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Man saves Wints from fiery death

By Marilyn Trumper

The persistence of a passing motorist saved the lives of the Lewis E. Wint family early Saturday morning as fire ravaged the upstairs apartment where they slept above the funeral home at 5929 M-15, Independence Township.

No one was injured in the blaze which fire officials say began in the ceiling of the downstairs chapel. Deteriorating mortar allowed a fire in the upstairs fireplace to spread throughout the building, causing an estimated \$100,000 in damages, officials said.

According to Capt. Dale Baily and firefighter Gar Wilson of the Independence Township Fire Department, the three-alarm fire was under control in one hour and 45 minutes with all three township stations responding and with the aid of Gingellville, Brandon and Springfield fire departments.

Lew and Diane Wint, the couple's 20-year-old son, William, home from college for the holidays, and

Wint's step-father Russell Barrett, who lived in the upstairs flat, were sleeping at 2:30 a.m. Dec. 26 when Wint said he was awakened by the persistent buzzing of the front doorbell and by screams.

"I woke up and my initial reaction was that an accident had happened out front. I ran down the hall, I looked out the windows and saw the flames and the smoke. I let the man know I knew what was happening and got everyone out," Wint said.

Leon Blanchura's humble about standing sentinel to a sleeping family and pounding on the Wint's door until all members had been roused. He shuns the title "hero" and gives credit instead to his wife Barbara, who spotted the flames and told him to circle back while she went on to notify the fire department.

"It was early in the morning and my wife and I were riding back from a dinner engagement. She spotted the fire on the roof, I spun around at the post office and went back, she went onto the fire department," Blanchura said, recounting the drama.

"I pounded on the door and yelled, and saw a light on in the upstairs window, so I concentrated there and threw snowballs.

"I was considering breaking down the door when they all came out the front," he said, winding up his tale.

"I hate to see someone have that kind of bad luck, especially this time of year," Blanchura said.

Independence Township Fire Chief Frank Ronk says he'll prepare a special citizens' citation for Blanchura in recognition of his act of heroism.

The Wint family has lived in their former residence above the funeral home since Nov. 20, when another fire caused extensive damage to their Overlook Road home in Clarkston, forcing them to move out until repairs could be made.

The family is now living at their daughter and son-in-law's on Princess Lane, Independence Township.

"We thank God we're alive and that we live in Clarkston," Wint said, apologizing as his voice cracked with emotion. "And for the show of love and support, we can't thank the people enough, and the fire department which saved the home from total destruction."

The Wints' M-15 office remains open and they will continue to handle funerals, utilizing Coats Funeral Home in Drayton Plains until repairs now underway are completed.

Chickadee home could break law

The proposed home for the aged on Chickadee Road may be within 1,500 feet of another adult foster care home, which would make establishment illegal under state law.

If the theory pans out, the proposed Chickadee Road home won't be allowed to establish and the application for licensing will either be withdrawn or denied, according to Barbara Smalley, area supervisor for the Bureau of Regulator Services Adult Foster Care Licensing for the State Department of Social Services.

Two weeks ago, Independence Township notified DSS that the home in question could very well be in violation of the 1,500 foot limit, for an adult foster care home has long been in existence on Maybee Road, according to Clerk Christopher Rose.

In the past, the state has said municipalities at the local level cannot keep group homes from single family neighborhoods, regardless of local zoning, unless another foster care home is within 1,500 feet of the proposed site. The only other control is that the number of residents inside the home cannot exceed six.

The letter to DSS read, "... As near as we can determine from our map, (the proposed home on Chickadee) appears to be within the 1,500 foot limit, because our maps are not 100 percent accurate," Rose said.

DSS will not dispute the claim, Smalley said, adding that letter has yet to be forwarded to her desk.

"We'll take the township's word for it, and the licensing application will either be withdrawn by the applicant or denied. If it is denied, the applicant can appeal to a board, and at that time, the responsibility to disprove the township falls on the applicant," Smalley said.



Frozen in time

Photo by Kathy Greenfield

A choral singer, frozen in time, is the creation of Frankie Lanpher. Frankle has piled clean snow and formed features on her ice sculptures with a spoon many times during the 20 years she and her family have lived on Hummingbird

Lane in Independence Township. Here, she brushes falling snowflakes from the skirt of the young woman she copied from a ceramic figure on display in her living room.

Angered man warns neighbors to confine dogs

By Kathy Greenfield

Packs of dogs damaging property with their urine, strewing garbage hither and yon, and frightening children make Earl Thomas angry.

While he hasn't contacted the authorities at the Oakland County Animal Control Division yet, Thomas is ready to take action, but he wants to give his neighbors ample warning.

"I thought maybe we could give them notice first," he says. "I don't like to be that tough about it, but they should do something to care care of them."

"It's not right that they're running loose like that destroying other people's property," Thomas says, adding that he paid \$50 last year to replace damaged shrubs.

The packs of dogs usually consist of two or three and they're all different types—"beagles and what-have-you"—he says, and the problem of dogs running loose has existed for the two-and-half years he's lived on Hubbard Circle in the northwest portion of Independence Township.

Canine owners who let their animals run are breaking a state law, said Sgt. Carl Anderson of the county animal control division.

"If we get the complaint on them running loose—if our trucks can chase them down—we'll give the owners a ticket," he says, adding that if a pack is out, several trucks will converge on an area and attempt to round them all up.

The problem is one he sees in all of the 20 townships the animal control service covers, he says.

"The majority of the people feel they move to the country and they can let their dogs run," he says. "They don't care about their neighbors and they don't think of the dogs—they can get hit by a car."

Dog packs create worries on two fronts—when they run in groups, they become more aggressive and children can be in danger; and the threat of rabies caught from animals who live in the country is ongoing.

"I call it irresponsible pet ownership, for that's three-quarters of our problem, the fact that these pet

owners are not responsible," Anderson says.

Those with problems may call the animal control office at 391-4102, and if the office is closed, emergency calls are taken at the Oakland County Sheriff's Department (858-4911).

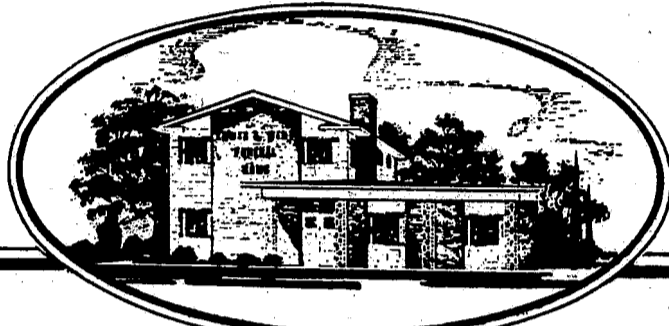
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Rose thinks township should review 'cityhood'

By Marilyn Trumper

Clerk Christopher Rose has taken the stand that Independence Township should look into adopting a city charter.

"I know when you say 'city charter' you scare a lot of people. They immediately think of Troy or Southfield," Rose said. "But that's not necessarily true. The object would be to preserve what we already have."

His statement was spurred by a 1974 state law which requires, after each official census, townships with minimum populations of 5,000 publish notices they're eligible to become charter townships.

If township officials agree change is mandated, "...they should look into cityhood as a possibility," over becoming a charter township, Rose said.

According to Rose, who cites figures from the 1980 Census, Independence Township is the 25th largest township in the state with a population of about 21,500. In all, 153 townships report populations exceeding 5,000, but only 60 of those have charter township status, he added.

"Originally the move for city charters was to prevent annexation, to be eligible for additional federal funding and to strengthen the zoning ordinances," he said.

Rose offers two reasons he thinks the township should consider taking city status.

"Clarkston may well want to expand (its boundaries). There's also been talk Thendara Park (a subdivision in northeast Independence Township comprised of privately maintained roads) is thinking about becoming a village so that it can receive federal funding for its roads," Rose said.

"While I support that subdivision's move to maintain their roads...I really think this would create a great deal of problems," he said.

"If (Independence Township) becomes a city we could do that for them," he said. "Cities can maintain their own roads, something a township can't, and upgrade private roads too."

Throughout the 1980 campaign, then candidate Supervisor James B. Smith made references to a need to review the feasibility of charters, and much talk was made over the appointment of a task force to study the issue.

Although that task force has yet to be appointed, Rose agrees, and says the issue needs study.

"This is not something we're going to do in the next two weeks. It's not something there's a big rush on to do. It is something I think we should look at."

Charters for townships essentially outline more clearly guidelines for governing officials, change the fiscal year's beginning from April to January and allow the hiring of a township superintendent, according to Rose.

A superintendent would take over many of the responsibilities of the supervisor, freeing his hands for more demanding duties. Often, according to Rose, when a superintendent is hired, the supervisor's job

takes on part-time status.

"As near as I can figure from the act, (charter township status is) really much more about changes than it is improvements," he said.

"Its original intent was to protect annexations of borders, but the courts no longer honor that anyway. I also don't see the fiscal year change will do anything beneficial."



Photos by Kathy Greenfield

The sleigh bells are ringing when Santa Claus appears at the two morning kindergarten classes at Clarkston Junior High School just two days before Christmas. The children line up, each telling Santa their wishes and receiving

a candy cane. Stephen Prucher (above) shares a happy moment with Santa, while a classmate (below) puts some heavy thought into her Christmas list. Santa's appearance was made possible by the Clarkston Rotary Club.



Local officials offer predictions for coming year

By Marilyn Trumper

Wondering what the new year will bring?

There's general consensus among government officials from Independence and Springfield townships that things have to get better—and don't discount Springfield Supervisor Collin Walls from the 1982 race for governor.

Peering into his crystal ball, Independence Township Supervisor James B. Smith offers predictions for the coming year, remaining tight-lipped on any elaborations.

"First, we'll have a cable TV franchise awarded," Smith said. "I also see a privately financed major senior citizens housing project at advanced or ground-breaking levels before the year's over."

"Also, I darn well see a crime prevention program, and all indications are that it will be made of substantial numbers of volunteers. I've been working in conjunction with county officials on that one," he said.

Smith said he's "...sticking his neck out," when he predicts the township will have in hand a master plan for the proposed widening of M-15 south of the village, a plan agreed upon by both Clarkston Village and Independence Township officials.

"I also see...a task force to examine the potential to attract light industrial and research to the township to both increase the tax base and employment."

Smith also predicts a new issue to raise its head in 1982: "What form of government this township could take, general law or city," he said.

In the coming year, Independence Township will see a strengthening of the ordinances regulating arcades, he said, and perhaps the officials will address the area of noise and public nuisances.

Finally, Smith said laughing, "I predict Deer Lake Beach will open on time."

Laughing, Springfield Township Clerk J. Calvin Walters offers his tongue-in-cheek prediction that his boss will join the gubernatorial race, which would "...put Springfield on the map."

Walls' response: "What was it R. Headlee said, 'I might be convinced' or something like that?"

Looking at the serious side, Walls said he sees the community in Springfield Township taking more of an interest and becoming more involved in what's going on.

"I hope that's not just wishful thinking on my part," he said.

On the subject of the economy in 1982?

"It's got to get better," Walls said.

Springfield Township Treasurer Patricia Kramer says that while she sees fewer homes being built in 1982, more private residence and business owners are going to be remodeling and renovating that which they already have.

The interest rate may have cramped purchase of new homes, but we'll see a lot of hammers flying, she said.

Independence Township Treasurer Frederick Ritter echoed Kramer's predication on renovations, and offered additional thoughts, aiming at high state politicking in the 1982 election year.

Ritter predicts a Republican governor will win office with a Democratic senator in tow.

Finally, Ritter said, he predicts lending institutions will come up with "...innovative financing alternatives and new types of mortgages..." which could spur the building market in the second half of the year.

Independence Township Clerk Christopher Rose is optimistic about the coming New Year.

"I think the recession is going to slow down and the economy is going to get better," he said.

Cable task force to receive franchise proposals

The Independence Township Task Force on Cable TV is moving right along with its plan to receive franchise proposals. The letter's been drafted inviting companies to review the township's population and layout and submit their proposals for coming into the area, including rate scales, system capacity and an ordinance.

At the Dec. 15 township board meeting, members unanimously approved the task force's letter of inquiry, scheduled to be sent out, "hopefully by the end of the year," according to task force Chairman Robert Hurlbert.

When the plan of inquiry was first discussed in late October, the board gave its stamp of approval to what has been termed "unorthodox" strategy; that of approaching cable companies to come up with a plan acceptable to them, rather than first drafting an ordinance to see which companies can meet those requirements.

According to township Supervisor James B. Smith, neighboring governments have applauded Independence's approach to cable TV.

Trustee Larence Kozma questioned how the task force would select which cable companies would

receive the letter. Smith responded by saying he "anticipated the task force would send the letter to the largest companies."

After the meeting, task force Chairman Robert P. Hurlbert said letters of inquiry would be sent to those franchises which have been recorded as "satisfactory and reliable," by word-of-mouth or the county's task force on cable TV. They would not necessarily be the largest, he added.

Before the letters are sent, the supervisor will review and approve the list of those to receive the communication, Hurlbert added.

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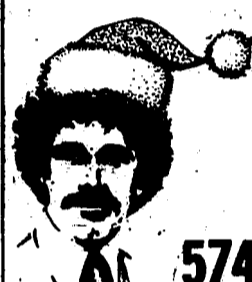
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"There are two kinds of wills—the kind you write yourself while you're living and the kind the state will write for you after you're dead," McNally said. "This course will help when you go to see your attorney. You can identify who you want to give your possessions to and how you want to go about it."

Included in the course are the changing legal relationships between husbands and wives and children, and what happens to property when there is no will.

Also discussed will be alternative methods of pro-

perty transfer such as gifts, trusts, and ante-nuptial agreements and joint ownership with the rights of survivorship.


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A strike by Santa's elves and reindeer hold the Christmas season hostage in "The Santa Strike," a play presented by Natalie Hewko's fifth grade class at Andersonville Elementary just before the start of the holiday vacation. Here, Santa (Raymond Ditmyer) hears the grievances of his reindeer over Rudolph's (left, Gary Jackman) special treatment, while North Pole visitors David and Carol (Kent Hansen and Tisha Sherman) react with dismay. At left, the entire cast takes a bow at the conclusion of the final performance last Wednesday.



Jim's jottings

Happy New Year

by Jim Sherman

Happy New Year . . . please.

