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2 bond elections recommended

Committee says need is 'urgent 'for high school; another elementary may be needed

> BY ANNETTE KINGSBURY **Clarkston News Editor**

"The Clarkston educational system is like seeing Carl Lewis run a race in hiking boots."

That statement, by parent David Meyer, about sums up the feelings of the committee which recommended a new high school as soon as possible to the board of education Monday night.

The report of the committee, which has been meeting since September, was presented to the board at a special meeting, though no formal action was taken. The board has already decided to ask for bond money at its annual June election.

Projections presented by the committee show the school district will continue to grow for at least the next 10 years, with as much as a 25 percent enrollment increase expected within that time.

"That's a lot of teachers and a lot of portables (classrooms)," said assistant superintendent David Reschke. The report predicts the district will be short 27 classrooms in five years without a new building.

"We've already adapted from the ideal curriculum to hold class sizes down," said Bob Wyatt, chairman, along with Jim Deevey, of the Facilities Review Committee. "What do you throw away next to bring class sizes down?"

The committee made two recommendations. First, that the district hold an election for a bond issue to build a new high school. Second, that once that is approved, the district schedule a second election to approve money to renovate other existing buildings, and, perhaps, to build another new elementary school.

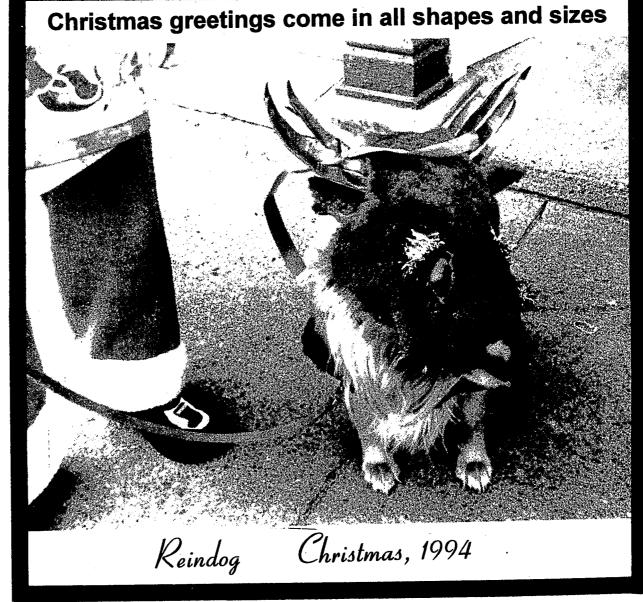
No specific dollar amounts were mentioned, nor were specific requirements of a new high school detailed.

"You will not see educational specifications in our report," Reschke, who acted as the district's liaison to the committee, said. "Ed. specs. are something that the committee feels should be developed by experts . . . and they recommend you commission that, either through us or someone else."

Several committee members were present at Monday night's meeting and said they supported the proposal wholeheartedly.

"You have to look forward; you have to be competitive," Meyer said. "One of the things I learned

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Man charged in downtown shooting

BY EILEEN OXLEY Clarkston News Staff Writer

A Clarkston man was arrested for the second time in a week Friday.

Anthony Joseph Uhler, 24, who allegedly discharged a semi-automatic weapon six times above the Clarkston Cafe Dec. 10, was arrested Friday in his apartment above the cafe. Two Clarkston police officers arrested Uhler on a warrant issued by the Oakland County Prosecutor's office.

A half-hour later, Uhler was arraigned before Magistrate Dana Fortinberry of the 52-2 District

Clarkston Police Sgt. Scott Dickey said Uhler was arraigned on two counts, felonious assault and reckless discharge of a firearm. He added that Uhler's sporatic shooting did \$50 worth of damage to the walls of the second-story apartment hall which houses several residents. No one was injured.

Dickey said CPD officer Harold Rossman reillet casings when he arrested Uhler on a civil warrant on another matter Dec. 10 and sent him to Oakland County Jail where Uhler posted bond. Uhler's wife turned the gun over to the CPD two days

A preliminary exam is set for Dec. 29 in front of Judge Gerald McNally in 52-2 District Court. Uhler is currently lodged in Oakland County Jail with bond set at \$10,000 (10 percent cash).

If convicted, Uhler could get a maximum of four years in prison and/or a 2,000 fine for the felonious assault and one year and/or \$500 for the reckless discharge of a firearm, a district court spokesperson said Monday. At presstime Uhler had no attorney.

Dickey said Rossman was assisted by several Oakland County Sheriff's deputies when the shooting occurred and "the OCSD crime lab came out and took photos."

The news in brief

Police discover break-in

Oakland County Sheriff's deputies investigating one break-in discovered a second one Dec.

A resident of Ascension arrived home to find her garage door open and her computer and stereo lying on the garage floor. A doorwall had been smashed with a log from a nearby woodpile and the home had been ransacked. All the Christmas presents had been unwrapped.

Deputies followed footprints in the snow to a nearby house on Clarkston Rd., where they discovered another break-in. No one was home at the time deputies arrived.

At the second home, the rear door had been pried and again, Christmas presents had been unwrapped. The resident later reported \$80 in cash missing. At the first home, a leather coat, gift certificate and electronic organizer were reported missing.

Mom's rights terminated

Oakland County Probate Judge Sandra Silver terminated the parental rights of Pamela Williamson to her daughter Autumn last week.

Williamson's daughter Autumn had been at the center of a court battle since a friend of her mother's offered the baby for sale to customers outside Food Town market this summer. Both adults were found guilty of child endangerment.

Autumn's father's rights were also terminated, though he was not named in the decision.

"I'm thrilled," said Det. Chuck Young of the Oakland County Sheriff's Independence substation, who handled the case. "I think that's the best thing that can happen to her (Autumn). Now she has a chance—a good chance."

Guilty plea from man who was shot

A Virginia man pled guilty in 52-2 District Court Dec. 15 in the attempted break-in of an Independence Township home.

Corey Jon Wright pled guilty to malicious destruction of property under \$100. He had originally been charged with MDOP over \$100, a felony. He agreed to pay restitution to the homeowner, who shot him during the incident. The homeowner was not charged.

Campaigning starts

The former campaign treasurer for Megan O'Neill has announced that he is a candidate himself—for chairman of the 9th Congressional District Republican Party.

Michael Bishop, a Rochester attorney, was O'Neill's campaign manager in 1992 and treasurer in 1994 and runs with O'Neill's blessing.

"It is without reservation that I endorse Michael Bishop's candidacy," she said.

Unexpected windfall

Independence Township will receive \$24,590 from the Michigan Municipal Workers Compensation Fund, the fund announced this week.

A record \$5.5 million will be distributed in excess funds from 1989-93. Kevin Murphy, the Fund's administrator, credited reduced work-related injuries and the implementation of a medical fee schedule for the surplus. The city of Clarkston will receive a refund of \$829.

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Fire displaced more than just a courthouse

Small businesses struggle to overcome their losses

BY ANNETTE KINGSBURY Clarkston News Editor

More than just a courthouse was lost when the building which housed 52-2 District Court burned on Devils' Night.

The seven other businesses which rented space in the building lost more than just their office furniture. They also lost records, accounts receivable and possibly careers. As they've scrambled to find new offices, some have been considering major changes in their working lives.

Pat Szymanowski, wife of Dr. Romuald Szymanowski, said that at the age of 58, her husband is considering leaving private practice. He lost patients' medical records as well as all records of who owed him money and how much in the fire.

"Our patients are still driving up there (to the courthouse) to keep appointments; we have no way to reach them," Pat Szymanowski said. "We lost all of our records, all of our accounts receivable—everything, totally."

To make matters worse, the doctor hasn't been able to find adequate office space in Clarkston, so he's practicing part-time out of the office of a doctor near St. Joseph Hospital in Pontiac. "We used to have three phone lines; now we have one," she said. "It's a long, tedious, difficult process and you're out there all by yourself... Because of all the problems he's thinking about getting another job."

Pat Szymanowski said before the fire, the doctor had been considering putting his billing on computer, but not medical records. "Our office was quite efficiently run. We were happy with it. I don't know that we would do anything different except look for office space with sprinklers, smoke alarms, and a hydrant nearby. You don't think of that."

Jim Powers, owner of Powers, Carlson and Associates, said he never worried about those things either. A salesman who assesses insurance risks for other businesses, he never thought such a thing could

happen to him.

"We thought we were in a masonry building, concrete floor, steel," he said. "This building had won awards; we knew there were fire alarms."

Powers said his partner, Wayne Carlson, had suggested he purchase more insurance on the contents of his office, which included a custom-made conference table, a granite-top desk and a huge aquarium. But he refused due to the amount he was already spending on insurance.

"I know better," he says now, having received checks totaling maybe half of his total losses from his insurance carrier. Replacing the rest will come slowly and from his own pocket.

Powers also lost all records pertaining to customer billings, and is still waiting for most of his customers to fess up to what they owe him. He has no



John Devitt (left) and roommate Jim Diegel prepare to pop something in the microwave

in their new apartment in Greens Lake. Their previous apartment burned.

Picking up the pieces after apartment burns

Jim Diegel had renters insurance when his building perished in the Green's Lake Apartments fire this summer. What he's missing now is peace of mind.

Diegel and his roommate, John Devitt, two developmentally disabled adults, have relocated within the Greens Lake complex, but say they still worry about the possibility of a fire. They haven't forgotten what it was like standing outside, watching everything they owned go up in smoke.

"We had just made it home (from work) when some younger kids said, 'You better get out.' We ran out as fast as we could."

Diegel has new furniture now. Some clothes were salvaged and a guitar made it through the ordeal. His friends at work pooled their resources and came up with \$100 to help the roommates out. Nevertheless, "It was real hard for me," he said. "Even today, we shake our heads and ask why. It was hard for both of us."

The roommates were homeless for six weeks, staying with friends. Though they could have gotten an apartment elsewhere, they wanted to stay close to work, since they don't drive.

They got a lot of help from their Supported Independent Living Program through the Macomb Oakland Regional Center, which provides transportation and assistance with daily living. It was that program which taught them, before the fire, that they should never try and go back in to salvage belongings.

"There's times you might have thought about it but you wouldn't do it," Diegel said. "Our programs talked about it; you never go back in a fire. It helped us a lot."

Diegel said he's cautious now to make sure his smoke alarms are working. "I think that's the number-one priority. We check them all the time... (and) I make sure I don't hear any strange noises."

The moving around and adjusting to new circumstances have not been easy, but the new neighbors have been great, introducing themselves, accepting packages and just generally looking out for them.

"It goes day by day," Diegel said. "You still feel uncomfortable. It hasn't been that long...
We've gone through some hard times."

They've moved

FORD AND ASSOCIATES— moved to 7640 Dixie Hwy., suite 130, (located between I-75 and White Lake Rd). Call 625-1414.

EDWARD D JONES & CO.—moved to the Clarkston Mills Mall on W. Washington St. in downtown Clarkston. Call 625-7016.

DR. BARRY BREIDENBAUGH: could not be reached in time for this story; call 625-4555.

PSYCHOLOGICAL EVALUATION SERVICES: temporarily located at 5825 M-15; call 625-4400.

DR. ROMUALD SZYMANOWSKI has moved to Pontiac near St. Joseph's Hospital,

where he is sharing quarters with another doctor. Call 625-8450. If the line is busy, keep trying.

CLARKSTON CHAMBER OF COM-MERCE has moved to Lighthouse North on Maybee Rd. Call 625-8055.

POWERS, CARLSON & ASSOCIATES has moved to 39 S. Main St., lower level. Call 625-8200

52-2 DISTRICT COURT has moved to Elizabeth Lake Rd. in Pontiac. The entrance is just east of Mervyn's. Phone numbers are (criminal matters) 625-4888; (civil) 625-4994; (traffic) 625-4880.

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What would make their New Year happy?

Library needs books, Chamber an office, but most wish for peace, prosperity

By the Clarkston News Staff

Everyone has their own special wishes for the holiday season, and officials in the Clarkston area are no different.

Because they serve the public, they were asked by The Clarkston News to list their Christmas wishes. Their wishes are a combination of concrete and wistful, reasonable and shoot-the-moon and reflect their community involvement.

Ann Conklin, Independence Township Parks and Recreation Director:

- 1) "Health and happiness for my family.
- 2) "That we get to finish Bay Court Park project.
- 3) "Everyone in the community have a great holiday season."

Tom Bullen, secretary of Independence Land Conservancy, and involved since its founding in 1972:

- 1) "That we can find a way to preserve the highest point in Oakland County, called Oakland Crest. It's located in Deerwood Manors Subdivision and we have a developer who may cooperate with us on it
- 2) "To find a source of funds so we may purchase vacant parcels of land in the township (Independence) before they are fully developed.
- 3) "Help the village (Clarkston) conserve a parcel of land along the Clinton River, called Clinton River Hollow."

Mollie Lynch, Independence Township Library

Director for over three years:

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 1) "Restore and expand the library's hours of
- operation.
 2) "More books across the board. I wish our collection was above average in size and quantity.
- 3) "More computers with on-line access for people so they could dial in right from home; more classes to teach people about computers."

Richard Oppmann, Independence Township Planning Commission Chairman and 9-year mem-



SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS PRESENT: Clarkston Police officer Harold Rossman dons a Santa hat to celebrate the Christmas spirit. Rossman said he loves Christmas and will enjoy the holidays with his wife and 4-year-old daughter.

- 1) "That we continue to see Independence grow and develop in a manner that is beneficial to all the residents.
- 2) "We continue to grow and develop in the township while maintaining its heritage and character.
- 3) "That the planning commission continue to hear the community and residents and that we serve their best interests in the planning of the township."

Gary Haner, Clarkston school superintendent:
1) "That our schools will be adequately funded in order to meet the educational needs of our children.

- 2) "That our community will choose to support our children's educational needs with badly needed facilities improvements and additions.
- 3) "That our district will be successful in 'ensuring learning' as pledged in our mission statement."

Officer Harold Rossman, Clarkston Police Department:

Rossman offered only one wish: "That the residents of Clarkston have a safe and prosperous Christmas and New Year."

- Lt. Doug Hummel, commander, Oakland County Sheriff's Independence substation:
- 1) "Continued support from the good residents of the township, as we've had in the past.
- 2) "COPSFAST approved." The township has applied for this grant, available to communities with less than 50,000 population, through the most recent federal crime bill. If the three-year grant is approved, it could put two additional officers on road patrol, either fully funded or with local matching dollars.

