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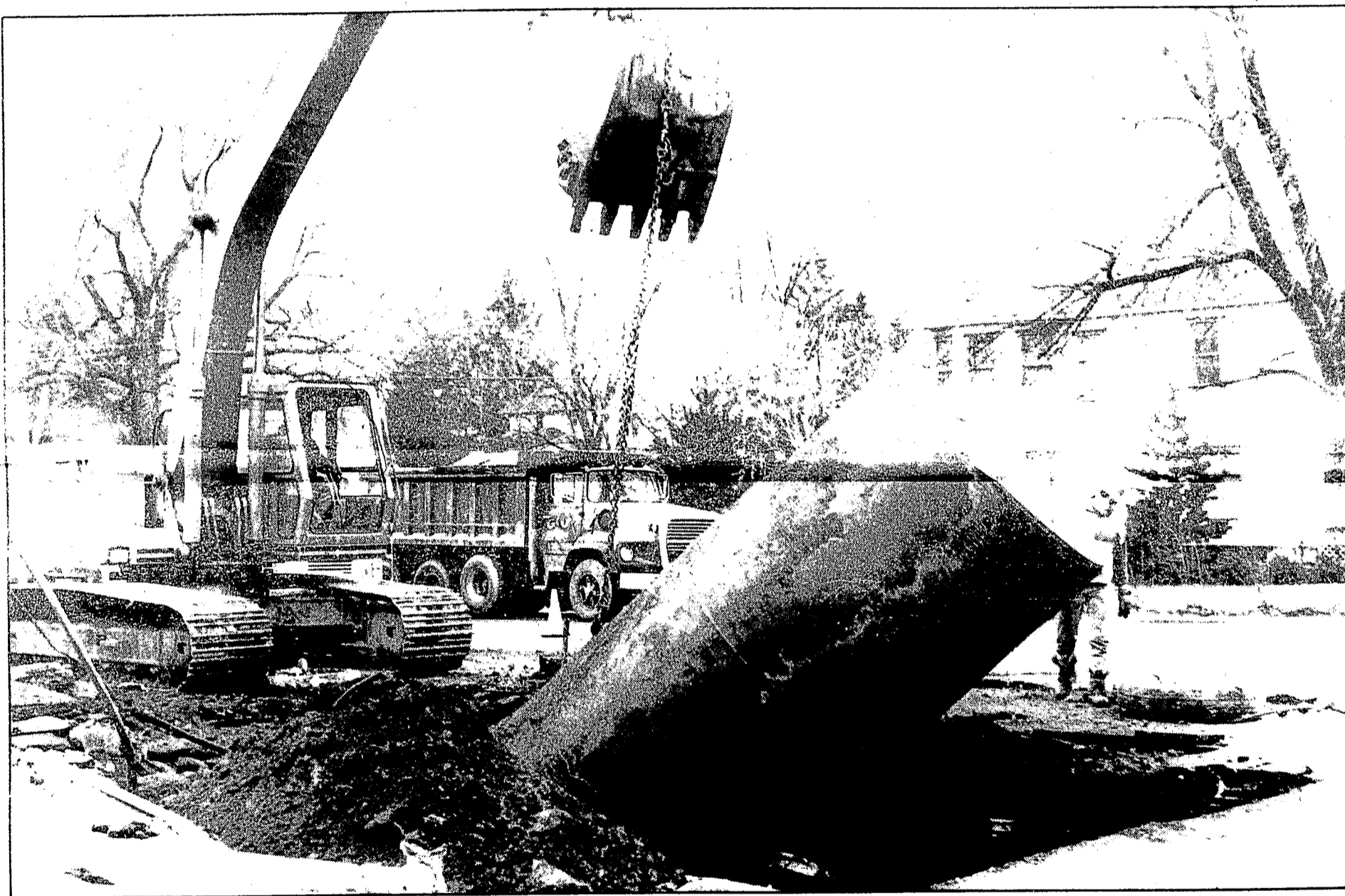


Photo by James Gibowski

BARRY Burgess of Young's Environmental Cleanup, Inc. operates the excavator while picking up what used to be a buried gasoline tank at the Village Muffler and Brake Special-

ist on Main Street, Clarkston. On Dec. 13, the owners of the muffler business were notified by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) that a gasoline spillage was

confirmed on the property. DNR officials said they don't have enough information yet to say whether the gasoline leak is the source of tainted water along Main Street.

Leaking, buried gas tanks removed

DNR unsure if gas leak caused tainted water along Main Street, Clarkston

Two buried gasoline tanks were removed from the corner of Clarkston Road and Main Street Jan. 7 after a soil sample showed a gasoline leak in the area.

Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) employees discovered the leak in December when they took a routine soil sample as part of the preparations to widen that corner in Clarkston.

On Dec. 13, the owners of the muffler business were notified by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) that a gasoline spillage was confirmed on the property. The DNR made the owners file an "initial abatement report" within 20 days of Dec. 13. They

complied. The owners must also file a report within 45 days stating their plan of action for the cleanup.

For about a year, the site -- home to the Village Muffler and Brake Specialists -- has been suspected as a source of contaminated water wells in the downtown Clarkston area.

When tainted water was found in Clarkston in spring 1991, Clarkston Village Council members voiced concerns about the property to the Michigan State Department of Public Health, the DNR, the state fire marshal office and the Independence Township fire marshal.

It still is not known if the gasoline leak is the source

of the tainted water.

Water wells on Northview Drive, Independence Township -- off Main Street, just north of Clarkston Road -- were connected with a municipal water supply a few years ago after pollutants tainted the drinking water. The suspected but still unconfirmed source for that contamination is the abandoned Powell landfill on Clarkston Road near Perry Lake Road, behind the Church of the Resurrection.

The DNR still is conducting water tests in the peripheral area to determine which direction the pollutants are heading.

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AN unidentified Clarkston woman inspects Main Street after her stationwagon struck Clarkston resident Lanny Green at 1:45 p.m. Jan. 6. According to officials at the Oakland County Sheriff's Department, the 39-year-old man was hit after giving instructions to a motorist in a van stopped on Main Street.

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Information at fingertips of Bailey Lake pupils

BY JULIE CAMPE
Clarkston News Editor

With help from the "cutting edge" in computer technology, four Bailey Lake Elementary pupils quickly completed a report on the Civil War -- and were enthused enough afterward to look up more information just for fun.

The new Compact Disk Read Only Memory (CD ROM) was paid for with \$1,500 donated by the Parent Teacher Association, according to media specialist Bob Devereaux.

And it has already made a difference. The boys' conversation is proof.

After they had already completed their report for

"This is much easier than going to grab a book."

John Vilella, fifth-grader

Howard Wright's fifth-grade class, they agreed to fore-

sake recess to demonstrate the computer for a reporter.

"This is much easier than going to grab a book," said John Vilella, 11, who took his place near the com-

puter in the school's media center. Jeremy Parrott, 11, agreed. "You can just punch it in, and it shows up on the screen. It helps if you have a big project. You don't have to write everything down and then go look it up."

The two, along with Eric Hill and Scott Krull, both 10, learned all about Gettysburg, causes of the war and other fascinating details, they said.

"We learned about the short battles, where 100 people died in 20 minutes," said Jeremy.

"Whole cities were destroyed in a single battle," said John.

"There were more deaths than in any other war," said Eric.

Scott interjected: "620,000 were killed in the war."

"We found the causes," said Jeremy, pausing to remember them all. "Slavery ..."

"There were others ...," said John, pausing, too, to recall a few.

"I've got it in my notebook in my room; do you want me to go get it?" he said.

But Jeremy simply called it up on the computer -- in seconds. First, he told the computer the topic was the Civil War. When it gave an index, he highlighted "causes."

John rattled off a few more causes from the screen: "Differences in economy, ideals and ways of life; ..."

"You can just punch it in, and it shows up on the screen. It helps if you have a big project. You don't have to write everything down and then go look it up."

Jeremy Parrott, fifth-grader



AS A TEAM, four fifth-graders in Howard Wright's class wrote a report on the Civil War, with help from media specialist Bob Devereaux -- and new computer technology. When a photographer visits, the boys agree to look up different topics on the new system at Bailey Lake Elementary School and soon

forget that they're the center of attention. Sitting from left are John Vilella, 11, and Jeremy Parrott. Standing from left are Eric Hill, 10, and Scott Krull, 10. Media specialist Bob Devereaux (standing at back) showed the pupils how to use the new technology.

Wanted: Recipe for love that lasts

If you or someone you know has figured out the secret to longevity in a relationship, we want to hear from you.

The producer of cable-TV show, Michigan Spotlight, is planning a Valentine's week feature, "The Secret Recipe for Love that Lasts," about couples in the Clarkston-Waterford area who have been married 25 years or longer.

Likewise, The Clarkston News is planning a special feature on couples in the Clarkston-Davisburg area who have been together as long.

We want as many names as possible of couples who have been married 25 years or longer. A phone number and photograph may also be included (along with the number of years the couple has been married).

So if you have been married for 25 years or longer or know of a couple married that long, call or write to: Valentine issue, The Clarkston News, 5 S. Main St., Clarkston, MI 48346 (625-3370). Or write or call: Mi-

chael Kupelian, % Michigan Spotlight with Michael Kupelian, Comcast Cablevision, 1300 Crescent Lake Road, Waterford, MI 48327 (674-3622).

Deadline for consideration is Friday, Jan. 31.

Kupelian, producer and writer of the cable-TV program, says people don't seem to stay in love forever anymore, as evident from the ever-growing divorce rate.

"This is an epidemic, a national tragedy and a disgrace," says Kupelian.

He says the problem can be corrected with attention to "proper social orientation and education."

His program, to air at 5:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 10, on cable-TV Channel 44 in Waterford, salutes the "marital heroes who should be applauded for their loving longevity," he says.

Kupelian also would like to list the names of such long-lived couples on a sort of "honor roll" on cable-TV.

Features on long-lived couples are to appear in The Clarkston News on Wednesday, Feb. 12.

For more information, call 625-3370.

disputes between the federal government and the states."

Jeremy shared a few more insights from the top of his head. The computer, he said, told about "all the main guys in the confederacy and the union."

The main guys?

"Yeah, the generals."

John filled in. "Ulysses S. Grant fought in the most battles -- nine."

Soon, the boys became involved in other topics on the computer screen, and the media specialist filled in the details about the school's latest computer addition.

The CD ROM contains a compact disk that holds the entire 1991 edition of World Book Encyclopedias -- plus a dictionary.

Parents had saved Kroger receipts to earn the computer and printer, and another program paid for the encyclopedias. The latest donation of the actual CD-ROM, however, has made all the difference, said Devereaux.

The CD looks just like the sort of compact disk found in record and tape stores, and it works the same way. Only instead of music, it holds text. Its capacity is much greater than that of a regular floppy disk for a computer. And it allows the computer to act quickly, said Devereaux.

The CD-ROM has room for five more CDs, he said. The next addition likely will be an almanac and a dictionary on a CD.

The new program is geared to fourth- and fifth-graders at the school, Devereaux said, adding that other elementary schools in the district probably will get the system, too.

The new technology -- unusual at the elementary level -- prepares the students for the advanced information-gathering techniques at the junior high, high school and more advanced levels of education, he said.

"We're trying to get them acquainted with this from the ground up," he said. "It broadens the way you research things. It gets you to the technological edge."

The "book" encyclopedias still have their place, however, he said. For instance, they're portable, while the computers are too bulky to transport easily at present.

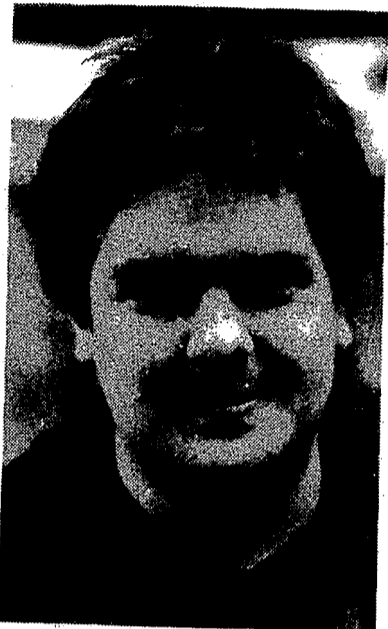
However, the computer is faster and allows a user to print the information needed or to go directly to the correct page of the actual book on the library shelf, said Devereaux.

"I'm really excited about it," said Devereaux.

Photo Inquiry

By James Gibowski

What is one prediction you can make for 1992?



"We're going back into the Middle East. It's hard to say who we'd be fighting."
Andrew Kar
 Security guard
 Hubbard Hills
 Independence Township



"The Lions will start off the year by winning the Super Bowl."
Kelley Cook
 Graduate student,
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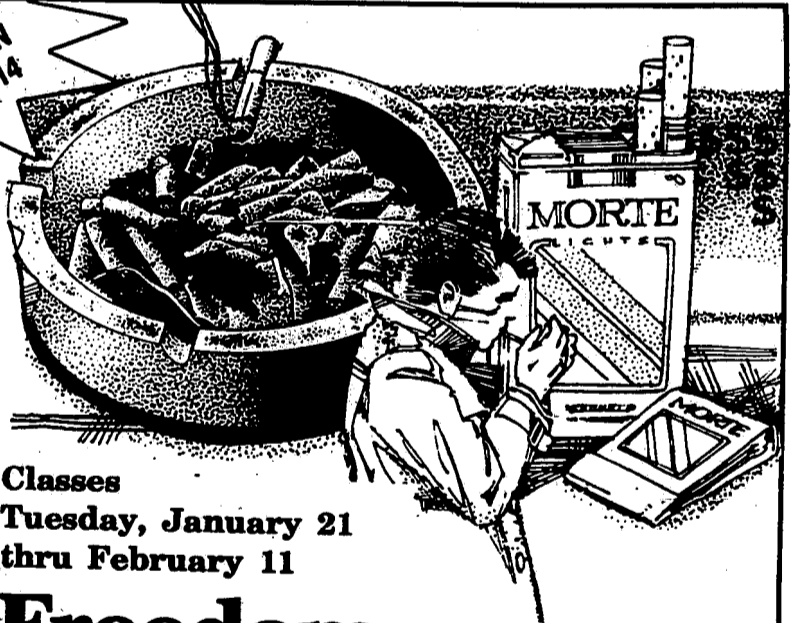
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Psychic makes county predictions for 1992

BY ANNETTE KINGSBURY

Psychic Terri Shannon of Davison has been called crazy by police. But she takes credit for locating the place where a murdered woman was buried, and for predicting the crash of Flight 255.