The way the world and economy looks these days, the year end salutation will be said with: 1. habit, 2. pleading, or 3. optimism.

Few economists are predicting a happy year for breadwinners. Breadwinners are pleading for it to be a grand 365. Optimists are a few noble souls who fight reality.

My guess is that I am a semi-optimist with a habit of pleading for Happy New Year.

We do not go along with state budget director Miller's report that unemployment will stay at or near the 14 percent figure in 1982 and stay double digit until at least 1986 in Michigan.

He was appearing before a Congressional

committee asking for federal money when he said it. Miller was hardly going to use favorable figures for economic recovery when asking for dollars he feels due his state.

Let the words fade for a while, then when it's politically more appropriate see if his tune doesn't change to coincide with whatever needs to be said to his advantage.

Come March and the current recession will have run three years. That's long enough. The populace has learned their lesson. We've become thrifty, cost conscious, and fearful.

Another generation knows hardship, now let's get on with recovery.

It may not come by March, but we do believe

signs will be showing by the first day of Spring. Auto inventories will be below the 60 day level and there will be some call-backs. That's the important thing for Michigan.

With more than 80 percent of the people still working, and their cars getting to the age of manufactured obsolescence (mental and real) showroom activity will begin again.

Too, by Spring contracted auto workers will have sacrificed some of their earnings, and the writing of the auto contract due in the fall of 1982 will be evident. Uncertainty should be gone and a feeling of security will return.

Remember, the above is all written by a semi-optimist with a habit of pleading for a happy New Year.

'Bottles for Building' reborn in N.Y.

By Kathy Greenfield

A nun dressed in her black, floor-length habit stands on the steps of the Bypass Diner. Next to her stands a friend, Gene, who has served 30 years as an usher during services in the Peekskill, N. Y., Roman Catholic church.

There's snow on the ground. A limosine drives off. Inside is Carolyn Place, founder of "Bottles for Building" in Independence Township, heading toward the airport and the return trip to Michigan.

Place looks back, and Sister Mary Felix and Gene are vigorously waving their farewells.

"I knew I was going to get home safely," Place said. "I had been duely blessed."

As Place recreates scenes from her brief visit to Peekskill Dec. 18 and 19, her eyes frequently fill with tears. For—in addition to meeting a woman she

'It's as if God's work continued ...'

describes like this: "If there ever was a living angel, it must have been that lady. She just exuded warmth and ome everywhere she went," Place was able to see something she worked hard to achieve live on.

Place and the people she worked with established "Bottles for Building" in Independence Township in January 1971. The goal was to sell the bottles for recycling and save toward the construction of a local community center.

In June 1972, Place was one of the persons responsible for the opening of the Oakland County recycling center for bottles and newspapers on the corner of Telegraph and Orchard Lake roads.

A portion of Place's work included the printing of a booklet called "Bottles for Building" which listed the necessary steps to form a recycling center. The booklet became her introduction to Sister Mary Felix.

"Sister Mary Felix was stationed in Milford back in '71-72. At that time we were in our heyday here," Place said. "When she packed up to leave, she found this booklet and she said she sat down and read it and thought, 'I'm not going to throw this out. I'm going to keep it. I might need it some day.'"

Time passed, Michigan voters approved the returnable bottles and cans law, recycling newspapers—encouraged in part by insulation com-

panies—became more and more popular for fund raisers.

The numbers of bottles and newspapers coming into the county recycling center dwindled.

On Aug. 28, Oakland County officials refused to take over the recycling center's efforts.

"We still were operating in the black and we knew we couldn't continue much longer, and we didn't want to be a drain on the county," Place said.

She asked officials if it would be feasible to take over the site by hiring two or three people to assume the duties formerly provided by volunteers.

"Frankly, I felt it was time for the municipality to pick up on it," Place said, but the answer was "no."

"I can't tell you how depressed I was that day," Place said.

That night, a telephone call came from Sister Mary Felix in Peekskill.

"This beautiful, Irish-speaking sister came on the phone," Place said. "She had so many complimentary things to say—'We couldn't have gotten going without you...'"

"I said, 'I can't get over this. It's as if God's work continued.'"

Originally, Sister Mary Felix asked Place if she could hop on a bus and attend the dedication ceremony for the Peekskill recycling center.

Several phone calls later, money was found for a plane ticket to bring Place to New York and arrangements were made.

"It's as if God had a hand in it," said Place. "The interesting thing was when I reflected on it, the way I became involved was the result of a story that came over the AP wire in the Detroit Free Press."

Members of a Methodist Church in Detroit were inspired by their minister who said, "People don't have the right to bring children into the world unless it is a beautiful place." They began a recycling drive, lining the aisles of their church with bags and boxes of recyclable glass.

"I can remember thinking, 'It's such a mess around here,'" Place said, and that was the actual beginning of "Bottles for Building."

"I had been inspired by something with religious motivations and that night when it seemed like it was all done, it was being picked up and carried on."

On Dec. 18, Place spent the night in the Guest House at Greymoor Garrison at Holy Mountain, a convent and seminary located in Peekskill.

She was able to share in the excitement of



Carolyn Place: Her recycling work continues.

positive work toward recycling and offer a slide presentation and suggestions toward making the recycling effort a success in Peekskill, a community much like Independence Township with a population of about 20,000 and no major industry.

She was introduced during the recycling center's dedication and she presented a resolution from the Independence Township Board "proudly representing the citizens of Independence Township" and congratulating Peekskill's citizens on the initiation of the project.

Place was interviewed on the local radio station and sang a tune with the founders of the Peekskill center over the radio.

"Bottles for Building" no longer exists in Independence Township, but there is the money raised during the decade—some \$30,000 awaits to go toward a community center project.

And one of the primary goals of the recycling effort lives on.

"Over the years, we literally educated hundreds of people," Place said.

Now there are more.

'If it Fitz. . .'

It's a chance either way

by Jim Fitzgerald



Say yes to Michigan. For instance, if someone asks you whether Michigan's new play-by-mail lottery game is a monumental monument to legalized hypocrisy, say yes, yes, yes.

A Washington, D.C., marketing firm was paid \$145,000 by Michigan taxpayers to devise a \$10.1 million advertising program selling Michigan to businesses and tourists. The program theme is "Say Yes to Michigan."

That is surprising. Just a few months ago, Michigan was afraid to be yessed. It is interesting to ponder this apparent contradicton in Michigan's official stance toward the affirmative reply.

Michigan's auto plates will soon contain three letters, including vowels for the first time. Last May, YES was among the three-letter combinations banned from car bumpers because they might have unpleasant connotations.

YES "could be offensive to women's groups," a spokesman for the Secretary of State's Office explained.

Obviously, state officials are worried about the sexual content of the word. They think if a woman says yes without being asked, everyone will think the unspoken question is "Can I kiss you?" or a similar question with a different, unprintable four-letter verb.

If it is unacceptable for women to drive around

saying yes to Michigan, why is the state spending \$10.1 million on an advertising program urging everyone to say yes to Michigan?

Is the unspoken question the same? Is Michigan's top brass suggesting it is a wise policy to encourage individual citizens to say yes when the state approaches them with a screwdriver.

There is considerable evidence that you can say yes to those two questions. For instance, the Michigan Department of Commerce went to Washington to hire a marketing firm to tell it how to increase business in Toyota. Michigan's marketing firms were screwed, and some of them complained about it. It would have been less embarrassing for state officials if the screwed firms had harkened to the theme music bought in Washington and simply rolled over and said yes to Michigan.

Or take the case of Tom Cicchini who, through the East Detroit Goodfellows, is raffling off his \$238,000 house. The raffle has attracted nationwide publicity and people in several states want to buy tickets through the mail. But they can't because the U.S. Postal Service says it is against the law to use the mails to promote or administer a lottery.

Oh sure. And thousands of Michigan citizens recently received a slick sales letter urging them to

play the Michigan Lottery Superplay Game through the mail. A pre-paid return envelope was included to make it easy for gamblers to pick lottery numbers and send betting money to the state of Michigan. Winners will receive their prizes through the mail.

The hypocrisy is staggering. It is sickening enough when the governor preaches piously againsts such horrible evils as casino gambling while at the same time dragging the pot on lottery and horse betting. But now the long lines of ragged people, dreaming of beating excruciating odds in the daily lottery, aren't losing enough money in the flesh. So the state lottery has made it possible for them to lose by mail, the same mail that Tom Cicchini can't use to raffle off his house.

The Postal Service obtained an injunction preventing Cicchini and the Goodfellows from violating the law which the state of Michigan breaks with impunity. Cicchini accepted the injustice gracefully, saying, "I sure don't want to wind up in jail."

That's how you say yes to Michigan. You don't question why your state government can book bets through the mail, while you can't. And you don't tell state officials that most Michigan citizens would say no if they were asked whether their money should be spent out of state trying to get people to say yes to Michigan. The people in charge don't like to hear such things.

Sheriff's log

Wednesday, a carload of youths traveling south on Dixie Highway in Independence Township, passed a 24-year-old Independence Township man hitchhiking and opened their door, striking the man and hurling him into a snowbank.

According to police reports, the victim's hip and ankle were injured, but he refused medical attention.

Wednesday, thieves stole a patron's bicycle valued at \$100 from outside Rudy's Market, 9 S. Main, Clarkston, according to police reports.

Wednesday, a thief picked up \$8.70 worth of engine oil from the Kayo Oil Co., 6550 Dixie Highway, Independence Township, and drove off without paying, according to police reports.

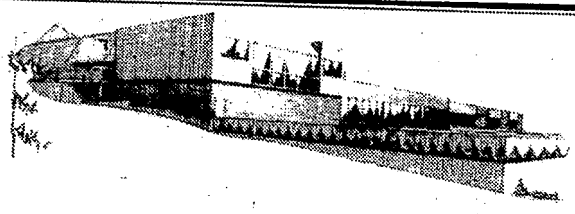
Wednesday, vandals caused an unknown amount of damage when they cut the tire valve stems off a car parked in Pine Knob ski resort's parking lot, 5880 Waldon, Independence Township, according to police reports.

Wednesday, a thief pocketed a \$3.98 poinsettia from Bordine's Better Blooms of Clarkston, 6800 Dixie Highway, Springfield Township, and walked off without paying, according to police reports.

Thursday, police arrested an 18-year-old Dearborn man for the theft of a \$300 pair of skis from Pine Knob Ski Resort, 7777 Pine Knob, Independence Township, according to police reports.

Friday, thieves broke into a home on Robertdale Road, Springfield Township, and stole a \$550 video recorder, a \$40 rifle and a jewelry box with jewelry, according to police reports.

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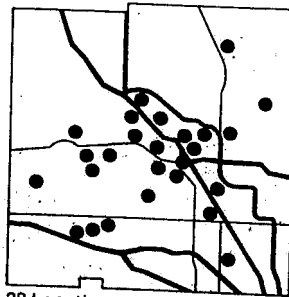
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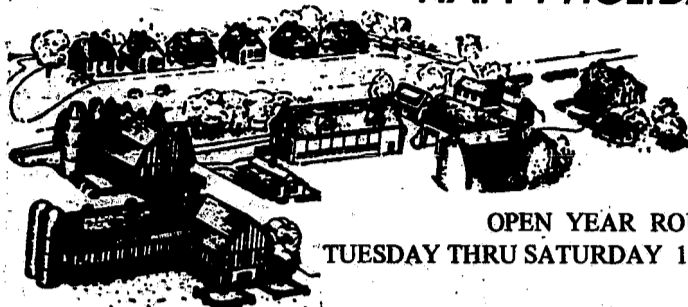
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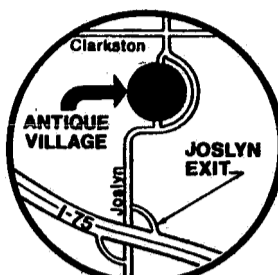
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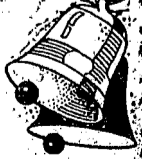
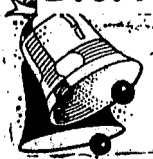
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Mike Conway, Jeff Miracle, Mike Ogans and company, sticking foes on their backs time and time again.

Mark Bundridge ripping through Sashabaw tacklers. Craig Kulaszewski coolly calling the signals. Coaches coming and coaches going.

As the old year draws to a close, it's appropriate to reflect a bit and recall the great surprises and disappointments behind the biggest local sports stories of 1981.

A tradition continues . . .

Coach Rick Detkowski and his wrestlers continued to churn out success after success. The biggest success was Mike Conway, who placed fourth in the



It was a time for celebration when the varsity softball team crunched Waterford Mott en

state and finished the season with a stellar 37 wins vs. just four defeats.

He was joined by three teammates in the regionals—Mike Ogans, Jeff Miracle and Tom Hecker, who ended their seasons with respective records of 35-6, 38-4 and 27-16.

"We're building a winning tradition," said Detkowski at the close of the campaign, citing his team's 21-3-3 dual meet record over the past two years.

That tradition was in good hands in 1981.

Spikers go out in style . . .

Smarting from a crushing upset loss to Romeo in the district qualifier, the CHS volleyball team came

into West Bloomfield with embers glowing in their eyes.

Particularly the seniors. This was the last game of the season; a league title was on the line, and as senior Beth Haddad put it: "We wanted to go out in style."

They did. West Bloomfield was ambushed, and the GOAL title became Clarkston property. It was a satisfying conclusion to an outstanding year.

4 Straight for Wolfpack . . .

Things looked pretty grim after a one-sided bombing at Waterford Kettering, but the Wolfpack bounced back from the debacle to post three straight league victories, clinching a fourth straight Greater Oakland Activities League crown.

Coach Gary Nustad's cagers went on to battle Pontiac Northern to the wire in the districts in as entertaining a slice of "March Madness" as one could hope to see.

Scott McKoin, Greg Lane, Brad Beattie, Ric Schebor and Craig Schnabel received All-league honors.

Scrappy, hard-working, fun to watch. That was the 1980-81 Wolfpack.



Unbelievable: Clarkston 50, Sashabaw 12. Who were those supermen in the gold helmets, anyway?

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e Year in Local Sports

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Surprising semi-finalists . . .

They gelled just at the right time and the ball started bouncing their way.

The result was Clarkston High School's first district and regional championship as the Wolves rolled over and through opponents with superior season records, all the way to a berth in the state semifinals.

