4166. !!!X4-1c

BABYSITTER WANTED for 9 month baby in my home. 6 hours, one day a wk. Non-smoker. 625-1551. !!!X4-1p

ORGANIST/CHOIR DIRECTOR for small Presbyterian Church. 673-3101 or 391-3169 !!!X4-1c

CARPENTERS WANTED: Several positions open. Ask for Diane. 628-4006 or 739-1464 !!!X35-1c

COOKS- Some experience, apply at the Harvest Table Restaurant, 281 S. Broadway, Lk. Orion. !!!R-50-3c, RX35-2c

NEEDED, Babysitter. Monday-Thursday, 7am to 1pm, my home, Woodland Estate. 693-2287 !!!X35-1

BABYSITTER WANTED to get kids off to school & watch one Kindergarten 1/2 day Starting at 7am. S. Coats Rd. and Indianwood area. 693-7560 !!!X35-2

MATURE DEPENDABLE MAN with some industrial experience looking for long-term employment. Starting \$3.50 to \$4.50 per hour depending on experience. Plant moving to Oxford January '80. 548-7050 !!!X35-1

BABYSITTER NEEDED in my home or yours, 4-5 hrs. a day. Andersonville school area. 623-7428 or 625-5428, Lynn. !!!2-2cwc

FOUND AT KINGSBURY school, Male black lab. pup with choker chain Sept. 5th. Call 628-2469 !!!X35-1

MALE SIAMESE CAT. Vicinity Andersonville Rd. 625-2766 !!!3-2cwc

MALE KITTEN, long-haired, 9 wks. old, 623-9491 before 5pm. !!!CX4-1c

CHINESE PUG puppies, only 2 left. Adorable pets, 9 wks. old. Ready for a loving home. 628-2737 !!!X35-2c

AKC Lab. puppies, blacks & yellows, \$75. Call 391-2739 !!!X35-1

PUPS, HALF PIT BULL & half Catahoula. \$25. 693-4071 !!!X35-2

WANTED: Standing timber & veneer. Perry Kendall, Jr. 517-661-2631, Oakley, Mich. !!!X35-7*

50 CC. size mini-cycle. 628-1554 !!!X35-1c

IMMEDIATE teller positions available. Accepting applications at Pacesetter Bank Southeast. 5030 S. Saginaw, Flint, Mich. 48507. See Miss Simmons. !!!CX4-3c

HEAVY HAULING - deliver dirt or haul away debris. 625-4234, Tracy. !!!CX4-2p

WANTED

I'M AVAILABLE TO HOUSE-SIT. Dependable & reliable, have references, love pets. Call Dorothy at 628-4801 after 5pm. 652-0184 !!!LX-35-2 L-33-2

WANTED—boat storage inside for 19 ft. boat, 645-9300 days. !!!R-50-3 RL33-3 RX35-1

WANTED TO BUY: Used diamond rings & old wedding bands. 693-8900. !!!RX35-2 R-50-3

USED GUNS WANTED regardless of condition. Top cash dollars. We buy-sell-trade. Guns galore. Fenton 629-5325 !!!X4-tfc

BABYSITTING IN MY HOME. Lakeville Trailer Park, any shift. 628-4265 !!!X35-1

WANTED ROOM TO RENT: \$150 a month including utilities. 625-9120 !!!X35-1

WILL BABYSIT IN MY HOME: Brown Rd. & M-24 area. 373-1169 !!!X35-1

SEAMSTRESS - Experienced to sew in my home. 623-1455 after 3 or 733-7700 !!! X-4-2p

MATURE WOMAN desires housecleaning jobs. Exc. references. Own transportation. 673-0051 !!!X4-1c

GUNS, GUNS, WANTED! Will buy or sell them for you. Gun Auction, Sun., Oct. 7th at 3pm. Hall's Auction, 705 W. Clarkston Rd., Lk. Orion, 693-1871 !!! R-49-5, RA34-5, RL32-5, RC2-5

BABYSITTING, my home, references. Moving to Bailey Lk. School district, after school starts will transport until moved. 673-3584 !!! 3-2cwp

WANTED: Place to live. Room in a house, kitchen privileges preferred. Will help with housework. Call Dorothy at 628-4801 after 5pm. 651-0184 !!!LX-35-2 L-33-2

WANTED: Sewing repairs and alterations. Coats relined, zippers replaced, my home. Andersonville Rd. Reasonable rates. Joyce, 623-1612 !!!52-6cwp

GUNS, GUNS WANTED! Will buy or sell them for you. Gun Auction, Sunday, Oct. 7, at 3pm. Hall's Auction, 705 W. Clarkston Rd., Lk. Orion, 693-1871 !!!R-49-5, RA-34-5 RL32-5, RC2-5

DRAFTSMEN, male or female. Experience required. Only full time, mature persons need apply. Industrial Methods, Inc. 852-7270 !!!A-34-1 LR-49-3 LC-2-1

MATURE WOMAN desires housecleaning job. Has car & references. 674-2724 !!!X4-1c

WILL BABYSIT in my home. Lakeville Trailer Park. 628-6149 !!!X35-1

WANTED-HOUSEKEEPER, 3:00 to 6pm, 3 times a week. Call 628-5720 after 6pm. !!!AX-35-3 L-33-3 LR-50-3

COOK WANTED 3 to 4 days a week. Apply Guest House, 391-3100. !!!AX-35-2c

JACK-OF-ALL-TRADES: Painting, tile, dry wall, drop-ceiling, etc. You name it, reasonable. 693-4339 or Cliff at 797-4967. !!!AX-35-2

WILL BOARD 1-2-3 horses, Oxford area. 628-0836 !!!LX-35-1*

ANTIQUES

BLOOMFIELD ANTIQUE SHOW: Oct. 2, 3, & 4. Daily 11:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Last day to 6:00 p.m. Luncheon and light refreshments - Boutique. Cross of Christ Lutheran Church, Lone Pine & Telegraph Rds., Bloomfield Hills. Donation \$2. !!!X4-1c

AUCTION

ESTATE AUCTION: Sept. 16th, 69 E. Fairmont, Pontiac (off Baldwin at water tower). Starts at 1 pm - Opens at 11am.

Antiques & collectibles; colored TV; cedar chests; furniture (5 rooms); gas stove; singer sewing machine; knick-knacks galore; kitchenware; Depression glassware; silverware; jewelry; bone china; mantel clock; china cabinet; washer-dryer, freezer; exerciser - All personality without reserve.

Home on two lots to be auctioned following sale of personal property - minimum bid \$30,000 at 10 percent down date of sale. Balance on closing within 45 days - cash sale without condition on financing. Sale subject to confirmation by Oakland County Probate Court.

All sales final and "AS IS". Estate of Beatrice K. Heathman, deceased; Robert G. Moir, Administrator (363-1587); Richard P. Bingham, Auctioneer (624-5716). !!!X4-1c

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

FOR SALE: 1972 Bolens snowmobile for parts, super good shape, \$70 or best offer. Also 1973 440 Free Air Skidoo, \$350 or best offer. 628-1621 !!!LX-35-2

FOR SALE: 1972 350 KAWASAKI. Super nice shape. Runs excellent. Great buy at \$550. 628-1621 !!!LX-35-2

GARAGE SALE: Sept. 14-15-16, 10 until 5, Keatington Sub, 2748 Armstrong Dr. China, silverware, appliances, riding tractor mower, 10 speed bike, school desk, clothing, etc. !!!R-50-1 RA35-1 RL33-1 RC3-1

MOVING SALE: Keatington Meadows, clothing to kitchenware, even a Xmas tree. Thurs. thru Sat., 3339 Blasser Dr. 391-0517. !!!R-50-1 RC3-1 RA35-1

FOR SALE: Tandem Axle trailer. 15 ft. bed, 2-6000 lb. axles, electric brakes, \$750. 628-5265 !!!X35-2

BEAR WHITE TAIL Compound Bow, like new. \$65. Call 628-1165 after 5pm !!!X35-1c

CARPETING, 8x11, spinet organ, dinette table & six chairs, reclining chair with vibrator, light maple hutch. Best offer. 628-4044 !!!X35-1

PEARS FOR SALE: 1245 Rhodes, Lk. Orion. 693-6840. \$5 bushel. !!!X35-2 LR-50-3

1969 CHEVELLE for parts, make offer. 8 wk. old male cock-a-poo pup for sale, \$10. 628-7879 !!!X35-1

GAS DRYER (Whirlpool, Avocado), 2-tone pink shag carpeting, 16x10, horse tank. 693-2557 !!!LX35-1

LIKE NEW 16 cu. ft. freezer, gold. \$200., Hammond T-500 organ, instruments, draw bars, tape. Excellent condition \$1850. 391-1708 after 4:30. !!!LX35-1

HALF FARE TICKET on American Airlines. \$50. 693-1815 !!!AX-35-2

FROST FREE REFRIGERATOR, Philco, 16 ft. coppertone, good condition. Call 627-4869 !!!LX35-1

AMF SLATE POOL TABLE, regulation size, \$550; Wurlitzer spinet piano, \$900; 350 Honda CL, \$450, Honda 70, \$200; high back swivel desk chair, brown vinyl & cloth, \$75. 62-6426 !!!LX35-1

GRAY GEESE, reasonable. Chests of drawers, different styles, 693-2070 after 4pm !!!AX-35-1

PUPPIES: Free to good home. Pointer, Terrier mix. 628-3880 !!! X-35-1

PETS

SIAMESE SEAL POINT, 6 mos. old, \$20; new Sears 15 ft. swimming pool with filter, \$125. Call 693-9422 !!!X-35-1

REGISTERED 3/4 Arabian mare, show & school horse. Must sell, best offer. 625-5413 after 6. !!!X4-1c

AKC Miniaure Dashound stud service. 693-2384. !!!AX-35-2

Pretty paint mare, \$450.00 or best offer. 2 year bay quarter gelding \$400 or best offer. 625-1595. 625-5101. !!! 1-4cwc

HOLSTEIN MILK COWS for the family. 628-3554 !!!X35-1*

REGISTERED APPALOOSA GELDING. 5 yrs., English & Western. 15.1 hands. Excellent shape. \$550. 693-4296 !X-35-1*

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News want ads tell and sell at a low cost. Call 625-3370 today and place your ad.

FOR RENT: Lk. Orion, Oxford area lakefront, 3 bedroom home on 1 acre, attached 2-car garage, fireplace, dishwasher, stove, refrig., carpeted, drapes, gas heat, furnished or partially furnished. \$475 per mo., \$475 security deposit. Available October 10. References. 6 to 9 mo. lease. 693-6131 !!!LX35-2

FOR RENT: 3 bedroom home, Long Lake area. Beautiful setting. No pets, references required. \$400 per mo. Call 546-8458 !!!LX-35-3 L 3-3 LR-50-3

FRESHLY DECORATED ONE-BEDROOM Apartment. Carpeted, appliances, heat furnished. North of Oxford. Ideal for couple. 628-5805 !!!LX-35-1c L-33-3c

1978 RM125 SUZUKI. \$700. Excellent condition. 752-9119 !!!LX-35-1

This 3 bedroom bi-level is located in Rochester for under \$60,000. Won't last long. For more information call Hartwig Realtors, 651-8144, ask for Sharon Kostanecki !!!LX-35-1

THIS SPOTLESS 4-bedroom ranch is located in the prestigious sub of Hi-Hill Village. Included is central air, 2 1/2 attached garage, finished basement with bar. For more information call Hartwig Realtors, 651-8144. Ask for Sharon Kostanecki. !!!LX-35-1

COMMERCIAL OFFICE ACROSS FROM our future hospital. Call for a private showing. Realty World, R.L. Davison. 628-9779. !!!X35-1c

OVER 2 ACRES, ideal for modular homes, easy land contract terms, near Lapeer. Price \$7500. Realty World, R.L. Davison, 628-9779 !!!X35-1c

METAMORA Hunt Club area. 3-bedroom ranch, 2 1/2 baths, walk-out basement, 2 fireplaces, loaded with extras, 13 acres of rolling land, 5 stall horse barn. New mortgage or land contract terms. Realty World R.L. Davison, 628-9779 !!!X35-1c

ALL BRICK RANCH home on 5 acres near Oakwood. 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, family rm. with fireplace, many extras. Realty World, R.L. Davison. 628-9779 !!!X35-1c

COUNTRYVIEW ESTATES Number 3; Ranch style home, 3 large bedrooms, formal dining rm., full basement. Also tennis court. For more information call Realty World, R.L. Davison. 628-9779 !!!X35-1c

BETWEEN ORION & OXFORD, this lovely 2-story home has 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, family room with fireplace—opens out to pool & patio area, full basement, 2 1/2-car garage, exceptionally well cared for. Call for details. \$68,900. Realty World, R.L. Davison, 628-9779 !!!X35-1c

TAN LAKE AREA: A real family home; 4 bedrooms, formal dining room, family room with fireplace, Lagoon frontage into Mickelson Lake. Call for further details. Realty World, R.L. Davison, 628-9779 !!!X35-1c

2 LARGE HOMES on over 3 acres, a mile from village of Oxford. Call or stop by our office - Realty World, R.L. Davison. 628-9779 !!!X35-1c

V.A. on North side of Pontiac. Co. ay 2-bedroom home on 5 lots. Call for more information. Action Realty 693-2040. !!!LX-35-1c

1977 BEAUVILLE VAN, 3 seats, air, rally wheels, rear heater. \$4350. 628-1943 !!!LX-35-2



A group of Clarkston Elementary School pupils make the first crossing of the driveway in front of the school to begin their studies anew.



