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## Eby buys newspaper

BY TRACY KING  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

After living in Independence Township for nine years, Raymond J. Eby had decided to accept a job in Denver, and make the city home for his large family.

After six months and much deliberation, Eby was back in Michigan, fulfilling his dream of buying a newspaper business.

A deal to purchase Schmitt Publishing Co., Inc., from the paper's founder, Rudolph Schmitt, was completed in early December.

The 25-year-old Saginaw company publishes The Township Times, a weekly newspaper with a paid circulation of 6,800, said Eby, who resides on Bitterbush.

"In Denver, I made some decisions," he said. "I like the midwest; I was raised here. And I've always wanted to own my own newspaper business."

After making the decision to come back to Michigan, he began to look for opportunities, he said.

"Two other opportunities came up, but I decided to go with Saginaw," he said.

"Saginaw is a good community, with a good quality of life. Like Clarkston, it's kind of an unknown commodity in the state," he said.

For now, Eby plans to continue the 61-mile daily commute between Clarkston and Saginaw.

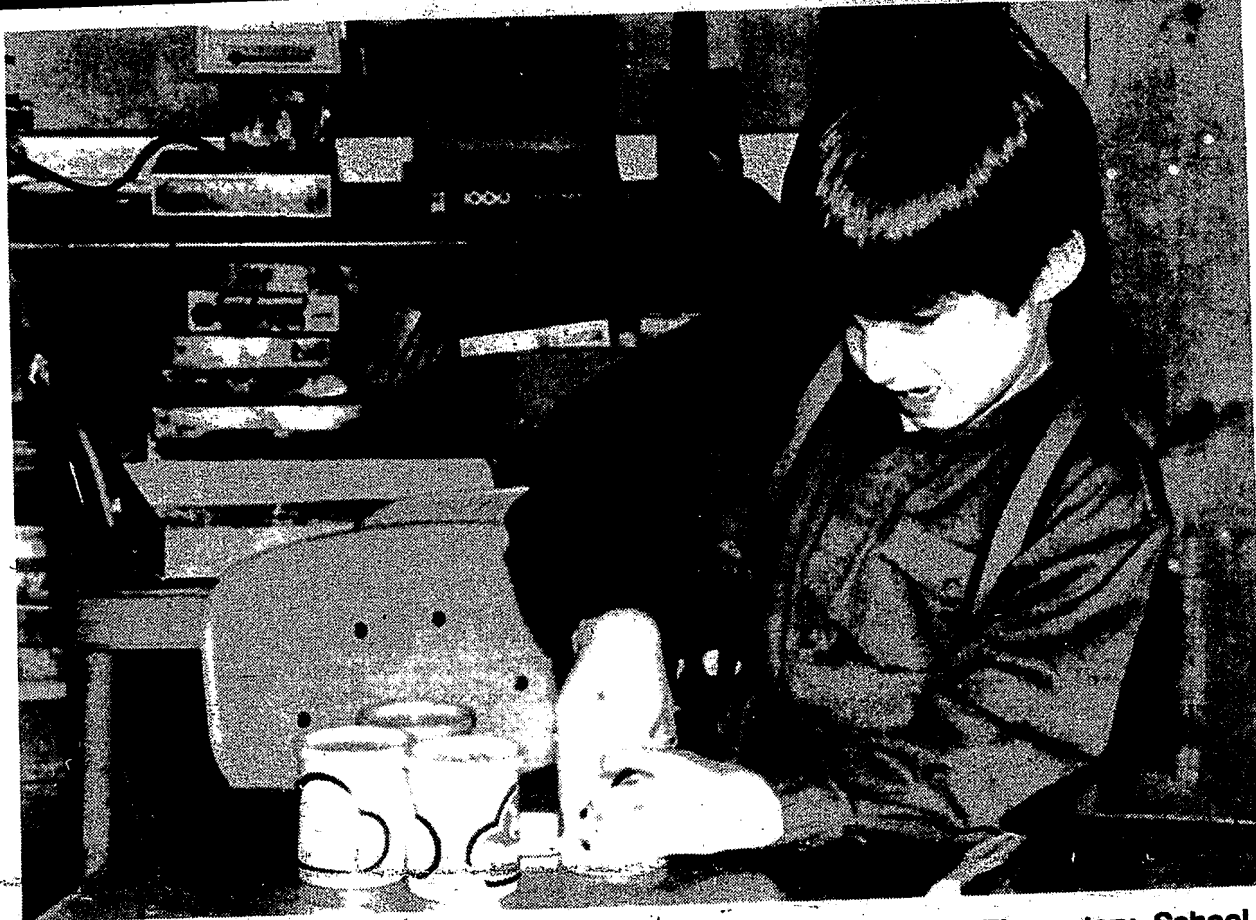
Uprooting his sizable family, he said, will happen when it fits.

Eby is husband to Jan and father to Matt, 18, David, 16, Dan, 13, Beth, 11, Cathy, 8, and Steve, 4, whose names and ages he rattles off with surprising speed.

The family attends the Calvary Lutheran Church in Clarkston, is active in Clarkston school athletics and in supporting school millage issues.

Eby brings to The Township Times experience he gathered while working at The Chicago Daily News, The Chicago Tribune, The Wall Street Journal, The Detroit News and The Denver Post.

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JOSH JARVIS, 6, tries his hardest to get the clay out of the cannisters during Latch Key Monday at Clarkston Elementary School. (Photo by Julie Campe)

## Pine Knob ski lift entangles girl

BY TRACY KING  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Jennifer Zimmer, 15, of Orion Township prepared to get off the chairlift at Pine Knob Ski Resort in Independence Township Jan. 5 like she had many times before.

On that afternoon, however, her ski coat became tangled in the lift, dangling her back down the ski hill for 15 minutes by a mere nylon drawstring.

Zimmer suffered bruises to her stomach, but otherwise was not injured.

"She was pretty shook up," said Mark Tibbitts, Pine Knob general manager, who said he heard about the incident when Zimmer was in the air.

With the lift operating at slow speed, Zimmer was rescued at the bottom of the hill.

"My first concern was for her safety; my second concern was about why the equipment didn't run properly," he said.

Tibbitts said lift operators were unable to stop the lift because two wires in a safety system simultaneously shorted out. The system is designed to automatically halt the lift if someone fails to get off.

"We're working now to make sure the same thing doesn't happen again," Tibbitts said.

State of Michigan officials visited Pine Knob on Monday to inspect the lift equipment and gave its operators a clean bill of health, according to Tibbitts.

Once the lift incident was over, Zimmer received first aid and was checked out for injuries. Tibbitts said she then resumed skiing.

## Crash kills teen

It was dark and foggy late in the evening Jan. 6, when a vehicle traveling eastbound on Davisburg Road, Springfield Township, left the roadway, spun, and hit a tree, killing 25-year-old Tony Walker of Fenton, a passenger in the car.

The driver of the car, Joseph Morgan Starr, 19, of Thistleridge, Holly, told police that one of three people in the back seat had reached around and covered his right eye causing him to lose control.

According to an Oakland County Sheriff's Department report, the vehicle left the roadway, fishtailed to 180 degrees, and while going backwards struck a tree on the driver's side just rear of the door.

None of the vehicle's five occupants were wearing seat belts at the time of the accident.

Walker was taken to Pontiac Osteopathic Hospital where he was pronounced dead on Jan. 7.

Starr and a passenger, Becky Gosh, 16, of Pontiac, were taken to St. Joseph's Mercy Hospital in Flint where they were treated and released.

Taken to Hurley Hospital in Flint were: Brian Reedy, 20, who was listed in fair condition Monday, and James Nagy, 25, of Linden, who was treated and released on Jan. 8.

Charges against Starr are pending the investigation, according to the police report.



RAYMOND J. EBY, of Clarkston, is the new owner of Saginaw's Township Times, which celebrates its 25th anniversary in May. Eby recently returned to Michigan from Denver.

### Send us your Valentine stories

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# Springfield growth remains steady at 9 percent

BY PAT YOUNG  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

The rate of growth in Springfield Township continued at about the same level in 1988 as it has for the past two years.

There were 279 permits issued in 1988 for a total of \$68,317 in construction, compared to 255 and \$59,963 in 1987, according to annual building report figures.

That's an increase in value of \$16.3 million, according to Supervisor Collin Walls, and about a 9 percent rate of growth.

Permits are necessary for new buildings as well as additions, decks, garages, pools, barns and other projects.

New dwellings accounted for 112 permits in 1988, compared to 124 in 1987. But there were also eight permits issued for a total of 34 condominium units in Springfield Township in 1988.

There were nine permits issued for remodeling in 1988, compared to 12 in 1987, and 18 permits issued for additions, compared to 16 last year. Thirty permits were issued for new garages, compared to 26 in 1987.

## Township man buys newspaper

(NEWSPAPER, from previous page)

After working for larger dailies, owning a smaller weekly paper is a welcome change, he said.

"I believe a newspaper is an important part of a community, and it appears that the larger the paper, the farther it gets from the community," he said.

Readers of The Township Times may notice changes in the paper in upcoming months -- Eby plans to include color print and will expand the paper from one to two sections.

As for his biggest challenge, Eby said he simply wants to learn the business and run a good newspaper.

Permits for pools, decks and porches were up four, from 19 to 23 in 1988.

Industrial and commercial permits totaled five in 1988, the same as 1987. This is a combination of new construction and additions to existing buildings.

In 1988, a large industrial construction project was the rebuilding of the Tra-Tech Midwest van conversion plant on Dixie Highway, which sustained about \$3 million in damages during an Aug. 10 fire.

"Hopefully, there will be no faster rate of growth," said Walls of the overall growth picture in Springfield Township. "With a part-time building department, we're at the breaking point."

If there is a significant increase in 1989, Walls said they would have to make some adjustments in the

## Jan. 26 hearing for mobile home park

Residents in Independence Township may want to show up at a Jan. 26 public hearing before the planning commission on a proposed manufactured home subdivision.

In November, the hearing was tentatively scheduled for Jan. 12, but is now set for 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 26, at the township annex, 90 N. Main St., Clarkston.

The developer, Greg Christopher, is seeking a rezoning for 76.33 acres off Clintonville Road near I-75 from rural residential to planned unit development (PUD).

APUD is a rezoning that's tied to a specific site plan and needs approvals from the planning commission and township board.

Christopher plans about 305 manufactured homes, which are like mobile homes, only the trailer and wheels are not left on the structure but removed after transportation.

building department by 1990.

But, he added, there is some indication of more condominium projects in Springfield Township. The advantage to that, he said, is that the building inspector spends less time on an inspection of a number of condos than for the same number of single family residences where there is more travel time involved.

"If the condo building increases," he said, "it's not as big a problem (for the building department)."

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# New program to promote fitness for teachers

BY PAT YOUNG  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

It's CGIF at the Clarkston schools. That's "Clarkston Gets Into Fitness," and it's the theme for a new employee wellness program in the district.

Dr. Robert Burek, principal at Clarkston High School, and Becky Craig, a CHS special education teacher at CHS, were on hand at the Jan. 9 school board meeting to report on the new program.

Burek and Katie MacKay, coordinator of the SEARCH program at CHS, also updated the board on the progress of an employee assistance program (EAP) which is still in the planning stages. The two new programs will compliment each other and offer employees of the Clarkston school district a comprehensive wellness/assistance program.

The wellness program is already off and running, literally.

The high school and Sashabaw Junior High are open week nights for walkers, and the high school weight room is available two nights a week for employees. Many of the elementary schools offer after-school aerobics programs for staff, and the tech center is offering "walking breaks" instead of coffee breaks.

Efforts to start a district wellness program began a year ago. A district-wide committee, formed in September and spearheaded by Burek and Craig, expanded on it.

In addition to the district-wide committee, there are individual building committees, and "energizers," or building representatives on the district committee who go back to their own committees with ideas and enthusiasm to "customize" programs for their buildings.

Two new wellness programs were kicked off last week, Craig said.

The "Clarkston Community Schools Travel Around the World" program is one where employees will "bike, ski, walk, swim, run, row and dance their way around the world," she explained. They will add up the

miles covered through the end of the year, and the winning building will get the trophy—a size 15 tennis shoe.

There will be building competition for the other new program, too, she said—the "Clarkston Meltdown" program. The building which, collectively, loses the most weight will win the "spare tire" trophy.

After her report, Board President Janet Thomas said some board members suggested that the board get in on the competition, too. It was not clear, however, if this was a "unanimous" decision, but Craig said the spare tire award would look great in the meeting room.

The wellness program for Clarkston district em-

ployees is strictly voluntary, and a \$5 fee is charged to participate in the program.

Craig pointed out in a later interview that all 26 districts in Oakland County are either already doing something with wellness or in the planning stages of a program.

"Why wellness?" said Craig, who is a certified fitness specialist with the American College of Sports Medicine. "The most valuable asset of our district is our employees. And healthy employees are happy employees."

"If you feel better about yourself," she added. "You do a better job."

## Schools to help teachers, staff

One of two new programs launched in the Clarkston school district this year is the Employee Assistance Program (EAP).

While still in the planning stages, the new program will work in conjunction with another new program already underway -- the employee wellness program.

A committee to study the feasibility of the EAP was headed by Dr. Robert Burek, Clarkston High School principal, and Katie MacKay, who coordinates the SEARCH program at the high school.

"This program will provide all employees in the district an avenue to deal effectively with crisis problems in their life," MacKay said.

And, she added, it gives the school board and community a chance to let them know they care.

EAP would deal with any crisis an employee had, from legal or financial problems to marital problems and drug abuse.

"Most importantly, the program gives people permission to ask for help," MacKay said. "And it creates a safe atmosphere to talk about any kind of need."

Right now, the committee is in the process of identifying agencies the district could contract with for

the service. MacKay said they hope to be able to recognize an agency by late winter or early spring.

Other considerations are cost effectiveness, making sure the district gets feedback so they would know if the program is being used and working, and doing inservices to educate administrators, union heads and employees about the program.

The committee has the backing of the various school unions and association for EAP. And, MacKay said, the program was one of the needs identified by a survey among employees last year, along with wellness and stress management. The district sponsored a stress management seminar last year for employees.

The employee assistance program must be helpful, not punitive, said MacKay, who has had much success with the SEARCH program in helping students with drug or alcohol problems and in educating students about chemical abuse. (SEARCH is an acronym for Support, Education, Awareness, Resources for Chemical-free Health.)

"SEARCH gives kids permission to feel okay as people," she said. "I think we can do that amongst our own employees, too."



Happy birthday, times five

THE L'ESPERANCE QUINTUPLETS returned to William Beaumont Hospital, Royal Oak, on Jan. 5 to celebrate their first birthday a little early. The quintets, born Jan. 11, 1988, were the nation's first "test tube" quintuplets. The

quints' brothers, Christopher, 6, (left) and Larry, 8, blow out the candles on the cake. From left: Michele L'Esperance holds Veronica; obstetrician Dr. Lenny Hutton holds Danielle; IVF social worker Karen Wood-

house holds Alexandria; Raymond L'Esperance holds Erica and Raymond. The L'Esperances, who live in Springfield Township, also have another son, Brian, 3.

**More information needed**

# Village council delays Deer Lake condo decision

**BY PETER AUCHTER**  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Too many unanswered questions kept plans for an eight-lot condominium project adjacent to Deer Lake on hold.

Developer Rudy Lozano, representing Vintage Construction Co., presented a new site plan to Clarkston Village Council members Jan. 9, seeking site plan approval.

Instead, the council ordered his engineers to draw up more precise plans and present them to the village's engineer (Hubble, Roth and Clark) and to council members before they would act on the matter.

The council also called for special attention to the filling in of area wetlands for construction.

"You have one shot at a wetland," said Trustee Douglas Roeser. "We have a responsibility to the people who will be here 100 years from now when nobody remembers your name or mine."

The project, called Village West, contains six acres off White Lake Road and is like a small subdivision, only the condo association would own the land and the homeowner would own the building site in which a house of any design could be built.

The condo association is to provide garbage removal and lawn and road maintenance, and no boats are to be launched from the beach property.

Originally, the plans called for nine lots but it was scaled back to eight in order to gain Department of Natural Resources (DNR) approval due to the wetlands area.

Since the project lies in the village as well as Independence Township, Lozano needs the approval of both governmental bodies. In the past, the township planning commission said it will not act on the issue until the village decides since a majority of the land lies in Clarkston.

*"You have one shot at a wetland. We have a responsibility to the people who will be here 100 years from now when nobody remembers your name or mine."*

**Trustee Douglas Roeser**

When it became apparent no action would be taken Monday, Lozano became upset with the village council when it ask for more detailed drawings of the project.

"I can't see what the delay is going to accomplish," he said, adding that more detailed plans will be required before township approval anyway. "The rules change every time I turn around, and I have to pay for it."

Several homeowners who reside on Deer Lake spoke out at the meeting urging denial of the plan, saying it isn't in the public's best interest.

One major concern was the quick reversal of the DNR's decision to first deny a wetlands permit and then approve it two weeks later, said Joe Colucci, who was representing the Deer Lake Property Owners Association.

"It's not in the public's interest to build in a wetland," he said. "What are the circumstances that led to

the DNR reversal?

"This project is precedent setting. There are other wetlands (that could be built on) around the lake."

Also, the additional traffic entering and exiting the condo sites from two private drives off White Lake Road would present an unnecessary traffic hazard, he added.

"I recommend that you look at all the issues," he said. "Our concerns are several and we believe that you as village council members should do what is proper."

Lozano said it would take about a month to complete the plans the village council wants to see.

## Crash injures one

A 19-year-old Independence Township girl was injured when a car spun into a ditch on Maybee Road, Independence Township Jan. 4.

Milissa Charbonneau of Pine Knob Road was treated and released from Pontiac General Hospital. She was not wearing a seat belt at the time of the accident.

The vehicle was driven by Kelly Kizer, 21, of Pine Knob Trail, Independence Township.

A report filed with the Oakland County Sheriff's Department said the vehicle was eastbound on Maybee Road and was attempting to turn left onto Pine Knob Lane when the driver lost control.

The vehicle spun and landed in a ditch on the south side of Maybee Road, the report said.

Kizer, who was wearing a seat belt and was not injured, told police that he was unfamiliar with driving a stick shift which may have been a factor in the accident.

A second passenger in the car, also not wearing a seat belt, was not injured. No charges were filed in the incident.



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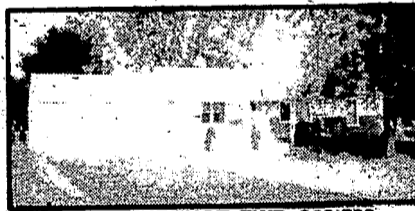
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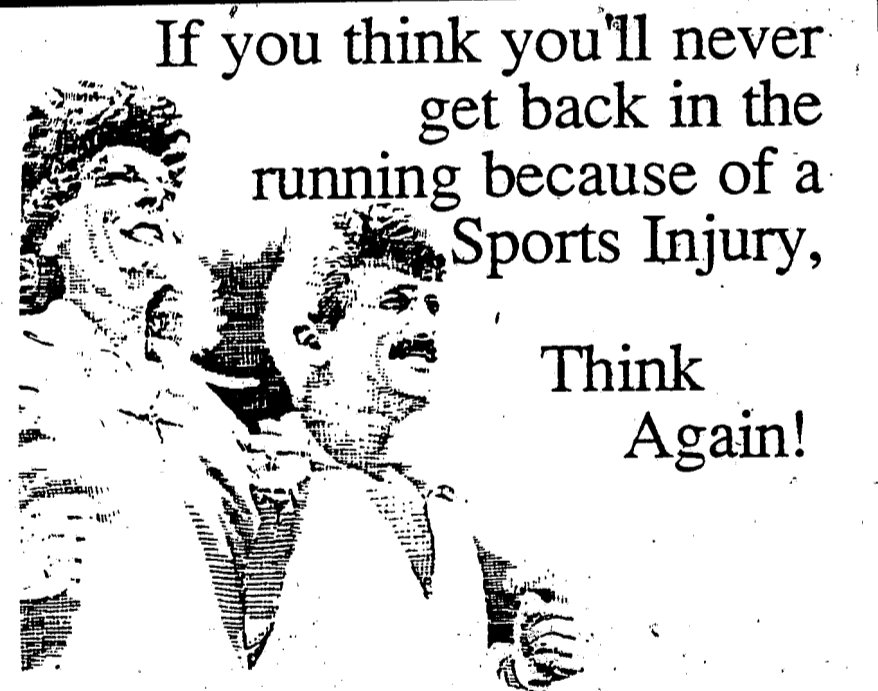


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# Citizens group organizing for better government

BY DON RUSH

For the people and by the people sounds like something US president Abraham Lincoln might have said, assessing how government should work.

Last Saturday about 20 people, residents from Oxford, Addison, Orion, Oakland and Independence townships, took the first steps to become a non-profit corporation — North Area Citizens Conference. NACC hopes to better the way local government works.