Lansing Eastern extinguished their hopes for a state title, but the Wolves had no reason to feel ashamed. They were easily the biggest story of the spring season.

Jane Acton, Lisa Forsyth, Sandy Mason, Lanette Whitehead, Mary Barks, Annette Ulasich and Beth Walker received All-league honors for a team that saved its best softball for playoffs and left a path strewn with upsets.

Great expectations, but . . .

The was a lot of build up and great expectations. But in the end, the CHS varsity football produced a mediocre season fraught with frustrations.

A narrow victory over a weak Swartz Creek squad in the opener set the pace for the rest of the campaign, as the Wolves dropped games to Lahser, Rochester and West Bloomfield and blew a chance to avenge that 3-0 upset in 1980 to Rochester Adams by losing 16-14.

The bottom line was a 5-4 overall mark and third-place finish in the league—a respectable showing, but hardly measuring up to all the pre-season ballyhoo.

Ironically, the story of the gridiron season turned out to be the JVs, a small but determined group that dismissed foe after foe to post an undefeated season and a GOAL championship.

The miracle workers . . .

It was as if a totally different football team was wearing the familiar Clarkston Junior High gold helmets.

Weren't these the same guys who lost 26-6 to Sashabaw back in September? Weren't these the same guys that, by some pre-season assessments, would be lucky to win a game?

In the end, the Wolverines made believers of us all, liquidating cross-district rival Sashabaw 50-12. You had to give Coach John Craven and his group a heck of a lot of credit. They proved they were the best by accomplishing a turn-around that bordered on the miraculous.

Larry Mahrle moves up . . .

It was no surprise to those that knew him when Larry Mahrle left his JV basketball post at Clarkston High School to become varsity head coach at Avondale.

Landing a varsity job was always Mahrle's goal,

from his first season at Clarkston in 1976.

The new varsity coach took two other members of the Clarkston program's staff with him to Avondale, too—Sashabaw's Tim Kaul and CHS varsity scout and assistant Dave Partlo, who became Avondale's JV coach and varsity assistant respectively.

Dave Smith took over the Clarkston JV reins, and Sashabaw Junior High landed a local favorite son and a former University of Michigan assistant coach in Dan Fife.

There were other coaching changes. Chris Krueger resigned as Sashabaw's football coach after a dismal season that fell far short of pre-season hopes. Steve Szabo, a legend at Pontiac Central, became the wrestling coach at Sashabaw when Pontiac schools axed away their athletic programs.

Another year awaits . . .

And 1982? There's a wrestling team the sweats talent out of every pore. Gary Nustad's Wolfpack has as good a shot as anyone at the GOAL crown, a feat that would continue an established dynasty that could one day rival the pharaohs. There's a plethora of ability on the volleyball team and the softball squad should be strong again...

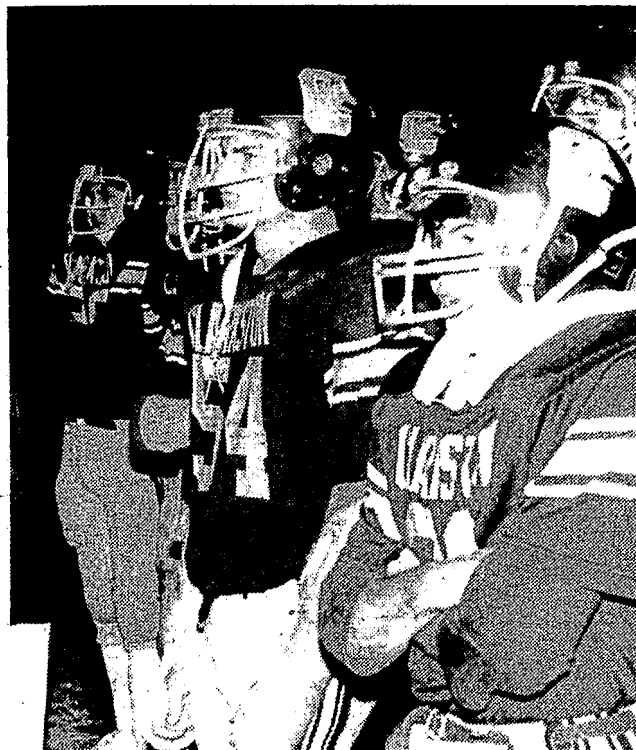
The memories are there, waiting to be made.



Mike Conway, the Wolves' giant on the mats. Conway placed fourth in the state in March, a feat unprecedented in CHS history.



Gary Nustad and crew fashioned another Greater Oakland Activities League title and put up a gallant fight in the playoffs against eventual district champions Pontiac Northern.



No undefeated season, no league title, and no revenge against Rochester Adams for the CHS varsity football team...



...but the JVs put together a brilliant campaign—seven victories, one tie and a zero in the loss column.



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March wedding

Mr. and Mrs. James Atkinson announce the engagement of their daughter Sheila to Airman 1st Class James R. McKenzie, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roland McKenzie of Lake Orion. The bride-to-be is a 1981 Clarkston High School graduate. Her fiancé is stationed at Minot Air Force Base, North Dakota, with the United States Air Force. The couple plan a March 1982 wedding.



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Parks, rec hosts hypnosis clinic Jan. 6

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Both clinics are to be held at Independence Township Hall, 90 N. Main, Clarkston. Fee for each clinic is \$30, refundable to participants who decide not to continue after the first of three hypnotic inductions in the one-evening clinic.

Weingarden holds a bachelor's degree in higher education, is certified by the Ethical Hypnosis Training Center and has been trained in hypnosis by hypnotherapist James H. Hoke and Herbert Spiegel, M.D.

To register for either clinic, call the recreation department at 625-8223.

New arrival

It's a Christmastime baby for Kelly and Barbara Kammer of Brandon Township.

Kean Walter was born Dec. 18 at 1:45 p.m. at William Beaumont Hospital, Royal Oak. He weighed in at 9 pounds, 10 ounces and measured 21½ inches.

Kean's big sister, 17-month-old Erin Marie waited patiently at home for her brother's debut.

Grandparents are Kenneth and Betty Kammer of Reese Road, Independence Township, and William and Betty Mason of Holiday, Fla.

Kean is the newest nephew of State Sen. Kerry Kammer of Springfield Township.

In service

Former Clarkston High School student Todd Garten has enlisted in the United States Army Delayed Entry Program.

Beginning in January, he is to train as a supply specialist and to be assigned to the 82nd Airborne Division in Fort Bragg, N.C.

Todd is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Garten of Clintonville Road, Independence Township.

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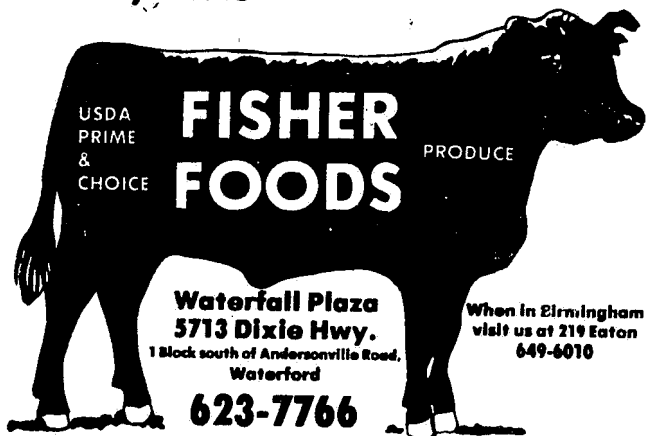
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Court postpones arcade hearing

Indications are it will be at least until the January 15 before the courts decide if Robert Warrington's game room on M-15 can open its doors.

On Dec. 24, Oakland County Circuit Court Judge Francis X. O'Brien postponed a show-cause hearing on the arcade until the second week in January, and ordered Warrington's voluntarily closure remain in effect until that date, according to a court spokesperson.

Independence Township continues to seek an injunction to close the business adjacent to Clarkston True Value Hardware, charging the game room is in violation of the zoning ordinance which limits "arcades" to malls, and loosely defines the word "mall."

Since the suit was filed in early November, the show-cause hearing has been postponed four times at the circuit court level.

In the interim, Warrington submitted plans to the Independence Township Building Department and appeared before the planning commission with a proposal to give the adjacent hardware store and former hair salon now game room, mini-mall status.

Warrington plans to include a gold store inside the hardware business.

The planning commission tabled a decision for further study, and is expected to review the plans a second time Jan. 14, the day before the matter is heard before Judge O'Brien.

Warrington could not be reached for comment.



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DPW hires man to fill new \$17,000-a-year post

In this strangling economy, it's not everyone who can boast landing a job—especially a job in public service—but Clarkston Village newcomer Dan Priestly can.

At the Dec. 15 meeting, the Independence Township Board in a 4-1 vote approved the hiring of Priestly as general foreman for the department of public works (DPW) at a \$17,000 annual salary with a \$1,000 raise at the six-month mark, at the director's discretion.

While it is a newly created position, the DPW won't be paying out that much in additional wages, according to George Anderson, director.

"I've lost a chief maintenance man and a secretary, and Dan's going to be taking over some of

the maintenance man's duties. I won't be filling either of those two positions, so really I'm combining those salaries for the one," Anderson told the board.

Lone Trustee Larence Kozma opposed the hiring, and after the meeting explained his vote.

"There were two parts to that vote," Kozma said. "The first concerned the creation of the general foreman's job and the other was to hire him.

"I don't think you need a general foreman, especially if you have only three people in that department.

"I also think it may encourage some labor problems," he said.

Priestly, 25, moved from Illinois to Independence Township after landing the job, and

was scheduled to begin work at 9 a.m. Dec. 28, Anderson said.

Trustee Daniel Travis was absent from the meeting.

Gardiner resigns

It was with "deep regret" the Independence Township Board accepted via letter the resignation of planning commission member James Gardiner at the Dec. 15 meeting.

Gardiner cited health reasons for the move as he stepped down after a four-year stint on the commission.

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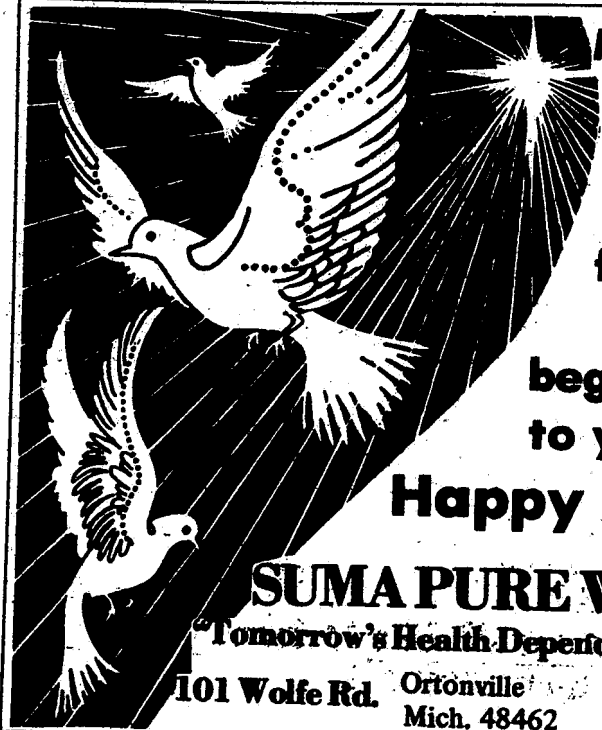
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Village eatery—McGillicutty's—nears opening

McGillicutty's. That's the name of Jim Kaminski's new restaurant in Clarkston Village's Poe Building, and he's aiming for a targeted opening next month.

The village council gave a unanimous stamp of approval to the building plans at the Dec. 14 meeting. Following construction completion and issuance of the occupancy permit, Kaminski's doors can open.

"I just think this town needs an inexpensive and comfortable place to go to eat," said Kaminski, explaining why he targeted his breakfast-lunch eatery for Clarkston.

The menu is slated to offer breakfast and lunch, with foods like soups, sandwiches and quiche, he said.

Sawdust, 2x4's and tools fill every open space, amid antique lamps, an oaken door with brass fixtures, high back "ice-cream" like chairs and cut glass windows. McGillicutty's is under construction and Kaminski says he scoured old estate sales in Detroit to acquire the fine furnishings for his restaurant.

Kaminski stands near an original fieldstone wall in the lower level of the Poe Building in what's eventually to be the dining room, seating 40 people.

"This is the tile for the floor," he said, brand-

dishing a red-brick colored square. This is the wallpaper, and the grill pattern will go in the carry-out room. A gray colored carpeting will go here..."

Kaminski, an artist who lives on Sashabaw Road in Independence Township, says he'll have antiques on sale in the restaurant. During the summer, he has visions of Detroit's student-musicians entertaining patrons munching quiche on the open cafe patio.

Kaminski says he'll tap all resources from the artist community, with which he's closely tied, in an effort to make McGillicutty's all the more special.

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1. Adopted by majority vote a resolution opposed to incorporation as a charter township.
2. Adopt by majority vote a resolution of intent to approve incorporation as a charter township.
3. Adopt by majority vote a resolution to place before the electorate at the next regular or special township election the question of incorporation as a charter township.

In the event option 2 is adopted by the township board, the citizens of the township have the right to file a "Right to Referendum Petition". This petition must be filed within the 60 days which must lapse between passage of a resolution of intent to incorporate and final passage of the resolution to incorporate as a charter township.

The petition will follow, in general form, the nominating petition form as prescribed in the Michigan Election Law, and in the heading will indicate "disagreement of intent to incorporate as a charter township". The petition must be signed by not less than 10% of the registered voters of the township based on the vote cast for all candidates for supervisor at the last election at which a supervisor was elected.

