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Symons resigns Clarkston council

By Marilyn Trumper

Frustrated by a village council he says he can't work with, Trustee Gary Symons has resigned after four years on the Clarkston Village Council.

Last month's repeal of the controversial historic district ordinance proved to be the pivot in his decision to resign, Symons said, adding it was a tough one to make.

"When you've been at it four years it's hard just to say, 'That's enough,' and walk away. I guess I just got burned out.

"I'm not going to fight (repeal of the ordinance). It's discouraging. Let someone else with more enthusiasm get on the council and work for it. I don't feel I can continue working with the team we've got. I feel like I'm on the other side of the fence and I can't justify the efforts I'm putting into the council."

Faced with mounting public dissension over the ordinance and five-member commission that regulated all renovations to homes in the historic district, the village council repealed the ordinance in early December.

Symons has long been a vocal supporter of historic preservation. He was a key figure in drumming support for the historic district and working for adoption of the historic ordinance and has been a strong opponent of any Main Street widening.

He and his family live on in a restored turn-of-the-century home on Clarkston's Main Street. His dental practice, too, is downtown Clarkston on Main Street.

"The historic ordinance is not the only problem.

There are members of the council right now who favor adoption of the latest sign ordinance draft. If you read it one way the ordinance would allow 12-foot overhanging signs, illuminated like Rudy's. They're ready to put them up. I can't," he said. "Maybe I'm too idealistic."

But, he says, there is no bitterness.

"I guess frustrated would be a better word. I don't understand the rationale that went into voting

(to repeal the ordinance) the way (the council) did. I guess they voted that way because it was a quick solution. As I call it, the 'quick-fix.'

"If we're going to preserve what we've got, we have to put a little more effort into it."

Symons' resignation is effective Jan. 1. It's expected council President Jackson Byers will discuss a replacement to fill the remaining year of Symons' two-year term at the council's first January meeting.

EPA funds dump cleanup

A toxic waste dump site in Springfield Township on Shindler Road is to receive part of the United States Environmental Protection Agency's Superfund to help clean it up.

Springfield Township Supervisor Collin Walls says work at the site has been underway for about three years and about 1,500 barrels of paint and other industrial waste products have been removed by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR).

"I don't know how the site made the list. The area's water is safe and the barrels have been removed," he said. "Some soil removal is still going on, but I have no idea how it made the list.

"A vast majority of the problem has been taken care of," Walls added. "The major problem is adverse publicity. Many people called and thought that we had found a new dumping site. I don't know how much we will receive. I'm still a little vague on what is going on. We should know more in a couple of weeks."

According to a DNR official, the site qualified for the list because of the condition of the soil and ground water.

"The site scored high enough on our evaluation to make the list," Andy Hogarth of the Michigan Department of Natural Resources said. "We found contaminated soil and ground water in the area.

"We are in the process of selecting some options," he said. "We could remove more soil or possibly cover the area with clay and fence it off. The selection of the option will be the most cost-efficient way of working on the site."



Photo by Kathy Greenfield

Kids without coats

Her hair flying, Charmaine Ild partakes in the unlikely December activity of a game of hopscotch with her sister Jennifer (left). The girls, who live on Buffalo Street, were spotted

Sunday on the grounds of Clarkston Elementary School. Record high temperatures in the 60s enveloped the holiday weekend, melting hopes for the usual winter activities.

Bell changes phone installation procedures

By Marilyn Trumper

Thinking about pulling out the old phone and putting in a new one.

Maybe a touch-tone? Or delicate flower decorated French model with a gold receiver? Mickey

Mouse? Or one with computer cards?

Think twice and make sure that's what you want to do because after the first of the year it won't be as easy as walking into the Michigan Bell PhoneCenter store and picking out a new phone.

Detailed rate-hike proposals

Michigan Bell's request for a \$451 million rate hike is riddled with 11 key highlights.

According to James W. Helmrich, manager of corporate-affairs for Bell, it will be at least nine months before the Public Service Commission makes a decision on the controversial proposal, which he says is to be used to meet rising operating costs and to continue good service.

The proposed customer service changes include:

- Increase in flat rate residential service ranging from \$5 a month in Detroit to \$6 a month in smaller outstate telephone exchanges. One-party residential service would increase \$3.30 a month and two-party service would go up by \$2.17.

- Increase in basic service and private line for business customers, along with charging for business calls according to the number of calls, how long the calls last and the time of day they are made.

- An increase in the cost of local coin phone calls from 20 to 25 cents, the first increase since 1973 when they were raised from 10 to 20 cents. In addition, coin calls to points outside the local calling area would be charged a long distance rate comparable to that which applies to toll calls made from home and office phones.

- Elimination of Directory Assistance credits and reducing the monthly call allowance to five calls per line. A quarter would be charged for each call after that.

- Elimination of business and metro service, which has not been offered to new customers since 1980.

- A monthly surcharge for Extended Area Service (EAS), the toll-free calling to communities outside the

local exchange. The surcharge would affect virtually all customers, and fees would range from \$1 to \$3 a month depending on the number of EAS points to which customers have toll-free access.

- Increased charges for long distance calls requiring the assistance of an operator.

- To begin charging for long distance calls within the state based on the rates in effect for the duration of the call rather than solely on the rate in effect when the call begins. Calls between states have been billed this way since April 1982.

- To charge for installing phone service based on how long the job takes and amount of materials needed rather than a flat rate fee used now.

- A 10 percent increase in monthly rates for standard dial telephones, and a five percent monthly increase for Touch-Tone phones and service, custom calling features and other optional services and equipment.

- An increase in the cost of un-listed numbers from \$1 to \$2 a month. In addition, a new service, non-list service, for \$1 a month which would enable a customer to keep their names/addresses/phone numbers out of the phone book, but have it available from Directory Assistance operators.

The Federal Communications Commission outlawed Bell's sale of telephone equipment, and now allows them to do so only through a separate, newly formed subsidiary—American Bell, according to James W. Helmrich, Bell's corporate affairs manager.

Michigan Bell's PhoneCenter stores at 17 metropolitan malls will be transferred to American Bell, and customers will no longer be able to pick up telephones or exchange them there without making prior arrangements by phone.

Bell will continue selling phones as long as its inventory exists, Helmrich said, adding it will not be able to replenish stock in 1983.

Customers who now have Bell phones in their homes and offices will continue to have the option to rent or buy, he added.

All Service Centers will accept advance payments and service deposits and customers can continue to pay bills by mail, at centers which have accepted bill payments in the past and at authorized collection agencies.

There is one more change on the wind: After the first of the year dial-it services like SportsPhone and Soap Scoops will end.

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For other questions, phone toll-free 1-800-555-5000 between 8 a.m. and 11 p.m. weekdays and Saturday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

"The thing I would really like to stress is that customers call us before they do anything to avoid possible frustration and the inconvenience of wasted trips," Helmrich said.

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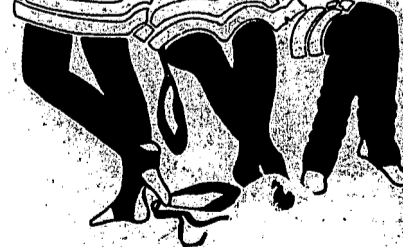
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Giving spirit alive and well at hospital clinic

By Marilyn Trumper

Santa wears gray corduroys, brown cowboy boots, wire-rimmed glasses and his 30-year-old face sports a brown moustache.

Instead of a sleigh driven by eight reindeer, he'll be delivering presents Christmas Eve from behind the wheel of a 1982 silver Lynx.

His elves are a black-bearded custodian, a blond x-ray supervisor, an executive secretary, a lab technician and brown, frizzy-haired clerk.

And instead of making toys by hand at the North Pole, his elves—the staff at Pontiac General Hospital's Ambulatory Clinic—are wrapping and tagging food baskets, stocking stuffers, soft fur animals, clothing, games, books and more.

All other days of the year, William Suhart works as a material control clerk, ordering supplies and keeping tabs on instruments.

Christmas Eve, the manifestation begins and the corduroyed Suhart will be Santa Claus, making rounds to three Waterford-Township families who would not otherwise have a holiday dinner or toys for the kids. Two of the fathers are laid-off and the third is disabled.

"It started with employes here deciding to get together Christmas baskets for these families. The principal at Riverside Elementary gave us the names of two families, and talking to them led to the third," Suhart said. "The staff here donated money and we bought turkeys, stuffing, butter, canned goods, milk, things like that."

Suhart delivered the baskets the Tuesday before Christmas.

"(The families) were very grateful," he beamed. "Their eyes filled with tears, they hugged us and kept saying, 'God bless you. God bless you.'"



Busy wrapping gifts to make a Christmas for three needy families, the elves at Pontiac General Hospital's Ambulatory Care Clinic stockpile clothing, toys and food. From left,

Carol Pleczura, project spearleader William Suhart, Debbie C. Hall, Gail Taylor, Dee McKrow and Stefawn Mescovally.

"After that I thought I should do more. There are 10 kids between the three families and the kids had been told not to expect even stockings this year because there wouldn't be anything to put in them."

From 4 in the afternoon to 1 p.m. the following day, Suhart pounded the pavement along M-59 and Dixie Highway, asking shopkeepers for toys, food, and giftwrap donations.

Few turned him down. "I've been around here a lot of years, so I went to the places I shop and places I used to work. I got toys, clothing, giftwrap, food, money, everything you can imagine. I told them what I was doing and where it would go."

"My credit union donated calendars, Wonder Drugs gave toys, food, candy and giftwrap, Highland IGA gave puzzles, candy, wrapping paper and

oranges. Owl Drugs and Crescent Drugs gave stuffed animals and the Pontiac Mall leather goods shop gave a belt with buckle for each kid. Crazy Bee gave sweaters, tops, barettes and so much more. We have over \$600 worth of stuff here," he said.

A room in the clinic looked like six K-Mart aisles had been turned upside down and dumped on the gray carpet. The "elves" balanced on bended knees over colorful wrapping paper, boxes of food and stuffed animals wrapped in clear plastic. The sound of Scotch tape being pulled and snipping scissors didn't disturb their laughter.

"We just wanted to help (the families) out," said Dee McKrow as she bent over a pile of toys. "We feel pretty lucky. We're all working, most of our husbands are working. We can have Christmas while other families can't."

Photo commentary



A big Bah-Humbug to whoever stole a little bit of Christmas off the Clarkston Mills Mall last week. The two wreathes, one large and one small, were worth about \$150 and the five strands of lights wrapped around them make the tally even higher, said Rosemary Christie, owner of Christie's of Clarkston. She and her husband discovered the theft Sunday, Dec. 19, when driving into town. "I looked over and the wreathes were gone," she said. "The sad part of it is we just bought the two wreathes for the season." Christie speculates the thief or thieves waited until the timers turned off the lights at 2 a.m. and spirited the wreathes, et. al., away over the rooftop. There are two things for sure—it wasn't Santa Claus and whoever performed the dastardly deed doesn't possess one iota of Christmas spirit.

Local man killed in car crash

A 39-year-old Independence Township man and father of four was killed Thursday in a head-on auto crash that also took the life of the second driver.

David R. Spiece of Whipple Shore Drive, died when a car driven by a White Lake Township man crashed head-on into his on Highland Road in White Lake Township at 6:35 p.m.

Spiece is survived by his wife Sara and children, Kristin, Gretchen, Marcia and Michelle, all at home. His brothers are Larry, Gary, Jack and Brian Spiece. He is the grandson of Lewis Spiece and son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert T. Spiece of Owosso.

Spiece was a member of the Clarkston United

Methodist Church and a graduate of Central Michigan University. He was a former teacher in Bloomfield Hills and presently a partner in Janz & Knight C.P.A.

He was also a member of the Michigan Association of C.P.A.'s and the American Institute of C.P.A.'s and was active in the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

Funeral services were scheduled Tuesday. Memorial tributes may be made to the Clarkston United Methodist Church's Special Fund for the Needy.

Neighbors petition for lights

People on Tappan Drive, Tappan Court, Felix Drive and Heath Avenue want to shed a little light on that section of Independence Township, and have petitioned township hall for a special assessment to fund streetlighting.

At its Dec. 21 meeting, the Independence Township Board targeted Jan. 18 at 7:30 p.m. for a public hearing on the issue in the township hall annex, 90 N. Main, Clarkston.

Those on Tappan and Felix already pay a special assessment for streetlighting, but want to finance one more light, according to township Clerk Christopher Rose.

Heath Avenue is without lighting, according to

resident Al Wieling who's spearheading the campaign there to illuminate the road.

"For the safety factor," Wieling said, explaining his push for a special assessment. Twenty-eight of the street's 31 residents have signed the petition. "We need better light for this street. There are a lot of B&E's and more light could be a deterrent."

A special assessment will cost property owners approximately \$45 a year, Wieling said.

"When I first passed around the petition I told everyone it would be \$30 a year, because that's what I got from township hall. I don't know if the new figures will change anyone's mind," he added.

Township man robbed of \$25

A 62-year-old Independence Township man was beaten and robbed of \$25 outside the Clarkston Party Store, 6450 Dixie Highway, at 8:50 p.m. Dec. 21.

According to reports at the Oakland County Sheriff's Department (OCSD), the victim was attacked from behind by two men as he left the store and beaten about the face until he handed over the money. Police are looking for two suspects; the first

described as 5-foot-6 with blond, curly ear-length hair, and wearing wire rimmed glasses and a beige jacket. The second is described as 5-foot-6 with dark hair covered by a stocking cap and wearing a varsity jacket.

Persons with information should call the OCSD at 858-4980.