"I don't want to start a political party, but we are going to affect the politics in the townships," Henry Gleisner of Oxford said. Gleisner chaired the meeting.

The Saturday meeting was in Oxford's public library. NACC established 5 goals:

- 1. To ascertain the real aims and desires of the citizens and to advance those aims.
- 2. To make information available from the government to the residents and vice versa.
- 3. To promote good government management.
- 4. To enhance inter-township planning.
- 5. To advance ecological issues.

"Actually every one of these (goals) is important. We don't want to trade off one for the other," Gleisner said.

Gleisner called the meeting to order at 12:45 p.m. by opening it to comments from the audience. The first to speak was Virginia Piluras of Oxford Township.

"I think we all moved out here for the semi-rural — well, it was rural when we came out here — atmosphere. I want to keep it as rural as I can. I don't want industry. I don't think we need industry. Some say we need it for the tax base. I don't think so," she said, giving the floor to another Oxford resident, Jim Smith.

"We need a way to monitor all the different boards. We need somebody at all the meetings. Not everybody has the time to go," he said.

Orion resident Mary Heitjan, who also ran for that township's supervisor position, said she was pleased with the group.

"We are taking a step in the right direction, structuring from the top and then developing a process of getting

information out. I think it is a wonderful idea," she said.

Gleisner said townships need to ask questions of neighboring townships, when creating master plans. "In Addison Township they worked four years on a master plan. And what's interesting is that there is this imaginary line between Addison and Oxford. On one side, in Oxford, the land is zoned agricultural, 20 acres. On the other side, it is zoned suburban farms, three acres.

"They worked on this for four years, and I ask myself, 'Why didn't you ask your neighbor?' The sort of organization we are forming could have helped . . . the very fact that we have become vocal has made them (Oxford Township officials) jump, like they haven't jumped in years. Imagine what we could do if we were

Also at the meeting was Doug Carlson, chairman of COG (Citizens for Orderly Growth) in Independence Township. That group, he said, was starting to be listened to by government officials.

"We started by monitoring all meetings. And we requested every single agenda . . . We go through and pick an agenda item we want to fight. We want to preserve the

whole township," Carlson said.

He added that COG also did a random survey of 567 Independence residents and received 48 percent of the surveys back. They published the survey in The Clarkston News, and now use the survey results to back their purposes.

By a show of hands, Saturday's group voted to become a non-profit organization and elected four people to serve on an organizing committee: Mary Heitjan of Orion and Rodger Apple, Henry Gleisner and Mark Harries all of Oxford.

At the meeting, several members stressed the importance of being positive rather than negative. "The timing for this is perfect. It's not and shouldn't be reactionary," Heitjan said.

NACC has not scheduled another meeting, but representatives said there will be one. Any resident interested is welcome to attend. For more information call Heitjan, Apple, Gleisner or Harries. Their phone numbers are listed.

Don Rush is editor of the Oxford Leader.

## COG invited to growth meeting

After a year of its existence, COG members could find themselves working with Independence Township officials to solve townshipwide problems.

Township board members, predicting some tough years of community growth ahead, agreed to put forth an invitation to Citizens for Orderly Growth (COG), a group frequently critical of development plans considered by the township.

The board, in its Jan. 3 meeting, decided to invite COG to a meeting of the Intergovernmental Growth Management Group, a meeting of various Oakland County municipalities organized for the sharing of growth concerns and solutions.

"We're right at a growth spurt," said Treasurer John Lutz. "This might be a step in resolving some

problems before they come up."

COG representatives say the invitation would be welcome.

"I think we would be very responsive to any overture," said Doug Carlson, COG chairperson.

"Our intention in forming has been to work as a conduit between the township (residents) and the board. That's been our role, to say, 'Hey, lets work together.'"

Intergovernmental Growth Management Group meetings are organized by Kohl Secrest, a Farmington Hills law firm employing attorneys who serve as consultants to many Oakland County municipalities.

The group's next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, Jan. 12.

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## Opinions

Grass roots

Julie Campe



Working for a community newspaper, we reporters cover what is called "grass roots" government. This is the lowest level of government and the level on which individuals can have the most impact.

We get to see a resident fed up with something -- traffic, for instance -- show up and let off steam at a meeting. And we see how Frank Ronk or Collin Walls or Sharron Catalo handles it -- in most cases, with humor and some sort of solution, although, with traffic, there aren't too many courses.

The winter months, when not much else is going on, might be a good time to step into a few local government meetings, and put faces to the names that you read about or who you saw on the November ballot. It'll give you a feel for the workings in your town.

I'd suggest attending a Springfield Township Board meeting (the next one is 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 12), which meets the second Thursday of each month at 650 Broadway, Davisburg.

Since they only meet once a month, they usually have a heavy agenda, but Supervisor Collin Walls knows how to efficiently plow through the items. This might be a good time to visit because with all the new board members, the meeting will probably be filled with enthusiasm and fresh ideas.

You might remember Lois Stiles, who narrowly beat Joe Gorka for the treasurer's seat. She's a revered figure in the Clarkston area, where she and her husband one time operated a shoe store on Main Street, Clarkston.

New Trustee Nancy Strole is more than qualified for her position, and with fellow newcomers Dennis Vallad and Margaret Bloom, they should bring some interesting views to the board.

Then there's Steve Jantz, always in attendance at the meetings, dressed in a flannel shirt and jeans, who adds his two cents wherever it's needed and sometimes adds humor, too.

If you're into Cable TV, you might want to visit the Independence Township Board (which meets the first and third Tuesdays of each month, 7:30 p.m. at the township annex, 90 N. Main St., Clarkston). Those meetings are cablecast on Channel 65 by a crew headed by Joel Burnell.

The meetings are usually a little more crowded than Springfield because, with a population around 23,000, someone is likely to be affected by something on the agenda and will probably show up with their neighbors.

For a more philosophical bent, try the Clarkston Board of Education (it meets at 7:30 p.m. the second Monday of each month at the board office, 6389 Clarkston Road), which is forever concerned with abstract ideas and their practical applications. The board constantly struggles with too little money and too many needs, and maybe you'll even have some ideas for them on the long range plans on the education of children.

If you'd like a more casual setting for a meeting, try the Clarkston Village Council (second and fourth Mondays of each month, 7:30 p.m., 375 Depot Road), where there's usually time for a little conversation and a few jokes. Since cityhood is an ongoing issue, now is the time to become familiar with the problems, even if you don't live in the village boundaries.

## Editorial

### Spirit of Christmas touches youth

He was only a 5- or 6-year-old little boy, but in the eyes of some adults, namely volunteers who help people in need, he was a giant--with a heart to match.

This story unfolded on Saturday, Dec. 24, just in time to help spread a little more kindness on Christmas Eve. It was recounted to me after the first of the new year by the supervisor of Springfield Township, Collin Walls.

Collin's parents, Norris and Pauline Walls, are retired yet stay more active than ever through their involvement with a non-profit organization that provides food and other emergency services to people in need--Neighbor for Neighbor. In December alone, the organization provided food for 70 families in the North Oakland County area.

On Dec. 24, Pauline received a phone call from a Springfield Township man. It seemed his young son had heard about Neighbor for Neighbor and had been urging him to donate canned goods and other items to the cause.

As the holiday drew close, the boy said they had to do it soon, or it would be too late for Christmas, the father related to Pauline. The two were now waiting in downtown Davisburg to give her the donations.

Pauline drove down to meet them. While they were transferring items to her car, the little boy handed her a sack of pennies and small change. He had emptied his

piggy bank, saying that others needed the money more than he did.

Next, the little boy produced a large, gift-wrapped package which he had chosen from under his own Christmas tree. His father said the boy had noticed there were many gifts with his name on them and asked if he could donate one. He chose the largest one, with no idea what was in it.

Norris later returned home to find his wife, not normally prone to emotional outbursts, in tears over the little boy's thoughtfulness.

Caught up in the moment, she didn't remember their names, but did remember that the family lived on Autumn Glo (off Bridge Lake Road) in Springfield Township. Names or no names, it will be a long time before anyone forgets the kindness.

"Somewhere out there is a very proud father," Collin said.

And by the way, the large Christmas package was delivered by Santa Claus on Christmas Eve to a very needy family in the area, Collin said.

The Neighbor for Neighbor volunteers still don't know what was in it. But one thing is certain. The gift found its way into the hands of a needy child through that special Christmas magic which brings out the best in people--at any age.

-Pat Young



Jim Sherman

### Jim's Jottings

Clem Cleveland has been a big help to us in converting to computer typesetting. He's a former weekly newspaper editor, former public relations man for a couple school districts and now working in Washington, D.C. I asked him how much it costs for a car license in Virginia. I got more than I asked for. JAS

\* \* \*

Dear Jim,  
LICENSING A CAR IN VIRGINIA

I haven't got the slightest idea why anyone would want to own a car in this state, let alone drive one here. The congestion in the Washington, DC metropolitan area is a classic grid-lock. They have super-super highways: four, six and more lanes all headed in the same direction, even though the drivers don't drive that way.

During rush hour, you can travel on certain lanes when you have a specific number of people in your car . . . no credit is given for mannequins. However, if you insist upon driving, a six mile commute can take up to two hours, maybe longer; one hour if you ride the bus and the subway. There are several people who have told me they leave their house at 4:00 a.m. so that they can get to work by 8:00. They don't get back home until 10:00 p.m. I guess they are lucky to get home at all.

It takes lots of money to keep the roads in driveable condition and at the same time build more of them. Here is an example of what Virginians are paying to license their cars:

Getting general information on licensing cars in the State of Virginia is difficult. It depends upon where you live. The catch is with the personal property tax. Each county throughout the state has the discretion of applying a personal property tax and setting the rate. Some counties charge little to nothing for personal property while others have a rate that causes you to pay attention. I'm sure there are limitations to the rate but I have selected a county where the rate seems to be about the norm.

Prince William county is a growing area with all

the building problems that come with suburbia and is about 25 miles south of Washington, DC. Licensing a car in this county, as with the rest of Virginia, begins by looking at the "blue book" value of the car. Yes, I know there are many blue books but this is the one settled upon by the state giving a considered true cash value. Sounds like real estate doesn't it?

In my example, I am using a 1988 Ford Bronco. It has most of the knobs, buttons, chirps and whistles that come with today's loaded machine, including air conditioning. During the summer, most people would put wheels under their air conditioner if they didn't have anything else to drive. The Virginia blue book value on this car is \$12,650.

Prince William county uses a factor of 3.795 or .03795% times the blue book value. That's \$480.07 per year for personal property tax on this Bronco. Next, you have to buy a county sticker so that you can clutter up your front windshield. That costs \$15. Before you can get your license tag, you must have both a safety and an emission inspection of your car, \$12.00. Now you can get your license plate, \$21.00.

Total cost for licensing this car for the first year is \$528.07. Of the \$528.07, \$480.07 is deductible from the state's income tax. Licensing for the 1989 year will be less because the blue book figure will drop (car loses its resale value from year-to-year, they tell me).

Anyway, licensing a car in Virginia is expensive. Probably the best way to get around this area is with the subway or on a bus and that will run slightly more than \$80 per month, based upon a five day work week. The \$528.07 can be used to help offset the \$960 a year for the bus/subway ride.

There is talk about charging \$4.00 per day to park your car at one of the outpost commuter parking lots (connected to the subway) that people use for leaving their car to avoid the inner-city drive. If you choose this option, car license \$528.07 plus subway/bus \$960 plus daily parking \$1,040 per year . . . that's \$2,528.07 . . . just to get to work. Isn't that amazing? Now, you know why I walk.

Best Wishes to Everyone, Clem

# Letters to the Editor

## Solid waste trials deserve attention

The Clarkston League of Women Voters is having a special meeting at 7:30 p.m. in the annex of the township hall on Monday, Jan. 23. The public is urged to attend. Ardath Regan, president of the Holly Village Council, will be the guest speaker. Her topic is "State, County and Local Solid Waste Management." Mrs. Regan's credentials include vice chairperson of the Oakland County Municipal Solid Waste Board, a consortium of 31 communities, the Oakland County Solid Waste Task Force, current chairperson of the Michigan Toxic Substance Control Commission, vice chairperson of SEMCOG's Council on Environmental Strategy, the Oakland County Recycling Task Force, vice president of the Michigan Municipal League.

She will speak for about 45 to 60 minutes with an

opportunity for questions and answers. Joel Burnell of the public access station will be taping the meeting for cable broadcasting.

Solid waste management is becoming more of a critical issue in Oakland County every day. Landfills are running out of room, incineration is a politically hot issue (pardon the pun), and recycling as we knew it seems to have gone out of style.

It is important for all of us to know what is happening to our trash once it leaves our curbs and what plans are being formulated to deal with it. Please attend our meeting and become better informed.

Carol Balzarini  
Program Coordinator

## Bike/hike path necessary for M-15

Over the last several years, Independence Township has taken a leadership role in providing bike/hiking paths in various parts of our community.

While there has been some expense to establish and maintain these paths, few would argue against them due to the obvious safety and convenience implications of keeping bikers/hikers off the township roads.

As leaders in our community and this effort to establish suitable bike/hiking paths, we are requesting that members of the township board now give serious consideration and support to establish a bike/hiking path from the township's northern border (Oakhill Road) south along M-15 into Clarkston.

This corridor has had several traffic incidents over

the years, including M-15 biking fatalities, that might be prevented in the future with the proposed path.

The time to act is now, especially with the already increased traffic density along M-15 and the addition of several new housing tracts to be completed in the near future along this route.

Thanks to the township board for their leadership in this matter. Please advise what is planned and if we may be of assistance in this worthwhile effort.

Sam Cataldo, President  
United Neighbors of  
Independence Township

See Bouquets on Page 27.

## The Roads We Travel

Traffic signals

Brent Bair



I've watched developers come before the township planning commission proposing a new subdivision or shopping center and explaining that they hope to get the road agency to install a traffic signal at the entrance of their development to make it easier to get in and out.

If there are already traffic problems in the area, frequently local residents in attendance will voice their agreement that what is needed to solve the problem is another traffic signal. It is as if signals are viewed as some sort of cure-all. They are not.

Traffic engineers, in making a determination of whether a signal is or is not "warranted," refer to a manual of guidelines known as the Michigan Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices. This manual covers everything from signals, to signs, to pavement markings. Virtually identical manuals are used in every state.

This manual contains no less than 11 warrants that may be reviewed in determining whether a signal should be installed.

The warrants that receive the closest review, however, are: minimum vehicular volume, interruption of continuous traffic, and accident experience.

The first relates to whether or not there is sufficient traffic coming out of the entrance or side street in question to consider stopping traffic on the main road.

The second relates to whether the traffic is so heavy on the main road that there are not enough gaps for motorists from the side street to pull into.

The last is an indication that the people are having enough difficulty getting out that right angle accidents are occurring.

All of us have experienced delays pulling out on to main roads from time to time, and the thought may have occurred to us that someone should put a signal at that location so we could get out easier. But let's take that to the extreme. Let's say that everyone gets the signals they think are needed.

Now you are able to pull out of your sub or shopping center at a signal. You travel two or three blocks, only to have to stop at another signal at another sub or shopping center. And so it goes for your entire trip: stop and go

every two or three blocks.

Sure, the signals can be synchronized so that if you travel at a precise speed you can make all of them, but as soon as the car in front of you slows up to make a turn or the truck ahead fails to accelerate fast enough to make the next signal, you are out of synch with the signals.

Consider how long it would now take you to get to and from work or shopping.

Some people think that signals make the accidents go away. Actually, it is possible to end up with more accidents after the signal is installed. However, the type of accidents change from right angle to rear end.

If you were to obtain a listing of the top 200 intersections in the county where the greatest number of accidents were occurring every year, what do you think you would notice about those locations? You would find that all of them are signalized and have been for many years.

Why the accidents? Congestion and the fact that too often people who are frustrated at being delayed will take chances like running the yellow light, or even a red light. How many frustrated drivers would we have with signals every two or three blocks?

The cost of installing a signal is often more than just erecting poles, wires and signal heads. Often road agencies are reluctant to signalize an intersection until the intersection can be widened to provide for a center left-hand turn lane.

If that is not done, the chances of rear-end accidents increases. Picture the situation where a driver sees a green light ahead and speeds up to make sure he makes it, only to realize too late that the car ahead has stopped in the through lane (for lack of a turn lane) to make a left hand turn at the intersection.

Keep all of the above in mind the next time you are having difficulty accessing a main road and you start thinking about how nice it would be to have a signal there.

Brent Bair is chairman of the Independence Township Planning Commission.

## 'If it Fitz . . .'

How embarrassing

Jim Fitzgerald



It's dumb to admit it, but I feel sorry for a TV anchor when he introduces a taped news segment that never shows up on screen. "That poor guy," I say to my wife. "Send him a sympathy card."

What I mean by dumb is I even feel sorry when it happens to celebrated network anchors, like Tom Brokaw or Dan Rather. Those guys receive huge amounts of money and fawning, and I don't, so why should I feel sorry for them, no matter how much embarrassment they suffer? That's dumb.

It's hard to think of any embarrassment suffered in the column-writing business that compares to urging millions of viewers to look at this, and there's no this. Probably the closest thing is when Ann Landers gives dumb advice to her 600 trillion readers, by her own count, and must later admit she was wrong. Recently, for instance, when a young woman complained about "old geezers" touching her at work, Landers said the woman shouldn't stand near the geezers, or otherwise act friendly. **Annie hide your face**

"If you don't hang out a welcome sign, nobody is going to move in," Landers quoted. Which is the same as saying it serves a rape victim right for wearing a tight sweater. If Landers isn't embarrassed by that answer, she should be.

As for ordinary columnists, I could tell you to be sure to read the next paragraph, because it contains the secret to everlasting life, but the ink could be so smudged you couldn't read a word, and you could immediately die. That would be embarrassing.

But you wouldn't be looking at me and I wouldn't be looking at you and millions of other readers. I wouldn't know that all of you were watching my discomfort and perhaps giggling at me. That's what arouses my compassion: the extremely public humiliation suffered by anchors.

Tom Brokaw doesn't just say, "Hey, look at this." He tells you teasy tidbits about what's coming up next; he piques your curiosity, arouses your curiosity, whets your appetite. He makes you say, "OK, Tom, that's enough whetting, let's see it."

And you never see it. All you see is Brokaw's face, growing grim. He is trying to look pleasant, with a tight smile getting tighter. It is definitely not the same smile he uses to say so long every night, following the closing segment.

**Just a regular smile**

The closing segment is always a human interest story about small loved children, old brave persons or befriended animals. When the segment ends and Brokaw reappears, his warm smile and teary eyes say he was touched by that final segment, just as you were, because he's a regular fellow and really embarrassed by his huge salary and outrageous celebrity, but that's the TV news business, and there's really nothing he can do about it, so tune in tomorrow.

That warm smile is the flip side of the strained smile Brokaw uses when a well-whetted segment fails to appear on screen and he is left staring into the camera with nothing to read from the teleprompter. He tries to look confident, to assure you the delay is temporary. But his smile is knotting and his eyes are darting off camera. You suspect the target of those darts will be well-pierced for leaving an anchor twisting in the air waves.

At this point, I usually say to my wife: "I don't blame him for darting. Those bozos have 23 1/2 hours to prepare a 30-minute newscast and there's no excuse for not getting it right. If a segment isn't completely ready to air, it shouldn't be scheduled. I feel sorry for Tom Brokaw."

"Network anchors made too much money to feel sorry for them," my wife says. "I don't even feel sorry for Joe Glover."

Finally, the anchor admits there has apparently been some trouble with that report and we will return to it later. Meanwhile, there will be this other report, narrated by the anchor himself while the moving pictures are shown behind him.

And the anchor describes George Bush fishing in Kennebunkport while viewers see a race riot in South Africa.

That's also embarrassing, whether whet or whatever.

Development on hold

# Springfield day care center denied setback waiver

BY PAT YOUNG  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Children's Tree Day Care and Learning Center, scheduled for construction next to Cedar Crest Academy on Dixie Highway in Springfield Township, received a blow to their plans from the township zoning board of appeals (ZBA).

At a special meeting of the ZBA on Dec. 22, the developers of the center were denied a request for waiving the setback requirement of 50 feet from the road. (The center is proposed for 30 feet back.)

Voting against the request was David Field, Dennis Vallad and Dennis Strelchuck. Voting for it was Harry Kirk, ZBA member Skip Wendt was absent.

The people involved in the center plans include Joe and Pat Duran, owners of Energy Craft Homes and builders of Cedar Crest, and Bette Moen and Dolores Imbrunone, educational director and administrative director, respectively, at Cedar Crest, which is a private day school.

Earlier in December the township board granted special use approval for the vacant land, which is just under an acre in an area zoned for residential use.

