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Township files second round of claims against brokerage firms

BY DARREL W. COLE
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Independence Township officials filed another claim against two brokers who "mised" them with bad investment advice.

The second round of the township's investment investigation came in the form of another arbitration claim. This claim, dated Dec. 28, 1994, has been filed against the brokerage company PaineWebber and its former salesmen Jeffrey D. Oetting and Craig L. Liebold. Independence Township says it was given bad advice when it invested in two derivative investments, based on collateralized mortgage obligations.

Those two investments cost a total of about \$618,000 and as of May 1994 they were worth about \$62,000, a 90 percent decrease. One of the investments first cost \$437,000 in 1990 and is now worth \$41,000, while the second investment cost \$180,000 and is now worth \$21,000.

The township's claim asks for \$650,000.

The township was required to file any disputes against PaineWebber with the American Arbitration Association, based in New York, due to a previous contract agreement. New York laws will apply to the arbitration claim.

The latest claim involving Oetting and Liebold is being filed for many of the same reasons a \$3.5 million arbitration claim was filed Nov. 23 against the two brokers and Westcap Securities.

Both claims state Oetting and Liebold committed fraud by misleading the township with bad investment advice. In the first claim, the township says Westcap and the salesmen knowingly lied to township treasurer John Lutz concerning four separate security investments that were made between September 1993 and March 1994.

Those four investments were worth \$5.331 million and as of May 1994 are worth \$2.193, a 59 percent loss.

The two investments named in the current suit were made between April and September 1990, while Oetting and Liebold were with PaineWebber. When the two salesmen left PaineWebber in October 1992 to join Westcap, the township transferred its account with them.

Oetting and Liebold were fired from Westcap in March 1994 and have been accused by other clients of giving bad investment advice.

The six total investments have decreased in value because they are dependent on interest rates, which have risen considerably in the past year.

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Snowboarders prepare to take to the slopes Friday at Pine Knob. At the time, it was the only place in Clarkston where there was snow. Mother Nature took care of the rest of town over the weekend.

No snow? No problem for Pine Knob

Resort was making snow,
offering skiing all month

BY ANNETTE KINGSBURY
Clarkston News Editor

Walking out onto Pine Knob Ski Resort Friday was a lot like stepping into another state—or at least another state's winter.

Though the streets of Clarkston were dry and brown, out on Pine Knob there was plenty of snow crunching underfoot. And skiers and snowboarders were taking advantage of the holiday week to get in some practice.

The first thing you noticed was the din of snow-making machines. Even from the parking lot they were loud. Pine Knob spokesperson Mary Dawson said they've had snow since the beginning of December, when a 16-inch base was put into place.

"We've had snow continuously since the first week of December," she said. "I try to explain it to people—it's like the pile of snow at the foot of your driveway that never goes away till April. We had a 16-inch base at the beginning of December and

we've had it ever since."

Dawson said the recent warm weather fooled people into thinking they couldn't ski. In reality Pine Knob can make snow whenever the weather hits 32 degrees or less. The only thing that stood in the way was the recent humid, foggy weather.

"It would be like shooting rain," Dawson said as huge round tubs blew snow into the air in the background. "You need clear skies and cold weather (to make snow)." Now that the unseasonably warm weather is thought to be over, Pine Knob will just keep making snow.

Dawson said December's warm weather has made for great skiing—"springlike conditions," in her words. Because so many people didn't know skiing was possible, "It's been quiet," she said.

Those conditions, and the quiet, appeared to be over Friday. The wind was blowing and it was plenty cold as a good number skiers of all ages took to the slopes. Some even had their faces covered as they headed out. Wind whipped the snow into a white, frothy mist as the lift made its way up the hill.

"Last year it was so bitter cold, the cold weather hurt us," Dawson said. "A lot of people don't know how to dress... You just have to work with Mother Nature."

The news in brief

Help sought in arson

Fire investigators are asking for help from the public in identifying two juveniles seen leaving a spot where a fire was discovered Dec. 19 on Sashabaw.

Sgt. Bob Gohl of the Oakland County Sheriff's fire investigation unit said two people in their mid-teens were seen in the area about one hour before the fire was discovered. Witnesses were unsure if they were both boys or one boy and one girl.

Arson is suspected because electricity was turned off at the shed which burned so there was no source of heat to start a fire. Besides the shed, a 25-foot trailer stored behind it also suffered some damage.

Rewards are available through the Michigan Arson Prevention Committee for information leading to the arsonist. Call Gohl at 858-5073 with information.

Man arraigned in assault on teen

Dennis Muha, 41, of Clarkston was arraigned in 52-2 District Court Dec. 27 for fourth-degree criminal sexual conduct on a minor.

According to the Oakland County Sheriff's Department, Muha is accused of giving alcohol to two minor girls he knew, getting them intoxicated, then inappropriately touching one of them. He was arrested by the Fugitive Apprehension Team the same day at his parents' home in Sterling Heights.

His preliminary exam has been scheduled for Jan. 5. He was ordered held in lieu of \$50,000 cash bond.

Icy roads cause

new year's headaches

Two drivers in Independence Township blamed icy roads for auto accidents on Jan. 1.

At about 3:50 a.m. an Orion Township man trying to enter I-75 at Ortonville Rd. said he slid off the icy ramp into the grass, and when he tried to get his car going again slid into the guard rail. The same day a Clarkston woman reported she lost control of her car on Dartmouth, hitting a mailbox.

The snow which began falling New Year's Eve appears to have been the only problem reported locally for the holiday. The Oakland County Sheriff's Independence substation reported no celebration-related incidents New Year's Eve.

Commodity Food distribution

The Oakland Livingston Human Service Agency will be distributing commodity food in Oakland County during January. Independence Township and Clarkston residents who are eligible may pick up the food at the Perry Food Stamp Center, 1887 N. Perry, Pontiac Jan. 3-6 between the hours of 9 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Anyone who is income eligible but not already registered may do so at the site by bringing Social Security cards for all household members, verification of household income and photo ID.

To find out whether you're eligible, call OLHSA at 858-5139.

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What! No Perry's?

Rite Aid buys out chain, expects few changes

BY EILEEN OXLEY
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Brenda Rollin has been a Perry's patron for as long as she can remember.

So Rollin, like many others, was surprised to hear last week that the Michigan-based chain had been sold to Rite Aid, a nationwide drug store giant.

"I've been to Perry's since I was a little girl. It's going to seem strange to not see the Perry Drug name. But that's progress ... My husband's happy — He's had Perry's stock. He's going to sell it," said Rollin, an Ortonville resident, who strolled the aisles at Clarkston's Perry Drug Store Monday.

'Industries are consolidating everywhere. It's a fact of life. I just wish I'd had some Perry stock.'

shopper Bruce Whitmer

Though Rollin said she hopes the small-town service will continue at the store located at 5789 Ortonville Road, most customers shopping the day after New Year's said they weren't too surprised or worried about the merger which was announced by Rite Aid Dec. 27.

"If the service stays and the people stay the same, I don't have any complaints," said Bob Steele of Waterford.

Bruce Whitmer of Independence Township agreed.

"Industries are consolidating everywhere. It's a fact of life. I just wish I'd had some Perry stock," he said.

Jim Gibbs, who has managed the Clarkston store for six months but previously managed others, said he and his employees aren't concerned about losing their jobs.

"We've already been assured that nothing will happen to us, just the higher-up people," Gibbs said Friday.

One of Gibb's clerks, Stacey Mattucci, who has been a Perry's employee for six years, transferred to the Clarkston store from corporate headquarters two-and-a-half years ago. Two of her sisters still work there and are worried about their jobs.

"I transferred from headquarters — Thank God!" said Mattucci as she waited on customers. She added that some patrons had expressed surprise and shock upon hearing of the sale.

Jerry Stone, chief financial officer at Perry's corporate headquarters in Waterford, said he didn't think all corporate employees would lose their jobs but there would be some reduction of staff.

"I don't think all of them will (lose their jobs). But there will be some redundancy at the central office," he said.

Stone said that Michigan's 225 Perry Drug stores would be swallowed up by the bigger corporation if the sale is finalized sometime this month. Rite Aid's \$132 million cash deal is contingent upon the sale of outstanding Perry stock. A cash tender offer to shareholders at \$11 a share was announced Dec. 29 by Lake Acquisition Corporation, a subsidiary of Rite Aid.

"They (shareholders) have till Jan. 27 to tender their stock. If the tender goes through then they (Rite Aid) will buy the company out," Stone said.

If 90 percent or more of the shares are offered, the deal will be closed, he added, but if less, between 51 and 89 percent, are offered, a shareholders' meeting will be needed to vote on the sale.

Wanda Patrick, public relations manager for Rite Aid in Camp Hill, Pennsylvania, said Friday that the agreement to acquire Perry's won't be official for a few weeks. But when it does, she added, folks should be pleased to see neither store set-up nor products change.

"The two chains are very comparable in terms of products and merchandise as well as square footage," Patrick said.

The merger agreement was made Dec. 23 between Rite Aid and Perry's founder Jack Robinson and his wife Aviva. Robinson, chief executive officer of Perry Drug Stores, opened Michigan's first store in 1957 on Perry Street in Pontiac.

Since then, Perry's has grown to 225 locations with 118 of them in the southeast portion of the state, Stone said. Rite Aid, founded in 1962, began in Pennsylvania and expanded into 23 states with 125 of them currently operating in Michigan. The Perry sale will bring Rite Aid's total to 350 in the state.

'The two chains are very comparable in terms of products ... and square footage.'

Rite Aid spokesperson Wanda Patrick

Some people say they will miss the chain, which has been a part of their lives forever.

Ron Hunt, co-owner of Olde Apothecary Antiques, a new shop in Clarkston, said he has fond memories of the first store.

"I knew Jack Robinson since I was 10 years old. When I played Little League Baseball, Perry Drugs was our sponsor. We played Arnold's Drugs for the championship," Hunt recalled, as he set up more antiques Friday. "Every Sunday we'd go there for a malt after church."



ORTONVILLE RESIDENT BRENDA ROLLIN grew up with Perry's. Though she says she'll miss the Perry name, she agrees that you can't stop progress.

Give up smoking for the new year

Do you dread taking down your Christmas tree, remembering how out of breath you got when you put it up? According to the American Lung Association, it doesn't have to be that way. Once you quit smoking, your breathing problems will dramatically decrease.

According to the ALA, the number of female smokers is rising. In Michigan, 25 percent of them continue to smoke during pregnancy. Ten percent of infant deaths each year are caused by smoking during pregnancy.

Women are more likely than men to try to quit smoking, but are less likely to remain off cigarettes, the ALA says.

"Quitting is hard to do, but it is worth it—for anyone, young or old, healthy or sick," says Jim Moore, director of program for the ALA of Michigan. "Smokers will quit one way or another, on their own or in an intensive care unit. It's easier to do it yourself. It's the best thing you can ever give up."

For more information about the benefits of quitting smoking or about smoking cessation programs, call the ALA at 1-800-LUNG-USA.

Wanted: zoning enforcement officer

BY DARREL W. COLE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

A fifty-fifty split between duties is not enough for Independence Township's zoning officer/building inspector.

Building Department Director Beverly McElmeel wants to hire a full-time zoning enforcement officer and building inspector. She said the township's growth has dramatically increased her department's activities in the past year.

Currently James Howard is the township's building inspector but about 50 percent of his job is also zoning enforcement.

"(Zoning) infractions come in the thousands each year from junk cars, signs, wetlands and others matters," McElmeel said. "We respond to all of them no matter what they are. We've also just issued permits for 264 apartments at Bridgewood. It all just shows the high performance and activity we have had."

"We really need a 40-hour week for the zoning officer position. With him giving 50/50 is not enough and we've been suffering through it since June."

On Dec. 20 the township board of trustees voted unanimously to give McElmeel the permission to advertise for the zoning ordinance officer position at a rate of \$11.11 per hour.

Once that position is filled, McElmeel will then request Howard be moved to full-time building inspector.

Treasurer John Lutz said the full-time zoning officer is needed because more ordinances need enforcement in the township.

"Our ordinances are only as strong as we enforce them," he said.

New enforcement options

Several months ago the state legislature amended state laws to allow municipalities to change many misdemeanor ordinance violations to civil infractions, just like a speeding ticket.

Currently misdemeanor violations require court dates because they are criminal procedures. Such procedures are also costly to a township because of legal fees. This change allows the township to simply write out a civil infraction ticket and collect the fees

for various ordinance violations.

Civil infractions are also easier to enforce and lessen the work load of a zoning enforcement officer.

Some communities such as Orion Township have already changed their ordinances to say ordinance violations are a civil infraction instead of a misdemeanor.

Independence Township attorney Gerald Fisher said he is currently working with a committee to determine the best way to make the changes.

Master plan revisions set to begin

The first steps in revising the Independence Township master plan have begun.

Two areas on the east and west sides of Sashabaw Road are to be rezoned for higher density developments, due to concerns of "piecemeal" development.

In the last few months the Sashabaw Corridor has been a topic of discussion amongst the township board and planning commission. Township planner Richard Carlisle said the corridor has the makings of another downtown and must be planned now before it is entirely developed.

On Dec. 20 the board accepted the recommendation from the planning commission to revise three areas of the Sashabaw Corridor.

In section 10, land adjacent to Independence Oaks County Park will be revised from rural residential to recreation/conservation land, and on the east and west sides of Sashabaw rural residential zoning will be changed to suburban farms residential (one unit per 1 1/2 acres).