Sheriff's log

Wednesday, thieves broke into a house on Wellesley Terrace, Independence Township. A list of stolen items is not available.

Wednesday, vandals caused \$15 in damages when they cut the air shock lines of a car on Middle Lake Road, Independence Township.

Wednesday, thieves broke into a shed on Flemings Lake Road, Independence Township, and stole \$400 worth of chain saws.

Wednesday, thieves broke into a garage on Susin Lane, Springfield Township. It is not known what was taken.

Friday, thieves stole a \$400 box of lingerie from a porch on Waterford Hill Terrace, Independence Township.

Friday, thieves broke into a house on Algonquin Road, Independence Township. It is not known what was taken.

Saturday, thieves broke into a house on Cranberry Lake Road, Independence Township. It is not known what was taken.

Saturday, vandals caused an unknown amount of damage when they tipped the swings, bent the clothesline pole and broke a backstop in a yard on West Ellis Road, Springfield Township.

This information came from reports at the Oakland County Sheriff's Department.

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Obituary

Evelyn Mae Carrol

Memorial service for former Clarkston resident Evelyn Mae Carrol of St. Augustine, Fla., is to be held 11 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 30, at the Lewis E. Wint Funeral Home, Independence Township, with the Rev. Earle Beck officiating.

Mrs. Carrol, 61, died Dec. 26.

She is survived by her husband, Lewis; mother, Mrs. Edna Mae Mayhew of Berkeley; children, Mrs. Dale (Sharon) Richmond of Pontiac, Judith Mae Agar of Pontiac, Mrs. Edd (Kathy) Thompson of Clarkston, Alan Mortz of Lake Orion, Barbara Kobrak of Holly; 14 grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and sisters, Mrs. Ed (Alice) Zobel of Grand Rapids, Mrs. Clark (Lee) Shaver of Sterling Heights, Mrs. Jack (June) Wells of Sterling Heights and Mrs. Phillip (Edna Mae) Byrd of Utica.

She was preceded in death by three children, Janet, Bill and Sandy.

Following the service, burial took place in Ottawa Park Cemetery, Independence Township.

Sailor on leave suicide victim

A self-inflicted gunshot wound took the life of an 18-year-old Springfield Township man early Christmas Eve day.

As family and friends gathered for the holiday, John Kenneth Gee, home on leave from the Navy, left his parents' Ormond Road home and walked to a nearby field.

He died from a self-inflicted gunshot wound to the head and was found by the family shortly after 10 Christmas morning, according to Detective-Sgt.

Frederick Scholz of the Oakland County Sheriff's Department.

The accident remains under investigation pending results of the coroner's reports, Scholz said.

Gee, a Holly High School graduate, was home on leave from basic training at Great Lakes Naval Training Center in Illinois.

He is survived by his parents, Edmund and Patty Gee and brothers and sisters, Michael, Craig, Vicki, Mrs. Terry Jones and Laurie Johnson.

Funeral arrangements were scheduled Tuesday. The family asks memorial contributions go to the Child-Adolescent Center at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Pontiac.



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Editorial

Village council takes losses

We're upset over what is happening to the Clarkston Village Council. First, 10-year veteran Trustee Ruth Basinger decided not to run for office and, now, Trustee Gary Symons has resigned.

Perhaps it was no longer worth the hassle for Basinger and Symons, both of whom have held firm with their strong beliefs.

Basinger was always concerned about taking care of the waterways throughout the village and about preservation of Clarkston's historic aura. Symons worked hard to keep Clarkston's historic district intact and to protect the area from changes that would mar the community's status on the National Register of Historic Places.

When members of public bodies disagree on the course of action to take, that's good in our opinion. There's nothing better than a good debate where all sides of an issue are brought

forth. There's nothing worse than a group of people governing a community who are all alike—if they agree all the time, something's wrong.

Democracy, when it's working best, puts people together with different viewpoints and forces them to hammer out their differences.

There has been a great deal, though, that has upset us lately when it comes to village politics. Threats have been made to boycott businesses because some people don't agree with philosophies of the owners on government.

Insults have been bantered about. Some people refuse to speak to others. Obstinacy has caused some to stop listening to other sides.

Something has gone awry.

The result is that the village council will lose some very good people.

—KLG

Letter to editor

Paving cost should be shared

Your most recent article (12/22/82) reporting the board of education and paving for Pine Knob Road said, "The cost of paving would be about \$78,000, the township would pay about \$50,000, the road commission would pay some, leaving a total of \$22,500 to be paid by the school district," said Rose (loosely quoted).

What is not clear to me is if the \$22,500 is the school district's portion as a property owner on Pine Knob Road. It is my impression that road paving costs are shared by all property owners on and using said road.

I assume, therefore, that owners of all other property from Clarkston-Orion Road to Bailey Lake School are sharing the cost.

If this is not true, then the school district (kids, parents, board of education) is being dumped on by ???

Harold Fineman

Editor's note: The proposal informally rejected by the school board to have the district pay for a portion of the paving costs is separate from having property owners pay the costs. There are only a few property owners along the short stretch of Pine Knob Road between Clarkston-Orion and the school. The property owners have requested the township board and the school district pay for paving rather than hav-

ing to pay for the work themselves. The request has been made because the traffic is caused by residents from across the township who participate in the township recreation department soccer program held at Bailey Lake Elementary and by school buses and residents taking children to school. The Pine Knob Road residents have said they'll pay for a portion of paving themselves, but the costly project could be considered unfair for a handful of people considering the circumstances, thus the reason for debate.

Bouquets

Music gift



A resounding thank you to Band Director Cliff Chapman and the Clarkston High School instrumental music Christmas Concert.

The spontaneous musical format was unique and spirited.

It was a lovely gift of music in a very busy week.
Greg and Barbara Zabel

Jim's jottings

Bits and pieces

Those who malign Christmas letters probably don't receive one from Julie Candler. Julie's an incredibly energetic and intelligent go-getter in the world of public relations, or used to be.

Readers of Woman's Day magazine may recall reading her articles "Woman Behind the Wheel", based on her book by the same name, though she says the magazine failed to renew her contract.

Speaking of herself as editor of her own "Candler Christmas Chronicle", Julie writes: "She does, however, reserve the right to be selective in choosing her facts."

Hope I remember to use that line when someone tells me to get all the facts before writing something. Getting them is one thing, but selective use is better.

— O —

WJR radio disc jockey J. P. McCarthy seems to be going out of his way to say "Have a safe new year" instead of the traditional "Have a happy New Year." Safe or healthy is a better greeting. Have one.

— O —

I'm going to push the economy to the back of my mind by trying to find the answer to such important questions as: Why is my topcoat belt always twisted? Why can't it ever be brought together in front in the same straight way it was released?

— O —

Considering the number of useless ideas I get, I don't know why I didn't suggest that some camera maker put an alarm clock on their product.

Everytime I saw that commercial on TV prior to Christmas that extolled the virtues of this 35 mm camera and "it even wakes you up," I

Pea coat evolution



by Kathy Greenfield

Thoughts on styles that keep popping up every few years were brought alive when my daughter received a Navy-style pea coat for Christmas.

When I talked to people about the gift, the reaction came to be expected.

"Oh, I had one of those!"

The main difference in their responses were due to their ages. One person remembered his brother wearing the real thing during World War II, one remembered wearing one during the '60s when war protestors wore military garb, some remembered having one in the '70s.

What surprised me most, though, was the conversation I had with my daughter.

She said pea coats were usually worn by "preppies."

For those of you without teenagers, a preppy is someone who dresses and thinks in very conservative terms—button-down collars on shirts and blouses, tailored pants, combinations of pink and green, Izod shirts adorned with alligators, loafers or leather low-cut shoes with leather ties. Preppies are into fitting in.

"I can't believe it!" I said. "When I was younger, the kids who wore pea coats were into protests. They wore blue jeans when nobody else did and bought their clothes at the neighborhood dime store or army surplus store rather than at Saks or even Sears."

My daughter was taken back a bit.

"That's not the way it is now," she said.

Is this how it feels to evolve into middle age? Such valuable memories to share and wonder over?

I've always thought it would be nifty to be able to remember a time before automobiles, to remember when ice was delivered to keep food cold or when the only way to go cross-country was in a covered wagon.

Instead, I remember pea coats. Somehow, it doesn't feel very sage.

By Jim Sherman



wondered why. That has to be the most useless accessory since they put wind scoops on vent windows on cars after WW II.

— O —

Watched an interview of former first lady, Ladybird Johnson on PBS last week. The occasion was her 70th birthday. Interviewers asked what she thought of the current administration, and compare it to her husband's years in Washington.

She said, "Do you mean the move to the right? Oh, it's the cycle of our society. In the 60's we were up beat, we had money. Now the economy has changed and we're going the other way."

"It's the way things are in our country." Indeed, Mrs. Johnson, and good health to you in the New Year.

M.A.D.D. monitors local courtroom

Mothers Against Drunk Driving fight for stiffer sentences

By Marilyn Trumper

Spurred on by the loss of a 4-year-old daughter and niece killed by a drunk driver, since last August sisters Penny Bien and Ruth Greene have monitored drunk driving sentences delivered in the courtroom of Oakland County 52nd District Court Judge Gerald E. McNally.

Any day McNally heard a case against an accused drunk driver the faces of the two Waterford Township women, members of M.A.A.D. (Mothers Against Drunk Driving) stared back from the courtroom.

Last month McNally, a 14-year veteran of the bench, set a minimum \$300 fine or \$300 worth of public service for first-time drunk driving offenders.

But he denies the women's presence in the courtroom influenced his decision to set a minimum fine, which until then had been from \$100 to \$500, leveled at the judge's discretion.

Penny and Ruth don't agree, and feel their presence brought about stiffer fines for those who drink and drive.

"I got involved with M.A.A.D. mostly out of my frustration. My daughter was killed by a drunk driver a year ago September," Penny said. "My 1-year-old son was in a backpack on my husband's back and we were walking down a private road where our house was. There are eight homes there. It was about 6 in the evening and we were taking a walk. We did almost every night. That's when it happened.

"We've since moved from (Brandon Township). We couldn't live there anymore. I wake up everyday and think my 4-year-old daughter is not here. Nikki's not here anymore."

M.A.A.D. is geared to educate the public, "...to let people know drunk driving is not socially acceptable," Ruth interjected. "It also offers survivor assistance to help the family through the court process, grieving and to make sure the victim has a voice.

"I lost my niece (that night). I have two older children. They loved Nikki. They'd fight over who would play with her," she said.

Both women criticize the judicial system for its handling of drunk driving arrests.

"So often the victim is a statistic. You don't hear their names (in the courtroom). It's always whomever vs. the state of Michigan. People have to know they have the right to talk to the prosecuting attorney, probation department, the arresting officer and anyone else and that they can get involved," Ruth said.

"It's got to change, this business of the defense attorney saying, 'Oh, the poor guy. Everybody drinks and drives.' And instead of having juries identify with the driver, have them identify with the victim. Let the victim in court to give his side of the story. Have the driver face up to what he did."

"In our case," said Penny, "(my husband Greg and I) are the witnesses, so we'll have a place in the courtroom, but so many other friends and family members of a victim don't have that and, consequently, no place to vent their anger.

"(Drunk driving) is a big crime. It's not something where you say, 'Too bad, everybody drinks.' We're fighting public opinion and, let's face it, drunk driving has become socially acceptable," Penny said.

M.A.A.D. also lobbied for and won tougher drunk driving sentences which go into effect Jan. 1, and call for a minimum six-month license suspension for first-time offenders and a revoking of the license for one year for second offenders.

"We selected Judge McNally's courtroom because he was the closest, and because we knew his fines were among the lowest in the county for drunk driving," Ruth said.

"He told us he was concerned about high fines and the effect they have on the family. We told him (the driver's) already spending that money for drinks. It's already affected the family.

"We're tired of taking responsibility for the family. Make (the drivers) know they have to face up to what they're doing and that they're going to pay for it."

M.A.A.D. has been strong support for Penny.

"You can call anyone in the group and say, 'I'm really feeling down today,' and they'll help you. I will never accept what happened to Nikki, but they're helping me deal with it.

"I've met people there in the same circumstances. You think you're the only person in the world who's ever dealt with this."

McNally stresses he deals with it each week, often several times a week, and says it never gets easy.

But McNally strongly defends his decisions.

"I never want the family to suffer and try to levy the fines gradually from \$100 to \$500 in relationship to the family's income," he said.

"(Penny and Ruth) tell me I'm low in terms of county scale, and I've asked them for figures to sup-

port that, but they've yet to provide them. So what I've done is to have (drunk drivers) pay a minimum \$300 fine, or they can work off \$300 worth of public service in a work-release program at \$4 an hour. This way there's a safety valve if the family has no money," McNally said.

The judge argues it's difficult "...to categorize the drunk driver."

"I know there are people who say we should have a flat fine, say 'this much' across the board. But most of those arrested are first-time offenders. What about the guy who's been celebrating because of his promotion. He's had too much to drink and gets caught while driving. His wife gives him hell. Rather than further aggravate a situation with a heavy fine that might result in divorce, discretion can be used."

M.A.A.D.'s presence in the courtroom did not influence his decision-making, McNally said.

"I didn't respond to any pressure. I've been looking for a more equitable system of fines for some time now," he said. "(But Penny and Ruth) have been a help. I have dismissed drunk driving cases in front of M.A.A.D., and it takes courage to do that.

"I don't kick 'em in the head as hard as I can. I tell them, 'It's your driver's license. It's you who will be cold walking up and down Dixie Highway. Over the years I think it's been quite effective. People, you're on your own. You have to solve your own problems.'"