The group also received conditional approval of the site plan from the board, pending approval by the ZBA.

"There are only so many possibilities with that piece of property," said Pat Duran when contacted the first of January. "We felt like we have the best plan, and this is also the opinion of our engineers."

The center is planned for construction on five lots nearest the highway, and the group has options on another six lots behind these, which includes property down to the edge of Bridge Lake. Some of this property is unbuildable due to wetlands.

Duran said the back lots were not tied into their day care center plans, but having an option to buy them may have proven detrimental to their attempts to get a site

plan approved.

Township Supervisor Collin Walls said that belief may be correct. "It's pretty hard to justify the variance when there is more than enough land to meet it."

He added, "I firmly believe the township board, planning commission, and zoning board of appeals considered all information they were given."

Clerk J. Calvin said the ZBA denied the variance because they said "there were other alternatives." But he added, "They admitted that the lots were difficult to build on, due to the sloping topography."

Children's Tree Day Care and Learning Center is planned for development in two stages, eventually handling up to 132 children and offering day care services as well as a latchkey type program.

Duran said she personally felt the group should take the entire plan to the board, not just phase one, which is the upper level. Response and inquiries have been so good, she said, that they would hope to continue

immediately with phase two, a lower level which extends behind the first.

"The way (the ZBA) is suggesting it, we couldn't finish the lower level," she said.

A certain amount of space is required per child, she explained, and that includes playground area.

She said the plan they took to the board detailed only phase one of the center.

At the same Dec. 22 meeting of the ZBA, the group was granted two other waivers. One was to waive the 6-foot screening requirement, since the building was on a hill and wouldn't be screened anyway, and there are no nearby residences.

The other waiver approved was for the side lot setback because the road next to the lot is being vacated.

As far as the front setback denial is concerned, Duran said the group has not met yet to decide a course of action.

## News office under noisy expansion

Banging and buzzing can be heard from The Clarkston News office these days. Construction began last week to remodel the upstairs of the century-old building on Main Street, Clarkston.

"The Clarkston News will be doubling the size of the office," said Publisher James Sherman.

The editorial staff will be moved to about 1,000 square feet on the Main Street side of the top floor, and about 1,250 square feet will be rented as office space to the rear.

The existing office on the main floor will continue to house the advertising and business staffs, and Calcote Country -- a country gift store -- is to remain behind The Clarkston News.

Vintage Construction is performing the work,

which should take four to six weeks, said Sherman.

"It's just a much needed space because of the growth in the community and the growth of The Clarkston News," he said. "Editorial and ad staffs have continued to enlarge, especially in the last 10 years."

The remodeling is extensive, Sherman said. "That space is totally vacant. There will be decorating, electrical (wiring), plumbing and heating and air conditioning."

"The exterior, especially the front, will not be touched in anyway. It will not change the appearance of the building."

Built before 1877, the building was owned by Frank Walter and Son, who operated a dry goods, footwear and grocery store. The building remained in the Walter family until recently.

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## Druggist thwarts drug swindle

At attempt to purchase a fraudulent prescription drug order was stilled by an alert druggist at M & R Drugs Inc., on Sashabaw Road, Independence Township.

The druggist told police that he became suspicious Jan. 6 when someone called the pharmacy and placed an order for Darvon in the name of an area doctor, according to a report at the Oakland County Sheriff's Department.

When the druggist called the doctor, the doctor said the patient was attempting to obtain the prescription illegally and had similar charges in the Flint area, according to the police report.

The druggist told police that when the man entered the drugstore to purchase the prescription he was unable to detain him until deputies arrived.

However, several stock employees wrote down the license plate number of the car he was driving and reported that the vehicle fled north on Sashabaw Road.

The subject is described by the druggist and the doctor as a white male, 30-years-old, 6-feet tall, 230 pounds, sandy-brown hair, with green eyes and droopy lids.

Anyone with information about the incident should call the sheriff's department at 858-4950.

## Fire runs go up

The Independence Township Fire Department responded to 1,343 calls in 1988, up by 68 runs over 1987.

"We usually increase by about 50 or 60 runs a year," said Capt. Neil Ashley. "That's normal, I think. Everybody around here does pretty much the same."

The runs consisted of mostly medical calls -- accidents or sudden health problems, he said.

## Sheriff's Log

Tuesday, Jan. 3, someone drove over a lawn on Chestnut Hill Drive, Independence Township.

Tuesday, three containers of prescription drugs were taken from an envelope in front of a house on Norman Road, Springfield Township.

Tuesday, Papa's Pizza on Dixie Highway, Springfield Township, reported receiving two false pizza orders.

Thursday, threatening phone calls were made to a home on Pinedale Road, Independence Township.

Thursday, assorted bolts valued at \$1,000 were taken from a company on White Lake Road, Independence Township.

Friday, two patrons failed to pay for drinks and food purchased at the Springfield Inn, Dixie Highway, Springfield Township.

Friday, a truck owner was cited for careless driving and failure to obey a police officer's signal after he tried to change a vehicle tire in the middle of Sashabaw Road, in Independence Township.

Saturday, a sports jacket valued at \$80 was taken from a locker at Sashabaw Junior High school on Pine Knob Road, Independence Township.

Saturday, someone ran into a mailbox on Balmoral Terrace, Independence Township, causing \$25 damage.

Saturday, the manager of the Clarkston Cinema reported subjects drinking in the theater.

Saturday, a \$35 license plate was reported lost or stolen from a vehicle in the Park and Ride lot on Sashabaw Road, Independence Township.

Saturday, reports of threatening phone calls were made by a homeowner on Twilight Court, Independence Township.

Saturday, police were called to break up a fight at Pine Knob Ski Resort, on Pine Knob Road, Independence Township.

Sunday, a 20-foot motor home and a \$270 chain saw were taken from a detached garage on Gibbs Road, Independence Township.

Sunday, police responded to an alarm sounding at Pontiac Steel on Dixie Highway, Springfield Township. A service door was found open.

Sunday, a homeowner on Major, Independence Township, reported seeing two suspicious subjects peering into houses along the street.

The above information was compiled from reports at the Oakland County Sheriff's Department.

## Free tax workshop

Need help with a tax strategy under the new tax laws? A free tax workshop at the Springfield Township Library Jan. 16 could provide the help.

Planned for 7 p.m. Monday, the workshop is to cover investing for tax advantages, strategies to reduce income taxes, preserving your net worth, and designing a perfect portfolio.

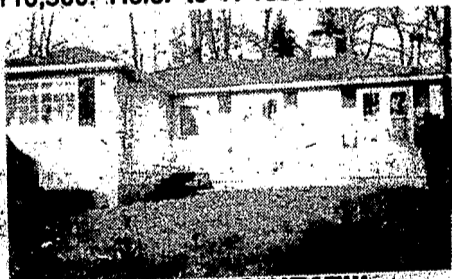
Lecturers are Timothy B. Bernier and Kenneth E. Demps of Dean Witter Reynolds.

The Springfield Township Library is located at 10900 Andersonville Road, Davisburg. For more information, call 625-0595.



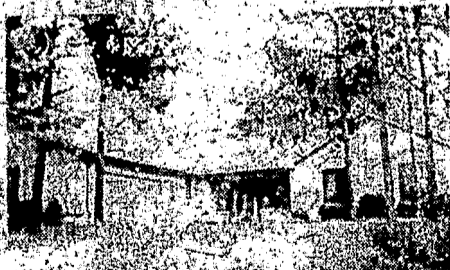
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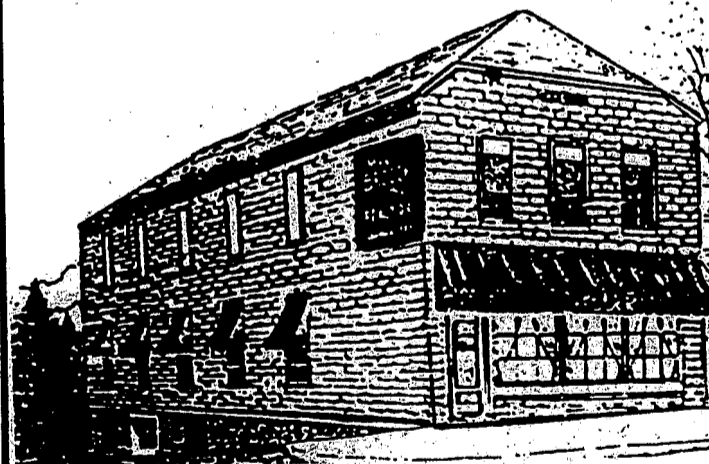
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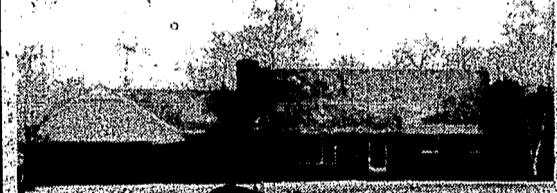
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# Recycling could solve garbage disposal problems

By ANNETTE KINGSBURY

Recycling works, if we let it. That's the consensus of opinion among experts in the field of waste management.

However, there's not a lot of time to get moving in that direction. For example, did you know:

- Americans generate 2 times as much trash as the Europeans or Japanese.
- Americans generate 230 million tons of trash per year. That's 5-6 pounds for every man, woman and child. That includes:

- 50 million tons of paper
- 28 million tons of yard waste
- 12 million tons of glass
- 10 million tons of plastic
- 2 million tons of tires
- 3 million tons of steel

- At least 80% of that is buried in landfills.
- Some 20-25% of all residential waste can be recycled.

"If we continue to fill existing operating facilities at the present rate, we have less than 5 years left in landfills," said Gerald Miley, chief engineer, Oakland County solid waste unit. "And that's generally true throughout the metropolitan area."

Rest assured the county is planning for our future. But because of the amount of trash we generate, a combination of an incinerator, new landfill and recycling will all ultimately be necessary. Miley said.

Of the three, recycling is perhaps the most work for the consumer, but has ultimately the most benefit. No one wants smokestacks or landfills in their back yard. Recycling could help, as well as providing environmental and economic benefit.

"This is the answer, I think, for solid waste," said John Spokaeski, site manager for the Eagle Valley Landfill in Orion Township. His parent company, Waste Management, is the country's largest recycler and solid waste management company.

You may have thought Eagle Valley was just another landfill. But look again. It is also a recycling center; the first step in the process of returning old materials to new usage.

A quick tour of the facility reveals separate bins for plastics, paper, and white goods (appliances) all in a row and in orderly fashion. When full, each bin is sent to a company involved in recycling that particular material.

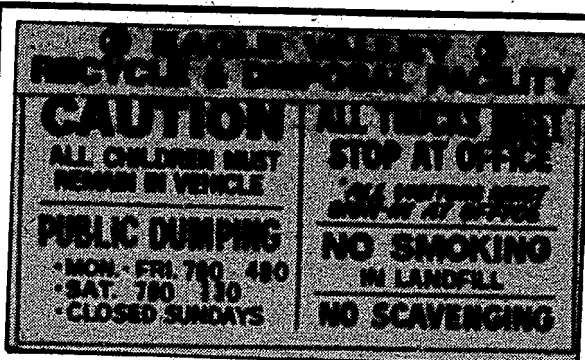
For example, the plastic goes to Recycle Polymers, a Madison Heights company that actually crushes the plastic and turns it into a marketable product.

"We have 2 systems in-house that will take all high-density polyethylene; your typical milk, water and juice jug," said Norm Martin of Recycle Polymers. "The material is accepted at our plant; we source separate... then granulate the material. It is then washed and dried, and then the material is marketed to corporations."

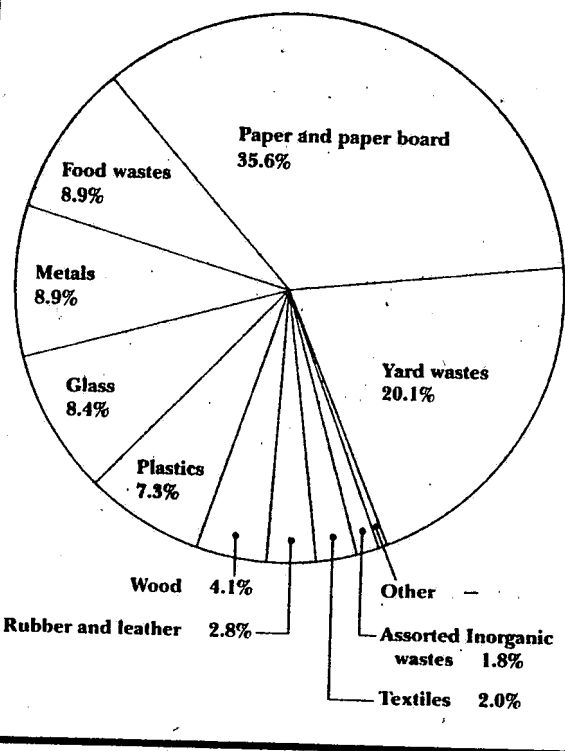
"They can use 25-40% of our material, add it to virgin plastic, and make a quality material." Martin said his market alone is worth 11 million pounds of plastic a year.

"It takes 8 milk jugs to equal a pound, but 8 milk jugs take up a lot of room in a landfill," he added.

Eagle Valley is so high on their recycling program that they donate all the money they make from it to charities. Spokaeski said it's not just for good public relations, either.



ABOVE, the sign outside the gates at Eagle Valley. The whole place is so inconspicuous from Silver Bell Road the photographer drove right by. Below, the make-up of American trash. Oakland County is even considering a giant compost heap for disposal of year wastes, a full 20 percent of the average home's refuse.



"They (Waste Management) want all of our facilities to be in recycling even if it costs money in the get go," he said. "If we did it on a big scale there would be some money in it." To show how serious they are, Waste Management only purchases recycled paper for their own corporate paper needs.

There are other good reasons for recycling than the fact that the landfills will soon all be full. Some of the products we routinely throw away have to be imported, such as the bauxite that goes into aluminum pop and beer cans and the tin involved in steel cans. Recycling will lessen our dependence on those imports.

Then there's the environment. Burning trash can do no good to the air we breathe. We can save on our natural




JOHN SPOKAESKI, manager of Eagle Valley Landfill, at the bin where newspaper is collected for recycling. When full, it goes to Great Lakes Paper Company. Last year 36.9 tons was collected, worth \$821 to Eagle Valley, which donated it all to local charitable causes.

resources by recycling.

But can it work on a large scale? Apparently the county thinks so.

"We've hired a consultant to prepare a recycling plan," Miley, of Oakland County, said. "Not just another study, but a plan for implementation for each of the 61 cities, townships and villages in the county, tailored to each one's needs." He said the plan should be done by the end of January.

There are a number of cities around the country who already operate successful curbside recycling. San Jose, (See *RECYCLING*, next page)



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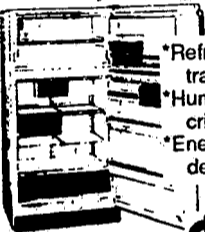
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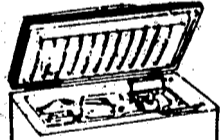


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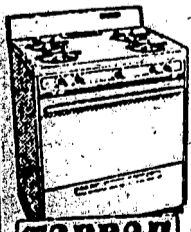
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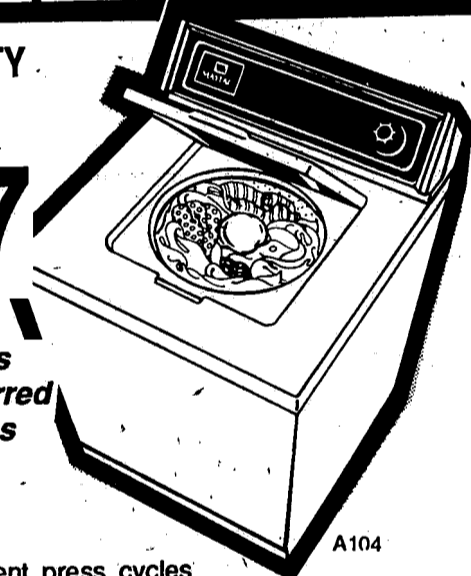
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# Proposed water main dispute may wind up in court

BY TRACY KING  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

A proposed water main on Dixie Highway could mean a trip to Oakland County Circuit Court for one property owner and Independence Township officials.

The township is seeking permission to forcibly buy the land if the property owner, James T. Long, doesn't agree to give an easement for the water main to cross about 10 feet of his property. An easement grants the right to use land owned by another -- usually in the case of roads, electrical wires or underground utilities.

Long, owner of the building that houses Deer Lake Cleaners on Dixie Highway next to Alexander's Restaurant, holds the last of about eight or nine easements needed before construction on the main can begin, according to Frank Ronk, township supervisor.

Long said construction of the water main could disrupt businesses operating in the building.

"That water main would come within ten feet of our door," he said.

## Recycling might solve problems

(RECYCLING, from previous page)

California is one of them. Currently they process over 2,000 tons of recyclables a month. Their trash man, so to speak, is Waste Management.

"The city asked for their expertise," said Chris Peterson, controller at Eagle Valley. "They didn't want an incinerator." He said it wasn't popular at first, but the city went on the offensive with an extensive advertising campaign.

"After the people started doing it for a few weeks, they found out it's not hard ... and it's even saving the city some money, so it's a very successful program.

"It's absolutely the wave of the future."

Annette Kingsbury is a reporter for the Oxford Leader.

After the construction is finished, township officials say Long's property would be returned to its original state.

Independence Township board members agreed Jan. 3 to go ahead with land condemnation proceedings after rejecting an easement contract composed by Long.

On Jan. 6, a representative from Oakland County's civil council department met with Long's attorney to attempt an agreement on the easement that would eliminate the need for land condemnation proceedings.

After repeated calls to Long's attorney were not answered, the outcome of that meeting was still not known late Monday.

After studying the easement contract prepared by Long, board members said the contract was unacceptable.

"This is just not something we should be signing," said John Lutz, township treasurer.

Township consultant Gerald Fisher, an attorney, agreed. "These are cruel and unusual provisions being insisted upon here."

The contract requested that the following provisions be met:

\*Tap in fees charged to the premises shall be limited to \$1,000.

\*Any work done on the main shall be performed on a Sunday or when businesses are closed. In addition, the premises will be restored to their original condition promptly.

\*Construction shall be completed within the day started.

\*If not completed in one day, the township will waive tap-in fees for each day in excess of two that the construction is not complete.

When contacted later, Mr. Long said he doesn't think the conditions are unreasonable.

"I'm not trying to hold up progress," he said. "I'm just trying to get under control what may be a serious problem."

If land condemnation proceedings are initiated, the following procedure is followed: The township evaluates the property and makes a good faith offer to purchase the

land. If rejected, the money is placed in escrow, a complaint is filed, and the owner has 21 days to contest the necessity of the purchase. If he does not, the money goes to the landowner, the title goes to the township, and a judge or jury decides whether the good faith offer is adequate compensation for the land.

The water main, planned for the east side of Dixie Highway, would hook together two to three water systems to act as a back-up in case of water failure in the area. Businesses along Dixie would also hook up to the system.

Ronk said the water main isn't designed to hurt businesses in the area but rather to help them.

"Installing a water line there will add to their safety," he said. "We're trying to provide a service; that's our job."

"We have just a Band-Aid on Dixie now," Ronk said. "We need a full bandage out there in case there's a fire."

## Building fees up

Anyone planning to develop or improve a structure in Independence Township may notice an increase in fees for 1989.

At the request of building department Director Beverly McElmeel, township board members unanimously approved an increase in all planning and building fees Jan. 3.

"I'm asking for a reasonable increase to keep pace with development," McElmeel told the board.

The fees affected by the increase include: license registration fees for contractors, fees for electrical work, heating, refrigeration, plumbing, building wrecking, house moving, and manufactured homes; and fees for site plan reviews, subdivision plats, site condominiums, zoning board of appeals, wetlands board hearings, construction board of appeals and private road permits.