In section 15, the east and west sides of Sashabaw, north of Clarkston Road, will be revised from

rural residential to suburban farm residential.

In following the planned revisions, the board also accepted the first reading of a rezoning request from Stulberg Northwestern Communities Inc, to change 40 acres of land from rural residential to suburban farms.

The land, located on the east side of Sashabaw, north of Clarkston, is also across from Sashabaw Creek Meadows. The new zoning would allow about 20 homes, or one home per two acres of land. The previous zoning allows one home on three-acre lots.

Carlisle approved the rezoning because he said it is compatible with surrounding land-use patterns. The board will consider final adoption of the rezoning at its meeting Jan. 13.

"There is a variation now in the density of land-use patterns and that leaves the potential for piecemeal development," said Carlisle. "We want to avoid that and the planning commission agrees that we need to provide more logical land use."

"These recommendations will provide an agenda for the planning commission for the master plan revisions coming up in 1995."



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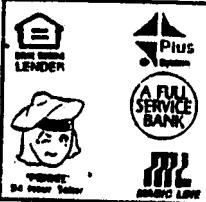
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Special attorney fees add up fast

BY DARREL W. COLE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Roger Timm's over 40 hours of special services have cost Independence Township \$10,000 since his hiring in August 1994, twice the estimate he originally gave.

The \$220-an-hour attorney from the firm of Dykema Gossett was hired to investigate the township's investment policy. At the time Timm was hired, he told board members his work would take between 10 and 20 hours to complete.

Board members approved the hiring with a ceiling of \$5,000 on the amount to be paid to the firm, according to minutes of the Aug. 3 meeting.

The township board of trustees discussed Timm's bill at the Dec. 20 meeting. While some board members were upset with the high cost, only clerk Joan McCrary voted no on approving the bill.

"I'm voting against this purchase order because it is almost triple what he ended up with," McCrary said. "Although he has reduced it, I will not vote a double payment either."

Timm's first bill to the township totaled \$13,000, but he reduced it to \$10,000, according to supervisor Dale Stuart.

Although Timm's fees are expensive, his firm is routinely hired for such complicated circumstances. Stuart said the board paid exactly what it asked for.

Timm was hired because immediate action was needed to ensure the township was safe from any of the investment losses. The six separate investments in question have decreased in value by as much as \$3.5 million. The township has used Timm's recommendations and expertise to file suit against two brokerage companies and two salesmen. Because of the initial financial concerns, Timm worked almost

exclusively on the case himself, rather than give much of the work to other less-expensive colleagues, according to Stuart. Many consultant firms dole out less important

tasks to less expensive colleagues, but Stuart said Timm is at the top of his field and needed to be involved.

"We had to get immediate response and action on this," said Stuart. "Mr. Timm did reduce his bill

Township files second claim against brokers

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The same derivative investments have caused financial woes for other public bodies throughout the nation. Orange County, California, the third richest county in the nation, recently filed for bankruptcy because of heavy investment losses in the derivatives market.

Independence Township officials say the decrease in investments will not affect the township's financial status.

These two claims are the result of several months of investigation by specially hired attorney Roger Timm. When asked if this is the last of the lawsuits/arbitration claims the township will file, township supervisor Dale Stuart said, "I'm not going to answer that because almost anything I say could be a tip to someone else."

but he was not required to do so. The rest of the costs are in areas we needed him to pursue for us.

"We have what we asked for and I think we have been fairly charged."

McCrary said she understands the work had to be done quickly and by Timm personally, but wants all firms hired by the township to be more aware of the cost estimates they originally submit. She said many times the board is quoted a price and ends up spending more than the approved amount.

Dunaskiss gets

committee appointments

State Senator Mat Dunaskiss (R., Lake Orion) whose new district includes Clarkston and Independence Township, learned last week that he will continue to chair the Senate Technology and Energy Committee.

In addition, Dunaskiss will serve as vice chair of the Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs Committee and the Local, Urban and State Affairs Committee.

Dunaskiss said the Technology and Energy Committee will introduce a package of legislation promoting alternative fuels as a new energy source.

As the only senator from Oakland County on the Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs Committee, "I will continue to work hard to protect the interests of Oakland County residents on issues related to landfills, access sites and the safety and cleanliness of our lakes," Dunaskiss said.



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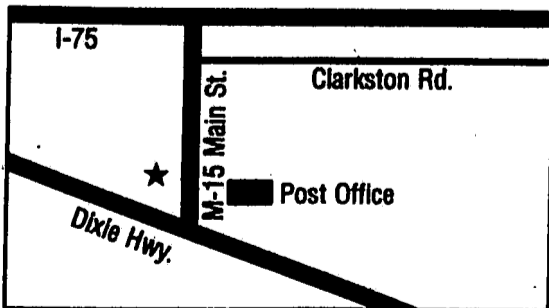
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Ei-liners

By Eileen Oxley

Ode to Perry's



Sometimes we take things for granted. That includes stores. We think the happy little face of Farmer Jack will be around forever. Does anyone remember Arnold's or Chatham?

So, maybe you felt the same way — the day the drug store died.

Perry's.

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How about PERRY'S microwave popcorn? Where else, I ask, can you buy only one package if you have a popcorn attack!

I remember my boyfriend Daniel buying me a big plastic container of PERRY'S fragrant Strawberry Foaming Bath Oil during our relationship's infancy.

It became a tradition. Sometimes he would surprise me with aloe vera or coconut, but my favorite was the strawberry because the scent lasted so long. One Sweetest Day Danny gave me a little bag of goodies he labeled "The PERRY Pack" which, among the bath oil, contained other PERRY-brand sundries.

Now we won't be able to continue that tradition.

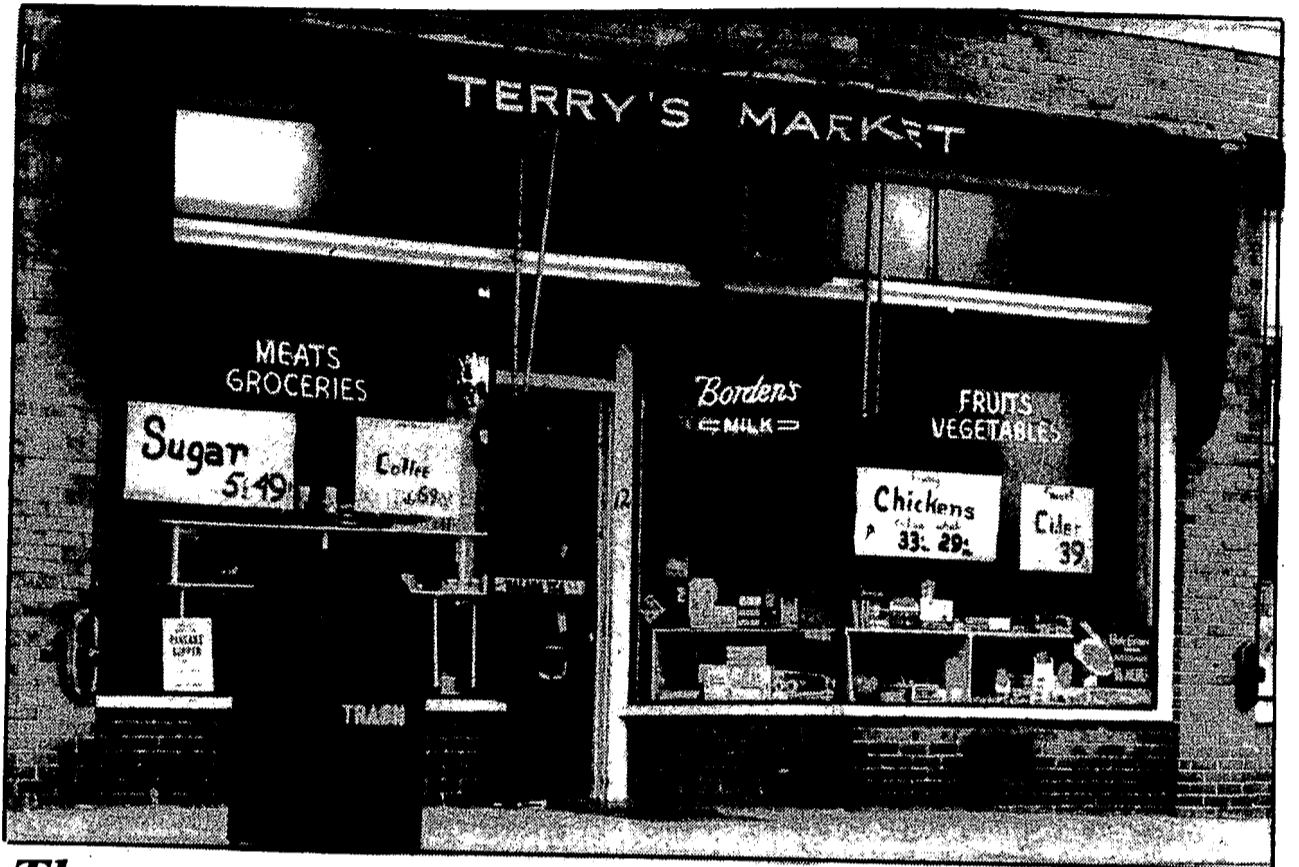
And what about that name, "Rite Aid." I've always detested anything spelled cutesy like "Kuddly Kittys" or any of those "-ite" instead of "-ight" spellings.

Sorry, but a shudder runs up and down my spine if I see "Diet Delite (another black mark if "de" becomes "dee" such as in "Diet Dee-lite"), "Nite Lite," "Sun Brite," etc. How would a macho football player like to be called a "tite end." Yech!

It would make more sense — and lend more credibility — if they called it "RIGHT Aid." In my opinion, the spelling "rite" is reserved for such things as fertility rites, last rites or Stravinsky's "Rite of Spring." Not drug store chains, please.

Besides PERRY'S rolls off the tongue better.

And how can I ever get used to a "Rite Aid Pack?"



The way we were . . .

Terry's Market once held down the spot now occupied by Coaches' Corner on Main St. in downtown Clarkston. This photo is courtesy Norma Goyette, whose family once owned the store. The date is uncertain.



Jim's Jottings

By Jim Sherman

Goodness, gracious, we made it to '95

Don't-you love starting a new year?

It gives me the sense that I've gotten over something, that I've moved ahead, that I can forget about the things I failed to get done the year before and I can start a new list.

Of course, the new list for 1995 will look a lot like the list I could have made at the beginning of 1994. Topping the list will be that I'll do more fishing.

We live on a canal that leads to at least five lakes. More than that if we use our row boat to get through a big tube under Harwood Drive.

Besides that row boat we have a pontoon boat and a 16-foot runabout. So, it isn't for lack of transportation or lake availability that I have fished these lakes only a dozen times in 20 years.

Too, I love fishing. I fly fish, use both reel and spin tackle, I have four ice fishing poles and an auger, I have three tackle boxes with lures to attract everything from big jack salmon (which I've never caught) to sunfish (which I've seldom caught.)

I'm a fish lure junky. For Christmas I added the new Euro-floats to my arsenal. I'm ready to go fishing. Now!

So, will I go fishing more in 1995 than 1994? Probably not. My reasons for not getting to fishing are the same as your reasons for not doing one of your favorite non-work activities.

We have too many demands (I call fishing, golf, partying, etc demands) on our time. I mentioned golf, which I take more time to do that I do for fishing, but it's still less than I want to. Other things take priority.

And, I think I just figured out this priority thing.

Fact is, many things have equal priority. Whether it's gardening, mowing the lawn, fishing, golfing, traveling, hunting, reading or watching the tube . . . I love 'em all. They all have priority for my time, it's just that the calendar and weather factors often dominate. They dictate priorities.

I don't have to explain it all to you. You know that when the grass is a certain height you shouldn't be out there arguing handicaps on the golf course or testing a 4-pound test line on an 8-pound pike.

So, we start the new year with renewed hope for having more time for my prioritized things and thankful that we don't have more . . . thankful that we've gone past baseball, basketball, tennis, sledding, ice skating and other things that were a priority in their time.

I guess I better get my snowmobiles ready. One thing for sure, they will certainly have priority over lawn mowing come February.

Ask a CPA

The answers to your state and federal tax questions are only a phone call away!

The Michigan Association of CPAs is sponsoring "Ask-a-CPA" call-in days, an annual program which extends free tax advice from CPAs.

On Saturday, Feb. 11 or March 25 from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. taxpayers may call (810) 855-2288. On Feb. 25 call (616) 771-6680 or (616) 771-6678.

A look back

15 YEARS AGO (1980)

Few residents seem to care about \$120,000 budgeted by the Independence Township Board for Community Development funds in 1980. The first public hearing is held Dec. 18 and attended by one lone group. Joseph Figa, chairperson of the Independence Township Safety Path Committee, requests money for eight-foot-wide paths with construction costs averaging \$40,000-60,000 per mile. Figa says that CD funds lighten or eliminate the burden on local taxpayers.

The Michigan Department of Natural Resources cautions ice fishermen, ice skaters and other sportsmen about unseasonably warm temperatures which have prevented lakes from freezing. Though lakes appear to be solid, they may be dangerous. A DNR spokesperson says a park or local law enforcement official should be contacted if there is any question about safety.

25 YEARS AGO (1970)

Bob Osgood, Oakland County Road Commission engineer, says two new traffic signal lights will be installed this month at Maybee and Sashabaw. The two lights are a safety feature because when both are working there is a better chance they will be seen and one will continue to operate should the other go out.