Accompanied by their babysitter Peg Myers, Stephanie Nicholson and Stephanie Nolan leave North Sashabaw Elementary School after bidding farewell to four of their playmates who started classes there Monday morning. The two girls are in the afternoon kindergarten at the school.



Shortly after school started at Clarkston Junior High School, some students found themselves in the office because of missing schedules. After a brief search, they were back in the classroom.

At long last... school



Waiting for the first school bus ride of the new school year Monday morning is Phillip Beeney, a Pine Knob Elementary School second grader.



Greg Thomas of Maple Drive, Independence Township, stashes a text book in a locker at Clarkston High School before he heads for lunch.

Safety Program Honored

At the beginning of 1978, the Oakland County Road Commission declared war on highway carnage.

Set into motion was a five-year plan to systematically identify, prioritize and counterattack hazards on the roadway which might contribute to deaths and maimings.

A second objective was to assure that public funds entrusted to Road Commission duties would be devoted to the benefit of all — rather than just to pay liabilities to accident victims.

To accomplish the objectives, the Road Commission reorganized from the top down, adopted policies and established procedures to manage the highway crash risk.

The program is named "Highway Risk Management" and starts with the policy that "Safety Is Our Number One Priority."

Despite numerous safety innovations in transportation history, never before has a road agency devoted itself so thoroughly to this cause. Traditionally, safety considerations have taken a back seat to programs to relieve congestion.

"In less than two years, we have found that our pioneering efforts have struck a responsive chord, with the public, with other governmental units and with other organizations seeking to address the societal cost of highway accidents," said Road Commission Board Chairman Fred D. Houghten.

"In a survey of voting age adults of Oakland County, we learned that 82 percent agree that we made the right decision — even if it means congestion problems will have to wait.

"We have found groups all across the country eager for us to present our experience to them. Experts in fields such as road management, government policy setting, public liability insurance and others have expressed amazement at how much we have already accomplished.

"So, we submitted the case study of our first year to the National Association of Counties Achievement Awards competition, hoping that even if we didn't win an award we could still help others by making the information available to them through such an organization.

"We did win.

"Apparently our approach; the methods we have developed to identify, analyze, prioritize hazards; and the few countermeasures we've implemented already, are deemed outstanding in themselves.

"We appreciate the award, because it does provide encouraging feedback. Among other things, it makes us even more resolved to continue with the program."

1978-79 Annual Report To The Citizens

From
The Board of
Oakland County Commissioners



Commissioners

Fred D. Houghten, Chairman
John R. Gnau, Jr., Vice Chairman
Richard V. Vogt, Commissioner
John L. Grubba, Managing Director

Inside You'll Find

- How the crunch of competing attitudes affects roads . . . and what we're doing about it.
- Status of the largest road widening project in Road Commission history.

- How we promote ride sharing as a means of providing transit service.
- Some of the road hazard countermeasures already underway as a result of our Risk Management Program.
- Steps we've taken to head off a mid-winter road de-icing salt supply crisis.

- What we propose to prepare for the Super Bowl at the Pontiac Silverdome.
- Some things you have told us in scientific surveys and our annual report questionnaire.
- What we're doing to improve financial resources for road safety.

Better And Cheaper Transit Than SEMTA's Is Possible Here

"An independent transit agency can provide more and better transit service (than SEMTA) to Oakland County residents within presently available funding."

That is shown in a report submitted by Oakland County Road Commissioners Fred D. Houghten, Chairman; John R. Gnau, Jr., Vice Chairman; and Richard V. Vogt.

The report, to the County Executive and the County's Planning and Building Committee, was prepared at the Committee's request.

The Committee sought the Road Commission's experience to assist the County Administration prepare its report to the Board of County Commissioners on feasibility of withdrawing from SEMTA.

The Road Commission's report does not suggest who should make up the independent Oakland County transit agency.

Rather, it concentrates on, and documents, the facts: that withdrawal from SEMTA is legally possible; that state and federal funding could be available; that such inde-

pendent local transit agencies exist throughout the U.S.

"Setting the record straight on these three points was considered a priority, because there has been so much reliance on misinformation," said the Road Commissioners.

The report also provides a summary of SEMTA actions, county transit needs, estimates of federal and state funds available to the county, and comparisons to past SEMTA allocations.

Conclusions supported include:

- "More and better transit service to Oakland County residents" is possible.
- "In contrast to the SEMTA plan, no new taxes are required.
- "In reality, the level of transit service that can be provided is approximately three times that being provided by SEMTA today, and with a net reduction in taxes."

Taxes could be reduced because it would be possible to allow the transit surcharge against vehicles registered in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb Counties to expire.

Neither the new independent agency's services nor the auxiliary, inter-county services that SEMTA could still provide would need such taxes.

The case against continued reliance on SEMTA is put forth in the report:

"Oakland County has consistently advocated the concept of regional mass transportation. County residents would support any reasonable transit plan that provided an equitable distribution of transit services to regional residents — at an affordable cost.

"County agencies have made this philosophy clear, but SEMTA has responded by ignoring these inputs. SEMTA's adopted transit plan proposes to spend far more than the entire region's federal grant for a Woodward Avenue subway. The balance is to be paid by new state and area taxes.

"The proposed subway is an affront to Oakland County taxpayers. Even the Federal Department of Transportation has stated formally

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372,000 SUBSCRIBERS TO:

Oakland Press, Daily Tribune, Birmingham-Bloomfield Eccentric, Clarkston News, Clawson Reporter, Farmington Forum, Farmington Observer, Ferndale Gazette-Times, Hazel Park News, Northwest Oakland County Herald-Advertiser, Lake Orion Review, Madison Heights Reporter, Madison News, Milford Times, Northville Record, Novi News, Novi Sun-Forum, Ortonville Reminder, Oxford Leader, The Times (Pontiac-Waterford-Orion-Oxford), Rochester Clarion, Rochester Eccentric, South Lyon Herald, Southfield Eccentric, Southfield Sun, Spinal Column, Troy Reporter, Troy Eccentric, Walled Lake News and West Bloomfield Eccentric.
September 12, 13, 14 or 15, 1979.

Chairman's Message:

Roads And Transit Compete For The Same Funds

The crunch of competing attitudes toward roads is upon us.

Some are trying to curtail use of the private automobile, and want to make it more difficult to fund road projects.

Others are alarmed at the condition of existing roads, and want them to be safer.

Both groups make valid points. Many automobile trips could as well be public transit trips, if proper transit service were available.

Relieving congestion on the roads would also reduce the risks of accidents.

The only real point of conflict between the two attitudes comes because transit advocates are raiding the source of road funds, which will lead to ruin of the roads.

They are increasingly tapping the highway user taxes which served to build the greatest road system in the world, and which are still needed to assure maintenance and upgrading of that road system.

We have probably seen the end of the great road building eras. Only a few new routes remain to be constructed. Probably because of this, many have the impression that road trust funding is no longer needed.

They are unaware or uncaring that the cost to maintain roads today is apace of the historical costs to build roads. They may not realize that freeway building emphasis in the past 20 years has dealt a double measure of needs on the surface connecting roads, for widening to handle increased volumes and for improvements to assure safe travel.

Outstanding examples exist here in Oakland County. Big Beaver Road in Troy is one, which connects to I-75. To widen it to a four lane boulevard for just 2.7 miles will cost well over \$4 million. Orchard Lake Road in West Bloomfield Township and Farmington Hills, connecting to I-696, is another. Widening just 2.8 miles to five lanes will cost about \$7 million.

Projects of that magnitude, although on the Oakland County Road

System, are dependent on state and federal funds — the same funds being raided for transit.

Meanwhile, other county road projects require funding. About 80 percent of county roads are certifiably inadequate. The funds needed to make them adequate far exceed anything likely to be available. The money needed just to keep them safe, after years of deterioration, heavy pounding and in the face of changes to smaller, less stable vehicles is enormous.

For the most part, the money to provide the safety countermeasures will have to come from local sources. In this age of Proposition 13 and Headlee, that is likely to mean from locally-voted taxes . . .

Locally-Voted Taxes Would Improve Roads

There is no countywide tax for roads now.

There is unlikely to ever be, because state law makes the process too difficult.

More feasible, and more equitable to taxpayers, would be locally-voted road taxes.

Some townships have such taxes now, and the Road Commission has cooperated with them by matching the funds to do locally-determined projects.

We have proposed to township supervisors that they work with us to determine how more wide-spread use of this under-utilized resource can be implemented. The supervisors were enthusiastic and have begun their study.

One township that already had a voted road millage — Highland — quickly saw the advantage of our willingness to commit to an agenda when there is certainty that local funds will be available. We are now discussing a first-ever contract to construct \$3 million of roads in Highland over a three-year period.

The door is open to other townships whose residents are similarly

willing to make the commitment by a locally-voted road millage.

County Funds Could Do More If Contracted

Almost simultaneously with its proposal to township supervisors for a locally-voted road millage agreement, the Board of Road Commissioners let the Board of County Commissioners know how its road contributions can go further.

In this case, no tax increase would be required.

If the County Board would only commit the \$500,000 annually that it has contributed to county roads in recent years, but on a multi-year basis by a contract, a great deal more could be done.

Work could be programmed far enough in advance to get more bang for the dollars. It would be possible with such lead time to attract matching funds and to equitably distribute benefits around the county.

Past County Board contributions have been made in mid-year, after both the Road Commission and local units that are expected to participate have finalized budgets and work programs.

The County Board would have the final decision on all projects using County Board contributions. When such special contributions are not involved, the Road Commission has sole authority over program decisions, within guidelines established by state law.

SEMTA'S Funding Request Imposes Early Deadline

One opinion obviously held by a majority of Oakland County residents is opposition to the SEMTA plan for regional transit that includes a Detroit subway.

We confirmed this by asking the question as part of a scientific sam-

pling survey, which is the subject of the final page of this report to you.

Among the many issues confronting roads today, the issue of public transit is probably the most crucial right now because of decisions expected by the end of this year.

SEMTA has asked the State Legislature for authorization to spend immediately to engineer the system SEMTA has proposed. The Legislature is expected to decide by the end of its Fall session and it looks like the matter could be whisked along as part of the annual "Christmas Package" rush.

That would be unfortunate for several reasons. Not the least is that a decision which would tend to commit not only the engineering costs but also the then-endorsed ultimate construction and operation costs should be more carefully examined.

Also, SEMTA has asked for the engineering funds before even hearing what the people have to say regarding its proposal! Public hearings have been scheduled for September.

We have let Oakland County Legislators know our opinion of SEMTA's priorities.

Thanks to a request from a Committee of the Board of Oakland County Commissioners, we have also been able to officially put forth a comprehensive report of the facts, which indicate Oakland County could do better by withdrawing from SEMTA. Some details are elsewhere in this report.

A decision by the County Board and the County Executive to begin the process to withdraw from SEMTA and to create a county transit authority would tend to dissuade the Legislature from approving the engineering funds, among other things such as protecting the county from taxation that doesn't return sufficient benefits.

In essence, we've told the County Board and the County Executive that the facts indicate it makes more sense to go it alone for public transit than to go SEMTA's way.

SEMTA has been dickering with the transit problem for 11 years, and has yet to do anything comprehensive. One reason is that it has been overly susceptible to power politics, which has resulted in continual championing of the subway boondoggle.

Enough is enough. SEMTA has had plenty of time. Its own request to the Legislature has imposed a deadline by which others must act to extricate the people from continuing folly.

We're doing all that we can to make it happen.



ROAD COMMISSIONERS, from left, Richard V. Vogt; Fred D. Houghten, Chairman; and John R. Gnau, Jr, Vice Chairman, with the plaque presented by the National Association of Counties (NACO) to the Oakland County Road Commission for its Highway Risk Management Program.

Fred D. Houghten

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Chairman
Board of Oakland County
Road Commissioners

Ride Pool Program Catches On

In October of 1978, the Oakland County Road Commission began offering help to employers to establish ride-sharing programs.

"Car pools and van pools among workers who share the same destinations regularly is a positive means to address road congestion, highway safety, pollution and energy consumption programs," said Richard V. Vogt, Road Commissioner.