3) "A continued safe and peaceful 1995. We haven't had a homicide in this township since the '80s; let's keep it that way."

Brent Cooley, Clarkston High School principal:

- 1) "That all my students are healthy and safe, that's number one;
 - 2) "That they all make positive choices;
- 3) "A new physical plant (high school) before I retire."

Gar Wilson, Independence Township Fire Chief:

1) "Everyone have a safe holiday;

2) "To proceed rapidly on construction of a new fire station."

Wendy Halsey, branch manager of Lighthouse

North:
1) "That we didn't have to exist in the first place, that we didn't have to have people in need;

2) "To never have to deny anybody services due

- to lack of funding;
 3) "Greater personal care items for our clients."
 Art Pappas, manager, City of the Village of Clarkston:
 - 1) "New carpeting in city hall;
- 2) "Fifty parking spaces in front of each downtown business;
- 3) "A bypass around the city for through traffic."

 Donna Hyniger, administrative assistant, Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce:
- 1) "We wish our mem bers a prosperous 1995—double the profits;
- 2) "A quick and speedy rebuilding of 52 District Court (where there office was housed before it burned down);
- 3) "Thanks to the community for supporting local merchants."





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& Message (7:15 p.m. -Instrumental Prelude)

NEW YEAR'S DAY WORSHIP, January 1

9:30 a.m. Covenant Service of Communion

Antique shop moves into Hallman's

BY EILEEN OXLEY Clarkston News Staff Writer

Those who were looking forward to a downtown deli aren't getting it.

Antique dealers Sue Gahan, co-owner of Pour Mary's on E. Washington, and Ron Hunt clinched a deal mid-November with Maggie and Richard McKenney who own the vacated Hallman's Apothecary building on Main Street.

"It should be a good thing for Clarkston," said Maggie McKenney Thursday. "We weren't interested in having offices; we didn't think it would be good for Clarkston."

McKenney said that she had been approached by Gahan and Hunt who saw the sign that had been hanging in the former pharmacy's window for several months.

The new retail business, Olde Apothecary Antiques, featuring 10-18 antique dealers, opened last week. Formerly proposed was a deli-type eatery desired by Waterford restauranter Scott Adams who went before the city zoning board of appeals two months ago.

Gahan and Hunt said they didn't have to go

before the ZBA. "We didn't do any structural changes whatsoever," said Hunt who was working in the building Thursday. "We just put in new carpeting, painted, moved some shelves around and we're in business."

Hunt then added, "They (the ZBA) were worried about the restaurant tearing up the building."

Adams requested a use change from a pharmacy to a restaurant and parking variances but was denied by the ZBA until the city's building inspector, engineer and attorney could investigate the impact of changing the use from retail to restaurant.

Because there is nothing specific about offstreet parking for restaurants in the ordinance, the zoning ordinance states that "for uses not specifically mentioned, the requirements for off-street parking ... shall be interpreted by the building inspector from requirements for uses similar in type."

Finding adequate parking for a sit-down deli was a big problem, City Manager Art Pappas said.

"Usually the ZBA is pretty lenient ... But when you're talking about a restaurant, you're talking about a lot of cars all at one time," Pappas said.

He added that when the pharmacy was grandfathered into the ordinance, it didn't require off-street parking. The antique store, being the same type of retail, requires no use change.

"You only have to change parking when you change the use. I know because I checked with the city attorney (Tom Ryan) and he told me," Pappas said.

According to Pappas, the building inspector was in the midst of an investigation regarding the use change and parking when Adams changed his mind.

"The ZBA said they were going ahead with this investigating," Pappas said. "He (Adams) is the one who backed out. He might have gotten it."

When asked if the city or ZBA was against Adams' idea of a sit-down deli Pappas responded, "No. No way — it's a different use."

But when McKenney was asked about that she said, "It was pretty obvious they didn't want him (Adams) in there."

Adams said he talked to McKenney before Dec. 1 and she told him she had other people interested, among them the antique dealers. Two days later Adams said he saw activity in the vacant building.

"It kind of baffled me that a couple days after I talked to Maggie they were in the building ... But every day someone wasn't in there she wasn't making any money."

Adams said he was tired of waiting for city building inspector Sy Stone to finish his inspection and further disgruntled with the fact that Stone wanted him to come up with everything from drawings of tables to the number of employees he planned to hire.

"It would have taken me a couple of weeks to do

that, than two more weeks for him to look at that, then three weeks later until I went in front of the ZBA ... I'm not going to wait another three months for this to go before the ZBA board and get shot down," he said.

Adams said his feeling is that the ZBA isn't following its ordinance.

"They (the antique shop) are under 'retail,' the same class as me. What they're doing is basing their decision on what they feel rather than what the zoning ordinance says.

"It doesn't make sense. I guess it doesn't have to make sense. I guess it's what they want," he said.

McKenney said she wished the new business owners well, but added, "He (Adams) had to change from retail to restaurant even though it's the same in

"(The ordinance) is open to interpretation, you can't fight it. The city knows what's best for Clarkston," she laughed.

"Small-town politics are interesting. I don't ever want to be involved in them again."

Early deadlines

The Clarkston News office will be closed on Monday, Dec. 26 and Jan. 2. Therefore some deadlines have been moved up.

The deadline for classified advertising will remain at 10 a.m. Tuesday. However the display advertising deadline will be moved up to Thursday at 5 p.m. for the next two days. The deadline for editorial submissions, including letters to the editor and photographs, is noon on Thursday.

The main office of Sherman Publications in Oxford will also be closed on Saturday, Dec. 24 and Dec. 31.

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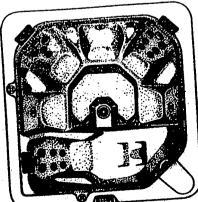
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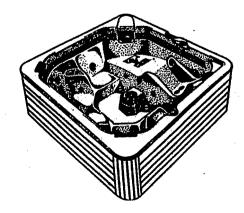
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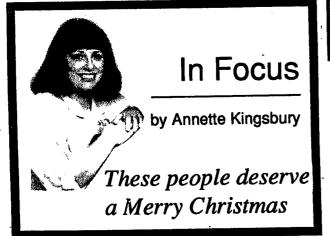
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It's seldom seen as good news when a child is taken away from her parents.

But when the alternative is even worse, you have to applaud the judge who makes the gutsy move. In the case of Autumn Williamson, the little girl whose allegedly homeless mom left her in the care of a man who offered her for sale to passers-by outside Food Town, a few "Merry Christmas" wishes are in order.

The staff at the Oakland County Sheriff's Independence Substation deserves a lot of credit, in my opinion, for making sure that little girl wasn't forever lost. Appalled by what they saw, they refused to give up on getting help for the baby, even when the Department of Social Services and Oakland County Prosecutor's office were indifferent, at best. When at last the evidence was presented in court, the judge did the right thing. The hard part was getting the case that

The baby, who has been in foster care since her mother was arrested in the above incident, began gaining weight almost immediately after placement, according to those involved in the case. After a lifetime of fighting malnutrition, that is indeed good news

And while we're handing out kudos, did anyone notice that the first ice/snow storm of the year went off relatively well? Granted the weathermen, as they sometimes do, may have gone overboard in preparing us for the worst. But the Road Commission for Oakland County deserves a Merry Christmas" for making our drive to work not only tolerable, but relatively safe as well.

Living at the end of a dirt road as I do, I always expect to be stranded on such days, and usually I am. But this time, I was able to get out, and by the next day even our little backwater had been cleared. Major roads were essentially dry by that time. Amazing.

The Road Commission certainly comes in for its share of criticism, some of it deserved. But we have to say thank you to the guys who man the salt trucks and the snowplows, who go out in the worst weather, day or night, when the rest of us stay home, snug and warm.

Now for the lumps of coal. In a survey conducted by The Clarkston News about a year ago, readers said in great numbers that they would like to see more restaurants in town.

Yet when there was an opportunity to put a deli in the former Hallman's Apothecary spot, the city council turned it down because of fears about parking. At the same time they're busy removing parking spots they've recently discovered are illegal.

While I have nothing against the antique mall that is now going in, I have to wonder which Clarkston residents would prefer—more antiques or more restaurants.

_etters to the editor

A welcoming school

Once our neighborhood was scheduled to attend Springfield Plains Elementary, our family changed gears to join in the preparations.

Since last spring, I have had the pleasure of meeting and working with Dr. Sharon Devereaux, Springfield Plains principal. Through her guidance and boundless energy, our community has accomplished the beginnings of a functioning Springfield Plains school.

If you could, think of Springfield Plains Elementary as a complete jigsaw puzzle. The pieces include not only the building, desks, books, etc., but students, staff, parents, positive attitudes and learning environments.

Dr. Devèreaux directed each piece to where it would function at its highest level. I admire her willing spirit and ability to administer all the pieces with openness and fairness.

Shortly after school opened last fall, Dr. Devereaux and I walked outside where the children were playing for recess. Instantly, she was surrounded by their hugging arms. The children know. They recognize her outstanding qualities openly.

Thank you, Dr. Deveraux for turning Springfield Plains Elementary into a truly "welcoming school."

Sincerely, Patricia Sue Baetens

Kids help

Dear Clarkston News,

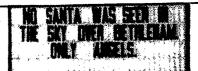
We earned money to buy things for Lighthouse North. We earned \$200. We got cotton swabs, Band Aids, toothpaste, deodorant, razors, baby shampoo, shaving cream, toothbrushes, soap, diapers, pine cleaners, dish soap, first aid ointment.

We were happy to help Lighthouse North.

Sincerely, the students of Rosemary Lewis second grade Springfield Plains Elementary

Jessica Robinson
Elizabeth Dunlavey
Aaron Bedor
Lynsey Pennell
Trisha Lawrence
Stephanie Persaud
Bowen Vennan
Michael Zielinski
Elizabeth Eastman

Andy Pauwels
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Sign seen on Andersonville Rd.

Jim's Jottings



Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from me, Jottings writer Jim Sherman, Sr., and our grandchildren, Danny and Karen Offer, 9 and 6 respectively. To explain the picture, this is how we appeared in the Oxford Christmas parade this month.

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If it Fitz

By Jim Fitzgerald

Real Newt



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Gingrich disliked orphanage

limit," a den mother says. **50 YEARS AGO (1944)**

Clarkston Rest Haven will continue to operate under the new direction of Miss Ann Herrington. Miss Herrington has worked the past four years for Oakland County Infirmary and also comes with experience from Community Hospital in Pontiac where she had charge of the kitchen. Her mother, Mrs. William Herrington, will run the kitchen at Rest Haven.

Avon and Tussy products to the Pontiac Senior

Citizens Drop-In Center. In the past the Scouts do-

nated gifts to children's groups but this year they

decided to play Santa to seniors. "Santa knows no age

Clarkston encourages residents to enjoy the holiday season "in our own town." The Clarkston school senior class will sponsor a Christmas dance on Dec. 16 and its student council follows with one on New Year's Eve.

"Bathing Beauty" with Esther Williams and Red Skelton is playing at the Drayton Theatre and "In Qur Time," starring Ida Lupino and Paul Henreid, is at the Holly.

60 YEARS AGO (1934)

Though Wednesday night is stormy, many parents, teahers and young folk attend the PTA meeting and witness a Christmas program presented by school children. The evening includes musical numbers, dances, plays and recitations from students in lower grades. Several teachers and parents remark that this is one of the best Christmas programs they've ever attended.

Walled Lake trims Clarkston to a score of 22-12 at a school basketball game Tuesday night. The next home game will be Jan. 11 against Brighton, a newcomer in the League competion.

Specials at the Rudolph Schwarze market this week include tangerines, two dozen for 25 cents, and mixed nuts, a pound for 20 cents. Rudy's is taking orders for Christmas trees and wreaths and reminds customers to "order your poultry early."

A senior federal official told me that in his judgment, Rep. Newt Gingrich is actually Mickey Rooney in a white

As previously reported here, Rooney and I are old friends. We first met in 1938 when Rooney was in Port Huron plugging his eponymous movie "Young Tom Edison.

Also as previously reported here, "eponymous" doesn't mean the movie told the story of a pony who looks like a mouse. It means Rooney played the title role. This movie, available in most video rental stores, is about the first steps leading to the invention of the electric light. I recommend it for people who don't realize the danger of having a dim bulb at the front of the House.

It was also in 1938 that Rooney starred in "Boys Town," so naturally I asked the Mick how he liked living in an orphanage. He said it was lonely, with lousy food and tattered clothing, plus a dirty-faced kid named Oliver in the next bed, always singing the deprived blues.

But still, Rooney stressed, the awful orphanage was better than living at home with an unwed mother on welfare. Which undoubtedly explains why, for many years to come, Rooney devoted much of his life to ridding the world of unwed women by wedding them -- mothers or not, welfare or not.

Speaking of welfare, many observers were surprised at the recent announcement that a state social services office, which aids poor people, will move from Pontiac, which is full of poor people, to Bloomfield Hills, which is full of rich people. Those surprised observers just weren't paying attention to what U.S. Labor Secretary Bob Reich

said last month. Reich called for cuts in "corporate welfare" by eliminating some \$200 billion in business tax breaks, and using the money for jobs programs. Many corporate executives live in Bloomfield Hills, and they can hardly be expected to drive five miles to Pontiac to seek whatever social services they'll require to keep from starving if they're no longer allowed to locate their businesses in whichever cities, at competitive public auction, offer them the biggest bribes.

Another important connection many observers failed to make concerns Sen. Jesse Helms' warning that President Bill Clinton should be very careful when near armed members of the U.S. military because they might shoot him. It was generally believed that Helms was playfully suggesting that Clinton should be killed for making the stupid mistake of not joining the Army and getting killed in the Vietnam War.

Actually, Helms was merely responding to the recently publicized shortage of space in veterans cemeteries. According to one newspaper report, "there are about 27 million living veterans honorably discharged from active duty, all eligible for burial in the 114 national cemeteries across the country. But there are only about 220,000 casket spaces left, and enough room for the cremated

remains of 50,000 others." Personally, to help solve this grave problem, I have volunteered not to die. But I am only

Sen. Helms undoubtedly has a more practical idea, which is to focus nationwide attention on the grave shortage by having our military kill Clinton simply to demonstrate that one good thing about having a draft dodger for president is that his burial is ineligible to make the shortage more grave.