Bill Rutherford and Lewis Jewell, members of the township citizen recreation board, have met with township and village officials about public skating on the Mill Pond. The men say they have been given the go-ahead to put in an ice rink. Insurance has been obtained for covering the township against liability.

Clarkston high-schoolers will star on WWJ-TV's "High School Bowl" Saturday, Jan. 10 at 1 p.m. The weekly program is patterned after NBC's popular "College Bowl" and matches two teams of scholars from Detroit-area schools, quizzing them on current events. Debbie Davis, Jody Hawke, Dave Lehman, Dick Ruelle and Sue Griffiths will face

students from Centerline High School.

50 YEARS AGO (1945)

The Clarkston's Women's Volunteer Corps receives credit for putting war bond sales over the top in this district during the 6th War Loan drive. Of the \$41,850 E Bonds sold the women sell \$35,700 worth. Members of the Volunteer Corps say it takes more and more money to equip our fighting men.

A combination parent-teacher meeting and Christmas Program at the Bailey Lake School Dec. 22 results in 100-percent attendance of parents and others in the community. A play written and directed by Nora B. Cornell consists of four acts covering the Nativity, Christmas in War-Torn Europe, the American church's endeavor to bring peace again on earth and showing gratitude for the Nativity in the American home.

Specials at the Village Market this week included Kellogg's Corn Flakes, two packages for 15 cents; Birdseye Green Beans, a package for 21 cents; and tissue, four rolls for 15 cents.

60 YEARS AGO (1935)

A local group of residents celebrate New Year's Eve with an old-fashioned sleigh ride along snowy country roads in the night air. Following the outing, the group enjoys a lunch and bridge game at the Huttenlocher home.

An annual reunion is held New Year's Day at the George Miller home. Snow banks greet guests as they reach the corner of Orion Road and the road leading to the Miller farm. Because of the impass, horses and sleigh make several trips to transport visitors from the highway to the house where they enjoy a turkey dinner, games, music and fellowship.

The Holly Theatre offers Mae West and Roger Pryor in "Belle of the Nineties," Warren William and Mary Astor in "The Case of the Howling Dog," Warner Baxter and Conchita Montenegro in "Hell in the Heaven" and Greta Garbo and Herbert Marshall in "The Painted Veil."

Don't Rush Me

By Don Rush

Good rulers will always be obeyed, but . . .



It makes me want to spit.

The "it" is America's favorite unelected, bureaucratic agency -- Internal Revenue Service. I get so mad when I think of the IRS that I walk in circles, accomplishing nothing. Much like the dog who chases its tail.

It's bad enough that citizens of this country have to work from Jan. 1 until sometime in May to pay all of the taxes imposed by the federal, state and local governments. It's worse when you put things into some sort of perspective.

Put it this way: me, you -- all working folks -- work almost half of our lives not for ourselves or family, but for the government. And we all thought slavery was unconstitutional. We're taught that to take away from somebody what is not yours, is stealing, and that stealing is wrong.

Yet the government takes away -- excuse me, steals -- nearly half of what is ours to support its ever-growing waistline.

And, if you don't pay they take away your property and your freedoms. They'll garnish your wages more, they'll electronically get into your private bank accounts . . . they'll do what it takes to get what you owe them.

The IRS spends lots of time collecting money. They'll level their intimidating arm of the law at you years later to collect a measly \$400.

Then you read in the daily newspapers (this week, I might add) that the U.S. Government is going to bail out the Mexican peso. The U.S. Government generously will help stabilize the peso to the tune of \$9 billion. Half the money to come from the U.S. Treasury, half from the IRS -- all of it from taxpayers'

pockets.

And, when will that loan be paid off? Will it ever be paid off? How many times have you heard the U.S. Government absolving a foreign country's billion dollar debt to us . . . once was too much.

But, they'll be damned sure to get every penny owed them by the citizenry.

What is wrong with this picture? The folks in Washington D.C. wonder why the American public is so skeptical. All they need to do is open their eyes.

Robert E. Shalhope wrote a book in 1990 called "The Roots of Democracy: American Thought and Culture, 1760-1800." In this book he writes of John Locke (1632-1704), a man whose writings helped shape the thoughts of men during the period preceding the Revolutionary War. Here's a bit of what Shalhope writes of Locke:

"He claimed that men, living in a state of nature, contracted to form governments in order to protect their natural rights of life, liberty, and property. If government broke that contract, if it threatened the natural rights that were its sole purpose to protect -- for example, taking a person's property without consent -- then the people had every right to reassess their action in creating that government. This might, as a last resort, lead to rebellion. While Locke admitted that rebellion was a dangerous undertaking, its opposite, slavery for the people, was far worse."

Other Lockean ideas: "Good Laws and good Rulers will always be obey'd and respected."

And, "Mobs and Tumults never happen but thru' Oppression and a scandalous Abuse of Power." See what happens when I get mad . . .

If it Fitz

By Jim Fitzgerald



Clock was ticking for flawed Intel chip

The first news article I read about defective Pentium computer chips quoted the manufacturer, Intel Corp., as claiming the flaw was minor "and would affect the average user only once every 27,000 years."

Yes, but you never know when the flaw might kick in, which means that for as long as 26,000 years, 11 months and 30 days, you could be constantly worrying about which day it was going to happen.

Several owners of Pentium-chip computers sued Intel, whose spokesman, John Thompson, at first said the lawsuits were "without merit." Thompson's attitude, apparently, was that on average the flaw would occur midway through the designated trial period, which would give the average user 13,000 years of worry-free computing.

Which certainly should be long enough for all except the most melancholy computer users, who might well need therapy more than they need a forever-perfect chip.

For several days, as the excitement mounted, Intel refused to recall the questionable chips, and instead offered replacements only to customers who could prove they needed them. But obviously that cost-cutting strategy would make economic sense for only 27,000 years, by which time all the flawed chips would have been discovered anyway.

So, last week, Intel apparently decided that waiting for the inevitable would needlessly strain customer relations for 27,000 years. Intel Chairman Andrew Grove announced that all defective Pentium chips would be replaced free for every customer who didn't want to worry for 27,000 years.

Although continuing to insist that the flaw was "an extremely minor problem," Grove apologized to angry customers. "We were telling them what's good for them," Grove said. "I think we insulted them."

I'm typing these words on an AT&T computer that may or may not contain Pentium chips. I have no idea. Truthfully, until all this publicity, I'd never heard of Pentium chips. I almost didn't read the first article because the headline said Pentium chips were flawed and I wasn't worried because I eat only the Better Made brand.

For people my age, it has become fashionable to admit we are computer stupid. We chuckle and say our grandchildren take E-mail for granted, but we're still perplexed by air mail. The truth is we're happy in our ignorance and content to remain that way, probably for the same reason we still play Glenn Miller records.

A CD is a certificate of deposit, and the interest is shooting up, right?

However, I did study the Pentium situation enough to understand that the flaw involves long division. Once every 27,000 years, your computer could tell you that 4 goes into 8 three times.

And an attorney, who represents an electronic firm suing Intel, said the division errors may be so subtle it could take a long time to detect them. Longer than 27,000 years?

I grew up believing there was nothing less subtle than arithmetic; 2 into 10 was 5, and that was it. No chance for the answer to be 4 or 6. But now I must believe that a computer chip -- containing much more information than my head does -- can make a mistake in arithmetic so obscure that it might take thousands of years to notice it.

If I am right now using a possibly flawed Pentium chip, I am indeed insulted by Chairman Grove's implication that I might want to test it for 27,000 years before complaining. I have better things to do.

To improve public relations, corporations should talk straighter to the public. When 900 employees are fired, it's called downsizing. If they are hired back sometime in the next 27,000 years, will it be called upsizing?

Corrections

● An "Around Town" listing in the Dec. 21 edition gave an incorrect date. The Davisburg fish fry is scheduled for Saturday, Jan. 14, not Jan. 15.

CHS life by Don Downey

Wanted: A new high school

Before I begin, I would like to address the handful of people who have approached me asking why my articles don't strictly concern "student life," as the heading implies.

The reason is simple. If I never went beyond the scope of Clarkston High School in my articles, I would eventually milk every topic until I began writing about things like the fact that the chicken patty is the main hot lunch item on Mondays. In order to avoid this end, I write about anything I feel appropriate. Besides, if the chicken patty was something of burning interest, chances are it would have its own separate article in this newspaper.

I fall directly on top of the height bell curve. This fact probably doesn't mean much to the board of education, but as I walk down the halls at school, this means that I spend half my time dodging people and the other half being dodged. When I walk to lunch with my friend Jessica, we have an agreement that I walk along the wall of the hall and she walks more towards the middle. This arrangement was set up because when I walk near the oncoming traffic, I drift towards the wall in order to avoid a collision, and I slam my friend into the lockers.

The reason behind this claustrophobic mess is: a) Clarkston High School contains several hundred pushy snobs who feel they can invade anyone's walking space anytime they please; b) this is just

Don's personal problem which should be treated with shock therapy; or c) Clarkston High is too small for 1,700 students.

If you guessed a or b, you are certainly entitled to your opinion, but you missed my point. Clarkston High School is too small for its population and the problem is going to get much worse. I was pleased to learn that the school board has returned the issue of building a new high school to the front and center where it belongs.

I graduate in a year and a half, so I wouldn't attend the new CHS even if a millage were passed tomorrow. Nonetheless, I would like to see a new high school built for the sake of the thousands of future students who will otherwise be doomed to outrageous class sizes and extra-curricular activity cuts.

With more and more people moving into the Clarkston area to give their children a chance to attend a good public school system, the schools themselves will be strangled under the weight of their own popularity.

Clarkston High School needs to be replaced, and anyone who doesn't think so hasn't braved its halls during a change of classes recently. The children of Clarkston deserve a comfortable, safe place to learn. School board and voters, please take note.



Your finances

James B. Kruzan, CFP

Packrats beware

There's an old saying that "the devil's in the details." Many people with carefully constructed financial plans have watched their plans come unraveled because they fail to keep the records they need to meet Internal Revenue Service rules.

Good record keeping may be as appealing as visiting the dentist, but organizing your records systematically and early will save time and energy as well as aggravation. Adopting investment and tax strategies within your financial plan can prove ultimately futile if you are unable to document and substantiate your methods to the IRS.

Good sense advocates holding onto records the IRS deems important and discarding those that no longer are necessary. Unfortunately, the IRS offers very few specifics. Rather, they insist on "sufficient documentation" and a policy of "adequacy and accuracy." However, they do "strongly advise" you to hold onto W-2 forms, 1099 forms, stock brokerage statements and tax returns from prior years. IRS guidelines generally correspond to the statute of limitations for return filing. Thus, assuming legitimate returns are filed, these records should be kept for at least 3 years from the date the return is filed.

Well-organized records may allow you to maximize your miscellaneous deductions (which include fees for tax advice, investment management and employee business expenses) and exceed the 2 percent of adjusted gross income floor for miscellaneous deductions. Aside from helping you to recall and itemize these deductions, keeping receipts, canceled checks and other records may be necessary to verify those items reported and answer IRS skepticism.

Other records to be kept include receipts for all medical and dental expenses, canceled checks, insurance reimbursement, direct payment and premium payments records. Logs for business use of a car,

home computer and certain other business tools are also important.

Copies of state and local tax returns, real-estate tax statements, and canceled checks paying these taxes should be kept if a deduction for these taxes is taken. With the stricter reporting requirements and documentation necessary for charitable contributions (that now includes a special receipt from the charity for gifts over \$50), it is also necessary to retain receipts as well as descriptions of non-cash property donated to charities.

For the home mortgage interest deduction, bank statements, bank notes and canceled checks should be retained. Other significant records to be held onto would include partnership, trust and S Corporation Schedule K-1s, records of transactions by your account executive, and closing statements from the sale of your home.

Keeping good records will help you, your tax preparer and your financial planner better serve your needs, save you money and help you meet your financial goals. Stuffing everything in a shoe-box is tempting; but, remember, the details are in that box and that's where the devil can be found. Your financial planner and tax advisor can help you get your records in order.

James Kruzan is a certified financial planner with Investment Management & Research, Inc. of Clarkston.

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People poll

By Eileen Oxley

What did you think of the mild weather during Christmas?

EVELYN LINDSEY, DALESFORD, TROY: I wish there'd have been snow for the holidays.



MARK SCHALLER, MANITOU, LAKE ORION: I liked it during work. I work outside construction, so it's great. But I got a snowmobile for Christmas so I'd like to see some snow.



KRIS BOIKE, WHITE PINE, CLARKSTON: I just thought it was great. It was easy to get around. All my family's down in Detroit, so for me to travel back and forth was no problem.



JESS LOPEZ, INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP: Actually I liked it. I like skiing, but don't ski in Michigan. But there's nothing like a white Christmas — two days and then it can go away.



MARGIE DILLUVIO, ROCHESTER HILLS: I miss the winter weather. I missed the snow for Christmas.



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Life's a never-ending story for spunky senior

City manager's secretary retires

BY EILEEN OXLEY
Clarkston News Staff Writer

While some seniors feel they've earned the right to take it easy, Lillian Bauer, like the Energizer rabbit, keeps going and going.

The Clarkston resident, who will be 86 this June, has been City Manager Art Pappas' right-hand woman — or secretary — for the past seven years though she began work for the village 14 years ago. Although she hung the city phone up for the last time Dec. 30, she says she'll continue to keep busy, which includes playing more bridge.