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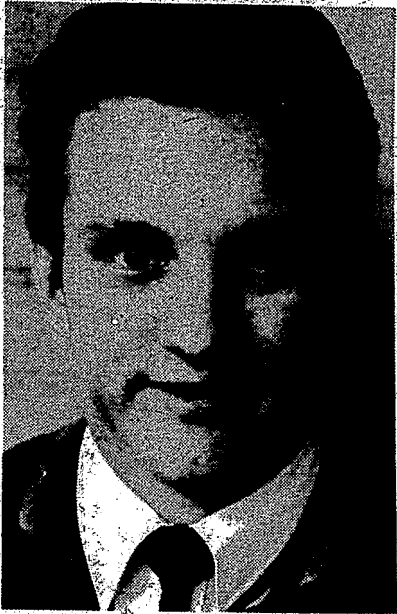
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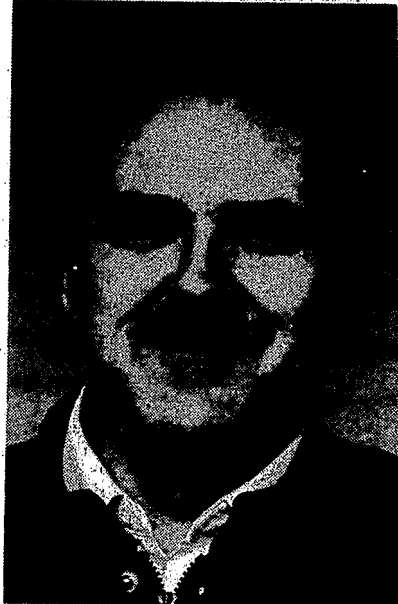
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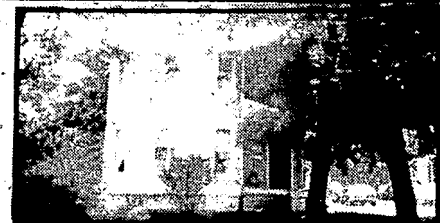


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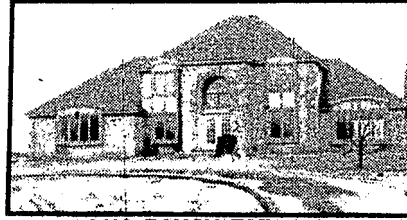
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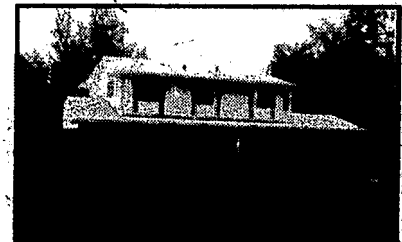
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# Tribute to President Reagan originates here

BY PAT YOUNG  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

A nationwide tribute to President Ronald Reagan on the day he leaves office, proposed by Independence Township chiropractor John Cowan, has been gaining interest.

Cowan said he thought of the idea in November when he realized that Reagan would leave office in January without any kind of formal send-off.

"I felt bad that the Reagan era was coming to an end without any fanfare," he said.

Cowan has asked President-elect George Bush to lead a coast-to-coast toast to Reagan during the inaugural ball Jan. 20 as a way of acknowledging Reagan's contributions to the country.

He began "testing the market" for support of his

idea, contacting congressmen, governors and national news organizations. He received television coverage in every Detroit station and in many across the nation.

One Detroit radio station had an all-afternoon call-in, Cowan said, and it turned out that 70 percent of the callers wanted to participate in some kind of nationwide tribute.

Since Detroit is generally Democratic, Cowan said it appeared that the tribute to Reagan went beyond party lines.

Republicans and Democrats alike would be toasting the man, he said.

Many governors and congressmen are now endorsing Cowan's idea.

Cowan then contacted Stephen Studdert, executive director of the American Bicentennial Presidential Inaugural Committee. He received a letter from the commit-

tee last week saying they had sent the proposal on to White House Chief of Staff Kenneth Duberstein.

Cowan is encouraged by the response and fully expects the national tribute to become a reality, where people across the nation can gather around their television sets at a time yet to be announced. They can join in the simultaneous tribute with a toast, a prayer, or whatever they want to do as a farewell gesture.

"It's my way of saying thank you to a man who has just done a tremendous amount for our country," Cowan said.

Cowan first became impressed with Reagan when he met him during a 1980 campaign appearance in Troy.

As exhausted as Reagan was at the time, he gave them his full attention, said Cowan, who ran as a Reagan precinct delegate from the Clarkston area.

"He was sincere and honest, the epitome of wholesomeness," he added.

Cowan said the idea of a national tribute was probably formulated three years ago. He and his wife, Linda, and their three children, Jeremy, Dana and Jason, drove to Ohio to participate in "Hands Across America."

"It was a single moment, a magic moment when people all across the country were participating," he said. "The Reagan tribute would only last a moment, but it would stay in the mind set a long, long time."

# Area trio teaches cooperative learning

BY PAT YOUNG  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

About four or five years ago, Clarkston Elementary Principal William Potvin and other educators attended a workshop at Oakland Schools on cooperative learning.

In an attempt to learn more about the subject following the workshop, Potvin found himself being trained to conduct cooperative learning workshops.

Most recently, he and two Clarkston teachers, Rosemary Lewis of Clarkston Elementary and Deborah Luczyn of Pine Knob Elementary, led a workshop at Mercy College in Detroit at the end of November involving educators from Oakland, Wayne and Macomb counties.

The trio spoke to participants of the workshop on how children can benefit from cooperative learning.

According to Potvin, children can learn these interpersonal skills as early as kindergarten, but the cooperative teaching is integrated into Clarkston schools at every level.

"They can be taught even in community education," he said. "We have at least one teacher from every grade level trained in cooperative learning."

Cooperative learning is currently used in all Clarkston schools to some degree, he said. It is one method of teaching kids to interact with each other.

Cooperative learning is not practical to use constantly. There are still times when children must work

quietly at their desks or listen to the teacher. But there are also times when traditional teaching can be integrated with cooperative learning.

For example, Potvin said, four children might be given a spelling list with eight words on it. Traditionally, each would study the list alone.

With cooperative learning, each of the four children would learn two words, then teach others in the group his or her two words.

The additional part of teaching their words to other children is that they learn the words better, Potvin explained. They talk to each other in "kid talk," sharing their methods of remembering the words better.

"They have to learn the words well to teach them to others," he said. "And (the other) kids understand it better."

In the past few years, approximately 120 Clarkston teachers and administrators have been introduced to small group teaching techniques that promote cooperation.

"A lot of things can be done to combine teaching academics and social skills," Potvin said.

Cooperative learning strategies teach children specific social skills--how to work together, get along, listen, and how to share, he added.

"A lot of things in life have to be done cooperatively," he said. "It would be difficult to have a job that doesn't involve cooperation."

# Play benefits band

Clarkston Band Boosters is sponsoring a benefit performance of the Clarkston Village Players' January offering, "Murder at the Howard Johnson's."

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# Clarkston town setting for short story contest

Are there any aspiring O. Henrys out there? If so, the Village Bookstore is providing an outlet for your writing talents.

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## Township purchasing procedure changes

Along with the new year came some changes in the way the Independence Township Board approves some of its purchasing.

Board members voted Jan. 3 to consider purchase orders submitted in advance for work by township consultants on a quarterly basis.

In addition, board members approved purchase orders for routine services, such as fuel or utilities, compiled for the whole year.

Before 1989, purchase orders for these categories came before the board several times a year on an as-needed basis.

The new purchasing program was phased in during 1988, according to Clerk Richard Holman. This is the first complete budget year that the policy has been used, he said.

Board members were initially asked to approve purchase orders for both routine services and consultant work on a yearly basis.

But some members argued that the procedure didn't give them enough control over where township funds are used.

"I have a problem with a blanket payment for professional (consulting) services," said Trustee Frank Millard. "I'd like to know what goes on."

Consultants employed by the township include Planner Richard Carlisle, Attorney Gerald Fisher, and the construction engineering firm of Hubble, Roth and Clark.

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The stories, limited to 1,500 words, must be set in the Clarkston area, said Georgene Sloan, owner of the Village Bookstore.

"I just wanted to do something to involve the community in the world of books," said Sloan.

"The idea is to encourage people who are aspiring writers," she said. "There are a lot of aspiring writers out there, and they want to use every avenue open to them to further their interest."

Last year, Sloan held a mystery writing contest set in the Clarkston area, but "unfortunately, we didn't have much response," she said, adding that the form may have been too limiting.

"We had a lot of people who said they write, but they didn't write mysteries," she said.

This year, she also broadened the age limit to allow 16-year-olds and older enter the contest. Last year, writers had to be at least 18 years old.

"Some high school students may be interested," Sloan said.

Following are the contest rules:

- Write a short story set in the Clarkston area.
- Stories will be judged on literary merit. Entries must be original and unpublished.
- Contest entrants must be non-professional writers at least 16 years of age.
- Employees of the Village Bookstore and The Clarkston News and their immediate families and the immediate families of the judges are not eligible to enter.
- Maximum length of the story is 1,500 words; limit, one entry per person.
- Entries must be typewritten, double spaced; use one side of paper only.
- Entrant's name, address and telephone number must be typed on a separate sheet of paper and placed at the end of the story. Your name must not appear on any other page of your entry.
- Keep a copy of your story. No entries will be returned.
- Deadline for submission is 6 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 22. No exceptions. Entries may be submitted by mail

or hand delivered to the Village Bookstore, 26 S. Main St., Clarkston, MI 48016.

● The winner will be announced in late March.

Contest judges are: Clarkston resident Dianne Evans, English teacher at Clawson High School; Julie Campe, editor of The Clarkston News; and Sloan.

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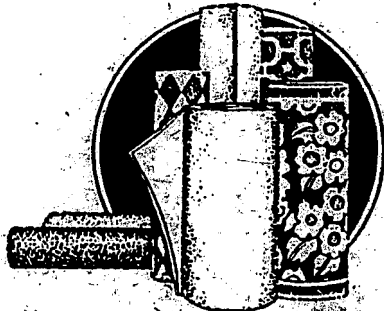
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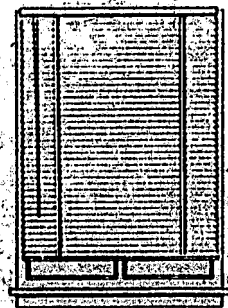
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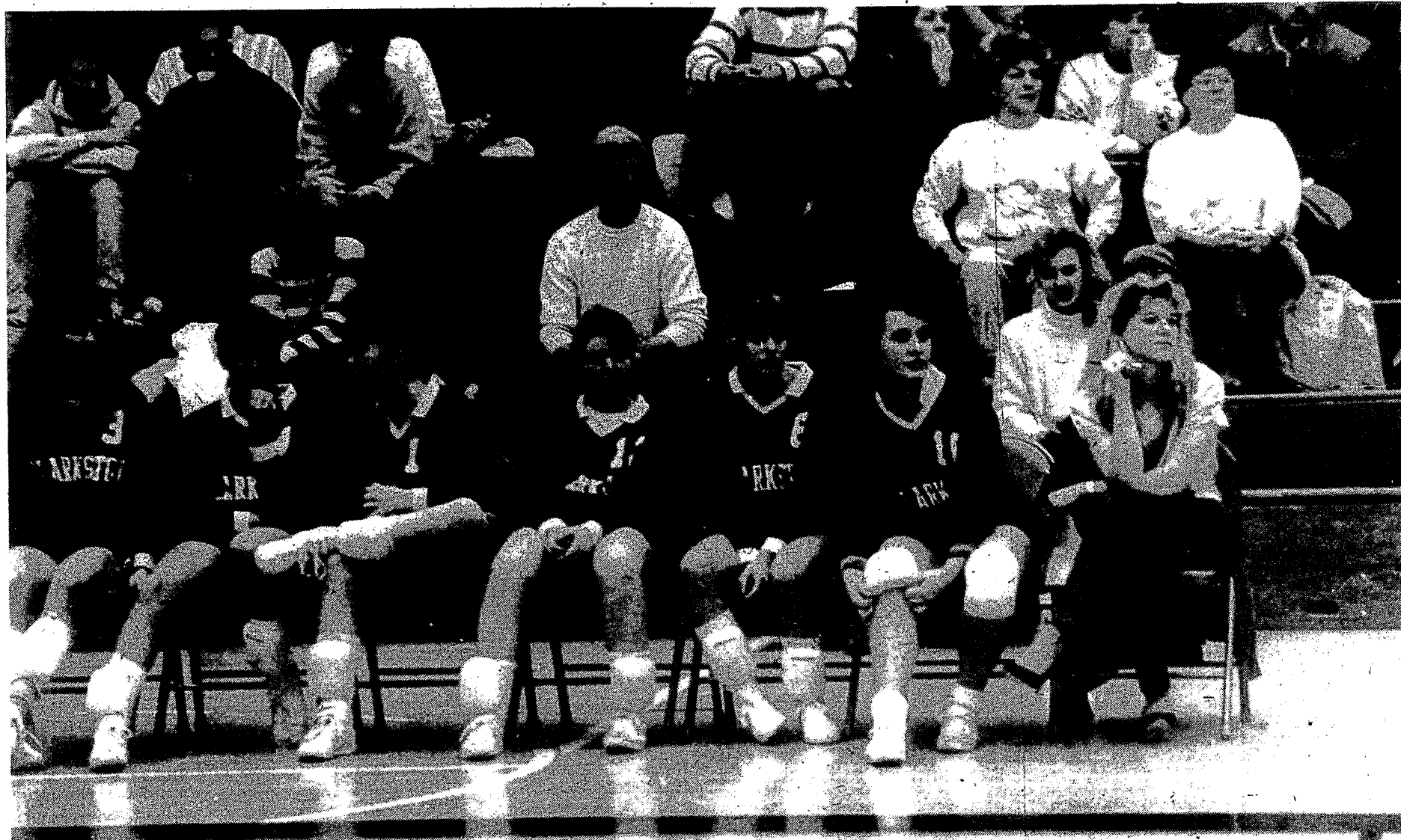


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# Scoreboard



CLARKSTON JUNIOR HIGH volleyball players and their Coach Laura Kline (far right) didn't have much to smile about during the Wolverines' first game against rival Sasha-

baw on Jan. 4. The hosts won 15-7 when Karen Dunham served up eight straight points for the Cougars. But then the tide turned in Clarkston's favor for the next two

contests as Tina Nolen and Ashley Zirwis led the Wolverines to 15-2, 15-7 victories. Shay Harris and Jayna Rose also played well for the victors, Kline said.



**Clarkston Wrestling Club**  
Jan. 7 -- Eleven wrestlers won first-place awards for the Clarkston Wrestling Club during a weekend meet.  
**Bantam-Novice**  
Eight-and-under division  
Daniel Norton, 35 pounds, first place.  
Nicholas Haag, 45, second.  
David Endreszl, 50, second.  
Casey Cornell, 60, first.

**Bantam-Regular**  
Eight-and-under division  
Ricky Rank, 50, second place.  
Troy DeBeauclair, 55, third.

**Midget-Regular**  
Nine-through-10 division  
Arron Grant, 50, first place.  
Jason Tiefenback, 60, first.  
Brandon Rank, 65, third.  
Dennis Bush, 70, second.  
Franco Vega, 75, second.

**Midget-Novice**  
Nine-through-10 division  
Nick Abney, 60, third place.  
Danny Brown, 80, first.  
Andy Miller, 85, first.  
Justin Dionne, 85, second.

**Junior-Novice**  
11-to-12 division  
Jay Richardson, 70, first place.  
Andy Keelan, 85, third.  
Chris Carpenter, 85, second.  
Jay Miller, 132, first.  
Jeremy Brown, hwt., second.  
Troy Klein, hwt., first.

**Junior-Regular**  
11-to-12 division  
Robert Jeffrey, 70, second place.  
Corey Grant, 80, second.  
Chad Auten, 85, second.  
Armin Michelsen, 85, first.

**Cadet-Regular**  
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Kevin Brown, 192, first.

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## Time Out

My o my

Peter Auchter



My oh my, is the wrestling season ever shaping up as something special at Clarkston High School.

After years of wallowing in the shadow of other winter sports, the mat men are off and running in the 1988-89 season, and not just in the school hallways either. Unbeaten in dual meets as well as two tournament championships and a strong third-place finish in the Oakland County meet prove this team plays as hard as it practices.

All the team accomplished last week was beating league foe Pontiac Northern on the road, something they haven't done in nearly a decade, and win a traditionally tough South Lyon Invitational by a wide margin. Hey, these guys are red hot. Forget Hulk Hogan and all of his buddies, this is the real stuff.

In past seasons, the Wolves relied heavily on the pin to win matches and subsequently lost many by the same route. Nowadays, the team is in much better physical shape and it's paying off with victories. The third period belongs to the Wolves. It's the opponents that are huffing and puffing near the end of matches. Clarkston just keeps on strutting its stuff.

Quick success sometimes can go to one's head and cause all sorts of problems (see any story involving Mike Tyson for proof) so the coaching staff at Clarkston is sure to keep the team on an even keel. Conditioning remains at the top of the list.

Anyone caught sluffing off is quickly reprimanded during practice sessions and told to do it the right way. Coaches say they can do it the sloppy way or the technically correct way. It's their choice. But with the way things have been going lately I doubt any of them are ready to argue considering the success they have enjoyed.

It's great to see the team off to a fast start. Maybe it'll increase attendance even though the team only has one home match all season. Now that's a true homecoming game if there ever was one. Hope to see you all there.

About the only thing standing in the way of a fantastic dream season is the incredibly tough Greater Oakland Activities League. Last weekend, four GOAL teams won tournaments. Nobody's a patsy this season. Every victory will be like pulling teeth, very painful for the loser.

Oh well, at least the Wolves will be primed for the districts, having faced some of the best competition in the state right in its own league.

Even if they do nothing else the rest of the season, it'll have been a good one. Who ever would have guessed they would be where they are now?

119-- Eric Wall pinned Kwane Thomas, 3:09; 125-- Dave London pinned Adrian Morris, 1:58; 130-- John Anderson pinned Isaac Watlington, 1:34; 135-- Adam Atkinson defeated Donnel Fleming, 18-9; 140-- Tim Kerr defeated Jamiel Humphrey, 13-4; 145-- John Terpstra defeated Tim Bracwell, 7-2; 189-- Jason Campbell pinned Bruce Watson, 3:16.

# Sports



JOHN TERPSTRA takes control of his 145-pound match Jan. 5 at Pontiac Northern to help the Wolves snap a long losing streak against the Huskies.

## Wolves top Huskies

BY PETER AUCHTER  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Intimidation acts as an invisible friend for Pontiac Northern when it hosts wrestling meets.

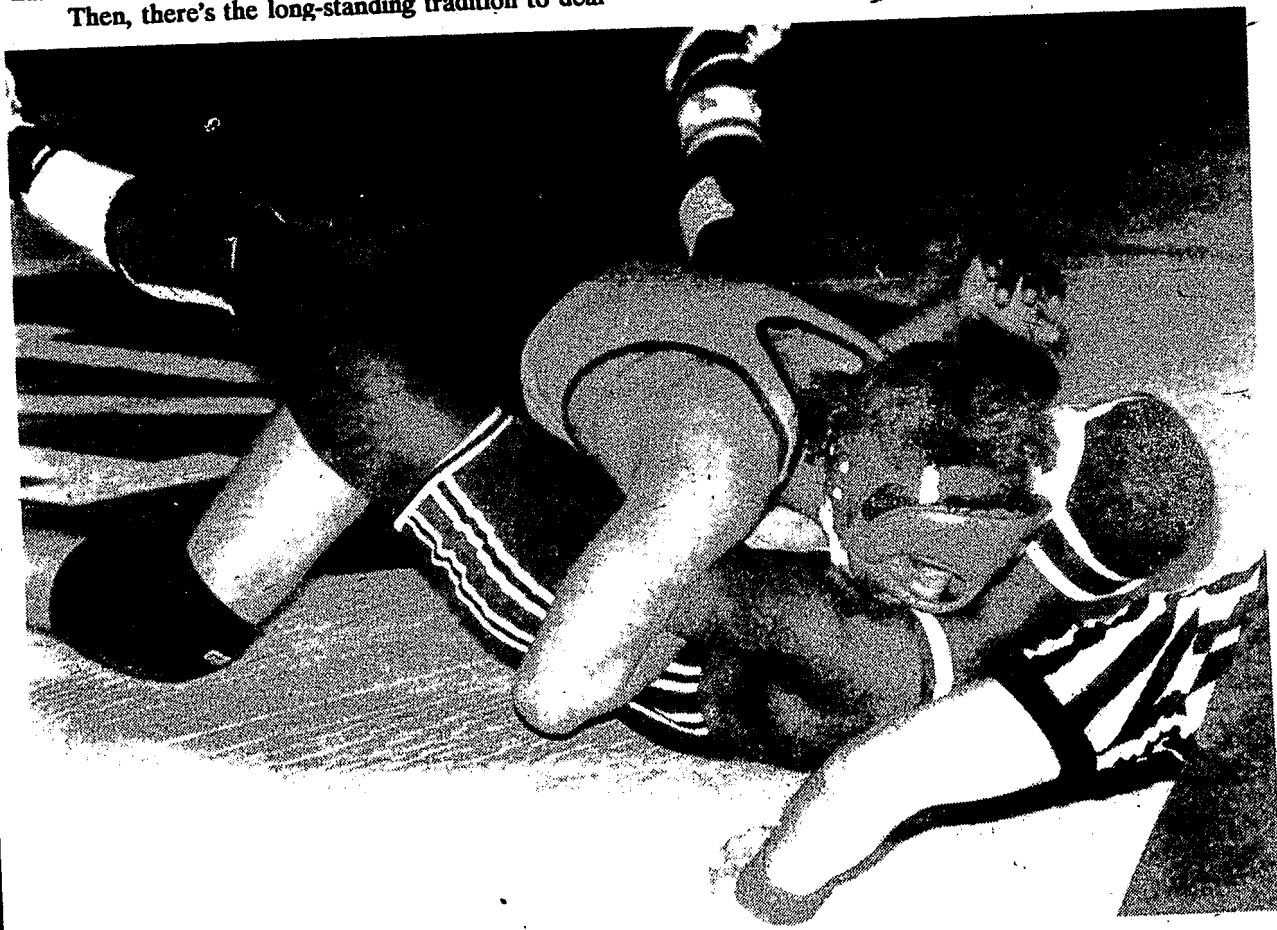
Overhead lights are shut off. A bright spotlight hanging 15 feet above the mat provides the only illumination.