For more information on M.A.A.D., phone 661-4499 or 471-3155.

Drunk driver stats

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, National Safety Council and the Michigan State Police offer this summary of drunk driving statistics:

- One quarter of a million Americans died in alcohol-related auto crashes in the past decade.

- About 26,000 people die in the United States each year in drunk driving incidents.

- Over 1,000 people were killed in Michigan in 1980, which averages to three people every day. In the nation as a whole, one person is killed an average of every 23 minutes in alcohol related crashes.

- More than half of the state's traffic deaths result from accidents where one driver has been drinking.

'If it Fitz. . .'

Spaying logic

by Jim Fitzgerald



Because I don't hunt, I didn't understand why hunters are strongly opposed to proposed legislation that would encourage the spaying and neutering of dogs and cats. So I asked my cousin Al, who belongs to the National Rifle Association, for an explanation.

Is curbing the reproduction of dogs and cats just one more thinly veiled attempt to deprive citizens of their constitutional right to bear arms?

"It's worse than that," Al said. "Sterilizing dogs and cats would be just the first step. What the people who say they want to spay and neuter animals really want to do is spay and neuter hunters."

But I thought humane societies and other groups were simply trying to eliminate a lot of cruelty to animals. Thousands of unwanted puppies and kittens are born every day, and they end up drowned in burlap sacks and dumped out of cars on lonely roads, left to run wild and starve to death or knock over garbage cans. What is wrong with preventing the birth of animals who are only going to suffer anyway?

"First, the spaying and neutering will cause a shortage of hunting dogs," Al explained. "That will leave hunters with no one to point out which animals they should kill, and no one to retrieve the corpses. A duck hunter, for just one example, will have to learn

how to swim with a dead duck in his mouth. And then the humane society will say it's cruel to make bird hunters get all wet on cold mornings, and the most humane thing would be to neuter duck hunters so they can't give birth to children who would be forced to stand stiffly on one leg in corn fields."

What about cats? They are of no use in hunting, so what's wrong with sterilizing cats to limit the number of drowned kittens?

"Cats are needed to keep women from becoming lonely when their men go hunting," Al said. "If there is a cat shortage, the women will be unhappy, and the humane society will say hunters' wives should be spayed so they can't give birth to children who would be forced to play with balls of yarn and drink out of toilet bowls."

But the idea of curbing the number of litters per dog and per cat is to prevent unwanted animals from suffering the anguish of being captured and killed because no one will feed and house them. Nobody is refusing to feed and house hunters, so what's the logic in assuming that if cats and dogs are sterilized, the same sterile fate will eventually befall hunters? After all, Planned Parenthood groups that advocate birth control for people don't insist that their pets attend sex education classes.

"THE LOGIC IS THAT the only reason anti-

hunting people don't want hunters to shoot bullets powerful enough to pierce a police officer's bullet-proof vest is that they know damn well that once those bullets are banned, every deer in the forest will join the police force," Al said. "So it only stands to reason that if dogs and cats are castrated, it won't be long before the woods are alive with the sounds of innocent sopranos who never once knocked over a garbage can."

OK. But how about the expense? It costs various governments millions of tax dollars every year to pick up, kill and dispose of the countless unwanted dogs and cats that were born only to suffer. Hunters are taxpayers. Shouldn't they be in favor of a sterilization program that will eventually save them a lot of money?

"The money saved by not having to hire dogcatchers will only be spent on the surgery necessary to prevent hunters from begetting hunters," Al explained. "Besides, if there are too many dogs and cats, all that's needed is a dog-and-cat season. Shooting the little buggers would be a lot cheaper than sterilizing their parents, and the sport would be good for the tourist industry."

Certainly, Al. I've never seen a dead cat tied to a car fender. Why didn't the humane nuts think of that?

1982-83 Winter Sports Schedule

CLARKSTON SENIOR HIGH BASKETBALL

Dec. 3	South Lyon Tournament	A	
Dec. 4	South Lyon Tournament	A	
Dec. 10	Waterford Kettering	H	6:15
Dec. 14	Davison	H	6:15
Dec. 17	Waterford Township	A	6:00
Jan. 7	Waterford Mott	H	6:15
Jan. 11	Rochester	H	6:15
Jan. 14	Lake Orion	A	6:15
Jan. 18	Andover	H	6:15
Jan. 21	West Bloomfield	H	6:15
Jan. 28	Pontiac Northern	A	6:00
Feb. 1	Waterford Kettering	A	6:00
Feb. 4	Waterford Township	H	6:15
Feb. 8	Waterford Mott	A	6:00
Feb. 11	Rochester	A	6:15
Feb. 15	Lake Orion	H	6:00
Feb. 18	West Bloomfield	A	6:00
Feb. 25	Pontiac Northern	H	6:15
Mar. 1	Lahser	A	6:30
Mar. 4	Millford	A	6:30
Mar. 7-12	Districts		

SASHABAW JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL NINTH GRADE BASKETBALL

Dec. 7	Waterford Pierce Junior	A	6:30
Dec. 13	Walled Lake Central	H	7:00
Dec. 21	Clarkston Junior High	CHS	7:00
Jan. 6	West Bloomfield	H	7:00
Jan. 11	Walled Lake Western	A	3:45
Jan. 13	Rochester VanHoosen	H	7:00
Jan. 17	Rochester Reuther	H	7:00

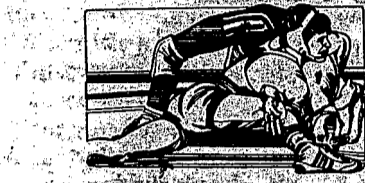
CLARKSTON JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL WRESTLING

Dec. 15	Bloomfield	A	4:00
Jan. 5	Rochester Reuther	H	6:30
Jan. 13	Rochester VanHoosen	H	6:30
Jan. 17	East Hills	A	4:00
Jan. 20	Sashabaw	H	6:30
Jan. 24	Rochester West	H	6:30
Feb. 2	Lake Orion West	A	4:00
Feb. 7	Lake Orion East	H	6:30
Feb. 9	West Hills	A	4:00
Feb. 14	Sashabaw	A	6:30

Jan. 17	Bloomfield	A	4:00
Jan. 25	Rochester Reuther	A	4:00
Jan. 27	Clarkston	H	7:00
Jan. 31	Howell	H	7:00
Feb. 2	Lake Orion East	A	4:00
Feb. 7	Oxford	H	7:00
Feb. 11	Rochester West	H	4:00
Feb. 14	Clarkston	A	7:00
Feb. 16	Lake Orion West	A	4:00
Feb. 26	Rochester Tournament		



Jan. 20	Lake Orion East	A	4:00
Jan. 25	Lake Orion West	A	4:00
Feb. 2	Millford High	A	7:00
Feb. 8	Waterford Crary	H	7:00
Feb. 11	Rochester West	A	4:00
Feb. 15	Waterford Mason	H	7:00
Feb. 17	Lakeland High	A	7:00
Feb. 22	Clarkston Junior High	CHS	7:00
Mar. 1, 2, 5	Lake Orion Tournament		



SASHABAW JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL WRESTLING

Dec. 14	East Hills	H	4:00
Jan. 5	Rochester VanHoosen	A	4:00
Jan. 12	West Hills	A	4:00
Jan. 20	Clarkston	A	6:30
Jan. 24	Reuther	H	6:30
Feb. 2	Lake Orion East	H	6:30
Feb. 8	Rochester West	A	4:00
Feb. 9	Bloomfield	H	6:30
Feb. 14	Clarkston	H	6:30
Feb. 16	Lake Orion West	H	6:30

CLARKSTON JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL

Jan. 4	Rochester Reuther	A	4:00
Jan. 6	Oxford	A	6:00
Jan. 10	Rochester VanHoosen	A	3:30
Jan. 12	West Hills	H	7:00
Jan. 17	East Hills	H	7:00
Jan. 19	Howell	H	7:00
Jan. 25	Rochester West	A	4:00
Jan. 27	Sashabaw	A	7:00
Feb. 2	Lake Orion West	H	7:00
Feb. 7	Howell	A	6:30
Feb. 9	Lake Orion East	A	4:00
Feb. 14	Sashabaw	H	7:00
Feb. 21	Lake Orion East	H	7:00
Feb. 26	Rochester Tournament		

CLARKSTON JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL NINTH GRADE BASKETBALL

Dec. 7	Waterford Crary Junior High	H	7:00
Dec. 9	Lake Orion West	A	4:00
Dec. 16	Rochester West	A	4:00
Dec. 21	Sashabaw Junior High	CHS	7:00
Jan. 4	Waterford Mason Junior High	H	7:00
Jan. 6	Lakeland	H	7:00
Jan. 14	Waterford Pierce	A	6:30
Jan. 18	Walled Lake Central	H	7:00
Jan. 25	Walled Lake Western	H	7:00
Jan. 27	Millford High	H	7:00
Feb. 4	Rochester VanHoosen	A	4:00
Feb. 8	Lake Orion East	H	7:00
Feb. 11	Rochester Reuther	H	7:00
Feb. 22	Sashabaw Junior High School	CHS	7:00
Feb. 24	West Bloomfield	A	7:00
Mar. 1, 2, 5	Lake Orion Tournament		

CLARKSTON SENIOR HIGH WRESTLING

Nov. 30	Lathrup-Seaholm	H	6:00
Dec. 4	Thurston Invitational	A	8:30
Dec. 9	Waterford Kettering	H	6:15
Dec. 16	Waterford Township	A	6:30
Dec. 17	Oakland County		
Dec. 18	Oakland County		
Jan. 6	Waterford Mott	H	6:15
Jan. 8	Plymouth Salem Inv.	A	8 a.m.
Jan. 13	Rochester	H	6:15
Jan. 18	Adams-Thurston	A	6:00
Jan. 21	Lake Orion-Hazel Park	A	6:00

CLARKSTON SENIOR HIGH VOLLEYBALL

Jan. 5	Oxford-Edsel Ford	H	5:00
Jan. 10	Waterford Kettering	H	6:30
Jan. 12	Waterford Township	A	7:00
Jan. 15	Andover Tournament	A	9 a.m.
Jan. 17	Waterford Mott	H	6:30
Jan. 19	Rochester	H	6:30
Jan. 24	Lake Orion	A	
Jan. 26	West Bloomfield	H	6:30
Jan. 29	JV Volleyball Waverly	A	9 a.m.
Jan. 31	Pontiac Northern	A	6:30
Feb. 2	Waterford Kettering	A	7:00
Feb. 4	Fordson-Dearborn		
	John Glenn-Westland	A	3:30
Feb. 7	Waterford Township	H	6:30
Feb. 9	Waterford Mott	A	7:00
Feb. 12	JV Tournament	H	8 a.m.
Feb. 14	Rochester	A	7:00
Feb. 16	Lake Orion	H	6:30
Feb. 21	West Bloomfield	A	6:00
Feb. 23	Pontiac Northern	H	6:30
Feb. 26	Varsity Tournament	H	8 a.m.
Mar. 5	Districts		



CLARKSTON SKI TEAM

All meets are at Pine Knob unless otherwise indicated.

Jan. 6	B.H. Lahser	4:00
10	Lake Orion	4:00
12	Rochester	4:00
18	Rochester Adams	4:00
20	Waterford Mott	4:00
25	Pontiac Catholic	4:00
27	B.H. Andover	4:00
Feb. 1	Waterford Kettering	4:00
2	W. Our Lady of Lakes	4:00
10	Divisional Meet	8:30am
17	S.E. Michigan Championship (Alpine Valley)	8:30am
28	State Finals (Crystal Mtn.)	8:30am

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Jan. 22	Lathrup Inv.	A	
Jan. 25	Catholic Central	A	6:30
Jan. 27	West Bloomfield	H	6:15
Feb. 3	Pontiac Northern	A	6:00
Feb. 5	John Glenn Westland	A	11 a.m.
Feb. 8	Bishop Borgess-Brandon	H	6:15
Feb. 10	Oxford	H	6:15
Feb. 12	League Meet		
Feb. 19	District		
Feb. 26	Regional		
Mar. 5	Finals		

SASHABAW JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL

Jan. 4	Rochester VanHoosen	H	7:00
Jan. 6	Howell	A	5:00
Jan. 10	West Hills	A	4:00
Jan. 14	Lake Orion West	H	4:00

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Sports

Wolverines win easily over Cougars

By Dan Vandenhemel

When the Clarkston Junior High basketball team played Sashabaw Junior High Dec. 21 in the Clarkston High School gym, a close game was expected by both teams.

Instead, the CJH Wolverines slowly pulled away from the Cougars all night and won 57-43 to raise their record to 1-3. Sashabaw is 1-2.

"These kids played hard all night," CJH coach Dave Smith said. "This was a totally different team. Something happened that didn't happen during the first three games. Our free throws were great. We were 19 out of 30 from the line. Before, we weren't even making 50 percent of them."

Sashabaw made only three out of 10 shots from the free throw line and committed some costly turnovers.

"Turnovers were the story of the first three games," Sashabaw coach Lance Baylis said. "We were terrible from the line, too. We didn't get that many shots. They shot a lot and made a lot."

Clarkston held a 12-10 lead at the end of the first quarter and increased the lead to 24-18 at halftime.

The turning point of the game came in the third quarter when Clarkston outscored Sashabaw 18-6 in the quarter to put the game out of reach.

"We came out of the half hustling and aggressive," Smith said. "I think we confused them with our defense. Sashabaw did a lot of standing around in the second half."

The leading scorer for the Wolverines was Scott Rigonan with 17 points. Mike Walters added 12 points and John Gaulin scored 10 and had 12 rebounds, nine coming in the second quarter.