"It is also one of the best alternatives to one-person automobile travel in an area of widely dispersed population, and thus is an effective para-transit system," he said.

"Ride sharing can be accomplished with public-private cooperation and without large expenditures of public funds," said Vogt.

The Road Commission has been working actively with 16 employers in planning and promoting ride sharing. Car pools have already been formed and potential has been found for several van pools. While car pools can take advantage of the participants' existing vehicles, van pools usually involve the employer purchasing or leasing the vans and assigning them to one driver. Costs are recovered in the fare structure.

Savings for the ride sharing participant whose daily round trip is 30 miles can be \$324 a year. Savings for a 90-mile round trip daily can be \$1,656 per year.

The Road Commission's program helps employers survey their employees, match potential poolers and establish an on-going program.

Thus far, employers working with the Road Commission are: Ex-Cello Corporation, The Budd Company, Borg-Warner, Sperry-Vickers Corporation, Rockwell International, Foamade Industries, IBM, Michigan Credit Union League, Facet Filter Corporation, WXYZ-TV, Oakland County Service Center, Oakland University, D'Arcy-McManus and Masius, Sisters of Mercy Health Corporation, Pontiac Osteopathic Hospital and Pontiac General Hospital.

Interested companies — and individuals — may contact OCRC Planner James Barbaresso, 645-2000.



VAN POOLS, such as this one of Oakland County Road Commission employees are a positive means of addressing energy, road congestion and safety problems. The Road Commission is helping employers countywide promote and organize car pools and van pools.

Better, Cheaper Transit Possible Than SEMTA's

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there is no need for such an expensive system. Transit demand along Woodward can be satisfied by more economical means.

"The proposed transit plan does not provide for Oakland County public transportation needs and the plan will require raising Oakland County's taxes disproportionately higher for negligible benefits.

"Clearly, SEMTA does not represent the best interests of Oakland County residents.

"By establishing its own public transit agency, Oakland County would be eligible for a proportionate share of the federal and state transit subsidies currently going to SEMTA.

"The amount of money Oakland County would receive is greater than that currently being spent by SEMTA within the county."

Examples of independent local transit agencies being formed upon withdrawal from regional agencies are cited.

Among the examples is that of the Blue Water Area Transportation Commission within SEMTA's boundaries. In 1976, the cities of Marysville and Port Huron and the townships of Gratiot and Port Huron created a legal and administrative agency, as provided for in state law.

"The formation of the (Blue Water) commission within the SEMTA district is recognition of the need to provide local management of transit operations as a rational basis for local participation and cooperation," said the Road Commission's report.

In addition to being able to design local transit for local needs, "local control offers significant operating economies. Importantly, the area is not burdened by taxes to support the transit systems of other cities in the SEMTA district."

What about Oakland County, in terms of transit needs and SEMTA priorities? The report notes:

"Over 80 percent of Oakland County residents' transportation trips are to in-county destinations (according to a study by an independent research firm). These trips are for work, shopping, medical, educational and recreational purposes.

"Approximately, only 10 percent of all Oakland County transportation trips are made to Wayne County, including downtown Detroit.

"The proposed SEMTA transit plan does not meet these needs. Instead, the (SEMTA) plan concentrates 90 percent of all funds on a gamble to revitalize a short length of Woodward Avenue within the City of Detroit."

What would be the financial impact of the SEMTA plan?

"The SEMTA plan, although based on very optimistic construction costs and revenue projections, cannot be funded by available federal and state subsidies.

"The shortfall could approach \$1 billion for construction and \$100 million per year for operations.

"The Federal Department of Transportation (DOT) has pledged \$600 million as a capital grant for the area's regional transportation needs. This means the entire region — not one city. There is little likelihood of receiving more funding for many years.

"All other funds for transit purposes must come from local or statewide residents through increased taxation."

How much money would be available to an Oakland County transit agency without new taxes?

The Road Commission's report shows that \$166 million would be available to an independent transit agency over four years (1980-1983), enough to provide "comprehensive and complete county transit service."

Such service could include bus rapid transit, park-and-ride express, jitney service, dial-a-ride and rural subscription.

Meanwhile, SEMTA could reasonably continue to provide such inter-county services as bus, park-and-ride and commuter rail to and from the Detroit area.

Detroit would also likely continue its long-standing independent transit service. The report points out:

"It is questionable whether SEMTA and Detroit's Department of Transportation would carry out their plan to merge if (an Oakland County Transit Agency) is formed. SEMTA would lack the tax base to absorb D-DOT's deficits, to fund the transit desires of the city's administration, and to pay the much higher Detroit transit pay scale and pension liabilities."

In effect, the situation in this metropolitan area would be much the same as it is in many metropolitan areas with a region agency providing inter-local service and several local transit agencies providing services their people need.

We're Asked To Help Prepare Transit Program For County

Since the Road Commission's report on the feasibility of withdrawing from SEMTA and establishing an Oakland County transit authority, the Road Commission has been asked to participate in preparation of a county plan.

The Board of Oakland County Commissioners has directed that the elected County Executive's office and the Road Commission jointly participate in the planning.

"This is the most promising development for the future of public transit delivery in Oakland County that has occurred in 12 years," said Road Commission Board Chairman Fred D. Houghten.

"Now the county's chief executive and the county agency most involved and experienced with transportation matters will be officially working together. For one thing, this should set to rest the appearance of competition between the executive and us on the subject of transit," said Houghten.

Specifically, the joint planning effort is to:

- Initiate the preparation of a program to research, analyze and develop the legal base required for the establishment of an Oakland County transit authority.

- Develop a program and budget for

the preparation of a comprehensive county public transportation plan.

- Propose and seek passage of legislative amendments to state and federal laws to clarify or amend provisions to explicitly allow a county to pull out of a regional authority and establish its own, and be eligible for and reasonably assured of securing state and federal funding.

- Seek an attorney general's opinion on current state laws as they relate to permitting a county to withdraw from a regional transit authority and form its own authority.

Slow Down In Work Zones

"Orange signs warn of a traffic lane closed ahead due to road work. "You are violating state law if you drive faster than 45 miles per hour."

"Highway work under traffic is hazardous. For the safety of the work crews, and yourself, drive with care and caution in all work-zone areas."

That message is being distributed with the Oakland County Road Commission's road maps. It is printed on an orange leaflet that will be inserted in the maps.

On the reverse side, in large block letters, is the word "HELP." Motorists can post this side at their vehicle window if they should suffer a breakdown on the road.

The leaflets contribute to the Road Commission's Highway Risk Management Program nicely, said Managing Director John L. Grubba. "Our employees are rightfully concerned about work crew safety. A crew member was fatally injured when a motorist went around a flashing arrow board on the wrong side."

Thanks for the leaflets is due to the Michigan Department of Transportation, which originated the project in this state and which is distributing them with its state highway maps, also.

In addition, the state is sponsoring 20 and 30-second radio spot announcements urging motorists to go slow and be cautious in work zones.

Work Begins To Widen Orchard Lake

To prepare for the \$7 million widening of 2.8 miles of Orchard Lake Road in Farmington Hills and West Bloomfield Township, utility companies have been given the go-ahead to modify pipelines.

Road Commission Chairman Fred D. Houghten said approval to begin utility modifications was received from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), which is funding 75 percent of project costs.

"We are currently acquiring necessary rights of way as expeditiously as possible under the federal guidelines, which we are using for the first time because this is our first project for which federal funds will be used to acquire right of way."

"We expect to take construction bids this fall or early winter and to have actual widening underway in the spring," said Houghten.

"As part of the project, temporary roads will be built on each side of Orchard Lake to maintain two-way traffic and provide ingress and egress to the many commercial establishments. Portions of the temporary roads will be left in place upon completion of the project to serve as non-motorized routes."

"Orchard Lake will be widened from its existing two-lane to five lanes from just north of 12 Mile Road to Maple Road."

"The improvement will increase safety and relieve congestion along this route, which is a major collector for traffic to and from freeways."

Road Salt Stockpiles Increased

People commonly ask, "Why is there so much trouble getting road salt when we're so close to the salt mines under Detroit?"

The Road Commission asked the same question during critical periods in each of the past two winters. Answers ranged from "a strike by drivers" to "a broken mine shaft."

One supplier, whose mine is in Ontario, Canada, failed to deliver as expected because "the (Detroit) river was frozen over" and "a salt barge capsized."

During the "Great Blizzard of '78," salt supply trucks had the same difficulties as everyone else attempting to negotiate roads covered with four inches of ice.

"That might have been excusable, except that by then the suppliers were already three weeks behind on our orders," recalls John R. Gnau, Jr., Road Commission Vice Chairman.

"At the time, we had facilities to stockpile only one-fifth of our expected winter needs. We had con-

On The Cover

DWARFING A WORKMAN and an automobile is a 5,000-ton emergency stockpile of road de-icing salt. It is placed on an asphalt pad the size of a football field, stands two stories high and is being covered with polyurethane.

tracts with two suppliers for replenishment through the season.

"But, we've learned our lesson. No longer will we be so dependent on mid-winter replenishment. By the time snow flies this year, we expect to have two-thirds of our annual salt needs stockpiled at our own facilities."

"It will be expensive, requiring \$295,000 for construction of pads,

polyurethane covers and storage buildings that otherwise wouldn't be necessary, and tying up \$337,000 for salt much earlier than we'd like."

"One 5,000-ton pad at Pontiac was ready at the beginning of last year, but the salt wasn't delivered until last spring."

"This year we are adding another 5,000-ton pad at Pontiac, a 5,000-ton pad at Milford, a 4,000-ton pad at Davisburg, a 1,500-ton pad and a 1,500-ton building at Lake Orion, and a 1,500-ton building at Southfield."

"Together, these will bring to 34,300 tons our total stockpile, which compares to 10,800 tons stockpiled up to this year. We use 48,000 tons annually."

"We've already taken bids and awarded contracts for the salt supplies. The cost of salt is up 22 percent this year over last, at \$15 to \$17.90 per ton, depending on when and where delivered."

We Support Modified M-275 Freeway

The Board of Oakland County Road Commissioners has joined other county and local units of government in support of a "modified M-275 freeway."

"We are happy to help form a consensus which could go a long way toward resolving the transportation dilemma in western Oakland County," said Road Commissioners Fred D. Houghten, Chairman; John R. Gnau, Jr., Vice Chairman; and Richard V. Vogt.

Reaching such a consensus has been difficult during the nearly three years since the former State Highway Commission abruptly cancelled its long-standing M-275 freeway plans.

"The new State Transportation Commission has been willing to take an objective new look and has proposed a slight modification of the original freeway plan for possible selection as the alternative to be built. The subject is scheduled for discussion when the Commission meets September 26," said Houghten.

"The Transportation Commission's proposed modifications are slight in terms of service the freeway will be able to provide the people. The modifications are proper means of addressing important environmental problems," he said.

"We can and do strongly support the modified M-275 freeway plan be-

cause it will provide the same service we have consistently sought in our previous calls for reinstatement of the M-275 freeway as originally planned."

"Specifically, the differences between the original plan and the modified freeway plan is that an interchange will be moved from Carroll Lake Road to Commerce Road nearby and the alignment will skirt a black spruce bog."

"There will be the same access and exit opportunities for the large number of people in the area and the same capacity, routing connections and other service features of the original plan."

Someone Must Share Costs

Road Plans Readied For Super Bowl

The Oakland County Road Commission began preparing early in 1979 for the Super Bowl football game at Pontiac Silverdome scheduled for January 1982.

A snow and ice control plan for storms before, during and after the game is being developed which will include stand-by private contractors.

"We will make every effort to insure fast and efficient ingress and egress to the stadium area in the event of a major storm," said Road Commission Chairman Fred D. Houghten.

He said the Road Commission has also recommended improvements that could be made to county and state roads in the stadium area. "The Road Commission is prepared to share the cost of the county road improvements and needs only commitment by the City of Pontiac, the County and State in time to complete construction by the fall of 1981," he said.

"Improvement of state trunklines, including freeways, must be up to the Michigan Department of Transportation which has jurisdiction," said Houghten.

A major construction improvement that would relieve the hazardous situation of pedestrians and motor vehicles crossing the M-59

freeway on the county's Opdyke Road is a recommended pedestrian bridge just west of Opdyke. The bridge would connect the main stadium parking lot to lots on the south side of M59 at a cost of \$900,000.

Expansion of the south side parking lots, which would further relieve pedestrian traffic on Opdyke, is also recommended.

The largest project recommended is widening Opdyke to five lanes south of Auburn to Square Lake, thus providing easier access from the Square Lake exit of I-75 and from Telegraph and Woodward.

To ease access from the I-75 exit at University, it's recommended that Opdyke be widened to four lanes from University south to Featherstone; that University be widened to four lanes from Opdyke to the I-75 ramps; and that an eight-foot wide pedestrian sidewalk be constructed on the west side of Opdyke from Featherstone north to existing parking facilities.