"When I announced I was resigning Art said, 'She won't quit. She'll keep on going. She's not the type to sit down' — and I'm not," the spry senior said with a chuckle. "I still do my own housework and bake, I love crossword puzzles — I'm a nut at crossword puzzles — I love to read. I'm a very independent person."

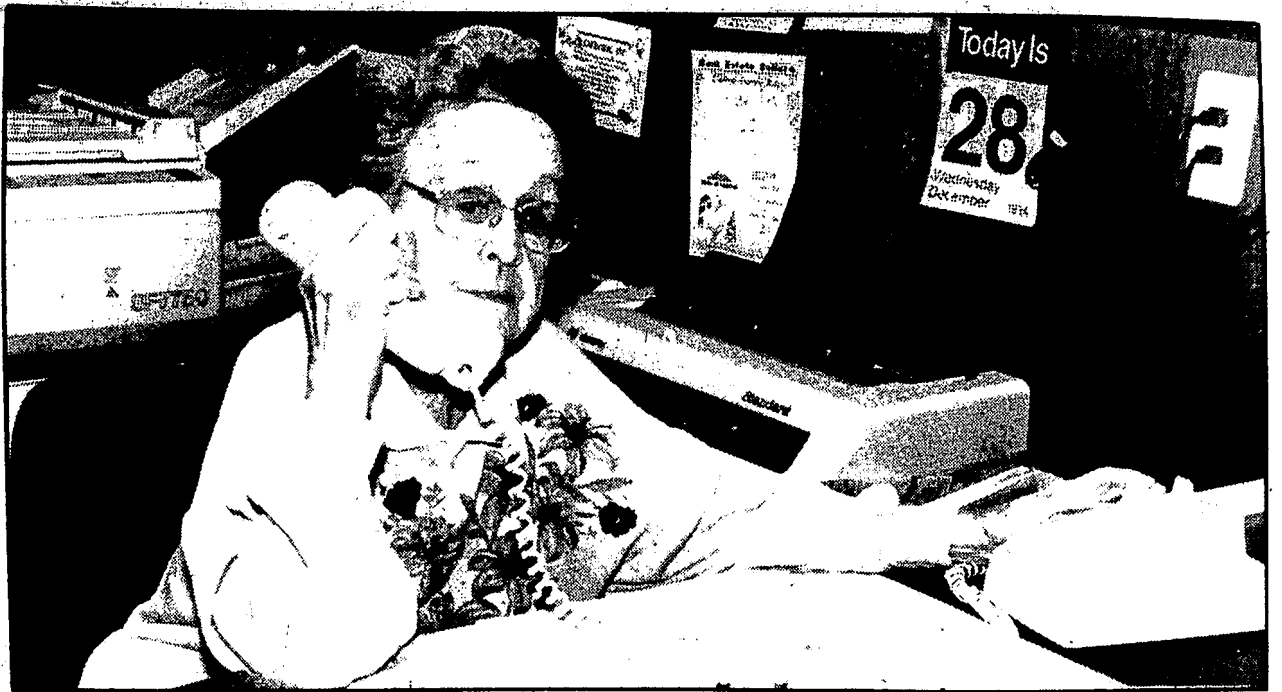
Pappas said Bauer has been an invaluable source in helping him run the city office.

"She knows the community. She lived in the village for a great many years. She knows people's names and it sure helps," he said. "We're going to miss her. She's been with us for a long time. For any age she's real sharp," he said.

During her years with both the Village and now the City of Clarkston, Pappas said Bauer "kept a lot of stuff off my back."

"She does bookings for the gazebo, sets up ZBA meetings, answers a lot of general questions when people call. She could look up people's taxes on pieces of property and does typing jobs for the DPW, work logs. She also has done a lot with elections, like sending out absentee voter ballots," he said.

As a young wife who moved with her husband Harold to Clarkston during the Depression, Bauer remembers when times were hard.



LILLIAN BAUER, a Clarkston village and city secretary for 14 years, put in her last

work day Dec. 30. The perky 86-year-old says she'll devote more time to her bridge club.

"We had a little money in the bank and we used to get \$10 a week out of the bank account," she said. Her husband, who died 10 years ago, was a schoolteacher and coach who later went into business. The couple had two children, Shirley, who is married to Independence Township fire chief Gar Wilson, and Sally, who lives in Massachusetts.

"We had several people in Clarkston who were characters, if you know what I mean. They were known for their peculiarities. But families still live here, so I don't think I should say anything," she laughed.

However Bauer did mention two favorites, Rudolph Schwarze of Rudy's Market and George Elliot, a janitor for the old Clarkston United Methodist Church which is now Mayor Sharron Catallo's home.

"Rudy was a good scout. Whenever you wanted anything Rudy was always there. At times he would cook for our church suppers ... He would cook turkeys in that little dinky room back there. He was always giving the children candy.

"George was a gentleman from Holcomb Street. When I worked in the church office, George came in one day and wanted to know if I would like some raspberries. I said, 'I'll take three quarts.' He said, 'Now you owe me so much money,' " she laughed. "That was George, you know."

In addition, Bauer spoke of Pappas with great affection.

"He is another wonderful man and I enjoyed working for him. He knows I enjoy a good joke and we've had some good laughs," she said. "He's a very kind person. Being the age I am I know sometimes I've probably aggravated him, but he's been good to me."

Bauer said she fell into the part-time position when her son-in-law Wilson, who was then head of the DPW, needed someone to do bookkeeping.

"The reason I came on was when my husband had Alzheimer's," she said. "My family thought it would be good for me." When Wilson went to the

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'When you give up, you know you're sunk.'

Lillian Bauer

As a resident of Clarkston for 60 years, Bauer has seen a lot of things come and go.

"Clarkston has completely changed. There are many things I agree with and many things I don't agree with. I didn't agree with cityhood. I guess I'm just old-fashioned and like the small-town atmosphere," she said.

She remembers several big fires, particularly one that destroyed the Caribou Inn, a hotel formerly located in the parking lot next to Mill Pond.

"At that time we rented the north end of the house on Main Street with the big pillars. I remember we got out our hoses and hosed down all the roofs," she said.

Bauer also said she's known some "real characters" in Clarkston.

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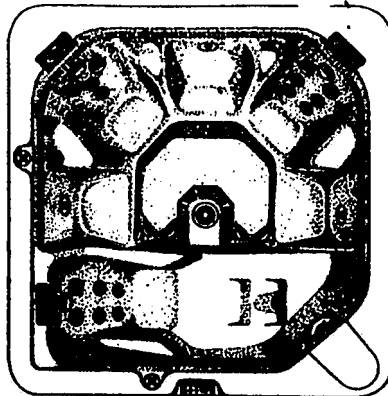
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Bauer

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fire department, Bauer was asked to stay.

But after 14 years, she said it's time to move on. Now she'll have more time for those bridge games and visits with friends. She plans to look for some volunteer work to fill in the gaps. And then there are those six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren ...

Bauer admits she will miss the contacts.

"I love people and I like to be around people. A lot of the older persons in Clarkston know me and my

family and children. They stop in and reminisce," she said.

As one who fielded many phone calls, Bauer said some were difficult, such as people who became irate when she tried to convince them they needed to call the township, not the city.

"One thing you have to do is take everybody and smile about it," she said. She says she remembers "losing it" only once.

"One sidewalk downtown needed fixing. I said I would give the problem to the DPW. The lady was yelling so loud a reporter who was sitting in the office could hear every word. I said, 'You don't have to scream. I'm not hard of hearing.' I finally said, 'I'll take care of it' and hung up ...

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"That was the only time I ever hung up on anybody," said the soft-spoken senior. "I said, 'I'm so sorry and ashamed,' but the reporter said, 'I don't blame you,'" she laughed.

Daughter Shirley, who owns The Parsonage on Main Street, says Bauer told her she might help with the shop's bookkeeping.

"She said, 'Now that I'm not working for the city I can work for you,'" Shirley said. "She's keeping very busy. I wish I had her energy."

Bauer says she has a motto her loved ones, Shirley and Gar, tease her with.

"I always say, 'I'm all right, I can do it by myself.' When you give up, you know you're sunk," she said with a smile.

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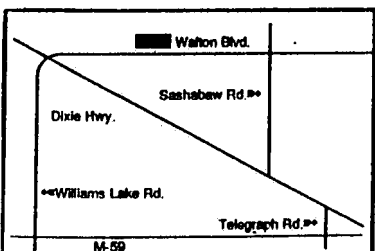
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Milestones



Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Calmes

Knott-Calmes wed in Oklahoma

Stephen and Karen (Knott) Calmes were married Dec. 30, 1994 at the First Baptist Church of Shawnee, Oklahoma.

A reception followed in the church reception hall.

An additional reception will be held Jan. 14, 1995 from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Packard Road Baptist Church in Ann Arbor for area friends and relatives.

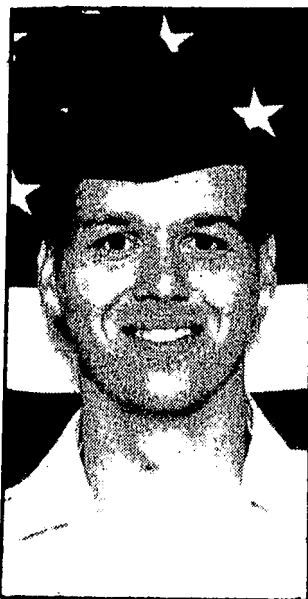
The bride graduated from Clarkston High School and is a 1990 graduate of Eastern Michigan University where she earned a bachelor's in communication. She will graduate this month with a bachelor's in science from Wayne State University. She is the daughter of Earl and Shirley Knott of Waterford.

The groom expects to earn a bachelor of arts degree in management from Eastern Michigan University in 1995. His parents are Paul and Barbara Calmes of Shawnee.

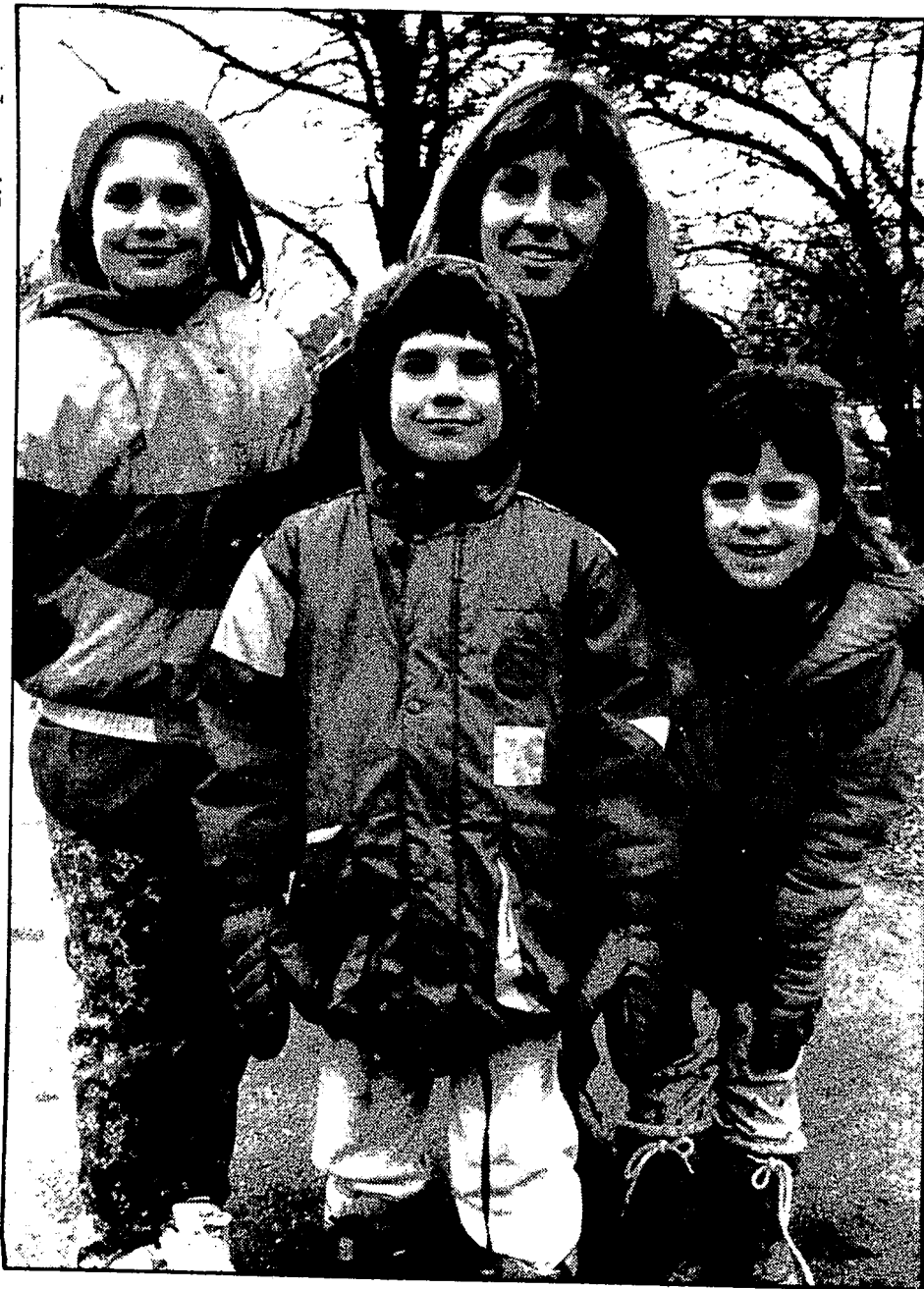
The couple reside in Ann Arbor.