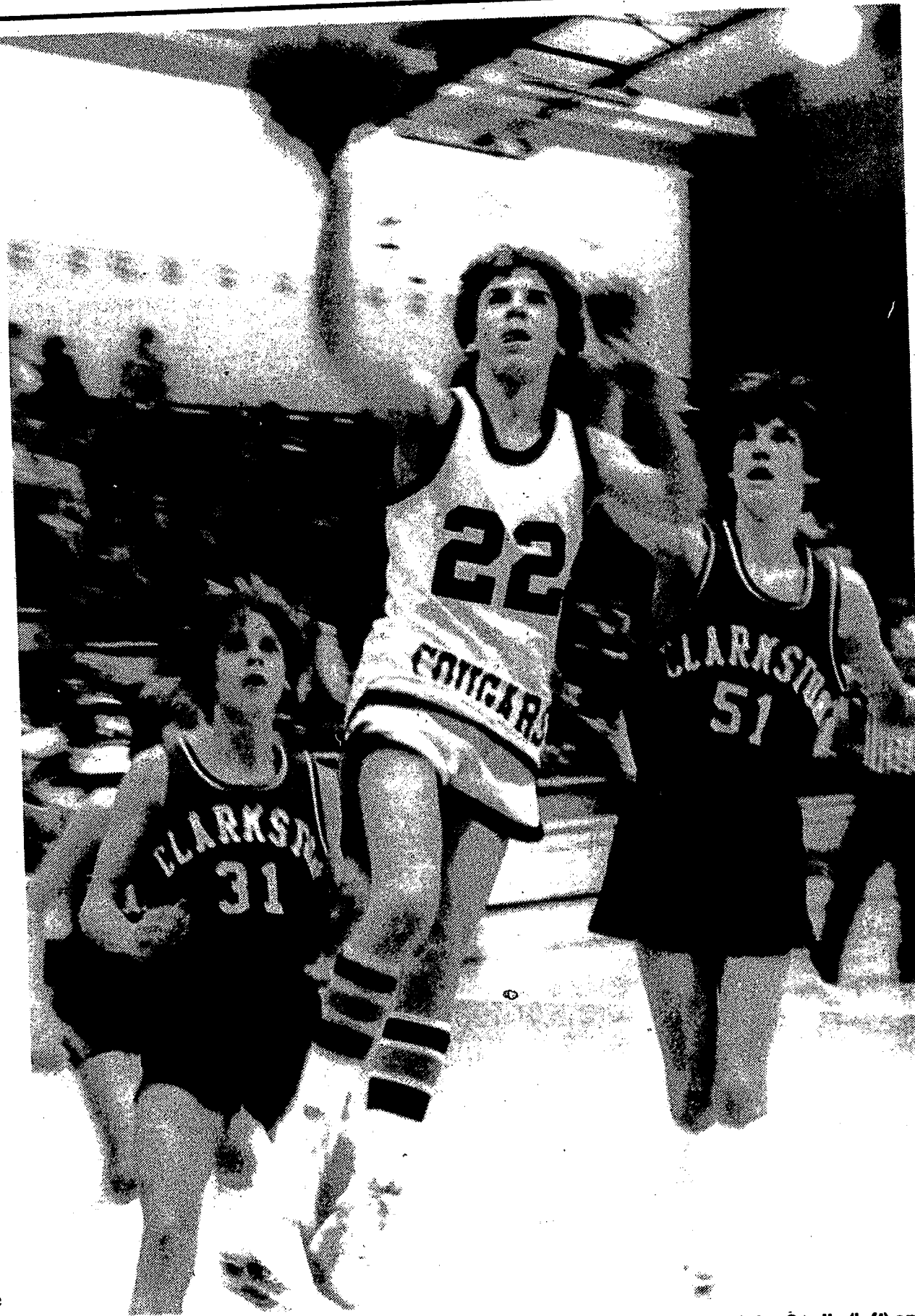
For the Cougars, Ed Adkins scored 12 points and Dale Traver had 10 points and seven rebounds.

"I was pleased with the overall team effort," Smith said. "Rigonan had 17 points, but he couldn't beat Sashabaw alone. Playing in the big gym helped our running game. The high school gym is 20 feet longer and 10 feet wider than our gym. The kids want to play all the home games here. They love to get running with the ball."

"The key to the game was Rigonan," Baylis said. "Clarkston executed better than the first two teams we played. They played great."

"The kids are really sky high," Smith said. "They know what it takes to win and what it feels like to win."

"We just had an off night," Baylis said. "We're going to be working on some different defenses that might help."



Clarkston Junior High comes out on top in the first meeting of the year with Sashabaw Junior High, 57-43. Steve Wiedemann goes up for two

points for the Cougars as John Gaulin (left) and Craig Holsington of the Wolverines look on. The win is Clarkston's first of the year.

Defense leads CHS JV team to 5-0 start

Wolves average 14 points more than opponents

By Dan Vandenhemel

For a high school basketball team to make it to Christmas break undefeated is every coach and player's goal. Being unbeaten before the break usually means a team has four or five wins and on the way to a good season.

The Clarkston High School Junior Varsity Basketball team is 5-0 at the vacation break, coming off its biggest offensive output of the year in the 71-56 win over Waterford Township Dec. 17.

"Against Township, we had 20 steals," coach Tim Kaul said. "They had about 30 turnovers and we capitalized on most of them. Our strong point is our

defense. We have yet to have a player score 20 points in a game and to be 5-0 without a big scorer is saying a lot for the defense."

The Wolves have given up an average of only 44.4 points a game and net an average of 59 points. Sophomore guard Doug Colling has been the most constant scorer of the young season, ranging from eight points in one game to 19 points against Bellville.

"He has been our most consistent outside shooter," Kaul said. "He has been very consistent on defense too. Sophomore Jim Acton is the leading rebounder with about nine a game and our only junior on the team, Joe Powe, is improving every game. We are getting good efforts out of a lot of ball players."

The Wolves' toughest game of the season came in the season opener against Detroit Catholic Central. The 42-40 victory was in the opening round of the South Lyons Tournament.

"Catholic Central was definitely our toughest game," Kaul said. "It was never more than a four-point game. It was a real dogfight all game."

Last year the team finished 9-10 and in the middle of the Greater Oakland Activities League (GOAL).

"At the start of the year, I felt we would be 3-2 at Christmas," the coach added. "To be 5-0 at this point is a very, very pleasant surprise. The depth we have on the team is our key to success."

Wolves set to defend title

By Dan Vandenhemel

The defending volleyball champions in the Greater Oakland Activities League (GOAL), the Clarkston High School Wolves are looking forward to coming in first in the league again this year.

"Rochester is always tough," coach Linda Denstaedt said. "But there are not many strong teams in the league. The weaker teams are the ones that give us trouble. They play a less organized volleyball and throw a lot of junk at us."

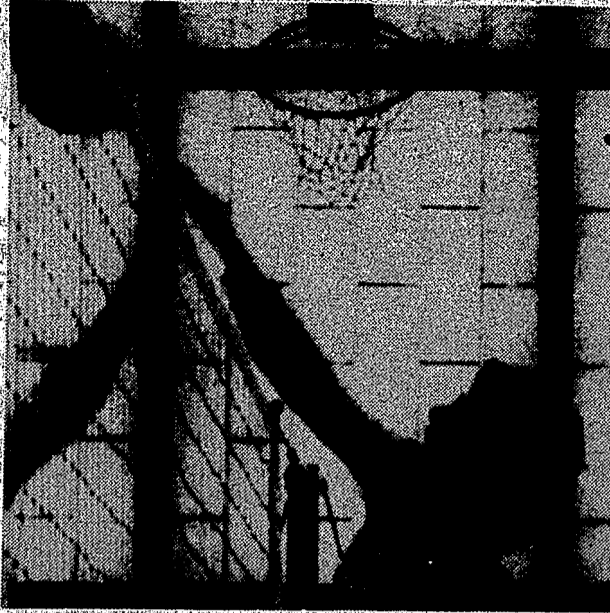
Six players are returning from last year's team that finished with a 9-7 record. Seniors Jamie Howenstein and Annette Ulasich both were named to the all-league honorable mention team.

Since Denstaedt has been coach, the Wolves always seemed to have a strong team. In her nine previous years as coach at Clarkston, the Wolves won the league six times and were the regional champions in 1976.

"Last year we were very strong," she said. "Now we have a lot of potential. The key will be to keep our heads in the game and to play together. If we play together as a team, we should have a good year."

"This is a nice group of girls. They get along well. I'm going to be counting on Jamie, Annette, Marina Hamlett, Lin Klingler, Amy Stark and Rene Mercier. They are going to be exceptional players," she added. "Denise Giroux, Dawn Willett, Stacey Wasik, Beth Chartier, Kim Lorenz and Kris Tisch will only be great players."

"We still have a lot of things to work on but we're doing OK. We need work on everything, especially the team play."



Senior Kris Tisch of the Varsity Volleyball team tips the ball over the net during a practice scrimmage.

Racquetball league forms

The Independence Township Parks and Recreation Department is planning a racquetball league to be held at the Waterford Hill Courts.

Included in the offerings are men's, women's and youth leagues for beginners, intermediate and advanced players. League play is to begin in mid-January.

The courts are located on Dixie Highway in Independence Township.

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Notice is hereby given pursuant to Act 333, Public Act of 1982, that the Board of Education, Clarkston Community Schools, will hold a public meeting on January 10, 1983 at 8 p.m. in the Administrative Offices located at 6389 Clarkston Road to consider the adoption of a resolution to collect one-half of the 1983 school tax levy in the summer of 1983.

Mary Jane Chaustowich
Secretary

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"SPECIAL MEETING"

The Independence Township Board of Appeals will meet Wednesday, January 12, 1983 at 7:30 PM at the Independence Township Annex Meeting Hall, 90 North Main Street, Clarkston, Michigan, 48016 to hear the following case:

CASE #1042 J & J Kennels
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NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN THAT THE file may be examined at the Independence Township Building & Planning Department during regular hours each day Monday thru Friday until the date of the Public Hearing.

Respectfully submitted,
Christopher L. Rose,
Clerk
Beverly A. McElmeel
Secretary to the Building Official

SYNOPSIS

of Action Taken at the
Regular Meeting of the Independence
Township Board
December 21, 1982

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. at the Independence Township Hall. Roll: Kozma, Ritter, Rose, Stuart, present; Smith, Travis, Vandermark, absent.

1. Appointed Clerk C. Rose as moderator of the meeting.
2. Approved the agenda as presented.
3. Approved bills totaling \$57,781.15.
4. Noted the need to begin to plan for safety path construction for 1983.
5. Set January 4, 1983 and January 18, 1983 as the public hearing dates for the community development block grant funds.
6. Set January 4, 1983 and January 18, 1983 as the public hearing dates for the townships' federal revenue sharing funds.
7. Referred a proposed ordinance on hazardous and solid waste to the township attorney for review.
8. The meeting adjourned at 7:46 p.m. All votes were unanimous unless otherwise indicated. The next regular meeting of the Independence Township Board will be January 4, 1983 at the Independence Township Hall Annex, 90 N. Main St., Clarkston. All citizens are urged to attend.

Christopher L. Rose, Clerk

Surveys size up heating bills Gas heat still cheapest

With the arrival of winter, many Michigan residents are keeping one wary eye on the weather and the other on their heating bills. Whether they see good or bad news depends largely on which heating fuel they use, and who their fuel supplier is.

Natural gas heats more Michigan homes—about 70 percent—than any other fuel. It also is the cheapest of the conventional heating fuels.

For example, Consumers Power Company estimates that the total 1982 gas heating bill will be about \$570 for the typical size single-family home in its service area. Heating that same house with oil would cost about \$1,080, or 89 percent more. Using propane would cost about \$1,110, or 95 percent more. Unless insulation is greatly increased, an electric heating system would cost \$1,260, more than twice the cost of heating with natural gas.

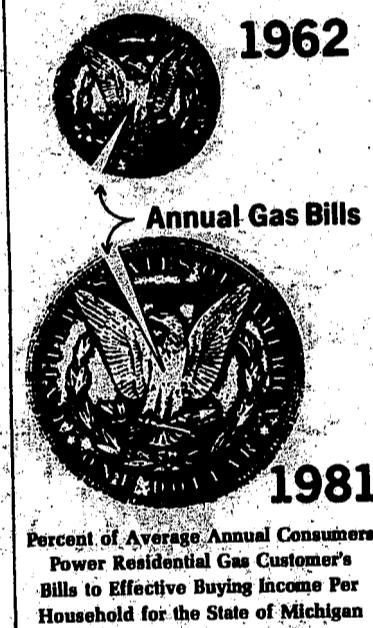
In Michigan, natural gas is provided by 10 utility companies. An October survey that compared rates from nine of the firms shows that at most consumption levels, Consumers Power's residential gas customers have the lowest heating bills in the state.

Most of Consumers Power's commercial and industrial customers are also paying less than they would for comparable gas volumes purchased from any of the other eight utilities, according to the survey.

The company's typical customer also is paying less to keep warm than he would in any of the country's 25 largest cities, according to a survey completed this month. The survey compares bills for 25 Mcf of natural gas.

Consumers Power's bill is almost 11 percent cheaper than the cost in Memphis, the least expensive large city. It is 85

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percent cheaper than in New York City, the most costly of the nation's large cities for natural gas heat.

Even though it is still the cheapest conventional heating fuel, natural gas hasn't escaped the same inflationary push that has caught hold of most other products. Nonetheless, many natural gas users are paying smaller portions of their incomes to keep warm than they were 20 years ago.