Shannon said she's known "since I was a little kid" that she has a gift. The hard part has been living with that gift and using it to bring people good news, not bad.

"When I was in my early 20s I decided I wanted to learn more about it," she said. That was after she correctly felt when both of her grandmothers had died. "It was kind of negative," she said.

The power to receive insights seems to run in the family. "My dad's mother used to interpret dreams," she said. A couple of aunts on her father's side also had the power.

But at first Shannon was put off by foreseeing the death of someone she knew. "It was hard coping with it," she said. "I started reading everything I could."

Now after 20 years, she's making a living at it, doing business as "Readings by Terri." Most of her clients want to know if they'll be successful in business or in love, or how their children will do. They also ask about the stock market.

"You get the puzzle pieces," she said. "You don't

know how to connect it."

For example, in the murder case mentioned above, she saw a woman being buried by her son on a farm. She saw him plant a tree in the ground over the grave.

Police refused to take her seriously because they had already searched the son's farm with a tracking dog. What Shannon failed to pick up on was that he had wrapped the body in plastic, so the dog wouldn't smell it. He eventually confessed and led police to the spot. Under a tree.

"I like to go back and become the person," Shannon said. "It's kind of creepy . . . I have to turn it on. You have to quiet yourself."

Shannon said her gift can interfere in her life if she lets it. Single, she said some men can accept what she does for a living, some can't.

"I try to live as much of a normal life as I can," she said.

The Leader invited Shannon to Oxford to answer some questions about what she sees for 1992. Below are her answers.

Will the Lions go to the Super Bowl? "I want them to so bad; I think they're going."

Will President Bush be re-elected? Shannon said yes, and she sees a Democrat from the South running against him. She also sees a "huge funeral" in Washington, D.C., in 1992 or '93 but doesn't see who it is.

Will the winter of 1992 be mild or severe? Mild. **Will the economy rebound soon?** "It'll start getting a little better in the next five months, gradually grow the next couple of years, then be a lot better."

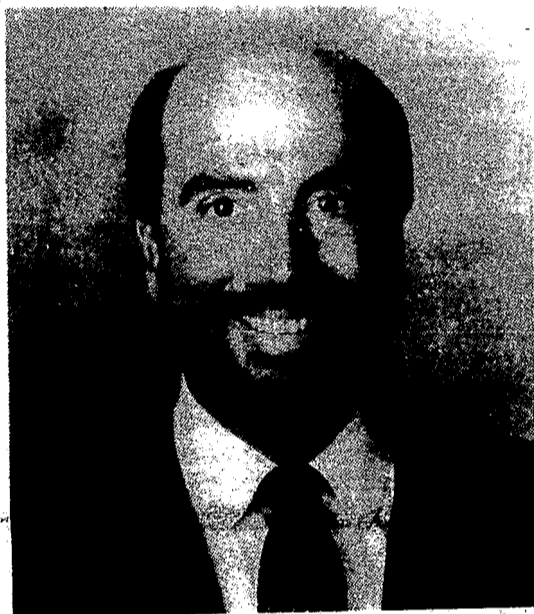
Will General Motors close the Orion plant? "Part of it, not the whole thing."

Will Oakland County build its incinerator on Brown Road in Auburn Hills? "They might not get it. It will move further out from here (Oxford). It's not in your town (Oxford)."

General forecast: Shannon sees an assassination attempt against Saddam Hussein. She sees him being shot in the chest, but doesn't know if he lives or dies. She fears there may be another war, but sees it as "over and done quick."

Annette Kingsbury is editor of *The Oxford Leader*, which is published by Sherman Publications, Inc.

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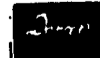
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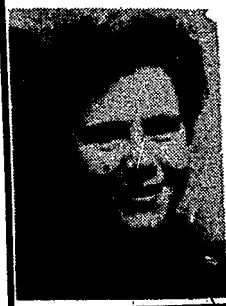
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Trying Tuesday

Julie Campe

It is layout day for The Clarkston News, which means it's time to paste all of our stories and photos and ads on the pages to be printed.

Usually, this is a harried, hectic day, with phone calls, last-minute changes in the number of pages devoted to news and minor problems to be solved in our Oxford paste-up shop and printing plant.

It is an intense day, as evident by the concentration and the focus shown on the faces around me -- not unlike the expressions during other episodes of intense concentration, such as athletes immersed in their sport or artists intent on their vision.

This is the day we spend all week preparing for. I admit I am normally stressed out -- though it's not the work so much as the interruptions.

Instead of looking forever forward to the next task, the next story, the next week, I decide to simply think about each moment here. Tonight's headline writing will still be there tonight, as will tomorrow's story tomorrow.

I wax the sheets of paper containing stories for this week and listen to the terse conversation around me. Not much time for idle chatter today, just a word exchanged here and there as people rush from computer to printer to paste-up table.

Kathy and Susan, foreheads creased in concentration, work on pasting classified advertisements into the proper categories. Yes, each phone call asking us to tell people about a car or refrigerator or cat for sale eventually ends up in these hands.

Kathy snips away and pastes, her hands an extension of her thought. Susan begins with auto ads in the middle of the classified section.

A few more minutes and the verdict is: the classified section is two pages longer than predicted. (Wow -- must have been a lot of phone calls on Monday. Maybe people are cleaning out their clutter after the holidays?)

Since there's not much space in the back section anyway, there's no room to maneuver. That means only one thing -- we must add four pages (The Clarkston News is printed in increments of four pages, as dictated by our printing press).

So Kathy immediately digs in on that task, and the rest of us pause. We can't lay out our copy on pages if we don't know how much space is "ours" to fill.

It's like a puzzle. First, the advertising is sold, then the actual ads are designed and pasted onto the pages. Then, the editorial staff members fill the remaining space with stories and photos that we've gathered in the previous week. If there's not enough room, we simply cut the story back or hold it a week -- or two or three or four, as is the case in recent weeks.

Now to decide which news goes where, which is tough on this day. Not all of the stories are in Oxford yet on this morning. One story only took place this morning -- the removal of leaking underground gas tanks at the corner of Clarkston Road and Main Street, Clarkston.

Reporter James Gibowski is writing that story now. It will be brief, he says, explaining that he will find out more when the health department and department of natural resources know more.

OK. I leave a blank space at the front of the paper and move on. I can lay out the editorial pages (Page 6A and 7A), leaving space for this column, which is in the same space every week.

Oops. Interruption time. Someone from another of Sherman Publications' newspapers needs the computer I'm using, and the darkroom technician has a question about a photo. I have a phone call. Two Clarkston News staffers have questions. And I have to use the restroom.

Nothing like a Tuesday.

Opinions

A Look Back

This week 5 years ago

The Independence Township Planning Commission is reduced from seven to five members because the township board can't agree on the appointments. The majority of the board wants to re-appoint Neil Wallace and Holly Stephens, but the township supervisor won't recommend them as options.

Clarkston High girls' track coach Gordie Richardson is among three finalists for the 1986 Class A girls' track Coach of the Year award.

Ronald Thompson of Clarkston announces his engagement to Rebecca Nighthliner of Midland.

This week 10 years ago

Clarkston Schools Superintendent Milford Mason

Reporter's Notebook

There's a new millionaire in Clarkston.

The Michigan State Lottery Commission announced Jan. 6 that a Clarkston area resident had won the \$4 million cash prize in a drawing from the week before. The resident, who remains anonymous, reportedly told the commission he intends to buy an American-made vehicle with his newly found wealth.

So, be on the lookout for extravagant neighbors.

projects the loss of \$611,000 in 1987 revenue, due to 300 fewer students in the district.

The Independence Township Board unanimously votes to replace planning commission member Mel Vaara with Gordon Andringa.

The Clarkston High varsity wrestling team takes fourth place at the Plymouth Salem Invitational.

This week 25 years ago

Faulty wiring is responsible for a blaze at the Buffalo Street, Clarkston, home of Paul Hansen.

The Clarkston varsity boys' basketball team tops Holly 71-70.

The Independence Township Board approves the fourth of four plats in the Cranberry Lake Estates development off M-15, near Cranberry Lake and Little Walters Lake.

Letter policy

Letters to the editor must arrive at The Clarkston News office by noon Monday to be considered for publication in Tuesday's paper. We reserve the right to edit all letters for brevity and clarity and to limit the number of letters from any one individual or on any one topic. We discourage copies of letters sent elsewhere and require that all letters be signed and include an address and phone number. We may withhold names on request but will not publish unsigned letters. Address all letters to: Letters To The Editor, The Clarkston News, 5 S. Main St., Clarkston, MI 48346.

Jim's Jottings

Tested your psyche lately?



Jim Sherman

One of the commandments I've come to include in my living rules is: Know thyself.

After more than 65 years I realize I still have not accomplished that goal. Thus, when I see psyche tests in various printed matter I usually take them.

Two such tests were recently handed me by employees. One is the Keirsey-Bates temperament sorter, the other tests you through your selection of characters.

The Keirsey-Bates is a shorter version of the Myers-Briggs Type Indicator, as if you or I really care. Some of the major companies, Ford and GM for two, use it as a management tool.

It supposedly focuses on normal people and is positive in nature.

So, I took the test. It showed I had either Extraverted Thinking with Sensing (ETS) or Introverted Sensing with Thinking (IST). I either act too quickly without getting the other person's point of view, or I'm thorough, painstaking and systematic.

I am either bent for business, industry and construction, or accounting, law, civil engineering and construction. Obviously, being both an ETS and IST, I should be building skyscrapers.

I should work toward showing appreciation of other people's merits and ideas, and I should fight

retreating and practice making decisions about my own behavior.

Test results furnished by Keirsey-Bates only proved I've a way to go to 'know thyself.'

On to character selections. Patients are asked to select one of five characters: a triangle, circle, square, rectangle and squiggly line.

I chose the rectangle. Wow! I'm in a state of transition, exciting, searching, inquisitive, growing and courageous.

I am also confused, have low self-esteem, am inconsistent, gullible, ingenuine and unpredictable.

My shape is most open to new ideas and influences. Ain't that sumpin'?

The writers of this psyche test said, "If you chose the rectangle as your first choice shape, you already know you are undergoing some major changes within yourself."

"While the other four shapes are relatively constant predictors of human behavior, the rectangle typifies someone who is in an 'unfrozen state.'"

Further, I'm dissatisfied with the way life is now, I'm unsure of myself at this moment and confused.

Well, readers, don't you believe it. I'm as sure of this as I am of finishing this col

Bouquets

Many, many thanks

My heart was very heavy on Nov. 22, 1963, when JFK was assassinated. My heart was heavy when, at the age of 17, I was pall bearer for a good friend, also 17, who had been killed after two days in Vietnam. My heart was heavy in January, 1978, when my grandfather died at 90 years of age.

None of these traumas prepared me for the devastation and helplessness I felt one year ago when I discovered that my 12-year-old daughter had an advanced case of Ewing's sarcoma, a rare form of bone cancer that afflicts children.

Cancer is one of those things that everyone thinks only affects someone else until it happens to you. There is no way to describe the pain and helplessness you feel when your perfectly happy, healthy, talented, bright child is faced with a life-threatening disease.

The following day began a whirlwind of consultations with the best experts in pediatric oncology in the world. First, there were long days at the University of Michigan medical library researching everything available, including experimental research, so that I could understand exactly what the doctors were talking about. Then, there were consultations with doctors at Children's Hospital Boston, Mayo Clinic, M.D. Anderson Hospital in Houston, Cedars Siani Hospital in Los Angeles, and thank God, Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak.

Most of the doctors agreed that Shannon should start an aggressive chemotherapy treatment immediately. The standard protocol involved four widely used chemotherapy drugs. Finally, after talking to Dr. Rosen at Cedars Siani Hospital, I asked him point blank, "If it was your daughter, what would you do?"

He said that due to the advanced stage of the tumor, he would include two additional chemo drugs that were still considered experimental. The next day, I made the decision to go with a six-drug protocol.

Just before Christmas, The Clarkston News did a very nice article on the success my daughter, Shannon Nicole Clark, has had over the past year. I would like to take this opportunity to thank some of the people responsible for Shannon's success in "getting rid of J.R."

First and foremost I want to thank God. Second, without the dozens of prayer letters and thousands of unknown people who said countless prayers on Shannon's behalf from Michigan, Florida, Colorado, California, Washington, Texas and wherever else, may God bless you.

Thank you to Dr. James O'Neill for once again going above and beyond the call of duty whose open-door, "call me day or night" policy has helped me as much as Shannon during this past year. Thanks also to Dr. Yee and Dr. Kernis and the whole staff at their Clarkston medical office.

Thank you to Dr. Charles Main, director of pediatric oncology at the Rose Center at William Beaumont Hos-

pital. Also thanks to Dr. Jamil and the entire pediatric oncology staff at the Rose Center. A very special heartfelt thanks goes out to the entire staff on the fourth floor pediatric ward of Beaumont Hospital where Shannon has undergone her chemotherapy treatments. God bless the people who deal with making each child feel special and important day in and day out.

Thank you a thousand times over to Dr. Ronald Irwin, the finest musculoskeletal surgeon in the world. Dr. Irwin is the man responsible for Shannon having a leg instead of a prosthesis. Shannon responded so well to the chemotherapy treatments that the softball-size tumor in her leg retreated back into the proximal tibia (shin bone) where it started, and Dr. Irwin was able to re-remove a piece of her bone and replace it with a donor bone which has grown back into her own bone. That is a MIRACLE!

Thank you to Dr. Sri Ram, plastic surgeon extraordinaire who worked with Dr. Irwin after this complicated surgery. Dr. Ram and his staff did a superb job under very difficult circumstances.

Thank you especially to Beverly McElmeel for her prayers and supports, and for introducing me to a real source of strength, "The Golden Key" by Emmet Fox.

Thanks to Scotti, Randy, and Cindy Clark of Denver for their love and support of Shannon during this difficult period. Thanks to Cindy for flying from Denver to Detroit, so that she could stay at the hospital with Shannon during her chemotherapy treatments.

