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Brrr! Winter sends us shivers

By Pamela Gruber
Special to The Clarkston News

Baby, it's cold outside. With temperatures plummeting below zero, area residents are grumbling about the cold and snow while merchants herald the end of a dry spell for selling snow-related goods.

According to the National Weather Service, Flint, Oakland County residents can expect 20-degree weather over the next few days.

The forecast calls for one to two inches of snow Tuesday night with near steady temperatures in the teens, with additional snow predicted on Wednesday and highs in the low 20s.

That almost sounds like a heat wave after the mercury set a new record of -8 degrees Monday, breaking the old record of -4 set in 1924.

Despite the nasty weather, there was some good news from the Independence Township Fire Department.

With only a handful of fire calls and none of those directly related to the weather, Fire Chief Frank Ronk was thankful.

"That's one of the quietest Christmas weekends we've had in a long time," he said. "All I can say is we're damn lucky we didn't have to stretch any hoses or pump any water. There were no broken water mains or anything."

Business has been brisk for Dennis Dael of Country Value Hardware on M-15, where all the space heaters in stock have been sold, and more stock had to be ordered.

"With the cold weather, there is plenty of ice, so we're having a lot of people coming in for rock salt," he said.

Village Towing of Independence Township provides AAA towing service for the area, and it's been busy, says owner Donald Clinansmith.

"I gave the employees off here from Saturday at noon," he said. "I ended up calling two of them in."

Beginning Christmas Eve, the phones never stopped ringing. People were stuck with cars that wouldn't start in parking lots at churches, in driveways after visits and at their own homes as they tried to get where they wanted to be for the holiday.

They answered 75 calls Monday. While many of the problems were minor, there have been some major damages to vehicles caused by the cold—that will cost \$700 to \$1,500 to repair—and Clinansmith has some tips.

•Use a lower weight oil. When temperatures drop to zero each night and only reach the 20s during the day for long periods of time, motorists should switch to 10-weight oil rather than the normal 10W-30 or 10W-40, he said.

•Don't take off fast. Be sure to let the motor run at a slow speed to warm it up before zooming to 55mph, he said. If the wind chill factor is 40mph, it hits 50 to 60 in a speeding car, and that can freeze the radiator and split the seams, despite antifreeze.

•Check the air in tires. The cold weather makes them contract and they can drop to 24 to 26 pounds of pressure rather than the normal 32 pounds. That can

cause control problems on wet or slippery pavement, he said.

Consumers Power Co. and Detroit Edison fared well during the record-breaking cold spell.

Edison reported only four minor power outages related to the weather, while Consumers Power reported no interruptions in service.

As we move toward 1984 and New Year's Day Sunday, the final word comes from the National Weather Service which predicts bone-chilling temperatures for the weekend.

[Lake Orion Review staff writer Joyce Bonesteel and Clarkston News editor Kathy Greenfield contributed to this story.]



Photo by Dan Vandenhemel

For ice fisherman Mike Cassone, catching a cold was the another possibility while the thermometer dipped to sub-zero readings.

Cassone's two children, Chris [left] and Jill, scoffed at the weather as they skated around Clarkston's Mill Pond.

O'Neill joins Garner

Clarkston Place ready to go

By Marilyn Trumper

Developer Hugh Garner and his new partner James O'Neill, M.D., plan to match a break in the weather with a ground breaking for Clarkston Place, the proposed \$30 million senior citizen complex at I-75 and Dixie Highway on 30 acres in Independence and Springfield townships.

"I've got the equipment here and as soon as the weather breaks, we're going to put in the roads for the models. (The roads are) staked and ready to go," said Garner, owner of Deer Lake Realty.

"I've told the township I'm going to apply for a building permit, and they're researching what I need."

O'Neill, a leading area pediatrician, is lining up project financing, and says he's explored building

Clarkston Place under Independence Township's Economic Development Corporation.

•The EDC was established four years ago to provide low-interest revenue bonds to developers. To date, the township's EDC has financed one project, orthodontist Charles Munk's professional plaza on M-15, south of Clarkston.

"The EDC is certainly one alternative," O'Neill said, adding the partnership with Garner was forged a month ago. "It's (Garner) and I now, although we're obviously talking to different hospitals and health care providers."

Two weeks ago Garner officially received his certificate of need from the state Department of Public Health allocating 120 beds for the proposed nursing

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MEAP scores please school district... almost

By Kathy Greenfield

With the exception of an unexplained drop in reading scores for seventh-graders, results from the Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP) are positive, says William Potvin, the elementary school principal in charge of the testing program for the Clarkston school district.

"Very pleased. Very pleased," Potvin said, summing up his reactions. "With these kinds of numbers, we'll maintain our same level of difference with the state average and we're always well above it."

The MEAP test was taken by all fourth-, seventh- and tenth-graders in the district in October and

results were received in December, when pupils were to take them home.

A test of minimal skills in math and reading, it's required of all public school pupils in those grades by the State Department of Education. Statewide results are expected in January.

The following tallies indicate the percentage of pupils who received scores of 75 to 100 percent on the tests:

•**Fourth grade**—math 84.7, reading 86.9. In 1982—math 85.6, reading 87.2.

The results from the 360 fourth-graders show a slight decline, but unless tallies drop by a couple of percentage points there is no concern, Potvin said.

•**Seventh grade**—math 72.7, reading 88.8. In 1982—math 71.5, reading 93.

"The change in the seventh grade (reading) is unexplained right now," Potvin said. "We don't know what happened. Everything else we're doing is generally on an incline or at a plateau. Teachers are looking at it now. It's baffling."

•**10th grade**—math 74.9, reading 92.6. In 1982—math 71.3, reading 90.

Five years ago when the 10th-graders were added to test-takers, shock and dismay resulted when scores were in the mid-50s in reading and in math.

Some changes took place, mostly that teachers now tell 10th-graders the results reflect the school system, Potvin said, even though there is no great incentive to do well otherwise because results have no influence on grades or college admission.

The district made math a target goal two years ago, stating concern about the relatively low math scores.

"That seems to be paying off in that math is holding its own or continuing to rise," Potvin said. "The gradual inclines we've seen are very meaningful, getting the math in the mid-70s and reading in the 80s and mid-90s are very indicative of our kids."

"These test scores are more indicative of what our own testing program has said the kids are," he added.

2 new canvassers

Two appointments to the board of canvassers were unanimously approved by the Independence Township Board-Dec. 20, following the recommendation of Clerk Richard Holman.

Christie Shull, a Democrat, of Allen Road and Jeanette Barks, a Republican, of Warbler Drive will serve.

The board of canvassers certify results following an election.

There is no pay for the work, which takes about an hour, he said.

Home for 750

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home.

The 13 acres of the proposed development in Springfield Township are targeted for multiple housing. Garner says he'll seek final site plan approval from Springfield Township in 60 to 90 days.

Independence Township approved the plan last summer for its portion of the property which includes a 120-bed nursing home, 64 units of elderly housing, 64 cottages and 200 apartments.

In addition the complex plan has a single-story commons area for all residents with a health club, indoor swimming pool, library, meeting rooms, game area, lounge, restaurant, reading room, arts and crafts room, beauty and barber shop, laundry, clinic, party room, chapel and motel for guests.

When fully developed the complex is to house about 750 people.

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All eyes on Santa

When Santa Claus came to town last week, he stopped at the Clarkston Elementary School for a visit. Courtney Gaff [in photo at left] wants more than her two front teeth from St. Nick—she wants a Cabbage Patch Kid. The jolly old man took all the requests and made his list. When Santa enters the first-grade classroom of Ann Stone, her pupils rush up to him [in photo below]. [Photos by Dan Vandenhemel]



100-bed transfer would be first

By Marilyn Trumper

Blazing new trails in Michigan medical history, Pontiac Osteopathic Hospital's applied to transfer 100 beds from its downtown Pontiac site to a proposed community hospital at Dixie Highway and White Lake Road in Independence Township.

3 stay on board

Acting on the supervisor's recommendation Dec. 20, the Independence Township Board reappointed three members of the planning commission to three-year terms effective Jan. 1.

The vote was 4-1 with Treasurer Frederick Ritter the lone dissenter.

"I don't agree with some of the appointments," he said after the meeting.

Trustee Daniel Travis and Supervisor James B. Smith were absent.

Commission reappointments are Chairman Neil Wallace of Clarkston Road, John Gray of Waterford Hill Terrace and Holly Stephens.

"I'm pleased I was reappointed," Wallace said. "There were a number of issues in the community before I was on the planning commission and since that are of importance to me, and this is one way I can participate in what happens."

Gray, a member since 1976, served as chairman two years and said of his reappointment. "I think it's great. Basically I feel it's my way of contributing to the community. I feel everybody should do something."

Stephens could not be reached for comment.

The application, made Dec. 1, is expected to be under review three months, according to Pat Lambert, executive assistant.

It will not compete with nursing homes beds or similar applications because the hospital's already been allocated the beds and only wants to transfer them, he said.

"It's the first time this has ever been tried here," Lambert told the Independence Township Board at its Dec. 20 meeting. "We really don't have a feel for how the state will react to it, or what they'll decide."

According to Lambert, administrators for the proposed North Oaks Community Hospital plan to have an advisory board of community members meet once a month and discuss what the public's looking for with inpatient care and preventive health, like CPR classes.

Hospital medical director Joseph Territo, D.O., denied North Oaks would compete with the new Clarkston Ambulatory Clinic staffed with 20 area medical doctors and osteopaths.

"We're here for acute care. We'll have an emergency room set up for multiple trauma. The clinic is for urgent care, not the classic emergency patient," Territo said. "They're not meant to compete, but complement one another."

Landlocked in downtown Pontiac with no room for growth, the proposed 100-bed transfer would allow POH to expand its facility. POH is the eight largest teaching hospital in the nation, Territo said.

In November POH unveiled plans for the contemporary \$34 million, two-story satellite hospital on 29 of 50 acres at Dixie Highway and White Lake Road. It's expected to take two-and-a-half years to build, Territo said.