Also recommended is dynamic (changeable) message signs to direct traffic on Opdyke and street lighting from Auburn to north of Featherstone.

On the state trunklines, \$3.2 mill-

ion worth of construction improvements are recommended, including:

- A direct access ramp from the east bound M-59 off ramp into the Silverdome auxiliary parking lot south of M-59.

- Extension of vehicle storage lanes on I-75 at the off ramps to M-59.

- A vehicle storage lane for northbound I-75 off ramp at University Drive.

- Addition of loop off-ramps to University Drive from I-75 to eliminate need for I-75 exiting traffic to make left turns across University Drive traffic.

- Addition of two lanes to the northbound I-75 off ramp at University Drive and a merge lane on eastbound University Drive from the off ramps.

- Develop a communication network with a central control station to monitor traffic patterns and inform motorists within a five-mile radius of the Silverdome, as is already being studied by the Michigan Department of Transportation.

As a long-range alternative to special storage lanes, the Road Commission recommends that the state add an additional lane in each direction on I-75 between M-24 and Square Lake Road at a cost of \$13 million.

Our People Are Leaders

Expertise within the Oakland County Road Commission is put to use by several organizations in the highway, transit and safety fields.

FRED D. HOUGHTEN, Chairman, served on the Governor's Tri-County Transportation Alternatives Committee; is a former chairman of the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG) Council on Environmental Strategy (CES); and serves on the Policy Committee of the County Road Association of Michigan (CRAM).

JOHN R. GNAU, JR., Vice Chairman, serves on the Executive Committee of the Inter-County Highway Commission (IHC).

RICHARD V. VOGT, Road Commissioner, is IHC Chairman.

JOHN L. GRUBBA, Managing Director, serves on the Safety Advisory Committee of the American Road and Transportation Builders Association (ARTBA).

PAUL VAN ROEKEL, County Highway Engineer, is a director of the ARTBA Transportation Officials Division and a member of the ARTBA Advisory Committee on Public Transit. He also serves on the Public Transportation Subcommittee of the State Transportation Needs Study.

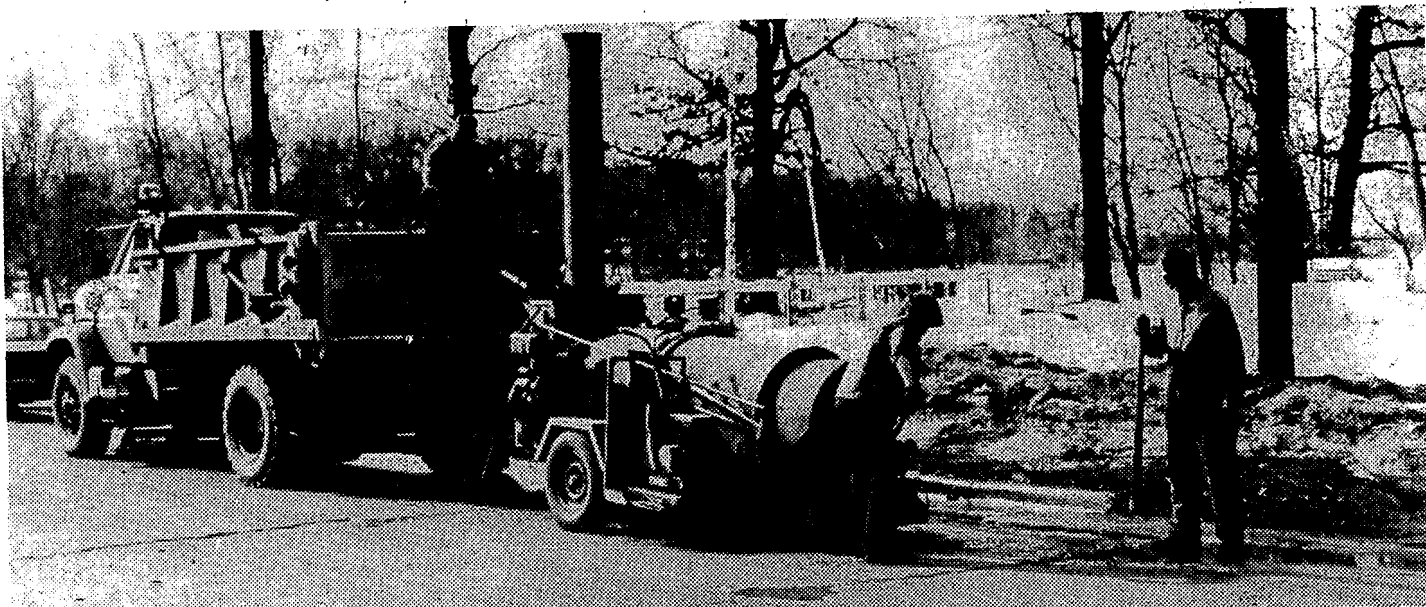
WILLIAM FOGNINI, Director of Transportation Planning and Environmental Concerns, is on the National Research Council's Committee for Transportation Programming, Planning and Evaluation. He is also Chairman of the Urban Task Force, which distributes Federal Urban Systems funds throughout the county. And, Fognini is a member of SEMCOG's Council on Regional Development (CORD), which helps develop transportation plans.

BRIAN BLAESING, Environmental Concerns Coordinator, is a member of SEMCOG's Council on Environmental Strategy (CES). He also serves on the City of Birmingham Dial-A-Ride Study Committee.

BRENT BAIR, Transportation Planner and Risk Management Coordinator, serves on SEMCOG's Transportation Advisory Committee and SEMCOG's SEMVAN Task Force, which promotes ride-sharing programs. He is also on the IHC Engineering Committee and on the Urban Task Force. He was a member of the Transit Evaluation Panel which reviewed alternatives proposed by the Southeastern Michigan Transportation Authority (SEMTA).

GERALD HOLMBERG, Traffic Department Director, serves on the Professional Advisory Panel of the State Safety Commission and as a member of the Signs Subcommittee of the Federal Highway Administration's National Advisory Council. He is President of the Institute of Transportation Engineers, and a member of the Committee to Revise the Michigan Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

DENNIS GRYLICKI, Director of Engineering, serves on the National Research Council's Transportation Research Board Committee for Soil/Portland Cement Stabilization and is Chairman of the Oakland Township Planning Commission.



POTHOLES ARE REPAIRED earlier and better with the help of trailer mounted ovens which heat the asphalt and allow it to be pressed into place in winter months. Called Porta-Patchers, these trailer units cost \$13,000 each.

Citizen's Complaints Level Off

The number of citizen complaints leveled off in 1978, thanks to prior projects prompted by complaints in previous years.

To address the one area of increasing complaints, the Road Commission has committed \$632,000 in 1978 and 1979, reports Managing Director John L. Grubba.

Down dramatically from previous years were complaints about holes and rough roads, dust, trees and brush, drainage and damage attributed to our operations, said Grubba.

ba. He said these were targets of special projects prior to 1978, including:

- A \$1.3-million program to place three inches of new gravel on 283 miles of roads in 17 townships.

- A \$230,000 program to provide higher than normal repairs to sections of 12 primary roads and streets in 13 subdivisions.

- Purchase and use of additional Porta-Patcher units, trailer-mounted ovens which make possible better chuckhole patching in winter

months. Each unit cost \$13,000.

Two categories of calls increased in 1978, and both can be attributed to circumstances involved in the "Great Blizzard of '78," said Grubba. One was complaints about ice and snow covered roadways. The other was requests for information.

"We're pleased about the requests for information, because these show we are able to provide reliable service. We're not pleased that our suppliers were unable to deliver replenishment salt supplies at a time of crisis," he said.

Safety First, But . . .

Environment Is Still Important

The Oakland County Road Commission continues its efforts to protect and enhance the environment while placing primary concern on safety.

While much of the process is done administratively and is difficult to recognize, an increasing number of projects are easily seen.

One example of the results is that road widenings seldom follow a strict line on a map anymore. Instead, whenever possible, the alignment is shifted to avoid necessity of removing trees.

Also, the decision is made more often to install curb and gutter to channel water running off a road instead of roadside ditches when ditching would tend to destroy roadside vegetation.

When valuable trees must be removed from the path of construction

new locations are found for many, such as the tree now standing at the entrance to the Road Commission's Administration Building which came from a construction site nearby. Evergreen trees at the same building's perimeter came from the State's Telegraph Road construction zone.

The Road Commission's Milford garage is being landscaped, as requested by nearby residents and the Milford Township Board, through use of trees from other construction sites.

In response to citizen concerns about environmental damage when Carey Road in Commerce Township is paved, the Road Commission is taking several innovative steps.

For example, it will be necessary to create a more stable roadbed where three pockets of muck now

exist. The usual, and least costly, procedure is to dig the muck out, place it alongside the road and refill the pocket with other materials. However, one of the Carey Road muck pockets is so deep that the amount of muck that would be placed alongside would significantly alter the environment. To avoid this, the Road Commission will use a more costly procedure that allows leaving the muck in place.

Also, when the Carey Road project is completed, the roadside will be planted with wildflowers rather than just grasses.

The Road Commission actively seeks the input of residents in project areas regarding environmental concerns in addition to investigations by staff specialists such as Environmental Concerns Coordinator Brian Blaesing and his staff.

10 Mile/Southfield Safety Better

Fewer vehicles bang noses in the intersection of 10 Mile and Southfield Roads these days.

As a result, personal injury accidents are down considerably at this busiest intersection in the tri-county area.

The credit goes to a computerized, traffic-actuated signalling system installed by the Oakland County Road Commission.

Among the busiest intersections in the state, this one carries 100,000 vehicles daily. It is the first intersection of major surface roads north of

the Southfield freeway. It is also flanked in all four directions by commercial establishments.

Ninety-nine accidents a year were occurring by the end of 1977, and 60 percent of them resulted in personal injuries. Most of the injuries were associated with left turn movements.

Recognizing the problem, the Road Commission applied for and received federal funding to install a \$63,000 computerized system that allows movements on each lane according to traffic demand.

A year later, data showed that

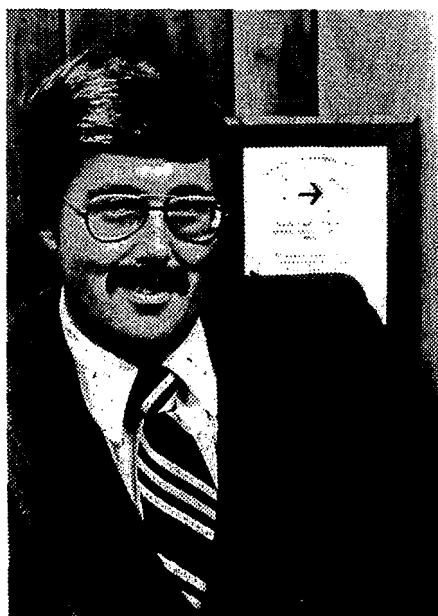
personal injury accidents had been reduced 48 percent and left turn accidents were down 84 percent, said Gerald Holmberg, Director of the Traffic Department.

Accidents within the intersection were down 64 percent, but there was no change in the number of accidents within 250 feet. Rear-end accidents near the intersection actually increased, but were less damaging to persons and property.

The Road Commission has taken steps to address the near-intersection accidents, also.



SHOULDER PAVING like this along M-15 will be accomplished in several selected locations on county roads as part of the Road Commission Highway Risk Management hazard countermeasures.



BRENT BAIR
Risk Management Coordinator

RISK MANAGEMENT: Launch \$250,000 Shoulder Paving

The Oakland County Road Commission's pioneering and award-winning Highway Risk Management Program has identified 5.7 miles of shoulder paving to be accomplished in 1979 in an effort to improve road system safety.

This project alone will require \$250,000 of \$500,000 set aside at the beginning of the year for 1979 risk management countermeasures.

"The shoulders to be paved are chosen by analysis of our maintenance records and accident information provided by the Traffic Improvement Association of Oakland County," said John R. Gnau, Jr., Road Commission Vice Chairman.

"The condition of road shoulders may be a contributing factor in traffic accidents, under certain circumstances," said Gnau.

During 1978, he noted, \$600,000 of additional pothole and edge rut repair work was authorized, for the same reason.

Being paved are shoulders of the following roads:

- 1.3 miles of Pontiac Trail between Green Lake Road and Sunbeam Street in West Bloomfield Township.
- 0.8 mile of Oakley Park Road between Buss Street and South Commerce Road in Commerce Township.
- 9.4 miles of Voorheis Road from

Telegraph to Lynn Street on the border of Pontiac City and Waterford Township.

- 0.7 mile of Watkins Lake Road between Scott Lake Road and Covert Road in Waterford Township.

- 1.8 miles of Cooley Lake Road between Cass-Elizabeth and Hospital Roads in Waterford Township.

- 0.7 mile of Andersonville Road between Windiate and Clement in Independence Township.