Thanks to Denny and Janice and their hair studio in Waterford for Shannon's beautiful wigs. God bless you both.

Thanks to Gary Stonerock, his family and staff for their prayers and support.

Thanks to the guys on the Lunghammer Chevrolet golf league, Maybee Road wine shop, and Johnnie's car wash on Dixie Highway for their prayers and support.

I would especially like to thank Pat and Jim Zeleznik for their love, understanding, prayers, support and help.

Finally, to my beautiful wife Tracey, whose strength and love have helped me immeasurably, I thank you from the bottom of my heart.

Shannon's dad,
Michael Clark

Gift of life

On behalf of this department, I would like to extend my appreciation to all of you who participated in our first Red Cross Blood Drive.

Blood is a precious commodity, and as the Red Cross puts it, you have given a gift of life.

There were a total of 30 people, our goal, who showed on Dec. 20. The Red Cross was able to take 23 pints.

Again, thank you for your generosity and time.

Robert (Bob) Cesario,
EMS coordinator

'If it Fitz ...'

1991 tidbits say a lot about confusing times



Jim Fitzgerald

The year 1991 passes in review:

January: Downtown Detroit's venerable Monroe Block fence finally came down. For 11 years its huge sign bragged that a "Historic Restoration" of treasured old buildings was in progress behind the fence. Let history record that the restoration turned out to be a parking lot.

February: At a movie, my wife and granddaughter Emily greedily filled their bags with popcorn snatched from the bucket in my lap. I was left with the dregs, which I had to eat, in case of a dreg bust.

March: Newspapers reported that "grilled chicken with a lemon herb sauce and twice-blanching garlic" would be served at the wedding reception of Lee Iacocca and Darrien Earle. I thought Herb and Blanche sounded less likely to be listed on a menu than Darrien did. Darrien sounds like a lite dairy product, maybe twice-skimmed milk.

April: In a build-us-a-new-stadium speech to the Economic Club, Tigers President Bo Schembechler said "more than half the seats at Tiger Stadium have an obstructed view." That was a surprise to thousands of fans who for years have been told by Tigers executives that there were only a few bad seats and no one should complain about paying full price to sit where they could see all the action except maybe for what happened in the batter's box and right field. Their refunds are in the mail.

May: In her book about Nancy Reagan, Kitty Kelley reported Ronald Reagan was not only cuckolded by Frank Sinatra, he was "cosseted" by Nancy. According to my dictionary, that means "to treat as a pet," in this case, obviously, a dog. Nancy trained Ronnie to fetch the nation's deficit and bury it in our children's future.

June: To help Detroit survive, Chicago offered to give us about \$150,000 worth of a rat poison called "Vengeance." A reader observed: "Vengeance is wonderful. But how are we going to get Hizzoner to swallow it?"

July: In Birmingham, a white man pointed a shotgun at a black youth just for being there. Surprisingly, former Oakland County prosecutor L. Brooks Patterson didn't blame the incident on Coleman Young's racism and the death of cotton to pick south of 8 Mile.

August: To increase attendance at the State Fair, local celebrities like Police Chief Stanley Knox were invited to participate in fair activities. In ignoring a recent subpoena to appear at a City Council meeting, Knox had said he didn't need to be there "hee-hawing around." Because Detroiters are more used to having a police chief who is indicted for stealing \$1.3 million, fair officials thought they'd flock to see a chief who only behaves like a jackass.

September: A new book revealed that, at Buckingham Palace banquets, "the steward operates a set of traffic lights behind the queen's chair to avoid collisions between butlers and footmen." Jaywalking footmen are taken away and imprisoned in a high dungeon. The idea is to prevent spilled soup, which would put Queen Elizabeth in a high dudgeon without leaving the room.

October: Detroit Councilman Jack Kelley said Mayor Young shouldn't be given "blanche carte" to do whatever he wants. No one blanching because everyone recalled that, in 1990, Kelley said: "If the shoe were reversed, do you think the banking commission would approve a deal like this?"

November: Republican State Rep. David Jaye accidentally dropped the handgun he said he carries to protect himself from violent liberals. The pistol hit the floor during a meeting in the Capitol's Republican caucus room, noted hangout for dangerous, crazed, bleeding hearts.

December: Speaking of bleeding, my Christmas Day column reported my 1-year-old grandson Adam was rushed to the hospital emergency room twice in December, the second time for four stitches in an eyebrow cut in a fall. That column was written before the third emergency trip, on Christmas Eve, for around 20 stitches in a huge forehead gash resulting from a harder fall. It took 45 minutes to sew the wound, and by the time the doctor was done, Adam was sound asleep. Scarface's parents may never sleep soundly again.

OFF TRACK



From Our Perspective

Intense suffering

**Doug
Carlson**



The Random House Dictionary defines agony as "extreme and generally prolonged pain; intense suffering." This brings to mind what it's like to sit through a Clarkston school board meeting these days.

During the past several months, we've watched the board wrestle with the problem of what to include on the April 13 ballot.

On the one hand, they're being implored by parents to build new schools as a solution to the overcrowding situation. On the other hand, they're well aware of the two stinging defeats of the last two bond issues, and the absolute necessity of not incurring yet another rejection by the voters.

At this point, I'd like to make a personal observation. After sitting through innumerable board meetings, I would have to say that our school board is comprised of seven very good people. They're intelligent, articulate, hardworking, and totally sincere in wanting to do what's best for the children in this community.

Even though they differ in approach, they seem to respect each other's opinions, and they're trying to work together to resolve this very, very difficult situation.

So far, they've agreed on two things. The first is that whatever goes on the April 13 ballot will be paid for by extending our current indebtedness rather than by asking for additional millage. This is similar to asking the bank to loan you money to fix up your home and agreeing to extend your mortgage another 10 years or so.

By using this approach, the board can obtain up to \$18 million without asking for additional tax money. Unless, of course, you consider extending our indebtedness as a form of tax increase.

The second thing they've agreed on is to ask the voters for a new elementary school on April 13. A new

elementary school would cost in the neighborhood of \$8 million.

Do they then demonstrate "fiscal responsibility" (their words) by letting it go at that, or do they ask for additional money to upgrade, reconfigure and/or repair the other elementary schools, the junior high schools and the high school?

Do you add on to the high school, primarily to accommodate the ninth-graders, or do you buy portable classrooms as a temporary solution? If we add on to the high school, are we sending a message that this will be Clarkston's high school forevermore? If we buy portables, are we sending a message that this is a temporary situation because in the next few years we'll definitely need a new high school? One board member mentioned "three years" as a probable time frame.

Given the Independence Township property tax situation, the economy in general, and General Motors' situation in particular, we view a new high school as an extremely hard sell in this community for some time to come.

Finally, the board has to wrestle with the problem of ultimately having to ask the community for more tax dollars simply because more and more children are entering our school system. This request soon will be necessary regardless of what the board decides on the above issues.

So the agony continues, while April 13 draws even closer. The next few weeks should prove to be extremely interesting. I'm just not sure how many more board meetings I can endure.

Doug Carlson is a member of Citizens for Fiscal Responsibility in Government.

School board meeting to start early Jan. 13

The Jan. 13 Clarkston Board of Education meeting is scheduled to start two and a half hours early, so the trustees can discuss the district's facilities needs.

Beginning at 5 p.m., the board will discuss a variety of approaches for examining its long-term goals toward the district's facilities.

At 7:30 p.m., the board will undertake the regular agenda items which include: administrative reports, a curriculum update on foreign language, and a presentation on Clarkston Junior High's "Affective Programing" program.

The only action item slated for the meeting, so far, is the hiring of a first-grade elementary school teacher at Bailey Lake Elementary.

For more information on the meeting, call the administrative offices at 625-4402.

Supervisor guest on weekend radio show

Collin W. Walls, supervisor of Springfield Township, will have a chance to address a wider audience than normal when he visits a talk radio program this weekend.

Walls is scheduled to be the guest on "Globe Talk," with host Lou Farrell on Radio 1500-WLQV Talk Program. Globe Talk, which covers local, national and international matters, includes "Open Lines" for questions or comments.

Walls is to talk about Springfield Township at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 11.

Steaming mad?

Write a letter to the editor at The Clarkston News, 5 S. Main Street, Clarkston, MI 48346



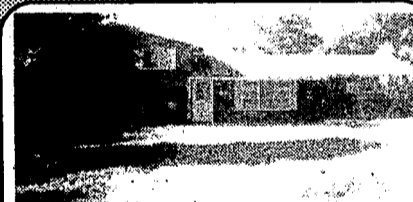
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Letter to the Editor

Too many children

As the mother of a first-grader at Pine Knob Elementary School, I implore all other concerned parents of school-age children in the Clarkston school district to inform your neighbors about the inadequate conditions of the particular school where your child spends most of his or her day.

I say this because I truly believe that unless the community hears our collective parental outcry, there will neither be a new elementary school, nor any real long-range improvements at the junior and senior high levels.

Even if all of our children do not directly benefit from a new elementary building, this is a first step in the right educational direction for all of us.

While I respect the involvement of the investigative committee that has been visiting the schools, I believe that a school is a lot like someone's home.

A guest in someone's home cannot possibly judge all the problems a family may be facing, and a visitor in a school cannot accurately assess the problems that faculty, students and parents confront.

Talk to anyone who routinely volunteers time at a school, as many of us do, and you will begin to see what we see — kindergartners told six weeks into the school year that they have to move to another classroom with a different teacher, because there are just too many kids in the two existing rooms.

On the face of it, it doesn't seem like a big deal, but for a minute, try to remember what it's like to be 5 years old in "real" school for the first time. You've just gotten to the point where you adore your teacher, you can navigate your way to your new room, and you have learned the first names of a few new friends.

Now you are told to go to another room, leave your teacher, and leave the comfort of those familiar surroundings and those few friends.

Pretend you are a parent volunteer, and stand helplessly in the hallway as you watch little kindergartners wiping away tears and teachers trying to calm upset

parents who can't understand why their child has to be the one to change rooms.

Take a walk down to the multipurpose room, where you will see children eating lunch wearing their winter jackets. Because of space limitations, students must go directly outside after eating. Consequently, as each student finishes eating and goes outside, the door is being opened, leaving the room uncomfortably cold for those still inside. I don't know too many adults who would put up with these conditions, so how can we continue to justify it when it affects our children? These are some of the things I want my friends and neighbors to know about before we all vote on the new elementary.

Mr. Carlson's article in The Clarkston News suggested that we should expand existing elementary schools instead of building a new school. I think this solution would be merely putting a Band-Aid on a punctured artery.

At Pine Knob, we already have three portables that were supposed to be "temporary solutions." That was 18 years ago, and they are still being used.

Our school building doesn't need to be any bigger than it already is — we simply have too many kids.

To force us to "rise to the challenge" of massive school populations is sad. Teachers and volunteers are human beings, not miracle workers, and there comes a time when we all get tired of "putting out fires" and throw in the towel.

In these past years of stressful conditions, our teachers and parents have already gone well beyond the call of duty, and many face burnout. To ask them to do even more is an insult.

A good school is like a happy family. It houses our children during the day, gives them room to breathe, allows them to dream, helps them to see their worth as individuals, and enables them to succeed. Crowding children like cattle in deteriorating buildings and refusing to have a vision for the future sends a message of its own.

So, parents out there, please do not be silent. Tell the community what is going on in your school. Write a letter to this publication. We cannot afford to be complacent, for our children's sake.

Jan Baker

Town hall meeting

Who negotiates teacher contracts?

Editor's note: Last summer, the Clarkston Board of Education conducted a town hall meeting, during which area residents asked questions for about three hours. Following are the school board's responses to some of the questions. More responses will appear in the following weeks. For a complete listing, contact the school board office at 625-4402.

Labor negotiations-contracts

1. Who negotiates the labor contracts? Who is on the contract negotiating team, and what is their objectivity?

The Board of Education determines the guidelines for all labor negotiations. The labor contracts negotiated by the district include: 1) teachers (Clarkston Education Association, or CEA), 2) bus drivers, 3) building secretaries and clerks, 4) paraprofessionals, 5) general custodians, 6) head custodians, 7) cafeteria workers, 8) cafeteria managers, 9) central office secretaries, 10) supervisors, 11) building administrators and directors, and 12) mechanics and grounds maintenance.

Each contract is negotiated with a team of people which includes the director of personnel. For example, the teachers' contract is negotiated between a team comprised of the director of personnel, the superintendent and other district administrators and a team comprised of the director of the designated negotiators for the CEA.

2. Do administrators belong to a union or association?

Building administrators, such as principals and assistant principals, negotiate a working agreement as an association. Central office administrators — such as superintendent, director of personnel or director of business — negotiate contracts on an individual basis.



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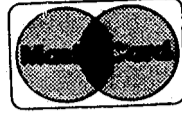
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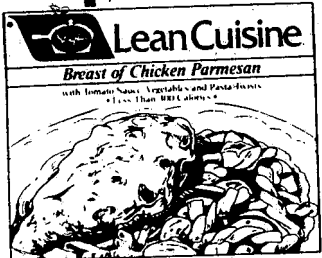
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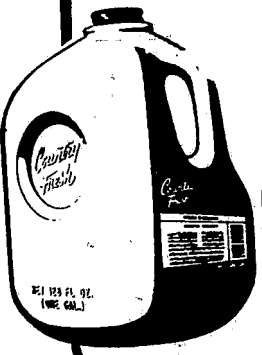
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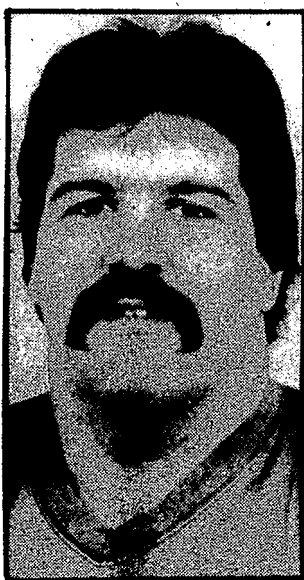
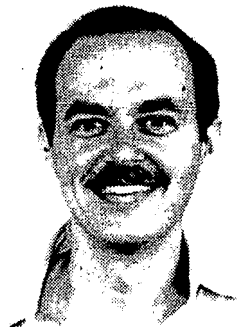
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Sports

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Present-day Lion



Ken Dallafior

If the Detroit Lions' 13-4 season were over right now, it would still be called a success.