Then, there's the long-standing tradition to deal

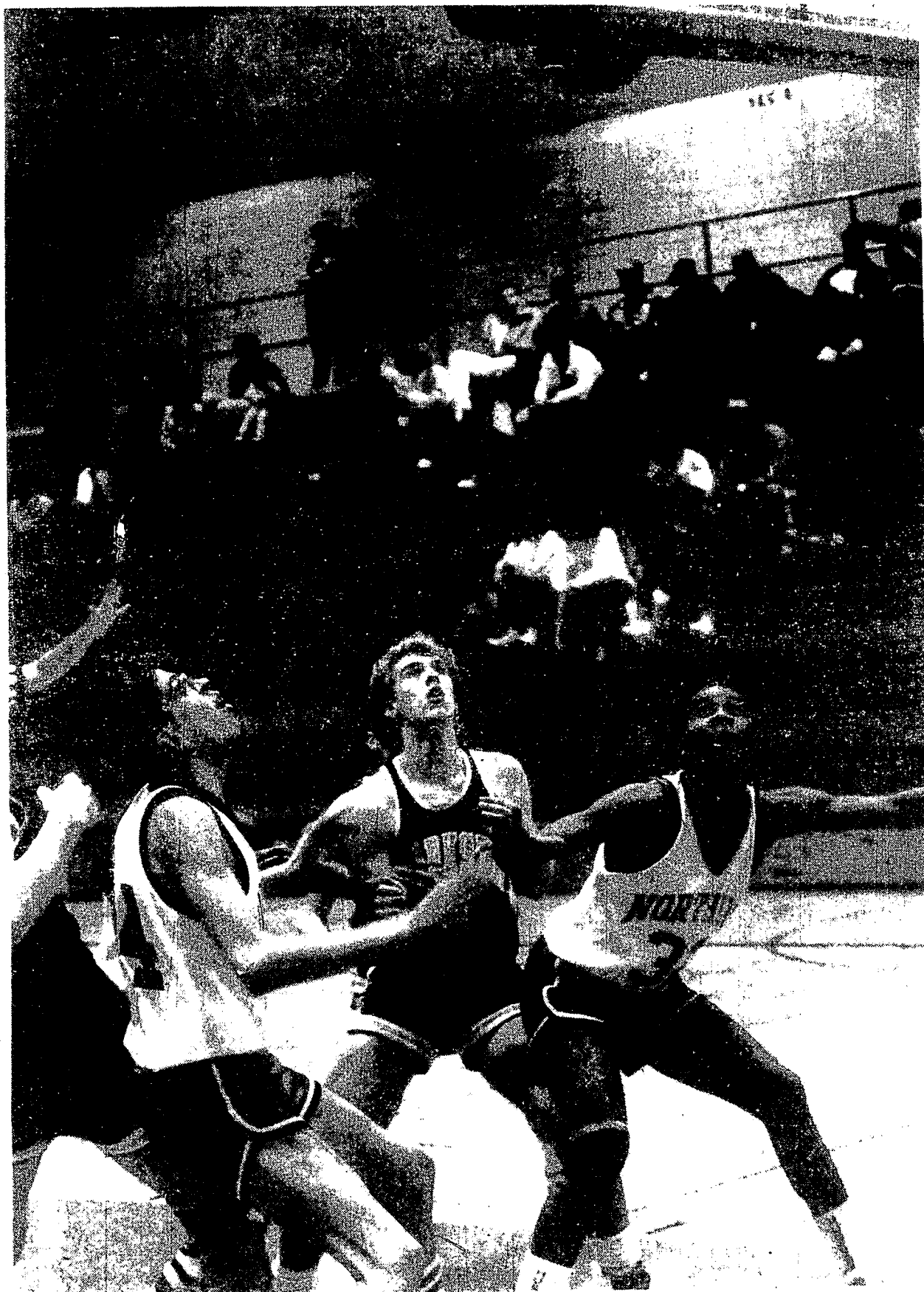
with. Pontiac Northern annually fields a strong wrestling team.

In what's shaping up to be a storybook season, the Clarkston High grapplers handled everything Northern could throw at them and emerged with 35-29 victory Jan. 5.

"It's a big victory for our program," Coach Scott Strickler said. "It gives us a little confidence."  
(See CHS, on Page 24)



ADAM ATKINSON has the upper hand the match on points during a dual meet against his opponent and eventually wins between Clarkston and Pontiac Northern



## Basketball split



JERROD JOHNSON concentrates on the hoop before shooting a free throw against Pontiac Northern Friday night. (Left) Mike Stoutenburg battles for space underneath the boards for a possible rebound during a junior varsity basketball game last week. Pontiac Northern beat the Wolves 49-44 despite 17 points by Bill Knight and 16 by Scott Trekman. Earlier in the week, the JV Wolves topped East Lansing 71-42 as Trekman scored 21 and Knight 18.

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# Wolves, Huskies thrill fans in hoops battle

BY PETER AUCHTER  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Whenever Clarkston and Pontiac Northern get together for a boys basketball game, fans for both prep teams get their money's worth.

The Wolves and Huskies locked up in another one of their traditional down-to-the-buzzer fights Friday at Northern with the hosts prevailing 72-70.

Although the final score doesn't show it, both sides thought defense was the key.

"Basically, all we wanted to do was play good defense," said Northern's head coach David Chism. "Our defense kept us in the game."

GOAL	W-L, W-L
Pontiac Northern	2-0, 3-1
Lake Orion	1-0, 3-4
Clarkston	1-1, 5-2
Brandon	1-1, 6-2
Waterford Kettering	0-1, 1-5
Waterford Mott	0-2, 2-5

Clarkston coach Dan Fife agreed. "No question they had us confused. They took us out of our offense. Northern did an excellent job of that."

Kevin McCormick paced the Wolves with 21 points. Jim Huttenlocher and Reggie Reed notched 13 points apiece, and Scott Weeks netted 10 in support. Reed keyed a second-quarter comeback for the Wolves by scoring 10 points off the bench in that stanza.

In the end, however, their efforts fell a bucket short. "This is a tough one to lose," said Fife. "We hung in there, as bad as Northern made us play, we could have easily been beaten by 30."

The loss drops the team's Greater Oakland Activities League record to 1-1 and its overall mark to 5-2.

Clarkston started off fast and led 16-12 after a pair of free throws by Weeks midway through the opening quarter. Then the roof caved in on the Wolves as the Huskies ripped off 10 straight points to stake itself to a 22-16 lead after eight minutes of play. They never trailed again.

"We made a lot of young mistakes tonight," Fife said. "No other players besides Darin Brandt have had varsity experience."

Reed came off the bench to start the second quarter and promptly sank a bucket to cut the Clarkston deficit to four. McCormick followed with another two-pointer

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Coach Dan Fife

and then Weeks sank a free throw to draw the Wolves within one.

Northern responded with two three-point shots sandwiched around a pair of free throws by Reed to go up 28-23.

Reed later canned two three-point shots in an effort to offset the Huskies' hot shooting from the perimeter. Clarkston trailed by seven, 43-36, at halftime.

Clarkston made its final rally of the night late in the fourth quarter with Reed nailing his third triple to cut the host's lead down to 67-64. McCormick and Huttenlocher both hit for the Wolves with a Northern basket in between to set up a fantastic finish.

"They (Clarkston) did a good job of hitting their shots," said Chism.

Trailing by one, Clarkston began fouling and sent Northern to the free-throw line. Unfortunately, the hosts hit their shots from the charity stripe, and the Wolves couldn't convert its chances in the final seconds to saddle the Wolves with the loss.

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Coach Dan Fife

Afterward, Fife hoped his players learned from their mistakes against a senior-laden Huskies squad and will continue to improve.

"We have to gain experience," the coach said. "We can't expect to waltz through and win the GOAL."

Northern bumps its overall record to 3-1 with the win and 2-0 in GOAL play.

## Former resident realizes dream on sidelines

### He coaches team to 10-0 mark

For as long as Mary Mastrantonio remembers, her son enjoyed every aspect of football -- specifically coaching.

He always was drawing Xs and Os on sheets of paper diagramming plays. At the time, she thought it was some kind of game. Little did she know her son, Roger, was actually planning for the future.

The 43-year-old former Independence Township resident spent four years as an assistant coach at Brandon High School before moving to Florida in 1984 when he accepted the head football coaching spot at McArthur High School.

Five seasons later, Mastrantonio led his charges to a perfect 10-0 season and a district championship before his club fell in the regional finals.

"I am very proud of him," said his mom. "His greatest dream was to be a coach."

Two decades of losing teams preceded Mastrantonio's arrival in Florida. The prep team's fans were hungry for a winner.

In his inaugural campaign, McArthur only won two games. The next season, the team finished 7-4 and then improved to 8-5 the following year. After a mediocre 5-5 mark, Mastrantonio's charges busted loose with it's best season ever.

While Mastrantonio has enjoyed his stay in Florida, his next goal is to someday return to the Clarkston area to coach a high school team, his mother said.

"That's something he's always wanted to do," she said.

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# The Week Ahead in Sports

## WEDNESDAY, JAN. 11

**Volleyball**  
Clarkston at Waterford Kettering, 6:00  
**Junior high volleyball**  
Lake Orion at Clarkston, 6:00  
Mason at Sashabaw, 6:00  
**Wrestling**  
Clarkston at Lake Orion, 4:00  
Sashabaw at Mason, 4:00

**Junior high wrestling**  
Crary at Clarkston, 6:00  
Sashabaw at Pierce, 4:00  
**Volleyball**  
Clarkston at Rochester Adams, 6:00

**Wrestling**  
Springfield at Lutheran NW, 6:00  
**Basketball**  
Flint NW at Clarkston, 6:00

## THURSDAY, JAN. 12

**Skiing**  
Clarkston vs. Bloomfield Andover, 4:00  
**Junior high basketball**  
Clarkston at Crary, 4:00  
Sashabaw at Brandon, 6:00  
**Wrestling**  
Springfield at Lutheran NW, 6:00

## TUESDAY, JAN. 17

**Volleyball**  
Springfield at Plymouth Christian, 5:00

**Junior high basketball**  
Mason at Clarkston, 6:00  
Lake Orion at Sashabaw, 6:00

## FRIDAY, JAN. 13

**Basketball**  
Waterford Mott at Clarkston, 6:00  
Springfield at Genesee Christian, 6:00  
**Junior high basketball**  
Oakland Christian at Springfield, 3:30

## SATURDAY, JAN. 14

**Junior high volleyball**  
Clarkston at Clarkston Invit, 9:00  
Sashabaw at Clarkston Invit, 9:00  
**Volleyball**  
Springfield at Eagle Cup Invit, 9:00  
**Wrestling**  
Springfield at Oxford Invit, 8:00  
Clarkston at Royal Oak Kimball Invit, 10:00

## MONDAY, JAN. 16

**Junior high volleyball**  
Clarkston at Crary, 4:00  
Pierce at Sashabaw, 6:00

## Prep Profile: Darin Brandt



*Darin Brandt is a senior at Clarkston High School and currently plays for the varsity basketball team. He also played varsity football in the fall, varsity baseball in the spring and varsity soccer the previous fall.*

**Born:** April 24, 1971.

**Nickname:** D.B.

**Favorite sport:** Basketball.

**Favorite TV show:** "Cheers."

**Favorite movie:** "Planes, Trains and Automobiles."

**Favorite music group:** Doors.

**Favorite place to hang out:** Scott Weeks' house.

**Favorite food:** Baby Pan Pan.

**Favorite activity:** Playing sports.

**Favorite song:** "Chantilly Lace."

**Biggest accomplishment:** Playing at varsity level in three sports during past two years.

**Idol:** Art Chaustowich.

**Most embarrassing moment:** Kicked off the team in 10th grade.

**If he could change one thing about himself, he would be:** Bigger.

**Ten years from now, he sees himself:** Having a job, being single and having fun.

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NATIONAL LEAGUE	W-L
Buddy's	3-0
Drillers	3-0
Tri-County Power Rodding	3-0
Oxford Big Boy	2-1
Morris & Associates	2-1
Terry Machine	1-2
Huttenlocher Insurance	1-2
Auchter Orthodontics	0-3
Drayton Collision	0-3
R & A Records	0-3

AMERICAN LEAGUE	W-L
Condon TV	3-0
Grinnell's Landscape	3-0
Pepsi Cola	2-1
Utilase	2-1
Coach's Corner	1-2
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**AMERICAN LEAGUE RESULTS**

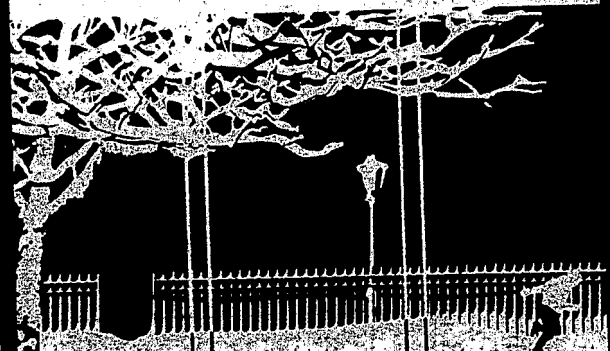
Grinnell's Landscape 70, Bloomfield Dodge 63
Holly Herald 75, Coach's Corner 67
Condon TV 89, Pepsi Cola 71
Utilase 84, Johnnies Car Wash 53

PONY LEAGUE	W-L
Brothers	1-0
Kosher Hogs	1-0
Air Smurfs	1-0
Bad Boys	1-0
Super Pals	1-0
Sled Dummies	0-1
Air Bevers	0-1
Hawks	0-1
Microwaves	0-1
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**NATIONAL LEAGUE RESULTS**  
 Tri-County Power Rodding 72, Terry Machine 48  
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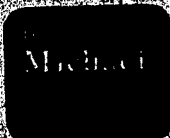
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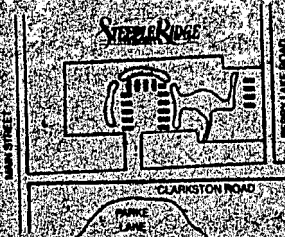
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# Clarkston tops Waterford Mott in GOAL

BY PETER AUCHTER  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

With a little confidence, the varsity volleyball team could go a long way.

Monday night, the Wolves hosted Greater Oakland Activities League foe Waterford Mott and topped them in two games 15-6, 15-8.

The victory left the team with a 1-0 mark in the GOAL and a 2-4 overall record. Coach Gordie Richardson hopes his charges will finally start believing in themselves.

"We haven't played up to our potential yet," he said. "But we are playing better this year than last."

Everybody had the opportunity to play and contributed in some way, the coach said. Except for poor serving in the second game, Richardson was pleased with their efforts.

Susan McKoin had seven kills, was five-of-five serving with two aces and also blocked one hit. Heather Behrens had two kills, was eight-of-eight serving with an ace and had four digs. Jamie Lerner had two kills, was six-of-eight serving with an ace and had two blocks.

Coy Carlson had three kills, three digs, one block and was two-of-two serving. Michelle Folwell had four kills, and Jenny Grohs had 14 assists and was 10-of-12 serving with two aces.

As a team, Clarkston had an excellent hitting percentage, around .300. It successfully served 87 percent of the time in the first game but only 76 in the second. Richardson would like to see the team serving in the 90 percent range.

Over the weekend, the Wolves played four matches at the Walled Lake Invitational. Unfortunately, Clarkston dropped matches against three of the four squads.

The Wolves beat Livonia Franklin 15-6, 15-10 and then lost to Northville, runner-up Brighton and tournament champion Birmingham Seaholm 6-15, 10-15.

On the day, Lerner and McKoin had 13 kills apiece -- Carlson, 10; Grohs, nine; and Jamie Law, eight, for the Wolves who had a lowly team hitting percentage of .181.

Michelle Sykes had eight aces and Behrens served at a 97.5 percent clip to help keep the Wolves in the games.

## CHS wrestlers keep winning

(CHS, from Page 19)

The victory improves the Wolves' record to 1-0 in the league and 4-0 overall in dual meets.

Winners for Clarkston were Eric Wall, at 119 pounds; Dave London, 125; John Anderson, 130; Adam Atkinson, 135; Tim Kerr, 140; John Terpstra, 145 and Jason Campbell, 189.

Smiles came easily for the Wolves after the match, considering it had been at least nine years since they had beaten Northern.

"It's hard to wrestle there, it's the toughest school to go to wrestle," said Strickler. "I couldn't be happier right now."

The layoff due to Christmas vacation didn't seem to affect the Clarkston club at all.

Two days after the Northern meet, the Wolves returned to the mat at the South Lyon Invitational.

After a slow start, the Wolves blew the competition away to take the team title. The victory marked the second tourney title this season for Clarkston.

Overall, 12 of the 13 competing wrestlers won a medal for the Wolves, helping the team accumulate 210 points. Host South Lyon finished second with 153 points.

Chris Luzi, at 112; London, at 125; Damon Michelsen, at 152; Jason Campbell, at 189; and Tony Miller at heavyweight all were champions. Kerr, at 140; Terpstra, at 145; and Jerry Lawrence, at 160, finished in second place.

"We are on a roll," said Strickler. "This was one (tournament) I wasn't sure of. We are ecstatic."

The team will have to continue to wrestle at peak form the rest of the way since the schedule doesn't get any easier.

Four teams in the Greater Oakland Activities League won tournaments over the weekend. The Wolves will have to earn everything they get from here on out in the league.

Although league-leader Lake Orion appears too tough to handle on paper in a dual meet, the GOAL-meet should be a different story, Strickler said.

## Sports Of All Sorts

### Youths ski free

Once again, Clarkston Area Youth Assistance is sponsoring a day of skiing for secondary students (grades six through twelve).

"It has been very successful in the past," said Merelyn Mallett, secretary and publicity chairman for Youth Assistance.

The third annual ski day is planned for Friday, Jan. 27, at Pine Knob Ski Resort in Independence Township. School is not in session that day because it is record day at the end of the first semester.

Discount tickets for the all-day event will be available at both junior highs and the high school that week. The cost is \$8 for an all-area lift ticket, and \$7 for ski rental. Group lessons will also be available for interested students at a nominal cost.

Pine Knob ski areas open at 10 a.m., but the lodge is open at 9 a.m. The day session ends at 5:30 p.m.

Youth assistance volunteers will be on hand during the event to serve hot chocolate to participating students.

More information about the third annual ski day is available by calling Garry Pullins at Clarkston Area Youth Assistance, 625-9007.

### Downhill freebie

As part of a national program, Independence Oaks County Park will offer free skiing on Friday, Jan. 20.

"Let's Go Skiing America," sponsored by Ski Industries of America, is designed to attract beginner skiers to the sport of cross-country skiing. The nation-

wide program lasts until February, but specials are available at Oakland County parks, including Independence Oaks, on the kick-off day, Jan. 20, only.

First-time beginner skiers will receive free park entry, free ski rental, and a free beginner group ski lesson (pre-registration required) during specified hours.

Independence Oaks will offer this special deal from 1 to 4 p.m. The county park, located on Sashabaw Road, 2 1/2 miles north of I-75 near Clarkston, features more than 10 miles of scenic, wooded trails. The park phone number is 625-0877.

"Let's Go Skiing America" at the Oakland County parks is a one-time offer. In the event of adverse weather or snow conditions, the activity will not be rescheduled.

Independence Oaks is open daily from 8 a.m. to dusk for cross-country skiing, weather permitting. Night skiers can try the lighted trail at Addison Oaks near Oxford on Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings, when that park remains open until 10 p.m.

For more information, call the parks directly or dial 858-0906.

### Women create team

When Beth Huttenlocher decided to join the Hillsdale swimming team as a walk-on, she had plenty of company.

The Clarkston resident was one of a team full of women to walk on, helping the college develop its first women's swimming program this year.

Competing against other Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference opponents as well as a few non-conference foes, the team currently sports a 1-2 record.

The sophomore swims the 200-yard medley relay, 200 individual medley and the 100 breaststroke. So far, she has earned three first-place awards, four seconds, one third and one fourth in the Chargers' three meets.