In 1981, for example, Consumers Power says its average residential heating customer spent 2.06 percent of his or her household's effective buying income on natural gas. In 1962, that natural gas bill accounted for 2.73 percent of the household's income. Effective buying income is a family's total personal income minus federal, state and local taxes.

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Rekawek, DeBuysser to wed in May

Janusz and Elizabeth Rewakew of Transparent Drive, Independence Township, announce the engagement of their daughter Elizabeth Joan to Randall Ray DeBuysser, son of Francis and Irene

DeBuysser of South Bend, Ind. The bride-elect, a 1979 Clarkston High School graduate, is a student at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. Her fiance is an employe of the Fultz and Strömberg Sales Co. A May 1983 wedding is planned.



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Bethrothed

Paul and Betty Ragatz of M-15, Independence Township, announce the engagement of their daughter Ruth to Don Mason of Washington, D.C., son of Ron and Jenelle Mason of Three Oaks. A 1978 Clarkston High School graduate, the bride-to-be is employed by Perry Drug Stores Inc. Her fiance is employed by Belmar Printing Co. A summer of 1983 wedding is planned.



Engaged

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Beardslee of M-15, Independence Township, announce the engagement of their daughter Penny Lee to Steven Lynn Sawyer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Sawyer of Church Street, Independence Township. The couple are both Clarkston High School graduates. Steve is a 1981 graduate of Ferris State College, Big Rapids. Penny is employed at Foxy's at the Mill, Clarkston, and Steve works for E.R. Mandlik Construction Co., Ortonville. A July 1983 wedding is planned.

In service

Airman Glen R. Milner has graduated from the United States Air Force pneudraulic repair course at Chanute Air Force Base, Ill.

He is now to serve at Offutt Air Force Base, Neb., with the 55th Field Maintenance Squadron.

A 1979 Clarkston High School graduate, Milner is the son of Donald and Mary Milner of Kingfisher Lane, Independence Township.



Steven Hamelin has enlisted in the United States Army delayed entry program. A Clarkston High School senior, he is to enter basic training Aug. 23 as a heavy construction equipment operator at Ft. Leonard Wood, Missouri. The 15-week period combines basic training and advanced individual training. He is the son of Roland and Margaret Hamelin of Pine Knob Road, Independence Township.

Airman Eric Fortin has been assigned to Chanute Air Force Base, Ill., after completing Air Force basic training.

He is to receive specialized training in the fire protection field.

Upon graduation from Lackland Air Force Base, Texas, Patrick Mullen was commissioned a second lieutenant in the United States Air Force.

He was selected through competitive examination for attendance at the school.

A 1980 Lawrence Institute of Technology graduate, Mullen is the son of Betty Mullen of Burgandy Drive, Independence Township.

His wife, Debra, is the daughter of Eugene and Jackie Foote of Church Street, Independence Township.

Army Pvt. Leon Warden Jr. has completed basic training at Fort McClellan, Ala.

A 1979 Holly High School graduate, he is the son of Leon and Betty Warden of Bigelow Road, Springfield Township.

Grad

Daniel Anthony Colombo was among 1,074 students who recently received degrees at winter commencement ceremonies at Eastern Michigan University, Ypsilanti.

Colombo, who received a bachelor's degree, lives on Deerhill Drive, Independence Township.

Honors

Frank Davis has been named to the dean's honor roll for the fall term at Lawrence Institute of Technology, Southfield.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Davis of Glenburnie Road, Independence Township.

Robert Dockter and Louis Huemiller Jr. have been named to the president's list at Ohio Institute of Technology, Columbus, Ohio.

To be eligible for the honor, students must have at least a 3.5 grade point average out of a possible 4.0 in their fourth term of study.

Dockter, a student in the electronics engineering technology program, has a 3.7 grade point average. He is the son of Reg Dockter of South Eston Road, Independence Township.

Huemiller, also a student in the electronics engineering technology program, has a 4.0 grade point average. He is the son of Yvonne Frasier of Felix Drive, Independence Township.

Jerry Rowland is a member of the Albion College Concert Band.

A 1980 Clarkston High School graduate, he plays first trumpet and fluglehorn and has been a band member three years.

Rowland was also a member of the Albion College Marching Britons during the football season and is part of the college's jazz ensemble.

A junior at Albion, he is studying biology. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. James Rowland of Kingfisher Lane, Independence Township.

Bill Wint has been elected vice president of stu-

dent affairs on the executive board of the Western Michigan University Student Association.

A WSU senior, he is majoring in communications. He plans to graduate in June and then attend the University of Minnesota.

Wint, who graduated from Clarkston High School in 1979, is the son of Lew and Diane Wint of Overlook Drive, Clarkston.

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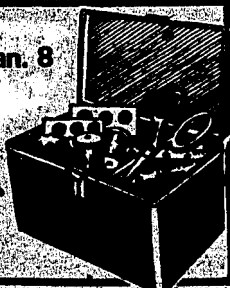
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Clarkston News looks back on 1982

JAN. 6, 1982

Michigan State Police troopers up patrols on Dixie Highway as they begin a program designed to prevent accidents.

An 8-by-10-foot window crashes down Monday when 50 mph winds hit the area. No one is injured in the mishap at Rademacher Chevrolet, 6750 Dixie Highway, Independence Township.

Ice fishing is in full swing on Walters Lake and two Independence Township sisters roll up a 10-foot-tall snowman.

JAN. 13, 1982

Developer Hugh Garner presents plans for an \$18 million senior citizens village on 30 acres near I-75 and Dixie Highway.

Clarkston schools brace for a \$611,000 loss for the 1982-83 year if the enrollment drops by 250 to 300 pupils as expected.

JAN. 20, 1982

The Game Room, a video game arcade, opens its doors for six hours before they're slammed shut by Independence Township, following action by the planning commission.

Twice-yearly taxes are the goal of Clarkston schools as the board of education votes unanimously to ask township boards to collect half in June and the other half in December.

The Clarkston Village Council seeks ideas for celebrating the town's 150th birthday.

JAN. 27, 1982

A protest against raising tax assessments as high as the county and state would like will keep notices of the increases out of Independence Township mail boxes. The township board supports tax assessor David Sherrill's plan not to increase assessments unless there is a specific reason and not to up every taxpayer's property by an arbitrary percentage. The bottom line is that while tax rates are sure to go up, there will be no notices sent to property owners unless the township has raised the assessment.

Cuts in salary expenses of \$350,000 to \$450,000 are expected to be made by the Clarkston school district in order to balance the 1982-83 budget.

South Sashabaw Elementary School is slated for closure to further reduce school district expenses. If enrollment keeps dropping, Clarkston Junior High will close in 1988, says Superintendent Milford Mason.

For the first time in seven years, the mail didn't get through when icy roads prevented delivery by the Clarkston Post Office.

FEB. 3, 1982

Clarkston Cinema begins showing R-rated movies, a change from the family fare only policy. The lack of enough family-type films is the reason, said owner Dan Daniel. The Cinema will continue offering a selection of G and PG films as well, he added, and only morally acceptable R-rated movies will be shown.

FEB. 10, 1982

Fire totally destroys a Springfield Township home at 8872 Dixie Highway.

Deep snow covers many of the 200 fire hydrants in Independence Township and Fire Chief Frank Ronk asks residents to clear them out.

FEB. 17, 1982

A new law requires a public hearing before governing bodies can raise the tax rate and local officials are unhappy with the added red tape.

Seven Independence Township businesses have filed under Chapter 11 of the federal bankruptcy code in the past six months.

FEB. 24, 1982

The Clarkston High School parking lot has been pinpointed as the source of increased marijuana use at neighboring Clarkston Junior High School and school administrators are taking action to stop it.

Independence Township bills increase \$20 annually, effective April 1.

The Independence Township Zoning Board of Appeals denies another video game arcade plan.

MARCH 3, 1982

South Sashabaw Elementary School's PTO pushes to stop the school closing despite school administrators' claims the move will save the district \$45,000 annually.

MARCH 10, 1982

State Rep. Claude Trim (D-Springfield Township) says he plans to announce his candidacy



LAST YEAR, THERE WAS ICE: Rick Auston peers through a hole in the ice on Walters Lake

as he fishes for perch during the first week in January.

for the state senate seat. Trim says he's still contemplating switching from the Democratic Party to the Republican Party.

South Sashabaw Elementary School will close in June. The school board's decision is unanimous.

Jackson Byers, the new Clarkston Village Council president, receives votes from all 32 voters in the village election.

MARCH 17, 1982

The number of property owners protesting higher tax assessments drops dramatically in Independence Township, down to about 100 compared to 200 last year.

Springfield Township denies the Clarkston board of education request to collect school taxes twice yearly.

Parents protest the sale of snack-type items in elementary school lunchrooms. The sale of the items is necessary to balance the food service budget, says the food service director.

MARCH 24, 1982

Four cable TV companies agree to submit proposals to Independence Township.

Members of the Deer Lake Farms Homeowners' Association want developer Hugh Garner to forfeit lake property rights and prevent future residents of the senior citizen village and their guests from using the neighborhood beach.

Gary Nustad is fired from his position at CHS varsity basketball coach. "If I personally felt there were a reason for me not to coach basketball next year, I would have resigned," Nustad said. "It wasn't proven to me and, consequently, I was dismissed."

MARCH 31, 1982

Citizens vote to freeze Independence Township board members' salaries at the annual meeting. Last year, department heads and elected officials received a 9.3 percent raise.

In Springfield Township, residents at the annual meeting approve raises of \$1,200 for their supervisor, clerk and treasurer. Trustees are granted a \$10-per-meeting increase.

APRIL 7, 1982

Pink slips are doled out to 33 Clarkston school district teachers, the first step in an effort to trim over \$500,000 in expenses and maintain a budget of \$13.8 million for 1982-83.

Dan Fife becomes the new Clarkston High School boys varsity basketball coach. Fife, 32, is a former CHS basketball star who played on the University of Michigan basketball team three years.

APRIL 15, 1982

Fifteen residents take complaints to the Independence Township Board about noise, flying tires,

and uncut grass at the Waterford Hill Racing Association track.

Former Clarkston resident Howard "Rusty" Elsholz receives a state police award for professionalism and excellence in handling a traffic accident. A Davison resident and Davison Township police officer, Elsholz was off duty when he saw a car rollover and land in a swamp. He kept the driver from drowning while waiting for help.

Babe-the-part-husky is safe after falling through thin ice on a half-frozen swamp. She was rescued by Oakland County Sheriff's Department deputies and Babe's owners, the Nolen family, are thankful.

Pat Morrow suffers a severe reaction to medication and her quick-thinking 8-year-old son, Tony, probably saves her life when he calls the telephone operator to send help.

APRIL 21, 1982

Hikers find the body of 24-year-old Alan Baker along the lakefront trail in Independence Oaks County Park. Baker was apparently jogging before his death. No foul play is suspected, but the cause of death is unknown.

Independence Township issued a record-low 38 building permits in 1981, but still ranks among Oakland County's top 10 communities for development.

APRIL 28, 1982

Residents blast a liquor license request by LaPiazza restaurant located at Clarkston-Orion and Eston roads.

Dorothy and Guy Rice welcome their 100th foster child. Guy is 68, Dorothy, 59. "...having them around, well, it's what keeps us young," Guy says.

MAY 5, 1982

The Clarkston school board ponders demotions of several administrators to principal and teaching positions.

Approval for a 60-foot-tall windmill is granted by the Independence Township Zoning Board of Appeals. The windmill is expected to produce 93-percent of the electricity for the seven-member Hirschen family.

MAY 12, 1982

Let the voters decide, says the Independence Township Board, and it approves an advisory question over splitting school taxes in two portions (June and December) for the August primary election ballot.

Site plans are nixed by the Clarkston Village Planning Commission for a convenience food store on the corner of Main Street and Clarkston-Orion Road.

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-Farewell '82-

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MAY 19, 1982

Fire destroys the Old Mill restaurant, worth some \$1 million. The landmark, built in 1923, was located on Dixie Highway in Waterford Township, just south of the Independence Township border.

MAY 26, 1982

South Sashabaw Elementary's 259 first- through third-graders gather for a farewell concert for their school, slated to close in June.

Due to a State Department of Education ruling, students can now forego drivers' education if they pass a driving competency test. The decision is tinged with irony, because a state law says 16- to 18-year-olds are not to drive unless they take drivers' education.

JUNE 2, 1982

The state drops a 9 percent increase on property tax assessments on all Oakland County residents. A county official says they'll file suit in the State Court of Appeals to reverse the state's decision.

The fire that destroyed the Old Mill restaurant was arson, says Waterford Township Fire Department Chief Wendell Trager. There are no suspects.

JUNE 9, 1982

Residents demand that taxes not be raised during a public "Truth in Taxation" hearing held by the Clarkston school board's.

Independence Township files suit in Oakland County Circuit Court to force a state decision on the Edward C. Levy Co.'s proposal to mine gravel on about 400 acres in the township.

It looks like it's going to be a long, hot summer at the bargaining table for Clarkston schools and the Clarkston Education Association, which represents about 300 teachers. Both sides agree economics is the major issue in settling the new contract.

JUNE 16, 1982

Clarkston High School's Class of 1982 graduates in a ceremony held at Pine Knob Music Theatre.

A tornado hits Independence Township, touching down on Mann Road. Several homes are damaged, but no one is injured.

Quick action saves the life of softball player Matt Yingling after he's struck on the chest with a line drive. The blow causes his heart to stop beating regularly and he's kept alive when Flora Yingling and Susan Novosel leap from the stands and administer CPR (cardiopulmonary resuscitation) until help arrives.