But it's far from over. Just ask Lion right-guard Ken Dallafior.

"Right now means everything. Right now we've got two more games left. We're not done. We haven't attained our goal yet," said the seventh-year NFL player, who lives in Independence Township.

As just about everyone in Michigan knows, along with millions of others around the country, the Detroit Lions will be squaring off against the Washington Redskins in the nation's capital Sunday for the NFC championship. And the winner faces either Denver or Buffalo two weeks later in the Super Bowl in Minnesota.

Early in the season (especially after a 45-0 loss to the Redskins in the opener), it seemed like the only ones who believed in the Lions ... were the Lions.

But the Lions continued to win in spite of injuries to key players.

The 6-4, 279-pound Dallafior certainly knows about injuries. He started the year with a knee injury and then ended up starting in place of Mike Utey, who was paralyzed after an injury in the Los Angeles Rams game.

The "thumbs-up" Lions have dedicated the season to Utey.

"If someone handed out wishes, I would wish Mike were playing," said Dallafior, who split duties with Utey for a guard position the past three years.

Dallafior, 32, grew up in Madison Heights where he was an all-state football player and wrestler his senior year in high school.

He played college football at the University of Minnesota (all Big Ten and UPI second-team All-American), was drafted by the Pittsburgh Steelers, later played for the USFL Michigan Panthers and still later played for the San Diego Chargers.

He was signed by the Lions as a Plan B free agent in 1989.

"I wanted to finish my career here," said Dallafior, who pointed out that he wouldn't have left the Chargers if he had thought the Lions were still playing like the old Lions. "I wanted to play for a winning team. I wanted to be a part of it."

Dallafior, sounding much like coach Wayne Fontes, doesn't believe in looking back at all those lean years in Lion history.

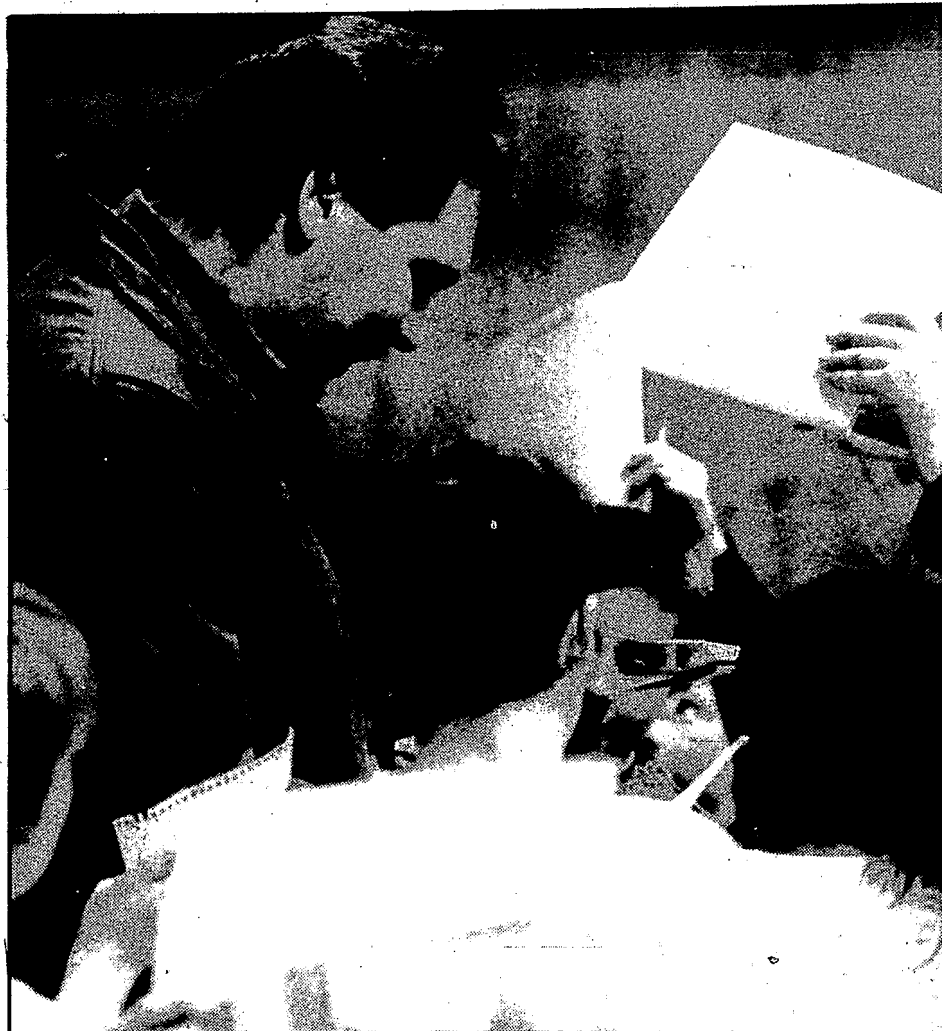
"We're not a part of that past history," he said.

The present for Dallafior is preparing for the near-future battle with ex-Lion teammate Eric Williams. Williams and other Redskins will be trying to get past Dallafior so they can get their hands on quarterback Erik Kramer or running back Barry Sanders.

The Lions' line was near-perfect in the 34-10 win over the Dallas Cowboys, which put Detroit in the NFC finals.

Barry Sanders has been known to reward the linemen with Rolex watches or other lavish gifts for paving the way.

What about Kramer?



LAST year, Ken Dallafior had his hands full with autograph seekers at the Clarkston Chiefs football banquet. Sunday, the Detroit Lion guard will have his hands full with Washington Redskins.

Dallafior said the young quarterback isn't on the same pay-scale as Sanders, so he usually invites the linemen over to dinner if they don't allow a sack.

"It's the thought that counts," says a sincere Dallafior.

Dallafior plans on calling the Clarkston area his home after his playing days are over. He lives with his wife, Diane, daughter Jessica, 6, and son Kyle, 4.

Will Kyle be a lineman or a quarterback?

Dallafior said he will be happy with whatever his son chooses.

"He might play in the band. That's all right, too," said the father.

Kyle, the other family members and all Detroit fans will certainly be tooting their horns for Ken Dallafior and the rest of the Lions on Sunday.

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Wolves taste victory at Toledo invite

BY JAMES GIBOWSKI
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Holy Toledo!

Clarkston's varsity basketball team became 5-0 overall and 1-0 in Ohio after topping a taller Toledo St. Francis squad, 60-53, in the Toledo Blade-McDonald's Classic Jan. 3, an annual invitational tournament featuring top teams from the two states.

The game was played at the University of Toledo. Detroit St. Martin DePorres also squared off against Toledo Start, and Cleveland St. Joseph faced Toledo Scott.

"We played sluggish. Maybe we ate

too much," said Clarkston coach Dan Fife, whose team (rated fourth in the state by the Detroit Free Press) feasted on plenty of food during pre-game and post-game meals.

The table was nearly bare after a low-scoring first quarter, with Clarkston only up 10-9. But the Wolves really bit into St. Francis in the second quarter with a 23-15 edge, taking a 33-24 lead at the half. The teams then played a quite even second half.

"Defensively we did a nice job," said Fife, especially pointing out the play of Jon Wyniemko, Jeremy Burke, Dave Smith, Nick Shires and Jeremy Fife. "Their big people couldn't keep up with us."

Two of those big people from Toledo were 6-6 Kevin Baker (20 points) and 6-8 Dan Pierce (14 points). St. Francis also had a 6-7 player on the bench.

Even with its size, St. Francis only outrebounded the Wolves, 29-28.

Dugan Fife, who sparked the Wolves in the second-quarter outburst, scored a game-high 29 points and Luke Fedio added 14. Wyniemko finished with six, Derek Wiley five, Jeremy Fife four and Burke two.

The Toledo team actually sank more field goals, but Clarkston more than made up for it on the charity line. Clarkston sank 18 of 28 free throws (64 percent) and St.

Francis made three of eight (38 percent).

St. Francis turned the ball over 15 times while the stingy Wolves only made 12 turnovers.

"It was a great tournament for the kids. It was a first-class operation," said coach Fife. The food and a stay overnight at the Sheraton were furnished by the tournament's sponsors.

The Clarkston coach said it was a thrill for his team to play in a large arena at the university.

"Ninety percent of them may never go through that again," said Fife.

Unless, of course, the Wolves feast on their opponents during "March Madness" and wind up at The Palace.

Prep Profile

Mr. Smith goes to the hoop

Athlete: Dave Smith

Sport and position: Guard on the Clarkston varsity basketball team

Grade: Senior

Nickname: "Smit dawg," "Doggy"

Height and weight: 5-9, 145

Birthdate: July 26, 1973

Statistics: Basketball - Clarkston Junior High (9), Clarkston JV (10), Clarkston varsity (11-12)

Other sports: Football - Clarkston Chiefs - two years; Clarkston Junior High (9), Clarkston JV (10), Clarkston varsity (11-12)

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School activities: D-BUG, Interact

Most memorable moment in basketball: "Going undefeated and winning the district" (last season).

Most embarrassing moment in basketball: In eighth grade against Sashabaw, he made a free throw, looked at Dugan Fife in the crowd, then shot an air ball on his second free throw attempt.

First time touched a basketball: "When I was in fourth grade in a McGrath League."

Toughest opponent to guard: Tom McGee of Pontiac Central

Best part about basketball: "Finding yourself and what you have to do."

Worst part about basketball: "Conditioning."

What you learned about yourself playing football: "That you always have to give 110 percent. Never let up."

Favorite court (away): Brandon's gym

Favorite food: Tacos

Person admire the most: Isiah Thomas, George Bush

Favorite singer or group: Public Enemy

Favorite subject in school: Chemistry

Favorite movie: "Boys N the Hood"

Favorite television show: "In Living Color"

Pets: Willie, a miniature schnauzer

Pet peeve: "When people try to be what they're not."

Hobbies: Listening to music and watching movies

Favorite quote: "Let's do it up."

Name three people, living or dead, you'd like to meet: Michael Jordan, Eddie Murphy and George Washington

What is something your teammates don't know about you: "I'm a clean person."

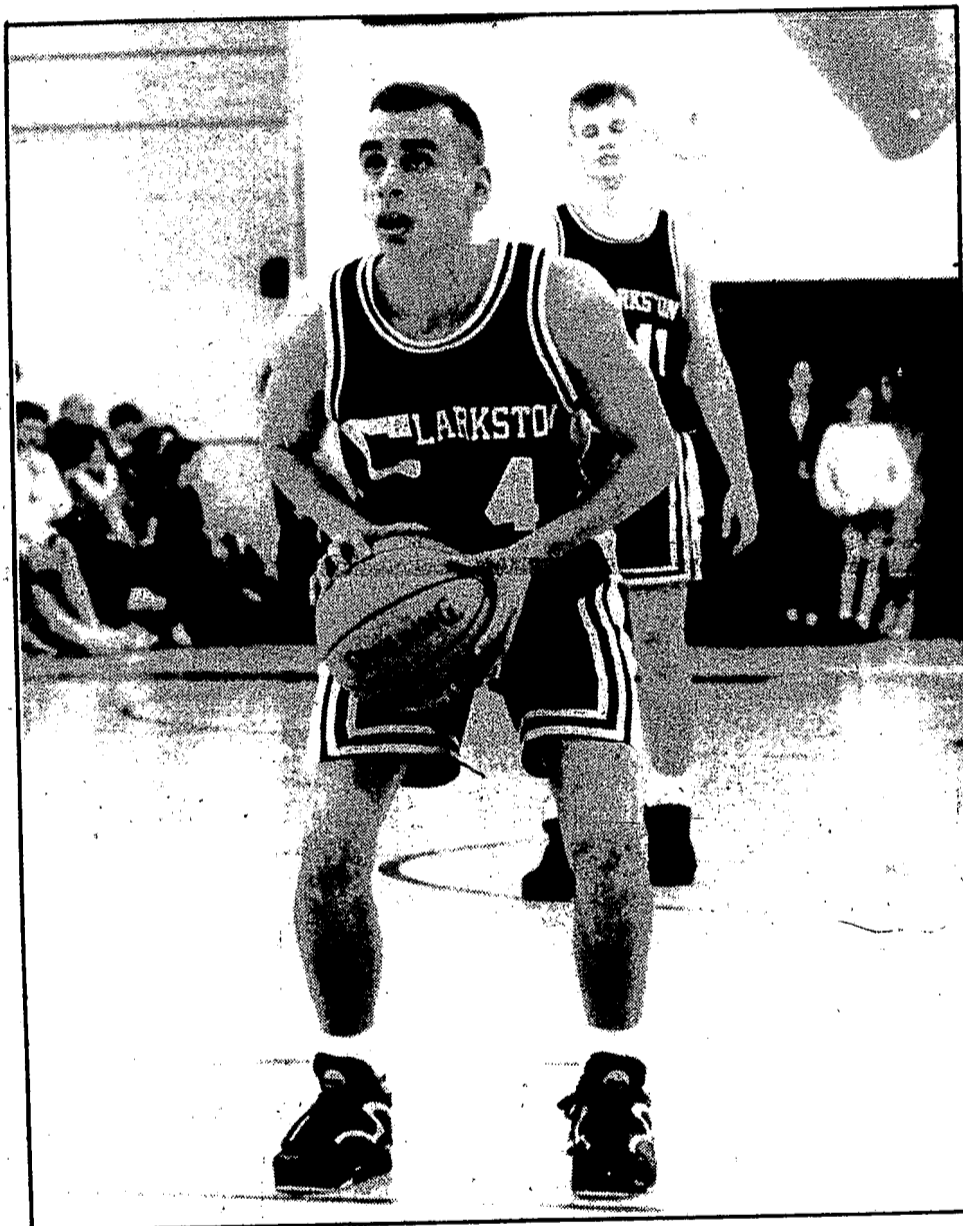
If your house were on fire, which material object would you first want to save: "My money."

Which actor would best portray you in a movie: Eddie Murphy

Coach's comment: Clarkston varsity basketball coach Dan Fife says about Smith, "He's really much more relaxed, comfortable this season. He does an outstanding job on defense. He's matured as a player."