North Oaks Community Hospital is designed for inpatient and outpatient surgical services, radiology, laboratory, pharmacy, physical medicine rehabilitation, outpatient walk-in service, 24-hour emergency care and community health programs.

It's expected to employ 300 people.

From ice cream shop to eatery

If they can garner all necessary variances from local and state authorities, Dick and Sue Linenger plan to change Clarkston's popular ice cream shop, Sweet Sue's, into the Village Grill featuring a lunch and breakfast menu.

"We've got too many fine restaurants in town to compete for dinner," said Dick. "I'm changing it because I'd like to have a year-round business."

Sweet Sue's has closed each winter since opening in June 1981, he said.

On Dec. 29, the Linengers are scheduled before the village zoning board of appeals for a variance on parking, which member Edward Thomson, describes as a "formality."

"I don't think that will be a big problem. Their big problem will be in Lansing when they try to get an exemption from the barrier-free," he said.

Linenger says he wants an exclusion from the law that mandates barrier-free restrooms in restaurants.

Condemnation scrutinized by board

Putting procedure into law, the Independence Township Board is looking at an ordinance regulating condemnation of structures, a move praised by Kenneth Delbridge, director of building and planning.

"There are some serious problems in the township I've been holding off on, waiting for this," Delbridge told the board at its Dec. 20 meeting. "I think it's about time we have one."

The seven-page proposed law outlines condemnation procedure.

"It's different than what we have now because instead of a hearing officer listening to the appeal and making a report to the township, the township board

will hear the appeal and make the decision and direct the attorney to proceed to the courts where the judge will make the final decision," Delbridge said.

"I feel there's more protection with this one." The board unanimously directed the attorney to complete the ordinance.

After the meeting, Delbridge said there are five houses in the township he's been waiting to condemn, but added it's been at least two years since the township's taken such steps.

"Most of them are vacant, not boarded up, and present a hazard with neighborhood kids running in and out," he said.

Cable lease under review by schools

As Multi-Cablevision prepared to lay TV cable on schedule last week for Independence Township's \$2.5 million system, the Clarkston school district was negotiating a lease-agreement for the studio site with officials of Tribune/United.

The schools proposed a \$4.25-a-square-foot fee, frozen for the first five years, according to Superintendent Milford Mason.

In addition, the studio site, a former maintenance building on Waldon Road next to Clarkston Junior High, has its water source from the school.

"They want to make sure that if in 10 years or 15 years, if the junior high isn't there, that they'll still have water," Mason said. "We gave (cable officials) the proposal, but haven't heard from them yet."

James Anderson, vice president and general manager of the Chicago-based firm, said the proposed contract's not been reviewed yet.

Le Com Corp. of Orion Township is building the system, with construction beginning first near the

head-end site at Radmacher Chevy Inc. at Dixie Highway and M-15. Primary trunks run north, south, east and west from there.

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Super car

Kathy Greenfield



His car has broken down when the sun was shining. The tires have gone flat. He slid into a ditch during our last snowstorm. The heater stopped working.

But when the chips were down, when all the newer cars of staff members at The Clarkston News refused to go in the sub-zero weather we had the past few days, Dan Vandenhemel had the last laugh.

Dan's written about his trials and tribulations many times in his Clarkston News column. And we've given him a hard time.

"Is Santa giving you a new car?" we asked.

"Why don't you junk that thing?" we asked.

"Get a horse," we advised.

Then it happened.

My car shut down on the way home from Christmas festivities. The lights dimmed. The battery died.

On Monday we were told there was a five-and-one-half hour wait in line at Sears just to buy a battery.

Marilyn Trumper's car refused to start on Friday and Monday. Towed into a service station Friday there were some repairs made. They didn't do the trick.

"I can't believe it," I told Dan. "Your car is the only one working."

Dan's too polite to get nasty, so he just grinned.

Out on a limb

Al Zawacky



Predictions for 1984, or how to go out on a limb....

The Lions will not win the Super Bowl.

The Tigers will not win the American League East.

The Red Wings will not win, period.

Ninety percent of the New Year's resolutions made Saturday will be broken by midnight, Jan. 2.

Ted Kennedy will finish his sixth steak dinner of the week, belch, waddle out to his chauffeur-driven limousine and be whisked away to make a speech on hunger in America.

The Democrats will nominate Walter Mondale as the party's standard-bearer. He will not ask Jimmy Carter to campaign for him.

An hour and a half or so of four-letter words, skin and blood will be hailed as one of the year's best movies.

Yuri Andropov, the Kremlin's head hoodlum, will appear in public and prove to be alive and well. Unfortunately.

Jerry Falwell will say something that makes a lot of people embarrassed to say they're conservatives.

Jane Fonda will say something that makes a lot of people embarrassed to say they're liberals.

Coleman Young will blame the exceptionally cold winter on racism.

Ronald Reagan will be re-elected.

It will rain on the Fourth of July. Don't ask me why—I've just got a feeling.

The Marines will come home from Lebanon—prior to the presidential election. A lucky coincidence for the Administration, no doubt.

Inflation will average 5 percent for the year, slightly up; unemployment will average 7.6 percent, slightly down. Just like the professional economists, I arrived at these numbers by tossing darts.

A single flake of snow will drift down over the tri-county area on Feb. 25 at 6:47 p.m. The weather bureau will immediately post a winter storm warning.

Billy Sims will wind up playing in the USFL.

In December 1984, I will disavow any knowledge of these predictions.

Editorial

Expect 'good' 1984

By Jim Sherman

As a general view of 1984 I'd say what you have seen in the last quarter of 1983 will be continued in 1984.

The stock market will climb, probably to 1300 in the averages; new car sales will continue to top 1983 sales figures; more savings and loans will convert to banks; unemployment will decline; inflation will remain at the 3-4 percent level.

In the coming year housing starts is an unknown, 1984 being a political year makes it a partial unknown, deregulation of various industries makes for hesitancy, and I wonder if apathy won't return to those who reversed the trend by getting a little excited in the recall movement this fall.

There are, of course, some real 'knowns' for the year ahead. Postage will go up on everything except "junk" mail. The federal government will put an increased amount into national defense. President Reagan will seek a second term. Increases in school millage requests will fail 9 of 10 times. And, the Tigers, Lions, Pistons and Red Wings will not win titles.

So, overall 1984 will be a good year, but not a great year economically speaking, except for GM, Chrysler, AT&T, IBM, high tech'ers, fast food outlets (watch Bob Evans), Kelloggs of Battle Creek, Gannett newspapers, and Eastman Kodak.

I think 1984 will be a good year for road builders. Michigan's gasoline tax increase and the federal nickel-a-gallon will bring lots of resurfacing.

It'll be a good year to own property in West Bloomfield Township, an area that is destined to be THE growth area for Oakland county in the next 8-10 years.

1984 will be a good year, too, for the tourist industry of Michigan. I think the Department of Commerce with their "Say Yes to Michigan" campaign has done a great job in bringing an increase in tourism in our state while neighbors have declined. The momentum is in Michigan's favor, and the taxes will greatly benefit Mich.

Speaking of taxes, both the Michigan and Federal income taxes will go down next week. Michigan's rate drops to 6.1 percent and Uncle Sam's goes down five percent.

For the individual the amounts are small, but the accumulated totals make great reading and do aid the economy. Little of this money goes in the sock. Most of us spend all we make.

Making too many headlines in 1984 will be goings on in politics. I mentioned President Reagan's running for the GOP nomination as being a certainty. It is my belief he is certain to be re-elected. And, if Fritz Mondale is put up by the Dems, Reagan will win overwhelmingly, especially if the Marines are brought home from Lebanon in the next 6 months.

Locally, Republican Rudy Nichols will slide into the recalled seat of Phil Mastin. But Nichols better not become overconfident and lessen his campaigning. The Eighth is still a Dem district. For now, however, it appears the party has conceded it for this one term.

The big political activity in these parts will be for Congress as GOP'ers try to unseat Bob Carr who was sent to Washington 2 years ago as representative of a very gerrymandered district. The name to look for on the Republican slate is expected to be Clarkston's Tom Ritter.

Enough politics for now. Let us still savor the decreases in gasoline prices, the increases in buying power as wages go ahead of inflation, and the solvency of county government.

Savor all you can because property owners will likely see assessors increase property values, thus taxes, in 1984. It's hard to break a habit, even though home owners can prove their places will not bring more money than last year.

Taken in total 1984 should be a year to savor. Many economists are predicting that along toward the end of the year and on into 1985 there will be another slowing of the economy, or even a down turn.

But if we do things right perhaps the economy will continue upward.—J.A.S.

Jim's Jottings

Here's to you

Jim Sherman



Let us toast the new year . . . especially 1984.

Raise your glass and toast . . .

To Work - May you have a livelihood you enjoy enough to not consider it work.

Here's to all who make an effort next year to quit saying such things as: Why does everything happen to me? What else can go wrong? It's one of those days.

To Health and Exercise - May we hear the first talked of without mention of the second. Surely, some 100-year-olds survived without the bending and pulling regimen.

Here's to priorities - May they be listed in proper order for what is called for at the time.

To Telephones - May 1984 be the year we figure out what Bell, AT&T, IT&T, MCI, Sprint and other communication related companies are trying to sell us.

Here's to all those connected with emergencies in our lives - May many lives and much property be saved by the doctors, nurses, road crews, police, firemen, lifeguards, ambulance operators and samaritans.

To Yardwork - May it not interfere with golf and vice versa.

To Football - May the women in my life never become as addicted as I.

To Diet - May the waste leave our waists, may blubber be reassociated with the whale, and may fat be confined to the frying pan.

Here's to Politicians - May their smiles be sincere, their votes in keeping with their promises, and their hands be restricted to their own pockets.

To Governor Blanchard and his Christmas card . . . the only one we received with a union label.

To President Reagan and his White House . . . never used on weekends.