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# Blood imported from West Germany for ARC

BY DESIREE MARCKS

Blood imported from Munich, West Germany was received by the American Red Cross late in November. The first of four weekly shipments was delivered to the southeastern Michigan region of the ARC the week of Nov. 21. The blood is being imported as part of a short-term pilot program. The 100 units of red cells for each shipment was collected by the Bavarian Red Cross in Munich, which is licensed by the United States Food and Drug Administration.

## One reappointed to board of review

Township board members unanimously approved the reappointment of Dan Ellsworth to the board of review for a term expiring Dec. 31, 1990. The Independence Township Board of Review, made up of three property-owning township residents, sits in review of the assessor's valuation of property each March. Township residents questioning the assessment of their property may appeal to the board on three issues: value of property, hardship, or classification of property, according to David Kramer, township assessor. The board then uses the assessor's information and any information the taxpayer provides, to determine whether the taxpayer's appeal is valid. The board may at that time raise or lower the property owner's assessment. If the taxpayer still disagrees with the ruling, the case may be filed with the Michigan Tax Tribunal. Board of Review members are appointed by the township supervisor and are approved by the township board. Ellsworth, a real estate broker, sits on the Board of Review with Rainee Stricklin, a real estate salesperson, and Tom Brecht, a mortgage banker.

Noreen Peterson, assistant director of public relations for the ARC Southeastern Michigan Chapter, said Europe needs more plasma than red cells so an agreement was made to export the cells to the United States.

The Bavarian Red Cross approached the American Red Cross about a joint effort to use this blood source. The ARC is reimbursing them for the shipping costs.

The blood collected by the Bavarian Red Cross is from volunteer donors and will be subjected to the same tests as blood that's gathered locally. All donated blood is tested for hepatitis viruses, syphilis and HIV, the virus causing acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS).

The imported blood is expected to help alleviate the chronic shortage in the southeastern Michigan region. Hospitals in Wayne, Oakland, Macomb, Washtenaw and St. Clair counties are not receiving enough blood from local donors on a regular basis to meet their needs.

Peterson said the Southeast Michigan Chapter of the ARC couldn't look to other places in the United States for blood because they are also experiencing shortages.

According to Peterson, the supply of blood from local donors fluctuates throughout the year. For example, she said, collections are good the first two weeks of January, parts of February, March and April, except for Easter week.

This trend continues for the rest of the year and is influenced by additional holidays, school vacations and other variables.

Peterson said blood is collected, for example, from blood drives at high schools and car manufacturing plants. If the schools are on vacation or the plants are not operating the opportunities to have blood drives are decreased.

The blood collected at these drives is important. Peterson said about 18,000 pints of blood are collected from high school blood drives each year.

"Summer times are notoriously low because people get caught up with vacations and things aren't coming in and donating blood," she said. "If every donor would give one more time during the year we would never have

a blood shortage again."

She added that the ARC has many donors who only give blood once a year, although they do so faithfully.

The import of blood from the Bavarian Red Cross to the ARC is a "test" for what may become a long-term agreement. According to Peterson, whether or not this happens will be determined by a number of variables.

She said these include the availability of the blood on a regular basis, the promptness with which the blood is shipped and how the hospitals react to it. Peterson said these factors will probably be evaluated after the four-week period.

Desiree Marcks is a reporter for the Lake Orion Review.

## Pedestrian injured on icy Dixie Highway

A Virginia man, working with three others to push a disabled car along icy Dixie Highway Jan. 7, was injured when the group was struck from behind by an oncoming car.

Jeffrey William Dotson, 19, of Bland, Va., was pushing the vehicle north on Dixie Highway, just north of Maybee Road in Independence Township, with two others. A third person was steering the car, according to an Oakland County Sheriff's Department report.

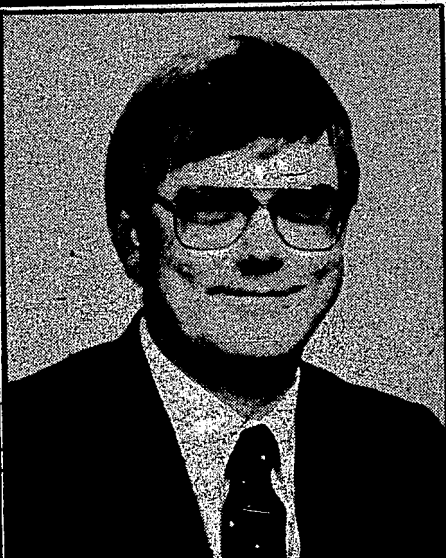
Around 11:10 p.m., the group was struck from behind by a car driven by Kevin Andrew Huber, 17, of Rockcrot, Waterford Township.

Upon impact, the first car rolled across southbound Dixie Highway traffic and into the Clarkston Chrysler Dealership where it hit a car parked in the lot.

Dotson was taken to Pontiac Osteopathic Hospital where he was listed in stable condition Monday.

None of the others involved in the incident were injured.

Huber, who was wearing a seat belt at the time of the accident, was charged with failing to use due care and caution while driving.



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# Fewer birds seen during Christmas

BY CHARLOTTE WALL

More people watched the birds during the 1988 annual Christmas Bird Count, but there were fewer feathered friends to keep an eye on.

According to Esther Cusick, Christmas Bird Count compiler for the Oakland Audubon Society, 111 persons participated in the count, including 62 local feeder-watchers. During the 1987 count, there were 107 participants, including 54 feeder-watchers.

The area of the annual count includes 177 square miles from Walton Boulevard on the south to Rock Valley Road at the north, and from Dequindre Road on the east to Independence Oaks County Park at the west.

The area's hub is Indianwood Road and M-24 in Orion Township. The count took place on Saturday, Dec. 17, 1988.

According to Cusick, the weather was cooperative the day of the count. Temperatures ranged from 15 degrees in the early morning to 24 degrees late in the day. The skies were overcast and there was a light, northwest wind.

"There was no snow and no rain," she added. "But there was a little snow on the ground."

Cusick said the count's tally was 18,059 birds, representing 62 species. "That's down from last year," she added. "We attribute the drop in numbers to the severe cold snap we had a week to 10 days prior to the count."

During the 1987 count, watchers tallied 20,814 birds, representing 69 species.

Because the cold weather in early December had closed the water on several area lakes, the gull and duck counts were down from the 1987 watch, said Cusick.

Nevertheless, one very rare bird was spotted, according to Cusick. A fox sparrow was seen at Independence Oaks County Park Nature Center.

"This species is very rare now," said Cusick. "They are usually seen farther south at this time of the year. For one to be hanging around was unusual."

Also, watchers spotted five common grackles. "You see many of these birds in the summer, but they migrate," said Cusick.

Highlighting the count's tallies, Cusick said that two pine grosbeaks were seen, as well as 11 eastern bluebirds.

"More and more people (in the count area) are building bluebird nesting boxes," Cusick said. "The bluebirds nests were being taken over by starlings, but the boxes prevent that from happening, and we are beginning to see an increase in the count of that species."

She said that the bluebirds also use the nesting boxes for warmth. "Several of the birds will go into one nesting box and keep each other warm," according to Cusick. "Because there are more of them, they stay here during the winter. Our hope is that they make it through the winter."

Mice running from tall grasses onto the light pavement along the expressways brought out several red-tailed hawks. "We saw 66 of these," said Cusick, adding that they were most often seen roosting and watching the ground along the expressways.

The tally of dark-eyed juncos came to 719 during this past Christmas Count.

The most common birds spotted included 2,529 house sparrows, 2,084 starlings and 1,851 American gold finches. "This was a record high count for the American gold finch," said Cusick. "We have never had that many in the count before."

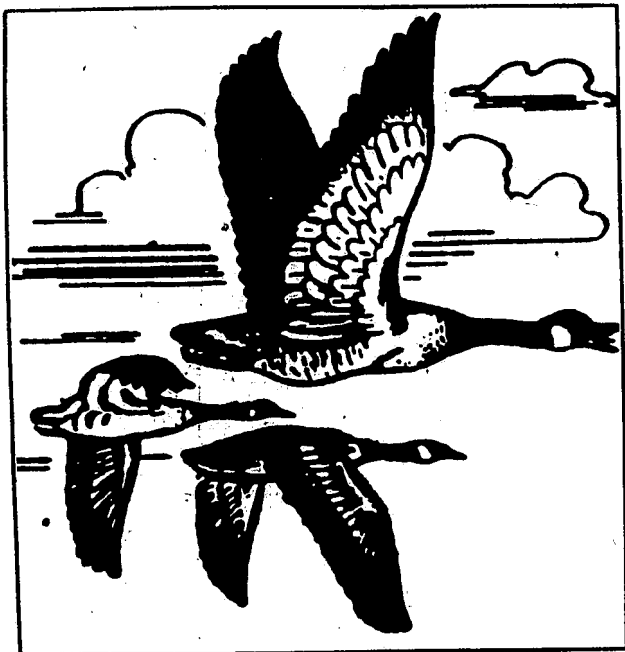
Black-capped chickadees numbered 1,594 and there were 1,315 mourning doves seen.

Despite the decreased count in gulls and ducks, there were 1,480 Canada geese tallied. "Even though the water was closed, the Canada goose is a big strong bird," said Cusick. "They're used to traveling great distances, and people could be feeding them, so they stay."



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CANADA GEESE were among the birds counted during Christmas.

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# Township board debates fate of caretaker's house

BY TRACY KING  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Independence Township Board members didn't agree on whether to sell it, add to it or change its tenants. However, they did agree that the township's caretaker house, located in Clintonwood Park, needs some caretaking of its own.

Board members discussed the need for changes at the house Jan. 3 but decided not to take formal action until receiving more information.

Park Superintendent Mike Turk, who lives in the house with his family, recently approached the board with an offer to build two additional bedrooms onto the house for a cost of \$6,700, including materials.

The house previously had been restored to a livable condition for someone who would pay a modest rent. It was hoped that the person would keep an eye on Clintonwood Park and hopefully put a stop to the increasing reports of violence in the area, according to William Vandermark, township trustee.

"The (Turk) family has grown considerably," Supervisor Frank Ronk told board members. "Tonight I'm asking for input on whether we add two bedrooms to support the existing family or no longer rent to the family or do away with the program altogether."

"It's my opinion that the program is very important to us," he said.

"It's helped a lot," Vandermark said. "I think it's a good idea to continue the program."

Some members expressed concern over the fairness of offering such a structure to just one employee instead of all employees.

Others suggested that the money spent on renovating the caretaker house may be better spent elsewhere.

"I'm not sure it's even necessary to have a caretaker out there," said John Lutz, township treasurer. "We have

a lot of other property that is more valuable to us. We may want to do the same thing with Baycourt," he said.

Baycourt, a 50-acre parcel of land on Greens Lake off Andersonville Road, was recently purchased by the township for a public park.

Board members called upon Ann Conklin, director of the parks and recreation department to give her

assessment of the situation.

"It's important to keep the facility. It's important, too, to have a superintendent who knows the turf," she said.

Ronk told board members that he and Conklin would look into the matter further and would report back to them.

## Bouquets

### Food store helped Thanks for support

We both wanted to bring to your readers' attention the generous actions of the Food Town Corporation over the holiday season.

Food Town and the Clarkston High School Student Council co-sponsored a pilot program at the school. The program, Christmas Dinner Committee, was created in order to supply financially burdened Clarkston area families with an easier means of purchasing a Christmas dinner.

The program was a smashing success due greatly to the benevolent contribution of \$150 in food gift certificates by Food Town. Along with this gift and funds from CHS Student Council, five area families were able to have a much merrier holiday season.

Both we and the families offer our sincerest thanks to the management of the Food Town Corporation.

Erich Becker, Brian Riganon  
Co-Chairmen, Christmas  
Dinner Committee

We want to thank all of you who sent cards and letters and packages to Doreen while she and her mother were at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn. from Sept. 27 to Dec. 2.

It is impossible to thank all of you personally because we received mail from some people we didn't even know.

Also, our church, the Drayton Heights Free Methodist Church, surprised us with a love offering to help with our expenses in Minnesota. They, along with St. Dan's and United Methodist and other churches here and all over the country supported us with their prayers.

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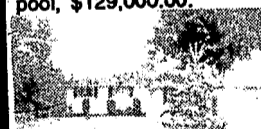


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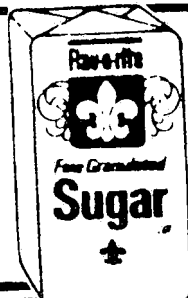


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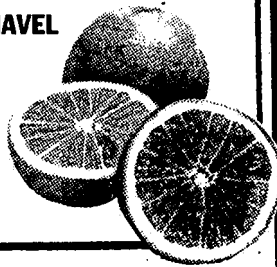
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# Reflections

## SECTION 2

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Wednesday, January 11, 1989 Page 29

### 'Mixed marriage' endures friendly sports rivalry

BY PAT YOUNG  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

It was all in fun—a friendly family trip to Tempe, Ariz., to attend the Sunkist Fiesta Bowl at Sun Devil Stadium on Jan. 2. But while Betty and Ron Wagner of Independence Township wore the same blue and gold colors during the event, they were rooting for opposite teams.

Blue and gold are the colors of both Notre Dame and West Virginia, the two universities who met to decide the national collegiate football championship. Betty is graduate of West Virginia, and Ron of Notre Dame.

*The Fighting Irish are the more famous as far as football teams are concerned, but Betty is quick to point out that West Virginia has its own fame. The Mountaineers are currently eighth in the nation among state universities for Rhodes scholars.*

She is outnumbered, to say the least. Her father, two uncles, a cousin, a brother, and two sons, Greg and Ron, are graduates of Notre Dame. Her daughter, Kristen, attends Saint Mary's, Notre Dame, right across the street in this college community north of South Bend, Ind.

While the score is history now, Notre Dame won 34-21, the Wagners did not return home until late last Thursday night, and the tee-shirts, pom poms and other cheering paraphernalia haven't been packed away yet. Neither have the memories of all the pre-game ribbing Betty took.

She came home one day to find her West Virginia mascot, a little bear she had in a prominent place in the living room, with a sign that read, "I'm dead on Jan. 2."



RON AND BETTY WAGNER of share a last laugh over their friendly Fiesta Bowl rivalry.

Betty is a West Virginia University graduate, and Ron graduated from Notre Dame.

On Christmas morning, she awoke to find the same mascot hanging from a noose in the foyer.

"Ron harassed me a lot before the game," she said. But it was all in fun. Even the atmosphere in Tempe was friendly, she added. "I could feel the friendliness between the two teams."

The Fighting Irish are the more famous as far as football teams are concerned, but Betty is quick to point out that West Virginia has its own fame. The Mountaineers are currently eighth in the nation among state universities for Rhodes scholars.

The Wagners traveled to Arizona with several other Notre Dame couples, including Ron's ex-roommate, and attended a lot of pre-game and post-game festivities, mostly for the Irishmen since Betty was out-

numbered. But nowhere, Betty said, did they meet another married couple who were from opposite universities.

When they walked down the street dressed up in their T-shirts and hats cheering on their rival teams, they would get plenty of attention.

"People would stop and laugh," Betty said. Someone even told them, "That marriage isn't going to last."

But it has, over 25 years now, certainly with plenty of friendly rivalry over their alma maters along the way. "We said it was a 'mixed marriage,'" Betty said, laughing. "But it survived."

After the bowl game, they shared a bottle of champagne.

### Lecture series offers stars, stories and humor

BY PAT YOUNG  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

"Hometown Celebration," a new lecture series spotlighting four well-known speakers from southern Michigan, will debut in Clarkston in February.

The series is a new offering of the Clarkston Community Education adult enrichment program.

"We wanted to do some new things and revamp the enrichment program," said Chris Scharrer, project coordinator for adult and community education.

Scharrer organized the new lecture series and put together information on the four speakers for a brochure.

For a \$20 ticket, people can attend all four Thursday lectures, Feb. 2, March 2, April 6 and May 3, from 7 to 8 p.m. in the Kirchgessner Theatre at Clarkston High School. Tickets may be purchased at the Clarkston Learning Center on Maybee Road.

Kicking off the lecture series will be celebrity mother Barbara Gibson on Feb. 2.

"Of all the roles I've played, my favorite one is mom," she said.

Not only is she mom to famous sports star Kirk Gibson, but she has successfully raised two other children and is a drama teacher at Clarkston High School

where her students affectionately call her "Ma."

Gibson will share some of her very interesting experiences as a mother and teacher, and provide a look at some of the joys and heartaches that go along with being a celebrity mother.

On March 2, local author Jimi DuFresne will provide a humorous look at the life of a full-time freelance writer and house husband. He pursues his writing career between changing diapers, making pigtails and preparing dinner at night.

DuFresne will talk about "The Joys of a Travel Writer: Working at Home, Sleeping on the Road."

His syndicated column, "Travels in Michigan," appears in daily newspapers across the state. He'll recount some of his experiences while traveling 8,000 miles across Michigan researching his book, "Michigan: Off the Beaten Path." He will also share what he feels are the top 10 attractions in Michigan.

Commander Gilbert R. Hill, Special Services Division, Detroit Police Department, will speak on April 6. Hill appeared in Beverly Hills Cop I and II, on numerous television and radio programs, and is a popular speaker for a wide range of events.

Behind his popularity as a local and national celebrity is a sound and dedicated career as a police officer and detective.

His good sense and sound judgment are qualities that aided in solving the Atlanta child murders and have made him a highly respected individual among the public and his peers.

Mark Ridley, voted class clown of Walled Lake Central High School's class of 1968, was unaware that one day he would be able to take his act out of the classroom and into the nightclub.

Ridley will round out the "Hometown Celebration" lecture series on May 3.

Owner of the Comedy Castle, Ridley has hosted such comedians as Jay Leno, Garry Shandling, Gallagher, Jimmie Walker and many others. He is the Michigan coordinator of the television show "Star Search" and is the co-founder of "Laugh Academy," a learning institution for aspiring comics.

Scharrer is excited about the new lecture series offered in Clarkston.

"The series is one of the new things we're trying," she said. "We'll see what the reaction is, and hope to expand on this in the future."

As an added bonus, the Deer Lake Racquet Club is offering a 10 percent discount on dinners (between the hours of 5 and 10 p.m.) to ticket holders on the nights of the lectures.

# CHS grad has starring role in DIA production

BY JULIE CAMPE  
Clarkston News Editor

Since elementary school, Cory Goodrich has had one eye on the stage, desperately hoping that one day, she, too, would stand under the spotlight.

Just two days after working at a "real job" after graduation from Michigan State University, East Lansing, Cory found herself playing Alice in a children's musical, "Alice in Wonderland," based on Lewis Carroll's book.

"This makes me very happy," said the Perry Lake Road, Independence Township, resident, who performed in Detroit last week. "I can't stand doing anything but theater."

After graduation, she saw a newspaper ad for the job and auditioned. She still is thrilled that she was hired, even six months after touring the country with the 10-member Prince Street Players, produced by The Detroit Youththeatre, a part of the Detroit Institute of Arts.

**"I'm a working actress. I'm getting paid. It's very exciting. I'm still amazed I'm doing this. I hope I can continue in the future."**

"This is my first job, my first professional job," said Cory, who performed on stage throughout high school and college. She added that she's happy to make a living with her craft.

"It's possible, believe it or not," she said. "I'm a working actress. I'm getting paid. It's very exciting. I'm still amazed I'm doing this. I hope I can continue in the future."

While traveling in vans across the country is a little tiresome, her job leaves time for sight-seeing, and she's built strong friendships with her co-workers. The musical is pretty good, too, she said.

"It's a really cute show," she said. "To tell the truth, it was never one of my favorite stories, but the script is great, and the music is wonderful. What I really like is having an impact on the kids' lives."

"I remember when I saw shows at that age, it made such a big impact on me. It made me want to be an actress."

The children in the audience sometimes stay after the performance to meet the performers, and Cory liked hearing their reviews.

"Sometimes they're bold, and they tell you, whether they liked the show or not," she said. "Sometimes they're in awe, and so scared that they can't say anything."

Cory could relate to the children because of her own childhood experiences. When she was in elementary school, her older brother acted in Clarkston High School productions, and Cory used to watch the shows as often as she could.



**CORY GOODRICH plays Alice in "Alice in Wonderland," a traveling production of a children's musical. Cory likes musical comedy best. "I love doing straight theater, but**

**when it comes to acting, I like making people happy. There's something about singing and dancing. There's enough drama out there already." She is a 1984 CHS graduate.**

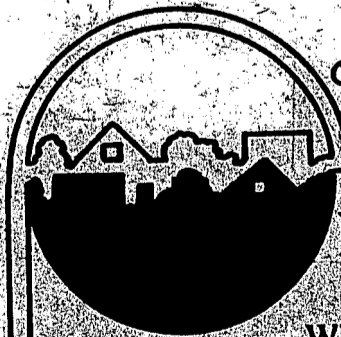
"I used to dream about being in those shows," she said.