In service

Airman Daniel J. Wittbordt has graduated from Air Force Basic Training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas. During the six weeks of training he studied the Air Force mission, organization and customs and received special training in human relations. A 1994 graduate of Clarkston High School, he is the son of Fredrick Wittbordt of Chesterfield and Patty Wittbordt of



Waterford.



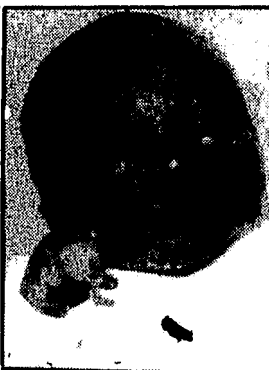
We want snow!

Peg Roth and her children Tara, Jordan and Chelsey had mixed feelings about the mild weather over the holidays. "I thought it was wonderful," Roth admitted. "But the kids got sleds for Christmas. They've been very disappointed about no snow," she said last week, before winter finally arrived, "but now we're ready!"



New arrival

Randy and Shelley Harless of Clarkston announce a new baby boy, Jacob Allan Harless, born Nov. 27, 1994. The baby weighed 8 lb. 7 oz. and was 21 in. long. He has a 2-year-old sister, Samantha. Grandparents are Sandy Weaver of Clarkston, Manford and Frances Harless of Clarston and Mickey and Debby Weaver of Auburn Hills. Great-grandparents are Fred and Pat Eldridge of Troy.



Kline-Deneen

Robert and Elizabeth Kline of Clarkston announce the engagement of their daughter, Robbin Lee, to Michael J. Deneen, son of Carl and Claudia Bigelow in Waterford. The bride-to-be graduated from Baker College and is employed as a secretary at Long Manufacturing in Rochester Hills. The prospective groom is pursuing a business degree at Baker College and works as a construction inspector for the Oakland County Drain Commission. He is a member of Multi-Lakes Conservation Association. A May 1995 wedding at Clarkston United Methodist Church is being planned.

New grad

Theodore J. Herr graduated cum laude from Wayne State University Dec. 15, 1994. Mr. Herr received a bachelor's degree in interdisciplinary studies at a ceremony held at Cobo Hall in Detroit.



At school

● Michael Thomas St. Charles Jr. graduated with honors from Oakland University in December, 1994 with a BS in nursing and has enlisted in the US Marine Corps. After recruit training and officer training he will specialize in flight nursing aboard a search and rescue helicopter. The 1988 Clarkston High School graduate plans to be a pilot sometime during his military career. He is the son of Nancy and Michael St. Charles of Independence Tow

Olde Apothecary -- a new face in Clarkston

BY EILEEN OXLEY
Clarkston News Staff Writer

New store owner Sue Gahan says she hopes Olde Apothecary Antiques will become yet another comfy stop for folks browsing along Main Street.

"We're all going to help each other. When people come to downtown Clarkston, they don't do just one thing," said Gahan, as she arranged some new items in her store Friday. "They go to Rudy's, they go have coffee and doughnuts at the (Village) Coffee Shop ..."

"We plan to offer specials and discounts like 'midnight madness' and bring 'em back into town," her partner Ron Hunt added.

Gahan and Hunt, who opened their new business in the former Hallman's Apothecary Pharmacy Tuesday, say they feel right at home. The two plus Gahan's husband Tom leased the building from owners Maggie and Richard McKenney in November.

Hunt had been in the antique business for about two years although he admits to collecting things for years. Prior to this new business venture he had a booth at the Great Midwestern Antique Emporium on Dixie which features 50 dealers.

But when Hunt saw the Hallman's building was available a light bulb went off.

"I said, 'You know, this would be a great place for an antique mall.' Tom and I looked at each other and said, 'Let's do it!' We were lucky to meet with Maggie and she was thrilled, everyone was," he said.

Because there was no use change from the former pharmacy which was grandfathered into Clarkston's zoning ordinance, Hunt and the Gahans didn't have to meet with the zoning board of appeals.

"We didn't do anything structural, just cleaned it up. It needed a lot of cleaning," Hunt said. The three also painted and laid new carpeting.

Hunt, an independent contractor, decided to move his plumbing business to the back of the building which housed the pharmacy area.

"That would help to defray some of the costs," he explained.

The new mall has room for 18 exhibitors. Presently there are 10 booths and eight showcases featuring everything from antique and "primitive" furniture like cradles to jewelry, glassware, lamps, quilts and old advertising like tobacco tins.

Area exhibitors include Shirley Wilson from The Parsonage, Judy McConnell, Wade and Rosemary Bartenbaker and Rick and John Jackson, who own Hidden Treasures, an antique refinishing busi-



NEW EXHIBITORS AT OLDE APOTHECARY ANTIQUES are, left to right: Mary Linseman and leasing agents Ron Hunt and Sue Gahan.

ness in Rochester. Hunt and Tom Gahan merged their wares into a joint business they call G & H Antiques.

"A wide variety of quality antiques — we don't allow any flea-market stuff," Hunt said and added that he's not concerned about parking problems.

"It's not like they (customers) will be sitting down for an hour."

Gahan, who, with her mother Mary Linseman owns Pour Mary's Antiques, is pleased with her new booth. Gahan remarked that the old Pour Mary's, located on E. Washington off Main Street, was hard to spot.

"From Pour Mary's side of it, people say we never knew you were here. They couldn't find us, not being on the main strip. This is better exposure," she said.

Hunt agreed.

"I like being in downtown Clarkston. Everybody's friendly," he said. He pointed to another familiar fixture that will greet customers — a fluffy gray feline named Skinny who Hunt hopes will become a true shop cat.

"As long as she stays off of stuff I don't care. I brought her to be a mouser — No mice so far!" he laughed.

Olde Apothecary Antiques, located at 4 S. Main, is open from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sundays. A grand opening is planned within the next two weeks. The store's phone number is (810) 625-6716.

Financial aid night

On Wednesday, Jan. 11, Clarkston High School will host an information session on college financial aid for parents of seniors.

The program will begin at 7 p.m. in the CHS theater and will focus on filling out financial aid forms and what programs are available. Cliff Levitt of Baker College's financial aids office will speak.

Deadline for submitting state financial aid applications is Feb. 21. Parents may find it helpful to bring a copy of their 1993 federal income tax return to the meeting.

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After-hours clinic moves--next door

BY ANNETTE KINGSBURY
Clarkston News Editor

The movement of the Clarkston Ambulatory Care Center is just the first step toward what may someday become a full-service emergency center, according to Dr. James O'Neill.

For now, the center will move from Dr. Ronald LePere's office at 5905 M-15 to O'Neill's office, right next door at 5885 M-15. The center is open during the hours when most doctors' offices are closed, and the move to larger quarters will mean more examining rooms and a trauma center.

"We've been there 11 years and we've been really grateful to Dr. LePere's office but we've outgrown it," said Beverly Walters, director of nursing and community education at the center. Walters said the center, which is open nights, weekends and holidays, is now seeing over 300 patients some weekends and the six examining rooms just weren't enough.

The Clarkston Ambulatory Care Center was put together by a group of area physicians to provide an alternative for Clarkston residents to driving to hospitals in Pontiac, Rochester and Flint when after-hours emergencies arose, Walters said.

"It originally started out as a runny nose clinic," she said. Now, "We are seeing increasingly more emergencies." Some of it may be because of the growing population in the area, but more likely it's because more people have come to know about the service, according to O'Neill.

"The ZIP codes of Clarkston Medical Group (O'Neill's private practice) and the Clarkston Ambulatory Care Center are very, very different," he said. After-hours patients come from Pontiac, Grand Blanc, Waterford—the whole area surrounding Clarkston.

The clinic has contracts with 23 insurance carriers to provide after-hours services. In all cases, the patient's primary care physician is notified the next day, O'Neill said.

The center offers x-ray and lab work on-site. Hours are 7 p.m.-8 a.m. weeknights; 1 p.m.-midnight Saturdays and 24 hours on Sundays and holidays.

"It (the center) doesn't look like much physically but there are a lot of talented people working in there," O'Neill said.

Rather than cramping his style, O'Neill, one of the founders of the center in addition to his private practice, said the move into his office will actually make things easier.

"It's confusing to people being in two locations, and it's almost impossible to work out of six rooms. It works well, but when we get there at 7 p.m. often they (LePere's staff) aren't done."

The move will increase the center from six rooms to 12. "And then hopefully we're going to build sometime a very sophisticated emergency room," O'Neill said. "You have to take little baby steps and move toward it . . . We're going to build some more. I've kept 43 acres at the corner of Dixie and I-75. I can see down the road a very large Ambulatory Care Center with birthing centers and a senior center. That's a long way down the road. We'll build something on the back of our property here between now and then."

The move was expected to be finished by yesterday or today (Wednesday), Walters said. The same services and staff will be offered as at the old location, "just a little larger space, more rooms, not so crowded."

Some services had been on hold during the transition period, Walters said, such as wellness and community education programs. She hopes those activities, including classes in CPR, stress reduction

and smoking cessation, can begin again soon. Meanwhile, over 2,000 people every month visit the clinic.

"It's nice to know people depend on us," O'Neill said. "People rely on us at night for a lot of things . . . We do not encourage megatrauma to come here because it's not appropriate. That's why we want to go to the next level."

O'Neill said the center's staff is connected via technology to emergency rooms at area hospitals, where they can send EKGs by FAX, even connecting pacemakers via phone lines to hospitals for diagnosis of problems on the spot. FAXing x-rays is coming soon, he added. The center also communicates with other similar clinics, as well as the fire department and ambulance services, to provide the best, most convenient patient care.

It's a labor of love and a lot of fun," he said. "It's a family and it's a very interesting group of people."

Blood drives coming

Two American Red Cross blood drives have been scheduled in Clarkston during January.

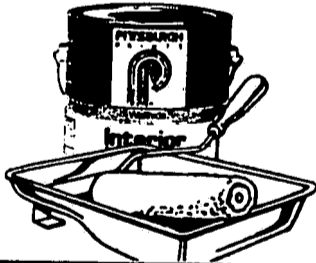
On Jan. 14 the American Legion Post 377 will host a drive at 4819 Edgewood from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Call 674-1253 for an appointment. Then on Jan. 30 St. Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church will host, from 2-8 p.m. at its fellowship hall at 7925 Sashabaw Rd. For an appointment call 625-4644.

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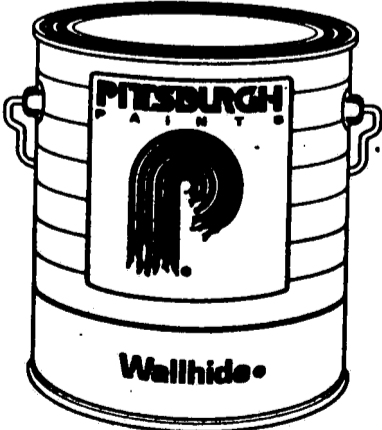


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Parks and rec. says 'We need more help'

BY DARREL W. COLE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Changes are coming for the Independence Township Parks and Recreation Department.

Although one new position of senior center programmer has been hired, parks and rec director Ann Conklin has also made several other changes in her department. Some of those changes include shifting responsibilities and eliminating many part-time and seasonal positions.

At the township board of trustees meeting Dec. 20, the board approved Conklin's recommendation to fill the position of recreation programmer with David Richards. He was selected among 56 applicants after Ray Kubani left the job.

In addition, Conklin also received permission to create a new position of senior center programmer and hire Lannette Amon for that position. She has worked part time for the center in a variety of activities.

Conklin said her department has been doing a good job despite the workload they all have.

"I think it is imperative to mention here that besides the increase in participation numbers, many new responsibilities have been added to the department," Conklin said. "The entire parks and recreation staff has adjusted hours, gone to swing shifts and has

assumed additional responsibilities as requested."

Both programmer positions will pay \$25,000 per year and they will begin work Jan. 8.

While the recreation programmer's position is already budgeted for in 1995, Conklin said the new senior programmer was not. To raise that money, funds will be transferred from several sources in her budget, including the baseball, softball and soccer director's budget and van drivers. The elimination of part-time office staff will also save over \$3,000.

One major duty shifted to the parks and rec department was that of building and grounds. That position was added in 1991 to give the department 15.5 full-time employees. For 1995 Conklin expects to have only 15 employees, even with the new senior programmer.

In 1991 the assistant parks and rec director left and the position was never filled.

From 1991 to 1994 participation numbers increased by 18,000 people (65 percent) for the senior center and by 8,000 people (32 percent) in the recreation department.

Some of the department's reorganization includes the following changes:

- Bev Robb will be transferred from the senior center to the parks and recreation department. Her duties will be the same as they were at the senior center. She will be responsible for clerical duties for

the department's chief of recreation and the new senior recreation programmer.

In the past, parks and rec's administrative staff was forced to answer phones and wait on customers, taking them away from their regular duties.

- Sharon Turner will be moved from senior program assistant to clerk technical at the senior center.

She will be responsible for the transportation program, scheduling of the facilities and all clerical functions.

The position of senior program assistant will remain vacant.