To Senators Levin and Reigle and their liberal votes . . . 95 percent for the ADA.

A Toast to golf in the low 80's and temperatures to match.

To post-sitting pelicans, white beaches, sunlit verandas, gentle palms, and fresh squeezed orange juice . . . in February.

Here's to forgiving friends and forgiving enemies. Here's to more and better toasts. Here's to you.

May the year begin on a happy note and continue 364 more days.



It's Christmas and who can stand to leave a garland just sitting there? Not Jeremy Holcomb, who decorates himself while waiting for the rehearsal to begin. The children pictured here are in Sue Schreiber's third-grade class at

Davisburg Elementary. They joined with Sue Yate's fourth-graders to present the sixth annual production of plays and a pot luck dinner for pupils and their families. [Photos by Kathy Greenfield]

Holiday theatrics



Reporter Joann Know, otherwise known as Kathy Combs, has her notebook ready. The name of the play is "A New Angle on Christmas."



Meghan Sharpe shares her opinions of the real Christmas story with reporter Joann Know, played by Kathy Combs.



Danny Winohradsky [left] plays Orvil, the villain reporter who tries to steal the story. He begs the editor, played by Aaron Byrne, to let him keep his job. The Christmas spirit prevails when he's given another chance. In the background sits Santa, played by Nick Klemp.

'If it Fitz...'

Biggest crime of all

Jim Fitzgerald



The letter was written Oct. 30 in Bethesda, Md. "Today, this lovely sunny day, David would have been 27," it said.

David Berkley was Jessica's Daddy. Remember? When he was stabbed to death, the knife slashed through the words "Jessica's Daddy" lettered on his T-shirt.

Jessica was nine months old. She was also stabbed to death. So was her mother, Aline, 25. David and Aline were graduate students of great promise. He was studying physical anthropology at Wayne State University, and she was studying law at the University of Detroit. The Berkley family was living in an apartment near Wayne State, in a supposedly safe neighborhood, just a few steps from campus and city police stations, when horror struck.

David's body was found in a nearby alley. The killer(s) used David's keys and identification to invade the Berkley home. The bodies of Aline and Jessica were found in a bed. The motive was robbery, and it can be speculated that David and Aline were murdered by multiple knife slashes so that they never could identify their attacker. But why was a nine-month-old murdered?

"WHOEVER DID IT likes to kill people," homicide Inspector Gilbert Hill said at the time. "This is a case of massive overkill."

Last week, a year after the murders, Hill said the

case is "still open." And he added that it was one "I will never forget."

"The murderers have not been found. They walk the streets, probably committing more murders, saddening other family members," the letter from Maryland said. It was written by David's mother, Carol Berkley.

"Perhaps, on Dec. 18, you might want to remember David, Aline and Jessica. It's almost a year now, and we miss them very much," Mrs. Berkley wrote.

Like Inspector Hill, I need no reminder. I'll never forget David, Aline and, especially, Jessica. I wrote a column about her, a few days after the murders, and it was eventually read as part of a memorial service held for the slain family in the Washington Cathedral. I was grateful when I learned I'd contributed something to the ceremony. Also, let's face it, my ego was stroked.

Is that why I wrote about Jessica—to take a bow for being such a thoughtful, compassionate fellow? Questions like that keep me awake too late at night.

THE BERKLEY CASE received a lot of publicity. It wasn't just three more of the infamous "drug-related" murders that occur almost daily in Detroit, receiving a few newspaper lines on an inside page one day, forgotten the next. An innocent child was

murdered, for reasons only a maniac could understand. The parents were unusually well-regarded in their universities and neighborhood. Aline's father is Norman Felton, Emmy-award winning TV producer-director. He and David's father came to Detroit to claim their children's bodies and disagreed publicly on whether the murderer deserved capital punishment. Felton offered a \$5,000 reward for information leading to the conviction of the killer. It was magnetic stuff for reporters and cameras.

As a 32-year newspaper hack, I can easily understand why the Berkley murders received so much ink. But, still...

I recall several instances when kids were killed during drug-related crimes. They were no less innocent than Jessica, and they became no less dead. I never wrote about them. Also, who am I to decide which adults, because of their behavior, deserve to be murdered with little publicity, and which don't?

I'll never forget Jessica, Aline and Jessica's Daddy because their murders were extraordinary. The tragedy is that we live in a so-called civilization where so many murders are ordinary. It takes a "massive overkill" to hold our attention.

Jessica was only nine months old, or maybe I wouldn't remember her. That's the biggest crime of all.

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Photo Inquiry

by Dan Vandenhemel

Have you kept any New Year's resolutions?



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Larry Bradley
 Student
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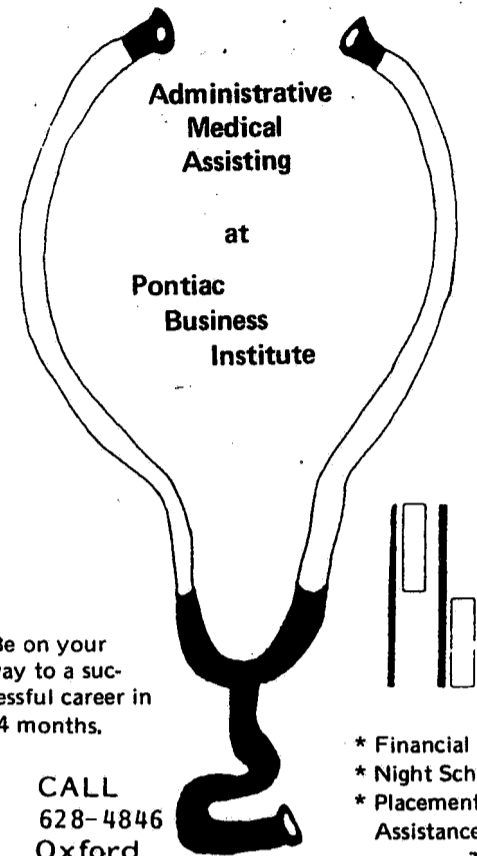
"No, I have never had to give anything up. Maybe to get more energetic."
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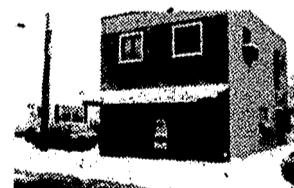
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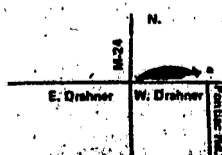
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We'll pay more for motor fuel

A two-cent-a-gallon increase in Michigan's motor fuel tax Jan. 1 will enable the state to continue making headway on long-deferred road, street and highway improvements, according to State Transportation Director James P. Pitz.

A "transportation survival package" enacted last year provided for the increase and earmarked all the revenue for transportation. Thirty-five percent goes for work on state highways and the rest for county roads, municipal streets and bus and rail systems throughout the state.

A typical motorist driving 10,000 miles a year will be paying about \$5 more in gas taxes in 1984 than in 1979 when autos were less fuel efficient.

Without additional funds, Pitz said, the state's transportation network "would fall back into the same trend of decay and deterioration that existed prior to 1983."

"We did a lot of work this year, resurfacing and reconstructing 737 miles of state highways, compared to 144 miles in 1982," he said. "For the first time in at least 10 years we began to catch up on a long and growing backlog of needs, improving more miles of highways than deteriorated into poor condition."

The state transportation package enacted in December 1982 was keyed to a two-cent-a-gallon increase in the 11-cent tax on gasoline and diesel fuel. It also allowed for an additional two-cent increase, using

a formula based on the increase in the cost of highway maintenance and the continuing decline in the consumption of gasoline as automobiles become more fuel efficient. The law caps the tax rate at 15 cents.

Gas consumption in Michigan fell by more than 1.1 billion gallons from 1978 to 1983, declining from 4.6 billion gallons to 3.44 billion.

The two-cent increase is expected to raise about \$65 million, or \$32.5 million per penny. In 1978, each penny of gas tax raised \$46 million.

Pitz noted that the nation's auto fleet now is 30 percent more fuel efficient than at the start of the 1973 Arab oil embargo, which started gas prices on an upward spiral.

The average motorist driving 10,000 miles a year in a car getting 14 miles per gallon in 1979 paid \$78.50 in state gas taxes at the 11-cent rate then in effect. In 1984, the motorist driving the same distance in a car getting 18 miles a gallon and paying a tax of 15 cents a gallon will be charged \$83.40, an increase of \$4.90.

Pitz said the added revenue from the 1982 transportation package enabled Michigan to match all federal aid available for highways, roads and streets. The state's share of federal aid rose from \$194 million in fiscal year 1982 to \$356 million this year.

In calendar year 1983, the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) took bids on projects

costing \$382.5 million, more than two and a half times the total of \$146 million in low bids last year.

The department takes bids both for work on the 9,470-mile state highway system and on county roads and municipal streets eligible for federal aid.

Pitz said he expects work to be placed under contract in 1984 will again approach \$400 million.

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What Christmas means . . .



Editor's note: Before 1983 and the holiday season comes to a close you may find it interesting, as we did, to ponder what some of the Bailey Lake Elementary fifth-graders of Duane Proctor wrote when faced with the assignment: "What Christmas Means to Me."

Christmas means.....forgiving, eating and getting presents. But most of all celebrating Christ's birthday. And my Grama, too. Having snowball fights, going sledding and Christmas vacation.
—Crissy

Christmas is fun for everyone.
Christmas is neat neat neat.
Christmas is good just like grub.
Christmas is good good good good.

I like Christmas; it's fun fun fun.
I like Christmas; it's neat to eat.
I like Christmas; it's great great-great.
I do not hate it.