Although these are the priority targets for available funds, shoulders of segments of other roads may be similarly paved in future years as funding becomes available, said Gnau.

Tri-Party Construction Projects

Safety improvements are being made to roads in 38 communities this year under a Tri-Party Road Construction Program being paid for equally by the Road Commission, the Board of Oakland County Commissioners and participating local units.

The program totals approximately \$1.5 million and includes \$703,371 in cities and villages, as follows:

- Traffic signal upgradings at 32 locations (\$48,371).
- Pedestrian crossing signals at 14 locations (\$56,000).
- Passing lanes at 18 locations (\$326,000).
- Pavement resurfacing totaling 4.8 miles (\$212,000).
- Paving of gravel road approaches to paved roads at one location (\$10,000).
- A ramp improvement at one location (\$51,000).

In townships, the program in-

cludes \$650,072, as follows:

- Signal upgradings at 25 locations (\$50,381).
- Bridge replacements at two locations (\$75,000).
- Gravel road approach paving at 23 locations (\$236,691).
- Adding three inches of new gravel to 42 miles of roads (\$210,000).
- Passing lanes at four locations (\$27,000).
- Pavement resurfacing for 0.6-mile (\$21,000).
- Miscellaneous gravel road improvements at one location (\$30,000).

Also part of the program, but being paid for only by the County Board and the Road Commission — on a 50/50 basis — is the paving of Brown Road from Giddings to the end of pavement similarly constructed last year by the two units.

The following local units of government are participating, in the

amounts shown:

CITIES: Berkley (\$1,593), Birmingham (\$1,332), Bloomfield Hills (\$1,156), Farmington (\$7,033), Farmington Hills (\$58,677), Hazel Park (\$867), Keego Harbor (\$667), Madison Heights (\$5,554), Novi (\$6,667), Oak Park (\$1,215), Orchard Lake (\$667), Pleasant Ridge (\$5,000), Pontiac (\$17,482), Royal Oak (\$3,621), Southfield (\$12,726), South Lyon (\$5,000), Troy (\$91,585), Walled Lake (\$1,911).

VILLAGE: Beverly Hills (\$4,289).

TOWNSHIPS: Addison (\$12,500), Avon (\$15,604), Bloomfield (\$12,826), Brandon (\$17,000), Commerce (\$9,284), Groveland (\$10,000), Highland (\$3,034), Holly (\$6,068), Independence (\$11,156), Milford (\$13,034), Oakland (\$16,068), Orion (\$6,068), Oxford (\$16,068), Pontiac (\$193), Springfield (\$22,136), Waterford (\$19,073), West Bloomfield (\$10,548) and White Lake (\$16,250).

Mini-Salt Spreaders, Snow Fencing

Some small but mighty weapons have been deployed by the Board of Road Commissioners in the war on highway carnage, in addition to the relatively big guns of shoulder paving, pothole patching and tri-party projects.

The Board purchased six mini-spreaders for road de-icing salt. These fit into pickup trucks and will allow additional attention to possibly hazardous icing at intersections, curves and hills more economically than diverting regular 7 and 12-ton salt trucks from assigned routes.

Also at a cost of about \$6,000, the

Board increased the amount of snow fencing to ward off road drifting from 24,000 to 94,000 lineal feet.

After a special inspection of bridges, including culverts, 385 new signs warning of weight, width, or height restrictions were posted and 104 existing signs were updated.

A police liaison program is underway in which all police departments in the county are contacted to learn ways the Road Commission can better work with them and ways in which police can better help the Road Commission identify and respond to road problems.

Advance warning signs and target arrows have been placed at 100 locations to warn drivers of sharp curves on gravel roads.

Edge marking to reduce road run-off accidents has been accomplished on 675 miles of paved roads.

A federal grant was applied for and received to accomplish a \$126,000 project to upgrade safety devices at the railroad crossing on Scott Lake Road near Dixie Highway in Waterford Township. Gates, improved signals and a rubberized crossing pad will be installed.

Hazards Identified In Many Ways

A major characteristic of the Oakland County Road Commission's Highway Risk Management Program is its organization and procedures for systematically identifying road system hazards, as well as prioritizing and implementing countermeasures.

Several procedures have been established to identify hazards, beginning with enlistment of all 530 employees, in a procedure we call pink slipping, said Road Commission Vice Chairman John R. Gnau, Jr.

He explained other hazard identification procedures employed thus far as:

- Assigning a staff member to work with the County Highway Engineer for the exclusive purpose of inspecting roads in a designated territory.
- Assigning staff to inspect all bridges and culverts for the same purposes.
- Retaining an outside consultant, at a cost of \$100,000, to inspect all paved roads and primary gravel

roads and compile an inventory of road characteristics, roadside obstacles, and unsignalized railroad crossing.

When completed, the data assembled will be coded by road segments and will be available for comparison to accident data using the computerized system of the Traffic Improvement Association of Oakland County. "We will have one of the most sophisticated accident data analysis systems in the country," said Gnau.



JOHN GRUBBA
Managing Director

Managing Director's Statement:

Risk Management Concept Becomes Reality

Our employees, the community and many organizations nationwide deserve congratulations at this point in the process of developing the Road Commission's Highway Risk Management Program.

A little over a year ago, that title was just a concept that seemed worth trying for the sake of bettering highway safety conditions. Needed, everyone recognized, was a wholehearted effort to make the concept work.

Our employees embraced the challenge with enthusiasm. Even those a bit skeptical, as could be expected when any organization's goals are radically changed, were willing to give it a try.

The community's support has been amazing, considering that one of the problems has been to communicate an as-yet indefinite and strangely titled program. Asked to report

hazardous road segments and intersections as part of an annual report questionnaire last year, hundreds did — and proved extremely perceptive because results parallel other indicators, such as traffic accident data.

The program could not be what it is today without the Oakland County Traffic Improvement Association, which has helped us interact with police agencies and which is now underway with a major program to combat the role of alcohol in traffic accidents.

The University of Michigan's Highway Safety Research Institute, which gave birth to the Highway Risk Management concept, has been instrumental in helping us reorganize and establish procedures.

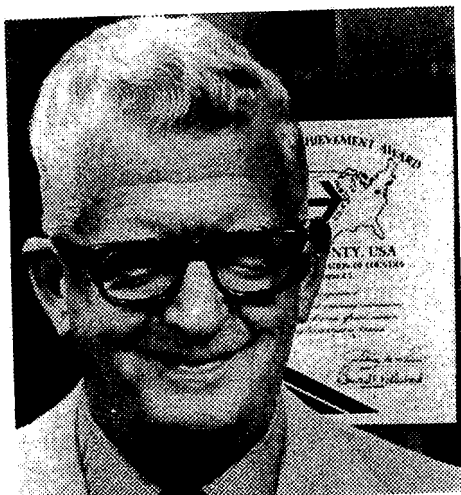
Organizations of government officials, insurance executives, safety groups and others nationwide have put us on their programs — appar-

ently just as eager to learn from us as we are to learn from them.

We thought we had received the supreme compliment when our outside auditing firm reported that whenever they seek to compare what we are doing, other agencies tell them to check with the Oakland County Road Commission: "the experts."

Then, in mid-April came word that our program had won a National Achievement Award from the National Association of Counties, a peer group whose membership has similar problems and have attempted various solutions.

We're not truly "expert" yet, and the award was based only on early developmental efforts. But, with the kind of support the program is receiving, it's sure to be a success whether or not results will ever be scientifically measurable.



PAUL VAN ROEKEL
County Highway Engineer

Limited Funds Aimed At Safety Projects

The talent and experience of County Highway Engineer Paul Van Roekel is counted on and used extensively in the Highway Risk Management Program.

Van Roekel serves on the Risk Management Executive Committee, which recommends policies, procedures and programs to be adopted by the Board of Oakland County Road Commissioners. Many of the program elements bear his blend of creative and engineering know-how — and 23 years of administrative experience at the Road Commission.

"Safety has always been a major consideration when planning our an-

nual construction programs," said Van Roekel, "However, now we seek first to make our limited funds do the most to reduce hazards, whether or not congestion is relieved. Some examples will illustrate:

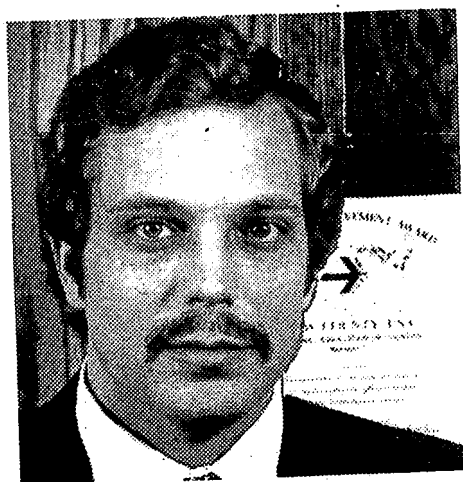
"Prior to the Risk Management Program, we programmed for widening of Orchard Lake Road — the principal reason was to relieve severe congestion. The reduction of accidents was a secondary consideration.

"Under the Risk Management Program we are doing such things as devoting \$250,000 to 5.7 miles of shoulder paving that will reduce ac-

cidents where records show a high incidence of "off-the-road" accidents, but will do nothing to relieve congestion."

"The 1979 construction program also includes \$1 million of projects for which federal safety funds have been obtained. That compares to \$378,000 in 1978 and \$605,000 in 1977.

Probably the most visible product of the campaign to reduce accidents is our county wide program of upgrading roadside warning signs, better pavement marking, reduced speed limits and more efficient traffic signals."



JAMES BRINEY
Assistant Managing Director

Risk Management Involves Everyone Here

Addition of Assistant Managing Director James Briney to the staff in mid-1978 specifically was to free the Managing Director for personal supervision of the Risk Management Program development.

Briney has been assigned to coordinate the agency's departments of Finance, Purchasing, Personnel and Citizen Services, and to head up special projects in those areas.

Briney serves as representative of the staff departments on the Executive Committee. "No one escapes involvement with safety and risk management at the Road Commis-

sion," says Briney.

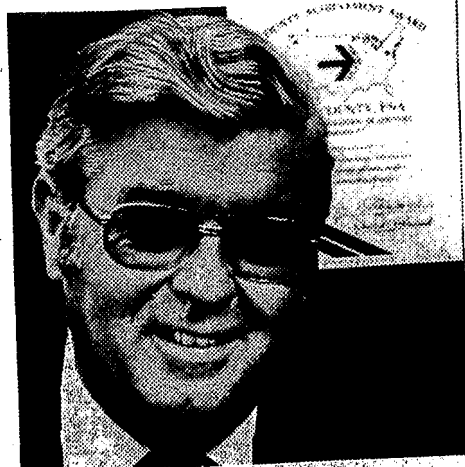
His duties principally are to take part in labor negotiations, public liaison, resolving supply crises (such as failure of suppliers to deliver road de-icing salt in mid-winter last year), and long-range financial planning.

He chairs the "Financial Planning Group" consisting also of the finance director, county highway engineer, transportation planning and environmental concerns director, risk management coordinator and consultants. The group addresses a long-standing problem; the ever-

widening gap between road needs and revenues.

"We are developing a new approach, which is based on augmenting the annual Road Commission budget with a three-year financial plan," said Briney.

"When I was hired I recognized I would first learn what the Road Commission is and what it does. I realize that is an on-going process. With fixed responsibilities, as well as flexibility in problem solving, I enjoy my work. The degree of professionalism at the road commission is high."



LEROY McENTEE
General Counsel

Laws, Courts Reflect Society's Demands

Summarizing the contribution of the Legal Department to the Risk Management Program is difficult, at best; and may be impossible.

Department Director LeRoy McEntee serves on the Risk Management Executive Committee.

His chief assistant serves on the advisory Risk Management Coordinating Committee and staff members advise the Employee Safety Committee.

Thus, the entire program benefits by inputs from the legal staff prior to project adoptions and prior to new policy determinations.

The staff also handles defense of liability claims when these occur.

Society's expectations are changing, and one of the surest ways to track the changes is by monitoring legislation and court decisions.

In the late 1970's, persons injured as a result of highway accidents have turned with increasing frequency to Road Commissions to collect damages. The courts have increasingly ruled that the Road Commissions must pay, in most circumstances.

Although many claims are filed

against the Oakland County Road Commission erroneously and many cite situations in which the Road Commission is not at fault, the overall message is that society expects Road Commissions to go beyond the traditional emphasis to provide a reasonably safe road system.

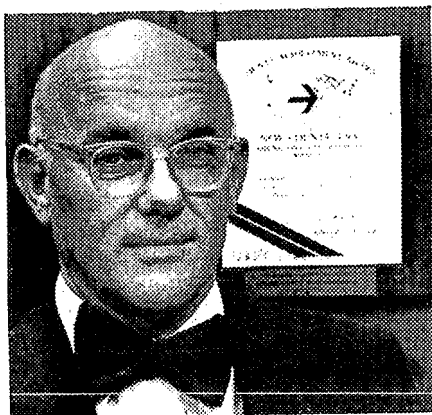
The Legal Department can analyze court cases, legislation and other documentation to help define public expectations. This, combined with other elements of the Risk Management Program, can help us respond to the public's interest before an accident occurs.