Finally, I'm sorry I'm not at liberty to reveal the identity of the senior federal official who told me Newt Gingrich is actually Mickey Rooney in a white wig. But at least you won't be surprised when he and Liza Minelli put on a musical play in the Capitol garage to raise money for unbribed corporate executives with unwed mothers.



The state of Florida gets its name from a Spanish word meaning "full of flowers."

15 YEARS AGO (1979)

Though the State Highway Commission recently approved a route for M-275 there is still opposition from area residents. Commerce Township resident Stephen Rosman, who heads citizens in opposition to M-275, says his organization is optimistic about stopping the proposed freeway.

Reasons for the opposition include the elimination of Dodge Park, excessive noise pollution, pollution of lakes and streams in western Oakland County, urban sprawl and uncontrolled growth in the area. "If they put the expressway in, it would cause an explosion ... You're going to see the lakes areas begin to look like Livonia or Garden City," Rosman says.

Independence Township's Parks and Recreation Department plans an afternoon of holiday fun for kids in first through sixth grades. On Dec. 22 the department hosts the second annual Christmas party at Clarkston High School. Entertainment includes a visit from Santa, games, prizes, a movie ("Mr. Magoo's Christmas Carol"), refreshments and a pinata.

25 YEARS AGO (1969)

A candle factory in Davisburg goes up in flames Dec. 13. Going Enterprises, which produced beeswax candles and packaged industrial gifts, loses between \$30,000 and \$40,000 in a blaze that apparently starts in the furnace area. The Goings, who recently moved to the new quarters in May, say they will rebuild and get back into business as soon as

Captain Marilyn Moore of Clarkston Composite Squadron is selected as "Senior Miss CAP of Michigan Wing" at the 1969 Michigan Wing Civil Air Patrol Military Ball in Lansing. The award is made to Moore on the basis of her CAP participation, community involvement and poise. Moore is the wife of Oakland County Group Commander Major Clifford Moore.

Cub Scouts from Pack 133 in Andersonville School deliver food baskets, gloves, headscarves and

Don't Rush Me

By Don Rush

Christmas songs by the bunch



My Aunt Deb was trying to find some Christmas music on the radio last week, but couldn't. This struck me as odd because: a) Christmas retail commercials start to air in October and run non-stop until Dec. 25; and b) every singer, music person, chicken and dog under the moon records Christmas music.

Every year radio stations across this fruited country of ours plays -- at least once -- the song "Jingle Bells" with chickens clucking or dogs barking.

"Ruff, ruff, ruff. "Ruff, ruff, ruff.

"Ruff, RUFF, ruff, ruff, ruff...

Through the whole song. That's it. "Ruff."

Why? Is it cute or something? I like chickens and dogs as much as the next guy, but I have to draw the line somewhere. Listening to two minutes and 23 seconds of furry or feathered critters belting out their renditions of "Jingle Bells" falls on the other side of the line that I dare not cross.

(If anybody catches me listening to and enjoying one of these holiday favorites, please call an ambulance, something will be terribly wrong.)

I hear one of those songs on the radio and I can't get my fingers off the steering wheel quick enough to find another station. Yet, those songs remain on the air year in and year out? Somebody likes 'em and somebody is making money off them.

I'm what you would call a sap when it comes to Christmas music. I buy as much of it as I can. I like to listen to it for weeks at a time; sometimes in July. When I'm feeling sentimental I get watery-eyed if I hear Bing Crosby heartfully singing "I'll Be Home For Christ-

mas." Iknow I short-change Bing when I think of him. He may have done a lot for orange juice, the acting and singing worlds, but when I think of him I think of Christmas.

The same goes with Burl Ives. I think of Burl as a snowman, sliding across the frozen North Pole helping Santa, the elves and Rudolph. Ithink of having a holly, jolly Christmas and kissin' the girls under the

I guess I believe that every singer can sing at least one Christmas song. I like Bob Seger's "Little Drummer Boy." Some people are even making a lot of very good Christmas recordings, a la Harry Connick, Jr.

That said, there are way too many singers cutting Christmas albums. I know it's a marketing thing and they have to make money. AND, their fans probably lap it up (a little Christmas dog-pun there to tie in the end part of this column with the start). But, some of these artists need to put aside their pride.

While Neil Diamond sounds great doing "Kentucky Woman," his oh, so nasally voice just ain't got what it takes to make me feel warm and fuzzy at Christmas time. Ditto with Randy Travis.

Iknow it's a personal choice thing. And, Iknow personal choices like alternative lifestyles are benchmarks of the 1990s, but . . .

. . . They just don't cut the mustard, to quote somebody from the frankfurter business. So, give me the old-time favorites. Heck, even give me a couple of Elvis Presley yule-time tunes. Just don't give me dogs, chickens, or too much of anybody nowadays trying to sing Christmas songs ... unless, of course, it's me.

Ei-liners by Eileen Oxley

Santa's mixed bag

Usually I don't receive gifts before Christmas, but this year Santa had something else up his big fat sleeve.

He reached into his bag of presents and divied a couple out to me before December 25th—one I never asked for and one I didn't expect.

A couple of days ago I realized I was coughing all the way through my daughter's piano recital. And then yesterday I came down with a headache. It didn't get any better with a stash of extra-strength Tylenol, Hall's, OJ and soup next to my computer.

By the middle of the night I woke up and found visions of sugar plums dancing in my head. And they weren't wearing ballet slippers, they were wearing big fat combat boots.

I found myself thinking up new versions of snatches to Christmas songs — "I'll be sick for Christmas," "I'll have a flu Christmas without you," "Oh Christmas sneeze," "Rudolph the red-nosed reporter," to name a few.

And of course I beat myself up psychologically.
"WHY DIDN'T I GET THAT SIX DOLLAR
FLU SHOT!!!"

Well, it's too late now. I'm getting the horrible dreaded Christmas Cold. But though I may have an "Achy Breaky Body (Woops! Thought of another song!)" over the holidays, I'll still enjoy them.

I might be flooded with fever but I'll also be flooded with Christmas spirit.

Which brings me to present number two. I'll admit I'm sucked into the glamour of the holidays like everybody else.



I bought fresh greens and decked the house with them this year.

I made a list of six kinds of cookies. and baked only two so far, while yodeling carols with Perry Como and Julie Andrews (The kids polished off the Chex mix in two days).

I decorated the tree while tears rolled down my face as I watched "Miracle on 34th Street," "It's a Wonderful Life" and Baryshnikov's "The Nutcracker" for the umpteenth time since Thanksgiving.

I wisked and whistled through The Mall while other shoppers scowled like Scrooge ...

But something was missing. And I found it last Saturday night when I went to Clarkston Community Church of God to shoot some pictures of a live drivethrough nativity.

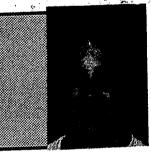
As assistant pastor Bonnie Laudeman led a cast of characters in prayer, I felt a shiver run down my spine.

And when they took their places at the stable and I saw the peaceful smile on Angie Shaul's face as she bent over the manger as Mary, my eyes misted.

It's something that's hard to explain because you had to be there. But I guess it brought me to my senses.

We all get caught up in the beautiful bustling glittery season we call Christmas. But sometimes we forget how wonderful the simplicity of that season is — a crayoned drawing of Santa from a tiny son or daughter, the warm smile of someone we love, the laughter of family and friends on Christmas day, the serenity of the nativity scene.

'Tis the gift to be simple ... Merry Christmas,



CHS life by Don Downey

I'm dreaming of a non-hectic Christmas

It doesn't seem like Christmas is here. Well, maybe it does for you because maybe you've been to the mall already. I'm not going to try and act like a big, tough guy who is not afraid of the mall. It scares me, just like all frantic mobs scare me.

I'm a chronic procrastinator. I'm writing this on Sunday night and it's due on Monday. By the time you read this on Thursday or Friday I'll probably still be sitting around my house still thinking about the mall.

I just don't want to go. I'm going to use every excuse I know to stay away from the stores, but I'm going to end up there anyway.

I don't even know what to get anyone. I would give blood, but I'm only 16; besides, that wouldn't be a very good stocking stuffer. I have a whole week before Christmas to figure out what to do, so I'm not too worried.

At school, the last few days before a major break are always hectic. Papers are due, tests are taken, last minute homework is given out.

My chemistry teacher is having us do a very cool lab on the last day before break which involves cookies, pop, Jello and napkins. This "lab" is the beginning of a much-needed break for everyone. Once Christmas shopping and the hustle and bustle are over, it'll be nice to have a week and a half to kick back and relax. Without having to go to school, or, better yet, not having to wake up for school for 12 days, we should be rested enough to last until mid-winter break.

I like school, but when I get so busy that I think about giving my family blood for Christmas as opposed to spending time at the mall, I think it's time for a break.

Goodfellow dollars

put to use

Thanks to area Goodfellows and churches, 175 needy children in the Clarkston area received new shoes, socks, hats and gloves for the holidays.

The Goodfellows, comprised of Clarkston Rotary Club members, Independence Township fire-fighters and Machine Engineering, Inc. sold newspapers Dec. 2-3 to raise money for the Rotary Club's "Shoes for Kids" program chaired by Dr. John Stevenson.

Names of children in need were provided by Clarkston Community Schools and Lighthouse North. The kids came to the Church of the Resurrection Episcopal Church Dec. 10 to pick out their new shoes, provided by Kinney Shoes.

New hats and gloves for the children were provided by Calvary Lutheran Church, the First Congregational Church and the Church of the Resurrection, all of Independence Township.

Candy canes were handed out by Rotary Clown Troupe members Ed Cox and Tom Murphy.

People poll

By Elleen Oxley

What do you want for Christmas?

JILL BUKOSKI, FIRST GRADE: I want a bike, a little Santa Claus that's stuffed, purple, blue and green jeans — and that's it!



ANNA TYLER, SECOND GRADE: I want a big stuffed Santa Claus and a boom box.



ADAM WEIGHTMAN, KINDERGARTEN: A Miami Dolphins helmet and some gloves with the Miami Dolphins.



JESSICA VAN
ORMEN, SECOND
GRADE: I want a
Dream Phone game
and Genesis Sega
and a boom box.



WHITNEY WILDER, FIRST GRADE: Tatoodles, a bike ... I forgot.



All students are from Andersonville Elementary.

Drinkers can get help getting TOWED

Tow-truck operators around the country will be. working New Year's Eve to help make sure drivers who've had too much to drink get a safe ride home.

TOWED—Towing Operators Working to Eliminate Drunk Driving-will offer a free ride home to overindulgers, as well as towing the car home with them. Statewide Towing & Recovery, Inc. of Clarkston is among the companies participating.

"We do this not because we condone excessive drinking but because we want to offer a positive alternative for people to avoid hurting themselves and others," said Statewide owner Duane Swindell.

Across the country 1,500 towing operators offer the program, towing move than 80,000 vehicles so far. The program promises no hassles, no questions just a safe ride.

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Among Alaskan fur seals, the males and females live together only during the summer mating season.

The Clarkston (MI) News Wed., Dec. 21, 1994 9 A New Year's in **New Pontiac**

TIMES SQUARE TWO in downtown Pontiac promises the start of a new tradition. Taking its cue from the annual celebration in New York City, Pontiac will offer a huge bonfire and a laser light spectacular to count down the final hours of 1994. As the final moments of 1994 tick away, a great ball covered with nearly 2,400 lights will climb a 100-foot flag

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New traffic light on M-15

BY EILEEN OXLEY **Clarkston News Staff Writer**

Commuters driving the M-15 corridor north of Clarkston got a welcome surprise last week — a new street light at Seymour Lake Road.

The signal has been badly needed for some time, said State Rep. Tom Middleton (R-Ortonville) Fri-

"People have probably been waiting three years. There's been a history of bad accidents there. That's usually what triggers it. MDOT (Michigan Department of Transportation) does it if there's a pattern,"

Middleton added that the light was installed because Seymour Lake Road is one of three paved links between M-15 and M-24. The other two are Clarkston and Oakwood roads.

He said the next spot M-DOT expects to tackle is M-15 and Glass Road which is the last intersection south of downtown Ortonville.

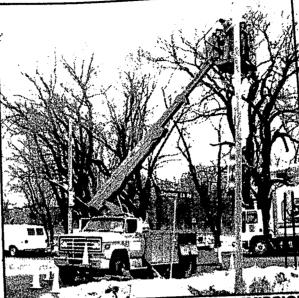
"That's probably the next big problem. There's a lot of congestion and a history of accidents," Middleton said.

Though M-DOT targeted the Seymour Lake Road project for November, it took about a month to get it off the ground.

Metro District traffic and safety engineer Desi Strakovits blamed the delay on recent windstorms which made it necessary to do repair work before the signal was installed.

"It should have been in by the end of November, but (Detroit) Edison needed to repair some wind damage. Then they have to bring the power in and set the poles, hang the signal and put in a controller," Strakovits explained.

Once a signal is put in, he added, it flashes for a



OAKLAND COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION WORKERS began the full-day process of installing a new signal at M-15 and Seymour Lake roads last Friday.

week to alert drivers to the new light ahead.

"That's so people get used to it. The danger is that people don't expect it to be there and then they run the signal," he said.

Motorists can expect to see the new signal flashing yellow on M-15 and red on Seymour Lake Road until the regular traffic light system kicks in Friday.

Strakovits added that, in addition, permanent warning flashers will be placed 700-800 feet north and south of Seymour Lake on M-15 as an added precaution — a common practice by M-DOT.

"It warns people ... We put it in a visible place where people can see it before the appropriate roadway," he said.

Now that the new signal is in place, Middleton said folks can look forward to new passing lanes at the intersection as well/

"I think it'll be done sometime in the future. They're going to extend the passing lanes because congestion will accumulate there even more now because of the new signal," he said.



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2 bond elections recommended

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on this committee was Clarkston schools, in the near future, will not be competitive . . . We feel a sense of urgency but we also want to act fiscally."

"This is a district plan we're looking at, not just a high school, middle school or elementary," said parent and committee member Kurt Shanks. "So we have to look at all the pieces. I support this proposal wholeheartedly and I'm ready to go to bat for it starting tomorrow."