Then, later, she went to the shows as a junior high school student, and, finally, she became a CHS sophomore, where she met CHS drama teacher Barbara "Ma" Gibson, who encouraged Cory to take acting seriously.

"She's the most supportive high school teacher, or teacher anywhere, really, that I know of," said Cory. "She's the one that made me decide to go into theater."

Cory is the daughter of Ernestine and Jim Perkins of Perry Lake Road, Independence Township, and Tom Goodrich of Del., who were hesitantly supportive of her career choice.

"For a long time, they used to say, 'Cory, don't you think you want to teach instead?' I told them, 'Sure, sure.' But I knew I never would. ... It's something that I always knew in the back of my mind, but you never accept that that's what you want to do for the rest of your life."



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## Stretch and tone

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Week of Jan. 16 through Jan. 21

### MONDAY AND THURSDAY:

- 6:00 p.m. - Oakland County Parks Highlights of park facilities and events.
- 6:30 p.m. - For the Love of You: Bible-based teaching and advice with the Rev. James Finn of Good Shepherd Assembly of Clarkston.
- 7 p.m. - Best Medicine Co.: Let "Hoo" humor you. This week: Lincoln's Humor.

7:30 p.m. - Clarkston Schools presents: Programming produced by Clarkston High School media students.

8:00 p.m. - Microwave Plus: Microwave cooking tips and more with home economist Betty Wagner. This week: Dorm room dining.

8:30 p.m. - Culture and Nature: Series is hosted by anthropologist Rick Zurel of Clarkston. This week: The Shaman's Touch.

### TUESDAY AND FRIDAY

6:00 p.m. - The Job Show: Employment information presented by the Michigan Employment Security Commission. This week: Summer jobs with the U.S. government.

6:30 p.m. - This Is the Life: Contemporary drama series sponsored by St. Trinity Lutheran Church. This week: "Rain or Shine."

7 p.m. - Home Movies and Entertainment: Private movies and comedy skits with Tom Hoyes of Clarkston.

7:30 p.m. - Shirley's World: Discussion of psychic phenomenon with host Shirley Lynch of Clarkston. This week: Client's view of a psychic reading.

8 p.m. - Cherie's Craft Corner: Cherie Hartwick demonstrates various craft-making techniques. This week: Paper husk dolls.

### WEDNESDAY AND SATURDAY

6 p.m. - Cold Water Rescue: Ice-rescue maneuvers of the Independence Township Fire Department.

6:15 - Drinking and driving arrest: Police dramatization.

6:30 p.m. - The Fitness Factory: Stretch and tone aerobics.

7 p.m. - Independence Township Board meeting: The Jan. 17 meeting in its entirety.

## PROBATE NOTICE

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
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FOR THE  
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In the Matter of the Estate of:  
ELSIE HARALABAKOS, a/k/a  
ELSIE DA HARALABAKOS,  
SS. No. 372-22-2031  
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18633 Beech Daly Rd.,  
Detroit, MI 48240  
File No. 88-194,236-SE  
Deceased.

ROBERT G. ISGRIGG, JR.  
(P-24924)  
Attorney for Estate

PUBLICATION AND  
NOTICE OF HEARING

TAKE NOTICE: On Dec. 29, 1988, A.D. 1988, at 8:30 a.m., in the probate courtroom, Pontiac, Michigan, before Honorable Barry M. Grant, Judge of Probate, a hearing was held on the Petition of ROBERT G. ISGRIGG, JR. The Will of the Deceased, dated August 4, 1971, was admitted to probate. Administration of the Estate was granted to ROBERT G. ISGRIGG, JR., Personal Representative named in said Will.

Creditors of the Deceased are notified that all claims against the Estate must be presented to said Personal Representative, ROBERT G. ISGRIGG, JR., at 2715 Pontiac Lake Road, Pontiac, Michigan 48054, and proof thereof with copies of claims filed with the Court on or before Feb. 14, 1989.

Notice is further given that a determination of legal heirs of said deceased will be made on said date at 8:30 a.m.

Notice is further given that the Estate will thereafter be assigned to persons appearing of record entitled thereto.

Dated: December 6, 1988

ROBERT G. ISGRIGG, JR.,  
Personal Representative  
2715 Pontiac Lake Road  
Pontiac, Michigan 48054

Telephone: (313) 882-8800

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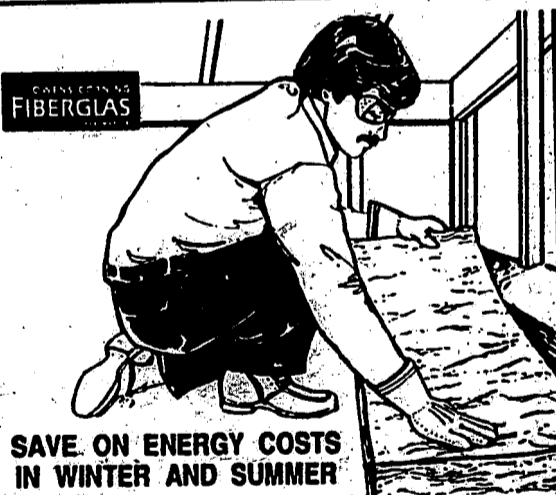
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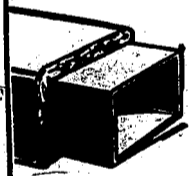
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### New arrival

Tom and Mary (Fahrner) Hall of Pontiac are the proud parents of a baby girl.

Stephanie Kristine Hall was born at 10:53 a.m. Jan. 9 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Pontiac. She weighed 6 pounds, 15 1/4 ounces and measured 20 inches long.

She will be welcomed home by her proud brother, Matthew Thomas, 20 months.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Delray Hall of Clarkston and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Fahrner of Independence Township. Great-grandparents are Emma Yarbrough of Midland and Helen Fahrner of Pontiac.

### Engagement



Marion F. and Veronica T. Bohacz of Bronson announce the engagement of their daughter, Laureen Bohacz, to William P. Odell, the son of Paul T. and Virginia L. Odell of Woodland View, Independence Township. The bride-elect is an editorial assistant at the Lansing State Journal and graduated from Michigan State University, East Lansing, in December, with a bachelor's degree in journalism. The prospective bridegroom is a technical representative for DPG Industries at the Realta Craft Center in Lansing. The couple is planning a May 27 wedding in Lansing.

### Honors

Michael W. Trebilcock, a 1987 graduate of Clarkston High School, was named to the dean's list for the fall term at Michigan State University, East Lansing.

He is a sophomore in the honors college majoring in journalism. Mike is the son of the Rev. and Mrs. Doug Trebilcock of Church Street, Clarkston.

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Sheila Adkins, a 1984 graduate of Clarkston High School, was named to the dean's list at Oakland University, Rochester.

She is a senior majoring in elementary education and is to graduate in the spring.

Sheila is the daughter of Ronald and Mary Lake of Clarkston Road, Independence Township, and Dallas Adkins of Union Lake.

## Colpus and Pursley exchange vows

Lori Ann Colpus and Ronald R. Pursley exchanged their wedding vows on Sept. 24, 1988. The 4 p.m. ceremony took place in All Saints Episcopal Church, Pontiac.

The bride is the daughter of Robert M. and Sandy Colpus of Pontiac. She is an insurance underwriter for Intercontinental Brokerage in Rochester and a 1983 graduate of Pontiac Central High School.

The bridegroom's parents are Ronald D. and Shirley Pursley of Clarkston. A 1983 graduate of Clarkston High School, he is employed as a full-time firefighter with the Independence Township Fire Department.

Maid of honor was Leslie Colpus, sister of the bride.

Bridesmaids were Kim Bentley, sister of the bridegroom; Betsy Nommensen; Jill Keener, sister of the bridegroom; and Lisa Swansy. The junior bridesmaid was Kristi Bentley, the bridegroom's niece.

Best man was Pat Rausch, best friend of the bridegroom. Groomsmen were Mike Tower, Nate Cook, Dave Stover, Keith Bailey and Dan Bentley, brother-in-law of the bridegroom.

The flower girl was Aimee Torres, and the ring bearer was Jason Keener, the bridegroom's nephew.

The newlyweds are residing in Waterford.

### In service

Marine Cpl. Mario A. Rodriguez, a 1985 graduate of Clarkston High School, recently participated in community relations projects while deployed aboard the aircraft carrier USS Carl Vinson, homeported in Alameda, Calif.

During a port visit to Pattava Beach, Thailand, Rodriguez assisted in painting an elementary school building and in distributing supplies and materials to an orphanage and several other schools.

He joined the Marine Corps in May of 1986.

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Marine Lance Cpl. Rodney Ritter recently participated in Exercise Teamwork 88, a joint maritime NATO exercise conducted in the North Atlantic and Norwegian Sea, while serving with the 2nd Marine Division, Camp Lejeune, N.C.

Ritter is the son of Steven R. and Diane E. Ritter of Clarkston. He joined the Marine Corps in June of 1987.

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Marine Lance Cpl. Rodney L. Dunn, son of Rodney L. Dunn of Clarkston, recently received the Meritorious Unit Commendation Medal while serving with the 1st Marine Division, Camp Pendleton, Calif.

Dunn, a 1986 graduate of Clarkston High School, was awarded the decoration for his outstanding service during an amphibious exercise in the Northern Pacific.

### Engagement



Paul and Virginia Odell of Woodland View, Independence Township, announce the engagement of their daughter, Teresa Lee Odell, to Carl Edgar Erznosnik of Waterford. The bride-elect is a 1983 graduate of Clarkston High School and is managing a hair salon in Waterford. The prospective bridegroom is a 1984 graduate of Waterford Our Lady of the Lakes High School. He is now in his third year of pre-med studies at Oakland University, Rochester, and plans to go to medical school after graduation. A May 19, 1990, wedding is planned.



NEWLYWEDS: Ronald and Lori Pursley.

### At college

Cheryl Learst and Hope Waller of Clarkston were among 53 dancers performing in Alma College's fall term Orchesis Dance Concert Dec. 9, 10 and 11.

Waller choreographed and performed three numbers and danced two others. In "Tricity", Waller choreographed and danced in the fast-paced modern ballet, an original composition by her older brother, James Waller Jr.

Learst, a 1987 Brandon High School graduate, danced in "Be Happy" and "What Would You do With All This Paper?"

A sophomore at Alma College, Alma, she is the daughter of Thomas and Judith Learst of Oakhill Road.

Waller, a 1985 Clarkston High School graduate, is the daughter of James and Lenora Waller of Allen Road, Independence Township. She is a senior majoring in French.

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Colleen Moore of Clarkston was selected as one of three students on the judicial committee at Alma College, Alma.

In that position, she will work with faculty members and administrators on Alma's community government committees and is empowered to act on student infractions when the issues are referred to her committee by the Dean of Students or students involved in the infractions.

Moore, a 1986 graduate of Frankfurt International High School in West Germany, is the daughter of Harry and Carol Moore, Caribou Trail, Independence Township. She is majoring in history and political science at Alma College.

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Jeff Owczarski, a 1987 Clarkston High School graduate, is attending the Spartan School of Aeronautics in Tulsa, Okla. The son of Angel and Bill Havel of Parview Drive, Independence Township, and of James and Wendy Owczarski of Linden, Jeff plans to become an aeronautic technician and hopes to one day become a commercial pilot.





# Tips to help ensure mail delivery in the winter

Snow will soon be falling and once again the Postal Service requests the cooperation of residents and businesses in keeping walkways clear.

Shoveling and sanding or salting stairways and sidewalk approaches to mail boxes will help prevent many of the slipping and falling injuries suffered by letter carriers each winter.

Mail carriers are anxious to provide people with quick, efficient service, according to the management staff at the Clarkston Post Office, but will be unable to do so if mailboxes are inaccessible due to snow and ice.

The Clarkston Post Office management asks area residents to keep the following points in mind this winter:

1. Door delivery: Because of the potential for injury, letter carriers are not permitted to attempt delivery where there is heavy build-up of snow and ice on sidewalks, steps or porches.

Painted porches are a particular hazard when covered with even a dusting of snow.

Do you have handrails by the stairs? They can prevent a minor slip from becoming a major injury to yourself or visitors to your property.

2. Curb delivery: Again, because of the accident and injury potential, carriers are not permitted to dismount for curblines blocked due to snow and ice build-up. Nor are they permitted to back up.

Clear away the snow back to the curblines for at least six feet on both sides of the box so the carrier may approach and leave without backing the vehicle.

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## What's Cooking

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**Pat Young**

In the winter, I tend to buy those fresh vegetables that I don't grow all summer. Frankly, I have a hard time even looking at a zucchini or a green bean, let alone buying one. All I can think about are the mountains of both I harvested last August and September.

But Brussels sprouts--now there's a vegetable that appeals to me in the winter. If it's one that appeals to you, too, here's an elegant way to prepare them.

### SCALLOPED BRUSSELS SPROUTS & CHESTNUTS

- 1/2 pound shelled and peeled chestnuts
  - 2 quarts boiling water mixed with 1 1/2 teaspoons of salt
  - 1 carton (10 ounce) small Brussels sprouts, stemmed and trimmed
  - 4 tablespoons unsalted butter or margarine
  - 4 tablespoons flour
  - 1/4 teaspoon freshly grated nutmeg
  - 1 cup beef broth
  - 1/2 cup heavy cream (milk can be substituted)
  - 1/4 cup Brussels sprouts cooking water
  - 3 tablespoons freshly grated Parmesan cheese
  - 1/2 teaspoon salt
  - 1/8 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
- Topping:
- 1/2 cup fine soft bread crumbs
  - 2 tablespoons freshly grated Parmesan cheese
  - 2 teaspoons melted unsalted butter or margarine

Add the chestnuts to the salted water in a covered saucepan and boil them for 10 minutes over moderate heat. Add the Brussels sprouts, cover the pan again, and cook the sprouts 10 to 12 minutes longer, until they are crisp and tender.

Drain the sprouts and chestnuts, reserving 1/4 cup of the cooking water.

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees. Melt the butter (or margarine) in a small, heavy saucepan over moderate

heat, blend in the flour and nutmeg to make a smooth paste, and cook the mixture for 1 to 2 minutes over moderate heat.

Combine the beef broth, cream (or milk) and reserved cooking water, add the mixture to the saucepan and cook, stirring constantly, for 3 to 5 minutes, until the sauce is thickened and smooth and no raw, floury taste remains. Stir in the Parmesan cheese, salt and pepper to taste.

Pour the sauce over the Brussels sprouts and chestnuts and stir all the ingredients well to mix them.

Pour the mixture into a buttered, shallow 6-cup casserole. Quickly toss together all the topping ingredients and sprinkle the topping evenly over the sprouts.

Bake the dish uncovered for about 30 minutes, until it bubbles and is tipped with brown. Makes about 6 servings.

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The adoption fee for Laura is \$5. Some of the supplies needed can also be obtained at the shelter.



LAURA needs love, too. (Photo by Peter Auchter)

## House numbers help in an emergency

An increasing problem for emergency personnel is the absence of house or building numbers, according to employees at Consumers Power.

House and building numbers should be clearly visible from the street to help in the event of an emergency, said Edgar L. Doss, general manager for the utility's metro region.

Lives could be endangered if workers are delayed when trying to find a gas leak or downed power line, he said. Firefighters and police could also be delayed.

Adding to the problem is the traffic hazard to pedestrians and other vehicles when the service truck or emergency vehicle cruises the streets, trying find the right address.

Numbers should be large enough to be seen from the street and should be placed in a spot that's easy to see, said Doss.

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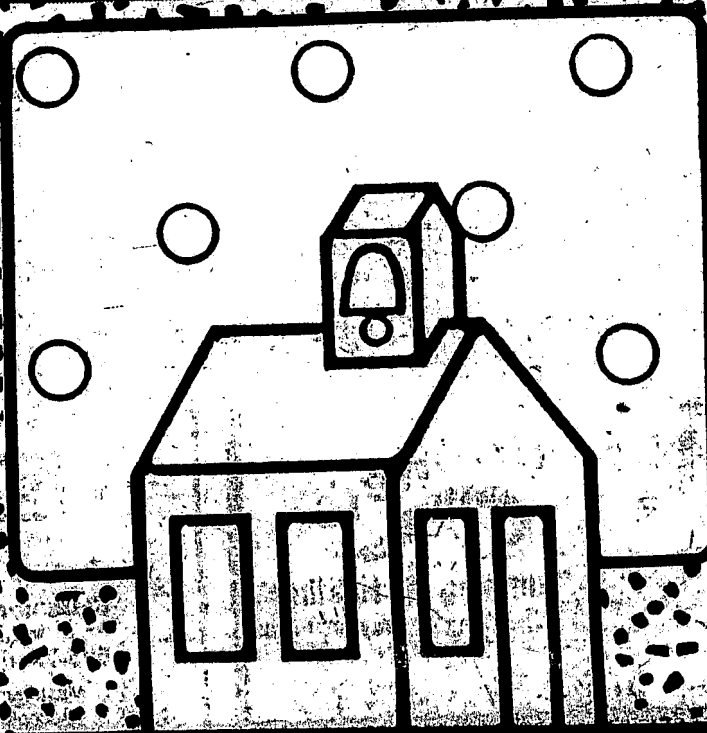
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# CHS grad competes for man of the year title

BY PAT YOUNG  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Be well rounded; get involved in more than one activity in school. That's the message Thomas Ruelle, a 1986 graduate of Clarkston High School wants to get out to students. And it's the main reason he competed for the title of "Michigan's U.S. Man of the Year" last weekend at Delta College in Bay City.

Ruelle said before the competition that it would be a great experience, win or lose, and would open doors to promotional jobs. It would also enable him, as part of his duties if he won, to go around to high schools in the state and talk to students.

Ruelle didn't win the competition. That honor went to a Mount Clemens man. But he believes firmly in his philosophy of participating while in school.

"I've talked to a lot of high school students, and too many think they should be involved in one thing," he said. "I did them all when I was in high school."

Ruelle, 21, is a junior at Saginaw Valley State University, Saginaw, attending school on a football scholarship. He also plays baseball for the college.

With plans to be a high school teacher, he is majoring in physical education and history with a minor in music. He maintains a 3.04 grade point average.

Ruelle is one of five children of Art and Dorothy Ruelle of Maybee Road, Independence Township. He was chosen as one of the 12 finalists to compete in the competition from over 100 applications.

According to Terri Lechner, state director for the competition, this is the second annual "Michigan Man of the Year" event. The winner goes on to compete in the "U.S. Man of the Year" competition this spring in Atlantic City, N.J.

The national competition for men was begun by a woman named Veronica Brancato who thought there should be more than body building competition for men. She decided to start a competition that also took into account their intelligence, accomplishments and character.

Only 25 percent of the competition score is based on physical fitness. (The men model boxer-style shorts.) Another 25 percent of the score comes from evening wear competition. (The men model tuxedos.) The other 50 percent of the score is based on interviews and on-stage questions that determine intelligence, personality and ability.

The men in the Jan. 7 Michigan competition ranged in age from 18 to 32. Ten were single, two were married, and they represented everything from students and a basketball coach to a police officer, Lechner said.

The competition is sponsored by numerous mer-

chants and businesses. Ruelle was sponsored by Four Flags Racquet Club and Russell's Tuxedo, both in the Saginaw area where he currently resides.

His parents were on hand for the competition. So was his twin brother, Jim, causing a bit of confusion for the director.

According to his mother, the director came out to the audience and asked Jim, thinking it was Tom, why he wasn't backstage.

The Ruelles said they thought their son learned a lot from the competition and they were very proud of him.

"The judges told us he did very well," his mother said. "Maybe he'll try again next year."

## Memorial service for the unborn

A community memorial service on Jan. 22 is planned to remember the 22.5 million babies that have been aborted since 1973, according to the Rev. Kurt Gebhard of the North Oaks Community Church in Independence Township.

Jan. 22 is sanctity of human life Sunday, he explained, sponsored by the Christian Action Council, which has been active in setting up crisis intervention centers for problem pregnancies.

The date is also the anniversary of the 1973 Roe vs. Wade Supreme Court decision that legalized abortion in all 50 states, he said. Prior to that, it was left up to the individual states to decide.

The one-hour service will begin at 3 p.m. in the Drayton Heights Free Methodist Church on Maybee Road. Detroit Symphony Orchestra violinist Ann Strubler and her husband, Dave, will be at the service. Strubler will perform, and as an adopted child, share thoughts on her own life.

The service is open to the public, Gebhard said. While he is one of the organizers of the event, it has been a community-wide effort, including the Rev. Frank

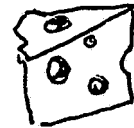
VanValin of the Free Methodist Church.

Gebhard said another reason the event is planned is to offer a memorial service for the babies because they are not given burials.