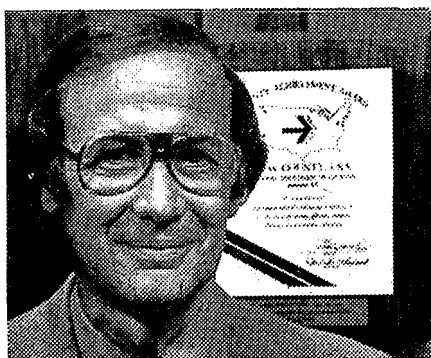
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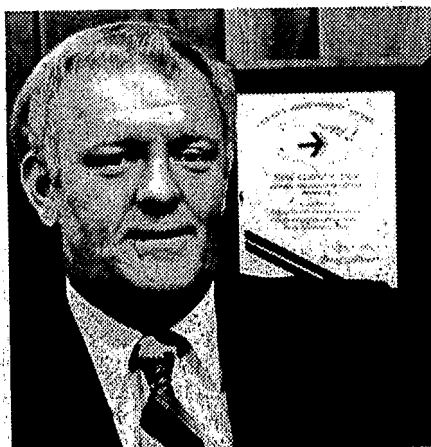
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Director, Transportation
Planning and Environmental
Concerns



JAMES DUNLEAVY
Director, Permits

Safety Features Designed In, Enforced

The Road Commission's Engineering Department implements construction projects developed at the policy and planning levels within the agency, and assures that state-of-the-art safety characteristics are embodied in designs, materials and contractors' procedures.

In addition, Director Dennis Grylicki serves with all other Road Commission Department heads on the Risk Management Coordinating Committee and members of his staff serve on Risk Management pre-

project review teams and the bridge inspection team.

During 1978, the Engineering Department's Construction Division supervised work on eight intersection improvement and widening projects, 14.5 miles of pavement resurfacing, 16.7 miles of two-lane paving of gravel roads, 16 miles of subdivision street improvements, replacement of a bridge culvert, erection of 4.2 miles of fencing and building of two salt storage facilities.

A much larger agenda of projects

was handled in various other divisions preparatory to actual construction.

Right of way work was performed for 31 projects and 64 agreements were prepared for funding participation by local units in the tri-party construction program alone.

Over one million tons of material were tested.

The Design Division conducted surveys, designed and prepared construction plans for 100 construction projects.

Signs, Signals, Markings Inform Drivers

An important factor in preventing highway accidents, according to research studies, is the driver information system — signs, signals and pavement markings.

The Road Commission's Traffic Department continued to upgrade the system and means of maintaining it during 1978, reports Director Gerald Holmberg. To increase dependability of the signals, a preventative maintenance project was launched.

Other projects initiated in 1978

were:

- To reduce accidents due to running off the road, 675 miles of paved roads were edgemarked.

- To increase visibility of traffic signals, the lighted faces were increased from eight to 12 inches at 51 intersections.

- To protect pedestrians, "SCHOOL" legends and crosswalks brighter and more durable than paint were placed at 116 school crossings, 25-miles-per-hour school speed limits were established at 42 elemen-

tary and middle schools and 14 signalized intersections received "WALK/DON'T WALK" pedestrian signals.

- To help motorists through curves and hills, 2,600 "DO NOT PASS/PASS WITH CARE" signs will be placed.

- To reduce malfunctions of the 600 traffic signals, a preventative maintenance program was launched which will eventually be computerized.

Machines Help Battle Against Potholes

Use of trailer-mounted ovens called "Porta-Patchers" and increased manpower has helped the Road Commission's Maintenance Department successfully attack potholes and edge ruts by repairing them sooner and more durably.

As a result, citizen complaints about these "axle busters" were down 32 percent in 1978 and these priority targets of road hazard countermeasures in the war on highway carnage were beaten back, if not defeated.

Also in 1978, increased attention was given to shoulder maintenance, as a result of findings that in some circumstances shoulder drop offs and roughness can contribute to the severity of road-run-off accidents. Shoulder grading was increased 21 percent overall and 34 percent on primary roads. Shoulder patching was increased 24 percent, and was done earlier due to a 70 percent increase in manpower assigned.

William "Bert" Mercer, Maintenance Director, said three special

projects during the year will also have a long-term effect of prolonging road service life and safety.

These included special attention to repairs of older subdivision streets and primary roads; resurfacing the intersection of Elizabeth Lake and Telegraph Roads; and completing the regravelling of 283 miles of gravel road in 17 townships.

Winter safety measures seemed a relative snap after the severe test of the "Blizzard of '78," but the winter of 1978-79 had its own problems.

Planners Help With Data, Other Agencies

The planning discipline is called upon extensively in the Risk Management Program.

Long charged to integrate broad social considerations into the Road Commission's practices, the Department of Transportation Planning and Environmental Concerns (TPEC) was in the forefront prompting safety emphasis.

Department Director William Fognini and his staff researches and analyzes factors ranging from accident data to methods of cooperation

with other organizations, both governmental and private.

The Managing Director's Risk Management Division is headed by a member of the TPEC staff who has special qualifications not only in transportation planning but also in a variety of related fields.

A few of the projects underway within TPEC which contribute to the goal of highway safety are:

- Systematic review of all construction projects planned in the fu-

ture to assure optimum safety designs.

- Planning assistance to Oakland County employers for ridesharing programs, which with their potential to relieve roadway congestion could reduce chances of accidents.

- Advice to the County Executive, Board of County Commissioners, and to local, regional, state and national agencies for public transit policies and projects that would similarly relieve hazardous congestion.

Others Working In Roadway Monitored

Parade marshals, developers, contractors and utility companies using the county road system rights of way found their barricades and warning signs more closely inspected this past year.

The Road Commission's Department of Permits and Special Uses monitored them as part of the Risk Management Program emphasis.

"There were two objectives," said Director James Dunleavy. "One was to do our part to assure adequate protection for workers and others depending on the protective set ups.

"The other objective was to assure that the motoring public could recognize markings for what they were intended and could observe them without dangerous traffic conflicts."

He said the potential safety problems are enormous, considering that 7,430 permits were issued for special uses of the rights of way. More than half of the permits allow work within the right of way by persons not employed by the Road Commission, who could block all or parts of the roadway temporarily.

During 1978, the Department issued 3,350 permits for connections of residential driveways, 279 permits for connections of commercial driveways, 118 permits for overhead utility work, 652 permits for underground work, and 63 parade permits.

The weighmaster division, additionally, inspected 3,150 vehicles, ticketed 291 for weight or size violations and issued 1,326 warnings.

The department collected \$292,814 in fees, which is the equivalent of more than half of the departmental budget.



GEORGE SUAREZ
Director, Purchasing

Many Purchases Contribute To Road Safety

It is said, with some awe, that a good supply sergeant can make or break the success of a mission.

Such is the case with the Risk Management Program and any other project embarked upon by the Road Commission.

Fully 14 percent of the 1979 budget is devoted to purchases of equipment, materials, supplies and parts — at a combined cost of \$5.4 million. Each item in the proper quantities must be at the right place at the right time to efficiently accomplish

tasks ranging from typing reports to traffic signal repairs.

Some items purchased which obviously contribute to road safety include 600 high-intensity road markers at \$5,238; 250,000 pounds of reflective glass beads used in pavement marking paint at \$37,425; 64,000 gallons of the paint at \$177,800 and seven portable flashing arrow boards to divert traffic around work crews at \$16,390.

To support the dust control calcium chloride program required

purchase of 1.9 million gallons of the liquid, at a cost of \$276,450.

Serving on the Risk Management Coordinating Committee, Purchasing Director George Suarez is also able to advise on availabilities of specialty items that might be considered for innovative projects.

One of the earliest road hazard countermeasures implemented under the Risk Management Program was purchase of six mini-spreaders for de-icing salt, which can be placed in a pick-up truck.



LEE ROGERS
Director, Personnel

Safety of 530 Employees A Primary Goal

"People are our most precious asset; their safety is our greatest responsibility."

From that simple truth it was determined that safety of our 530 employees must be among the primary goals of the Risk Management Program. Several projects have been launched to achieve this goal.

Not the least has been organization-wide briefing of employees in the policies, procedures and objectives of the overall program. Their help has been sol-

icited, both to carry out safety practices and to suggest methods of increasing on-the-job safety.

Several suggestions have been implemented, such as redesigned construction zone flags for better motorist visibility and replacement of oscillating lights on equipment with rotating lights proven to be more effective.

Mindful that a fellow employee had been killed when a motorist took the wrong route around a standard flashing arrow board, Cloyce Crouch

and Harry Hale, employees at the Lake Orion garage, designed a modification that may prevent it from happening again.

The Personnel Department has been heavily involved in safety training programs, which are conducted as part of new-employee orientation, reports Director Lee Rogers.

Meanwhile, during 1978 and 1979 the Department brought to successful conclusion collective bargaining with the four employee unions.



JAMES DANE
Director, Finance

Another Goal Is To Protect Public Funds

One of the objectives of the Road Commission's Highway Risk Management Program is to protect the public from the costs of accidents, including the cost of liability claims against public agencies supported by taxpayers.

To do this required that a special group of accounts be created in order to properly manage and monitor the program.

When the self insurance portion of the Risk Management program went

into effect it was necessary to provide reserves for possible claims and also to assure that funds would be available to pay claims when required. The Finance Department has set up a separate bank account for this purpose.

Provision for two separate types of claims has been established, one provides for public liability claims and the other for worker's compensation claims. Departmental loss budgets have also been created by

applying experience to expected losses.

Separate accounts were also set up to cover expenses associated with such claims, which include fees for outside adjusting firms, attorney's and expert witnesses.

Finance Director James P. Dane says that one of the more pleasant tasks is budgeting for the reduced liability insurance premium payments the self-insurance program makes possible.



EILEEN WEST
Director, Secretary-Clerk

Reorganization Helped Clarify Functions

Part of the reorganization for Risk Management involved careful delineation of responsibilities involved in liability claims.

The Managing Director, who assumed direct supervision of the overall Risk Management Program, was assigned as the person responsible to receive and issue official notices. To do so required that he be appointed the Road Commission Secretary-Clerk.

To handle the mass of day to day

activity and personnel in the Secretary-Clerk's Department, Office Manager Eileen West was named Deputy Secretary-Clerk and Department Director.

Duties of processing liability claims, acquiring liability insurance and other matters involved in the Road Commission's exposure to liability were delegated to the Managing Director's Risk Management Division.

A previous Secretary-Clerk func-

tion to administer the road dust control calcium chloride application program was transferred to the Department of Citizen Services.

The Secretary-Clerk's Department continues to be responsible for making and keeping official records, such as minutes of the Board of Road Commissioners' weekly meetings, mail, receipting, telephones, advertisements for bids, legal notices, security service and a check and balance on purchases.



MICHAEL RICHARDSON
Director, Citizen Services

Ombudsman Office Bolstered; Learns Needs

As part of the reorganization for Risk Management, the Road Commission's Department of Citizen Services was bolstered by adding two staff members, bringing the total to four.

Results were almost immediate, as the department has been able to respond to more citizen calls during 1979. Total calls logged through July were 9,224 compared to 7,539 the previous year, reports Director Michael Richardson.

The primary responsibility of this

office is to act as an ombudsman to provide response to complaints.

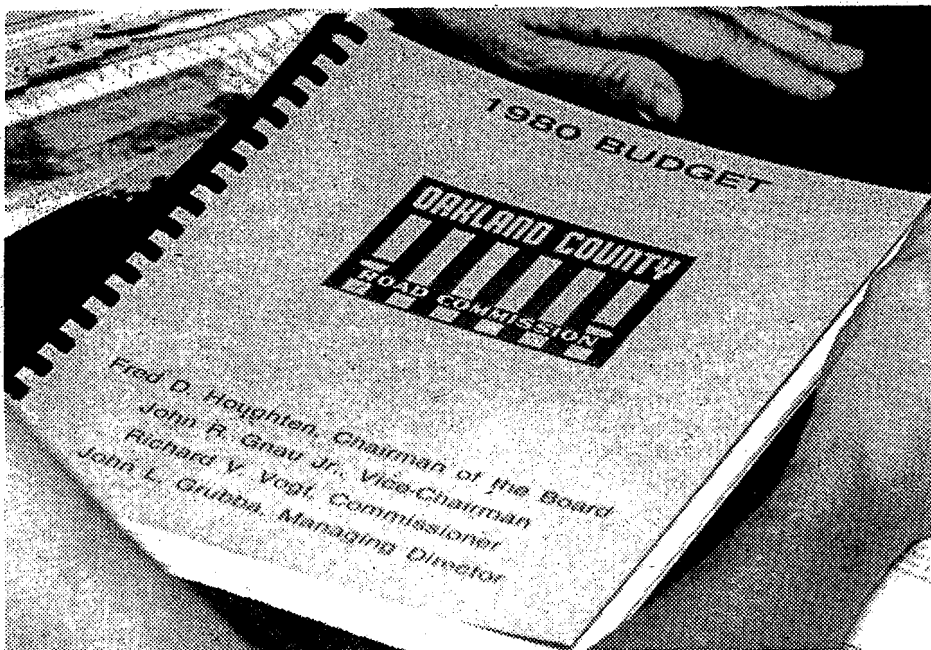
Since the office's creation in 1973, all citizen calls have been logged by type of problem and location. Analysis has provided valuable guides for special problem-solving programs, such as regravelling roads and accelerated base repairs.