Everyone who spoke stressed the urgency of getting the high school built as soon as possible. Population projections used by the committee show high-school enrollment will grow fastest in Clarkston, with a 21 percent increase expected by the year 2000. The current high school is already filled beyond the capacity it was built for.

"We want to keep the election clean and simple for the community," Reschke said. "The issues are simple, if we don't muddy them. The urgency is very strong, looking at the projections and how long it takes to build a facility."

Fire displaced more than a court

FIRE, from page 3A

other way of knowing. He has somber words for other entrepreneurs.

"It will happen to you. It may not be a fire. It may be a breaking and entering; your neighbor above may flood you out . . . Always have your back-up (files) go out the door with the owner or a key employee nightly. When you open up a safe after a seven-hour fire, everything inside is disfigured."

Powers figures that if he, an insurance man, was underinsured, most other businesses probably are too. Looking around at the cardboard boxes on his floor, searching for a chair for a visitor to sit on, he suggests taking an inventory of your office contents—then insuring them for more than they cost to cover replacement value.

"When you have a fire you're at Office Max the next day whether it's on sale or not," he said. "We went from custom furniture to Office Max . . . I look around and I feel like I'm in K-mart."

Powers said all of his losses could have been

insured, from the value of money owed to him, to time spent reconstructing all his files, to precious fish he lost in his aquarium. Much of the coverage, he said, is negligible in cost.

Looking for something positive to come from the fire, Powers said he's been able to boost his sales because of what he's been through. Whereas before he concentrated on insuring buildings, furniture and vehicles, now he realizes the value of paperwork, computer files and irreplaceable memorabilia on office walls.

"My clients are doubling their coverage," he said. "People work real hard to acquire assets, but if it's not protected, it makes no difference . . . I would have received a much larger settlement had I decided to properly insure myself . . .

"Everybody tries to cut a corner. I can appreciate it because I did too. But unless you're very financially stable it could crush you . . . If you're not prepared to go to work for somebody else, you better review your insurance policies."

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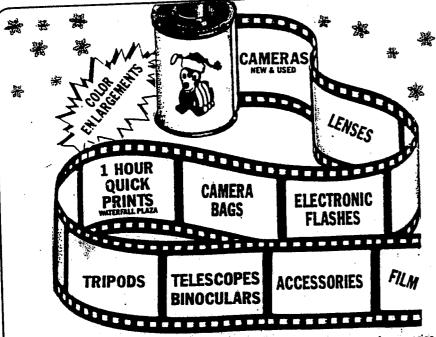
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Obituaries

Former village president Richard Johnston

Richard C. Johnston, a lifelong Clarkston resident and former village president, died Dec. 15, 1994. He was 56.

Mr. Johnston was a former council member and served as chairman of the charter commission when it wrote the charter for Clarkston to become a city in 1992.

He was a member of the Independence Township Planning Commission and past president of the Clarkston Area Jaycees, from whom he received a Distinguished Service Award. He was past president of the Madison Heights Chamber of Commerce and a former member of the Michigan Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors.

A lifelong member of Clarkston United Methodist Church, Mr. Johnston served in a myriad of duties including Stephen Minister and Leader, Sunday School teacher, mentor for youths and chair of various committees.

He was a graduate of both Clarkston High School, where he played center on the basketball team, and Albion College, where he served as past president of its Alumni Association Board of Directors. He received Albion's Distinguished Alumni Award in 1991.

Mr. Johnston retired in 1992 after serving 21 years as financial vice president and treasurer of Haden, Inc., Madison Heights.

He is survived by his wife Martha ("Mary"); two daughters, Lynn (Russell) Ham of Homesville, OH and Jill Johnston of Royal Oak; a son, Todd (Deanna) Johnston of Grayling; two grandsons, Trevor and Corey; his mother, Opal Johnston; and a sister, Joan (Roy) Johnson.

Funeral services were Monday, Dec. 19 at Clarkston United Methodist Church in Clarkston with the Rev. Douglas R. Trebilcock officiating. Burial followed at Lakeview Cemetery. Services were entrusted to the Lewis E. Wint and Son Trust 100

Veneta Fritch

Veneta L. Fritch, 69, of Clarkston died Dec. 16, 1994.

She was preceded in death by her husband Joseph.

Mrs. Fritch was a member of Rochester Hills Baptist Church and well-known for her singing as an alto. She formerly worked for the Clarkston school system as a baker.

She is survived by two daughters, Brenda (Michael) Hendrix of Clarkston and Deborah (David) Barlow of Luczerne; three grandchildren, Lisa (Roger) Carlson, Lora Hendrix and Benjamin Barlow; three sisters, Opal Bone of White lake, Shirley Looney of California and Carolyn Lau of Utica; three brothers, H. Lloyd Hampton of Rochester, Curly Newingham of White Lake and William Hampton of Davisburg; and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Monday at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Trust 100 Funeral Home in Clarkston with the Rev. J. Russell Stephens officiating. Burial followed in Ottawa Park Cemetery.

Wayne Lucas

Wayne G. Lucas, 63, of Davisburg died Dec. 19, 1994.

He is survived by his wife Joyce; five sons, Dan, Ken, Keith, Dennis and Steve; 10 grandchildren; five brothers, Walter, Sherman, Larry, Gene and Richard; and a sister, Jane.

Funeral services were today (Wednesday), Dec. 21 at 1 p.m. at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Trust 100 Funeral Home in Clarkston with Pastor Todd Vanaman officiating. Burial followed at Hillview Cemetery.

Funeral Home in Clarkston.

Clarkston City Manager Art Pappas who served as village clerk when Mr. Johnston was village president, remembers him as "a very intelligent man.

"He did a lot of things for the village. You can't count the number of things that man has done," Pappas said.

Though Pappas remarked that he shared a business relationship with Mr. Johnston, he said it also became a personal one.

"You could ask him for advice because he was such a smart person," he said.

Don Kevern, director of support for Clarkston United Methodist Church, said he has known Mr. Johnston and his family for 30 years.

"He was probably the finest man I've ever known," Kevern said. "He was a wonderful husband, father, son and friend. There was nothing you could ask that you didn't get from Rich.

"He was the first to step forward whenever the church had a need, or anyone else for that matter. He was always there — silently. A very giving, benevolent man."

Kevern read an original tribute and poem at Mr. Johnston's funeral. One of the passages in the tribute contained this story:

"How much I recall a spring vacation in 1979, when our family was preparing to leave a Florida resort, a place where we had spent ten days in the sun with the Johnstons and other friends from Clarkston. As I prepared to start the car and head to the airport, Rich came over to the driver's side, and I noted the shining of a tear in his eyes. 'I hate to see good times end,' he stated. 'There is nothing greater than being surrounded by and enjoying people you love.'

"Today, Rich is indeed surrounded by people he loves, both here and in heaven. Today, however, Rich never needs to worry again about the ending of good times, for his good times are with God. His good times will go on forever."

Melvin Sterling

Melvin M. Sterling, 73, of Waterford died Dec.

Mr. Sterling was retired from Pontiac State Hospital and was a life member of the VFW David Belisle Post 1008, Waterford and DAV, Wolverine State 33 Chapter.

He is survived by his wife Mary; six daughters, Carolyn (Solaman) Dewyn of Detroit, Gay Anne (Jim) Johnson of Clarkston, Naomi (Larry) Zager of Brighton, Chrystal Sterling and Sherry Arebaugh of Rochester and Jeanette S. (Rick) Finkel of Waterford; three sons, Frank (Teresa) Sterling of Detroit, R. Fred (Shirley) Park of Canada and David Michael Sterling of Illinois; 25 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; three sisters, Eileen Walton of Taylor, Mary Williams of Wisconsin and Faye Cornish of Wetmore; and a brother, Guy (Bud) Sterling of Pontiac.

Funeral services were Saturday at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Trust 100 Funeral Home in Clarkston with the Rev. Fred Prince officiating. Burial followed in Ottawa Park Cemetery.

Health beat

Free Lifeline installation

Crittenton Hospital's Community Health Education department will offer free installation of Lifeline, a personal response equipment and service program, during the month of January.

Lifeline allows frail or elderly people to receive emergency help at the push of a button. For more information call 652-5658, 8 a.m.-1 p.m., Monday-Thursday.

Loren Baylis

Loren M. Baylis, MD, 38, of Clarkstondied Dec. 15, 1994.

Mr. Baylis was a graduate of Michigan State University and Georgetown University School of Medicine. After completing his residency at William Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak, he served as a family practitioner in the US Public Health Service in Gainsville, GA. Mr. Baylis was a family prac-



Dr. Loren Baylis

titioner at the M-15 Family Medical Center in Clarkston and a staff member of St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Pontiac.

He is survived by his wife Pauline; two children, Kristen and Shelby; his mother Maria; parents-in-law Margaret and Paul Joseph, DDS of Camden, SC; four sisters, Linda Miller, Lisa Ashby, Laura Ittner and Louise Baylis; four brothers, Lance Baylis, Larry Baylis, DO, Lincoln Baylis, DVM, and Lee Baylis,

Mass of the Resurrection was held Saturday, Dec. 17 at St. Daniel Catholic Church in Clarkston with the Rev. Msgr. Robert S. Humitz officiating. Burial followed in Lakeview Cemetery.

Services were entrusted to the Lewis E. Wint and Son Trust 100 Funeral Home in Clarkston.

Patricia Pace

Patricia L. Pace, 57, of Clarkston died Dec. 19, 1994.

She is survived by her husband Harry; three sons, Steve (Tina) of Keego Harbor, Tony (Karen Oertel) of Waterford and David of Clarkston; two daughters, Tina (Douglas) Spangler of Waterford and Dana (Mike) Ogans of Waterford; 10 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; hermother, Frances LaBarge of Pontiac; two sisters, Beverly Warmuth of Dela ware and Bonnie Vradenburg of Orion; two brothers, Ramon LaBarge of Lewiston and Ricky LaBarge of Pontiac; a sister-in-law, Louise Harden of Waterford; and many nieces, nephews and other family members.

Memorial services are tomorrow (Thursday), Dec. 22 at 10 a.m. at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Trust 100 Funeral Home in Clarkston with Donald Kevern officiating. Friends may visit at the funeral home tonight (Wednesday) from 7-9 p.m.

Village Players announce next play

Want to know "How the Other Half Loves?" Come join the fun and find out as The Clarkston Village Players' third production, "How the Other Half Loves," comes to the Depot Theater with performances Jan. 13, 14, 20, 21, 26, 27 and 28.

The comedy by Alan Ayckbourn involves a couple of illicit lovers who can't come up with alibis for their respective spouses after they've had a one-night stand. When another innocent couple is swept into the tall tale they weave in order to cover themselves, the lovers dig themselves deeper into a hole with hilarious results.

The play stars Verne Vackaro, Nancy Penvose, Melissa Breckenridge, Gordon Bardell, Lee Woolcox and Mike Finn. Friday night performances begin at 8 p.m. with Thursday's curtain time 7:30 p.m. The Depot Theater is located on White Lake Road next to the railroad tracks, 1 1/4 miles west of Dixie Highway. For more information call (810) 625-1826 or 625-2523.

Leaving a trail of unhappiness, debt

Series of bad checks affects many lives

BY ANNETTE KINGSBURY **Clarkston News Editor**

It started out as an ordinary day, the day Jane Doe lost her driver's license somewhere during a trip to the bank.

Doe (the name The Clarkston News will use to refer to a Springfield Township woman who asked that her real name not be used) couldn't have known on that day a few months ago that the innocent loss of her license would lead to an ordeal of fraud and bad credit allegedly caused by an Independence Township woman who stumbled upon the missing license.

Dawn Marie Kelley, 32, has been charged in three different Oakland County district courts with a total of 13 charges of uttering and publishing and forgery. She pled guilty to similar charges in 1986, and paid back over \$26,000 in restitution. According to her probation officer, she was a model client.

But here, based upon interviews with Doe and Detective Chuck Young of the Oakland County Sheriff's Department Independence Substation, is what law-enforcement officials think happened ear-

lier this year. After coming upon Doe's driver's license, Kelley used it to open bank accounts at Oxford Bank and First of America. She gave the banks a post office box as her address so all correspondence would come to

her there. However, by accident one bank sent a box of checks to Doe's home. When she called the bank to report the error, "They thought it was a computer error," she said. "They didn't seem real concerned about it."

After a few days away on a trip, Doe returned home to find her mailbox full of angry notices accusing her of writing bad checks. Businesses in Holly, Waterford, Highland and Independence Township were among them, including one check written to Oxford Bank for \$4,200.

"That's how I found out," Doe said. "I went to the police right away."

It fell to Young, once he decided he believed Doe, to figure out who had assumed her identity. He received photos of Kelley taken by a bank camera and began taking them around to the businesses that had been victimized.

"They do resemble each other with their hair up," Young said, referring to the photo on the missing driver's license. Doe had been painting the day it was taken, and showed up at the Secretary of State's office with her hair pulled up. When Kelley's photo was taken later at the bank, her hair was up and she wore large sunglasses.

"She had legitimate ID from (Doe) and they looked enough alike,"

Young said. He began Dawn Marie Kelley tracking the mystery woman, finding that she gave a FAX number as her phone number and used multiple Social Security numbers.

Meanwhile, Doe was finding it impossible to write a check on her own legitimate bank account. After being turned down at one grocery store, she just quit trying. "I had to carry cash with me, even at the grocery store. It was embarrassing. I was afraid everywhere I walked in I would see my name on the side of their cash register."

'I was afraid everywhere I walked in I would see my name on the side of their cash register.'

Kelley's identity was finally uncovered when she made a crucial mistake. An employee of one of the businesses victimized by a bad check remembered that she had been there on an earlier occasion and had left blueprints behind for a proposed dog kennel. Her business card, with her real name, was attached.

"He's the only reason I knew who she was," Det. Young said of the employee. "Because everything she did, she covered her track real well."

On September 9, while Young sought warrants for Kelley's arrest, she was followed around by the Fugitive Apprehension Team, a team formed by the prosecutor's office and the OCSD. After writing a legitimate check to get back a car that had been

repossessed, she was arrested by the FAT team when she returned to Independence Township. She was then taken to the Oakland County Jail.