Mary Jane Chaustowich is re-elected to the Clarkston board of education. She receives 474 votes—36 percent of the 1,301 cast.

JUNE 23, 1982

Response to "free" dumping paid for by Independence Township is overwhelming as trash mountains appear at all 10 sites dotting the township.

Sixteen-year-old Carol Hyde of Independence Township is killed when a bolt of lightning strikes as she leaves a softball diamond in Pontiac.

JUNE 30, 1982

Administration changes for Clarkston schools are approved with William Potvin, director of planning and evaluation, and William Neff, elementary education director, reassigned as building principals. Former principals Doug Pierson and Lynn Jervis are to be back in the classrooms as teachers.

President Ronald Reagan sends his regards for Clarkston's 150th birthday. Vi Biondi, who penned the news to the president, presents the letter to the Clarkston Village Council.

JULY 7, 1982

Approval to build a 185-foot ski ramp at Pine Knob ski resort is granted when the Michigan Court of Appeals rules Pine Knob may apply to erect the ramp without planning commission site plan approval. Independence Township can appeal the decision to the Michigan Supreme Court.

The Clarkston board of education approves a \$13,789,556 budget for the 1982-83 school year. The shortfall of \$159,000 in expected income is to be made up with district surplus funds.

A three-year contract renewal is granted to Clarkston schools Superintendent Milford Mason. Mason agrees to a one-year freeze on wages and benefits.

JULY 14, 1982

In a surprise move, the debate over the principalship of Clarkston Junior High ends when Cecelia Wiar volunteers to become assistant principal there. William Potvin takes over Wiar's former job as



OLD MILL FIRE: On May 15, the Old Mill restaurant is destroyed by fire. Here, a Waterford Township fire fighter climbs to the top of

the rubble to join the crew keeping water on hot ashes.

AUG. 11, 1982

Former President Gerald Ford visits Independence Township as he supports Jim Dunn's bid for re-election to the United States Congress.

Clarkston High School's building trades program folds, a victim of cost-cutting measures and the sluggish economy that made the selling of houses built by students difficult.

Voters say "no" to the summer tax collection for schools. The advisory vote is 1,435 to 927.

AUG. 18, 1982

A 2.5-mile interconnecting roadway is under construction at Pine Knob. The road is exempt from township inspection and building department Director Kenneth Delbridge is upset. "...I think the township has a right to look at it. People have been calling my office wanting to know what in the hell is going on up there," he says. "I have to tell them I don't know."

State Sen. Kerry Kammer (D-Springfield Township), who lost his bid to be his party's candidate for governor in the August primary, prepares to return to the private sector. He plans to become more active in the community—"in education, little league basketball, the PTO, whatever," he says.

AUG. 25, 1982

A proposal to divide Independence Township into sections and have bids for garbage pickup is met with anger by Independence Township garbage haulers.

SEPT. 1, 1982

A letter asking Pine Knob's intentions for the 2.5-mile roadway under construction is ripped in half and handed back, unopened, to Independence Township Building Department Director Kenneth Delbridge, who is now looking for another way to open communication.

Republican candidate for governor L. Brooks Patterson lost his bid in the party primary in August, but now he's the Republican candidate for state attorney general. Patterson is gearing up for debates with incumbent Attorney General Frank Kelley. The Oakland County Prosecutor, Patterson resides in Independence Township.

Fifty people apply for the \$7.10-an-hour job as secretary for the Independence Township supervisor.

SEPT. 8, 1982

Clarkston school teachers return to their jobs without a contract. A mood of "controlled optimism" surrounds the contract talks, says Clarkston Education Association President Allen Bartlett.

The Independence Township Zoning Board of Appeals swaps an OK for private roads in a 240-acre

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subdivision in exchange for 60 acres donated to the Independence Land Conservancy. The trade-off is the first time such an agreement has been made.

SEPT. 15, 1982

Angered by Independence Township's push to monitor the 2.5-mile roadway under construction at Pine Knob and its dangling of a liquor license transfer, Pine Knob owner Joseph Locricchio says he'll file an amendment to an existing \$30 million lawsuit asking for additional \$30 million in damages and he'll call for questioning of zoning board of appeals members on their review and denial of a ski-run-roof hotel.

The preliminary count of Clarkston school pupils is in and it's 5,990, or 308 fewer than last year.

SEPT. 22, 1982

An Oakland County Circuit Court judge rules that an established group home for retarded adults is in violation of the Lake Oakland Woods subdivision deed restrictions. The decision is expected to be appealed.

A struggle is underway between the Clarkston Village Business Association and the Clarkston Village Council, who disagree on what types of signs should be allowed on businesses.

SEPT. 29, 1982

Clarkston resident Gary Sutton blasts the historic district commission, saying it has too much power without precise guidelines. "We recognize the problems and right now we don't want to alienate anyone," says Village Council President Jackson Byers. "It appears the ordinance has divided our people."

"Frustrating" and "bleak" are the words now used to describe ongoing contract talks between the Clarkston school district and the teachers' Clarkston Education Association.



SUMMER FUN: A bubble machine bursting with transparent delights attracts kids at the Old Fashioned Country Fair put on by the Village

Business Association in the Depot Road Park. Katie Opalewski, visiting from Detroit, takes her turn at trying to catch bubbles.

OCT. 6, 1982

The drop in pupil count has been offset by a dramatic increase in Adult Education enrollees, making the final loss 272 pupils.

The Independence Township Board approves a Hamburger Mansion liquor license transfer from former owner Alexander Bardy to Pine Knob co-

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AREA CHURCHES AND THEIR WORSHIP HOUR

SASHABAW UNITED PRESBYTERIAN 5300 Maybee Road, Clarkston Church School 9:30 Worship 11:00 Co-pastors: Jenny H. & William C. Schram Phone 673-3101	CLINTONVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH 4479 Dixie Hwy., Drayton Plains 9:45 Sunday School 11 Morning Worship 6 p.m. Evening Worship 7 p.m. Prayer Worship	PINE KNOB COMMUNITY CHURCH 3041 Reeder Road off Clintonville Pontiac, Michigan Ken Hauser Worship 10:15 a.m. & 6 p.m.	WATERFORD COMMUNITY CHURCH Airport Road at Olympic Parkway Minister of C.E. Russell G. Jeandell Minister of Youth, Dair Hileman Sunday School 9:30 Morning Worship 10:45 Evening Service 6:00 Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 Rev. Philip Whisenhunt, Pastor	OPEN BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH Meeting at Lincoln Elementary School 131 Hillside, Pontiac Sunday School 10 a.m. Morning Worship 11 a.m. Evening Worship 6 p.m. Wed. Evening Bible Study & Prayer Time 7:30 p.m. Marc Cooper, Pastor. 623-1298
CLARKSTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 6600 Waldon Road Rev. James R. Balfour Worship & Church-School 10 a.m.	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF DAVISBURG 12881 Andersonville Road, Davisburg Rev. Robert R. Hazen, Pastor Phone 634-9225 Sunday: Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship 8:30 & 11:00 Evening Gospel Hour 6 p.m. Wednesday: Family night program 7:30 p.m. Awana clubs 6:30 p.m.	NEW HOPE BIBLE CHURCH 5311 Sunnyside Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship Service 10:30 a.m. Wednesday Evening Bible Study & Prayer Meeting 7 p.m. Rev. A.T.B. Phillips 674-1112	MT. BETHEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Jossman and Bald Eagle Lake Rds. Pastor, David L. Davenport Church Worship 10:00 a.m. School 11:15 a.m. Phone: 793-2291	SPIRITUALIST CHURCH OF THE GOOD SAMARITAN, Clarkston 5401 Oak Park, off Maybee Rd. Rev. Beryl Hinz - 623-1074 Sunday Evening Worship 7 p.m. Silver Tea last Sat. of each mo. at 2 p.m.
GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH 1950 Baldwin, Lake Orion, MI 48035 391-1170 Family Worship 9:30 Pastor James H. Van Dellen	ST. DANIEL CATHOLIC CHURCH Holtcomb at Miller Rd. Father Charles E. Cushing Sunday Masses: 9, 10:30 and 12:00 Sat. 5 p.m. & 7 p.m.	CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH INDEPENDENT NEW TESTAMENT CHURCH Gene Paul, Minister 3246 Lapeer Rd. (M-24 near I-75) Bible School 9:45; Morning Worship 11 a.m. Evening Worship 6:00	FIRST CHURCH OF GOD 6300 Clarkston Road Clarkston 625-1323 Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship 10:45 a.m. Evening Worship 6:00 p.m. Mid-week Service Wed. 7:30 p.m. Dr. Eddie Downey	TEMPLE OF LIGHT SPIRITUAL CENTER for Healing, Learning & Worship Pastor, Rev. John Wilson 3644 Susin Lane off Davisburg Road 625-4294 Sunday Service, 1:00 p.m.
ANDERSONVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH 10350 Andersonville Rev. Wallace Duncan Worship 11:00 a.m.	FIRST BAPTIST 5972 Paramus Rev. Clarence Bell Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morning Service 11 a.m. Primary Church thru 4th grade Evening Service 7 p.m.	ST TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH 7925 Sashabaw Road 625-4644 Sunday School 9:45 Worship Service 8:30 & 11:00 Nursery 11:00 Rev. Craig Schultz	ST. ANDREW EPISCOPAL CHURCH 5301 Hatchery Rd. Drayton Plains The Rev. William Evans Worship Services: 9 a.m. July & August only 8 a.m. & 10 a.m. Sept. thru June The New Prayer Book	TRINITY UNITED METHODIST 6440 Maceday Dr., Waterford Rev. T.K. Foo 623-6860 or 623-7064 Sunday School 9 a.m. all ages Worship 10:30 a.m. Jr. Church & Nursery
MARANATHA BAPTIST CHURCH 5790 Flemings Lake Road Rev. Philip W. Somers Worship 11:00 a.m.	DRAYTON HEIGHTS FREE METHODIST CHURCH Corner of Winnell and Maybee Rd. Rev. Clancy J. Thompson 9:45 Sunday School 11 Worship Hour - 6:00 Vespers Wednesday, 7 p.m. Family Night	PENTACOSTAL TABERNACLE 9880 Ortonville Rd. Worship 11 a.m. & 7 p.m. Thurs. Nite Prayer 7 p.m. Pastor, David McMurray Singing Last Saturday of Month	COMMUNITY BIBLE CHURCH 1888 Crescent Lake Rd. Pontiac Sunday School 10 a.m. Worship Service 11 a.m. Evening Service 6 p.m. Pastor, Rev. Myron Gaul	COMMUNITY UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Sashabaw Rd. at Monroe St. (2 blocks north of Dixie Hwy.) Drayton Plains Phone 673-7805 Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Babies thru adults Worship 11 a.m. - Nursery provided
OLD FASHIONED PENTECOSTAL CHURCH Rev. Omar Brewer 5785 Clarkston Rd. Sunday School 10:30 Sunday Evening Service 7:00	FIRST MISSIONARY CHURCH 4832 Clintonville Rd. Phone 673-3638 Services - Sunday Sunday School/Bible Study 10 a.m. Worship Hour 11 a.m. Youth Hour 5 p.m. Gospel Hour 6 p.m. Wednesday: Hour of Prayer 7 p.m.	CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH 6805 Bluegrass Drive Rev. Robert D. Walters, D. Min. Fall Service starts Sept. 12th Services 8 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Sun. Church School 9:15 to 10:15 Nursery with Each Service	CLARKSTON GOOD SHEPHERD ASSEMBLY OF GOD 6051 Sashabaw Rd. near Maybee Rd. Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship 11 a.m. Evening Worship 7 p.m. Mid-Week Worship Wed. 7:00 p.m. Pastor: Don DeMars 673-6718	SEYMOUR LAKE UNITED METHODIST Sashabaw at Seymour Lake Rd. Rev. Kenneth Christler Worship Service 10:30-11:30 a.m. Sunday School 9:15 - 10:15 a.m.
CLARKSTON CHURCH OF GOD 54 South Main Sunday School 10 a.m. Morning Worship 11 a.m. Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer, Bible & Youth 7 p.m. Pastor: Charles Lunsford	EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION 8490 Clarkston Road Rev. Alexander Stewart Worship 8 a.m., 10 a.m. Church & Nursery Using 1928 Prayer Book	LAKE LOUISE CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE M-15 at W. Seymour Lake Rd., Ortonville 9:45 Sunday School 10:50 The Hour of Worship 6:15 p.m. Youth and Bible Study 7:00 Evening Service Wed. 7 p.m. Family Prayer & Bible Study		
MT. ZION TEMPLE 4451 Clintonville Rd. 673-2050 Sunday School 10 a.m. Worship Service 11 a.m. Evening Service 6 p.m. Mid-week Service 7:30 p.m. Pastor Loren Covarrubias 674-1415				

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owners Joseph Locricchio and Gary Francell. On-call fire fighters in Independence Township receive a 30 percent increase in pay, from \$5 an hour to \$7.50 an hour. It's the first raise for the on-call fire fighters in 10 years.

New building starts in Independence Township for the first six months of 1982 number four, down from 27 for the first six months of 1981.

OCT. 13, 1982

Fire Station No. 2 is slated for re-opening after budget-tightening forced its closure over two years ago. The station, located at Clarkston-Orion and Sashabaw roads in Independence Township, is to be staffed with three full-time fire fighters.

A car crash on I-75 claims the life of an 8-month-old Ortonville boy, Joshua Karalla.

The trick-or-treat date in Independence Township is Sunday, Oct. 31, and in the Village of Clarkston it's Saturday, Oct. 30.