The information is also used to help determine high hazard situations and priorities for Risk Management countermeasures.

As an adjunct to the Citizen Ser-

vices function, the staff this year took over the road dust control program. Townships and resident groups seeking at least 1,000 consecutive feet of calcium chloride applications and grading four times a year may order by calling the Citizen Services number: 858-4804.

Richardson said this year through July there hasn't been enough moisture for the calcium chloride to work effectively, noting that the material is intended to retain moisture longer than would otherwise occur.



IN PREPARATION as this annual report is published is the Road Commission's 1980 budget. Prior to adoption, the budget and construction program will be submitted at a hearing during which the public's comments will be welcome.

3-Year Plan Could Help Pay For Safety

Projects of the magnitude necessary to achieve a significantly safer road system won't fit neatly into the January through December period of the Road Commission's annual budgets.

"It's impractical to prepare a detailed plan of only a single year when we know the work will take longer and that funding for many of the projects will be received in more than one year," said John L. Grubba, Road Commission Managing Director.

"What is needed is a mechanism similar to that of a management budget that will allow us to integrate over a longer period of time the safety objectives, the goals of our organizational units and funding resources," he said.

"We are presently preparing such a mechanism, which will be a three-year financing plan out of which annual budget segments may be adopted.

"We chose three years for a number of reasons, including the impracticality of solid planning for any longer period and the usual practice of our construction programming. We are looking at 1981-82-83 for the first plan, which is coincidental with the three years of the Federal Highway Administration program funding," said Grubba.

In March of 1979, Grubba appointed a special Financial Planning Group to make recommendations. The group is comprised of Assistant Managing Director James Briney, who chairs the group; Finance Director James Dane; County Highway Engineer Paul Van Roekel; Risk Management Coordinator Brent Bair; and Director of Transportation Planning and Environmental Concerns William Fognini.

They are being assisted by the professional public management and economics consulting firm of Richard Greffe Associates. Based in Washington D.C. and with offices in Detroit and San Francisco, Greffe Associates has helped match local objectives with regional, state and federal programs for several public

organizations, particularly in the transportation field.

The firm's experience includes transportation planning and management; inter-governmental finance and grant advocacy; urban, regional and local government management and budgeting; financial feasibility analysis and development programming.

"Objectives of the three-year financial plan are to implement safety as the number one priority in every Road Commission activity; maintain 1978 service levels if possible; provide for a significantly safer road system; determine ways and means to increase federal, state and local funding; estimate future federal aid by categories, matching requirements, state-collected gas and weight tax revenues, fee and interest revenues; and to balance revenue and expenditures with no recourse to borrowing," said Grubba.

He said, "Priorities are the significantly safer road system above all else and secondarily to recapture all costs of special-order services such as subdivision street improvements, road dust control chloriding, work programs for other government agencies; to preserve the existing road systems; to evaluate more use of outside contractors for cost-effectiveness of programs; to recommend programs to improve productivity; and to provide a financial management and control system or systems."

"The plan must also provide for integrating the goals of our organizational units to accomplish the objectives of each annual element over the three-year period. It is important that the plan be one our managers understand and can readily recognize their roles," said Grubba.

The plan must be approved by the Board of Road Commissioners.

Just as adopting annual budgets and work programs beginning in 1973 has helped our managers, approval by the Board of a three-year financial plan will go even further toward providing the blueprint necessary to achieve specific goals," he said.

— Auditor's Report —

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To the Board of Road Commissioners
Oakland County Road Commission
Oakland County, Michigan

We have examined the financial statements of Oakland County Road Commission for the year ended December 31, 1978, which include the Road Fund Balance Sheet, Statement of Revenues and Expenditures, Statement of Changes in Fund Balance, Statement of Long-Term Debt and Statement of General Fixed Assets. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and standards prescribed by the State Treasurer and, accordingly, included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

The financial statements of the Oakland County Road Commission Retirement System have not been included in the accompanying financial report. The Retirement System financial statements were examined by another independent auditor who issued a report dated February 7, 1979.

As disclosed in Note 6 of the notes to financial statements, the Oakland County Road Commission has been named defendant in several lawsuits. In some of the suits, the amount of damages claimed exceeds insurance coverage by a material amount. It is not possible to determine the outcome of these lawsuits at this time.

In our opinion, subject to the effects, if any, on the financial statements of the ultimate resolution of the lawsuits discussed in the preceding paragraph, the financial statements listed above present fairly the financial position of the Oakland County Road Commission at December 31, 1978, and the results of operations for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

Plante & Moran

April 5, 1979

ROAD FUND BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31, 1978

ASSETS		
Cash		\$ 350,377
Investments - Certificates of deposit and Treasury bills - At cost		12,425,050
Accounts receivable:		
Special assessments (Note 3)	\$3,012,182	
State Highway Department	5,439,829	
County road agreements	663,542	
Other	328,523	9,444,076
Accrued interest receivable		202,665
Deposits:		
With State on Federal construction projects		300,091
Bond paying agents		85,252
Inventory - At average cost		1,262,922
Due from deferred compensation carrier (Note 4)		719,854
Other assets		80,240
Total assets		\$24,870,527
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED REVENUE AND FUND BALANCE		
LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable		\$ 2,362,350
Advances and deposits:		
Escrow deposits	\$2,107,900	
Township matching funds	431,192	
Inspection projects	138,716	
Others	188,117	2,865,925
Accrued liabilities		241,911
Amounts due employees - Deferred compensation plan (Note 4)		719,854
Reserve for self-insured losses (Note 5)		365,228
Total liabilities		6,555,268
DEFERRED REVENUE		
Work orders	550,186	
Special Assessment Districts (Note 3)	537,304	1,087,490
CONTINGENCIES (Note 6)		
FUND BALANCE		17,227,769
Total liabilities, deferred revenue and fund balance		\$24,870,527

ROAD FUND STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1978

FUND BALANCE - January 1, 1978		\$13,775,753
EXCESS REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES		
Revenues	\$29,486,242	
Expenditures	26,034,226	3,452,016
FUND BALANCE - December 31, 1978		\$17,227,769

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 1978

NOTE 1 - ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Road Commission is a governmental agency responsible for the maintenance and construction of the road system in the County of Oakland, Michigan.

The books and records of the Road Commission are maintained on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Modifications in such method from the accrual basis are as follows:

- Revenues that are both measurable and available for use to finance operations of the Road Commission are recorded as revenue when earned. Under this policy, certain revenues, including State-shared revenue, are recorded even though funds are not received until after year-end.
- Interest revenue on investments and construction deposits with the State of Michigan are recorded on the accrual basis. Interest revenue on special assessment receivable is not accrued until its due date.
- Interest on long-term debt is not recorded as an expenditure until its due date.
- Normally, expenditures are not divided between years by the recording of prepaid expenses.

Long-term Debt - Long-term debt is recorded in the Long-term Debt Group of Accounts. Principal and interest payments on long-term debt are recorded as expenditures in the Road Fund on their due dates.

Accounting policies relative to recording investments and inventories are indicated in the captions on the Road Fund balance sheet. Information as to the accounting policies for Special Assessment Districts, pension costs, general fixed assets, depreciation, accrued sick pay and self-insurance policies is included in the other notes to financial statements.

NOTE 2 - BUDGET FOR SPECIAL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM

The Road Commission considers the accounting aspects of the special assessment program as separate and distinct from those of the normal road construction program. For this reason, the budget of the Road Commission does not provide for revenues from the confirmation of special assessment rolls or for expenditures of construction and debt retirement of the special assessment program. Actual revenue and expenditure amounts presented in the financial statements are, therefore, reported against zero budget amounts for these classifications.

NOTE 3 - SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICTS

Certain types of road improvement projects are financed by assessments upon the properties receiving benefit. Revenue is recognized on these special assessments when they are levied, except for the portion attributed to construction not completed, which is deferred until completion. In 1978, such revenue was recognized in the amount of approximately \$1,050,000. Expenditures exceeded revenues by the portion of construction costs which is borne by the Road Commission. Revenues deferred at December 31, 1978 on uncompleted construction totaled \$537,304.

Because the assessments can be paid in 10 annual installments, at the option of the property owner, the Road Commission had to advance funds to the projects to pay for construction. To provide these funds, the Road Commission originally issued revenue notes in the amount of \$8,000,000. While future gas and weight tax receipts are pledged for the repayment of these notes, special assessment collections are used for this purpose. The balance of the notes payable at December 31, 1978 is \$4,400,000. Because these notes are long-term debts, they are recorded in the General Long-term Debt Group of Accounts rather than as a liability of the Road Fund. Thus, a portion of Road Fund fund balance equal to the assessments receivable is intended to be used to retire these notes.

NOTE 4 - DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN

During 1976, the Road Commission adopted a deferred compensation plan. Under the plan, employees may make contributions, through payroll withholdings, to the plan. The assets of the deferred compensation plan are administered by an insurance carrier and are not available to employees until termination of employment.

NOTE 5 - RESERVE FOR SELF-INSURED LOSSES

Effective January 1, 1978, the Road Commission adopted an insurance program for its general liability coverage under which the Road Commission is responsible for payment of losses incurred of \$100,000 or less per occurrence, up to a total of \$1,000,000 for a policy year. Payment would also be required if an occurrence was settled in excess of the Road Commission's maximum coverage of \$5,500,000.

Under the Road Commission program, estimates are made each year, based primarily on

ROAD FUND STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1978

	ORIGINAL BUDGET	AMENDED BUDGET	ACTUAL	OVER (UNDER) AMENDED BUDGET
REVENUES				
State aid - Act 51	\$17,500,000	\$17,500,000	\$17,950,554	\$ 450,554
Other State and Federal aid	7,353,000	5,253,000	4,646,029	(606,971)
Revenue from local governments	2,792,000	2,399,000	1,502,870	(896,130)
Fees and other revenues	1,047,000	1,047,000	1,836,257	789,257
Proceeds from sale of notes (Note 10)	-	-	2,500,000	2,500,000
Special Assessment Districts (Note 2)	-	-	1,050,532	1,050,532
Total revenues	28,692,000	26,199,000	\$29,486,242	\$3,287,242
Appropriation of fund balance	-	2,078,454	-	-
Total budget	\$28,692,000	\$28,277,454	-	-
EXPENDITURES				
Board of County Road Commissioners	\$ 58,600	\$ 58,600	\$ 56,025	(\$ 2,575)
Managing director	572,806	179,214	145,465	(33,749)
Office of public information	31,771	36,388	33,563	(2,825)
Clerk of the board	169,824	179,466	175,187	(4,279)
Finance department	344,681	387,905	384,148	(3,757)
Legal department	103,828	110,789	124,392	13,603
Purchasing department	176,714	190,448	187,081	(3,367)
Personnel department	107,741	132,158	122,007	(10,151)
County highway engineer	82,750	83,560	80,091	(3,469)
Engineering department	1,736,176	1,795,319	1,778,206	(17,113)
Transportation planning and environmental concerns	212,152	226,352	214,568	(11,784)
Traffic department	2,489,418	2,605,493	2,576,179	(29,314)
Permits and special uses	450,388	480,386	483,444	3,058
Maintenance department	8,256,651	9,677,380	9,022,267	(655,113)
Nondepartmental	5,375,500	5,836,396	5,557,333	(279,063)
Total expenditures excluding construction	20,169,000	21,979,854	20,939,956	(1,039,898)
Construction expenditures (Note 9):				
Other than Special Assessment Districts	8,523,000	6,374,000	3,364,575	(3,009,425)
Special Assessment Districts (Note 2)	-	-	1,729,695	1,729,695
Total expenditures	\$28,692,000	\$28,353,854	\$26,034,226	(\$2,319,628)

historical data, of the claims which will be paid because of events occurring during that year. This estimate is recorded as an expense for the year and subsequent claims will be charged against that amount. The expense each year will also reflect any increase or decrease in the reserve for self-insurance losses attributable to refinements of prior years' estimates. The amount of expense recorded for the current year is \$370,000. The expense for the current year events is not a projection of losses on any particular claims.