Christmas is sledding and snowmen.
Christmas is cookies and lemon bars.
Christmas is roast duck.
Christmas is a snowball fight.
—Tom

What Christmas means to me. To open presents. And to eat pumpkin pie and coffee. Time to share. And time to laugh out loud. And not go to school.
—Roger Cohoon

Christmas is a time of year when your family gets together and you exchange gifts like clothes, or a house, toys, or boys, and that's the kind of stuff!
—Pat O'Dea

When you think of Christmas
You think of sharing and caring
Sledding and skating, tree decorating, snow fights, snowmen
Build them if you can

When you think of caroling
You think of door-to-door happiness
Singing nice songs
Go home in the deep, deep snow, making tracks as you go

When you think of back to school
You think of of stupid work
Language, social studies. Blah!
Then you can't wait to go home and yell, "Rah!"
—Matt Meehan

Christmas means to myself No School!! And see-

ing my grandma and grandpa. And cookies and toys and opening presents. Having my dad home, too!
—D. Eby

Christmas should come more often I think
Days without presents really stink
Toys or games, a sweater in pink
But please, this year make it not shrink

If I didn't have sisters I could get more
It's my sisters that make my parents poor
You should see us all fight, it's like a war
Counting our packages to even the score

Of course I'm really sweeter than this
I honestly do love both of my sis
And what a fun day, they wouldn't miss
It's the only day I give them a kiss

And you, Mr. Proctor, I wish good cheer
A happy holiday, good food and cold beer
Now don't you worry and don't you fear
Cause I'm awfully glad I won't be here
—Jenny Bouck

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SYNOPSIS
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December 20, 1983

Meeting called to order 7:33 p.m. Roll: Holman, Kozma, Ritter, Stuart, Vandermark, present; Smith, Travis.

- Agenda approved as presented.
- Approval of minutes of November 29, 1983 Board meeting.
- Approval of amended minutes of December 1, 1983.
- Approval of bills totaling \$59,328.46.
- Approval of motion to appoint Ritter as chairperson.
- Approval of motion to extend preliminary plat to Clarkston Ranch Estates.
- Approval of motion to post DPW General Foreman position.
- Approval of motion for Planning Commission review of Parcel Split Ordinance.
- Approval of motion authorizing final draft of condemnation procedures.
- Approval of motion to reappoint Planning Commission members.
- Approval of motion to appoint residents to the Board of Canvassers.
- Approval of motion to close meeting to discuss pending litigation.

Meeting adjourned 10:10 p.m.
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January

JAN. 5, 1983

The Clarkston school district will begin collecting summer taxes starting this year. A bill signed Dec. 22 by Gov. William Milliken allows school districts to mandate the summer tax collection.

Michigan's new first lady, Paula Blanchard, recalls her memories of growing up in Clarkston.

JAN. 12, 1983

A decision on the Clarkston school district teacher contract is expected from a mediator in 30 days.

The Clarkston Post Office installs vandal-proof mailboxes for subdivisions.

JAN. 19, 1983

Residents can voice their opinions on the proposed mine by the Edward C. Levy Co. near the headwaters of the Clinton River at the Independence Township Board meeting.

Citing an expected enrollment decline of 263 pupils in the Clarkston school district, Superintendent Milford Mason says 10.5 teaching positions could be cut, as he reviews the 1983-84 budget.

JAN. 26, 1983

Three Independence Township men are arrested in an undercover drug bust. Michigan State Police arrest the trio after two months of surveillance.

Citizens of Springfield and Independence townships rally against the proposed Stablex Toxic Waste Treatment Plant in Groveland Township.

February

FEB. 2, 1983

The nationwide strike by independent truckers could affect super market shelves if it lasts long enough, say local business owners and managers on the first day of the strike.

FEB. 9, 1983

The Clarkston school district rejects Independence Township's offer of \$16,600 to collect the summer taxes, giving a counter-offer of \$9,471.

Residents "jump for joy" over the proposed paving of 1,600 feet of Pine Knob Road from Clarkston Road to the Bailey Lake Elementary School driveway. Independence Township officials unanimously approve the plan under the tri-party project.

FEB. 16, 1983

Clarkston school district employees may experience a payless payday in June, says Superintendent Milford Mason. The February state aid payment of \$486,300 will be delayed and may never be received.

The Clarkston High School boys' basketball team captures the Greater Oakland Activities League title with a 49-37 victory over Rochester. The championship is the first since 1981.

FEB. 23, 1983

After months of waiting, a public hearing has been scheduled on the Edward C. Levy Co.'s application to mine 300 acres near the headwaters of the Clinton River.

Independence Township engineers toss five proposed bike path routes in the hopper to look at the cost and safety as the board prepares to target the next construction.

The University of Detroit branches out and opens its first campus outside the Detroit area. The Colombiere Center campus in Springfield Township is to open in the fall to up to 150 students.

March

MARCH 2, 1983

The week-long Oakland County 4-H Fair could be moving from its Springfield Oaks County Park site. The 4-H board decided to consider other sites despite drawing over 30,000 people last year.

MARCH 9, 1983

Two dogs' frantic barking is credited with saving their owner's life in a fire that destroyed a 90-year-old farmhouse on Pine Knob Road.

Residents of Springfield Township get together to help one another. The Neighbor for Neighbor program has already supplied 50 needy families with free food and paper products in its first two weeks.

Clarkston High School junior Greg Ellis loses his first wrestling match of the season in the state championship finals. He finishes with a personal record of 49-1, a school record.

MARCH 16, 1983

Instead of settling the contract dispute between

Clarkston teachers and administrators, the fact finder's report causes an eruption. The report recommends a 3.5-percent raise for the teachers at Monday's board meeting and sent it into a one-hour-long closed session to discuss negotiations.

Over 100 voters turn out for Clarkston's election. Incumbents David Raup and James Schultz are re-elected, as are clerk Norma Goyette, trustee Carol Eberhardt and Fontie ApMadoc.

The Clarkston High School basketball team grabs the district title from Waterford Kettering with a 66-59 victory. Seniors Mike McCormick and Ray Kubani lead the charge, with 21 and 16 points respectively.

MARCH 23, 1983

Meetings are beginning to stack up as teacher contract negotiations between the Clarkston school district and the Clarkston Education Association return to full-swing.

A rumble goes through the Independence Township Board March 14 when supervisor James B. Smith proposes a freeze on the budget totals at last year's level.

MARCH 30, 1983

Over 150 people representing almost 30 interest groups fill the Independence Township Hall to oppose the Edward C. Levy Co.'s plan to mine 300 acres near the headwaters of the Clinton River.

April

APRIL 6, 1983

It looks like Pine Knob Music Theatre patrons will not be allowed to bring alcoholic beverages to concerts this season, as Pine Knob Investment Co. partners Joseph Locricchio and Gary Francell request a liquor license.

Unable to break into a safe at Rademacher Chevy Inc., thieves set fire to two inner offices and cause an unknown amount of smoke damage to the showroom filled with new cars.

APRIL 13, 1983

Pink slips are handed out to 28 teachers in the Clarkston school district. Continued decreases in enrollment and program cuts for this year are reasons for the lay-offs.

APRIL 20, 1983

Springfield Township firefighters receive a boost in pay from the township board. Firefighters in Class 1 will make \$2 more an hour and Class 2 firefighters will get \$1 more.

APRIL 27, 1983

Clarkston school district teachers agree to the proposed two-year contract with the district. The vote is taken Monday during the general membership meeting of the Clarkston Education Association.

May

MAY 4, 1983

Clarkston High School graduate Jill Vedder, 24, makes national news headlines when she's trapped with seven other spelunkers for three days in a Mount Vernon, Ky., cave.

Local school district officials react to "A Nation at Risk," the federal report by the National Commission on excellence that called education in the United States "shocking" and threatened by "a rising tide of mediocrity." They praise the educational system in Clarkston, but say the report may bring improvements nationwide.

MAY 11, 1983

Almost a full year of working without a contract ends when the Clarkston board of education ratifies a two-year teachers' contract that includes a salary freeze for the 1982-83 school year and a 5.95 salary hike for 1983-84.

Thanks to an environmental science class at Clarkston Junior High School, Rick Mawhiney, 14, knows what to do when an aerosol can explodes and sprays paint into the eyes of his friend, Derek Hill, 10. "Everything Mr. (Anthony) Stachurski said just flashed back into my mind," says Rick, who administered first aid.

MAY 19, 1983

Residents create their own "Mt. Trashmore" near the Independence Township DPW building when they dump loads of discards for free during a spring cleanup sponsored by the township board. The mountain of trash stands 12 feet high, 100 yards long and 30 yards wide.

After six years as Independence Township's clerk, Christopher Rose announces his retirement to accept the town manager post in Littleton, N.H. He plans to depart in June.

The Clarkston News

The year
in review



MAY 25, 1983

Pine Knob joins Independence Township in its fight to stop 300-acre gravel mine proposed by the Edward C. Levy Co. near the headwaters of the Clinton River.

The voices of the Clarkston High School Madrigal Singers fill Detroit's Tiger Stadium as they perform "The National Anthem" before the start of a locally televised baseball game.

June

JUNE 1, 1983

A court decision halts Independence Township's efforts to stop road races at the Waterford Hills Race Track until track officials reapply for a township license.

Fed up with gas siphoning and battery thefts in the Clarkston school district bus garage, school officials install an alarm in the fence surrounding the property adjacent to Clarkston High School.

JUNE 8, 1983

Seven members of the Clarkston High School Class of 1983 are honored for achieving grade point averages between 3.8 and 4.0. The summa cum laude graduates are Amy Selvala, James Zeleznik, Marget Nelson, Jeffrey Blagg, Kathy Mullen, Michael Suran and Jane Coleman.

JUNE 15, 1983

A 69 percent majority of voters approve a 5-mill tax renewal for the Clarkston school district.

Janet Thomas is re-elected to her third four-year term on the Clarkston Community Schools Board of Education; and newcomer Elaine Keeley Schultz is also elected to a four-year term.

After 15 years as a board of education member, Fernando Sanchez loses his election bid.

Voters replace board-appointed Thomas Azoni with David Kithill for the remaining one-year term of the seat vacated by Addison Hubbard, who resigned in March after accepting a job in Indiana.

Reacting to the millage renewal and the retirement of seven teachers, the board of education recalls 22 of 28 teachers who received lay-off notices in April.