He anticipates making the memorial service an annual event, on or near the anniversary date.

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# Hypothermia is a winter risk

As temperatures dip down around the freezing mark, Consumers Power Company has issued an alert about hypothermia, or low body temperature.

Temperatures do not have to be extremely low for hypothermia to be a threat, according to Lucille Ivers, consumer affairs director for Consumers Power Metro Region. Most hypothermia victims suffer the problem at temperatures between 30 and 50 degrees.

Older adults are more susceptible because they have difficulty conserving body heat. However, infants and individuals weakened by injuries or diseases may also be at risk.

For most people, mild exposure to cold will not cause hypothermia because their bodies' defenses are equal to the task. The average normal body temperature is 98.6 F. A body temperature below 95 degrees is considered hypothermic.

The condition requires medical attention because it can endanger the victim, even to the point of being fatal.

Ivers suggests some signs that could indicate hypothermia:

-Cool or cold skin, particularly on the stomach, lower back, arms, legs, hands and feet. The skin may be very pale, but also may have large, irregular blue or pink spots with a puffy or swollen face.

-Unusual muscle stiffness, particularly in the neck, arms and legs, sometimes accompanied by a fine trembling on one side of the body or in a limb.

-Slowed breathing and heart rate, perhaps to the point of being difficult to detect.

-Mental confusion or disorientation.

-Decreased physical energy and activity.

-Irritable, hostile or aggressive behavior.

If no professional medical help is readily available, Ivers recommends the following:

-Insulate the person's head and neck; use blankets, quilts, clothing or whatever is available as covering. Don't try to have the person remove or put on additional

clothing.

-Do not try to rewarm the person; techniques such as a hot bath or shower can cause sudden shock and heart failure. Rewarming is a complicated process and should be done only by trained medical personnel.

-Do not try to administer food or liquids and be very gentle.

Dressing properly and getting good nutrition are vital to avoiding hypothermia. Hot, nourishing meals, warm beverages, loose layered clothing and a hat and neck scarf are precautions that will minimize the risks of hypothermia, according to Ivers.

## Meeting schedule set

The seven-member township board of the Charter Township of Independence set its meeting schedule for 1989.

The board will hold its regular meetings on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the township annex, 90 N. Main St., Clarkston.

An exception to the schedule occurs in July when the first meeting will be held July 11 instead of July 4, Independence Day.

The meeting schedule is as follows:

- Jan. 3 and 17, 1989
- Feb. 7 and 21, 1989
- March 7 and 21, 1989
- April 4 and 18, 1989
- May 2 and 16, 1989
- June 6 and 20, 1989
- July 11 and 18, 1989
- Aug. 1 and 15, 1989
- Sept. 5 and 19, 1989
- Oct. 3 and 17, 1989
- Nov. 7 and 21, 1989
- Dec. 5 and 19, 1989

## Ski clinic for senior citizens

Senior citizens can beat cabin fever this winter by learning one of the best cardiovascular activities: cross country skiing.

A clinic especially geared to seniors is scheduled for Wednesday, Jan. 25 at Independence Oaks County Park, Sashabaw Road, Independence Township.

Two sessions are included in the clinic from 10 a.m. to noon and from 1 to 3 p.m. the clinic includes a movie, lecture, lesson and a presentation on equipment and technique.

Cost is \$3 without ski rental, \$5 with ski rental and includes the clinic, coffee and donuts. Layered, wool clothing and mittens are recommended for protection against the cold.

Pre-registration is required by Jan. 18. For more information, call 858-4944.

## Workshop to help studying skills

A workshop to sharpen study and test-taking skills is offered to 6th- to 9th-grade students and their parents Monday, Jan. 30, at the Clarkston Junior High School cafeteria.

Scheduled for 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., the \$14 workshop will cover how to outline, write reports, take notes, remember important materials, fight fear, write essay questions and ways to study and review.

The workshop, offered through Clarkston Community Education, could also be helpful for parents returning to the classroom.

Students must register by Wednesday, Jan. 25 (parents are free) at the Clarkston Learning Center, 5275 Maybee Road, Independence Township. For more information, call 674-3141.

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## Business Brief

### Clarkston man named creative director

George Piliouras recently became creative director for the Detroit office of The Competitive Edge, an Albuquerque, N.M., based advertising agency.

Piliouras, a Clarkston resident, previously was the associate creative director for Yaffe and Co. He is a graduate of Parson's School of Design and started his career as an art director at a major New York design firm.

Among his accomplishments is the design of packaging and promotion for Bailey's Irish Cream, winner of the New York City Desi Award and the International Broadcast Design Award (Silver Award) winner.

Piliouras has developed and produced campaigns for some of Michigan's largest retailers, including Great Scott Supermarkets, ABC Warehouse, Art Van Furniture, Vic Tanny and Auto Works. He is a member of the Detroit Caddy Club, Addy Club and Society of Illustrators.



GEORGE PILIOURAS was chosen as the creative director for The Competitive Edge.

## Winter activities for senior citizens

Prime rib dinner, a trip to Greenfield Village and Bingo are some of the items scheduled to beat the winter blahs at the Independence Township Senior Center this month.

People over age 55 are invited to take part in the following programs:

Friday, Jan. 13 - Superstitious pot luck.

Tuesday, Jan. 17 - Laser Magic -- Longway Planetarium in Flint.

Wednesday, Jan. 18 - Birthday and anniversary party for the month.

Thursday, Jan. 19 - Pot luck and Bingo.

Friday, Jan. 20 - Jack Tar - Bahama trip departs and returns on Jan. 28.

Tuesday, Jan. 24 - Prime rib dinner dance and Palm Springs presentation.

Thursday, Feb. 3 - Dinner and Greenfield Village Theatre -- The Solid Gold Cadillac.

A nutritional lunch is served at noon daily at the center Monday through Friday. Transportation is available to Independence Township residents who are unable to transport themselves.

The senior center is located at 5980 Clarkston Road, between Sashabaw Road and M-15 in Clintonwood Park. For more information, call 625-8231.

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## Manage your time

Never enough time? Workshops offered through Clarkston Adult and Community Education are geared to time management.

A workshop is set for Thursday, Jan. 26, from noon to 4 p.m., and another session is scheduled the same day from 6 to 10 p.m. in the administrative offices of Clarkston Community Schools, 6389 Clarkston Road, Independence Township.

The instruction covers the same time managing system taught to thousands of executives in national corporations.

Enrollment is limited, so interested persons should sign up early. Registration information, workshop fees and other information is available at the Clarkston Learning Center. For more information, call 674-0993.

## Fish Fry on Saturday

Fish, French fries, cole slaw, applesauce, biscuits, and pie are on the menu for the annual Fish Fry at the Davisburg United Methodist Church on Saturday, Jan. 14.

Volunteers will be serving up dinner between 5 and 7 p.m. at the church on Broadway in Springfield Township. The meal, which also includes coffee, tea or milk, costs \$5 for adults, \$3 for children between ages 5 and 10, and \$1 for children under age 5.

The proceeds from the fish fry will support three projects: 50 percent will go to the Davisburg Neighbor to Neighbor program; 25 percent will go to the Baldwin Avenue Community Center; and 25 percent will be added to the church's building fund, earmarked for a new church.

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Clarkston News  
625-3370

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ON A SNOWY DAY, Joe Sarvis of Miller Road, Clarkston, clears the sidewalks in front of his home last week. Since then, the snow has all

but vanished in the area, leaving mud and water in its place — until the next storm, sure to come before winter's over.

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Charter Township of Independence FEE SCHEDULE-CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

Table with 3 columns: ACTIVITY, CURRENT FEE, PROPOSED. Includes categories like REZONING, PUD, SITE PLAN REVIEW, and SUBDIVISION PLATS.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP RESIDENTIAL PERMIT FEES ONE & TWO FAMILY RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION

Table with 3 columns: PROPOSED, CURRENT. Lists residential construction fees based on square footage.

REVIEW & ADMINISTRATION BASE FEE PLUS \$2.25 PER \$1000 OVER \$10,000.00.

& MISCELLANEOUS STRUCTURES (USE GROUP T)

Table with 3 columns: PROPOSED, CURRENT. Lists permit fees for miscellaneous structures.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE-TOWNSHIP GRADUATED FEE SCHEDULE NEW SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCE-

Table with 3 columns: CURRENT, PROPOSED. Lists fees for new single family residences.

Minimum Permit fee for Plumbing and Electrical \$25.00 \$30.00

NEW SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCE HEATING FEE SCHEDULE

Table with 3 columns: CURRENT, PROPOSED. Lists heating fees for new construction.

Table with 3 columns: Description, CURRENT, NEW. Lists plumbing fees for water heaters, underground plumbing, etc.

\*Notes: 1 ton = 12,000 BTU. Water cooled - 1 HP = 1 ton. Air cooled - 1 1/2 HP = 1 ton.

HEATING FEE SCHEDULE Page 1

Table with 3 columns: Description, CURRENT, NEW. Lists heating fees for new construction, inspection fees, and miscellaneous equipment.

Table with 3 columns: Description, CURRENT, NEW. Lists gas-heating equipment fees.

Table with 3 columns: Description, CURRENT, NEW. Lists oil burner and chimney fees.

PLUMBING & ELECTRICAL FEE SCHEDULE

Table with 3 columns: Description, PROPOSED, CURRENT. Lists plumbing and electrical fees.

Insulation-duct, piping and/or tanks based on bid price. Under 2,000 \$21.00 \$20.00

Table with 3 columns: Description, PROPOSED, CURRENT. Lists LPG and fuel oil tank fees.

Table with 3 columns: Description, CURRENT, NEW. Lists plumbing and electrical fees for various fixtures and equipment.

Table with 3 columns: Description, CURRENT, NEW. Lists plumbing fees for water heaters, underground plumbing, etc.

Water Heater \$4.00 \$4.50. Undergound Plumbing \$5.00 \$5.50. Water Service \$5.00 \$5.50.

LAWN SPRINKLER SYSTEMS

Table with 3 columns: Description, CURRENT, NEW. Lists lawn sprinkler system fees based on pipe size.

Maximum fees for the alteration, enlargement and extension of existing systems \$85.00 \$90.00

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE REFRIGERATION FEE SCHEDULE

Table with 3 columns: Description, CURRENT, NEW. Lists refrigeration fees for air condition units, cooling towers, etc.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE ELECTRICAL FEE SCHEDULE

Table with 3 columns: Description, NEW, CURRENT. Lists electrical fees for new single family residences.





# Free tree offer

Ten free trees will be given to each person who joins The National Arbor Day Foundation during January, 1989.

The free trees are part of the nonprofit foundation's efforts to encourage tree planting throughout America.

The ten trees are: sugar maple, white flowering dogwood, pin oak, white pine, red maple, birch, American redbud, silver maple, red oak and Colorado blue spruce.

The trees were selected to provide benefits every season of the year -- lovely spring flowers, cool summer shade, spectacular autumn colors and winter berries and nesting sites for songbirds, said John Rosenow, executive

director of the foundation.

The trees will be shipped postpaid at the right time for planting between Feb. 1 and May 31 with enclosed planting instructions. The 6- to 12-inch trees are guaranteed to grow, or they will be replaced free of charge.

To become a member of the foundation to receive the free trees, send a \$10 membership contribution to TEN TREES, National Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Avenue, Nebraska City, NE 68410, by Jan. 31, 1989.

The National Arbor Day Foundation is a nonprofit educational organization dedicated to tree planting and conservation.

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**OFFICIAL NOTICE**

**SYNOPSIS OF ACTION TAKEN BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF THE Charter Township of Independence January 3, 1989**

The meeting was called to order at 7:34 p.m. by Supervisor Ronk.

Roll Call: Present: Holman, Lutz, Millard, Ronk, Travis, Vaara, Vandermark.  
Absent: None.

1. Approval of agenda with the addition of the Solid Waste Hauler's license fee.
2. Approval of minutes of December 6, 1988 as presented.
3. Approval of minutes of December 20, 1988 as presented.
4. Approval of payment of the list of bills in the amount of \$822,405.85.
5. Approval of purchase orders in the amount of \$187,754.66.
6. No one spoke under Public Forum.
7. Approval of motion to hire Judy Mercier at the Clerk I contractual rate in the Water and Sewer Department.
8. Approval of motion to authorize the Supervisor and Parks and Recreation Director to continue discussions with the Park Superintendent on renovation of the caretaker house and to report back to the home.
9. Approval of motion to establish a \$10 per truck license fee per year for the solid waste hauler's license.
10. Approval of motion to adopt the planning and building fee schedule as proposed by the Director of Planning and Building.
11. Approval of motion to appoint Dan Ellsworth to the Board of Review for a two year term.
12. Approval of motion to authorize the Township Supervisor and Clerk to sign the agreement with the Oakland County Road Commission relative to the paving of Oakhill Road.
13. Approval of motion to authorize the Township Assessor to determine the fair market value for the easement along Dixie Highway. It was further moved to authorize the Supervisor to present a good faith offer to the property owner.
14. Approval of motion to adopt the 1989 Township Board meeting schedule.
15. Approval of motion to close the regular meeting at 9:02 p.m. to discuss pending litigation.
16. Approval of motion to reopen the regular meeting at 9:45 p.m.
17. Approval of motion to approve the Hartrick consent judgement contingent upon a favorable review by the Township engineers regarding the road specifications and a favorable review by the Township planner regarding the landscaping of the subdivision entrance. It is further moved to obtain a recommendation from Hubbell, Roth and Clark regarding the dollar value of a landscaping bond. It is further moved that the consent judgement is contingent upon inclusion of all abutting property owners in the road maintenance agreement.
18. Approval of motion to adjourn, the time being 9:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Richard A. Holman  
Township Clerk

**OFFICIAL NOTICE**

**Charter Township of Independence**  
ADVERTISEMENT  
FOR CONSTRUCTION OF  
THENDARA PARK PAVING  
FOR THE  
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE,  
OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN

Bids Due: February 1, 1989 HRC Job No. 860044  
The Charter Township of Independence, Oakland County, Michigan, will receive sealed bids until 10:00 a.m., Local Time, Wednesday, February 1, 1989 for Thendara Park Paving at the offices of the Township, 90 North Main Street, Clarkston, Michigan 48016, at which time and place all bids will be publicly opened and read.

The project consists of concrete curbs, bituminous paving, retaining walls, drainage improvements and restoration on various streets in Section 12, with the principal categories of work consisting of the following approximate quantities:

Removing Trees	120 each
Removing Pavement	4,460 sqd
Station Grading	300 Sta
Ditching	5,000 ft
Retaining Walls	5,900 ft
Aggregate Base	27,200 ton
Concrete Curb and Gutter	48,500 ft
Bituminous Paving	11,760 tons
12" through 36" Culvert and Storm Sewer	5,350 ft
Drainage Structures	90 each
Guard Rail	950 ft
Restoration	25 acre
Miscellaneous items of work as set forth within the Proposal.	

Plans and specifications will be on available beginning January 11, 1989 at the offices of Hubbell, Roth & Clark, Inc., Consulting Engineers, 555 Hulef Drive, Bloomfield Hills, Michigan. A non-refundable fee of ten dollars (\$10.00) CHECK ONLY made payable to Hubbell, Roth & Clark, Inc. will be required on the project plans and specifications.

A certified check or bid bond payable to the Charter Township of Independence, Oakland County, Michigan, in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the bid, shall be submitted with each bid. The successful bidder will be required to furnish satisfactory Performance, Labor and Material, and Maintenance and Guarantee bonds.

The Township reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any irregularities in bidding. No bid may be withdrawn after the scheduled closing time for receiving bids for at least one hundred twenty (120) days.

No proposal will be received unless made on blanks furnished and delivered to the Township Clerk on or before 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, February 1, 1989. The bid proposal shall be submitted in a sealed envelope marked on the exterior of the envelope "BID PROPOSAL FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THENDARA PARK PAVING, CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE, OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN."

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE  
Richard A. Holman, Township Clerk

Note: Advertisement published in the Michigan Contractor & Builder, January 7 and 14, 1989 and Clarkston News January 11, 1989.





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1982 LINCOLN Continental, signature series, full power, digital dash, power moon roof, luxury at an affordable price! Book value, \$8500. Our Price, \$3450!! Nice car! Scott's, 693-1150. !!!LX2-1

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50-TRUCKS & VANS

1969 CHEVY BLAZER, runs good, needs work, \$800. 628-2371 after 2pm. !!!LX1-2\*

046-REC. EQUIP.

1988 STARCRAFT Road Star Pop-up Pick up camper, excellent condition, \$3700. 627-6686. !!!CX22-2

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055-MOBILE HOMES

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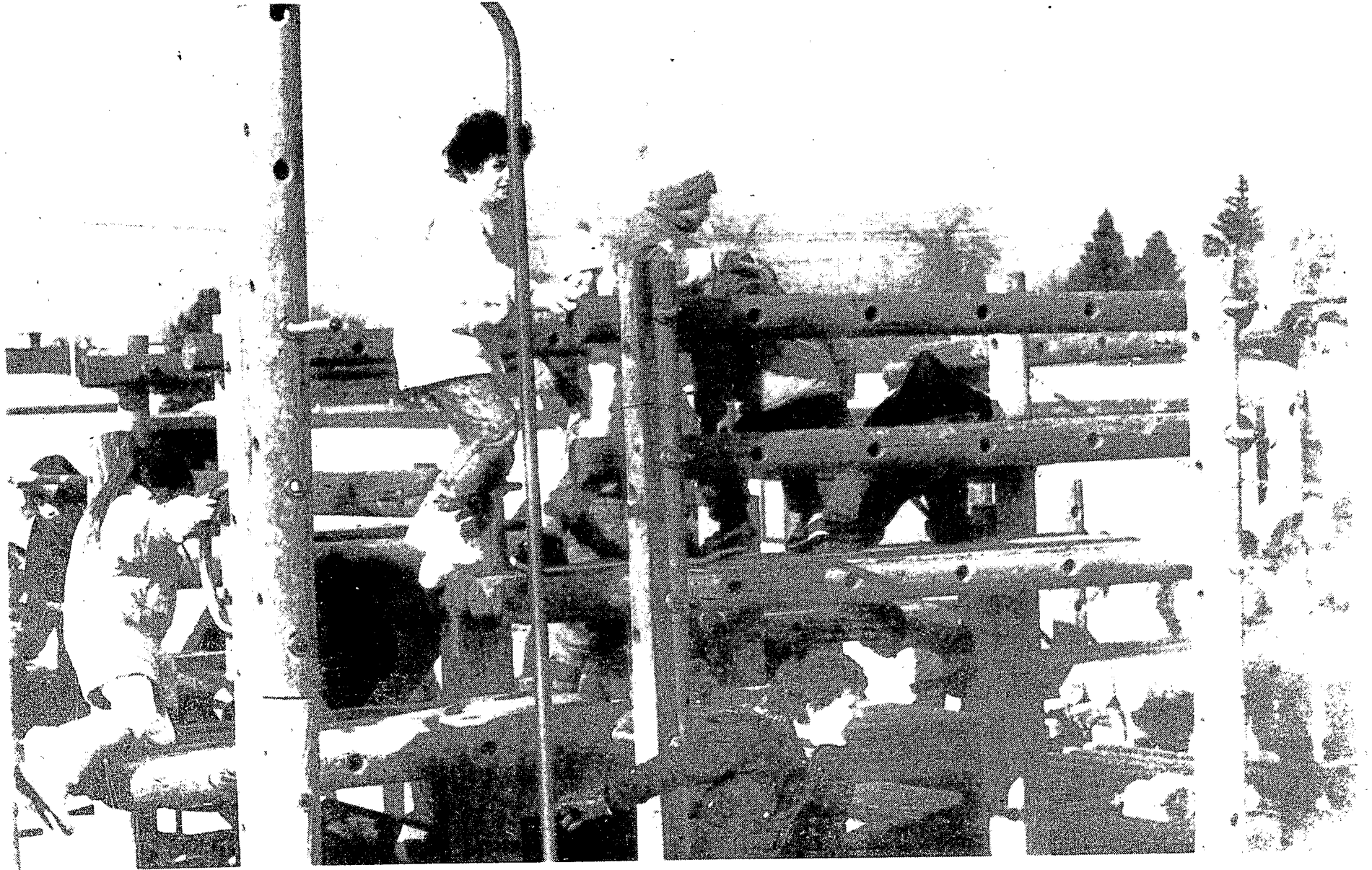












**BITTER COLD WEATHER** doesn't seem to faze the elementary school students at Clarkston Elementary at all Monday after-

noon as they climb over the equipment in the playground during a recess session. By the end of the 15-minute break everybody,

including the school monitors, were ready to go back inside the building.

## Cold weather fans



**TRYING TO** fight off the bone-chilling cold weather, these Clarkston Elementary School students find a sunny place to rest and talk for a while during afternoon recess Monday.

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