Young estimates that \$10-20,000 worth of bad checks are involved in the current 13 charges he has pending. Several other bad checks were made good when police reports were made. Several of the victims, though angry refused to be quoted for this story.

Kelley was bound over to circuit court Dec. 8 on charges filed in 52-3 District Court (Rochester). She has preliminary exams scheduled Dec. 22 in 51 District Court (Waterford). Her exam in 52-3 District Court (Clarkston) has been scheduled for Jan. 13.

'Everything she did, she covered her tracks real well.'

Det. Chuck Young, OCSD

Neither Kelley nor her attorney, Kelly O'Dea would comment for this story. Her former probation officer, John Lampman, expressed surprise at the turn

of events. "That's a shame. She was a very good probationer as far was we're concerned. We like people who pay their restitution and get off."

Back in 1986, Kelley pled guilty to three charges she embezzled money from her then employer, Tescon Carpentry of Auburn Hills, and three charges of uttering and publishing (bad checks). All felonies, she could have been sentenced to up to 14 years on each bad-check charge and 10 years on each embezzlement charge. Instead, she received five years probation. Once restitution was completed, she was discharged from probation.

Because she is a convicted felon facing more felony charges, Kelley could be charged with being a

habitual criminal.

"Usually each time you come through the system they try to crack down a little more," said Lampman, the probation officer. "It's more likely there's going to be more consequences this time."

Doe, who hasn't received any more bad-check notices the last couple of weeks, knows the ordeal isn't over yet. But she's glad someone believed her enough to take the case seriously, even though it wasn't a violent crime.

"Detective Young is the only one who did anything," she said. "He's kind of gone out of his way to catch her."

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Christmas in Bosnia

Clarkston mother worries for her son

BY ANNETTE KINGSBURY **Clarkston News Editor**

He'll have a Christmas tree and some presents, but a former Clarkston resident won't be home for Christmas this year.

Stephen Finch, 35, may be spending the holidays aboard ship off the coast of Bosnia-Herzegovina. A Staff Sgt. in the US Marines, Finch was scheduled to depart the area Dec. 18 but recent events in Bosnia may have changed that.

His mother, Barbara Finch, a 24-year Clarkston resident, said the last letter she got from her son said his ship would be leaving "unless something drastic happens, and I think it already has."

"It worries me sick because I just don't know if he'll have to go in there."

Barbara Finch is worried that US troops will be sent into Bosnia to back up United Nations peacekeepers already there. The peacekeepers have been experiencing difficulty, some being kidnapped, others killed as the war goes on.

"I watch the news very close," Barbara Finch said. The last time she saw her son was in February, when he came home to attend the funeral of his dad.

Stephen Finch joined the Marines in August, 1978, shortly after graduating from Clarkston High School. He attended embassy school and has been all over the world since then. That was his objective when he enlisted, his mother said.

"He came home (from school) one day and said, 'Mom, don't be mad; I've got something to tell you. I joined the Marines," his mother remembered. "He said, 'I would like to travel and see the world and help

my country as well."

During his 14 years in the Marines, Stephen Finch has served at US embassies in Austria and Cameroon; he's also been to Okinawa, Korea, Iceland and much of Europe. He has a wife and two children, who sometimes accompany him overseas. Home base is North Carolina.

Finch's current assignment is aboard a helicopter carrier and it's the first time he's served at sea. It's scheduled to be a six-month assignment, with return to the US planned for April.

"He said, 'This is the closest thing that I want to see to a prison," his mother said of his ship-board life. "It's so confining; the quarters are small . . . He said, 'It's real boring on the ship so please send me some reading material."

Meanwhile, his wife Jan, son Zachary, 9 and daughter Abby, 6, will have to spend Christmas without him.

"She (Jan) sits down and reads the letters to them," Barbara Finch said. "She's a real upbeat person.

Thoughit's not the first time mother and son will be apart for Christmas, it's the first time he's been so close to a war zone and that's what frightens Mom. She understands her son's career choice, but has strong feelings about US involvement in Bosnia.

"It's a religious war and I don't know why we should really be involved," she said. Comparing it to Northern Ireland, she said, "It's between Serbs and Moslems. We can't take sides. Really, our hands are tied.

"What's going to happen if we send our troops in there? They'll be taken hostage and killed too. It could turn into a Vietnam and I shudder to think about



Stephen Finch

that because I had a son in Vietnam."





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Sheriff's log for Independence Township

MONDAY, DECEMBER 12, breaking and entering of a business on Ortonville Rd. A printer valued at \$2,000 was missing. The thief kicked in a window to gain entry.

Malicious destruction of a vehicle on M-15. A Clarkston man said he was harassed without provocation in a parking lot, during which his truck was kicked and its antenna bent

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Larceny of building materials on Ennismore. A

39-year-old man who took some lumber returned it when asked to do so by police, and was given a ticket.

Two 16-year-old girls got into a fight in a classroom at Clarkston High School.

A 16-year-old Oxford boy lost control of his car on Indianwood and drove onto an embankment. He was not injured but received a speeding ticket.

Non-injury accident on M-15 near Dixie.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13, breaking and entering of an auto in the Clarkston High School parking lot. A CD player valued at \$280 as stolen by a thief who used a slim jim to get into the locked truck.

Harassment on Tuson.

Larceny of a snowboard valued at \$600 from outside the cafeteria at Pine Knob.

Brand-new skis, boots and poles valued at \$1,100 were reported stolen at Pine Knob.

Juvenile assault and battery at Sashabaw Middle School. A 12-year-old boy reported he was assaulted by a total of four boys in two separate events. One boy received a suspension for his part in the events.

Car/deer accident on Clarkston Rd.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14, larceny from a vehicle parked on Sashabaw. A starter motor attached to the outside of a 1991 Ford pick up was removed.

A skier left a pair of skis unattended for one-half

hour outside Pine Knob ski lodge and they were stolen.

Threatening phone calls on Mann.

Non-injury accidents were reported on M-15, on Dixie, on I-75, on Oak Grove, on Langle and on Sashabaw. Several of them were reportedly caused by icy road conditions.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15, police called to remove an unwanted intoxicated person on Andersonville Rd. ended up calling for an ambulance when she fell on the ice.

Larceny of a four-foot plastic lighted Santa from a porch on Oak Hill.

Reckless driving on northbound I-75. A Harrison man reported two cars forced him off the road.

A snowboard left unattended at Pine Knob was reported missing.

Non-injury accidents on Dixie and on Sashabaw.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16, harassing phone calls on St. Andrew.

Larceny from a garage on Eston. A snowblower, two saws, a drill and golf clubs valued at \$1,125 were taken.

Larceny of two, 12-packs of beer from a gas station on Sashabaw. The clerk recognized the thief, a 17-year-old Clarkston boy, who confessed when confronted. He was ticketed.

Failure to pay for \$21.45 in gas on M-15. The driver said he forgot his ID, then gave a phony name, address and phone number.

A Clarkston man was taken to Pontiac Osteopathic Hospital after being injured in a rear-ender on Sashabaw.

Two non-injury accidents were reported on Dixie, one on I-75 (in which a car rolled), and one on

The Clarkston (MI) News Wed., Dec. 21, 1994 17 A Sashabaw.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17, malicious destruction of property on Oak Park. A 1988 Grand Amparked in front of a house had its rear window smashed

Two mountain bikes and a portable stereo were stolen from an open garage on Sashabaw Rd. The resident said the door had only been left open 45 minutes.

A rental company on Dixie reported failure to return a brick cutter valued at \$699. It was rented back in August.

Harassing phone calls on Hillcrest.

Stalking on Colgate.

Failure to pay for \$5 in gas on M-15.

One driver was injured in a rear-ender on White Lake Rd. The driver of the rear car was ticketed.

Non-injury accidents were reported on I-75, the I-75 exit ramp at Sashabaw, and on Sashabaw near Clarkston, where a car hit a deer.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18, paint was poured on the hood and sides of a 1991 S-10 pick up parked in a Dixie Hwy. parking lot.

Larceny of a cell phone valued at \$385 from a purse while the owner was skiing at Pine Knob.

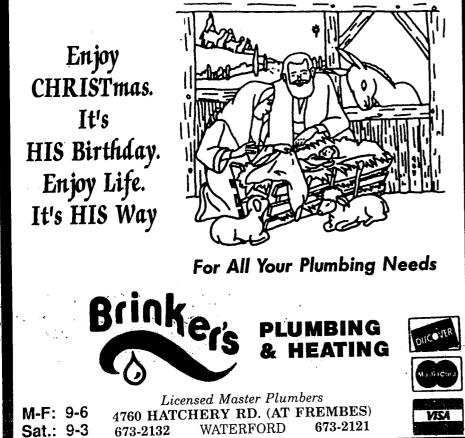
Two cars were entered on Ennismore but only a small religious emblem was reported missing.

Use caution on ice

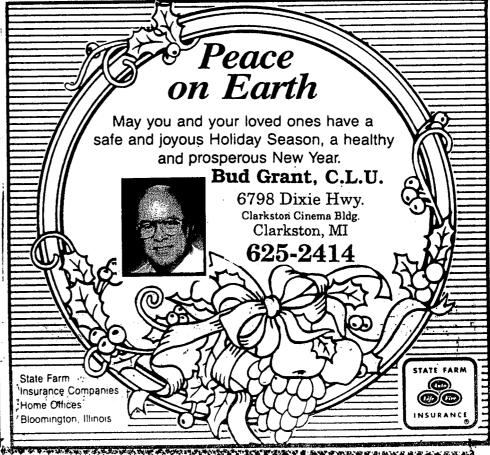
The Department of Natural Resources advises anyone participating in ice-related activities this winter to be particularly careful in the vicinity of public docks and marinas along the Great Lakes.

Some harbors utilize underwater bubbling systems or electric de-icers to reduce ice damage to docks. These systems bring warmer bottom water to the surface to prevent strong ice from forming. In some cases open water is maintained; in other cases a think layer of ice may exist. If this is covered with snow, you may not realize how weak the ice is.









Costs rising in White Lake Rd. project

BY DARREL W. COLE **Clarkston News Staff Writer**

The White Lake Road project is important to Independence Township, but not so important to the county road commission.

Township Supervisor Dale Stuart would like to change that, but admits it's been difficult to get a concentrated effort from the Road Commission for Oakland County.

The latest setback has the road commission raising the costs of the Downtown Development Authority's project — from Clement to Dixie Highway --- on White Lake Road to over \$160,000.

Stuart said it's about the third time the road commission come back with a higher figure, and the current costs are something the township and DDA just can't afford.

"The last cost figure exceeds what we could afford," said Stuart. "They (road commission) claim that each time it's been due to them collecting more accurate data, but I have told them time and again that we have to have exact costs. They are famous for saying they have set costs and then changing them."

The latest obstacle in the way of the massive multi-million dollar project is nothing new. Stuart said the White Lake Road project has dragged on for about two years, although he has tried to keep the project moving forward.

The entire project, between Dixie and Andersonville Road, is part of the DDA plans and has a price tag of around \$3 million. Some of the improvements include adding safety paths, road paving, storm and water drain improvements, etc.

While DDA funds are set aside for most of the project, the federal government has awarded a grant

Free lessons

The Northern Michigan Nordic Ski Council will introduce new skiers to the job of cross-country skiing free of charge during the International Cross-Country Ski Festival.

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You must pre-register by calling (616) 271-6314 by Saturday, Jan. 7.

for that part of the project from Clement south to Andersonville.

The grant will pay 80 percent of those costs, the county 10 percent and the township 10 percent.

Road improvements from Clement to Dixie were to be funded through the DDA, but now the county estimates may exceed what the township can afford.

"We're still trying to see what we can do," said Stuart. "I'm hoping they will find some way to lower the costs, maybe by funding some of it themselves. It's their road and it's in their best interest to do it.

"But this isn't a high priority for them because most of their focus is in the south end (of the county), where it always has been. It's very frustrating that we always run into these problems."

Fire call

MONDAY, DECEMBER 12, minor injury accident on Dixie Hwy. No transport.

Medical on Clintonville Rd.

Medical on Deer Hill Dr.

Medical on Hummingbird.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13, medical on Autumnwood Ct.

Deceased man at a home on Dixie Hwy.

Odor investigation on Clintonville Rd. The odor was apparently caused by a sprinkler.

Medical on Mann.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14, medical on

Joy.

Injury accident on Dixie.

A child got his head caught in a rocking chair on Garnet Circle. He was dislodged by dismantling the

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15, injury accident on Dixie.

Possible car fire on northbound I-75.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16, medical on Dixie.

Burning straw on Dixie.

Possible injury accident on Sashabaw. Smoking oil heater and possible garage fire on

Tappon.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17, medical on Newport Dr.

A possible car on fire turned out to be just overheated on northbound I-75.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18, medical on Parview.

Medical on Rohr.

Medical on Meyers.

Injury accident on Andersonville Rd.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 19, medical on Cle-

Medical on Eastlawn. Medical on Middle Lake Rd.

Injury accident on Maybee.

Medical on Mary Sue.

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Clarkston Police

FRIDAY, DEC. 16, suspicious vehicle at Miller and Glenburnie. A Clarkston police officer found the car broken down with flashers on. He looked for the driver who had apparently walked to get help. The officer found the driver at the Shell Station north of Clarkston Road calling for a tow truck.

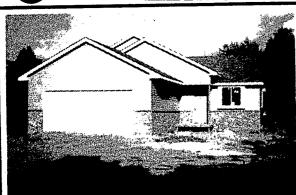
A 911 call inspired a welfare check on Surrey. Clarkston police found a small child had apparently made the call.

Phone harassment was reported by a Surrey Lane resident.

SUNDAY, DEC. 18, a family fight was reported on Middle Lake. Officers arrived and were told the husband threw some pop at his wife. She asked him to leave for the night and he obliged. Officers found no signs of physical abuse.

Larceny was reported by a resident on Main. A man accused his roommate of taking property valued at over \$100. When the suspect was questioned he denied taking anything. The incident is under investigation.