JUNE 22, 1983

The Class of 1983 boasts 421 graduates. Commencement exercises are held June 19 at the Pine Knob Music Theatre.

JUNE 29, 1983

Pine Knob Music Theatre gets the OK for a liquor license and it's only a matter of time before patrons will no longer be able to bring their own booze to the outdoor concerts.

Pine Knob Investment Co. partners Joseph Locricchio and Gary Francell lose control of their complex when federal court appoints a trustee to run operations there.

July

JULY 6, 1983

An estimated 8,000 people line the Village of Clarkston's streets for the annual Fourth of July parade.

A \$10,000 grant received by Clarkston Junior High School English teacher Ruth Duling will provide computers for her classes when school begins in the fall. The grant will provide five word processors, a computer with monitoring capabilities and a printer.

JULY 13, 1983

The Army Corps of Engineers denies the Edward C. Levy Co.'s proposal to mine for gravel in 300 acres near the headwaters of the Clinton River in Independence Township.

For the fourth year in a row, the Clarkston board of education votes to make Janet Thomas its president.

It's now official—as of July 11 Pine Knob Music Theatre patrons can no longer BYOB. State Liquor Control Commission approval of extension of the ski lodge liquor license means patrons, instead, can purchase beer and wine at concession stands.

JULY 20, 1983

For the first time ever, summer tax bills arrive in Clarkston school district property owners' mailboxes.

1983

and the Independence Township treasurer's department receives 100 telephone calls of complaint and inquiry.

Shindler Road, Springfield Township, residents file a petition to change the name of their road to Woodland Trail, symbolizing the end of the state's cleanup of the toxic landfill located nearby.

A controversy between Independence Fire Department officials and residents ends after Fire Chief Frank Ronk holds meetings and responds to complaints about how a fire was handled at a Harvard Road home. Jackie Price, 39, died from injuries received in the blaze that destroyed the residence.

JULY 27, 1983

A rattle snake is discovered behind a soft drink display at Richardson's Farm Dairy on Dixie Highway, Springfield Township. It's destroyed by an Oakland County Sheriff's deputy.

In town for a Pine Knob Music Theatre show, entertainer John Denver stops by to sing his folk songs for the kids at Clarkston SCAMP, the summer camp program for children and youths who may have special needs.

August

AUG. 3, 1983

A severe thunderstorm blasts Independence Township, toppling trees and downing electrical wires. Hardest hit is the Birdland subdivision off Maybee Road.

Vandals keep striking at Deer Lake Beach, causing over \$500 in damages so far this summer.

Richard Holman is the new Independence Township clerk, appointed unanimously by the township board from 22 applicants. He replaces Christopher Rose, who resigned to accept the town manager post in Littleton, N.H.

AUG. 10, 1983

Vandals strike Clarkston's Depot Road Park and knock down sign posts in the village, causing an estimated \$1,000 in damages.

A program for pregnant teen-agers and young mothers is announced by the Clarkston school district. The P.A.C.E.—Parent and Child Education—classes will meet in the Clarkston Community Learning Center. The program includes a child care center.

AUG. 17, 1983

Energy conservation measures have saved \$500,000 for the Clarkston school district over the past seven years, according to a committee report that recommends hiring an architect to present more extensive plans.

AUG. 24, 1983

The Michigan Department of Natural Resources denies the gravel mining proposal of the Edward C. Levy Co., a move that ends the effort to mine gravel in about 300 acres near the headwaters of the Clinton River in Independence Township.

Ending months of speculation, property behind Rademacher Chevy Inc. is selected for the head-in cable-TV site for Independence Township. Plans are to erect a 100-foot tower there, and the studio and offices will be located elsewhere.

AUG. 31, 1983

The theft of over \$2,000 in computers from the Clarkston Community Learning Center is under investigation by the Oakland County Sheriff's department.

Florida developer Conrad Wagner is pondering the purchase of the Pine Knob complex, according to his attorney Gerald Gase of Troy.

September

SEPT. 7, 1983

Clarkston Junior High School offers cash incentives for students to do well, with a \$50 top prize for, among several things, perfect attendance.

A 29-year-old Independence Township man is arraigned for repeatedly stabbing a 20-year-old township man at a party. The men reportedly argued over a woman.

Workers behind the scenes at the Michigan Renaissance Festival gear up for their third year at Colombiere Center and the re-creation of a 16th century fantasy village.

SEPT. 14, 1983

Independence Township hammers out an agreement with the Edward C. Levy Co. to buy 80 acres near Clintonwood Park, land formerly targeted for a gravel mining operation.

Enrollment declines in the Clarkston school district, but not as much as predicted. There are 189 fewer pupils in the district, compared to a projected figure of 263.

Francis VerLee, owner of Grovecrest Continuing Care, gives developer Hugh Garner a run for his money. VerLee wants to open a 120-bed skilled-nursing facility in Independence Township, and announces she's competing for beds against Garner's proposed senior village, Clarkston Place.

SEPT. 21, 1983

Improvements to Springfield Township's Ellis Road cost 50 percent more than anticipated. The board agrees to accept the \$12,000 increase, and will pay half.

A 13-year-old Pontiac boy darts into Clarkston's Main Street traffic and is struck by a car. He's listed in serious condition at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital.

Architect David Katz unveils plans for Depot Road Park's Victorian-style gazebo. The Clarkston Village Council is pleased.

In advisory ballots mailed to 174 homes in the Village of Clarkston, residents say they don't want a historic district ordinance. The council makes no decision.

SEPT. 28, 1983

A 16-year-old Clarkston junior injured on the soccer field undergoes emergency brain surgery. Jim Bohl, 15, remains in a medically induced coma at Crittendon Hospital, Rochester.

As residents ask the safety path millage be put on the ballot for a repeal, Independence Township approves the next four safety path routes at a cost of \$197,000. Construction is scheduled for spring.

The 13-year-old Pontiac youth hit by a car on Clarkston's Main Street is back home. He was discharged from the hospital six days later.

October

OCT. 5, 1983

Pediatrician James O'Neill, M.D., announces a Dec. 1 opening for the Clarkston Ambulatory Care Center, a walk-in clinic on M-15, south of the village.

Pontiac Osteopathic Hospital wants to build a \$34 million, 100-bed satellite hospital at Dixie Highway and White Lake Road, Independence Township. Construction is scheduled for next June, although officials have yet to get permits at the local level and a certificate of need from the state.

Parents, school and government officials rally around the PBS-TV airing of "The Chemical People," for a handle on substance abuse among community youth and what to do about it.

After three years of controversy that split the community and spurred the resignation of two trustees, the Clarkston Village Council votes to end pursuit of a historic district ordinance.

OCT. 12, 1983

Tom Ritter, owner of Ritter's Farm Market, announces he'll seek the Republican party nomination to run for United States Congress. If nominated, he'll run against Congressman Bob Carr, a Democrat who is a close personal friend of Ritter's brother Frederick, the Independence Township treasurer and lone Democrat on the township board.

The Clarkston News captures seven awards in the Michigan Press Association's 1983 contest.

Independence Township increases three of its five taxes, which means an additional \$16.04 on the average tax bill.

Tired of waiting in the background, Clarkston schools say they'll fight to have the cable TV studio near the high school.

OCT. 19, 1983

Clarkston High School's student government says the most abused substance among their peers is alcohol, not narcotics, simply because it's socially acceptable. Prominent pediatrician James O'Neill, M.D., agrees, as does social worker Fred Baumann, assistant director of the Consortium for Human Development in Independence Township.

Former state representative Claude Trim announces he's joined the GOP. Trim, in Lansing eight years as a Democrat, lost his seat in 1980 to Mat Dunaskiss, a Republican.

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Anita Davison, a Clarkston Elementary kindergarten teacher, is named Woman of the Year by the Waterford Clarkston Business Women's Association.

OCT. 26, 1983

Clarkston bus drivers learn 6-year-old cancer victim Kenny Overton wants a bike for Christmas. The Bailey Lake Elementary kindergartner gets his bike, courtesy of the drivers.

"The Chemical People" remains an issue in the community. One sociologist says kids need a better sense of self to end substance abuse.

Two armed robbers hold-up the Quik-Pik party store on M-15, south of Clarkston, and escape with an unknown amount of money.

Independence Township selects the school maintenance building on Waldon Road near Clarkston Junior High for the cable TV studio site.

November

NOV. 2, 1983

Thieves break into Sashabaw Junior High School and steal \$1,700 worth of micro-computer equipment.

Without written permission, a lumberjack falls a 100-foot-tall tulip tree in Deer Wood Subdivision. It crushes three vehicles on an adjacent driveway.

In two separate incidences, thieves steal Halloween candy from Independence Township trick-or-treaters.

NOV. 9, 1983

Pontiac Osteopathic Hospital unveils plans for its proposed 100-bed satellite hospital in Independence Township. The 120,000-square-foot, contemporary two-story building is targeted for 50 acres at White Lake Road and Dixie Highway.

Firefighter Neil Ashley falls through the floor of a burning barn. He'll be out of commission six weeks.

David Endreszel wins a three-year lawsuit to close a neighboring kennel on Pine Knob Road, then sues the township and kennel owners for a combined \$300,000. Endreszel charges deprivation of rights, lack of due process and says the township failed to enforce its ordinance.

The board of appeals denies Joseph Locricchio's request to build a barn greenhouse on Allen Road. Locricchio, co-owner of Pine Knob Investment Co., says he'll sue.

NOV. 16, 1983

Oakland County Parks and Recreation is looking into purchase of the financially strapped Pine Knob complex, according to county Executive Daniel Murphy.

A high water table at M-15 and Dixie Highway delays construction of Independence Township's cable TV system six weeks.

As part of the REDDI program, Oakland County's cracking down on drunk drivers. It's asking people to phone police if they spot what looks like a weaving car.

NOV. 23, 1983

The Clarkston school district reports summer tax collections are working as intended. Zero borrowing is projected for the next two years.