OCT. 20, 1982

The Independence Township M-15 Task Force recommends three lanes for the widening of the road from Dixie Highway to Paramus Drive.

Halloween trick-or-treating is now on the same date, Oct. 31, following a telephone polling of the Clarkston Village Council by President Jackson Byers.

A mediator from the Michigan Employment Security Commission is called in to try to settle the contract dispute between the Clarkston school district and the Clarkston Education Association.

OCT. 27, 1982

Plans for year-round concerts at Pine Knob Music Theatre are on the drawing board. The enclosure would allow some 250 concerts a year.

A teacher strike is now called a "distinct possibility" by Clarkston Education Association President Allen Bartlett, following a seven-and-one-half-hour-long meeting between the negotiating teams and the mediator.

NOV. 3, 1982

Voters reject the 1-mill police tax hike in a vote of 4,543 to 1,877.

Due to redistricting following the 1980 Census, two incumbents ran for the Michigan House of Representatives 61st District seat, and Republican Mat Dunaskiss comes out the victor. He beats Democrat Claude Trim by about 2,000 votes.

Bucking national trends, Republican candidate for Oakland County Commissioner Richard Kuhn Jr. wins over Democratic office-seeker Brian Cybul.

Frank Ronk, the Independence Township fire chief, offers to take a demotion because "...the present township board has little or no trust in my ability to manage and direct the fire department."

NOV. 17, 1982

Despite an earlier announcement that Camp Oweki would be sold, a vote of the Camp Fire Inc. board of directors decides the Independence Township property will be kept. The camp has been a financial burden, but plans are underway to revamp programs and cut costs.

A motion to revoke the controversial historic district ordinance for six months goes down to solid defeat by the Clarkston Village Council, following the attorney's warning that to suspend an ordinance without a full repeal could be a violation of the law.

The township board reacts to the fire chief's offer to take a demotion by discussing the matter. While there is no official vote of confidence, the consensus is that Frank Ronk should remain as fire chief. After the meeting, Ronk states his reaction: "I am to stay where I am and be a good boy."

Noise levels at the Waterford Hills Race Track are still under debate, with negotiations between

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REVISION NO. 45
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STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTY OF OAKLAND

TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE ZONING ORDINANCE NO. 83 AMENDMENT COMPREHENSIVE AMENDMENT TREATING SPECIAL LAND USES

(Adopted by Resolution of the
Planning Commission, October 28, 1982)

Section 3.01. (Add definition, to be inserted between the definition of "Special Mobile Equipment" and "State Equalized Valuation".)

Speed Exhibition. A display, demonstration, spectacle, show, or function, where one or more motor vehicles or animals are competing against time or against one or more other motor vehicles or animals, and to which spectators or observers are permitted admission in exchange for the payment of consideration, and, further, all operation of motor vehicles on the premises ancillary to the operation of the principal use as described, above, for time trials, warm-ups, practice, and/or any other purpose (except employee and/or spectator parking) whether or not spectators or observers are present or permitted for such ancillary activity.

Section 5.15 (Amend subsection 1 (following introductory paragraph) and certain subparagraphs of subparagraph 1.)

1. General Requirements. For all special land uses, an application and site plan shall be submitted for review and approval by the Planning Commission which shall conform to the requirements and procedures for site plan review set forth in Section 5.12. If the plans meet the required standards of this Ordinance, applicable section conditions, and indicate no adverse effects which, in the reasonable determination of the Planning Commission, cause no injury to the residents, users of adjoining property, or the Township as a whole, the Planning Commission shall approve the use. In consideration of all applications for special land use approval, the Township Planning Commission shall review each case individually as to its applicability and must find affirmatively to each of the following standards of the proposed special land use if it is to be approved. Such uses shall be subject to conditions, restrictions and safeguards deemed necessary within the scope of this Ordinance as set forth below:

a. Taking into consideration the size, location and character of the proposed land use, viewed within the context of surrounding land uses and the Master Plan for such area, the proposed use shall not be incompatible nor inharmonious, as determined by the application of generally accepted planning standards and/or principles, with (1) the surrounding uses; and/or (2) the orderly development of the surrounding neighborhood and/or vicinity in accordance with the Zoning Ordinance and Master Plan.

b. (No change.)

c. The proposed special land use shall not unreasonably impact upon surrounding property in terms of noise, dust, fumes, smoke, air, water, odor, light and/or vibration, and further, shall not unreasonably impact upon persons perceiving the operation in terms of aesthetics. Where such concerns can be remedied by way of design, construction and or use, the proposed use shall be designed, constructed and used so as to eliminate the affects of the use which would otherwise substantiate denial thereof, taking into consideration the location, size, intensity, layout and periods of operation of such use.

d. (No change.)

e. (No change.)

f. (Delete existing paragraph f.)

f. ([New] Existing paragraph g. to become paragraph f.)

g. (Existing paragraph h. to become paragraph g.)

h. (Existing paragraph i. to become paragraph h.)

i. The proposed special land use shall not result in an impairment, pollution and/or destruction of the air, water, natural resources and/or public trust therein.

j. The proposed special land use shall not unreasonably burden the capacity of public services and/or facilities.

(The balance of Section 5.15 to remain unchanged.)

Section 11.03

Delete subsections 3, 4 and 5 of Section 11.03.

Section 11.05 (New subsections)

1. No change.)

2. (No change.)

3. Churches.

4. Schools.

5. Community and Public Buildings.

Section 15.02 (Section to be replaced by the following language.)

1. Buildings and/or complexes having a usable floor area (as defined for determining minimum building size) of 50,000 square feet or less, may be used as follows:

a. Office buildings for the use of any of the following occupations: executive; administrative; professional; accounting; writing; clerical; stenographic; drafting; and sales.

b. Medical, dental, or veterinary office, including clinics and medical laboratories, except animal hospitals, or sanitariums for the care of contagious, mental, drug or alcohol addiction cases.

c. Banks, credit unions, savings and loan associations.

d. Publicly owned buildings, public utility transformer stations and substations, telephone exchanges, and public utility offices.

e. Business, private or public schools.

f. Photographic studios.

2. Accessory buildings and uses customarily incidental to any of the permitted principal uses.

Section 15.03 (Add new subsection)

1. (No change.)

2. (No change.)

3. All office buildings or complexes, and/or other buildings or complexes permitted under Section 15.02, which have a usable floor area (as defined for determining minimum building size) in excess of 50,000 square feet.

Section 17.02 (Deletion of subsection.)

Delete subsection 4 from Section 17.02.

Section 17.05 (Existing Section 17.05 to be moved (See below) and new section added.)

Section 17.05 Special land uses in accordance with Section 5.15.

The following special land uses shall be permitted in the C-2 Planned Shopping Center District only after proper notice has been given and public hearing held in accordance with state law and after review and approval has been granted by the Township Planning Commission subject to the requirements and standards of Section 5.15 and all other standards of this Ordinance.

1. Hotels, motels, indoor theaters.

Section 17.06 (New section for transfer of language from Section 17.05.)

Section 17.06 (Area, height, bulk and placement requirements.)

Area, height, bulk and placement requirements in accordance with Article XXX, Schedule of Regulations.

Section 19.09 (Delete subsection.)

Delete subsection 2 of Section 19.02.

Subsection 2 of Section 19.02 (which is existing subsection 3 moved to replace the deleted subsection) shall read as follows:

2. Publicly owned buildings, public utility buildings, telephone exchange buildings, electric transformer stations and substations, water and sewerage pumping stations, and gas regulator stations with service yards but without vehicular or material storage.

Section 19.06 (Existing Section 19.06 to be moved (see below) and new Section 19.06 added.)

Section 19.06 Special land uses in accordance with Section 5.15

The following special land uses shall be permitted in the C-4 Freeway Service District only after proper notice has been given and public hearing held in accordance with state law and after review and approval has been granted by the Township Planning Commission subject to the requirements and standards of Section 5.15 and all other standards of this Ordinance.

1. Motels and hotels.

Section 19.07 (New section for transfer of language from existing Section 19.06.)

Section 19.07 (Area, height, bulk, placement requirements.)

Area, height, bulk, placement requirements in accordance with Article XXX, Schedule of Regulations.

Section 21.02 (Partial deletion with the following resultant language.)

1. (No change.)

2. (No change.)

3. (No change.)

4. Historical monuments, picnic parks, swimming pools and toboggan runs.

(Paragraphs 5 and 6 deleted.)

5. (Existing paragraph 7 moved.) Township government buildings and uses, not including service or outdoor storage yards.

6. (Existing paragraph 8 moved.) Publicly owned buildings, public utility buildings, telephone exchange buildings, electric transformer stations and substations, and gas regulator stations but not including service or outdoor storage yards.

(Paragraph 9 deleted.)

7. (Existing paragraph 10 moved.) Off-street parking and loading in accordance with Article VII.

8. (Existing paragraph 11 moved.) Accessory buildings and uses that are customarily incidental to any of the permitted principal uses when located on the same premises.

Section 21.03 (Confirm deletion of special use and add other special uses.)

3. (No change.)

(Delete "convention-resort-hotel facilities with a minimum size of 10 acres", based upon referendum vote of people.)

2. Snow ski facilities, including accessory lodge with food and beverage services and/or locker rooms.

3. Golf course, including club house with accessory food and beverage service and locker rooms.

4. Outdoor theaters, including accessory food and beverage facilities.

5. Public and private parks and wildlife preserves.

6. Speed exhibition use.

Passed this 7th day of December 7, 1982, by the Independence Township Board.

Ayes: Kozma, Ritter, Rose, Smith, Stuart, Travis, Vandermark

Nay: None

Absent: None

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INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP ZONING ORDINANCE NO. 83 AMENDMENT

AMENDMENT TO SECTION 5.17 OF THE INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP ZONING ORDINANCE — SPECIAL USE: MINERAL MINING

Section 5.17: Special Use: Mineral Mining

1. Intent and Purpose: It is the intent and purpose of this Section to promote the underlying spirit and intent of the entire Zoning Ordinance, but at the same time allow for the extraction of minerals in locations where they have been naturally deposited, and to insure that mineral mining activity shall be compatible with adjacent uses of land, the natural environment, and the capacities of public services and facilities affected by the land use, and, to insure that mineral mining activities are consistent with the public health, safety and welfare of the Township.

2. Use Restriction: The use of sand, gravel, stone and/or other mineral mining in the Township shall be prohibited unless first authorized by the grant of a special use application by the Township Board, after recommendation of the Planning Commission in accordance with this Section. In all events, such use shall be prohibited in R-1A, Single Family Residential and REC, Recreation Districts.

3. Exemption: Usual and customary land balancing by cutting and filling, in preparation for immediately planned and approved development in accordance with this and all other applicable ordinances and law, shall be exempted from the provisions of this Section.

4. Application and Procedure:

a. Fourteen (14) copies of an application, accompanied by a processing fee in the amount of Five Hundred (\$500) Dollars, shall be filed with the Director of the Township Department of Building and Planning, and a true copy thereof with the Township Clerk, and shall include the following:

(1) Name, address and phone of applicant; owners of the property; and any persons having possessory rights of the property.

(2) Legal description of the property.

(3) Site plan, drawn to a scale of one inch equals two hundred (200) feet, prepared by an engineer or surveyor licensed as such in the State of Michigan, showing: the dimensions and areas of the property; location, identification and dimensions of all proposed means of vehicular ingress and egress, proposed improvements, structures, extraction and processing equipment and/or machinery, and proposed stockpile areas; location, dimensions and depth of temporary and permanent water areas.

(4) Duration of proposed operation, and location, timing and any other relevant details with respect to the phasing and progression of work on the site.

(5) Land use study/drawing, showing the existing land uses, with specification of type of use, e.g., single family residential, multiple family residential, retail, office, etc., and density of individual units in areas shown, including:

(a) Property within a radius of one mile around the site; and,

(b) The property fronting on all vehicular routes within the Township contemplated to be utilized by trucks which will enter and leave the site.

(6) Topographical map drawn to the same scale as the site plan referenced in (3), above, with minimum four (4) foot contour intervals, (and which may be part of the site plan).

(7) Geological/hydrological/engineering survey prepared by appropriate and qualified experts, indicating:

(a) Level of water table throughout the proposed mining areas;

(b) Opinion as to each and every affect on the water table and private wells and property owners within the reasonably anticipated area of impact during and subsequent to the operation;

(c) All qualitative and quantitative aspects of surface water, ground water and water shed anticipated to be impacted during and subsequent to the operation to the geographical extent reasonably expected to be affected; and,

(d) Opinion whether the exposure of subterranean waters and/or the impoundment of surface waters, where permitted, will establish a suitable water level at the level or levels proposed as part of the operation, and whether the same will not interfere with the existing subterranean water or cause any harm or impairment to the general public.