- Lannette Amon, the new recreation programmer for the senior center, will be responsible for the implementation, development and evaluation of all senior programs, assist with parks and rec department special events and coordinate all programs for the disabled.

This hiring will allow the elimination of most part-time and seasonal help.

- David Richards' primary responsibilities as recreation programmer will be organizing the department's athletic activities.



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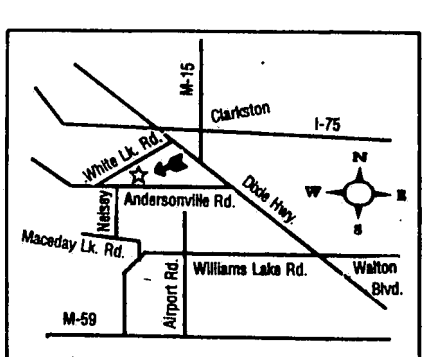


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Motivator to address Chamber

BY ANNETTE KINGSBURY
Clarkston News Editor

A man who turned his own troubles into a career motivating others will be the guest speaker at the Clarkston Chamber of Commerce's next business forum.

Mark Roby started out as a physician's assistant some 15 years ago. But when he encountered his own bout with serious depression he began attending self-help seminars, especially those surrounding Dr. Norman Vincent Peale's "Power of Positive Thinking."

"It helped me a lot," Roby said, "so I started kind of studying." The studying led him to many of the well-known motivational speakers of the last decade.

"That whole thing of learning how to get un-depressed taught me a lot about self-help," he said. He eventually scaled his medical work back to part time and formed his own company, Prime Time Consultants. He'll address the members of the Clarkston Chamber of Commerce on "How to create a win/win company."

What that means, he said, is dealing with job stress that is reportedly costing US employers \$200 billion a year, according to a United Nations report. Those costs come in the form of absenteeism, loss of productivity and health care and compensation claims.

"That's what down time is," Roby said, calling job stress "the 20th century disease . . . I have gone into lots and lots of companies and helped them with these kinds of things. I analyze their down time and I look for trends."



Mark Roby

Michelle Phaup, the Chamber board member responsible for organizing the event, said she's known Roby for years and heard him speak.

"He's very motivational," she said. "His life goal and purpose is to help other people . . . He's a very caring type of person."

Roby has been doing public speaking for the last five years and his listeners have included hospitals and unions, among others. He will tailor this talk to small business owners, Phaup said.

Roby is so into his work that he has also founded

The Center for Attitudinal Healing, which uses various stress-reduction techniques, such as meditation, to help people overcome their problems. He continues to work as a physician's assistant with a large family practice group called First Care Medical Centers.

Roby will speak Jan. 12 at noon at The Palace of Auburn Hills. Cost of the event is \$10 for Chamber members, \$18 for non-members. Reservations are due by Jan. 10 by sending a check to the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce, 5850 Lorac, Suite M, Clarkston, Mi. 48346.

Heritage Hunt II

By Virginia Block

With a brand new calendar before us, a basket full of challenges and a heart full of hope, we look forward to ending the year of the family with emphasis on an even more direct to living in peace, because Jan 1, 1995 marks the Year of Tolerance.

When our immigrant ancestors, the Huguenots, Palatines and every man who fought intolerance since, gave us the luxury of freedom to choose, American history has provided us with families dedicated to our preserving life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

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his earliest family record.

He proudly exhibits a certified copy of the marriage of Rachel Blanchard and John Smith, 18 Feb 1691, in Boston, Mass. While Glen does not have proof of this Smith being in his line, he'll claim it until someone can prove differently, everybody will benefit.

Along with this comes proof of Glen's Smiths, Buells and Blanchards. The earliest dates are in England from early 1500s. Glen placed an ad in Yankee Magazine with great success and has provided us generously with his "windfall" of information.

We will be building family files in the library of P.A.H.A.G.S. that will combine group sheets, pedigree charts and "family stories" many of you have shared over the years of Heritage Hunt, begun in 1981.

Queries from early days may have long since been answered, but will continue to be valuable resources to tap for those still to research material not in a computer data base.

If you have a Smith connection dating back to Conn., Mass., and other New England areas, perhaps this collection from Glen Smith will be helpful, as well.

This new year marks the 15th year for the Pontiac Area Historical and Genealogical Society and with justifiable pride, we claim a record for "research" materials in our collections that exist in no other library. We hope all of you will check us out for help, soon.

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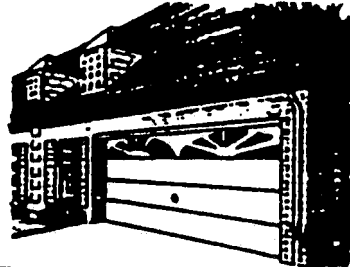
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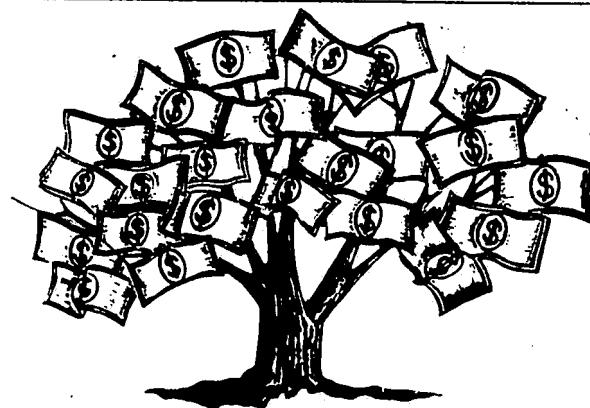
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Sheriff's log for Independence Township

MONDAY, DECEMBER 26, harassing phone calls on Major.

Larceny of golf clubs and a bag from a garage on Clintonville.

Non-injury accidents were reported on I-75, on Dixie and two on Sashabaw.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 27, a Flint man said he paid an Independence Township man for windows that were never delivered.

Breaking and entering of a storage unit on Ortonville Rd. Business equipment valued at \$1,227 was reported missing.

Threats on Snowapple.

A semi-tractor and a 40-foot trailer were reported missing from a business on White Lake Rd. The semi didn't run and would have required towing, the owner said.

Non-injury accidents were reported on Northwest Ct. and on M-15.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 28, larceny of 40 Christmas light bulbs from a garage on Central.

A family sitting in its living room on Clintonville heard a noise, then saw a hole in a picture window. A BB was found outside on the ground.

A VCR, TV and Sega game valued at \$1,194 were taken from a home on Clintonville.

A garbage-truck caught and damaged an awning on Maybee Rd.

A Livonia man failed to return scaffolding valued at \$450 to a rental shop on Dixie. The equipment was taken Nov. 1; the suspect already has two outstanding warrants for his arrest.

A dishwasher was taken from a home under construction on Royal St. George.

Harassing phone calls on Pine Needle.

Four lights valued at \$200 were smashed and torn off their posts on the Pine Knob Golf Course.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 29, a phone was taken from a 1994 Olds Cutlass parked on Jerome.

A car phone was found behind a store on Dixie.

Larceny of a 22-inch man's bike from a garage on Wellesley.

Non-injury accident on Dixie.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 30, harassment on Eastlawn.

A 26-year-old man flagged down a police officer on Main St. and turned himself in on an outstanding Friend of the Court warrant. He was arrested on \$500 bond.

A snowblower was stolen from a locked shed on Crestview.

Six mailboxes were smashed on Pine Knob Trail.

A generator, tools, a motor and darts were taken from a garage and truck on Lakeview.

A 17-year-old Clarkston girl was injured in an accident on Sashabaw. She did not require a trip to the hospital.

A 20-year-old Waterford man was treated and released at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital after he was injured in a garbage-truck accident. The man was standing on the side step of the truck, hanging on to a chain when he slipped and fell from the truck and was dragged with his hand caught in the chain.

Non-injury accident on Sashabaw.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31, a window was smashed on a car parked on Park Lane overnight and a radio, 50 CDs and \$85 cash were stolen.

Two Ortonville men, ages 20 and 22, were

injured in a three-man fight on Ortonville Rd. Police said the two were apparently intoxicated; a third man, an 18-year-old from Clarkston, said he injured them in self-defense. No charges were filed. However the next day, the 20-year-old was arrested on four outstanding warrants at his home.

Car/deer accident on Clarkston near Baldwin. No one was injured when a Clarkston woman's car left Stickney Rd., hitting several small trees.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 1, a 1994 Chevy was reported missing on Minnewanna.

Harassment and stalking on Woodhull.

A window was smashed on a 1990 Pontiac parked on Homcliff and 70 CDs were reported missing, along with an in-dash CD player.

Two mailboxes were damaged on Caribou. Police are unsure if it was an accident or intentional.

MONDAY, JANUARY 2, an intoxicated man was removed from a store on Maybee. He was arrested, ticketed and driven home.


A locked, blue-and-white 1992 Chevy van was reported stolen while the owner shopped for one-half hour in a Dixie Hwy. store.

A red 1992 Chevy van reported stolen in Flint Township was found in a Dixie Hwy. parking lot. The steering column was broken and the lights were on when it was found.

Car/deer accident on Holcomb.

The windshield and two other windows were broken on a 1986 Ford truck parked at a Maybee Rd. construction site.

Non-injury accidents were reported on Thendara and on Snowapple.


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January 5-	PREMARITAL COUNSELING 7:00 - 8:00 P.M. Fee: \$20.00 individual, \$30.00 couple. Pre-registration required. The class is required by the state for a marriage license. Certificate good for 60 days after issue.
January 10	SNOWMOBILE SAFETY - Session I 6:00 - 9:00 P.M. Fee: \$5.00 per family. Pre-registration required. Presented by Marine Division of Oakland County. Program includes, safety, emergencies, road rules and equipment
January 12	SNOWMOBILE SAFETY - Session II 6:00 - 9:00 P.M. See Above
January 19	PREMARITAL COUSELING 7:00 - 8:00 P.M. Fee: \$20.00 individual, \$30.00 couple. Pre-registration required. The class is required by the state for a marriage license. Certificate good for 60 days after issue.
January 26	FIRST AID 6:30 - 9:30 P.M. Fee: \$15.00. Class size is limited, pre-registration is necessary. Basic first aid course with two year certification card upon completion.



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Fire call

MONDAY, DECEMBER 26, a rollover accident was reported on Andersonville Rd. By the time firefighters arrived, the car had been driven away.

A child injured in a fall on Dubuque was taken to an area hospital.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 27, medicals on Deer Hill Dr., on Cramlane and on Indianwood.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 28, medical on Allen Rd.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 29, medicals on Cramlane and on Parview.

The fire department was asked to check on the welfare of a person involved in an accident in Pontiac who had walked away from a hospital and was reported to be at a Sashabaw Rd. address with a possible head injury.

Injury accident on Maybee; no transport.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 30, injury accident on Lake Waldon.

Check on a carbon monoxide detector on Thendara.

Garage fire on Dora Lane.

Medical on Clintonville.

Possible garage fire on Dixie.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31, medical on Delhi; one to St. Joseph's Hospital.

Medical on Ortonville Rd.
Overheated furnace on Andersonville.

Medical on Whipple Shores.

The Independence Township Fire Department responded to 1,590 calls in 1994.

Clarkston Police

TUESDAY, DEC. 27, a Main Street resident reported bricks

missing from a brick wall in front of his home.

A hit-and-run to a pole at Waldon and Main was reported.

FRIDAY, DEC. 30, a Clarkston man was arrested on a stolen license plate charge. The car was impounded.

An officer made a traffic stop and arrested the driver on a friend-of-the-court warrant out of the Oakland County Sheriff's Department.

SUNDAY, JAN. 1, a Waterford man was stopped on northbound M-15 at Robertson Court and issued a ticket for driving with expired plates and an invalid driver's license.

Senior news

Senior Center Activities

A monthly listing of the activities and programs held at the Independence Township Senior Center can be obtained by calling 625-8231, Monday thru Friday, 8 a.m. thru 5 p.m., or drop in to the center at 5980 Clarkston Road, in the Clintonwood Park (between M-15 and Sashabaw Road) and pick one up.

This Week's Lunch Menu

The Independence Township Parks & Recreation Department nutrition program is held at noon, Monday through Friday, at the Senior Center. Reservations are needed by noon the day prior to your scheduled visit. A donation of \$2 is requested from those age 60+, there is a charge of \$3 for anyone under age 60. Homebound meals and supplemental liquid meals are also available. For further information or reservations call Sarah at 625-8231.

- Jan. 5 -- Ricotta Stuffed Shells
- Jan. 6 -- Sweet & Sour Chicken
- Jan. 9 -- Beef Stew
- Jan. 10 -- Pork Chop
- Jan. 11 -- Spaghetti
- Jan. 12 -- Crispy Baked Chicken
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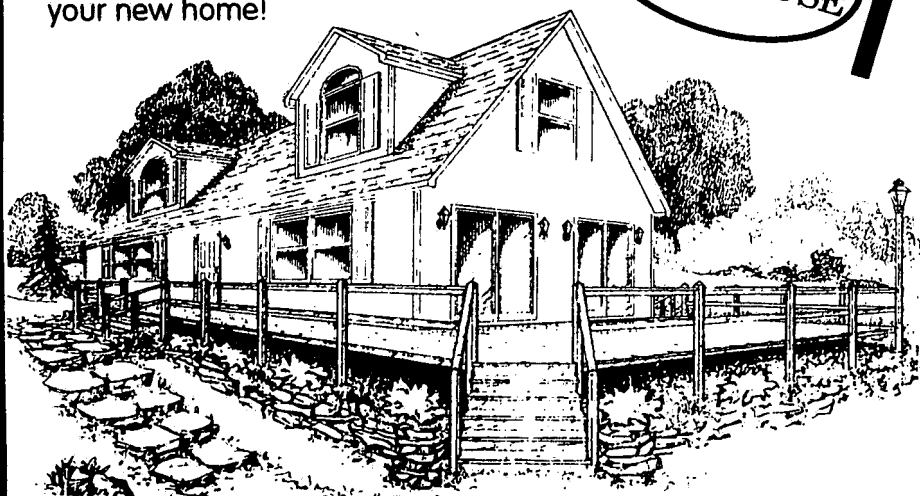
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Bids going out for Bay Court beach house

BY DARREL W. COLE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Costs have increased and the funds are not secured, but Bay Court's beach house should be built by the summer of 1995.