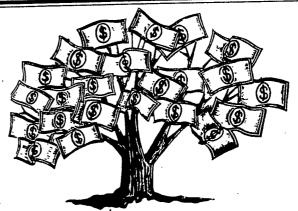


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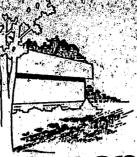


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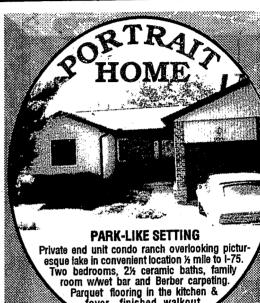
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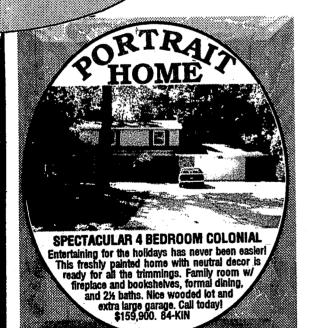
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Section B

Five first-place finishers lead way

Wrestlers dominate county

BY DARREL W. COLE Clarkston News Staff Writer

Two straight, but this time the Clarkston wrestling team dominated the Oakland County championships like no team before them.

Although computer difficulties and disorganization have delayed the final point tallies, the Wolves won by around 50 points, according to coach Mike DeGain. That includes an amazing five county champions and two runners-up.

"I think our performance this weekend was the strongest ever at Oakland County and I think we had the capability of doing even better," DeGain said, noting the team had a strong week of practice.

All of Clarkston's wrestlers made it out of preliminary rounds and seven made it all the way to the finals Dec. 17. The Wolves entered only 12 of 13 wrestlers because one was held out for disciplinary reasons.

The Wolves received winning performances from Jesse Laycock (126 pounds), Corey Grant (134),

Chad Auten (142), P.J. Vandermeer (160) and Joe DeGain (185). DeGain said Armin Michelsen, who took second in the 172-pound class, wrestled real well despite the loss.

While Vandermeer, Grant (no bad effects from a slight stress fracture in his arm) and Joe DeGain were real strong, coach DeGain was especially pleased with the performances of Laycock and Auten.

Laycock beat a two-time Oakland County meet MVP in the quarterfinals, while Auten has continued a strong early-season.

"Compared to when he (Auten) started the season, I really didn't think he'd be Oakland County champion, but no one at the meet came within 10 points of him. Lately he's been wrestling good enough that I thought he could win it."

The Wolves repeated their championship from last season, although only one individual won a title last season.

Despite the team win, the tournament itself did not run smoothly. The computer system was fouled up because the Dec. 16 qualifying rounds were held at four different sites. The championships didn't begin at Brandon High School until 8:30 p.m. Dec. 17, over three hours past the scheduled starting time. Because of the delays, final matches and consolation matches were held at the same time.

"The tournament wasn't running well but we (the coaches) told the kids to stay focused," said DeGain. "I think it really took away some of the glory for the kids.

"Next year the coaches association will not let this happen again."

DeGain likes the work ethic his athletes have shown in the early season. As evidenced by two close losses two weeks ago, DeGain said they aren't worried about wins and losses.

"Our kids prepared well for Oakland County and they have the confidence to reach the goals they have set."

With some strong meets coming up, the Wolves hope to continue to improve. "This kind of put a punctuation on the fact that the kids have matured from last season."

Defense causes chaos for opponents

Ferndale's size no match, thanks to Agar

> BY DARREL W. COLE Clarkston News Staff Writer

The player deemed by some the best in Oakland County was not much more than a decoy.

The Clarkston Wolves shut down Ferndale's 6-foot-6 Jarrett Stephens and coasted to a 76-46 win Dec. 16.

The win moves the Wolves to 3-0 overall. But the Ferndale game might prove Clarkston doesn't need giants in the paint to win games. In their decisive win, the Wolves used a pressing defense and running offense to neutralize Stephens inside.

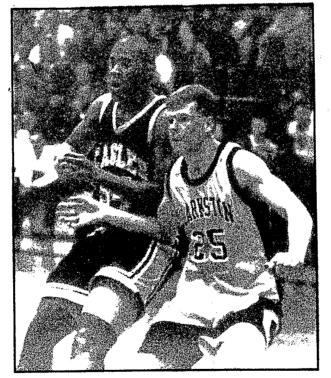
Stephens, who weighs about 240 pounds, did not look or play like the best player in Oakland County, as some publications have dubbed him. In fact, Clarkston's senior Brad Agar, a mere 6-foot-3, 185 pound center, outworked, outhustled and, more surprisingly, outscored Stephens.

Agar scored 21 points and had eight rebounds compared to Stephens' 15 points, with most coming in the second half when the Wolves were way ahead.

Clarkston coach Dan Fife said his team's game plan to stop Stephens was to have weak-side help on defense, but the key was Agar working for position.

"He (Stephens) is their go-to guy and we knew they'd want to get him the ball. Maybe they tried too hard to do that because it didn't work well," said Fife.

"Brad did an excellent job fronting him and



Clarkston's Brad Agar (right) looks small compared to Ferndale's 6-foot-6, 240 pound Jarrett Stephens, but the senior won the individual battle and the Wolves won the game.

working for position. He really wanted to guard him tonight and it was exciting to see."

Fife said he's been hard on Agar in the past three games because the senior is needed to rebound and play defense better than he has. The coach said Agar proved against Ferndale he can perform when it counts.

"We really need him inside to win. It's his third year on the varsity and he's supposed to be a leader," said Fife, who noted a long football season may have many football players on the team, like Agar, mentally exhausted.

While the entire defense played well against Ferndale, Fife said they were hurt when Agar sat out to take a break.

After Clarkston held Stephens to three points in the first half and took a 33-21 lead, the Wolves turned it up even more in the second.

The Wolves started off quickly against Ferndale, led by the shooting of freshman Dane Fife and all-around game of point guard Jeremy Fife. Ferndale stayed close for a while but the relentless defensive pressure took Ferndale out of its game.

"Even though we won the first two games, we didn't play well defensively," said Fife. "With our size we have to block out and get all the loose balls. I'd be really disappointed if we didn't play hard."

Defensively we are where we should be now, but offensively we need more work."

Leading the way in scoring for the Wolves was Agar, followed by Dane Fife's 18 points, Jeremy Fife's 12 and senior forward Jason Graves' 10 points. Junior guard Tim Wasilk added six points and a good all-around game while Pat Mulligan, Ryan Schapman, J.R. Kirk and Jeff Mull all played quality minutes.

Coach Fife credited Graves and Wasilk with strong games. "Jason runs the floor real well and came up with some loose balls for us."

Wasilk has been hampered by two slightly pulled groin muscles and an injured toe. "He hasn't been shooting too well but we talk about doing the other

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JV sports - By Michael Romein

JV basketball

The Clarkston JV basketball team won a close game in overtime Friday to raise its record to 3-0. Although the Wolves struggled shooting, they came away with a 50-48 victory over Ferndale.

The game did not begin well. After the first half, Clarkston had only managed 14 points. "We shot very poorly," Coach Kaul said. "We are not taking bad shots, but we've just been cold from the floor." The Wolves have not shot over 35 percent from the floor yet this year.

However, Clarkston came out of the locker room and cut the 10-point halftime deficit to four. In the fourth quarter, the Wolves took the lead, and the game went back and forth. It ended in a tie at the end of regulation.

In overtime, Clarkston was down by one when Shane Butler got a loose ball and scored, also drawing a foul. Ferndale also received a technical foul shot which Justin Morgan made, allowing the Wolves to prevail.

The leading scorer was Morgan with 16 points. No one else was in double figures, although Chad Bailey scored eight. Mike Maitrott and Mark Venegoni did a good job at the point, and each scored six. On defense, Brad Conley and Matt Brown played very well, holding Ferndale's starting guard to only four points.

This was the last game Clarkston plays before Christmas. The Wolves will play at Southfield Lathrup Jan. 3 at 6 p.m. On Friday, Jan. 6 they play at Rochester Adams at 6 p.m.

Drop back in sports By Darrel W. Cole

Ten years ago (Dec. 19, 1984)

In boys basketball varsity action, Clarkston upset Pontiac Central 72-60 as Erik Kline scored 24 points, including 10 straight in the second quarter. Ed Whitaker had 19 points and Dan Jokisch 11. The Wolves also beat Milford 75-36 earlier in the week.

All-GOAL choices for Clarkston's varsity football team include:

First team offense — Brent Card, Mike Galley, Erik Kline. First team defense — Doug Colling, Jim Ruelle and Dave Lederman.

Honorable Mention went to Jeff Davis, Greg Garrett, Chuck Stein, Tom Ruelle, Steve Morris and Rob Newblatt.

Fifteen years ago (Dec. 19, 1979)

At 5-0 the CHS wrestling team is on a roll. So far, the season's undefeated wrestlers are Craig Gavette, Jeff Miracle, both 8-0, Mike Conway, Claude Gourand and Paul Carr, all three of whom are 7-0.

Merry Christmas

The Column

By Darrel W. Cole

Santa Cole's Christmas gift list

Take it or leave it.
That's Santa Cole's motto when it comes to his gift giving to various sports-related people at Christmas time. Some of you ungrateful ones whom Santa Cole has watched all year (at least since September), will just toss away the wonderful gift he has planned for you on December 25.

Others may actually like the gift Santa Cole has thoughtfully planned. But either way Santa Cole hopes you enjoy your gift. After all he knows some of you think the motto of Christmas should be "It's the getting, not the giving."

the getting, not the giving." Santa Cole
So, as Santa Cole knows you are all waiting with
anticipation, let the gift-giving begin.

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• It's always tough to give the first gift. But since Santa Cole has witnessed the marvelous season of the CHS football team, the wish for them is obvious. Four more years...

At least that's what Coach Kurt Richardson would like, especially from his classy senior players.

The team got most of what it wanted except a win over Troy, those bad Colts. So, it seems only right that a trip is in order. The Colts stole the present Clarkston really wanted so, fellas, tell your parents Santa Cole is sending the real champs to Disney World.

● OK, Richardson. You can have the seniors back for one more year, but not the original request of four years. Santa Cole is giving you only one more year because he knows you will develop the next crop of seniors in that same mold.

● Santa Cole has watched many players and teams in his career of gift-giving. But never has he seen a team work as hard as the Clarkston varsity girls basketball team.

Santa Cole enjoyed watching their hustle. He only wished he could have given his gift of better shooting during the season. But he knows, with only Kerry Kelly graduating, the Wolves will become better shooters eventually. So next year, Santa Cole hopes the team and Mahrle remember the generous gift of better shooting he gave.

● To Linda Walker, the do-everything secretary in the AD's office, Santa Cole will give 10 arms and hands, as well as a few extra ears. Santa Cole has heard from many people that the AD office runs because Linda is such a good juggler. Santa Cole appreciates a good trick, but hopes her added limbs

makes her job easier.

● Santa Cole also sees the behind-the-scenes people of Clarkston sports. That's why he will give a personalized office to all-sports manager Jeff Jackson. Jeff, it seems, is the only student at school at more events than the athletes. Santa Cole has seen his dedication and hard work.

To make it easier on Jeff, Santa Cole will give him his very own office. And of course his door will be adorned with the nameplate that says "Office of Jeff Jackson, Manager extraordinaire."

But the best part of this gift is Santa Cole will grant Jeff an assistant, who can do all the work for him, while he can relax and watch the games.

● The boys basketball team's gift is simple. Santa Cole will give them a regional championship, something coach Dan Fife and his team have worked to achieve for a long time.

On a similar note, the wrestling team has done most everything as far as winning. But for them Santa Cole has a simple gift to give. Regain the district championship they lost last season.

After that it's up to them. But Santa Cole saw the reasons the Wolves were upset in districts last season, and he wasn't very pleased. He knows coach Mike DeGain has reminded his athletes that a team is only as strong as its weakest link.

Santa Cole is pleased with the strong work ethic the team has shown this season, which was evident by their domination at last weekend's county meet.

● The basketball and football athletes who made the first-ever Sherman Publications Tri-District teams received an official "Tri-District" T-shirt last week, courtesy of Publisher Jim Sherman.

Santa Cole likes the sentiment and has also noticed the T-shirt colors are red, perfect to wear on Christmas Day. Santa Cole was pleased to see Ryan Schapman sporting his new "T" just before his team's basketball game vs. Ferndale last week.

● The volleyball, basketball and wrestling teams are among the best in all of Oakland County and in the state. Santa Cole will give them lead weights to ensure they stay "down to earth" as accolades and laurels are piled on them.

● Earplugs will be Santa Cole's gift to freshman hoopster Dane Fife. As a starter and star on the basketball team, Santa Cole wants to be sure Dane stays true to his heart and ignores the continual and eventually-overwhelming media blitz he will face in the next few years.

However, Santa Cole is pleased Dane has taken it well so far.

◆ Knee pads for girls hoopsters Sue Naboychik, a sophomore, and Leah Howard, a junior. Santa Cole loves their hustle but without knee pads these girls will scrape their knees raw in another year. Never in his long career has Santa Cole seen two guards dive for so many loose balls.

Adult winter volleyball and basketball leagues

Independence Township Parks and Recreation Department is offering Adult Volleyball and Basketball leagues this winter. League play is scheduled to begin the end of January. Registration for resident teams will begin early January with open registration taking place the middle of January. For additional information on the above leagues call 625-8223, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

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Good start, bad weekend for netters

BY DARREL W. COLE **Clarkston News Staff Writer**

Last week the Clarkston varsity volleyball team started off with a convincing two-set win over rival Lake Orion.

But the week ended with a disappointing weekend tournament at Lansing Waverly. In that tournament, the Wolves lost to Potterville 7-15, 11-15, Davison 10-15, 5-15, beat Charlotte 15-7, 15-6 and split with Lansing Eastern 15-9, 13-15.

"We just never got into the flow at all," said a frustrated coach Gordie Richardson. "We made a lot of hitting errors and mental mistakes. We have got so many experienced kids back who have been in tournaments before that I didn't think I'd have to tell them you have to do this and that to win. I assumed their individual goals were to do better at tournaments."

Although the Wolves did play well in the Charlotte win, Richardson said he was surprised to see his experienced team, with 10 returning players from last season, play so unfocused. Richardson said he knows the players have the talent and skills to play better. But little mistakes like missing serves, not being in the right place and hitting errors all contributed to the losses.

"I don't think we were poorly prepared. But they are not at a point where they can play and not think about where they should be. They should be able to play and know where they are supposed to be."