A 14-year-old Clarkston Junior High student is expelled for being drunk in school.

Carol Eberhardt, a trustee on the Clarkston Village Council, announces she'll run for the president's seat in the March election.

Independence Township department heads receive a 7.26 percent pay raise, retroactive to April. Salaries increase from \$27,400 to \$29,500.

Julie Beamer wins the Clarkston Junior Miss crown from a field of 17 contestants.

NOV. 30, 1983

Former state representative Claude Trim, a Republican from Springfield Township, announces he'll seek the house seat when State Rep. Mat Dunaskiss (R-61st District) runs for recalled Sen. Philip Mastin's seat.

After two years as president of the Clarkston Village Council, Jackson Byers is not seeking a second term. He cites personal reasons for the decision.

Clarkston students react to ABC's "The Day After" and ask, "What would there be to live for?"

Teachers in the Clarkston School District have a tentative contract six months early.

Thendara subdivision in Independence Township's northeast quadrant explores cityhood to qualify for road taxes.

December

DEC. 7, 1983

After a year-and-a-half long wait, developer

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Sports Schedule

Clarkston High School Basketball

Jan. 3	Milford	A	6:00
Jan. 6	Kettering	A	6:00
Jan. 10	Lapeer West	A	6:15
Jan. 13	Lake Orion	H	6:00
Jan. 17	Andover	A	6:15
Jan. 24	Lakeland	A	6:00
Jan. 27	Pontiac Northern	A	6:00
Feb. 3	Mott	A	6:00
Feb. 7	Lapeer East	H	6:15
Feb. 10	Kettering	H	6:00
Feb. 17	Lake Orion	A	6:00
Feb. 21	Pontiac Central	A	6:00
Feb. 28	Holly	H	6:15
Mar. 2	Pontiac Northern	H	6:15
Mar. 5-10	Districts		

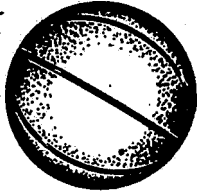


Sashabaw Junior High School Basketball

Jan. 3	Fenton	A	7:00
Jan. 5	Lake Orion	A	6:30
Jan. 10	Orchard Lake St. Mary	A	4:00
Jan. 12	Clarkston	CHS	7:00
Jan. 17	Reuther	A	4:00
Jan. 23	Pierce	A	6:30
Jan. 26	Crary	H	7:00
Jan. 31	Lake Orion	H	7:00
Feb. 2	Brighton	H	7:00
Feb. 7	Mason	H	7:00
Feb. 13	West Bloomfield	H	7:00
Feb. 15	Clarkston	CHS	7:00
Feb. 21	Pierce	H	7:00
Feb. 22	Crary	A	6:30
Feb. 28	Lake Orion Tournament		
Mar. 1	Lake Orion Tournament		
Mar. 3	Lake Orion Tournament		

Clarkston Junior High School Basketball

Jan. 9	Fenton	H	7:00
Jan. 12	Sashabaw	CHS	7:00
Jan. 16	Lake Orion	A	6:30
Jan. 19	Brighton	A	7:00
Jan. 25	Mason	A	6:30



Jan. 31	Orchard Lake St. Mary	H	7:00
Feb. 6	Pierce	A	6:30
Feb. 9	Crary	H	7:00
Feb. 15	Sashabaw	CHS	7:00
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Feb. 23	Mason	H	7:00
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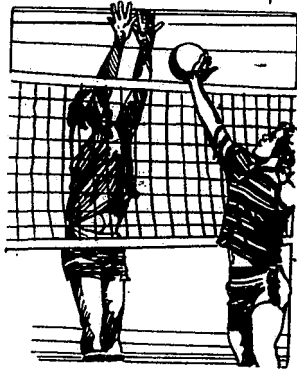
Volleyball

Clarkston High School Volleyball

Jan. 5	Milford	A	6:30
Jan. 9	Holly	A	6:30
Jan. 11	Lakeland	H	6:30
Jan. 14	Andover Tourney		
Jan. 16	Waterford Mott	H	6:30
Jan. 18	Kettering	A	
Jan. 23	Lake Orion	H	6:30
Jan. 25	Avondale	A	6:30
Jan. 28	Waverly (JV)	A	8:00
Jan. 30	Brighton/Oak Park	H	6:30
Feb. 3	Lake Orion Invit.	A	3:00
Feb. 6	Pontiac Northern	A	6:30
Feb. 8	Waterford Mott	A	
Feb. 11	JV Tournament		
Feb. 13	Kettering	H	6:30
Feb. 15	Lake Orion	A	
Feb. 20	Edsel Ford	A	7:00
Feb. 22	Fenton/Brandon	H	6:30
Feb. 25	Varsity Tournament		
Feb. 27	Pontiac Northern	H	6:30
Mar. 3	Districts		
Mar. 10	Regionals		
Mar. 17	Finals		

Sashabaw Junior High School Volleyball

Jan. 9	VanHoosen	H	7:00
Jan. 11	Lake Orion	H	7:00
Jan. 13	Reuther	A	4:00
Jan. 16	Rochester West	A	4:00
Jan. 19	Lapeer West	H	7:00
Jan. 21	S.J.H. Tournament		
Jan. 24	Lapeer East	H	7:00
Jan. 30	Howell	H	7:00
Feb. 1	Lapeer East	A	5:00
Feb. 6	Clarkston	A	7:00
Feb. 9	Howell	A	6:30
Feb. 13	Lapeer West	A	5:00
Feb. 15	Lake Orion	A	4:00
Feb. 18	Rochester Invitational (8:30 a.m.)	A	8:30
Feb. 21	West Bloomfield	A	4:00
Feb. 23	Clarkston	H	7:00



Clarkston Junior High School Volleyball

Jan. 9	Lapeer West	A	4:00
Jan. 11	Lapeer East	H	7:00
Jan. 17	Lake Orion	A	4:00
Jan. 19	Howell	H	7:00
Jan. 25	Lapeer West	H	7:00
Jan. 30	Lapeer East	A	4:00
Feb. 1	Howell	A	6:30
Feb. 3	Reuther	H	7:00
Feb. 6	Sashabaw	H	7:00
Feb. 7	West Bloomfield	H	7:00
Feb. 8	Rochester West	H	7:00
Feb. 14	Lake Orion	H	7:00
Feb. 18	Rochester Invitational (8:30 a.m.)	A	8:30
Feb. 21	VanHoosen	A	3:45
Feb. 23	Sashabaw	A	7:00

Wrestling

Clarkston High School Wrestling

Jan. 4	Bishop Foley (JV & V)	H	6:00
Jan. 7	Plymouth Salem	A	8:00
Jan. 12	Mott	H	4:00
Jan. 14	Temperance, Bedford	A	8:30

Jan. 17	Catholic Central/ Flint Kearsley	A	5:30
Jan. 19	Kettering (JV & V)	A	
Jan. 21	Lanthrop Invitational		
Jan. 24	Ferndale	A	6:30
Jan. 26	Lake Orion (JV & V)	H	6:30
Jan. 31	Clawson, Troy, Mott	A	6:00
Feb. 2	Brandon (JV & V)	A	6:00
Feb. 7	Lathrup (JV & V)	A	
Feb. 9	Pontiac Northern (JV & V)	A	6:00
Feb. 11	League		
Feb. 14	Kimball, Avondale	H	4:30
Feb. 18	Districts (JV & V)		
Feb. 25	Regionals		
Mar. 3	Finals		

Sashabaw Junior High School Wrestling

Dec. 12	Reuther	A	4:00
Dec. 15	Andover	H	6:30
Jan. 5	VanHoosen	A	4:00
Jan. 10	Lake Orion	H	6:30
Jan. 17	Lahser	H	6:30
Jan. 26	Clarkston	A	6:30
Jan. 31	Lake Orion	A	6:30
Feb. 8	Beecher	H	6:30
Feb. 10	Webb	A	4:00
Feb. 21	Rochester West	H	6:30
Feb. 22	Clarkston	H	6:30

Clarkston Junior High School Wrestling

Dec. 8	Lahser	A	4:00
Dec. 14	VanHoosen	A	4:00
Jan. 10	Beecher	A	4:00
Jan. 13	Webb	H	4:00
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Jan. 24	Rochester West	H	6:30
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Feb. 1	Reuther	H	6:30
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Feb. 14	Lake Orion	A	6:30
Feb. 22	Sashabaw	A	6:30

Skiing

CLARKSTON HIGH SCHOOL SKI TEAM

1-4	Lahser	Pine Knob	4:00
1-10	Adams	Pine Knob	4:00
1-12	Andover	Pine Knob	4:00
1-19	Lake Orion	Pine Knob	4:00
1-24	Lady of the Lakes	Pine Knob	4:00
1-30	Rochester	Pine Knob	4:00
2-1	Pontiac Catholic	Pine Knob	4:00
2-6	Country Day	Pine Knob	4:00
2-9	Pine Knob Div.	Pine Knob	4:00
2-16	Regionals	Pine Knob	
2-22	Southeastern Championship		
2-27	State Finals	Mt. Holly Nubs Knob	

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Sports

Dashing through the snow

Cross-country skier strides for competition

By Dan Vandenhemel

Just a pair of thin knickers, long socks, a sweater, hat and gloves are not the usual amount of clothes worn outside in freezing temperatures...unless you're a cross-country skier.

Cross-country or Nordic skiing varies considerably from downhill skiing.

There is no waiting in line for a lift. Instead, a person is in constant motion, pumping his or her arms, gliding along on 3-inch-wide skis.

For racers, it's even more work.

"Oh you work up quite a sweat," said Dave Fritzing. "Sometimes the sweat freezes and icicles form on your ears and mustache."

For the past two years, Fritzing, of Robertson Court, Clarkston, has been a cross-country skier. After starting as a casual skier, the 45-year-old roofing contractor has turned to racing.

From the first weekend in January until the snow melts in March, a race can be found almost every weekend throughout the state.