Ann Conklin, the Independence Township Parks and Recreation Director, received permission from the township's board of trustees Dec. 20 to have an installment agreement drawn up for the project.

While exact costs for the beach house aren't official, the township will borrow about \$220,000 for the over \$520,000 project, an increase of about \$117,000 from an earlier estimate. In 1993 the township received a Michigan Department of Natural Resources Trust Fund grant of \$308,400 for the construction of a multi-purpose building and beach restoration at Bay Court Park.

The board agreed to fund the remaining cost by borrowing the money from the township's sewer fund. The amount transferred would be returned to the sewer fund over a period of time in installments, including interest.

Conklin said the costs of the original 1992 plan have increased because the building now includes a 1,600-square-foot multi-purpose room. The entire building will be about 3,400 square feet.

The beach house will come with showers, bathrooms, an outdoor deck, lifeguard tower and other features. In addition the stairs to the beach will be renovated and a ramp from the beach house to the docks will be built to accommodate handicapped persons.

"Everyone knows that the township is in dire need of meeting rooms and facilities. This addition would not only benefit Bay Court and the Parks and Recreation Department, but the entire township," she

said, noting that year-round activities such as dances, gymnastics, senior activities and special events could be scheduled.

Conklin agreed with some board members' concerns about coming up with the yearly payments in the parks and rec budget. But Conklin assured board members she would do whatever it takes to balance her budget.

"It could be a problem with finding the money in the budget each year but it will be up to me to make sure I take care of it," Conklin said.

She said she is determined to see this project through because the community has been so supportive.

"Most of you will attest to the fact that last year Bay Court was an unknown commodity. Over the course of 1994, the community became aware of the facility and worked together to create a place for our

kids. A strong group of volunteers are willing to work hard to keep the progress alive and fundraising by the community will be an on-going process for Bay Court."

Part of that community support came during the summer when hundreds of volunteers came out to construct the playscape at Bay Court. Citizens raised about \$55,000 for the construction of the playground.

"The spirit which captured the playscape was truly amazing," said Conklin. "The community supported the project and have been utilizing the park since it opened."

Conklin said if everything goes as planned, the beach house would be partly operational in the summer of 1995, and fully operational by 1996.

Bay Court Park, which was formerly a Boy Scout camp, is located on Andersonville Road, between Dixie Highway and White Lake Road.

IRS says it can help

"Michigan taxpayers who meet delays or encounter difficulties in resolving federal tax problems may receive help through our Problem Resolution office," said IRS Problem Resolution Officer David Tash.

"The PRP office helps taxpayers who have had unsuccessful contacts with the IRS. The taxpayer generally deals with one person who has the authority to cut through red tape and handle problems promptly," Tash said.

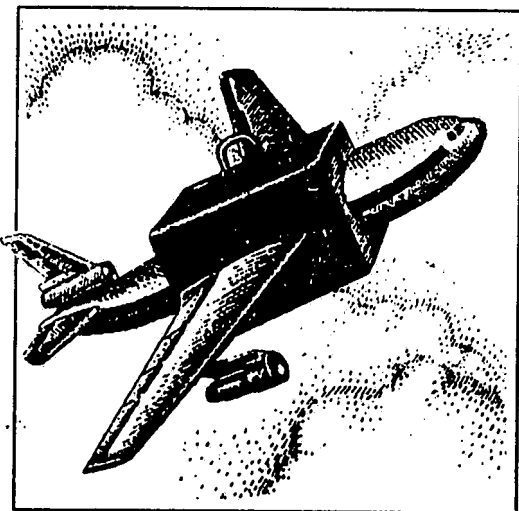
According to the IRS, the most common problems brought to the PRP office are incorrect billings by IRS, mistakes made by the taxpayer, mixed up

Social Security numbers or missing refunds.

"Problem resolution should not be used as a substitute for normal channels, because most problems can be resolved before they reach the PRP office," Tash said. "Also, PRP cannot be used to appeal a decision of a tax examination. However, for the taxpayer who has contacted us before and whose problem remains unresolved, PRP can certainly help."

The IRS Problem Resolution Program office can be reached by calling the IRS toll-free on 1-800-829-1040 (ask for PRP), or by visiting one of the local IRS offices around the state.

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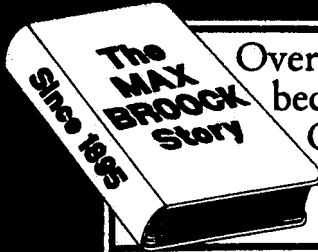
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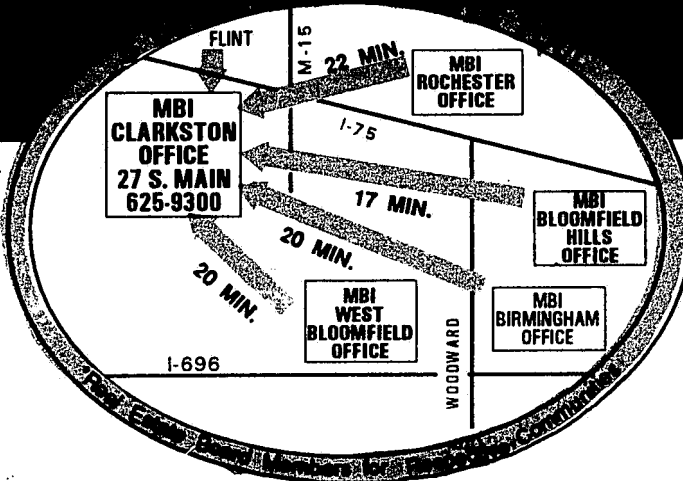


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The Clarkston News

Section B

Clarkston tops in tough 18-team invitational

BY DARREL W. COLE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Even with two main wrestlers out, the Clarkston wrestling team out-pointed some of the state's best to win the 18-team Goodrich Invitational Dec. 29.

The Wolves persevered despite losing junior Joe DeGain to injury during the match and Ryan Mick, who was sick before the meet.

Clarkston ended up with 141 points followed by Temperance-Bedford's 132 points. Eaton Rapids took third and Traverse City was fourth. Some of the teams ranked ahead of Clarkston that finished behind the Wolves at Goodrich include Owosso, Bay City Western and Howell.

"We were happy as heck to win," said coach Mike DeGain. "And the fact we won without Joe and Ryan was even better because those were points we should have gotten. It was a heck of an accomplishment and it shows we can come through even with some guys out."

Clarkston had a total of eight wrestlers place, an amazing feat with 18 quality teams vying for spots, DeGain said.

Grant, Vandermeer and Michelsen "dominated"

their opponents all the way to the finals.

But they received plenty of help from five other teammates who placed. Brett Rebb finished third despite a painful rib injury, Joe DeGain and Dave Zieman took sixth place, Jesse Laycock was seventh and Adam Hott finished eighth.

Joe DeGain, possibly Clarkston's top wrestler, might have finished higher if he hadn't sprained both ankles in his last match. During the match, DeGain sprained one ankle, then the other. His opponent ended up winning the meet.

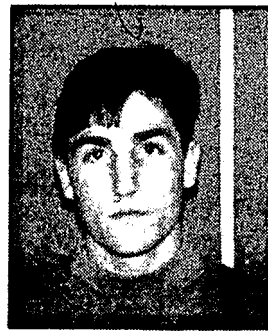
"He looked like he could have won but just couldn't go on," said coach Mike DeGain.

Coach DeGain said he was pleased with the performance of his team at Goodrich and the wrestlers seem focused, waiting for the state tournament to arrive.

The Wolves have the advantage of hosting both the team and individual district championships Feb. 15 and 18, respectively, and the team regional Feb. 22.

This week the Wolves travel to a dual meet Jan. 4 with Rochester Adams and Royal Oak Kimball, and then will split the team up for tournaments at Jackson County West and South Lyon. On Jan. 11 Clarkston hosts a dual meet with Troy and Pontiac Central.

Wrestlers of the Week



Grant



Rebb

Seniors Corey Grant and Brett Rebb are Clarkston's Wrestlers of the Week, as selected by Coach Mike DeGain.

Grant took first place at the tough Goodrich Invitational, easily beating his opponents.

"Corey was near perfect. Technically he's very good and he's a strong kid. When he puts on his offense he's hard to beat and it's also when he's at his best."

Rebb finished third overall, but wrestled with a painful rib injury throughout the meet. In fact, Rebb wasn't even supposed to compete, but toughed it out anyway.

"It still bothers him a little but he gave a gutsy performance. The guy he lost to (15-10) is built like a house and a state qualifier. He had the guy in trouble for a while." — By Coach Mike DeGain.

NOTE: Wrestler of the Week will be a weekly feature as selected by coach Mike DeGain.

Alumni serve it up to netters



About a dozen alumni of Clarkston volleyball gather near coach Gordie Richardson (left) to prepare a game plan against his varsity

team. The fun-filled scrimmage was held Dec. 30 (See Page 2B for more photos).

Ice fishing contest returns to Crooked Lake

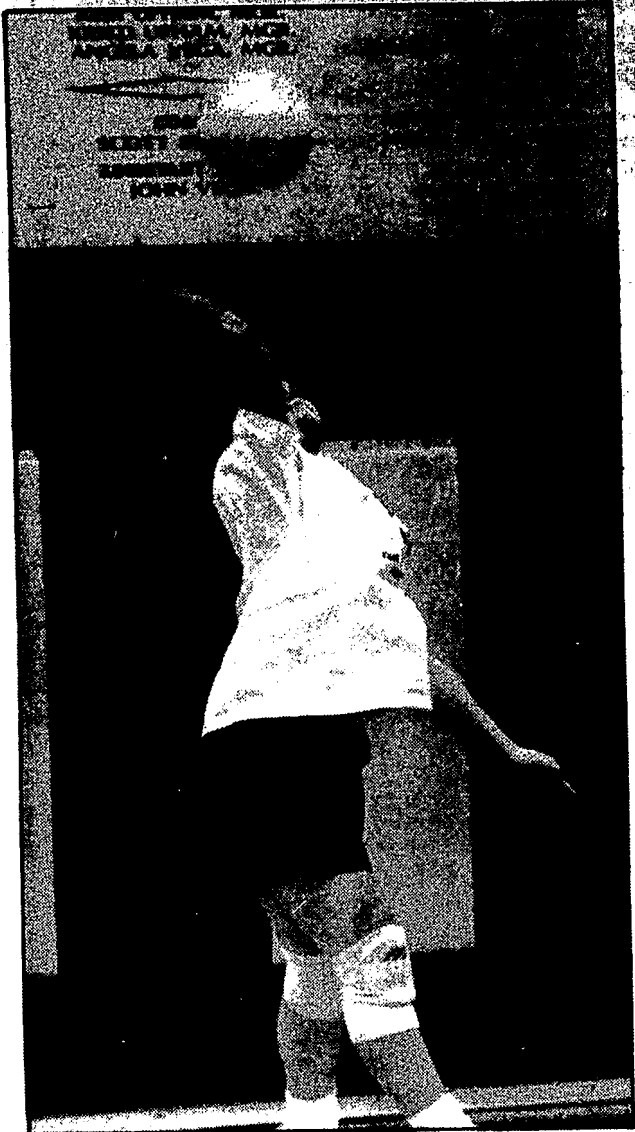
Cold-weather fishermen can test their skills at the Crooked Lake Ice Fishing Contest at Independence Oaks County Park Saturday, Jan. 14.

Weather permitting, the contest will be held 8 a.m.-noon. Prizes for biggest fish and most fish caught will be in two age groups, 12 and under and 13 and over.