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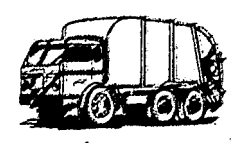
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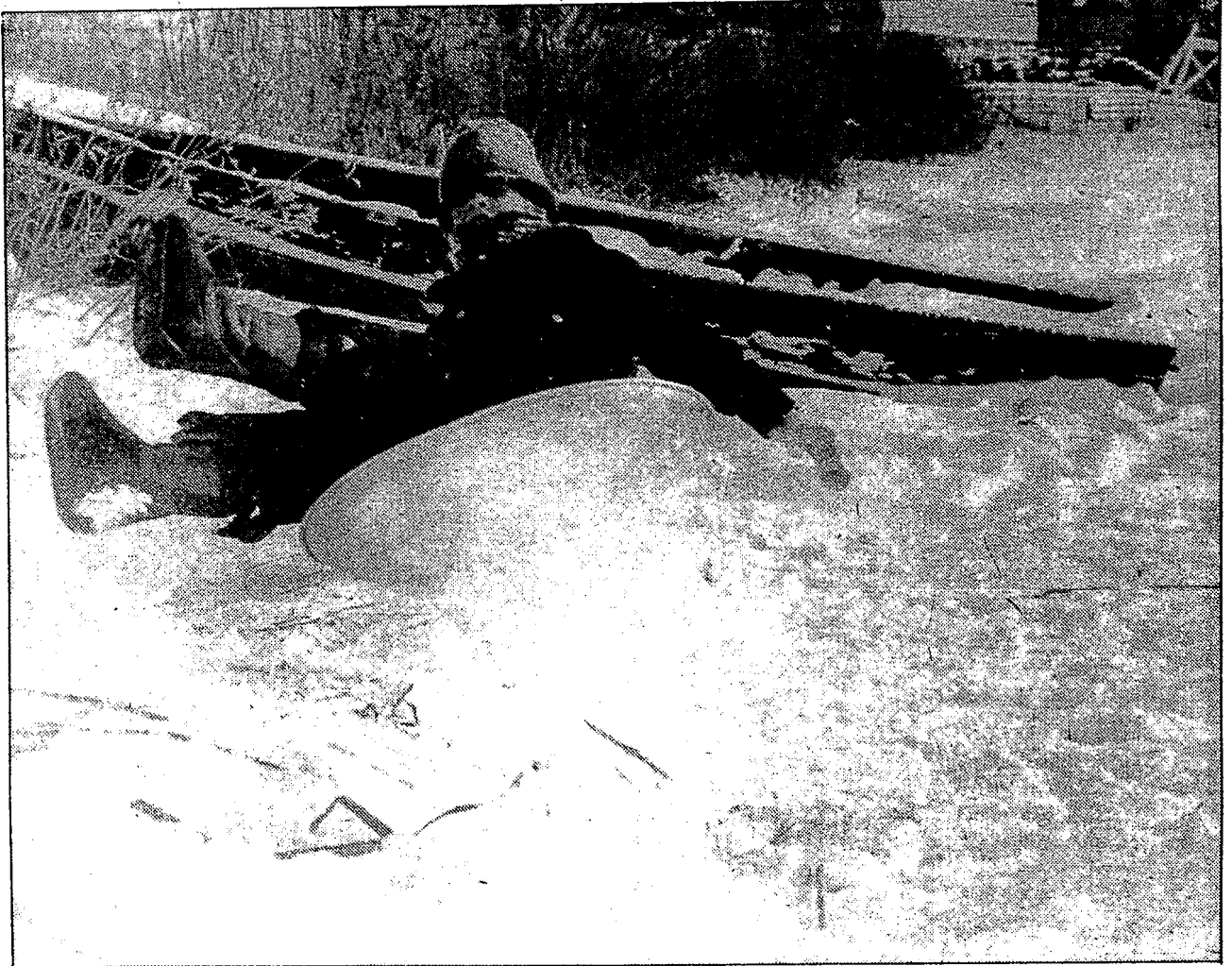
Clarkston News looks back...



Greg Cherniak trades in his boots for skates as he prepares to join a friend in some ice hockey practice on a pond off Maybee Road.

January

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Jimmy Whitten scoffs at frigid temperatures as he sleds down a hill overlooking Greens Lake.

JANUARY 7

Independence Township gears up to fight Oakland County government as the possibility looms the township is targeted as a site for solid waste disposal. In a unanimous vote, the board approves a task force to study the issue.

Latest census figures say Independence ranks sixth in county-wide population growth, while neighboring Springfield Township boasts an 89 percent population increase.

Clarkston High works overtime to clean-up a cascade of frozen water on the school's front steps, the result of vandals turning on the outside spigot in freezing temperatures.

JANUARY 14

Clarkston Schools recoil from an onslaught of Bangkok flu that's sweeping the United States in near epidemic numbers. Elementary through high school report high numbers of absenteeism.

Jacob Petty's restaurant in the Clarkston Mills Mall closes its doors without warning, as owner Anthony Ferlito files for bankruptcy and mysteriously leaves town. In addition, the restaurant's missing a reported \$14,000 worth of food supplies and equipment.

Milford Mason, superintendent of Clarkston Schools, presents a gloomy financial picture to the school board, announcing surplus funds for the 1981-82 are wiped out and the \$1 million budget deficit is fact.

The controversial Lake Oakland Woods adult foster care home opens and five of the six developmentally disabled adults move in. Residents promise a continued legal battle to oust the home from their single-family-zoned neighborhood.

JANUARY 21

Clarkston Schools bounce back from high numbers of Bangkok flu absenteeism as students begin trailing back to their classrooms.

Students at Pine Knob Elementary School tie yellow ribbons around the three oak trees lining Sashabaw Road in honor of the 52 American hostages scheduled to return home this week, after spending more than 444 days as captives in Iran.

JANUARY 28

Clarkston School Board begins to review ways to cut back on spending, eyeing sports, salary freezes and the elimination of drivers' education. Expect \$500,000 in cuts, says the board.

After 25 years of service, the decaying light poles at Clarkston High topple down in preparation for new lights to be purchased from a what's hoped-to-be a successful Lighting Fund Drive.

Legal fees reach \$5,000 in Independence Township's condemnation suit to acquire 80 acres of land slated to be part of the proposed Levy gravel pit near the headwaters of the Clinton River.



Firefighters extinguish a blaze which causes extensive damages to a home on Oak Hill Road, Independence Township. The damage estimate is \$25,000.



Valentines forever—that's what's in store for Dennis Wilson and Michelle Boldin who plan to be wed Feb. 14.

FEBRUARY 4

Hundreds of Clarkston Village and Independence Township residents, as well as representatives of 30 organizations, appear at a Department of Natural Resources (DNR) public hearing in township hall voicing opposition to the proposed 200-acre Edward C. Levy mining operation between Clintonwood Park and Independence Oaks County Park. The DNR has 90 days to make its decision.

A majority of Clarkston Village residents attending the council meeting adamantly oppose a proposed ban on leaf burning.

Clarkston's Village Council fires Kieft Engineering, ending a 24-year working relationship, and hires instead Mosher-Kapelczak, whose principle, Harry Mosher, sits on the village Zoning Board of Appeals.

A 34-year-old Independence Township woman is held captive by a masked mace-spraying thief, who forces his way into her Wa-lo-hi Road home, locks her in a closet and escapes with over \$1,000 worth of goods and the family Pontiac.

FEBRUARY 11

Clarkston Schools Superintendent Milford Mason announces what cuts will be made to offset the \$1 million budget deficit, which include the layoff of 32 teachers and three administrators.

Independence Township hires geologist H.L. Bourne to study the proposed 200-acre Edward C. Levy Gravel Pit near the headwaters of the Clinton River, as attorney Richard Campbell continues condemnation proceedings in circuit court.

Edward Adler, speaking as one of the owners of the Clarkston Mills Mall, says he and his two other partners remain in a quandry as to the future of the defunct Jacob Petty's restaurant. The partners begin to straighten out tangled finances left by former restaurateur Anthony Ferlito.

FEBRUARY 18

A bitter and disillusioned John Ruppel moves out of Clarkston Village business district and establishes at a new Dixie Highway location after losing just shy of \$6,000 to thieves in his music store.

Independence Township residents begin reeling as they open mailboxes and find 1981 tax assessments average a 16 percent increase. The ground tremors as they plan to appeal at the Appeals Board level.

A pair of brown undershorts saves 17-year-old Ron Allen's life and the life of his 1971 Mercury. When his car stalls on the Grand Trunk Railroad tracks in Springfield Township, the quick-thinking youth uses the shorts to flag down the oncoming train, which comes to a halt a quarter of a mile away and a near disaster is averted.

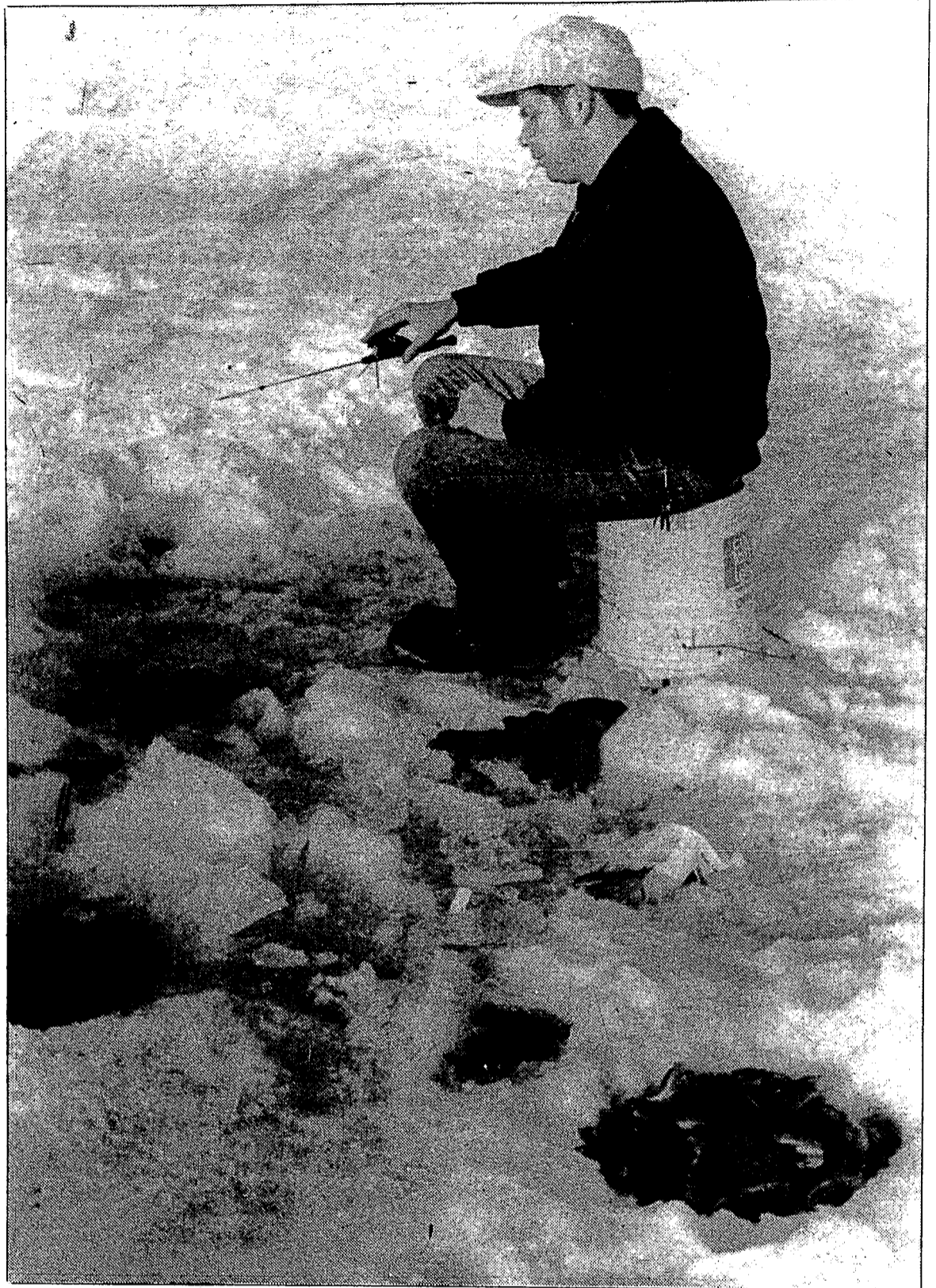
FEBRUARY 25

A strangling economy brings with it a new trend: an increase in small claim civil suits at the local level. According to District Court Judge Gerald E. McNally, more folks are going after that delinquent rent payment and doctor bill.

The Independence Township board approves developer Hugh Garner's plan to build 110 condominiums near Dixie Highway and I-75, but promise to closely monitor the proposal, which includes a planned five-acre commercial parcel.

Springfield Township readies to open its second fire station slated to be near Rattalee Lake Road and Dixie Highway. Construction completion is targeted for late 1981.

A 16-year-old Pontiac City girl attempts suicide by driving her car into the walls of North Sashabaw Elementary School. Deputies from the Oakland County Sheriff's Department find her uninjured, slumped behind the steering wheel.



Some sunshine mixes in with winter's cold, and Mike Potvin of Brandon Township takes advantage of the warmth to lure blue gills out of Parke Lake's frigid waters.



Can spring be far behind? It's lambing time at Hillside Farms in Springfield Township and Gloria Bellairs is busy with 32 sheep ready to become mothers. As the lambs are born, she spends the first few hours with them, making sure they're warm and well-fed.



The Clarkston High School Wolves clinch their fourth straight Greater Oakland Activities League title and it's cause for celebration. Team members gather for a victory photo. They raise four fingers, symbolizing their record.

March

MARCH 4

The Clarkston School Board votes unanimously to place a millage increase request on the June 8 ballot, but continues to weigh how much of an increase is to be targeted.

The Wolfpack clinches its fourth straight league championship capturing the GOAL crown, and downs Rochester 52-34, the result of a third-quarter surge on the court.

The Clarkston Village Council makes a new draft of the proposed Historic District Ordinance, which if finally adopted would regulate construction, repair and demolition of homes and outbuildings in the village's historic district.

Clarkston Village Council incumbents and would-be politicians announce their 1981 candidacy for office. Trustees Ruth Basinger and James Schultz are seeking re-election while newcomers David Raup and James Weber put in a bid for trustee seats.

Rudy's Market in downtown Clarkston makes history with its Saturday closing so that all employees and family may attend the wedding of Fred Schwarze, Rudy's son.

MARCH 11

Totals are low in Clarkston Village's election as few voters turnout to cast ballots. Incumbent Trustees Ruth Basinger and James Schulz are re-elected, joined on the council by newcomer, Trustee David Raup.

A 17-year-old Pontiac youth is sentenced to two life terms in prison for the March 5, 1980 murder of Independence Township resident Deborah Porcelli, shot to death at the Miracle Mile Drive-in where she sat watching a movie with her husband.