Richardson said he knows that this early in the season the losses don't mean much but he wants his team to do better at tournaments because it is a good way to prepare for playoffs. He hopes the holiday break will help his team.

"It didn't make or break the season but now we have two-and-a-half weeks to get some things taken

Carey Haven (foreground) goes up with a teammate to block a shot by Lake Orion in

the season opener Dec. 14, played at Orion. care of. The kids realize they are not doing the things we have taught and they want to get better," he said.

indicative of Clarkston's talent and potential. After winning the first set 15-9, the Wolves came back to win the second after being down 5-3.

"We never missed a serve after that and when you do that you don't give them any free opportunities." the coach said.

As a team, the Wolves had a hitting percentage of .281 with seven errors and 16 kills.

Individual leaders for Clarkston was senior Carey Haven with 9-of-10 hitting and six kills, while senior Beth Eby was 7-of-7 with four kills.

Leading servers were junior Nicole Bauer, 9-of-9 with three aces, senior Marty Kuechle, 4-of-4, two aces, junior Lisa Herron, 5-of-5, one ace, and Haven 3-of-3, one ace.

Junior Nickie Winn was 15-of-15 setting with eight assists while Eby had five digs.

Richardson said one difference between the tournament and the Lake Orion match was the level of his team's aggressiveness. "On Saturday we served defensively to not make mistakes. I think that accounted for a lot of errors. But as a team we have to be more aggressive and not worry about the mis-

takes." Against Potterville, the Wolves were led by Winn who was 4-of-5 attacking with four kills, while Herron was 7-of-8 with two kills. Winn also had 12 assists while Herron was 11-of-11 serving with two aces and five digs.

Haven was 8-of-8 in serve receptions.

Leading the way against Davison was junior Brynn Allen's 10-of-12 attacking with five kills. Eby was 6-of-8 with two kills and was 5-of-5 on serve receptions.

Herron was 7-of-8 serving with two aces while

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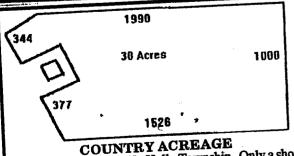
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Hoopsters ready for break

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things well and he does that for us," Fife said.

The Ferndale game pitted two teams with some familiar connections. Some of the Clarkston kids have competed against Ferndale players in summer AAU tournaments or pick-up games. Dane played on the same AAU team this summer with Ferndale junior Ray Pope and the two became fast friends.

Clarkston doesn't have a scheduled game until Jan. 3 at Southfield Lathrup. During the holiday break, Fife will set up scrimmages with some Detroit and Flint teams.

He said the break from games should do his team good, especially the nine football players who need a "mental" break more than anything.

"They just finished an exhausting season of football and there has been a lot of pressure on them," said Fife. "We'll never get out of shape as a team but we'll just concentrate on us for a while and not worry about other teams."

Wolves play well at end

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Haven was 6-of-7 in serve receptions while getting two blocks.

Richardson was pleased with the team's performance against Charlotte. "We did everything we wanted and we played with a better feel for the game."

That better feel accounted for an incredible 42 attacks with only two errors and 22 kills. Leading the way for the Wolves were Haven, Herron and Winn with five kills each.

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Kuechle served 12-of-12 with one ace while

Bauer was 3-of-3 on serve receptions and added four digs. Herron had four digs while Eby came up with two blocks.

The team had a good comeback against Lansing Eastern in the second set. After winning the first, the Wolves found themselves down 13-5, but came back strong before losing 13-15.

A major reason for that loss was 10 service

Clarkston doesn't play again until a Jan. 5 home match against Brandon. During the holiday break the Wolves have two scrimmages set up, one with Fenton and a Dec. 30 CHS alumni match set for 9 a.m.

Snowmobile safety is common sense

More than 200,000 registered snowmobiles will hit state trails this winter, making it critical that safety goes along for the ride.

Snowmobiling is one of the most popular winter activities in Michigan, which has 5,300 trail miles, according to AAA Michigan. However during the last five winters, Michigan has recorded a yearly average of 452 crashes, 16 deaths and 368 injuries. To improve that record, snowmobilers must know the rules of the road, Jerry Basch of AAA said.

Operating an snowmobile after drinking alcohol and driving at reckless speeds are two of the most dangerous practices for a snowmobiler, Basch said. Some safety tips:

• Always wear a helmet.

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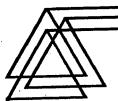
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<u> Academic achiever . . . Academic achiever</u>

NAME: Kerry Lynn Kelly

GPA: 3.96

PARENTS: Kevin and Joy Kelly of Clarkston. PLANS FOR AFTER GRADUATION: "I

plan to attend college at the University of Michigan, Western Michigan University or Michigan State and study sports psychology or kinesiology (the study of human muscular movements). I'm involved in sports and I like to help people."

A varsity basketball player, Kerry injured her knee last summer and underwent reconstructive surgery last week. It was her experiences with physical therapy that helped develop her interest in kinesiol-

ogy EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES: Basketball, Blue and Gold, National Honor Society. Has also studied dance since childhood, including tap, ballet and jazz.

HONORS, AWARDS: Chenille letter and two pins, basketball MVP, All Metro-North honorable mention, SPI first team and all league.

FAVORITE SUBJECT AND TEACHER: Physics because it's "challenging and interesting."

And Linda Densteadt, her AP English teacher. "She's open and honest with her students. Also, she's more concerned that her students make the most of learning rather than the main emphasis being on GPA."

HEROES: "I don't have specific heroes. I admire people that work hard and are disciplined and they do this out of self-motivation."

FAVORITE LUNCH FOOD: Ham and swiss pita from Opa's.

FAVORITE MUSICAL GROUP: Pearl Jam. A GOOD BOOK SHE'S READ: "The Sound and the Fury" by William Faulkner.

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CHS students open own credit union

BY ANNETTE KINGSBURY Clarkston News Editor

Some Clarkston High School seniors can now apply for their own VISA cards—right at school.

While it might sound like a parent's worst nightmare, it's actually part of a new class being offered through the applied technology department. Four hand-picked students are operating the brand new Clarkston High Credit Union, which offers all the same services of any other credit union—savings and checking accounts, loans, and, yes, credit cards.

Of course parents must co-sign for credit cards, the student must have a job and there is a \$200 limit. But students who open accounts will learn all about budgeting and saving for the future. The students running the credit union are learning the entire business, from running computers to balancing accounts to waiting on customers.

The CHCU, or "choo" as some students are calling it, is open during lunch hours and conveniently located near the lunchroom so students can drop by

drop by.

"We rotate our lunches so someone is staffed in here at all times," said Kimberly Whitefield, a senior and the only girl in the new financial technology class. She would like to be a certified public accountant some day.

The other students involved are senior Ryan Seaman and juniors Chad Bollman and Chad Konzen. In addition, seven computer students in the advanced programming class of James Ashmore are writing the software the CHCU will run on, and students in a construction technology rebuilt a counter that the credit union uses.

"We thought it'd be cool," said Chad Bollman.
"You can come here and borrow money for lunch and



From left are the CHS students running the credit union: Chad Bollman, Ryan Seaman, pay us back. A lot of people who join think it's a pain

The whole project was the brainchild of teacher Mike LaMagna. "We're doing this from an educational point of view," he said. "We want students to gain experience as it relates to other business classes

... The main focus is not the amount of accounts. The

Chad Konzen and Kimberly Whitefield. All are part of a new class at the school.

important part we have is education and training of students for work."

The CHCU was established as a partnership with the Clarkston Brandon Credit Union, which has offices in those two communities. According to CBCU representative Carolyn Holland, her credit union was looking for a way to attract teenagers, who were eligible to join but weren't doing so. She is on hand any time the CHCU is open.

"From the credit union's point of view, these are our future members," Holland said.

Unlike a bank, a credit union is a non-profit, cooperative organization in which all customers are shareholders. If the credit union makes money, they receive dividends. Meanwhile, they receive favorable rates on credit.

"A credit union is a non-profit organization," said Chad Konzen. "They don't make any money. So you're going to get better interest rates . . . (and) it's convenient."

The new class is being offered at virtually no cost to the school district, LaMagna said. He's teaching it on his conference hour as part of the school's coop program, and the students are working from a converted storage area of the school. He's happy with the way it's going so far.

"They've been able to pick up to our checks and balances," he said. He was even advising the students to use the bad weather for marketing purposes, and sure enough, after the big snowfall last week, a note appeared in the student announcements reminding students that they wouldn't have to go out in the snow to use the credit union. It made for a pretty good

commercial.

Students and staff are eligible to use the credit union and many are already doing so, though it's only been open about two weeks. One student wanted a Rolling Stones VISA card. "I don't even know if there's such a thing out there," an amused Holland

"This is just the beginning," LaMagna said."It's a learning experience. We want students to have as many learning experiences as possible. We're always continually re-evaluating to see if we can improve services to the students."

CHS principal Brent Cooley, who's already signed on as a member of CHCU, thinks it's a great idea. After all, he said, he's got a population of about 2,000 people in his building every day.

"I give most of the credit to Mr. LaMagna. It's one thing to have an idea; it's another to make it a reality... It's exciting; it's certainly convenient. It's a good connection between school life and community life. We're more alike than we are different."



Seated, from left to right, are the student tellers: Darci Louisignau, Sam Webster, Nicole Papadelis, Brook Berg, Ashley Wilson and

Kevin Hall. Standing are Tara Wurm, manager; Lauren Bendes, assistant manager, and Stacy Coburn, alternate teller.

North Sash has its own bank

Good ideas must be contagious.

Just a couple of weeks after Clarkston High School students opened their own credit union, students at North Sashabaw Elementary opened their own bank branch.

The school was officially dubbed Branch 674 1/2 of National Bank of Detroit during ribbon cutting ceremonies Dec. 14. Fifth- and sixth-graders will be able to open savings accounts right at school; lower grades will be added during the first year. Withdrawals must be made at a full-time bank branch.

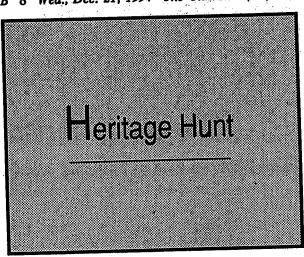
Opening the school branch was the brainchild of the school PTO, according to PTO president Terry Bendes. "It's to increase kids skills in handling money, make them more responsible," she said.

Jean Hart, manager of the NBI branch sponsoring the school, will be on hand Wednesdays during

the lunch hour, when the kids' bank is open. She has trained the student tellers, manager and assistant manager in how to write deposit slips, make change and balance their drawers. (The students will be paid 25 cents an hour for their work.) At the end of each weekly session, Hart will take the money back to her branch.

John O'Brien, who oversees NBD branches in north Oakland County, said this is the third elementary branch the company has opened in the region, in addition to one at Waterford Kettering High School.

"It gives elementary school children a better understanding of what banking is all about," O'Brien said. "It also provides them the opportunity to save, to learn how to save money. These children are our future depositors."



By Virginia Block Back in 1979, the search for great-grandparents in Canada was deemed "too hard" to pursue, so our searcher laid his work aside. The daily grind of making a living, raising his family, and a series of

On the back burner all this time, some clues in the Bruce Elliott book mentioned here last week led us to recall a tie up with the Thomas Howard surname found in the book, and whaddya know?

In 1819, the Richard Talbot family came into Canada with 149 in their group that settled on free grant lands in the Huron tract.

Many of you looking for missing French Canadian ancestors may want to take a look at the number of Irish that settled with those already there, of French-Canadian extraction.

In addition to the Elliott book, much has been found to aid Joan Ellerbush in her Colbert/Culbert family tracing by using our set of Early Ontario Landowners micro-fiche from the Canadian National Archives, and recently found families by the names of Austin, Pegg and Wooten families for Helen Clark there, too.

Helen's ancestors left New Jersey, Pennsylvania and other eastern states, following the American Revolution to go to settle with loyalist family members in Canada, Using the Ontario I.G.I. records

she found confirmation of these folks' travels, as evidence continued to be found in unexpected ways.

Local history books for London Township in the Ontario Canadian areas our reader was concerned with, also offered a larger description of the Richard Talbot family and expedition that listed a number of references to many Howard family members.

When three new collateral lines were established with this information, it opened a new path of discovery for many others unaware of the Howard history. Sharing the information in exchanges leads to a building of friendships, new ties to explore, and saves time and money to boot.

If you have: Bonham, Bellamy (mey), Grainger, Bullock, Mahoney, Ray, Ouillette, and at least a handful of other "common" names all appearing in just about everyone's pedigree charts with Canadian/U.S.

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- A New Year's Eve party will be held at the American Legion Hall, 8047 Ortonville Rd featuring food, a cash bar, DJ and karaoke. Tickets are \$10 per person and must be picked up before Dec. 28 at the hall. Call 625-9912 or 628-5659 for more information.
- Christmas services have been announced at Clarkston United Methodist Church. On Christmas Eve, there will be a service of children, choirs, candles, carols and pageant at 4:30 p.m. At 7:15 p.m. an instrumental prelude will lead into a 7:30 service featuring choirs, candles, carols and a message. At 11 p.m. there will be a service of communion, carols and candles.

On Christmas day, worship begins at 9:30 a.m. A nursery will be available.

On New Year's Day, worship is scheduled for 9:30 a.m. for a covenant service of communion. For more information call the church at 625-1611.

● Maranatha Baptist Church will show Bob Jones University's motion picture "The Printing" on New Year's Day at 6 p.m. The film deals with the

work of Yakov Mikhalev, who dared to print Bibles at the risk of imprisonment in the Soviet Union. The church is located at 5790 Flemings Lake Rd. For more information call 625-2700.

- A free widowed support group will meet Thursday, Jan. 5 at the senior center at Clintonwood Park for a 7 p.m. informal sharing. All are welcome; call 625-5231 for more information.
- The Clarkston Village Players announce auditions for "Rashomon," a drama with a message, which premieres March 10. CVP member Mel Case, who will direct the play, says he is looking for people who have little or no experience to fill three small roles in addition to starring parts. Auditions take place Thursday, Jan. 5 at 7 p.m. and Saturday, Jan. 7 at 4 p.m. in the Depot Theater on White Lake Road next to the railroad tracks, one and 1/4 miles west of Dixie Highway. Call (810) 625-1826 or 625-2511 for more information.
- Final registration for the winter semester at Oakland Community College will be held Jan. 4-6, 9 a.m.-8 p.m. If you're already admitted you can also register by phone by calling (810) 540-3133 during those three days. If you're not already admitted, call the admissions office at the campus of your choice (Aubum Hills 340-6572, Highland Lakes 360-3069. Classes begin Jan. 9.