(8) Description of the vehicles, machinery and equipment proposed for use on the property, specifying with respect to each, the anticipated noise and vibration levels.

b. The Director of Building and Planning shall retain the original of the application for the file, and forward the copies to the members of the Planning Commission, the Township Engineer, the Township Planner, and to the office of the entity charged with traffic safety.

c. The Township Engineer and the Township Planner shall each file a report with the Director of Building and Planning, together with any recommendation on the need for additional experts. The Director of Building and Planning shall retain the original of these reports for the file, and forward copies to the Planning Commission.

d. The Director of Building and Planning shall also file a report. The original of this report shall be retained for the file, and copies thereof forwarded to the Planning Commission.

e. The Director of Building and Planning shall request a report from the office of the entity charged with traffic safety relevant to the application.

f. The Township Board, if recommended by one more agent and/or expert of the Township, may, in its discretion, require the applicant to prepare and submit an environmental impact statement. In such event, the Township Board shall specify the information sought in such statement.

g. After receiving all reports, including any additional reports of experts recommended by the Township Engineer and/or Planner, if deemed appropriate, the Planning Commission shall consider the application, and shall make a recommendation to the Township Board to grant, deny or grant with conditions the special land use application submitted under this Section.

h. After receiving the recommendation of the Planning Commission, the Township Board shall give notice of the receipt of the application for special land use approval and of the time, date and place of the public hearing which shall be conducted by the Township Board with its consideration of the application. The notice shall be in accordance with MCL 125.286b as amended.

i. Following the public hearing, and such other meetings or consideration the Board deems appropriate with respect to the application, the Township Board may grant, deny or grant with conditions the special land use application submitted under this Section.

j. Reasonable conditions may be required with the approval of the application for the special land use, to insure that public services and facilities affected by proposed land use or activity will be capable of accommodating increased service and facility loads caused by the land use or activity, to protect the natural environment and conserve natural resources and energy, to insure compatibility with adjacent uses of land, and to promote the use of land in a socially and economically desirable manner. Conditions imposed shall be reasonable and shall be in compliance with applicable law.

5. Requirements and Standards: The determination on applications submitted under this Section shall be based upon the following requirements and standards, as determined in the discretion of the Township Board, and if the application is approved, such standards and requirements shall be maintained as a condition to continued operation and use by the applicant:

a. Demonstration by the applicant that the proposed special land use shall not result in a probable impairment, pollution and/or destruction of the air, water, natural resources and/or public trust therein.

b. Demonstration by the applicant that the proposed special land use shall not result in a probable impairment to the water table and/or private wells of property owners within the reasonably anticipated area of impact during and subsequent to the operation.

c. Demonstration by the applicant that the proposed special land use shall not create a probable impairment of and/or unreasonable alteration in the course, quantity and quality of surface water, ground water and/or the water shed anticipated to be impacted by the operation.

d. Taking into consideration the duration and size of the operation, viewed within the context of the surrounding land uses in existence, or reasonably anticipated to be in existence during the operation, the proposed special land use shall not be incompatible with such surrounding uses, based upon an application of generally accepted planning standards and principles.

e. The proposed special use shall not unreasonably burden the capacity of public services and facilities.

f. The proposed special land use shall have immediate and direct access to a paved road having a right-of-way not less than One Hundred Twenty (120) Feet and having necessary and appropriate load bearing and traffic volume capacity in relation to the proposed intensity of the use.

g. The proposed special land use shall not unreasonably impact upon surrounding property and/or

property along haul routes, in terms of noise, dust, air, water, odor, light and/or vibration, and further, shall not unreasonably impact upon persons perceiving the operation in terms of aesthetics.

h. All activities conducted in connection with the operation shall occur at least One Hundred Sixty (160) Feet from the center of the nearest street, and at least One Hundred (100) Feet from the nearest property line, provided, all processing and stockpiling shall be conducted at least Two Hundred Sixty (260) Feet from the center of the nearest street and Two Hundred (200) Feet from the nearest property line.

i. The hours of operation shall not unreasonably interfere with usual and customary uses of land within the surrounding area anticipated to be impacted.

j. Taking into consideration that the Township is conditionally authorizing this special use in residential districts, and that this special use, is, to some extent, in-harmonious with child rearing and other residentially related activities, and as an attempt to legislate a balance of interests between the mineral mine user and the owners and/or the occupants of residential property, the maximum duration of the proposed special land use, if conducted in or immediately adjacent to a residential zoning district, shall be ten (10) years.

k. The total area (or areas) being mined, and which has (or have) not been reclaimed, shall at no time exceed the lesser of Seventy-Five (75) acres and Forty (40%) percent of the entire parcel approved as a special use.

l. The activities of the proposed special land use shall not result in a demand for local services and/or facilities which are or become unavailable, including, without limitation, road and/or drainage facilities, maintenance and repair.

m. The proposed transportation route or routes within the Township shall be as direct and minimal in detrimental impact as reasonably possible, as determined in the discretion of the Township Board at the time of application, and thereafter.

6. Reclamation: Reclamation of the site shall be in accordance with a reclamation plan approved by the Township Board as part of the application review process, provided, however, if the Township has in effect an ordinance requiring the submission and approval of a reclamation plan as a condition to the applicant undertaking operations, there shall be compliance with such other ordinance rather than this sub-section. In all events, there shall be no final slopes having a grade in excess of a minimum ratio of one (1) foot vertical to five (5) feet horizontal, and, for permanent water areas, for a distance of not less than ten (10) feet nor more than fifty (50) feet, the submerged slopes shall be graded from the water's edge at a grade not in excess of a minimum ratio of one (1) foot vertical to seven (7) feet horizontal; the entire site shall be planted with sufficient vegetation so as to sustain short and long term growth, in order to avoid erosion and washout, and, to the extent necessary to achieve this objective, suitable soils shall be placed on the property; and, all structures, machinery, equipment and improvements shall be removed from the site, unless, following approval of the Township Zoning Board of Appeals the same are deemed consistent with the zoning district in which the site is situated.

7. Nature of Grant of Relief: The proceedings under this Section shall be deemed administrative, provided, however, if the Township Board determines, in its discretion, that the grant of a proposed mineral mining special use shall have the effect of materially altering the current land usage on the property and/or materially impacting surrounding property, and if the area of the property is one hundred sixty (160) acres, or more, the Township Board may treat the application process, in addition to the administrative proceedings as provided for hereunder, as a rezoning amendment of the zoning ordinance and map, and mandate compliance with applicable zoning ordinance amendment procedure requirements. The applicant may, with the filing of the application, elect to require the Township Board to treat the application proceeding as such a rezoning from the outset of the procedure so as to insure the most expeditious consideration of the application; provided, in such event, the procedural requirements mandated for rezoning shall be in addition to and not in lieu of the procedure provided for herein; however, the same may, to the extent lawfully and practically feasible, be conducted concurrently.

Passed this 7th day of December, 1982, by the Independence Township Board.

Ayes: Kozma, Ritter, Rose, Smith, Stuart, Travis, Vandermark.
Nay: None
Absent: None

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Library aide retires after 15 years of service

By Dan Vandenhemel

After 15 years in the Clarkston School system as a library aide, Margaret Sutherland of Independence Township has decided to retire.

"This summer I seriously thought of retiring," she said. "I'm at the point where I think I should retire."

Dec. 22 was her last day in the Pine Knob Elementary School Library. She spent the seven years at Pine Knob and the eight previous years at North Sashabaw Elementary School.

"Some of the kids that were in fifth- and sixth-grade at North Sashabaw when I started in 1968 are

'I should retire more often'

married now," she said. "One even has a little girl in kindergarten here now."

As a media aide, her job was to help pupils find and check out books and help teachers get any video equipment they needed.

"I just do ordinary library things, but I really enjoyed the work," she said. "I really enjoy the kids too. I'll miss it here."

Flowers, gifts and cards from well-wishers decorated the library and a fellow worker took her out to lunch on her last day at work.

"It feels just like Christmas. I didn't know I was going to get all of this. I should retire more often," Margaret said.



In her last day on the job as media aide at the Pine Knob Elementary School, Margaret Sutherland received cards and flowers from

friends. She is retiring after 15 years in the Clarkston School system.

-Farewell '82-

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neighbors, track officials and township representatives to resume.

Unemployment in Independence Township in September was 22 percent, and it was 25 percent in Springfield Township, according to the Michigan Employment Security Commission.

NOV. 24, 1982

The location of the cable TV studio is under debate as some Independence Township Board members say they want the studio in Clarkston High School, and some object to the location. The final decision won't be made until a cable firm is selected.

Martha Huttenlocher is named Clarkston's Junior Miss for 1983.

Clarkston repeals its historic district ordinance and the historic district commission folds along with it. The Village Council directs its attorney to begin drafting a new law.

DEC. 1, 1982

A matter of minutes separate the signing of teaching contracts, but which teacher signed first is under debate. A grievance is filed by Barbara Markwood who says she remembers signing her contract first. Calendars from the date three years ago

show Mike Kaul was scheduled to sign first, but he can't remember the details. Kaul has been recalled from layoff to take the teaching post, and the Clarkston board of education upholds the recall in a 4-3 vote. The decision is to be appealed.

A group of Clarkston Elementary School first-graders sends a poster to President Ronald Reagan asking for peace and friendship between the United States and the U.S.S.R.

DEC. 8, 1982

The layoff of 27 Oakland County Sheriff's deputies by the Oakland County Board of Commissioners will hurt Independence Township, according to Deputy Robert Wark. The back-up circle car and the services of a deputy-investigator will cease, he says.

A single-truck crash on I-75 kills a 34-year-old Dearborn man.

Dandelions poke their heads up in Rose Noell's back yard after a stretch of warm weather. "I said, 'I just can't believe it.' I was shocked. I just hollered, pulled them up and ran in the house," says the Independence Township 66-year-old.

DEC. 15, 1982

Michigan Governor William Milliken is expected to sign a law allowing summer tax collection for schools and the Clarkston school district wants to be ready. The board unanimously approves publishing the necessary notice of the public hearing so it could be held during the January meeting.

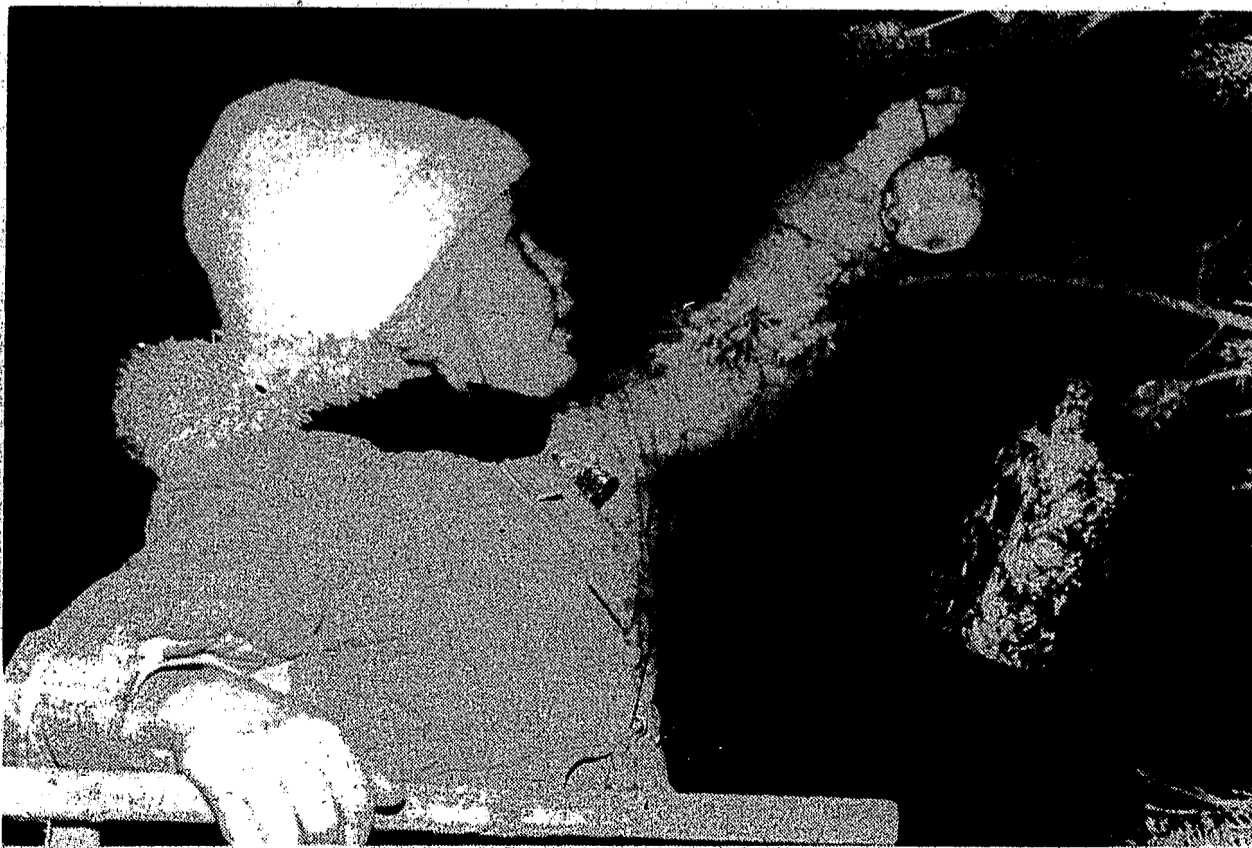
The date to meet with an advisory factfinder in an attempt to settle the Clarkston teachers' contract is set for Jan. 7. The teachers are seeking a 7.5 percent salary increase and the district's stance is that no raises at all should be given due to its financial condition.

DEC. 22, 1982

Ruth Basinger, a 10-year veteran of the Clarkston Village Council, decides not to seek reelection. "I'm not running again because to contribute my best to the village, I must work with a council that recognizes the need for community cooperation, a sharing of responsibility and a caring for the legacy of the state and the nation," she says.

A physical education program is again rejected by the Clarkston board of education for lack of funds.

Bill Genshaw, media productions teacher at Clarkston High School, says the cable TV studio should be located there. He plans a full-force lobbying effort before local government officials.



OH, CHRISTMAS TREE: Rachel Elsea places her special ornament on the Christmas tree in downtown Clarkston during the annual party

sponsored by merchants. Gathering for hot cider, donuts, carols and hanging ornaments on the tree has become a holiday tradition.