Plans after high school: "Attend a four-year college, major in business."

By James Gibowski



DAVE Smith gets ready to shoot a free-throw against Lake Orion.

Picks 13 of 17 bowl winners

Chamberlain wins final football contest

Jason Chamberlain of Foster Road in Independence Township is this season's final winner of the \$50 Clarkston News Football Contest.

Chamberlain correctly chose 13 of 17 bowl games, including key picks of Indiana over Baylor, Air Force over Mississippi State and Washington over Michigan.

Fred LaFnear of Highland and Gary

Chamberlain of Independence Township each picked 12 games correctly.

Ten people picked 11 games correctly, including Clarkston News sports-writer James Gibowski. Gibowski finished the year 163-74 (.689).

Guest picker Jon Wyniemko, an all-state wide receiver for the Clarkston varsity football team, chose six games correctly. The guest pickers for the season finished with a record of 154-83 (.650).

'B' wrestlers 4th at invite

BY JAMES GIBOWSKI
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Eight Clarkston "B" team wrestlers placed at the South Lyon Invitational Jan. 4.

The "B" team, which comprises second-string varsity Wolves competing mainly against first-string varsity opponents, finished fourth in the nine-team event with 110 points. Host South Lyon won the tourney with 158 points followed by Okemos (133) and Fowlerville (127.5). The Wolves won the invitational last season, but fielded their first-team wrestlers.

Juniors Sean Mick (130 pounds) and

Mike Cain (145) placed the highest for the Wolves, each taking second-place.

Junior Jeff Farrand (119) and freshmen Armin Michelsen (125) and P.J. VanDermeer (160) each placed third.

Fourth-place finishers were juniors Jake Schell (hwt), Brent Hummel (152) and Steve Hunkele (189).

"I was very happy. The future looks good," said Clarkston coach Scott Strickler about his young Wolves. "They have more confidence after this weekend."

Strickler said he was especially impressed with Mick, who normally wrestles at 125 but moved up to 130 and still took second.



In the grasp at Oxford

CLARKSTON Wrestling Club's Timothy McIssac (left photo - McIssac on top) tries to secure Mountaineer Josh Jones' arms to the mat during Sunday's Clarkston-Oxford Invitational held at Oxford High School. McIssac, a 9-10-year-old 100-pound division grappler, ended up winning the match on points, 13-9. Ramcharger Aaron Emmendorfer (right photo - Emmendorfer on top) puts the moves on Clarkston Wrestling Club's Andy Auten in an 11-12-year-old 85-pound division match. A crowd estimated at 3,000 watched as 615 wrestlers from 22 area clubs competed in a tournament co-hosted by Clarkston and Oxford and sponsored by J and J Refrigeration. Eight-and-under wrestlers from Clarkston who placed were: Mike Baker (46) 3rd, Joey Ruelle (46) 3rd, Derek Parker (52) 3rd, Chris Haag (55) 1st, Chris Webb (58) 1st, Brian Chism (61) 2nd, Alan Eubanks (61) 2nd, Eric Sweeney (64) 3rd, Brad Passmore (67) 1st, Clint Degain (67) 3rd. Nine-and-10-year-old Clarkston wrestlers who placed were: Brad Petrinic (71) 3rd, Rory Kelly (80) 1st, Hank Passmore (85) 3rd, Pat Degain (95) 3rd, Rick Geiger (100) 2nd, Tim McIsaac (100) 3rd, Tom Brueck (110) 1st. Eleven-and-12-year-old wrestlers from Clarkston who placed were: Ryan Alsup (70) 2nd, Jason Tefenback (85) 2nd, Buddy Murray (119) 2nd, Jeff Long (126) 2nd. Thirteen-and-14-year-old wrestlers who placed were: Bobby Geliske (100) 1st, Rob Jeffrey (107) 3rd, Rich Mullins (107) 3rd, Armin Michelsen (130) 3rd, Bryan Caffer (138) 1st, Eric Endreszl (145) 1st. (Photos by Joe Ferrari of the Oxford Leader)

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Ex-Wolves help put MSU in motion

BY MARNI BANKER

MSU Motion has shown that it takes more than talent to keep an athletic club successful.

MSU Motion, 15 women from Michigan State University who perform at home basketball and football games, takes its name literally by moving from one place to another performing energized dance routines.

Motion is considered a club sport, said team co-captain Kara Kurz, a 1988 Clarkston High School graduate. This means that the group isn't funded by MSU. Kurz said this has proven to be a financial strain on team members. Over the course of the year, its expenses include uniforms, camp and traveling.

Club advisor Russ Rivet said that MSU provides facilities for Motion to practice and gives guidance to them throughout the year. He said Motion began 10 years ago out of student demand.

"Motion has added to the university. It brings spirit to varsity sports. Motion does it with class and dignity. Many schools can't say that," Rivet said.

Kurz said there was one instance in which the president of a Big Ten university tried to stop the schools's dance team from performing, but so many people complained he had to bring them back.

But things are different at MSU. Motion has been receiving more support due to increased recognition, according to co-captain Kellee Duty, a 1989 Clarkston High School graduate. (Jenny Davis, a 1989 Clarkston High School graduate, is also a member of Motion and is the group's secretary).

Marni Banker, a 1988 Clarkston High School graduate, is a senior at Michigan State University. At CHS, she was active in student government and was a class officer and captain of the cheerleading squad. Her parents are Larry and Barbara Banker of Barrington, Ill. (formerly of Clarkston).

Jill Slimko, a MSU student, has seen Motion perform for three years.

"I give them credit for their hard work," said Slimko. "They have gotten better and also bring added entertainment that is different from the cheerleading squad."

Kurz said this growing recognition has helped Motion to be asked to perform at numerous alumni and school functions.

It has come to the point where Motion is expected to perform at games, whereas it used to have to ask for permission.

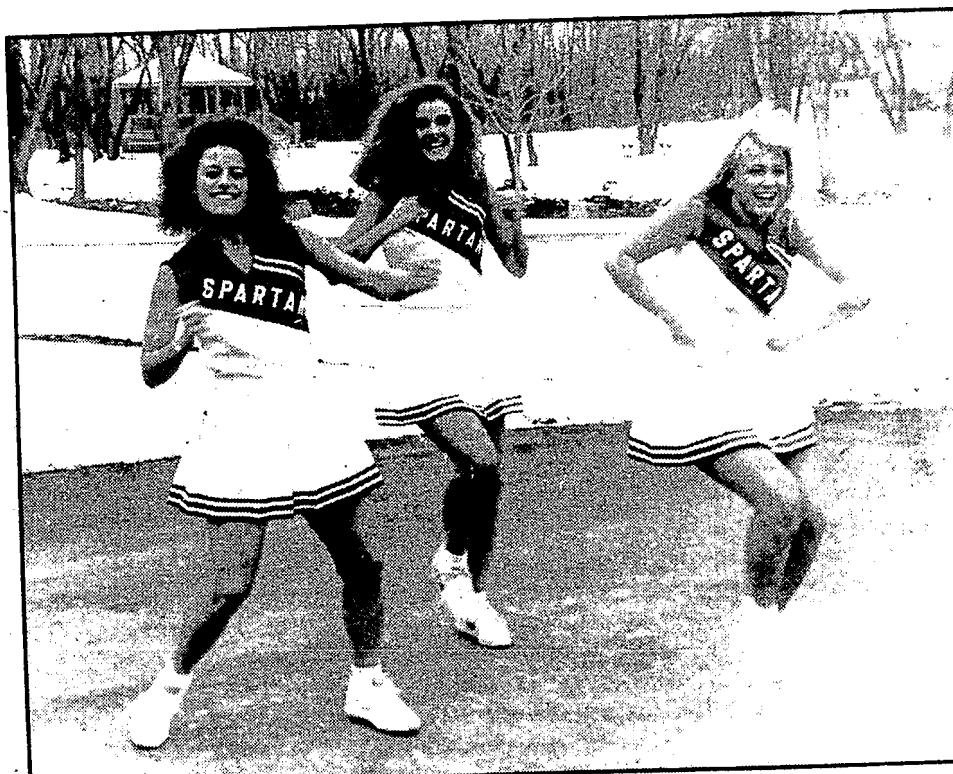
One issue Motion has been dealing with is the notion of becoming a sport (recognized by MSU). Kurz expressed concern that if Motion became a sport, certain rules would apply that may not be in its best interests.

"In our minds, we are a sport. I don't particularly care if the school recognizes us as a sport, but we appreciate the support," said Kurz.

One problem that concerns Kurz and Duty is that if it becomes a sport, the school would appoint a coach for the team. It wouldn't run as it does now with the two captains in charge.

Kurz and Duty enjoy the responsibilities.

"Besides administrative duties, we have to be a coach, a team member and



MSU students Jenny Davis, Kellee Duty and Kara Kurz were home for the holidays. The three are key members of MSU Motion. (Photo by James Gibowski)

friend to every woman on the team," said Duty.

Rivet added, "The student leadership has been excellent. Because of it, Motion has grown tremendously."

Duty said a coach isn't needed as long as there is mutual respect between the captains in the team.

Team member Michelle Fairbanks commented about the captains, "Because

of the captains, we get things done. We are more together."

Motion plans to submit a video tape of one of its dance routines to a nationally-held competition. Members also plan to perform during halftime for the audience of a Piston's game.

However, Motion's main concern is clearly MSU. And at MSU, spectators can catch Motion's performances at home basketball games throughout the season.

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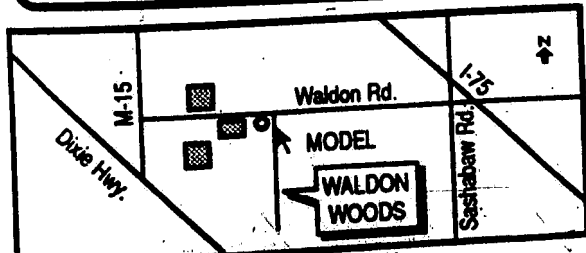
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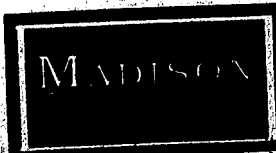
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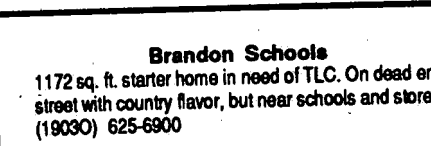
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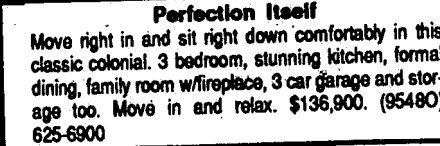
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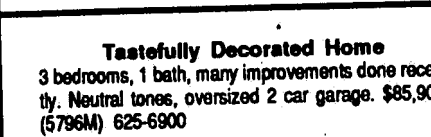
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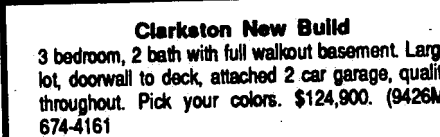
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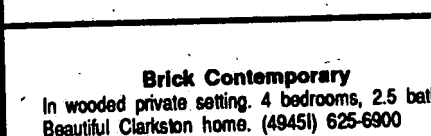
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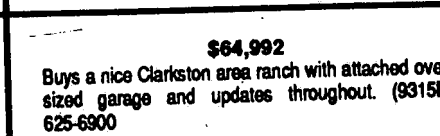
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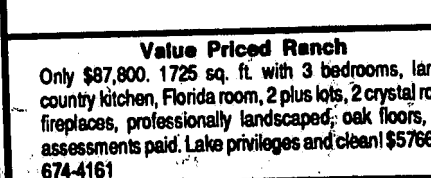
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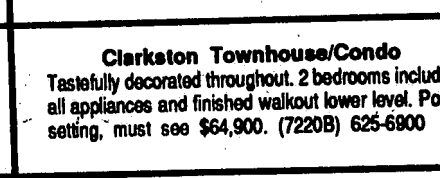
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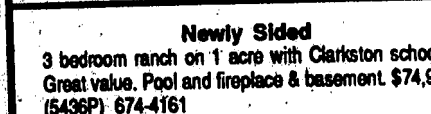
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Recreation Basketball



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BRIAN Cooper of the Avengers drives in against a Magic opponent Jan. 5 in a Mid-North Conference game played at Clarkston High School. Magic won the game, 54-17. The adult basketball leagues are sponsored by the Independence Township Parks and Recreation Department. (Photo by James Gibowski)

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OPEN GYM

Open-gym basketball for adults begins Wednesday, Jan. 8, from 7 to 10 p.m. at Clarkston High School. The cost is \$1 at the door.

ADULT VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE

Volleyball teams (women and men) must register for the upcoming season by Jan. 16.

The women's league starts Wednesday, Jan. 22 and the men's league takes the court Thursday, Jan. 23. Players must be 18 years old.

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Waterford Mott at Clarkston, 5:30 p.m.

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Clarkston at Walled Lake Central, 9 a.m.

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MONDAY (Jan. 13)

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Oakland County to offer its services as a recycling station. The trees will eventually be chipped and used on nature trails and as mulch and compost. According to county park officials, the Clarkston area has

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Softwater Lake site lawsuit settled out of court

BY DENNIS V. CARTER
Clarkston News Staff Writer

After six months, a lawsuit between a developer and the Springfield Township Board was settled out of court. Developer Kevin Reis and the township board agreed "in principle" to a compromise.

"We filed suit after the township board rejected our site plan," said Reis of Central Land Development.

According to the lawsuit, the developer felt that the board was being unfair and discriminatory. It stated that R-3 zoning should be allowed on the 55-acre parcel, which would have allowed more than 50 homes on the parcel.

"At this point, we are going to move forward with a site plan along the lines of the compromise," said Reis, adding that he doesn't plan to build the homes but rather to sell the lots as building sites.

The project, on 55 acres off of Dixie Highway, was originally submitted in fall 1988 and includes the 20-acre

Softwater Lake.

"When this was originally submitted, there were different trustees on the board," said Collin Walls, township supervisor.

Walls said that if the developer had asked for R-2 zoning instead of R-3 zoning, the 1988 board probably would have approved the plan.

R-2 zoning (single-family detached housing) requires a one-acre minimum lot size, while R-3 zoning (also single-family detached housing) requires a one-half-acre minimum lot size.