NOTE 6 - CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

The Road Commission has been named defendant in several lawsuits in which plaintiffs are seeking damages of various amounts.

Seven lawsuits have been brought against the Road Commission with claims exceeding insurance coverage by approximately \$45,600,000. An additional 21 lawsuits state claims exceeding \$10,000 each with no stated maximum amount, therefore making a determination of any amounts claimed in excess of insurance coverage not possible. In the opinion of legal counsel, a forecast of the results of these lawsuits is not possible at this time.

In addition, there are several lawsuits pending in which plaintiffs do not specifically seek damages

but rather injunctive or mandatory relief. While these lawsuits may involve a cost to the Road Commission, it is estimated to be of an immaterial amount.

NOTE 7 - EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

Under the contracts negotiated with employee groups or under Road Commission policy, individual employees have a vested right to receive payment for unused sick leave, accumulated vacation pay, and certain other benefits upon termination of employment or retirement. The value of these vested rights, which is not recorded on the financial statements, is approximately \$1,100,000 at December 31, 1978.

NOTE 8 - RETIREMENT PLAN

The Road Commission has a retirement plan covering all employees. The contribution to the plan for the current year totaled \$1,150,057. This contribution includes a provision for funding unfunded accrued service costs of \$6,489,545 over 33 years from December 31, 1977, the date of the most recent actuarial report.

NOTE 9 - CONSTRUCTION IN PROCESS

As of December 31, 1978, various construction projects were in process. Payments had been

GENERAL FIXED ASSETS GROUP OF ACCOUNTS STATEMENT OF GENERAL FIXED ASSETS

	BALANCE JANUARY 1, 1978	ADDITIONS	DISPOSALS	BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 1978
Land and land improvements	\$ 1,022,691	\$ -	\$ -	\$1,022,691
Buildings and storage bins	3,353,858	46,448	-	3,400,306
Road equipment	6,325,105	1,411,684	415,113	7,321,676
Shop equipment	216,496	11,962	2,199	226,259
Office equipment	413,092	23,717	12,059	424,750
Engineering equipment	57,053	1,331	-	58,384
Brine wells	83,669	-	-	83,669
Gravel pits	68,285	-	-	68,285
Yard and storage equipment	372,208	130,673	-	502,881
Total general fixed assets	11,912,457	1,625,815	429,371	13,108,901
Less accumulated depreciation (Note 11)	5,635,708	945,872	425,241	6,156,339
General fixed assets - Net of depreciation	\$ 6,276,749	\$ 679,943	\$ 4,130	\$ 6,952,562

made to the contractor or a liability recorded for the amount of work done as of that date. It is estimated that the Road Commission contribution for construction, net of revenue from Federal aid and contributions from participating communities, needed to complete the projects that were in process as of December 31, 1978, totals approximately \$2,800,000 for general road improvements. The total amount needed to complete these projects will be greater than the contract amounts due to inspection costs and other noncontracted services that will be required. Determination of the total of such other costs is not possible, though it is anticipated that a significant part of such costs will be shared with other governmental units.

NOTE 10 - 1978 MOTOR VEHICLE HIGHWAY REVENUE NOTES

In early 1978, the Road Commission issued Motor Vehicle Highway Fund revenue notes totaling \$2,500,000 which bear interest from February 1, 1978 at varying rates from 5.4 percent to 6.7 percent per annum. Annual principal payments of \$250,000 begin August 1, 1979 and continue through 1988.

NOTE 11 - GENERAL FIXED ASSETS AND DEPRECIATION

General fixed assets purchased are recorded as expenditures in the Road Fund at the time of purchase. Such assets are capitalized at cost in the General Fixed Assets Group of Accounts, except for certain improvements including roads, bridges, curbs and gutters, streets and sidewalks, drainage systems and lighting systems.

Provision is made for depreciation in the General Fixed Assets Group of Accounts. Depreciation charges in 1978 totaled \$945,872, based upon the following methods and useful lives:

	METHOD	USEFUL LIVES
Buildings	Straight-line	50 years
Road equipment	Sum of years-digits	5-8 years
Shop equipment	Straight-line	10 years
Office equipment	Sum of years-digits and straight-line	8-10 years
Engineering equipment	Straight-line	10 years
Brine wells	Straight-line	Various
Gravel pits	Units of production	Various
Salt storage bins	Units of production	Various
Yard and storage equipment	Straight-line	10 years

NOTE 12 - SUBSEQUENT EVENT

Effective January 1, 1979, the Road Commission adopted a workers' compensation insurance program under which no insurance is carried for liabilities up to \$150,000 per occurrence, with an annual aggregate limit of \$571,858. Losses in excess of the individual and aggregate limits are insured up to \$2,150,000 per occurrence.

LONG-TERM DEBT GROUP OF ACCOUNTS STATEMENT OF LONG-TERM DEBT DECEMBER 31, 1978

Amounts to be provided for the retirement of Act 51 bonds	\$4,055,000
Amounts to be provided for the retirement of Act 143 notes	5,400,000
Amounts to be provided for the payment of contractual obligations	121,805
Total amount to be provided for long-term debt	\$9,576,805
Revenue bonds payable:	
1962 issue	\$1,580,000
1968 issue	2,475,000
Total revenue bonds payable	4,055,000
Revenue notes payable (Note 3):	
1970 issue	300,000
1971 issue	600,000
1973 issue - Series I	1,000,000
1973 issue - Series II	1,000,000
1978 issue	2,500,000
Total revenue notes payable	5,400,000
Contractual obligations	
Computer installment purchases	121,805
Total long-term debt	\$9,576,805

Street Miles Increase

The 1,000 miles of subdivision streets mark was reached at the end of 1978.

By mid-1979, such streets totalled 1,032 miles and pushed the total system mileage under Road Commission jurisdiction to 2,506.

Please Tell Us What You Think

(Mark in one box for each statement)

1. I would appreciate it if my employer would sponsor van pools and car pools.

☐ Strongly Agree ☐ Agree ☐ Undecided ☐ Disagree ☐ Strongly Disagree

2. The Road Commission's support for an Oakland County Transit Authority separate from the regional transit authority makes sense. (See page 4)

☐ Strongly Agree ☐ Agree ☐ Undecided ☐ Disagree ☐ Strongly Disagree

3. The fact that there is not a countywide tax for roads comes as a surprise to me, because I believed roads automatically shared in the general county tax.

☐ Strongly Agree ☐ Agree ☐ Undecided ☐ Disagree ☐ Strongly Disagree

4. The Highway Risk Management Program of systematically identifying, prioritizing and correcting road safety hazards makes sense to me even though it will mean congestion problems may have to wait.

☐ Strongly Agree ☐ Agree ☐ Undecided ☐ Disagree ☐ Strongly Disagree

5. In terms of spending tax money on transportation in the future, I think the priorities of Federal, State, County and Local governments should be as follows: (Place the number 1 in front of the item that should be the highest priority; the number 2 in front of the second highest priority, and so on.)

- ☐ Improve transit service through addition of rail lines and buses to the rail lines and to other areas.
☐ Improve existing roads through widening and straightening programs.
☐ Build more freeways and Interstates.
☐ Extend and improve bus service to all populated areas.
☐ Improve existing roads through surfacing, resurfacing and intersection improvements.
☐ Build or complete the proposed freeways and Interstates (e.g. M-275, Northwestern and I-696).
☐ Introduce and promote other forms of transit, such as Dial-A-Rides, Carpools, Vanpools, etc.

6. I am including my additional comments on a separate sheet of paper.

☐ Yes ☐ No

SURVEYS SHOW: Many Willing To Pay More For Roads

Almost two-thirds of Oakland County voting age residents want a greater proportion of current county tax dollars to go for road maintenance.

Also, about half of the people countywide are willing to pay \$20 more a year for county road improvements. In some heavily populated townships, a majority is willing to spend more for county roads.

Those are among the findings of a survey conducted by Market Opinion Research during early 1979 for the Oakland County Road Commission.

Fred D. Houghten, Road Commission Chairman, said, "We had been getting some surprising indications of residents' opinions from our annual report questionnaires. To get an accurate picture, we needed this more scientific method.

"This survey confirmed the annual report questionnaire indications that almost half are willing to spend more for roads. Significantly, such willingness exists although 67 percent of the people erroneously believe there is already a general county tax for roads.

"The Road Commission can't levy taxes, and there is no countywide tax for roads. Only four townships levy locally-voted taxes for roads. The only property tax money we get is that which is contributed by local units of government," said Houghten. "The county does not contribute funds collected from property taxes. Some townships do contribute millage for maintenance — Avon and Bloomfield Townships," he said.

Other general highlights learned in the survey are:

- 72% agree roads are wearing out from use faster than the Road Commission has funds to fix them.

- 71% agree the Road Commission is responsive to the needs of citizens.

- 86% believe the Road Commission's overall job performance is good or fair; while only 14% rate the overall performance poor.

- 82% said the Road Commission made the right decision in setting safety as the number one priority.

- Asked to rate certain factors as sources of hazardous driving, 69% cited driver error; 58% said road surface defects; 46% said sharp curves, narrow banks and surface slopes; 42% said vehicle defects, 41% said too many vehicles on the road; and 34% said poor markings and signals. (More than one choice was possible.)

Most Strongly Oppose SEMTA Subway

The Market Opinion Research survey revealed that 58 percent of voting age residents of Oakland County strongly oppose building a subway in Detroit as part of a regional public transit system.

When asked: "Should a subway along Woodward Avenue in Detroit" be included in a Southeastern Michigan transit system, 58 percent said "never," 18 percent said "definitely," 19 percent said "possibly," and six percent said "don't know."

Results of the survey are considered accurate within four percent of the opinion of the total voting age population of Oakland County, having

been conducted in a scientific fashion.

Road Commissioners Fred D. Houghten, Chairman; John R. Gnau, Jr., Vice Chairman; and Richard V. Vogt said, "We have long been aware of strong sentiment against a subway, but until now we haven't known the extent of that disfavor.

"Our agency has a large stake in regional transit development. We want to see it done in a manner that will serve transportation needs at a price the people can afford.

"A large measure of both the construction and operating costs of transit are paid by taxes which

highway users pay at the pump and for vehicle license plates. That is the same source we depend on. The subway and other alternatives presently being considered by SEMTA threaten to raid future highway user taxes to an even greater extent than at present.

"As taxpayers, we have a critical concern. The subway and other alternatives presently being considered by SEMTA will require new taxes. Sources proposed frequently for such new taxes include adding gas and vehicle licensing levies in Oakland, Wayne and Macomb Counties or additional property taxes in the three counties."

Opinion Leaders Agree With Public

Oakland County leaders, as a group, generally hold the same opinions regarding roads, road management and other transportation-related matters as does the general public.

This is among the findings of a survey of opinion leaders conducted by Market Opinion Research of Detroit. The opinion leader survey was concurrent with and on identical topics as a survey of a randomly selected sample of the general population.

Fred D. Houghten, Road Commission

Chairman, said, "Like the survey of the general public, this survey provided an opportunity for persons in leadership positions — in business, labor, civic groups, public office, churches, news media and academia — to tell us what they think without being personally identified. We know the results only by the statistical tabulations."

"On a point that was particularly a concern of ours, it turns out that opinion leaders not only agree with the general public that more financial resources should be devoted to

roads, but strongly support devoting more existing tax funds to roads and increasing taxes for county road improvements.

"71% of opinion leaders polled said a greater proportion of existing tax dollars should be used for road maintenance, compared to 69 percent of the general public holding the same view.

"56% of the polled opinion leaders said they would be willing to pay \$20 a year more in taxes for county road improvements, compared to 47% of the general public."

Most Want Better State Trunklines

The top priority for use of transportation tax dollars should be to "build or complete proposed freeways," according to a substantial majority of respondents to a questionnaire that was distributed to virtually all households in Oakland County last fall.

Sixty-three percent, or a two-to-one majority, said — in addition — that "the M-275 freeway as originally planned is one state highway that should be built." Only 23 percent disagreed with that statement.

Twelve percent said they were "undecided."

"Those were two of the strongest opinions expressed by the 822 respondents to the questionnaire in our 'Report to The Citizens' for 1977-78," said Fred D. Houghten, Road Commission Chairman.

By a 46 to 35 percent majority, respondents agreed that lack of state trunklines is a major factor causing overburdened county roads. The others were undecided.

Other results of that survey were:

- Telegraph Road, Highland Road

(M-59) and Orchard Lake Road were most frequently cited as being unsafe road segments in the county.

- The intersections considered unsafe by most respondents were along Highland and Orchard Lake Roads.

- 41% were agreeable to paying \$1 per \$1,000 property tax value for roads.

- 34% considered county road construction program adequate, while 49% said it is inadequate.

- 35% said road maintenance is adequate, while 47 percent said it is inadequate.