Residents township-wide breathe a sigh of relief as Oakland County produces its finalized map targeting sanitary landfill dumps—and Independence is visibly absent. But, warns Supervisor James B. Smith, the plan's outline could well change between now and its expected adoption date of July 1982.

MARCH 18

Over 100 residents choke the basement of Independence township hall and face a three-hour wait to appeal their 1981 tax assessments before the Board of Review.

Faced with a financial crisis in the Clarkston School District, school board members Fernando Sanchez and Addison Hubbard split on the rational

for spending almost \$1,000 per person to attend a convention in Texas and study the investment of district funds.

Clarkston High School's anti-vandalism silent witness program pays off as authorities apprehend a 17-year-old youth, responsible for driving his car through the school's front door. The incident means \$250 to the informant.

In budget hearings for the 1981-82 year, building and assessing department heads plea for larger staffs as the Independence Township Board reviews its preliminary \$1.2 million budget.

MARCH 25

Independence Township snaps the cuffs on the Stolaruk Corp., operators of the Stickney Gravel Pit on Stickney Road, and takes the organization to court, asking for the \$20,000 bond forfeiture.

Case Cemetery on Dartmouth Road is taken over by Independence Township, following months of lobbying by the Clarkston Community Historical Society and its requests to save the century-old landmark.

The Deer Lake Farms retention basin comes under Clarkston Village Council scrutiny as some members allege its malfunction is responsible for sedimentation in the Mill Ponds.



Leanne Reed celebrates her United States' citizenship with a party for her classmates at Andersonville Elementary School.

April

APRIL 1

Independence Township voters approve a 9 percent salary hike for elected officials. The move takes the supervisor's income over the \$30,000 a year mark, setting a new record.

Robert Walters, pastor of Calvary Lutheran Church, declines to run in another Clarkston School Board election. The announcement means an end to his eighth year on the board.

At the annual meeting, Springfield Township electorates freeze officials' salaries for the coming year. The move holds Supervisor Collin Walls' salary at \$20,500.

Hugh Garner, fed-up with Independence Township's scrutiny of his proposed 110 condominium development near Dixie Highway and I-75, sells an option to purchase 5 commercial acres to a Pontiac based developer. "Frankly, I think we blew it," says Supervisor James B. Smith.

APRIL 8

Oakland County agrees to pay the township's \$448,000 semi-annual bond payment for its sewer debt by using a portion of \$1.5 million in the excess sewer construction fund. The move gives Independence continued investment of that \$448,000 but does not insure a lower ad valorem tax in 1981.

Grappling to keep a clean debt slate, Independence Township Fire Chief Frank Ronk eliminates an additional \$15,000 from his working budget over and above the township board's \$60,000 cut for the coming 1981 year.

A 42-year-old Independence Township man is shot and killed in Houston, Texas, the victim of an armed robbery attempt.

APRIL 15

Clarkston School administrators come forward offering to take less of a pay hike in the coming year in an effort to help ease the school's ailing financial condition.

Machus Enterprises Inc. nears an agreement to open a restaurant in the Clarkston Mills Mall, replacing the now vacant Jacob Petty's location. Machus has tentatively named the new eatery Foxys at the Mills.

In a final step to reduce the 1981-82 budget by \$1 million, the Clarkston School Board officially lays off 33 teachers and 14 non-instructional employees.

Vandals wreak havoc in the historic Sashabaw United Presbyterian Church on Maybee Road, Independence Township, as they topple and smash more than 30 headstones in the adjacent cemetery and breaking into the century-old church, ransack rooms, damage furniture and break windows.

APRIL 22

The Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) plans a Levy property inspection as it continues to review the application for an Inland Lakes and Streams Permit, needed before Levy can mine the 400-acre site. The DNR's target: locating the site of Levy's hotly debated 198-acre lake.

Independence Township and Pine Knob Investment Co. take the first fragment of the 20-story, ski-run-roof-hotel fight to the Michigan State Supreme Court, as the township seeks a reversed opinion that will prohibit the taking of zoning board of appeals members' depositions.

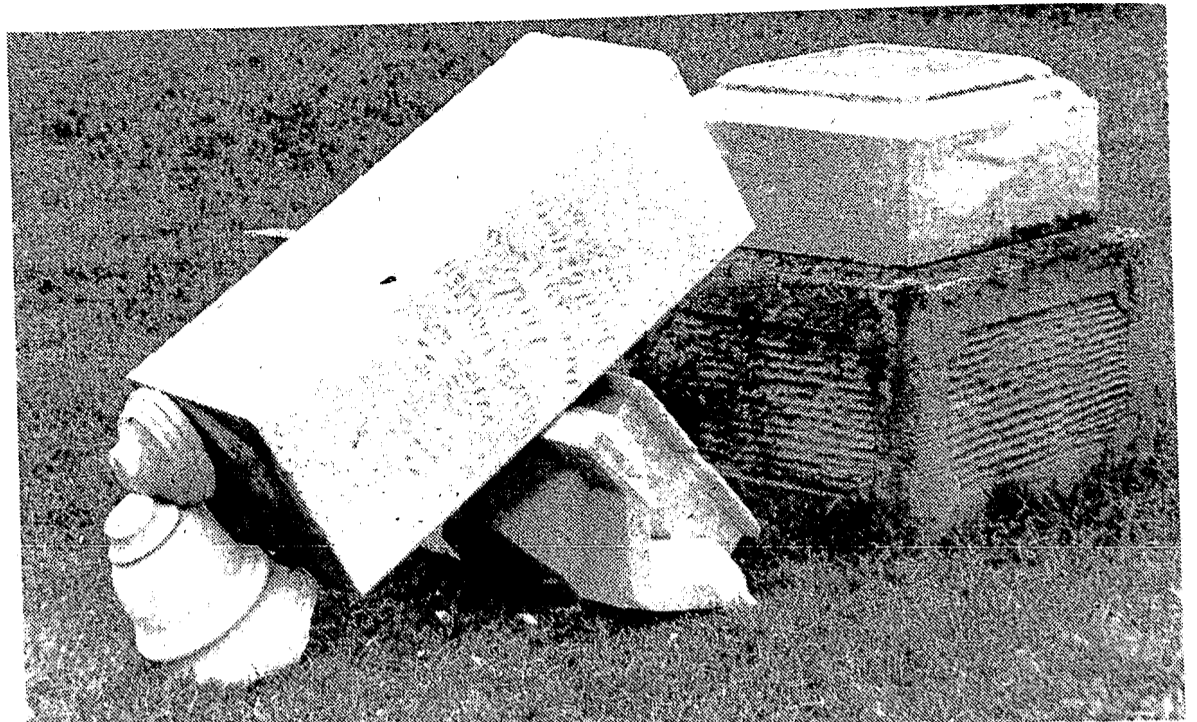
Clarkston Village's leaf burning ban sputters to life as the council debates adoption of a stronger ordinance.

The Clarkston school board weighs a proposal for a 6-mill or 3-mill increase on the June ballot, depending, say members, on passage of the controversial Proposal A.

APRIL 29

Pine Knob offers the township an alternative plan for a hotel and co-owner of Pine Knob Investment Joseph Locricchio says he'll quash the hotly debated 20-story, ski-run-roof plan in lieu of this: a five-story, 175-room French provincial hotel accompanied by a free-standing ski ramp, topped with a restaurant.

Joel Burnell, 20, of Waldon Road, uses quick thinking to stop thieves who've broken into his home and steals the get-away car's keys left in the ignition. The result: Oakland County Sheriff's Department deputies arrest two Sterling Heights men for the crime, who without "wheels" are found walking down the road.



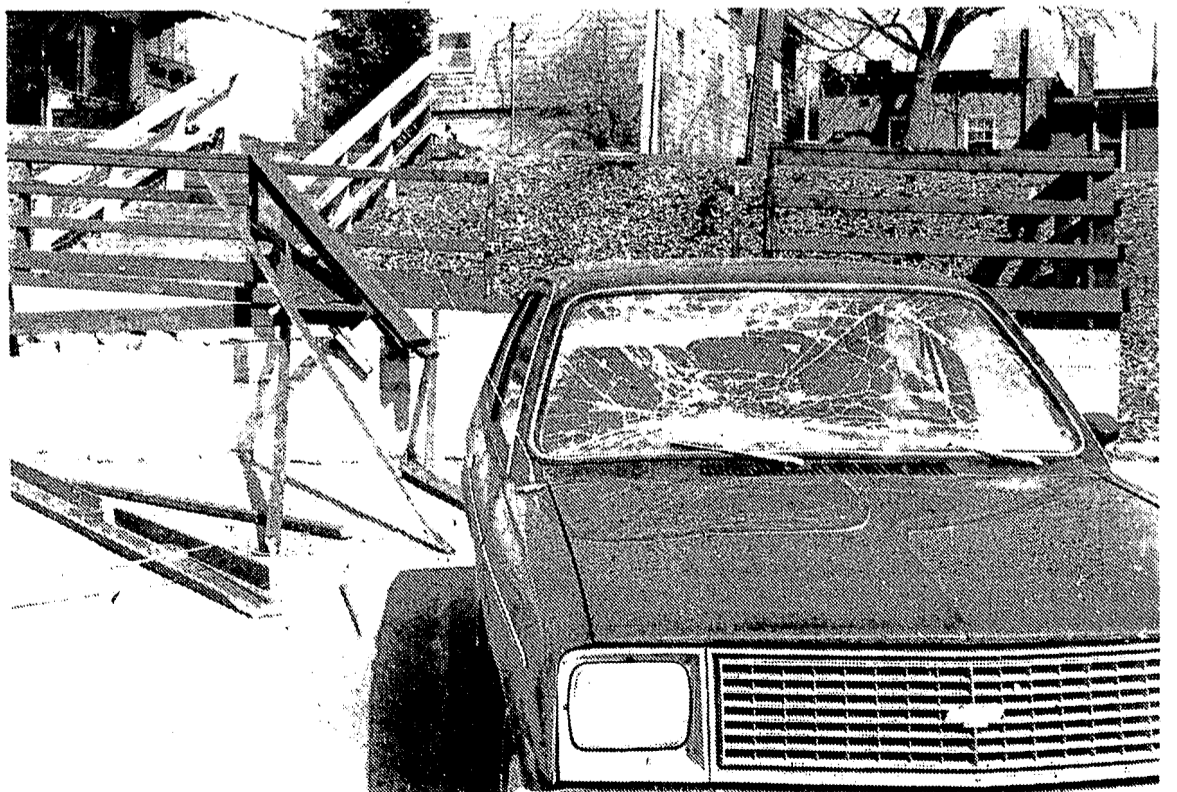
Vandals strike the historic Sashabaw United Presbyterian Church and adjacent cemetery on Maybee Road. Some 300

headstones are toppled and smashed. Damage to the church is estimated at \$400 for broken windows and slashed cushions.



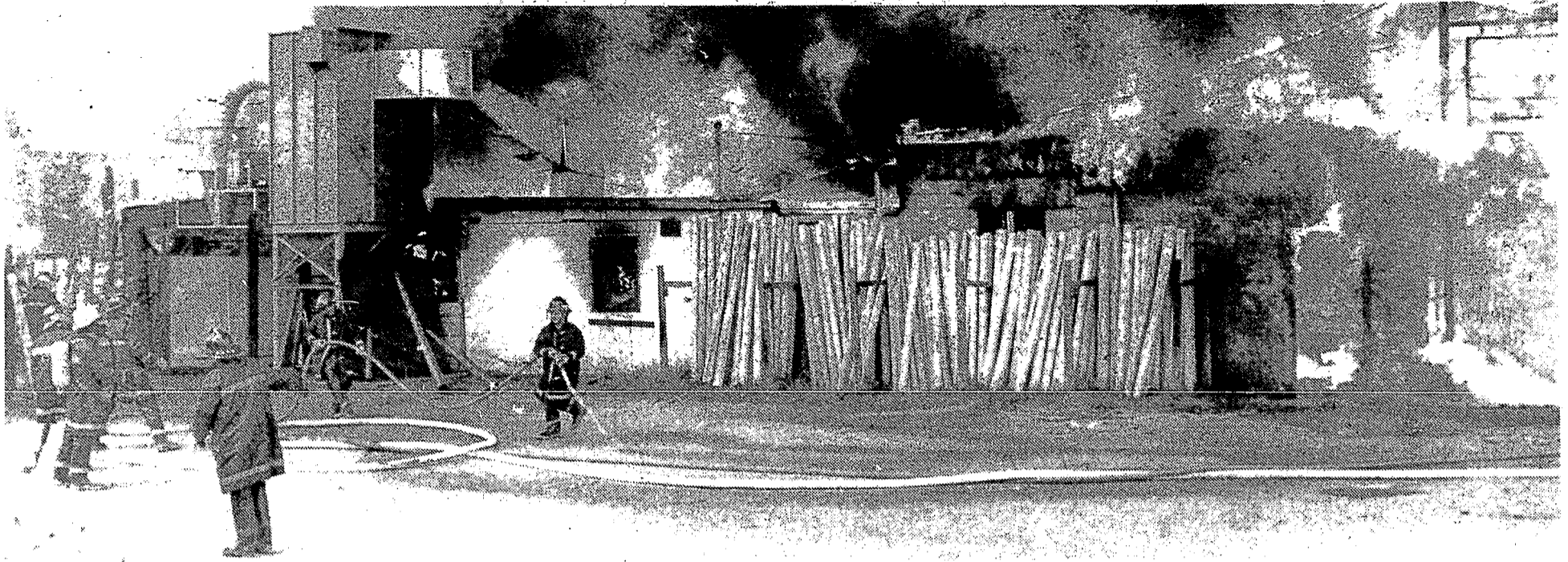
Horsedrawn carriages join the Pine Knob scene, rolling between the parking lot and the Hamburger Mansion. The reprodu-

tions of 1860 opera carriages are run by drivers and "doorbrides" and pulled by Percheron draft horses.



The shortest route to the Clarkston Mills Mall parking lot on Depot Road is found by mistake as a driver puts her car in first

gear rather than reverse and shoots through the fence and down the hill. Damage is limited to property...and pride.



Fire totally destroys Moon Valley Rustic Furniture's main building on Dixie Highway in In-

dependence Township. The blaze rages for about one hour, knocking down power lines

and causing traffic to be rerouted on both sides of the highway.