The new agreement allows Reis' company to submit a proposal to the planning commission under guidelines of R-2 zoning, with no more than 40 units. The original request for R-3 zoning called for about 53 units.

The developer must get approvals from the planning commission and township board before construction can take place.

"At this point, I don't really foresee it not being approved," said Supervisor Walls, adding that the ap-

proval process probably will begin in February.

Since the new site plan has not been submitted yet, Walls said he and the board members don't know what's in the works. He surmised that it would probably include clusters of homes in one general area.

"Since we have agreed in principle on the major points, ... it should be approved this time," he said.

Growth classes offered by church

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■ "My Life in the World of Work" — The class aims at helping participants to analyze their lives within the work place to understand themselves better. The course also offers tips on how to live and manage one's life in the work place. (Wednesdays, 6:30-9:30 p.m.)

■ "Who Am I?" will help you to discover a more contemplative side of yourself and to recognize your unique gifts and qualities (Saturdays, 6:30-9:30 p.m.).

The fee for any one of these courses is \$150, and payment can be negotiated with Farrell. The classes are meant for all people, not just Catholics.

For more information and registration, call Coni Baker at 625-1227 or the Faith Formation Office at 625-1750.

Sheriff's Log

Monday, Dec. 30, vandals caused \$400 malicious damage to a window at the Professional Asset Management office on Dixie Highway, Independence Township.

Police investigated an attempted break-in at a house under construction on Perry Lake, Independence Township.

Items were stolen from a residence on Horseshoe Circle, Independence Township.

Police investigated suspicious circumstances at a house under construction on Horseshoe Circle, Independence Township.

Tuesday, Dec. 31, vandals did \$400 worth of malicious damage to a vehicle on Detroit, Springfield Township.

Wednesday, Jan. 1, police investigated an attempted larceny from a vehicle in the driveway of residence on Balmoral Terrace, Independence Township.

Friday, Jan. 3, vandals caused \$300 worth of malicious damage to a vehicle on Cranberry Lake Road, Independence Township.

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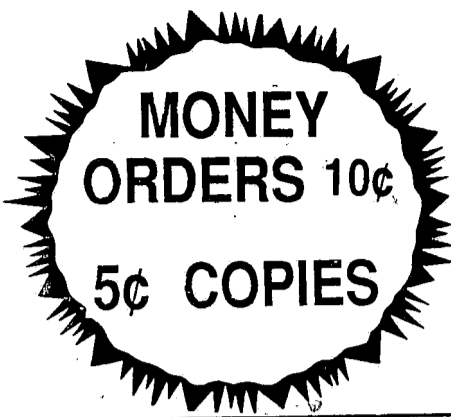
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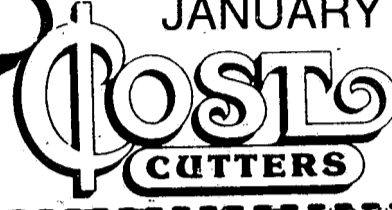
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Wednesday, January 8, 1992

The Clarkston News

Teacher of the Year leads, pushes pupils to learn

BY DENNIS V. CARTER
Clarkston News Staff Writer

It may have begun with his high school English teacher. Or maybe it was earlier than that, with the values he learned as a child from his mother.

But whatever the source, Hal Farah has found a way to inspire, push, cajole and lead his pupils to higher learning.

And his work in his English classroom at Waterford Kettering has been recognized by his peers. In November, he was named 1991 Teacher of the Year by the Waterford Foundation for Education.

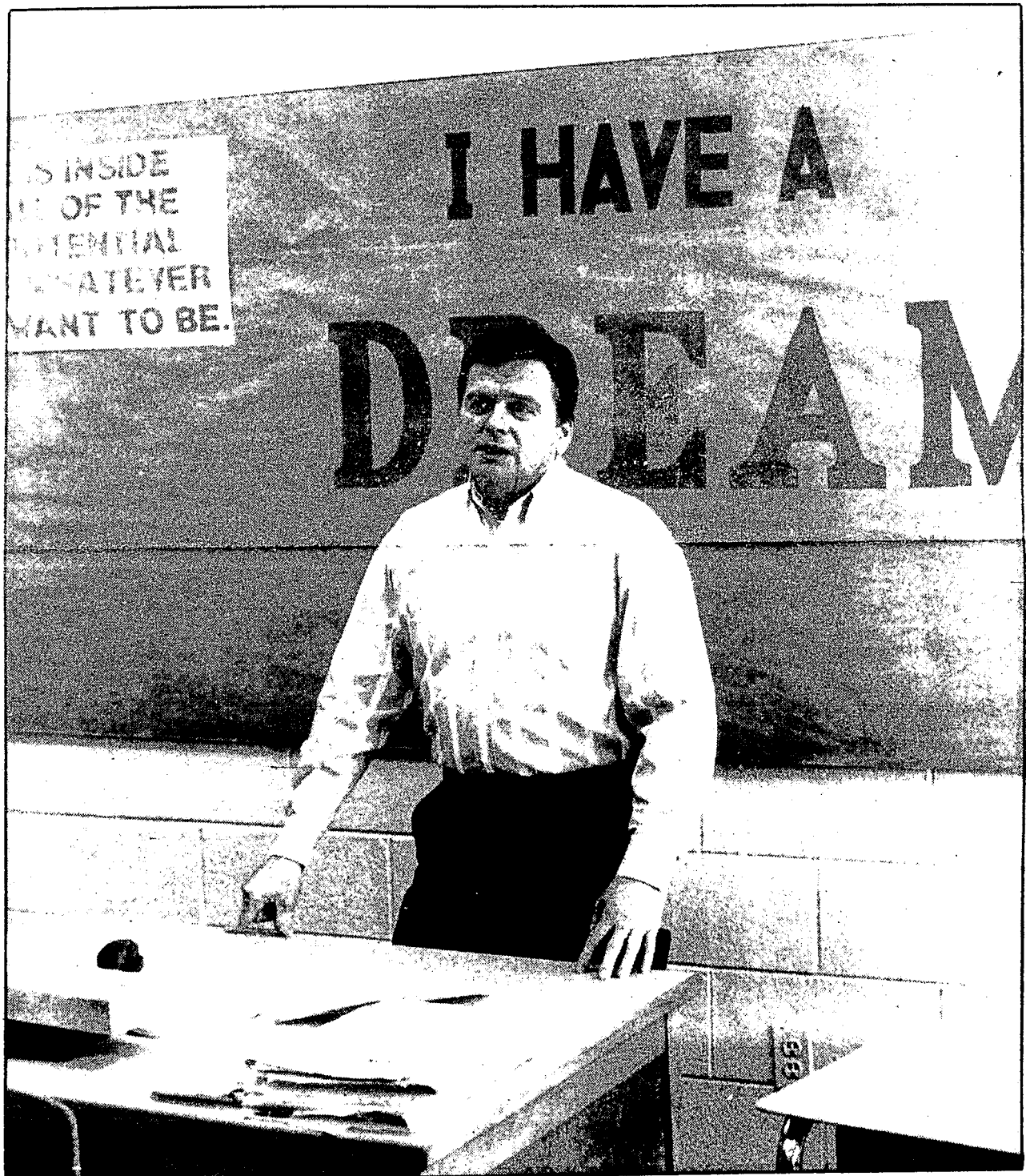
"I'm very happy to have received this honor," said Hal of Mockingbird Lane, Independence Township. "This is the second year they have given this award, and I'm very proud of being selected."

Hal, who grew up in Detroit, said the award will be rotated between elementary teachers and secondary teachers. He was the first secondary teacher to receive the award.

Hal, 47, graduated from Valparaiso University, Indiana. He and his wife Demaris have two children, Blake and Allison, who attend Sashabaw Junior High

"Each kid is different. You have to realize that and work from there. You don't always read them right, but I've gotten pretty good at it over the years."

Hal Farah



HAL FARAH, an English teacher at Waterford Kettering High School, received use of a 1992 Thunderbird, courtesy of Flannery Ford

in Waterford, when he was named the 1991 Teacher of the Year by the Waterford Foundation for Education.

School on Maybee Road, Independence Township.

Hal, who was Kettering's varsity baseball coach for five years, enjoys his time in class and said he's never been interested in leaving the classroom for an administrative position.

"The kids are what I got into this for in the first place," he said. "To me, there is just nothing better than being in the classroom with the kids."

Over the years, Hal said, students have changed very little.

"I really only see a very small percentage of the students who attend school nationwide," he said. "But from what I've seen over the years, we still have a lot of very skilled and capable students."

However, one aspect has changed, perhaps as a result of changes in American society.

"I see that the kids today are lot more media-oriented, and I feel we have to change and give the kids more meaningful and real-to-life situations in the classroom," he said. "It needs to be more than just ... a lot of facts to memorize."

Hal, an English teacher for 24 years at Waterford Kettering, said he was inspired by his own high school English teacher.

"My high school English teacher made a big impression on me," Hal said. "I feel it was his influence that made me decide on English as the subject I wanted to teach. The way he taught made the classes interesting, and I try to do the same in my classes."

Another big influence in Hal's life was his mother. "I grew up in a foster home, and I was the oldest," he said. "My mother would give me a lot responsibility, and sometimes there would be as many as 20 of us at a time. She believed in education, and I guess that really stuck with me. I found out early that I have a way with people, and that has helped in being a teacher."

Hal has studied and improved his teaching techniques over the years. For instance, he now tries to determine which students need to be led and which need to be pushed.

"Each kid is different," he said. "You have to realize that and work from there. You don't always read them right, but I've gotten pretty good at it over the years."

To be considered for the award, Farah was nomi-

nated by the school and also was recommended by a fellow teacher.

Kettering counselor Mary Aperauch nominated Farah for the award.

"Every time I would go near his room it seemed like something important was going on," she said. "It's something you didn't want to interrupt — he was so involved."

"If there were a 'Mr. Kettering,' it would be Hal," Aperauch said.

Farah said Ann Becks wrote the letter of recommendation.

"It was really nice to know that the other teachers felt I deserved the award," Hal said. "All I do is try to teach my students the things they will need to succeed in life."



KACIE HINES, 9, a student at Bailey Lake Elementary, demonstrates one of the mime moves learned as part of an enrichment class held at the school.

Miming mood



AMY SEAMAN, 17, shows Kelly Passage, 9, how to mime in a mirror. Seaman, a Clarkston High School student, volunteers with other CHS mime club members to teach Bailey Lake Elementary pupils the silent art of mime. (Photos by Dennis V. Carter)

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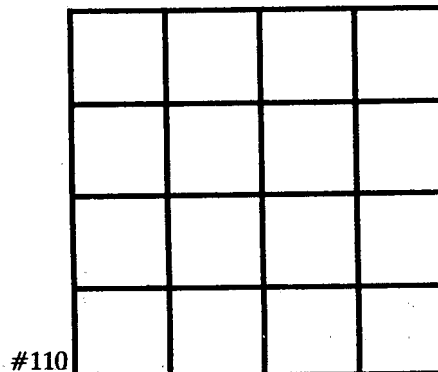
SMILING over a fresh batch of Girl Scout cookies are Allison Witt (left), 9, and Laura Ginn, 8, both third-graders at Clarkston Elementary School and both members of Troop 800. The two agreed to pose with the cookies to publicize the annual cookie sale, which takes place Jan. 20-26. Area residents may order cookies through any Girl Scout or by calling 625-0574 or 625-0642 by March 8.

Allison and Laura also got to taste the new "Golden Nut Clusters" offered this year. Girls Scouts also will be selling: Chalet Creme Assortment, Do-si-dos (peanut butter cremes), Samoas, Trefoils (old-fashioned shortbread), Thin Mints and Tagalongs (peanut butter and cookies covered in chocolate). (Photo by Julie Campe)

WordSquares By Tom Hoyes

WordSquares are letters in a square that spell the same words in the same order horizontally and vertically.

- Clues
1. repetitions
 2. garden
 3. Inca
 4. ignore



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Tom Hoyes resides in Independence Township. He is a public access volunteer for cable programs aired on Independence-Clarkston Channel 65.

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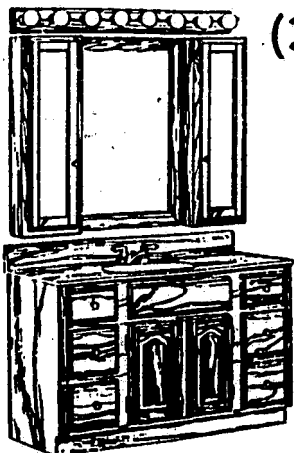
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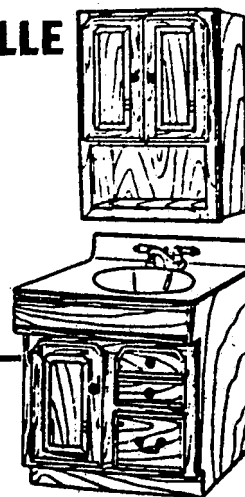
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In service

Navy Seaman Recruit **Matthew S. Barber**, son of David E. Barber and Blanche I. Tatton of Davisburg, recently completed basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill.

A 1990 graduate of Holly High School, he joined the Navy in August 1991.

Honors

Sophomore **Shonn R. Cobrunn** and senior **Gretchen C. Spiece** of the Clarkston area are among the Hope College, Holland, pupils named to the dean's list for the first semester of the 1991-92 school year.

New arrivals

It's a girl for **Leslie Raguso-Mann** and her husband **Michael** of Cedar Springs. Leslie, formerly of Clarkston, is a 1980 graduate of Clarkston High School and is also a graduate of Central Michigan University, Mount Pleasant.

Amanda Page Mann was born at 6 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 25, 1991, at Blodgett Memorial Medical Center, Grand Rapids. She weighed 7 pounds, 8 ounces, and measured 21 inches long.

Grandparents are Tom and Sherrill Raguso of Clarkston. Uncles are Kevin Raguso of Waterford and Tony Raguso of Clarkston.

Mac and **Lisa Rowland** of Deer Ridge, Independence Township, are the proud parents of a new baby boy.

Alex McAleer Rowland was born Tuesday, Dec. 24, 1991, at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Pontiac. He weighed 7 pounds, 13 ounces, and measured 21 inches long.