"I just got back from a race in Mancelona (near Traverse City)," Fritzing said. "It was the first one of the year—I don't think I did very well. I love to

compete. I'm a very competitive person."

The races vary in length, anywhere from 10 kilometers to the 60 kilometer Berkiebeiner Race in Hayward, Wisc.

"I went to that one last year," Fritzing said. "I finished in 4 hours and 50 minutes; not a great time, but a good one for me. The winner finished around two-and-one-half hours. That's the most popular race. Close to 10,000 skiers participate in it each year."

Besides being fun, cross-country skiing is one of the best forms of exercise, Fritzing said.

"Every part of your body gets into the act," he said. "Your arms, legs, lungs. I've heard it's better than swimming. It's a good wintertime sport."

For the serious skier, snow and cold temperatures are not musts to have a good workout. A

person can ski anytime of the year—all he or she needs is a set of roller skis.

Roller skis are about 3-feet long and most have a single wheel in front and two in back. With a set of graphite poles, any road or sidewalk is a Nordic trail.

"They look like long roller skates," Fritzing said. "I usually take them out once a week during the year. It duplicates your skiing motion."

As member of the Ullr ski club, Fritzing and the 25 other members have practice sessions once a week to stay in shape. Most of the club members live in Oakland County.

Ullr, a Nordic god, is described in "Larousse World Mythology" as a hunter who traveled about the woods on snowshoes, the forerunners of skis, and who liked running across vast expanses of ice and shooting game with his arrows.

Related story

Where to go

Where are the places to go for cross-country skiing in the Clarkston area?

Independence Oaks County Park on Sashabaw Road, Independence Township, offers rental equipment on Fridays through Mondays, and \$5 will rent the skis, boots and poles. The park is open seven days a week from 8 a.m. to dusk. Cost to enter the park is \$2.50 per car for county residents and \$4 for non-residents. Annual stickers are available. For more information call 625-0877.

Springfield Oaks County Park on Andersonville Road, Springfield Township, allows skiing on the golf course but there are no rentals. The course is open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Mondays through Fridays and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. For more information call 625-8133.

Indian Springs Metropark on White Lake Road, Springfield Township, allows skiing in the park. There are no rentals and the cost to enter the park is \$2 daily per vehicle or \$7 for an annual sticker. It is open 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesdays through Sundays. The phone number is 625-2781.

Springlake Country Club on Maybee Road, Independence Township, also allows skiers on the course. They have no rental equipment, and it is free to go there. The course is open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. seven days a week. The phone number is 625-3731.



Dashing through the snow on his cross-country skis is Dave Fritzing. Racing and casual ski-

ing are good exercise because the skier uses his or her entire body, he says.

Wolves pull out victory in final minute

By Dan Vandenhemel

Dan Fife received an early Christmas gift from the Clarkston Wolves as they defeated West Bloomfield, 44-41.

Varsity coach Fife admitted to not having a very good coaching game. But the varsity Wolves came through and won the game in the final minute of play.

Craig Kulaszewski made a pair of free throws with 19 seconds left to clinch their third victory in four games.

"That put us up by three," Fife said. "He came through well."

The Lakers fell to 1-4 and were led by Todd Krumm. West Bloomfield's all-everything with 21

points.

A slow-down offense kept the scoring lower and kept the Lakers in the game.

"They worked the ball around the whole game," Fife said. "They would make six, eight, 10 passes before taking a shot."

"That's where I made the coaching mistakes," he said. "I should have tried to pick up the tempo of the game. The kids played good but we played their game, not ours."

The Wolves led the entire game until the final minutes. During the last 60 seconds, Clarkston scored six points. Erik Kline hit two of his 13 points to retake the lead. Dave Jokisch and Chris Bruce followed with

11 and nine points.

"When Erik came back in, we were able to pick up the tempo," Fife said. "The defense was set back and letting them pass the ball around."

"We had scouted them earlier and knew what to expect. But since then they've changed a lot around."

The Wolves have trouble playing on the road but managed wins at Davison and West Bloomfield. At home, they have played well twice but lost to Detroit Catholic Central and beat Waterford Mott.

Fife does not see this as a pattern developing. "The first road game against Davison we might have been a little nervous," he said. "Against West Bloomfield, it was my fault. I'm just glad we won."

Decoration tradition

Santa slips into the Independence Township home of Ron and Judy Galley on Dec. 6. He leaves a small gift, a Christmas decoration of some sort, for 9-year-old Jeff. What it means, says Judy, is it's time to begin decorating for the holiday.

"I think everywhere you look in the house should have a little bit of (Christmas)," she says. "Even everyone's bedroom should have something."

Each of their three children used to have a small Christmas tree of their own in their rooms, but Michael, 16, and Brian, 14, have opted this year for strings of Christmas lights.

Jeff is the one who keeps the tradition alive. He has his own box of ornaments including construction paper chains he made last year, and this year's Dec. 6 gift from Santa—an ornament sporting Garfield, the popular cartoon cat.

Highlights in the rest of the Galleys' home on Valley Park Drive include a collection of toys in the foyer, a huge Christmas tree in the living room, a smaller one in the family room surrounded by a ceramic village and nine centerpieces and arrangements made of pine boughs and accoutrements.

Judy and her partner, Marianne Gowlin, own Clarkston's Flower Adventure, a florist and gift shop, so it's no surprise she has the talent.

The question is, however, how she finds the time.

Judy says it's a matter of priorities.

"People ask us all the time if we decorate our houses or if we have our shopping done, but I decorate at night or early in the morning," she says. "Yesterday I spent all evening making centerpieces instead of baking cookies or going grocery shopping or doing the laundry. I try to get the others to do those things."

Ron and the boys decorate the outside of their home—the garlands around the fence, wreath on the garage door and the placing of their 25-year-old Santa figure.

Traditions. They're what Christmas is all about.
—Kathy Greenfield



After asking his mom for some pennies, Jeff has a piece of candy-coated bubble gum from the dispenser arranged with other toys in the

Galley's foyer. Included in the collection are dolls from Judy's childhood and toys outgrown by her three sons.



The angel's not quite straight on the top of the family room Christmas tree, so Michael works to correct the problem.



Judy Galley's dining room has that holiday look. The wrapped chandelier, centerpiece and

arrangement atop the china cabinet leave no doubt it's Christmas.

Around Town



Local events open to the public are printed in Around Town as a community service. Call 625-3370 or write to The Clarkston News, 5 S. Main, Clarkston, MI 48016 two weeks in advance.

Wednesday, Jan. 4—Preschool Story Times at the Independence Township Library; free; for 3- to 5-year-olds; 10 and 11 a.m.; songs, games, stories and the films "I Know an Old Lady Who Swallowed a Fly" and "Fish that Almost Drowned"; 6495 Clarkston Rd., Independence Township. (625-2212)

Wednesday, Jan. 4—After School Movie Hour at the Independence Township Library; free; for first-through sixth-graders; 4:30 p.m.; films planned are "Happy Prince," Oscar Wilde's classic story of the beautiful statue adorned with precious jewels, and "Man, the Snake and the Fox," an Ojibway Indian legend; 6495 Clarkston, Independence Township. (625-2212)

Saturday, Jan. 7—Cross-country ski tour at Indian Springs Metropark in Springfield Township; 10 a.m. to noon; bring your own skis; trail is excellent for beginners; free with park vehicle entrance fee of \$2 or \$7 annually; advance registration required. (625-2781)

Sunday, Jan. 8—Wilderness Survival, a two-hour indoor/outdoor program at the Indian Springs Metropark in Springfield Township; 1 p.m.; to prepare persons for life-threatening situations that could occur in the wilderness; free with park vehicle entry fee of \$2 daily or \$7 annually; pre-registration required. (625-2781)

Monday and Tuesday, Jan. 9 and 10—Tickets for the next Clarkston Village Players' production "Don't Step on My Footprint," 7 p.m. at the Deer Lake Theatre, 4861 White Lake, Independence Township; three female and four male parts of various ages needed for the comedy; performances scheduled March 23, 24, 30 and 31 at the Deer Lake Racquet Club. (625-9319)

Immunization clinic closes

There will no longer be a free immunization clinic conducted by the Oakland County Health Division in Independence Township.

The last of the monthly clinics at the Knights of Columbus Hall on Maybee Road was held Dec. 1.

"There was no longer a need to have a children's immunization clinic there," said Julie Sochalski, supervisor of the general clinic.

The clinic was one of several established across the county to help bring up the immunizations for children.

But the number of clients decreased, and

township residents live only about seven miles from the county clinic in Pontiac, she said.

Hours at the Pontiac walk-in clinic, at 1200 Telegraph are Mondays from noon to 4:30 p.m. 5:30 to 8 p.m., and Tuesdays through Fridays, 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. and 1 to 4:30 p.m.

Immunizations are available for measles, mumps, man measles, DPT and polio. TB skin testing is available. Children under 18 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian and shot records are required. For more information call 858-1301.

Conference cares for children

The Child Health Conference is a service for needy children from birth to age 5 provided by the Oakland County Health Division.

"(It's) basically for well children, an ongoing preventive service for families who cannot provide this kind of care," said Ellen Lagerquist, Child Health Care Conference coordinator.

"We have served many families in the Clarkston area," she added.

Clients are scheduled by appointment for sessions held twice monthly at the Church of the Resurrection on Clarkston Road, Independence Township,

one of 14 sites throughout the county.

The tax-supported program provides physical examinations, immunizations, and counseling by a public health nurse on nutrition, growth and development and other questions that may arise.

In order to participate, needy families must register a child by his or her second birthday.

Residents whose children may be eligible can call 858-1311 for more information.

They will be contacted by a public health nurse prior to enrollment in the Child Health Conference.