May



Clarkston's Labor Day Parade fills the streets with watchers and marchers, including this drummer with the Clarkston Silver Eagles Ladies and Girls Marching Unit and Drill Team.

MAY 6

Music and marchers fill Clarkston's Main Street for the Loyalty Day Parade, sponsored by the John R. Schmude VFW Post of Clarkston and the Oakland County VFW Council.

A final draft of Clarkston's historic district ordinance draws near as the village council ponders the law's wording. If adopted, the law would require residents living in the historic district to seek approval from a five-member committee before making changes to their homes or buildings.

Clarkston's Village Council decides after a public hearing to spend an expected \$4,300 in federal revenue sharing funds on police services, despite a resident's request to use the funds to plant trees, clean up the Mill Pond or repair the bridge on Pinehurst Road.

MAY 13

Attorney Anthony Locricchio charges that the Independence Township Zoning Board of Appeals held an illegal meeting during its review of the proposed 20-story Pine Knob hotel in 1978, and requests that members of the board be questioned under oath.

Jeanne Molzon is named chairperson of a local campaign to pass the proposed three additional mills for Clarkston Community Schools on the June 8 ballot. The group has coined a campaign slogan: "Kids STILL Count in Clarkston."

Police have few remaining leads in their search for Springfield Township resident Cherie Lynn Albertson, who was last seen May 2 at the Shamrock Bar in Utica.

MAY 20

Following statewide trends, voters in Independence and Springfield townships soundly defeat

Proposal A, which would have cut property taxes while raising the state sales tax. Local voters turn thumbs down by a six to one margin, while across the state Proposal A is buried by a smaller but still decisive three to one.

The Michigan Department of Public Health is continuing checks on drinking water in some areas of Springfield Township where residents have been complaining of health problems. The samples test clear of cholera, typhus and toxic metals such as mercury, but further testing for chemicals associated with toxic dump sites in Springfield is still pending.

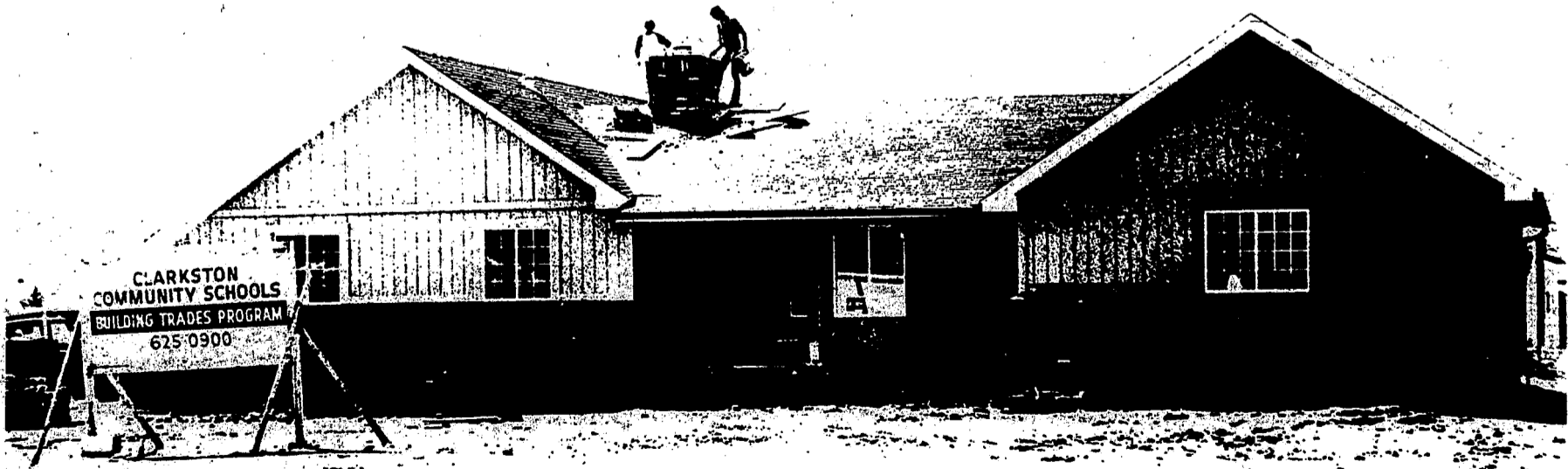
Village engineers Mosher-Kapelczak pinpoint the ditches along Holcomb Road as the source of some of the dirty water in the Mill Pond, exonerating the Deer Lake Farms retention basin that had previously been getting much of the blame.

MAY 27

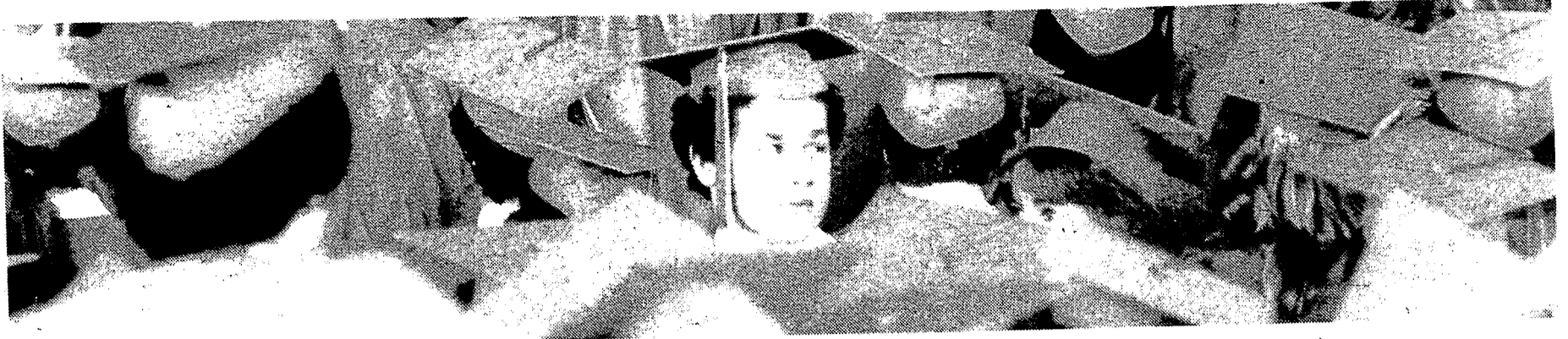
An afternoon blaze that required the attention of six local fire departments to bring under control completely destroys the main building of Moon Valley Rustic Furniture on Dixie Highway. Moon Valley owner Ed Beattie says the building wasn't insured, but still plans on re-building the structure.

Machus Enterprises Inc. announces an agreement with the owners of the Clarkston Mills to open a restaurant in the mall facility previously occupied by Jacob Petty's Steak and Seafood House. The name of downtown Clarkston's new eatery will be "Foxys at the Mill."

An Independence Township resident is angered by what he terms improper maintenance at an adult foster care home to the rear of his backyard in the Clarkston village. Uncut grass and unrepaired broken windows are two of the things he's complained about to State Rep. Claude Trim and Clarkston Village President Fontie ApMadoc.



Students work to complete the third house built through the Clarkston High School Building Trades Program. When finished in June, the home is expected to sell for between \$90,000 and \$100,000. It is located on Waldon Road in Independence Township.



Some 490 students say goodbye to Clarkston High School as the Class of 1981 gathers for

their graduation ceremony at Pine Knob Music Theatre. They'll remember the rain

that cleared while they were undercover, but poured before and after the exercises.

June

JUNE 3

Determined to avoid an encore of last year, when students celebrating the last day of school by spraying shaving cream nearly caused a bus accident, several Clarkston Community Schools' administrators are taking steps to prevent any more shaving cream battles.

Even if voters approve a 3-mill tax increase for Clarkston Community Schools next week, approximately \$500,000 in budget cuts will still have to be made, according to a recommendation from Superintendent Milford Mason at a meeting of the school board.

Riding the crest of some strong performances from Lisa Forsyth, Lanette Whitehead, Annette Ulasich and Mary Barks, the Clarkston High School softball team stuns Waterford Mott and upsets powerful Waterford Township to win the first softball district championship in school history.

JUNE 10

Clarkston voters approve a three-mill increase for school operation by a 52.7 percent majority. Electors also return incumbent school board member Carolyn Place to the board and elect newcomer Stephen Werner to fill the seat on the board vacated by Robert Walters.

Residents in the Pelton Heights subdivision find their patience is wearing thin with Independence Township and the Waterford Hills Racing Association. Noise at the track and weekend racing are the residents' chief complaints.

The Clarkston High School varsity softball team continues to defy the odds, edging Walled Lake Central and thumping Royal Oak Kimball to win an unprecedented regional championship at Herrington Field in Waterford.

JUNE 17

Young vandals are wreaking havoc in the Clarkston Mills mall in downtown Clarkston. Merchants report chronic problems with junior high-aged kids riding bikes through the building, destroying property and verbally abusing store owners.

Clarkston High School's Class of 1931 meets for its 50-year class reunion as 450 members of the CHS Class of 1981 graduate in ceremonies at Pine Knob.

Clarkston High School's building trade's house is up for bids. Minimum bidding price for the house on Waldon Road in Independence Township has been set at \$95,900.

The CHS varsity softball team falls two wins short of a state championship as Lansing Eastern downs the Wolves 7-1 at Clintonwood Park.

JUNE 24

The Macomb-Oakland Regional Center, an arm of the state Department of Mental Health, plans to build an adult foster care home on Whipple Lake Road in Independence Township. Independence plans to fight the planned facility on the grounds it would violate local zoning ordinances.

The school board unanimously approves a \$15.1 million budget for Clarkston Community Schools, which includes \$13.8 million for K-12 education and \$1.3 million for the Northwest Oakland Vocational Education Center.

New construction continues to decline in Independence Township, with the poor housing market, high interest rates and the bad economy getting the blame for the decline.



Sounds of music float across Deer Lake as members of the Clarkston High School Jazz Band gather for a benefit performance. The

concert, at the home of one of the band member's parents, nets \$300 to be used to purchase sheet music.



The Clarkston High School varsity softball team wins the Class A regional and district

championships. Their string of victories comes to a halt when Lansing Eastern's team beats

the Wolves at Clintonwood Park.

July

JULY 1

J.P. Burroughs Aggregate Division is seeking a five-year extension in its permit to mine gravel from the 200-acre Salem pit on Oak Hill Road in Independence Township.

Test results by the state Department of Public Health have asserted the safety of well water in the Big Lake area in Springfield Township, but at least one resident remains unconvinced of the water's purity.

Plans are moving along for the reconstruction of Moon Valley Rustic Furniture's main building, destroyed in May by fire. Ed Beattie, Moon Valley owner, plans on going before the Independence Zoning Board of Appeals with his rebuilding plans sometime this month.

JULY 8

Seven women, including two from the Clarkston area, file a joint lawsuit in Oakland County Circuit Court against the Pontiac Business Institute's Oxford School of Business, charging the school misrepresented itself to students.

Foxys at the Mill, the soon-to-be-opened restaurant at the Clarkston Mills, begins taking applications for 65 job opportunities. About 450 applicants swamp downtown Clarkston in two days' time.

Dale Wilder, owner of Springfield Township's renowned Whoopee Bowl, succumbs to cancer at the age of 72.

At a special meeting in downtown Davisburg, residents and business owners discuss the feasibility of a renovation plan created for Davisburg by the Oakland County Planning Commission.

JULY 15

Deer Lake Racquet Club hosts the 1981 Community Awards Banquet, and 130 people turn out to salute Clarkston's top citizens. The Rev. Alex Stewart is named "Super Person."

Jack Morgan, manager of the state Department of Transportation's Public Involvement Section, says the state's hiring of a consultant to review alternatives to the proposed five-lane widening of M-15 hinges upon Independence Township's willingness to pay its share of \$100,000 for drainage improvements along the highway south of the village.

Massive wooden light poles each weighing about three tons make their debut at the Clarkston High School athletic field, as the drive to install a new lighting system at the field enters the final lap.

JULY 22

By a vote of 5-2, the school board approves 7 percent salary increases for Clarkston Community Schools administrators and non-supervisory personnel. The increase puts Superintendent Milford Mason's annual salary at \$49,787.

The partially clad and badly decomposed body of Springfield Township resident Cherie Lynn Albertson is found in a wooded area in Macomb County. Police have arrested and charged a Utica man in connection with the slaying.

Clarkston traffic officer Charles Smalley reports to the village council that ordinance violators are in large supply in the village. Bike riders on the sidewalks, parking violations and U-turns in the road are three common violations, he says.

JULY 29

The Clarkston Village Council turns thumbs down on a proposed improved boat launch at Deer Lake Beach. Several Deer Lake residents also say they're opposed to the idea, fearing increased boat traffic on the lake would result.

The Independence Township Board gives the go-ahead to William Pfahlert, safety path committee chairman, to begin seeking bids for the first phase of Independence's safety path system.