Grandparents are Bob and Carol Rowland of St. Clair, Dick and Gayle Barry of St. Clair, Richard and Pat McQueen of Holt, and Judy McQueen and Vern Fesco of Lansing.

Great-grandparents are Howard McAleer of Marine City; Willis and Lorraine McQueen of Daytona Beach, Fla.; and Albert and Ilah VanDerTuuk of Fort Myers, Fla.

The new father also is a new graduate. Mac earned a master of business administration degree from Oakland University, Rochester, in December.

Engagement



Karen Catherine Chupa, daughter of Mr. Daniel Chupa and the late Linda Chupa of Clarkston, announces her engagement to **Hans Martin Brueggeman**, son of Mrs. Susan Brueggeman and the late Robert Brueggeman of Bad Axe. Hans is a 1986 graduate of Bad Axe High School, Karen is a 1988 graduate of Clarkston High School. Both Hans and Karen are presently serving in the U.S. Air Force at Wurtsmith Air Force Base, Oscoda. A June 1993 wedding is planned.



Exceptional essayists

WINNERS of the Clarkston Area Optimist Essay Contest pose for a photo at Clarkston High School. At right is first-place winner **Ashley Ball**, 15, a sophomore. She is the daughter of Barbara and Keith Ball of Park Valley Drive, Independence Township. Ashley was awarded a \$200 U.S. Savings Bond, a plaque, pin and gold medal for her winning essay. At left is runner-up **Sally Basinger**, 16, a junior. The daughter of Becky and Bob Basinger of Holcomb Road, Clarkston, Becky received a pin, silver medal and certificate for her efforts. The girls also were treated to breakfast by the Optimists, which meant another added treat -- they missed class, they said. The theme this year was: Challenge of a Free Society. The Optimists' motto is "Friend of Youth." (Photo by Julie Campe)

Around Town

Local events open to the public are printed in **Around Town** as a community service. Call 625-3370 or write to **The Clarkston News**, 5 S. Main, Clarkston, MI 48346 two weeks in advance.

Thursdays - T.O.P.S. (Take Off Pounds Sensibly); a support group for weight loss; weigh-in 6:15 to 7 p.m.; meeting 7-8 p.m.; new members should arrive early; \$16 registration fee (teens, \$8) plus \$3 a month; Sashabaw Presbyterian Church, 5300 Maybee Road, Independence Township. (620-1838)

Friday, Jan. 10 - Clarkston Breakfast Club (formerly Welcome Wagon Club) meeting at the Clarkston Big Boy restaurant; 8:30 a.m.; for people who are new to the area; 6440 Big Boy, Dixie Highway, Independence Township. (391-2440)

Friday and Saturday, Jan. 10, 11, 17, 18, 24 and 25; and Thursday, Jan. 23 - Clarkston Village Players present "Play On," a comedy in three acts; directed by Al Bartlett, produced by Denny Colwell; \$6 Thursday; \$7 Fridays and Saturdays; tickets available at Tierra, 64 S. Main, Clarkston, or by phone (363-0188); 4861 White Lake Road, Independence Township. (625-1826)

Saturday, Jan. 11 - Independence Land Conservancy meeting at the Independence Township Annex; 8 a.m.; visitors welcome; 90 N. Main St., Clarkston. (Doug Carlson, 625-8474)

Saturday, Jan. 11 - Family Affair Ski Tour at Independence Oaks County Park; noon to 4 p.m.; ski lessons, demonstrations, ice fishing and nature center visit; \$3 per person; pre-registration required; \$4.50 vehicle entry fee; on Sashabaw Road, 2 1/2 miles north of I-75, Independence Township. (625-0877)

Saturdays, Jan. 11, 18, 25 and Feb. 1 - Ski school at Independence Oaks County Park; 9:30 a.m. and 11:30

a.m. classes; \$13 for lessons and ski rental, \$7 for lessons only; clinic features instruction on proper use of equipment, warm-up exercises, ski techniques and hill climbing; participants should register a week in advance; \$4.50 vehicle entry fee; on Sashabaw Road, 2 1/2 miles north of I-75, near Clarkston. (625-0877)

Sunday, Jan. 12 - Birds of Prey program at Indian Springs Metropark; 1 p.m.; a slide-illustrated program on the winged hunters — hawks and owls; registration required; \$2 vehicle entry fee; on White Lake Road in Springfield and White Lake townships. (1-800-47-PARKS)

Monday through Friday, May 1, 1992 - Walking program at Clarkston High School and Sashabaw Junior High School; 4:30-8:30 p.m.; closed during Easter vacation; open to residents in the area. (625-4402)

Wednesdays - Clarkston Area Optimist Club meeting at Spring Lake Country Club; 7:30-8:30 a.m.; service club with theme of "Friend of Youth"; 6060 Maybee Road, Independence Township. (625-5000)

Wednesday, Jan. 15 - Preschool storytime at the Independence Township Library; 10 a.m. and 11 a.m.; free; films, stories, puppets, flannel board activities, games and songs; for 3- to 5-year-olds; 6495 Clarkston Road, Independence Township. (625-2212)

Wednesday, Jan. 15 - Financial Aid for College — Information Night at Clarkston High School; 7 p.m.; for seniors planning to enter college next year (and their parents); financial aid forms must be filed in January to qualify for some programs; all types of financial aid for college will be discussed; in the theater; off Waldon Road, Independence Township. (625-0900)

Thursday, Jan. 16 - Widowed Support Group Meeting at the Independence Township Senior Center; 7 p.m.; speaker: financial consultant Bob Olsen; topic: secure investments, insurance; free; for recently widowed men and women of all ages; walk in; refreshments; in Clintonwood Park, Clarkston Road, Independence Township,

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(Jenni at Wint Funeral Home, 625-5231)

Saturday, Jan. 18 - Nature stories for tots at Indian Springs Metropark; 1 p.m.; free; registration required; stories about field and forest animals for preschoolers, plus simple craft project; \$2 vehicle entry fee; on White Lake Road in Springfield and White Lake townships. (1-800-47-PARKS)

Sunday, Jan. 19 - Michigan — A Historical Look program at Indian Springs Metropark; 1 p.m.; a photographic visit to historical sites of the Great Lakes region; free; \$2 vehicle permit; registration required; on White Lake Road in Springfield and White Lake townships. (1-800-47-PARKS)

Monday, Jan. 20 - Waterford Book Review Club meeting at the Waterford Main Library; 1 p.m.; Karen O'Conner to review "Bi-centennial Celebration"; 5168 Civic Center Drive, Waterford. (623-1260)

Thursday, Jan. 23 - Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce Member Mixer at the Spring Lake Country Club; 7:30 a.m.; \$8 breakfast; speaker: Gerald M. Marcinkoski, attorney; topic: workmen's compensation; reservations required by Jan. 16; send check, co. name, and no. of people to Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 938, Clarkston, MI 48347. (625-8055)

Thursday, Jan. 23 - Camera day for a senior citizen discount program; at the Independence Township Senior Center; 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; older adults in Oakland County may have their pictures taken for an identification card that gives them discounts at area businesses; in Clintonwood Park, 5980 Clarkston Road, Independence Township. (625-8231)

Saturday, Jan. 25 - 1992 Clarkston Toy Show at the Knights of Columbus Hall; 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.; \$2 admission (children under 12, free); displays include 60 tables of antique toys from 1890s through 1960s; prices range from \$5 to over \$1,000; 5690 Maybee Road, Independence Township. (394-0925)

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Week of Jan. 13 through Jan. 17

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7 p.m. - **This Is the Life:** Contemporary drama series presented by St. Trinity Lutheran Church.

7:30 p.m. - **Cold Water Rescue**

8 p.m. - **Oakland County Parks:** Highlights of park facilities and events.

8:30 p.m. - **Sexual Assault: On Campus:** A special report.

8:45 p.m. - **Thunder Creek Band:** Country music special.

TUESDAY AND FRIDAY

6:30 p.m. - **The Job Show:** A presentation of The Michigan Employment Security Commission.

7 p.m. - **The Power of Love:** Christian talk and variety program hosted by Ted Slankster.

7:30 p.m. - **Cherie's Craft Corner:** Arts and crafts with Cherie Hartwick of Tierra's in Clarkston.

8 p.m. - **Culture and Nature:** Hosted by Rick Zurel of Clarkston. This week: China (Part 1)

8:30 p.m. - **Michigan DNR Presents:** This week: Celebration of Wildlife.

WEDNESDAY

6 p.m. - **Dixie Baptist Missionary Conference (Part 10)**

7 p.m. - **Financial Planning Simplified:** Helpful information for personal financial planning.

7:30 p.m. - **Clarkston Board of Education:** Meeting of Jan. 13.

Jan. 25 toy show for kids of all ages

Kids — even those who are only kids at heart — may like to take a look at the Fifth Annual Clarkston Toy Show Jan. 25.

The show is set for 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 5690 Maybee Road, Independence Township.

Admission is \$2 at the door and children under 12 are admitted free.

On hand will be 60 tables of antique and collectible toys from the 1890s to 1960s to be sold. Featured are such toys as Disney, Hartland, Arcade, Buddy L. Schoenhut and Lionel. Prices range from \$5 to over \$1,000.

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2 CHS pupils compete for state title

Two Clarkston-area residents are to compete in the Michigan Young Woman of the Year scholarship program Saturday, Jan. 18, in Marshall.

Clarkston High School seniors Jennifer Andryco

and Pellayia Lazaris are among the 20 high school senior girls who will compete for the top award, a \$3,000 scholarship and the chance to represent Michigan at America's Young Woman of the Year Program in July in Mobile, Ala.

The program, formerly called Junior Miss, takes place at 7 p.m. at the Marshall Middle School, 100 E. Green St., Marshall. Tickets are \$12 for the main floor and \$10 for the balcony.

Andryco, daughter of Andrew and Shirley Andryco, is on Clarkston High's student council and is a cheerleader and Pom Pon Squad member. A recipient of the Presidential Academic Fitness Award, Andryco plans to attend Michigan State University, East Lansing, and major in education.

Lazaris, daughter of George and Peggy Lazaris, is in Clarkston High's Environmental Concerns group and Varsity Choir and is a camp counselor. She plans to attend the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, and to study medicine.

For more information, call 616-781-3313 (days) or 616-781-8537 (nights).

Two advise station

Two Clarkston Junior High School students are actively participating in a joint educational project between television stations WJBK/Channel 2 and WTVS/Channel 56.

Mary Forbes and Jill Attaman will be part of the "Class of '95" campaign, which tracks students from eighth grade through their high school graduation in 1995. In its second year, the program focuses on the merits of students through informative newcast stories.

Both teens are on the student advisory board, which provides Channel 2 with ideas for a Class of '95 news story, which airs every Tuesday at 4 p.m.

-Curt McAllister

Team proves they're masters in knowledge

On Dec. 4, a 12-member team from Clarkston Junior High School met to challenge teams from across the country in the annual Knowledge Master Open competition.

The teams matched wits and knowledge, via a computer that was linked to competition headquarters. The contest covered the areas of history, government, current events, economics, geography, literature, math, English, science, health, art and music.

Clarkston's overall score ranked them 169th out of 474 teams across America. Among junior highs in Michigan, however, CJHS took second overall.

The team consisted of seventh-, eighth- and ninth-graders. The event was sponsored by faculty members Suvonne Hogan and Barbara Glover.

The team members included: Scott Sanford, Joel Sanford, Meghan Sitar, Karen Leininger, Kristy Barefoot, Clair Kammer, Katie Lockwood, Lisa Vallad, Christie Williams, Regina White, Rick Davies, Michael Gay, Jason Olstrom and team captain Timothy Szykula.

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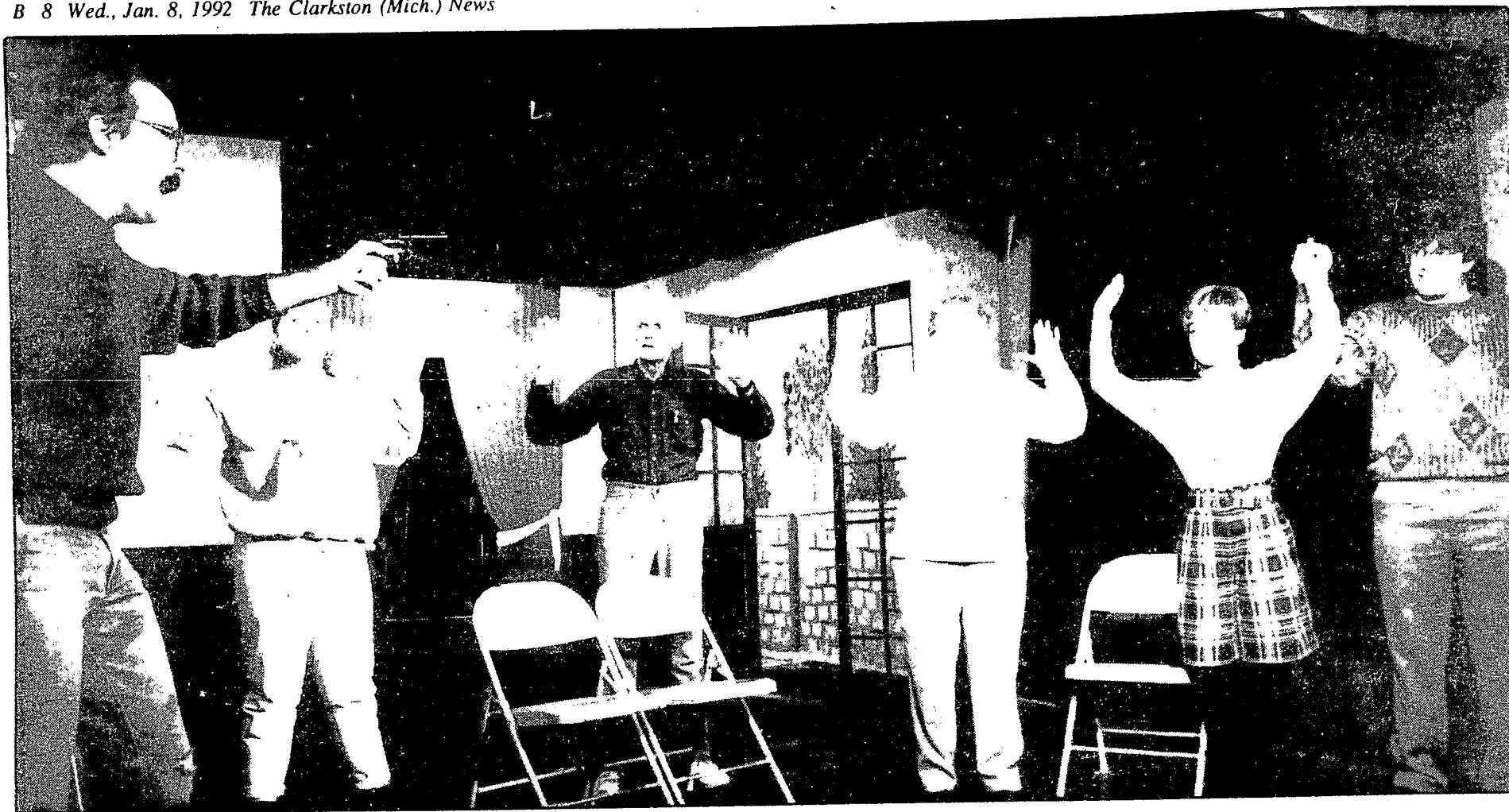
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SAUL Watson (Drew Creamer) holds up (from left) Marla "Smitty" Smith (Jamie Van Natta), Henry Benish (Larry Ballard), Polly Benish

(Marty Johnstone), Violet Imbry (Heather Brooks) and Billy Carewe (Dean Vanderkolk). "Play On," a comedy performed by the Clark-

ston Village Players, opens Jan. 10 and continues to Jan. 25 at the Depot Theater on White Lake Road, Independence Township.