AREA CHURCHES AND THEIR WORSHIP HOUR

<p>SASHABAW UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 5300 Maybee Road, Clarkston 9:30 Church School 11:00 Worship Co-pastors: Jenny H. & William C. Schram Phone 673-3101</p>	<p>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</p>	<p>PINE KNOB COMMUNITY CHURCH 3041 Reeder Road off Clintonville Pontiac, Michigan Ken Hauser Worship 10:15 a.m. & 6 p.m.</p>	<p>MT. BETHEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Jossman and Bald Eagle Lake Rds. Pastor, David L. Davenport Church Worship 11:00 a.m. School 10:00 a.m. Phone 793-2291 Coffee Hr. & Fellowship 9:30 a.m.</p>	<p>ST. TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH 7925 Sashabaw Road 625-4644 Sunday School 9:45 Worship Service 8:30 & 11:00 a.m. Nursery 11 a.m. Rev. Michael Klafehn</p>
<p>CLARKSTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 6600 Waldon Road Rev. James R. Balfour Worship & Church School 10 a.m.</p>	<p>ST. DANIEL CATHOLIC CHURCH Holcomb at Miller Rd. Father Charles E. Cushing Sunday Masses 7:45, 9, 10:30 and 12:00 Sat. 5 p.m. & 7 p.m.</p>	<p>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</p>	<p>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</p>	<p>TEMPLE OF LIGHT SPIRITUAL CENTER for Healing, Learning & Worship Pastor, Rev. John Wilson 9644 Susin Lane off Davisburg Road 625-4294 Sunday Service 1:00 p.m.</p>
<p>GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH 1950 Baldwin, Lake Orion, MI 48035 391-1170 Family Worship 9:30 Pastor James H. Van Dellen</p>	<p>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH 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.</p>	<p>CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH INDEPENDENT NEW TESTAMENT Gene Paul, Minister 3246 Lapeer Rd. (M-24 near I-75) Bible School 9:45; Morning Worship 11 a.m. Evening Worship 6:00</p>	<p>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</p>	<p>TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 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</p>
<p>OLD FASHIONED PENTECOSTAL CHURCH Rev. Omer Brewer 5785 Clarkston Rd. Sunday School 10:30 Sunday Evening Service 7:00</p>	<p>DRAYTON HEIGHTS FREE METHODIST CHURCH Corner of Winnell and Maybee Rd. Rev. Clancy J. Thompson 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Worship Hour - 6:00 Vespers Wednesday, 7 p.m. Family Night</p>	<p>CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH 6805 Bluegrass Drive Rev. Robert D. Walters, D. Min. Fall Service starts Sept. 11th Sunday Church School at 9:15 a.m. for 3 yr. olds adult Worship at 8 & 10:30 a.m. Nursery at both services</p>	<p>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</p>	<p>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 Worship 11 a.m. - Nursery provided</p>
<p>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 Lunford</p>	<p>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.</p>	<p>MARANATHA BAPTIST CHURCH 5790 Flemings Lake Road Rev. Philip W. Somers Worship 11:00 a.m.</p>	<p>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 De Mars 673-8718</p>	<p>SEYMOUR LAKE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Sashabaw at Seymour Lk. Rd. Rev. J. Douglas Paterson Sunday School 9 a.m. - 10 a.m. Coffee Fellowship 10 a.m. Worship Service - 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 Nursery Provided</p>
<p>LAKE LOUISE CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE M-15 at W. Seymour Lake Rd., Orionville 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</p>	<p>PENTACOSTAL TABERNACLE 9650 Orionville Rd. Worship 11 a.m. & 7 p.m. Thurs. Nite Prayer 7 p.m. Pastor, David McMurray Singing Last Saturday of Month</p>	<p>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</p>	<p>EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION 6490 Clarkston Road Rev. Alexander Stewart Worship 8 a.m., 10 a.m. Church & Nursery Usings 1928 Prayer Book</p>	<p>SPIRITUALIST CHURCH OF THE GOOD SAMARITANS 5401 Oak Park off Maybee Rd. Rev. Beryl Hiss, 623-1074 Sunday Evening Worship 7 p.m. Silver Tea Last Sat. of each month at 2 p.m.</p>
<p>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF DAVISBURG 12881 Anersonville Road, Davisburg Rev. Robert R. Hazen, Pastor Phone 634-9225 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 8:30 p.m.</p>	<p>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 623-1268</p>	<p>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 Wheaton, Pastor</p>	<p>ANDERSONVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH 10350 Andersonville Rev. Wallace Duncan Worship 11:00 a.m.</p>	

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- Sheriff's log - More supervision for DPW

Monday, thieves broke into a barn on Rattalee Lake Road, Springfield Township, and stole two \$200 chain saws and a \$240 grinder.

Tuesday, thieves broke into a house on Hillcrest Drive, Springfield Township, and stole \$250 in cash, a saw and ladder.

Tuesday, thieves cut a \$150 spruce from a lot on Hidden Trail, Independence Township.

Wednesday, thieves attempted to break into a house on Farley Road, Springfield Township. Unable to gain entry, they left.

Wednesday, thieves broke into a garage on Ellis Road, Springfield Township, and stole a \$5,000 plow.

By Marilyn Trumper

Independence Township's department of public works will soon have a general foreman.

On Dec. 20, in a 5-1 vote, the board approved the position and its \$22,000 salary.

"Now we can get on with posting and filling the job. The union's already approved it," said DPW Director George Anderson said, indicating the leading candidate comes from the DPW's rank and file with an \$18,000-a-year salary.

"I needed another line beneath me for management purposes, between me and the bargaining unit," Anderson said. "Someone to organize the work schedule."

The foreman is to be responsible for all work scheduling in the water, sewer and cemetery departments and, in the absence of the full-time plumbing

inspector, to perform plumbing, heating and sewer tap inspections.

Trustee Larence Kozma was the lone dissenter, and after the meeting he explained his vote.

"I don't believe it's necessary," Kozma said. "We're paying him \$4,000 a year more for doing essentially the same job. If he's going to be management, he shouldn't remain in the union. We're making him a foreman, a management position. To keep him in the union is ludicrous."

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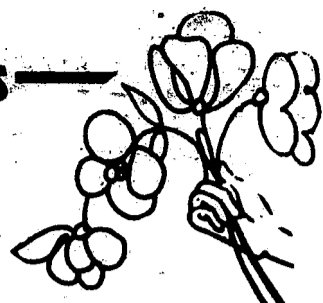
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The Clarkston High School's donation of over 2,600 canned goods, along with a \$300 contribution from the American Legion Post 63, \$200 from the Independence Township Senior Citizens and \$80 from the First Presbyterian Church, provided over 45 baskets to fellow seniors and needy families.

The senior citizens also volunteered their time to collect names, cross reference their list with other service organizations giving holiday baskets, make up the baskets according to family size, and delivery.

The baskets contained a turkey, fresh fruit, bread, and a host of canned goods.

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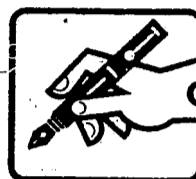
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Hugh Garner receives the state's certificate of need for his proposed senior citizen complex, Clarkston Place.

State Rep. Mat Dunaskiss (R-61st District) fails to capture his party's nomination for the senate race and will complete his term.

Pediatrician James O'Neill, M.D., explores the pregnancy phenomenon among local teens. "It's a rare day someone doesn't come in worried about being pregnant," he says.

In Clarkston Ambulatory Clinic's first night of operation, O'Neill sees two patients, one for the flu, the second for an injured foot.

DEC. 14, 1983

The Independence Township Board hires a school liaison/crime prevention deputy over objections from leading personnel at the Oakland County Sheriff's Department. Capt. James Curtis and Detective Sgt. Roger Allen want more road patrol.

The Clarkston school district's board of education ratifies the 1984-85 teacher's contract which includes a 6 percent salary increase.

The assistant principal at Clarkston Junior High resigns, effective Jan. 22, for a job in the private sector. Cecelia Wiar will be the new vice president in charge of operations for DeAngelis & Co., Troy.

DEC. 21, 1983

Independence Township firefighters oppose a proposed schedule the board says will eliminate \$19,000 in overtime. Firefighters say only \$4,000 was paid in overtime last year, and that the contract doesn't address the addition of a shift-man position.

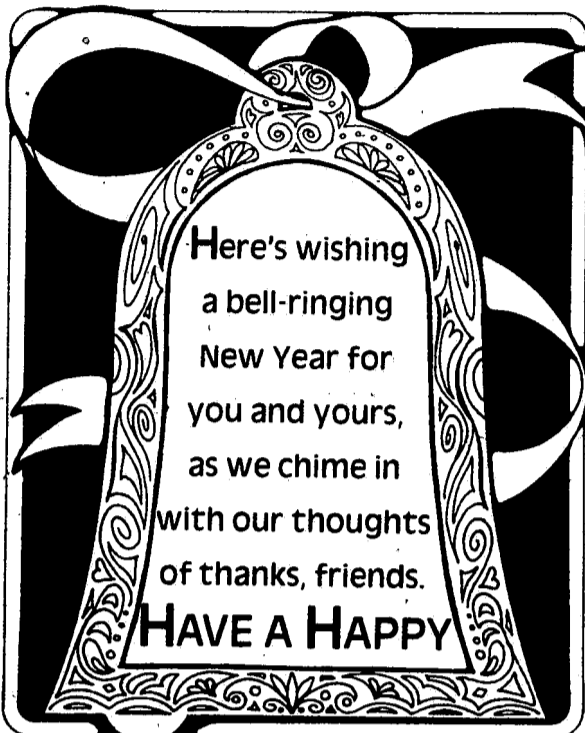
Builders, realtors and developers no longer give gifts to employes at Independence Township Hall. Not one box of candy crosses a counter this holiday season.

The Clarkston Village Council adopts a park ordinance so police have laws to enforce rather than rules. On a humorous note, one portion of the ordinance says all deadly snakes in Depot Road Park

must be immediately reported to the village president.

Following a public hearing to explore police protection priorities, the Springfield Township board hires a third deputy to patrol the rural township.

There's no race for Clarkston Village Council's March election. All candidates run unopposed for the two-year terms, and there is one less trustee candidate than there are openings.



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