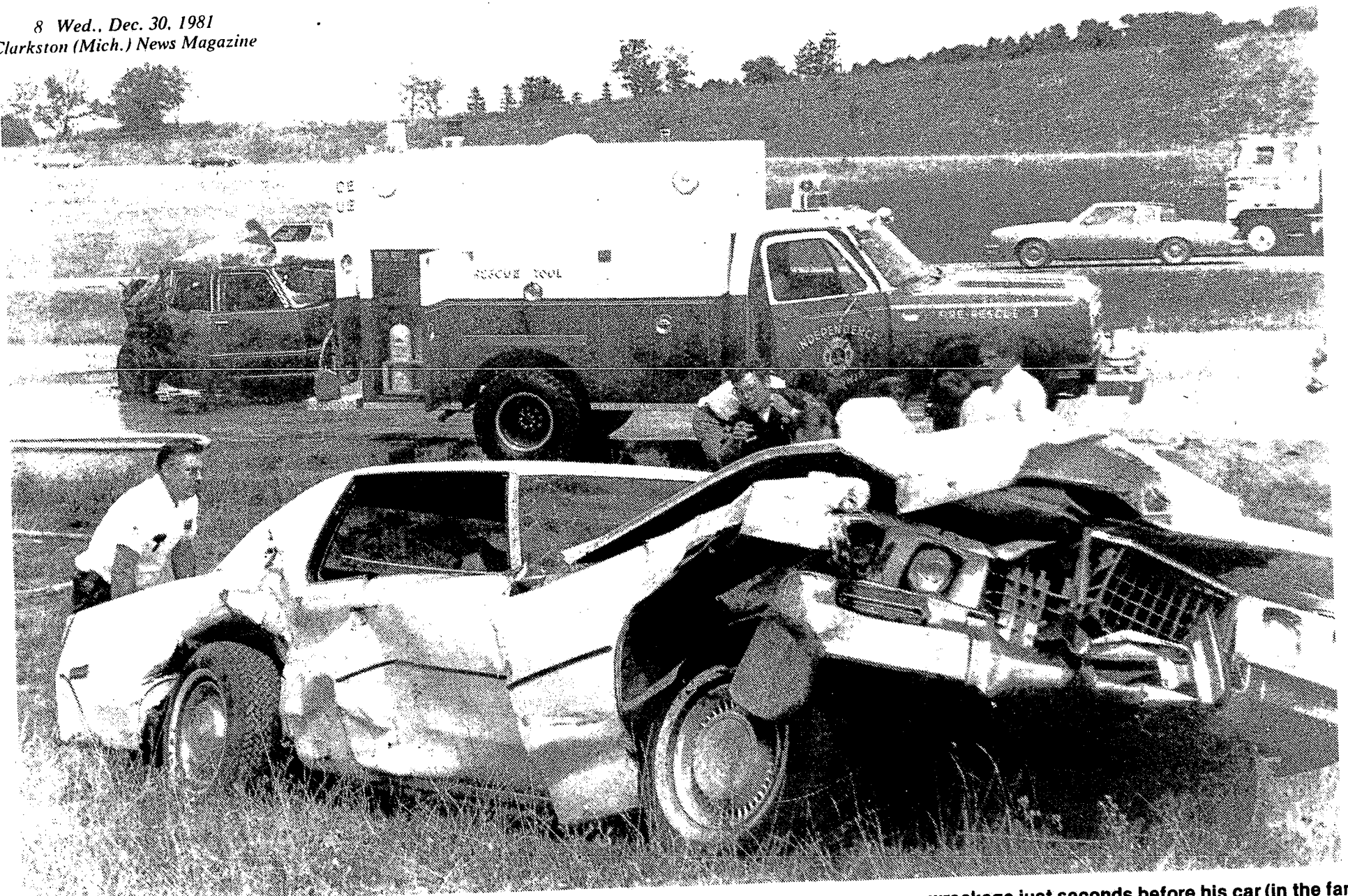
A Springfield Township store owner foils a teenage boy's attempt to pass two rolls of pennies off as \$10 worth of dimes. The boy has been reported trying to pull the same stunt at other businesses in the area, according to the store owner.



Hot, hot weather prompts Carrie Roselli (left) and Julie Richards to put to the test the old adage—"It's hot enough to fry an egg on the sidewalk."



Members of the Clarkston Rotary Club (from left) Milford Mason, Robert Jones and Tom Rademacher roast corn during "Fun Day" at Deer Lake Racquet Club. The benefit for the March of Dimes is sponsored by Michelob Light.



A high-speed automobile chase ends in a collision on I-75 near the Sashabaw Road overpass. Two Oakland County Sheriff's Department

deputies and a passing citizen save the life of a Farmington man when they pull him from the

wreckage just seconds before his car (in the far left) bursts into flames.

August

AUGUST 5

The new light poles are installed at the Clarkston High School athletic field, but the lighting committee is still a little short of funds to fully complete the project, according to Eric Reickel, committee co-chairman.

Pine Knob and Independence Township are back in court, but this time the fracas is over the resort's halfway house down the hill from the Hamburger

Mansion, and both Pine Knob and the township are named in the suit filed by Borg-Warner Equities.

Twice in one week, fire rips through a house on Foster Road in Springfield Township. The first fire causes \$15,000 in damages and the second fire completely destroys the house, prompting an investigation by the arson squad.

AUGUST 12

Faced with adverse public reaction, the Clarkston School Board defends its decision to grant administrators and non-supervisory personnel 7 percent salary hikes at its Monday night meeting.

University of Michigan basketball player Tim McCormick plans to undergo another knee operation,

this one on his right knee, after having surgery on his left knee in June. Despite the operations, McCormick remains optimistic about his ability to play in the 1981-82 season.

Reversing a previous stand, the Clarkston Village Council decides to send the matter of an improved boat launch at Deer Lake Beach to the planning commission for review and recommendation. The council had previously issued an absolute denial for a boat launch to be built.

AUGUST 19

Oakland County Prosecutor and Independence Township resident L. Brooks Patterson announces his candidacy for governor of Michigan in 1982 to the cheers of several neighbors and friends.

Citing prohibitive costs, the Springfield Township Board buries proposals to improve waste water treatment in the downtown Davisburg business district.

The first steps are taken toward developing a community education program run by the Clarkston schools. The school board votes unanimously to begin the process of hiring a director for the program, with a goal of having it operating around January of 1982.

AUGUST 26

Clarkston's Village Council goes on record with its about-face, and votes unanimously to notify Independence Township and the state Department of Natural Resources that it approves the installation of the proposed Deer Lake Beach boat ramp.

The Clarkston High School varsity football team spends a week at football camp at Saginaw Valley State College, and prospects for the coming season look bright.

Oct. 28 is the date set for the public hearing on Clarkston's proposed historic district ordinance. Residents living in the proposed district can expect to find notices of the hearing in their mailboxes this week.

An auto chase involving a 34-year-old Flint man and an Oakland County Sheriff's Deputy patrol car encompasses two townships and exceeds speeds of 100 mph before a high-impact collision results on southbound I-75 under the Sashabaw Road overpass. No lives are lost as quick work by a passing citizen and two OCSA deputies saved the life of a Farmington man involved in the wreck.



L. Brooks Patterson makes it official with a "Patterson for Governor" fund raiser at Roma's of Bloomfield. His wife Kathy is there to share

the moment. The Pattersons reside in Independence Township.

September



Cindy Larkin sheds tears of surprise and joy as she's named the 1981 Clarkston High School Homecoming Queen. A member of her court, Kari Jo Svenkenson (left) shares the moment.

September 2

Borg-Warner Equities' lawsuit against Independence Township and Pine Knob Investment Co. is tossed out of federal court. The suit, which seeks to halt development of a restaurant in the halfway house at Pine Knob, can be refiled in Oakland County Circuit Court.

Scott Wyman of Massachusetts and his grandfather, Bill Morse of Glenburnie Road, Independence Township, dip a line into the Mill Pond and catch "Ol' Snaggleface," a 9-pound, 34-inch Northern Pike. "A lot of people don't realize we've got things like this in the Mill Pond," Morse says.

September 9

Only a handful of residents turn out for a Michigan Department of Natural Resources hearing on proposed Deer Lake Beach boat ramp improvements. Landowners around the lake now say the boat ramp is OK, but they object to traffic and the high speed of boats. The DNR plans a hearing on those issues at a date to be set.

Independence Township hires BRW of Minneapolis to study the proposed widening of M-15 from three lanes at five at M-15 and Dixie Highway. The study is to cost the township \$15,000 and the village of Clarkston \$5,000.

Heavy rainfall knocks out straw bales around the construction site of St. Daniel's Catholic Church and the result is muddy water in Clarkston's Mill Ponds.

The first phase of safety paths throughout Independence Township is ready to roll when the township board approves a \$179,000 bid for the first three miles.

September 16

Plans to establish a program for some 75 academically gifted Clarkston schools' fourth-, fifth- and sixth-graders is approved by the board of education. The program is to begin in January.

A kindergarten classroom at Clarkston Elementary School with 39 pupils sparks a parents' protest. The administration suggests splitting the duties of a kindergarten teacher between Bailey Lake and Clarkston elementaries and the solution is met with dismay. The board schedules a special meeting to discuss the issue.

Two Clarkston residents are arrested for allegedly selling cocaine for \$7,000 to an undercover Michigan State Police officer.

September 23

Clarkston is the target for a pinball arcade proposed by Robert Warrington of Waterford Township. The plans are brought before the village council, but no decision is made.

Plans to ensure Clarkston's Main Street will not be widened are pondered by the village council. They direct the engineering firm to conduct a feasibility study on adding curbs with trees at corners.

Parents cheer as the Clarkston schools board of education decides not change the kindergarten class schedules at Bailey Lake Elementary and to expand the hours of the Clarkston Elementary kindergarten to full-time.

A Sept. 10 fire which destroyed the Waterford Race Track tower is called arson by police. The blaze caused \$23,000 in damages to the tower and contents.

September 30

Arcade pros and cons are debated by the Clarkston Village Council for 45 minutes, and then the issue is tabled for further study.

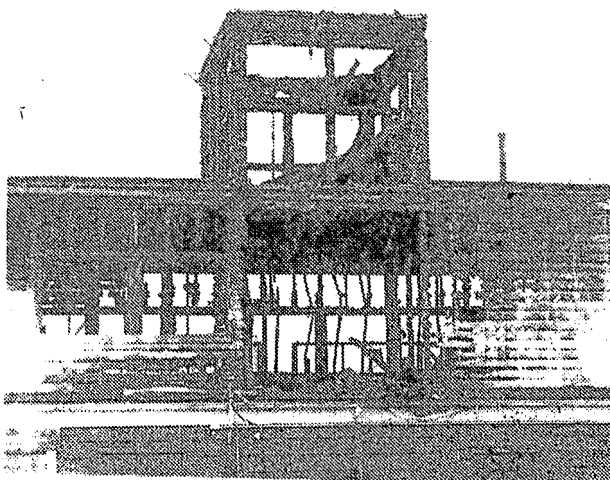
Independence Township's building and planning department trims its budget and lays-off the full-time ordinance enforcement officer and a secretary.



A taste of honey lures kids to the booth of Russ Honckel of Grand Rapids during the Clarkston Community Historical Society's Crafts and Cider Festival in the village park.



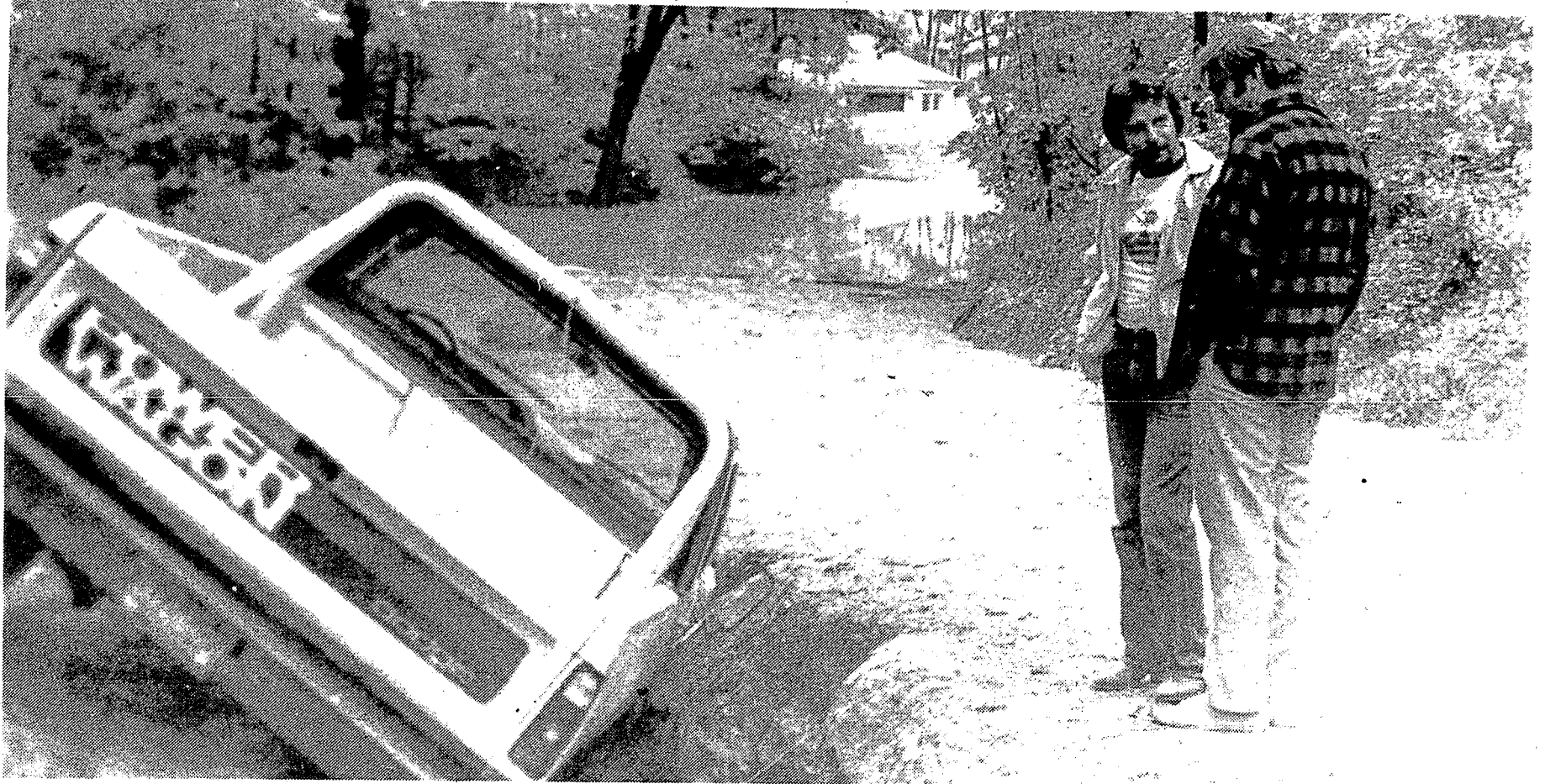
The riding will be a lot easier now that the Independence Township Senior Citizens Center has a new van compliments of the Clarkston Rotary Club.



A fire at the Waterford Hills Race Track in Independence Township is called arson by police. Up to a \$1,000 reward is offered for the arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible.



The Clarkston Business Association sponsors Old Fashioned Country Fair Days in the village park and a pet contest nets prizes for every entry. Kelly Adams' puddle Muffet flashes the cutest smile.



The area's awash after what some call a "100-year rain" and a water-covered, washed-

out road in Thendara Park subdivision spells doom for a truck driven by a resident heading

home from work after dark.

October

October 7

The enrollment of 85 fewer Clarkston schools' pupils than expected spells a loss of about \$170,000 in expected revenue. The official fourth Friday count places enrollment for the district at 6,365.