Players play on

A comedy in three acts performed by the Clarkston Village Players begins Friday, Jan. 10, and runs through Jan. 25.

"Play On" is directed by Al Bartlett and is produced by Denny Colwell. Tickets are \$7 for Friday and Saturday performances on Jan. 10, 11, 17, 18, 24 and 25, and \$6 for the Thursday, Jan. 23, performance. Tickets are available in advance at Tierra, 64 S. Main St., Clarkston, or by calling Marlene Sewick at 363-0188 after 5 p.m.

An afterglow is planned following the Friday, Jan. 10, performance. All performances begin at 8 p.m. at the Depot Theater, 4861 White Lake Road, Independence Township (625-1826).

The cast of "Play On" includes: Kathy Western as Aggie Manville, Linda Van Natta as Louise Peary, Larry McGee as Gerry Dunbar, Drew Creamer as Saul Watson, Larry Ballard as Henry Benish, Marty Johnstone as Polly Benish, Jamie Van Natta as Marla "Smitty" Smith, Dean Vanderkolk as Billy Carewe, Heather Brooks as Violet Imbry, and Lee Woolcox as Phyllis Montague.



VIOLET Imbry (Heather Brooks) and Billy Carewe (Dean Vanderkolk) share a romantic moment. Tickets for the comedy are avail-

able at Tierra in downtown Clarkston or by calling 363-0188 after 5 p.m. (Photos by James Gibowski)

Obituaries

William D. Kilgore

William (Bill) D. Kilgore, 20, of Holly and formerly of Clarkston died Jan. 5, 1992. He was a 1990 graduate of Clarkston High School and was a member of Immanuel Fellowship Church, Waterford.

Mr. Kilgore is survived by his only child, Gabrielle Kilgore; parents, Granville and Linda Kilgore of Holly; brothers and sisters, Wanda Kilgore and Randy Millikan of Orion Township, Leonard (Len) Kilgore of Holly and Joseph (Joe) Kilgore of Holly; fiancée, Judea Doyle of Clarkston; and grandparents, Wanda Baird of Clarkston and Leonard Kilgore of Kentucky.

The funeral was set for 11 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 9, at the Lewis E. Wint and Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home, Clarkston, with the Rev. Ernie Brown officiating. Burial was planned for Hillview Cemetery.

Neal E. Parker

Neal E. Parker, 74, of Clarkston died Jan. 2, 1992. He was retired from General Motors Truck and Coach after 25 years. He was a member of the American Legion.

Mr. Parker was preceded in death by his wife, Doris. He is survived by his grandchildren, Laurie, Neal, Linda and Terry; several great-grandchildren; and sister, Fern Colgate of Venice, Fla.

The funeral was Jan. 4 at the Lewis E. Wint and Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home, Clarkston, with the Rev. Douglas R. Trebilcock officiating. Burial was at White Lake Cemetery.

John Harvey Sexton

John Harvey Sexton, 77, of Lake Havasu, Ariz., and formerly of Clarkston died Dec. 23, 1991. A millright, he retired in 1976 from General Motors Corp. He had been a little league baseball coach for many years in the Clarkston area.

Mr. Sexton is survived by his wife, Ruth of Lake Havasu, Ariz.; and children, Barbara Blackerby of Fenton, Bill of Mount Clemens, Louise Heer of Garden Grove, Calif., John of San Luis Obispo, Calif., Hazel Frost of Riverside, Calif., and Dwight David of Santa Maria, Calif.

Burial took place Dec. 26 in Lake Havasu, Ariz.

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Any further information regarding the above Public Hearing may be obtained at the Township Planning Office during regular office hours 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday thru Friday, or by phone at 625-8111.

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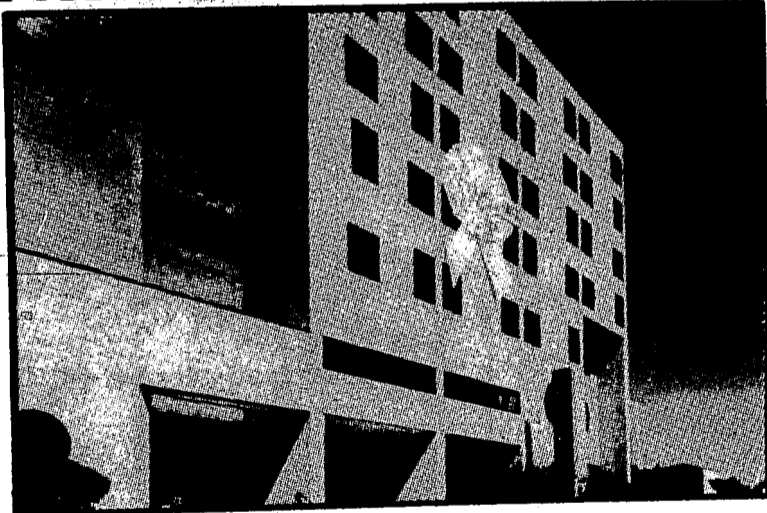
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◆ A photo of the couple may also be included. Deadline for consideration is Friday, Jan. 31.

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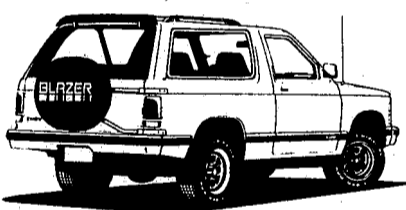
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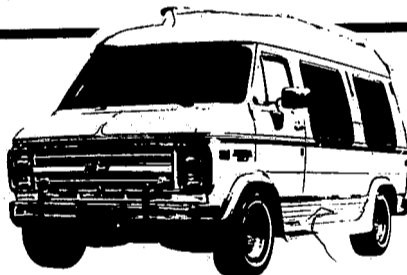


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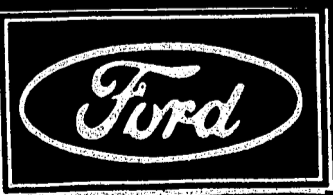
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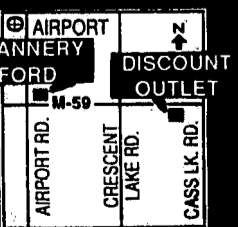
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LUNCH MENU: (Week of Jan. 12)

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Tuesday — turkey cutlet

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Thursday — ricotta stuffed

Friday — chicken broccoli

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES:

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Tuesday — ceramics, cards, volleyball.

Wednesday — crafts, pool, band practice.

Thursday — Bingo, woodshop.

Friday — sing-a-long, cards, women's pool.

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SPECIAL ACTIVITIES:

Grandparent Support Group: 7-9 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 9 and 23; for those raising a family for the second time.

Sweatshirt painting: 8-10 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 14; \$18; registration required by Jan. 10; bring 50 percent cotton sweatshirt, piece of cardboard with aluminum foil; pattern, paints, brushes provided.

Ceramic classes: 7-9 p.m. Tuesdays beginning Jan. 14; \$2 per week; learn to pour the mold, clean the greenware, glaze the bisc and use stains.

January New Vic Dinner Theater Trip: leave center at 11:15 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 15, return about 5 p.m.; \$23 includes transportation to Flint for "The Real Inspector Hound" by Tom Stoppard, ticket to show, and lunch; reservations required by Jan. 10.

Widowed Support Group: 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 16; speaker meeting.

Smoke alarm: Limited supply available to seniors who need them.

Cheaper by the Dozen day trip: leave center at 5:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 17, return about 10:30 p.m.; \$8 (required by Jan. 10) includes transportation, Dutch treat at restaurant, and ticket to see the Lakeland Players' presentation of "Cheaper by the Dozen."

Restaurant of the Month & Movie: 5:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 20; \$5 covers transportation to restaurant and to movie theater; sign up by Friday prior to outing; for singles age 35 and up.

Pot Luck Dinner and Dirty Bingo: 5 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 21; bring dish to pass for dinner; reservations required by Jan. 17.

Country toll painting: 8-10 p.m. Tuesdays, Jan. 28 through March 3; learn how to paint country accessories using acrylics; wood preparation and finishing strokes, blending techniques and personalizing projects; \$45 per person does not include materials; registration required by Jan. 20.

Prime Rib Dinner Dance: 6 p.m. Friday, Jan. 31; \$8 includes prime rib, baked potato with sour cream, tossed salad, French-cut green beans, bran roll, en eclair for dessert, coffee/tea; Clarkston Melody Makers provide big band sound; \$1 for the dance only (7:30 p.m.); reservations required by Jan. 17.

Cable Public Access Workshop: 1-3 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 4, through March 31; at the United Cable Co., Waldon Road; learn basic setup and operation of a video camera, video tape recorder and microphones; rudiments of camera focusing, composition, movements, basic lighting techniques and sound recording; free; register by Jan. 27.

Income tax preparation assistance: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Fridays, beginning Feb. 7; by appointment; donations accepted.

Valentine's Day Dinner & Dance: 6 p.m. Friday, Feb. 14; \$6.50 includes roast turkey with dressing, mashed potatoes and gravy, molded cranberry Jell-O on lettuce leaf, broccoli, potato roll, French crumb cheese cake with cherry topping, coffee or tea; reservations required by Jan. 31.

Royal Lippazon Stallions: leave center at 4 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 15; return about 9:30 p.m.; \$29 includes transportation to and ticket to the Royal Lippazon Stallions show at the Palace of Auburn Hills; stop for a Dutch treat dinner at bill Knapps prior to show; reservations required by Jan. 10.

Cooking for one or two: 11 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 19; Sylvia from the Oakland County Cooperative Extension Service Center presents workshop and offers hints and suggestions; free; reservation required by Feb. 14.

Annie: Sunday, Feb. 23; \$55 includes transportation to Whiting Auditorium, Flint, with main floor tickets to see "Annie," all-you-can-eat buffet luncheon at The King and I restaurant; reservations required by Monday, Feb. 10.

Prime rib dinner-dance: 6 p.m. Friday, Feb. 28; \$8 includes prime rib, mashed potatoes with gravy, tossed salad, Italian blend vegetables, whole wheat roll, lemon meringue pie, coffee or tea; Clarkston Melody Makers provide big band sound; \$1 for dance only; reservations required by Feb. 14.

Pork chop dinner-dance: 6 p.m. Friday, March 27; \$6.50 includes stuffed pork chop, au gratin potatoes, peas with mushrooms, carrot raisin pineapple salad, potato roll, chocolate cherry bars, coffee and tea; Clarkston Melody Makers provide music; reservations required by March 13.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Unless noted, all activities take place at the Senior Citizens Activity Center in Clintonwood Park, 5980 Clarkston Road, Independence Township. For more information, call 625-8231 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Community education at a glance

Sports card show canceled

The sports card show originally scheduled for Saturday, Jan. 11, has been canceled.

Theater opportunities

"The Gin Game" at Meadowbrook Theater is a touching and brilliantly funny play about two lonely senior citizens. Their friendship, born from playing gin rummy together, leads them to discover unexpected potential in their lives. Discount tickets, at \$13, are available for the 8 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 21, performance.

For more information

Clarkston Community Schools Department of Community Education operates out of a building at 5275 Maybee Road, Independence Township. For more information, call 674-0993.

McIntyre tops in Geography Bee

Colin McIntyre and Jussien Deibel took first- and second-place honors at Clarkston Junior High's second annual National Geographic Geography Bee.

The national contest is offered to seventh-graders, who must answer 156 questions in a matter of one hour.

Rounding out CJHS' top 10 were: Tim Colburn, Steve Zerba, Blane Brigg, Travis Boyd, Jason Grene, Becky DeLong, Erik West and John Wyatt. Faculty sponsors included Roy Cooper, Mike Oliver and Barbara Glover.

Colin moves on to the second phase of the national competition, which includes a written test of 70 questions. If his scores are high enough, he could move on to the state geography bee March 27.

—Curt McAllister

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Pet of the Week

Snugly Sanford

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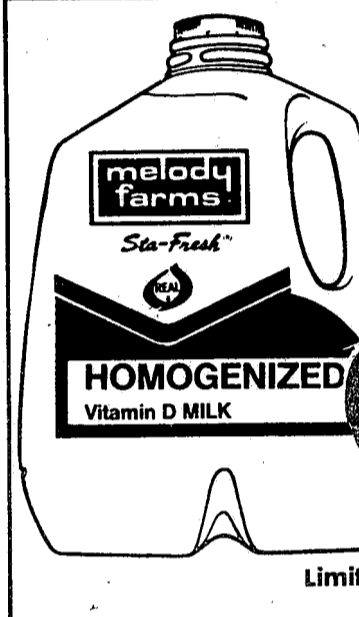
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