● Vendors are being sought for the Oakland County Sportfishing Association's 15th annual sport fishing show to be held at the Waterford Community Center Jan. 15-16. For application send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to Mike Crites, 4991 E. Harvard, Clarkston, Mi. 48348 or call 628-4017.

Oakland University's Community Chorus is now taking registrations for the winter term. The chorus meets Tuesdays, 7:30-10 p.m. on the campus. Tuition is \$33. To register call 370-3120.

● An ACT (American College Testing) preparation workshop will be offered by Oakland University on Saturdays, Jan. 14,21 and 28 on campus. Cost is \$125. The next ACT exam is scheduled for Feb. 4. To register or receive a brochure, call 370-3120.

Expectant parent classes will be offered by the Oakland County Health Division beginning Thurs-

day, Jan. 26 in Auburn Hills. Cost is \$25 for the series of six classes, held evenings and taught by a registered nurse. Topics include physical changes, nutrition, growth and development of the fetus and labor and delivery. Register by Jan. 20 by calling 424-7042.

- "Some call it work: Joan Brace and her Collection" is the title of a show at the Meadow Brook ARt Gallery Jan. 15-Feb. 12. Brace, of Lake Orion, is a painter, sculptor, printmaker and poet. The exhibit will include 30 pieces reflecting her long career and art she and her late husband, former Oakland University professor Dr. Richard Muthe Brace, collected while visiting Europe, Asia and Africa. Gallery hours are Wednesdays, 1-5 p.m., Saturday-Sunday, 2-6:30 p.m. and evenings when there is a show at Meadow Brook one hour before the show and through the first intermission. For more information call 370-3005.
- If you enjoy being with people, helping others and have four hours a week, St. Joseph Mercy Hospital may have a job for you. Volunteers are being sought for the Sister Xavier Gift Shop at the hospital. The next orientation is scheduled for Jan. 12. Call Connie or JoAnn at 858-3161 for more information.

● Laser Doors, Laserpalooza and Laser Floyd's The Wall return to Longway Planetarium in Flint, along with Lased and Confused, a Zeppelin light show, beginning Jan. 6. Call the 24-hour hotline for show times at 1-810-760-7511.

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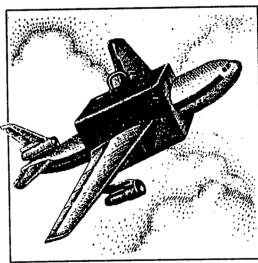
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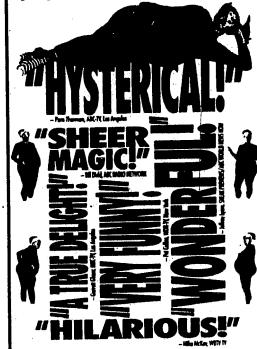
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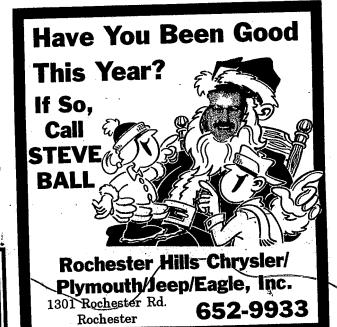
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CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON

37 DEPOT ROAD CLARKSTON, MI 48346 CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES **DECEMBER 12, 1994**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Catallo at 7:40 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.
Roll: Present: Arkwright, Catallo, Schultz, Sanderson,

Absent: Basinger, Roeser.

Moved by Arkwright, supported by Schultz, "That the minutes from the meeting held on November 28, 1994 be approved as

Moved by Arkwright, supported by Schultz, "That the agenda be approved with the following deletions: Historic District Ordinance Revision; Wetlands Ordinance; Gas Mileage Guidelines; Planning Commission and ZBA Appointments and the following additions: Clinton Oakland Interceptor and the Recall Memo. Motion carried.

Resolved by Arkwright, supported by Schultz, "That the bills submitted for payment for the month of November 1994, totaling \$21,644.17, be approved for payment." Roll: yeas-5, nays-0. Resolution passed.

Arkwright indicated that Chief Devore had resigned and that Sergeant Dickey was now the officer in charge. They are beginning the search for a new chief and there are no problems at this time.

Arkwright indicated that the City would not be submitting an

application for funding under the Crime Bill. He felt it was unrealistic to expect the City to obtain any funding under this bill. Selander Miller indicated she had received a contract cover-

ing the Gypsy Moth Suppression Project. It was referred to Ryan

and Sanderson for their review. Selander Miller also indicated that she had filed the application for the special election which the city would like to hold on March 7, 1995 regarding connecting the City with the Indepen-

Catallo indicated that she spoke with Mr. Eshakii at Rudy Market and that he would be ready to build a structure to contain his trash cans by the second week in January. The plan for proposed structure would be available for the Council's review prior to

There was a meeting held by Pappas, Sanderson and Steven Lenar, Deputy Superintendent of Clarkston Community Schools about the bus traffic on Church Street. Lenar indicated an interest in correcting the problem. Pursley, Clarkston DPW supervisor met with Detroit Edison, who agreed to move the light pole at M-15 and Waldon Roads which apparently makes it difficult for school buses to make that turn north on M-15 at that intersection. Bob MacKenzie, of Detroit Edison, indicated there would be no charge to move this pole 12 North on M-15. We are currently waiting for the county to move the crosswalk before Edison can go ahead and move the

Council received the following contracts from Independence Township: Cityhood Asset Allocation, Library Agreement, Fire Agreement, White Lake Safety Path Agreement, Beach Lease. Ryan will schedule a phone conference to discuss the contracts with Secatch, Arkwright and Basinger.

Pursley indicated that he had accepted a defective slide from GameTime which was to be installed at the park last summer. Pursley is negotiating with the distributor for a replacement slide. He indicated that he will make the completion of the playground project his top priority in the spring including the formation of the berm and the sodding of the berm.

Pursley requested permission to hire two additional part time DPW workers. The hours these people are supposed to cover are covered in the 1994-95 budget. The Council told Pursley to go

Pursley indicated when he met with Edison they agreed to move the light two poles West on Middle Lake Road to provide better illumination in the area. The charge for this was quoted as

Resolved by Secatch, supported by Schultz, "That the Council approve payment, not to exceed \$360, for the removal of the light post and to move the light two poles West on Middle Lake Road." Roll: yeas-5, nays-0. Resolution passed.

Pursley was instructed to remove the first parking spaces on the North and South sides of Depot Road effective immediately. Pappas will notify the business adjacent to Depot Road of the change in parking, by letter. TIA will be consulted, regarding the need for a pedestrian walk way to Depot Park and the potential danger to pedestrians at the alley behind Carol's Grill and East

Washington, for their recommendations. Pursley indicated that last Saturday he came across two men using a jack hammer on Surrey Lane. They told Pursley they were doing road repairs. Pursley also noted that unauthorized parallel parking spaces had been painted on the street. Ryan will write a letter to the owner of the apartment building indicating the need to complete the road repair that they began and to eliminate the

Michael Darby indicated that he heard that there was gunfire unauthorized parking. in the City last Saturday night and he was concerned that since Chief Devore had resigned that our police department was without an experienced officer. He expressed concerns over the safety of the younger officers in the Department.

Arkwright acknowledged the citizen's concerns and explained that it was not uncommon to have an officer in charge while there was an ongoing search for a chief. He also indicated that our officers had access to the State Police and in the incident last weekend that the Oakland County Sheriff's Department had

also provided backup.

The Council has received an application to transfer the liquor license from Hallman's Apothecary to Rudy's Market. The application process requires the city to sign off on the applicant being in compliance with all state and local laws and ordinances regarding the building, plumbing, zoning, fire and sanitation. If the City does not respond within 15 days the licensing agency assumes that the applicant is in compliance.

Moved by Arkwright, supported by Schultz, "That the issues initation as it relates to storage of refuse and compliance with the plumbing code be addressed with the ow by the Mayor. If these issues are unresolved the building inspector will be consulted. This will be done within the next few days so the issue of the Liquor License can be dealt with within the 15 days." Yeas-4, Nays-0, Abstain-1 (Catallo). Motion carried.

Resolved by Sanderson, supported by Secatch, "That the Annual Permit for Work on State Highways be accepted." Roll: Yeas-5, Nays-0. Resolution passed.

Pappas indicated that he attended a meeting regarding the Clinton Oakland Interceptor System. Apparently Clarkston has purchased space within the system in excess of what it is currently using. There are other communities which are using in excess of their previously purchased capacity. Clarkston may have the option in the future to rent our additional capacity for an estimated

The letter from Gerald Fisher regarding consideration of \$1200 per year. support for legislative reform in recall, was referred to Ryan for an

The meeting scheduled for December 26, 1994 has been cancelled because of the holidays. The next meeting will be held on Monday, January 9, 1995 at

Moved by Arkwright, supported by Sanderson, "That the meeting be adjourned." Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 p.m. Jeanne Selander Miller

Clerk

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CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON 375 DEPOT ROAD CLARKSTON, MI 48346

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JEANNE SELANDER MILLER CITY CLERK

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The Independence Township Board of Appeals will meet Wednesday, January 4, 1995 at 7:30 p.m. at the Independence Township Annex Board Room, 90 North Main Street, Clarkston, MI 48346 to hear the following cases

Mark Biehl, Petitioner Case #95-0001

APPLICANT REQUESTS FRONT YARD SET-BACK VARIANCE OF 175" FOR ADDITION TO ATTACHED GARAGE Rockcroft Blvd., Lots 8 & 9, R-1A

08-33-376-003 Richard Dixon, Petitioner

Case #95-0002

APPLICANT REQUESTS REAR YARD SET-BACK VARIANCE OF 31'5" AND OVERSIZED BARN (TOTAL 1440 SQ FT) Oakhill Rd., R-1R

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Case #95-0003 BACK VARIANCE OF 10' FOR CONSTRUC-TION OF SUNROOM Cedar Bend Dr., Lot 46, R-1A

Lake Waldon Village 08-27-101-011

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN THAT THE ABOVE REQUESTS MAY BE EXAMINED at the Independence Township Building Department during regular hours each day, Monday through Friday, until the date of the public hearing. Respectfully submitted,

Joan E. McCrary Township Clerk Katherine A. Poole Clerical/Technical

In solemn stillness

BY EILEEN OXLEY Clarkston News Staff Writer

And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.

Luke 2:7, The Bible, King James Version

Sometimes when people are busy with shopping, wrapping and baking they forget the nativity. Many consider the birth of Jesus to be the real meaning behind Christmas.

Dan Martin of Clarkston Community Church of God is one of those people. That's why Martin, a young parishioner who attends Eastern Michigan University, suggested that the church present a live nativity to remind folks to keep the Christ in Christmas

"I listen to a lot of Christian stations. Over the holidays everything is so commercial. We need to remind ourselves why we're here," Martin said. He added that he got the idea from other churches around the country who hold the event.

Last year Martin worked with assistant pastor Bonnie Laudeman

to present a "drive-through nativity" near the beginning of the church's circle drive off Clarkston Road. It featured a real stable, manger and characters including Mary, Joseph, angels, shepherds and wise men. It was so appreciated that Martin and Laudeman decided to offer it annually.

Each year, Laudeman said, the church will try something new. This year real animals were an



THE NATIVITY as it might have looked thousands of years ago

addition as well as more costumes and music. Sheep and goats were donated from Bellairs Hillside Farm in Clarkston and a parishioner brought her horse. But getting the rest of the critters — donkeys and cows to further lend authenticity — wasn't so easy.

"We tried to get a cow from Cook's Farm Dairy but there's an \$8,000 liability if something happens. There are live nativity horror stories where pens break and people wind up chasing donkeys through subdivisions ... There goes Mary after a cow!" Laudeman laughed.

Both Martin and Laudeman, who are portraying shepherds, say the solemness of the setting is very inspiring. Though characters occasionally move—wise men bringing gifts to the Christ Child, for example—they seldom speak. But if people are

moved to leave their cars and come to the manger, players will talk to them in character.

"You feel like you're at it," Laudeman said.
Martin agreed.

"I got more out of Christmas last year than I ever have. It was real simple.

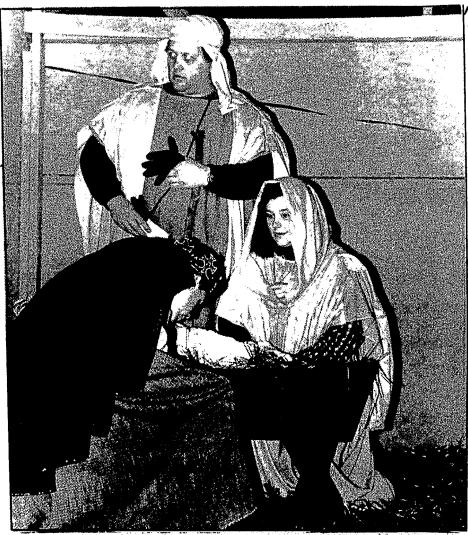
"One time last year when the wise men and shepherds stood out front, a family brought their little boy. He went back home and brought some cookies back for the Baby Jesus. It was real touching," he said.

The drive-through nativity at Clarkston Community Church of God opened Dec. 16 and 17. It continues Dec. 23 and 24 (Christmas Eve) from 6-8 p.m. at the church, located at 6300 Clarkston Road. Call (810) 625-1323 for more information.





DANMARTIN (above), an EMU student who initiated the event, portrays a shepherd. At left, shepherd Nancy Caruso and a horse stand quietly next to the stable.



WHAT CHILD IS THIS? Darin Banner as Joseph and Angle Shaul as Mary watch over Baby Jesus while wise man Ryan Shaul kneels. Banner, who is portraying Joseph for the second year in a row, said he really felt his role. "God was there to help out, but he wasn't the physical father. I stand there and think, 'How am I going to raise the Son of God?" Banner said.