A massive clean-up follows a rainstorm, dubbed a 100-year rain because of its intensity. Despite many flooded basements and the washout of rural roads, officials agree on one thing—it could have been worse.

October 14

Camp Oweki's for sale. The 120-acre parcel, owned by Camp Fire Inc., is located near Gulick Lake. The camp has been faced with steadily increasing costs and declining usage, says Jack Pugh, executive director of the North Oakland Camp Fire Council.

Independence Township waives the 1981 ad valorem sewer tax, which should save taxpayers an average of \$40 this year.

October 21

The plug is pulled on the proposed pinball arcade in downtown Clarkston when the building owner decides not to rent the space.

Residents meet with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) at a public hearing and air problems with excessive speed and high numbers of boats on Deer Lake. DNR officials suggest the residents take their complaints to elected officials and strive for enforcement of existing laws governing lake usage.

A federal judge rules in Pine Knob Investment Co.'s favor, saying the halfway house restaurant, La Veranda Ristorante, does not violate the lease agreement between the two firms.

October 28

The typical Independence Township taxpayer can expect a 1981 tax bill of \$1,879. The figure is about \$288 higher than last year.

Independence Township firefighters sign a one-year contract. Salaries are up 11.3 percent, but the cost of living clause is dropped.

A Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) report indicates that despite clean-up efforts, high concentrations of toxic contaminants remain at the Shindler Road dump site in Springfield Township. According to health experts, however, area residents' well water is safe.

State Sen. Kerry Kammer (D-Springfield Township) gets a big boost in his campaign for nomination as a candidate for the governor of Michigan when a fund-raising dinner nets over \$50,000.



Nearly 700 people hike to raise funds for Clarkston SCAMP, a five-week summer camp program for children who may have special needs. Despite weary feet, like those of Patty Trevino, the 1981 WALK FOR SCAMP is a resounding success as walkers turn in \$20,036 in pledges.



Sonya Funck: Clarkston's 1982 Junior Miss.



A crowd of 50 gather at the Clarkston Village Park to peacefully protest the movement afoot

by a local resident to close the park.

November

NOVEMBER 4

Clarkston residents attending a public hearing quietly greet the proposed Historic District Ordinance. Only one person objects to the powers a five-member appointed commission is to have in approving all outside remodeling, major repairs or demolition of the about 100 houses and buildings within the district. Several citizens support the proposed ordinance.

The Clarkston Village Council approves elimination of streetside parking at Depot Road Park. The move caps the first of many proposals to curb teenage activity in the park.

An application is made for the 15th adult foster care home in Independence Township. There are presently 12 adult foster care homes operating in the township and the rest are pending.

After five highly successful years as Clarkston High School's junior varsity boys' basketball coach, Larry Mahrle has left the coaching squad to become head varsity boys' basketball coach at Avondale High School.

NOVEMBER 11

Independence Township knocks the stars out of a video game room on M-15. The business violates the zoning ordinance and building code, say township officials. Owner Robert Warrington disagrees, saying his business violates neither. The case is scheduled to be heard in Oakland County Circuit Court.

The attorney for Independence Township seeks a restraining order to halt plans to open the two latest adult foster care homes proposed for Independence Township, one on Chickadee Lane and one on Whipple Lake Road.

Building hits new lows in Independence and Springfield townships. During the first six months of 1981 as compared to 1980, Independence dropped from 31 to 27 and Springfield plunged from 22 to seven. The figures across Oakland County are the lowest since 1968, when records first began to be kept by the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments.

The Clarkston High School junior varsity football team finishes its season without one mark in the loss column. "This isn't some kind of fluke. These kids deserved to be undefeated," says Coach John Getzan.

NOVEMBER 18

The Clarkston Village Council adopts a list of amendments to its arcade law. The move rides on the wings of Robert Warrington's proposal to open an arcade game room in the village, thwarted when the building owner refused to rent the space.

Twelve residents along Sashabaw Road are angered by a ditch put in by the Oakland County Road Commission along their front yards. They have signed a petition asked for installation of a covered culvert. A spokesperson for the road commission says they can take their protests to a meeting.

Independence Township closes the deal on Maybee Road Park. The 14.02-acre parcel cost \$125,491 and was paid for with federal Community Development Block Grant funds.

The new boat launch at Deer Lake Beach is installed. The two-day job includes the leveling of land for proper elevation and the installation of 10 cement slabs. The cost of \$5,995 was covered by federal Community Development Block Grant funds.

Dr. James O'Neill is roasted by the Independence Township Republican Club at a fund-raising party at Deer Lake Racquet Club. His gift is a yellow Tonka bulldozer with the inscription: "Dr. James O'Neill, The Mover and Shaker of Clarkston."

NOVEMBER 25

After six years on the Clarkston Village Council, President Fontie ApMadoc announces she won't seek re-election in March 1982.

Camp Oweki could be the site of senior citizen housing in Independence Township. Township officials have been holding private meetings with a non-profit organization interested in working the township in developing the project.

Budget cutbacks loom for the 1982-83 year at Clarkston schools. Despite a 3-mill tax increase approved by voters in June, more cuts will have to be made, says Superintendent Milford Mason. He's working on recommendations to be presented to the school board in February or March.

Waterford Hills Race Track officials, township officials and a resident who lives nearby the track meet to iron out problems with noise. All parties say

next summer's racing season should be quieter.

Oakland County Commissioner Charles Whitlock (R-Independence Township) says he will now represent all of Independence and Springfield townships and a portion of Waterford Township on the commission, due to redistricting based on the 1980 United States Census.

If Independence Township's zoning ordinances require that an arcade must be located inside a mall, he'll give them a mall, says Robert Warrington. He submits plans for a mini-mall that is to include an arcade attached to the True Value Hardware on M-15. The plans are to be reviewed by the township planning commission in December.

Danny Rushing, 27, of Independence Township dies in a deer hunting accident in Sanilac County in Michigan's thumb area.

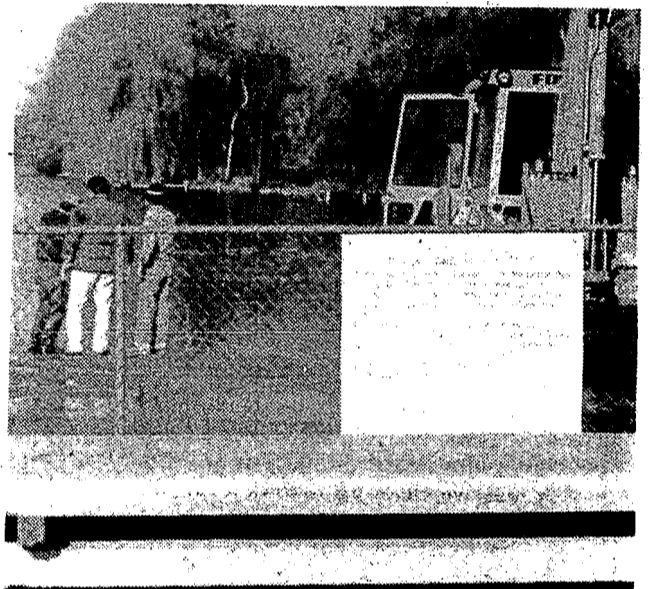
Borg-Warner Equities' proposed 25-acre, single-family development off Waldon Road hits a snag as the Independence Township Board votes 4-2 to table discussion of preliminary plat approval until all questions about possible ordinance violations and grading problems are settled.



The Independence Township Republican Club honors Dr. James O'Neill with a roast.



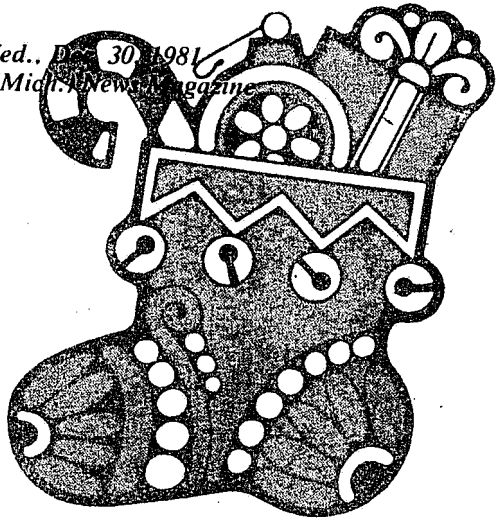
Just three days after opening a video game room on M-15, the owner voluntarily closes its doors after Independence Township officials raise questions about zoning.



Deer Lake Beach's new boat ramp nears completion. Replacing a rusted portable landing strip are 10 cement slabs. The project costs \$6,000.



A swimming pool easily makes the transition from summer to fall as it serves as a leaf holder for Ray Eckhardt as he rakes alongside Main Street.



December

December 2

Life-long Democrat Tom Ritter joins forces with prominent Republicans in the Michigan Citizens Committee to Support the President. "I like the idea that (President Ronald Reagan's) running the government like a business. That's what it always has been," says Ritter.

Independence Township files two lawsuits opposing the latest proposed adult foster care homes.

Santa Claus comes to town and receives a key to Independence Township from Supervisor James B. Smith.

December 9

Apathy has overtaken village politics, says outgoing Clarkston Village Council President Fontie ApMadoc. Although she has decided not to seek reelection, ApMadoc says the lack of candidates for the upcoming election is disconcerting.

The upcoming pancake supper's the first step toward making Clarkston schools' athletic program self-sustaining, says Paul Tungate, athletic director.

A study sets the dropout rate of Clarkston High School students at 6.3 percent. During the 1980-81 school year, 138 of the 2,174 ninth- through 12th-graders quit school.

December 16

Pac Man's light is still out in the proposed game room on M-15. The Independence Township Planning Commission tables review of the proposed minimal to house the business. Further study is their goal, and the issue is to be on the agenda of the first meeting in January.

It's worth the \$9,000 spent on legal fees to keep fighting adult foster care homes in single-family zoned neighborhoods, says Supervisor James B. Smith. "The basic issue is ordinance control," he says. "Is it worth the amount? It's worth more if nothing else."



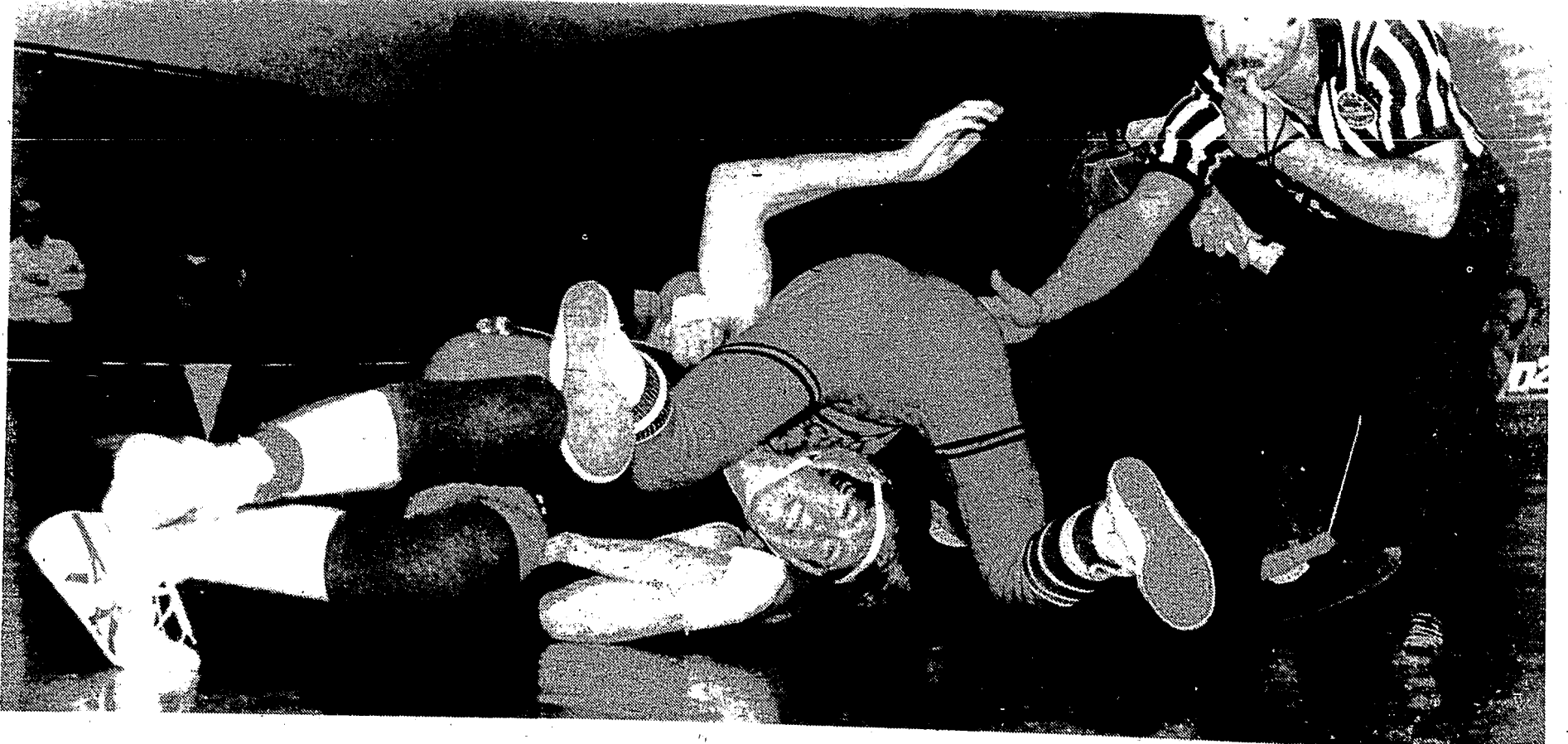
Brownies from Troop 100 at North Sashabaw Elementary School gather to paint their Christmas greetings on the windows at the Burger Chef in Waterford Township.



Little Natalie Vaughn finds just the thing for Christmas gifting at the Clarkston United Methodist Church Holiday Bazaar.



It's official—Santa Claus has arrived. He's met by Supervisor James B. Smith who presents the Jolly Old Elf with a key to Independence Township.



On their way to what looks like a good season, Clarkston High School's Wrestling Team

finishes third in a field of eight schools at the Warren Lincoln Invitational Tournament. Here,

Todd Thompson battles his opponent during the tourney.