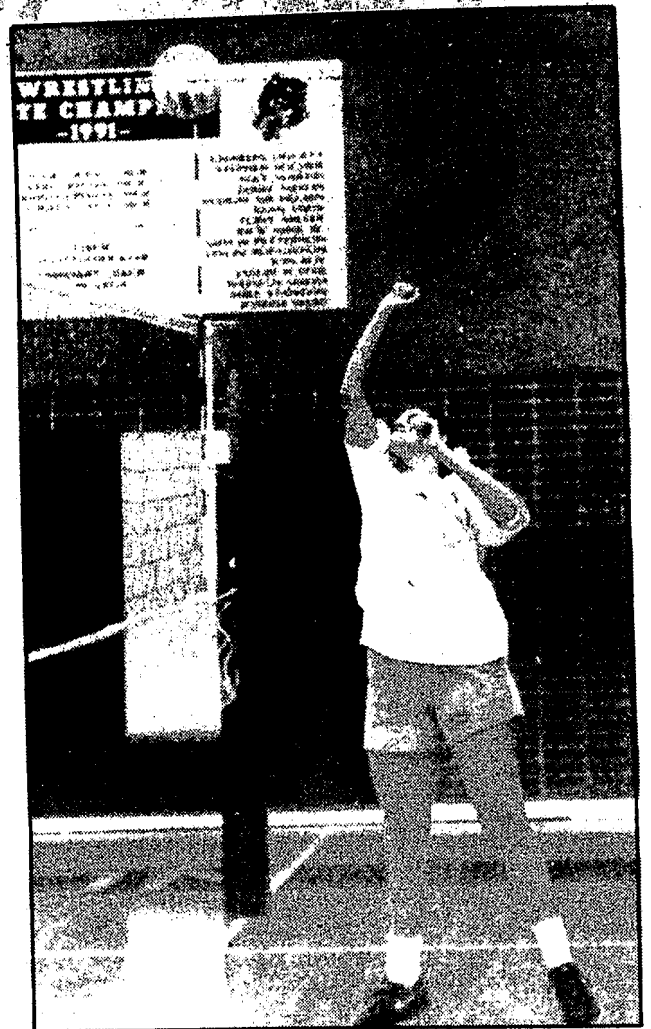
Crooked Lake offers a wide variety of in-season fish, including largemouth bass, northern pike, bluegill, crappie and perch. To qualify for prizes, all fish must be weighed and measured at Twin Chimney's picnic shelter by noon. Contestants must have a fishing license; bait is your choice. Entry is \$5 (plus vehicle entry fee) per person and pre-registration is suggested.

The park is located on Sashabaw Rd., two and one half miles north of I-75. For more information call 625-0877 (TDD 858-1683).

Varsity vs. alumni in scrimmage



CHS volleyball alumni have come back for an annual alumni scrimmage against the varsity team for the past several years. Above, 1986 graduate Michelle Ferguson gives a high five to her alumni teammate while, pictured right, alumni Laura Garlitz smashes the ball in warmups. Some grads didn't lose their skills, as demonstrated by the player at left.



Girls volleyball stats through five games

PLAYING TIME	GM	MSC	ATTACKS	GD	ATT	K	ERR	IN-%	K-%	K/GM	KILL EFF
S. GIROUX	9	0	S. GIROUX	17	23	6	6	73.9	26.1	0.7	.000
C. HAVEN	10	0	C. HAVEN	33	44	19	11	75.0	43.2	1.9	+.182
L. HERRON	10	0	L. HERRON	23	24	10	1	95.8	41.7	1.0	+.375
M. KUECHLE	9	0	M. KUECHLE	2	3	1	1	66.7	33.3	0.1	.000
A. JENKINSON	6	0	A. JENKINSON	2	2	1	0	100.0	50.0	0.2	+.500
B. ALLYN	9	0	B. ALLYN	26	31	10	5	83.9	32.3	1.1	+.161
N. WINN	10	0	N. WINN	16	19	14	3	84.2	73.7	1.4	+.579
N. HARD	2	0	N. HARD	1	1	1	0	100.0	100.0	0.5	+.100
N. BAUER	9	0	N. BAUER	1	5	1	4	20.0	20.0	0.1	-.600
B. EBY	10	0	B. EBY	27	29	12	2	93.1	41.4	1.2	+.345
M. BREWER	3	0	M. BREWER	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	.000

SETTING	GD	ATT	AST	A/GM	A-%
S. GIROUX	1	1	0	0.0	0.0
C. HAVEN	5	5	1	0.1	20.0
L. HERRON	7	7	3	0.3	42.9
M. KUECHLE	1	1	0	0.0	0.0
A. JENKINSON	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
B. ALLYN	1	1	0	0.0	0.0
N. WINN	138	144	49	4.9	34.0
N. HARD	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
N. BAUER	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
B. EBY	3	3	1	0.1	33.3
M. BREWER	0	0	0	0.0	0.0

DINKS	GD	ATT	KD	K/GM	KILL EFF	BLOCKING	BS	BA	ATT	B/GM	B-%
S. GIROUX	0	1	1	0.1	0.0	S. GIROUX	2	1	5	0.3	60.0
C. HAVEN	0	9	9	0.9	0.0	C. HAVEN	4	7	25	1.1	44.0
L. HERRON	0	2	2	0.2	0.0	L. HERRON	1	4	8	0.5	62.5
M. KUECHLE	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	M. KUECHLE	0	1	2	0.1	50.0
A. JENKINSON	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	A. JENKINSON	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
B. ALLYN	0	3	3	0.3	0.0	B. ALLYN	2	2	7	0.4	57.1
N. WINN	0	11	11	1.1	0.0	N. WINN	2	6	18	0.8	44.4
N. HARD	0	1	1	0.5	0.0	N. HARD	0	0	1	0.0	0.0
N. BAUER	0	1	1	0.1	0.0	N. BAUER	1	3	6	0.4	66.7
B. EBY	0	2	2	0.2	0.0	B. EBY	1	7	12	0.8	66.7
M. BREWER	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	M. BREWER	0	0	0	0.0	0.0

DEF. DIGS	GD	ATT	ERR	D/GM	D-%
S. GIROUX	6	7	1	0.7	85.7
C. HAVEN	7	12	5	0.7	58.3
L. HERRON	14	19	5	1.4	73.7
M. KUECHLE	7	11	4	0.8	63.6
A. JENKINSON	6	7	1	1.0	85.7
B. ALLYN	2	5	3	0.2	40.0
N. WINN	7	11	4	0.7	63.6
N. HARD	1	1	0	0.5	100.0
N. BAUER	12	13	1	1.3	92.3
B. EBY	10	14	4	1.0	71.4
M. BREWER	0	2	2	0.0	0.0

SV. EFFICIENCY	GD	ATT	ACE	A/GM	SV-%	SV. ACCURACY	OOB	NET	FF	PTS	PT-%
S. GIROUX	5	6	0	0.0	83.3	S. GIROUX	1	0	0	3	50.0
C. HAVEN	16	26	6	0.6	61.5	C. HAVEN	6	4	0	14	53.8
L. HERRON	41	43	7	0.7	95.3	L. HERRON	1	1	0	23	53.5
M. KUECHLE	26	27	4	0.4	96.3	M. KUECHLE	1	0	0	18	66.7
A. JENKINSON	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	A. JENKINSON	0	0	0	0	0.0
B. ALLYN	11	14	2	0.2	78.6	B. ALLYN	2	1	0	9	64.3
N. WINN	25	31	1	0.1	80.6	N. WINN	1	5	0	19	61.3
N. HARD	5	5	1	0.5	100.0	N. HARD	0	1	0	0	0.0
N. BAUER	20	22	4	0.4	90.9	N. BAUER	1	1	0	11	50.0
B. EBY	29	37	2	0.2	78.4	B. EBY	5	3	0	24	64.9
M. BREWER	1	1	0	0.0	100.0	M. BREWER	0	0	0	0	0.0

SV. RECEIVING	GD	ATT	ERR	E/GM	SR-%
S. GIROUX	11	18	7	0.8	61.1
C. HAVEN	24	28	4	0.4	85.7
L. HERRON	32	45	13	1.3	71.1
M. KUECHLE	15	20	5	0.6	75.0
A. JENKINSON	10	14	4	0.7	71.4
B. ALLYN	7	9	2	0.2	77.8
N. WINN	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
N. HARD	3	5	2	1.0	60.0
N. BAUER	15	20	5	0.6	75.0
B. EBY	16	22	6	0.6	72.7
M. BREWER	5	5	0	0.0	100.0

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The News' top sports stories of '94

BY DARREL W. COLE
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With such a wide selection of success, the top Clarkston varsity sports stories of 1994 aren't difficult to pick.

But just which teams' athletes deserve top ranking is another story. Nineteen Ninety Four was another year of winning for most CHS varsity squads. And even if the team didn't sport a winning record, each player always gave a winning effort.

The 1994 year was made even more interesting because of the implementation of the Oakland Activities Association, replacing the Greater Oakland Activities Association. The realignment moved most of Clarkston's teams in the top division.

Clarkston varsity squads won a variety of league titles, district championships, one state title, and even endured some unfortunate losses. There were also several record-setting individuals in cross country, football, soccer and baseball.

So without further delay, here are the top sports stories of 1994, as selected from the pages of The Clarkston News.

1) Boys golf team wins state championship. Sure, they returned an incredible squad from 1993's state runner-up team, but in 1994 the Wolves squad played in probably the toughest division in the state (OAA Division I) and even lost a few matches along the way.

But the consistent play of Jayson Buckmann, Tim Klimek, Jeremy Tyson, Corey Bildstein, Myles Mosher and John Dean came through during the state finals.

The Wolves lost some tough matches during the year, including a 4th place at the county meet, but also won the OAA Division I title. In the end the players knew their only goal was a state title and they showed



Senior Jon Dean finished 4th at the Class A state golf finals in 1994.

what determination, practice, hard work and focus can get you.

They are the top story of 1994 because it's not easy to be the best when everyone expects it from you.



The CHS varsity football team finished 9-2 overall.

2) The varsity football team over-achieved more than anyone else at CHS.

They surely weren't the most talented team, but their heart, desire and senior leadership led them to a 9-2 record. Both losses were to Troy High, the eventual Class AA state champ, in the season's first game and last.

Everyone who follows CHS sports should know their story by now. It is one that should never be forgotten and told to future football teams for years to come.

3) The girls basketball team finished with a meager 9-12 record and only 1-7 in the brutal OAA Division I, but their never-say-die attitude makes them one of '94's top stories.

Coach Larry Mahrie surely is not used to losing. It was his first losing season in 17 years, but he never stopped praising the all-out efforts of his players. Regardless of the score his athletes dove for loose balls, scrapped for rebounds and played with painful injuries.

In a sports world based on won-loss records, the Wolves were below average, but based on effort they are champions.

4) The wrestling team makes it in the top five because of what they didn't accomplish in the 1993-94 season.

After winning the 1993 Oakland County Championships, the Wolves were one of the state's top teams. But that run ended in a disappointing district loss because some wrestlers were disciplined and didn't compete. It left a bad taste in everyone's mouth.

But for the 1994-95 season coach Mike DeGain

has all but one wrestler back and again won the Oakland County Championships. This time the team's goal is to win the state title.

5) It seems a given every year, but the boys basketball team once again had an incredible 1993-94 season.

With a young squad, they went 18-2 in the regular season, won the GOAL title and won a district title on a last second shot by sophomore Tim Wasilk.

The boys hoops program remains on top because of a strong program from middle school level to freshman and JV teams. Coach Dan Fife gets winning players that know the fundamentals and his system by the time they get to varsity. It's why his teams continue to win when no one expects them to, just like the 1993-94 squad.

His 1994-95 team is now 3-0 and could be even better.

6) Jason Graves was phenomenal in his senior season as the football team's tailback. He wasn't expected to have such an outstanding year, but he did.

In 11 games he rushed for over 1,600 yards, scored 23 touchdowns, and kicked extra points and field goals. Without him, the Wolves would not have been as good.

It's true he had a steady offensive line and good blocking backs, but Graves was the reason the Wolves were explosive. His fluid quickness and strength surprised teams, and that was when he usually made them pay.

7) Leah Scharl is another Clarkston senior

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Blow that snow!

At Pine Knob last week, snow was being made by the cylindrical machines pictured (center of photo). Skiers seemed to be oblivious to it all, happy to have a

day off and plenty of artificial snow to enjoy it with. The ski lift and tow ropes were busy, even under windy, cold conditions—the first real blast of winter.

Pursuing potential is topic of sports conference

Knowing how to recognize and take advantage of opportunities can be the deciding factor between achieving a goal and disappointment.

The scope of careers for women within the field of athletics as administrators, coaches and competitors is greater now than ever before.

"Recognizing Opportunities" will be the theme for the Michigan High School Athletic Association's seventh annual Women In Sports Leadership Conference, Feb. 5-6, 1995, at the Sheraton Lansing Hotel. This year's theme will provide a focus for administrators, student-athletes, coaches and officials.

The three keynote speakers have challenged personal, professional and stereotypical obstacles within the athletic world and turned them into success stories. Presenting the major addresses at the conference will be Roger Crawford, who, after being born with a severe physical handicap, rose to become a tennis professional; Dr. Jane Curry, writer, director and star of the one-woman play "Nice Girls Don't Sweat;" and, Dorothy McIntyre, associate executive director of the Minnesota State High School League and pioneer in the development of girls athletics.

In addition, a variety of workshops will be offered, including forums for students.

The presentation of the sixth annual Women In Sports Leadership Award will also be given to Jane Bennett of Ann Arbor.

For more information about the WISL Conference contact the MHSAA office in East Lansing at 517-332-5046. The registration deadline is Jan. 30.

CHS teams, athletes make up strong list

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who was the focal point of a team. The cross country runner overcame an injury as a junior to lead her squad and take a 5th-place finish at the state finals.

Her accomplishments are even more spectacular because she sat out the '93 season with a stress fracture in her leg. The year before, as a sophomore, she was 13th at the state meet.

The fact she worked hard to come back and get in top form is a tribute to her desire, character and love of running. With her high finish at the 1994 state finals, Scharl also ran the second-fastest time in CHS history.

8) While her individual feats are unquestioned, Scharl's team was also solid. Each runner ran to their potential and had a consistent season, winning the OAA Division II title, a 15-team Chesaning Invitational championship and taking 4th place at regionals.

9) J.R. Kirk ended his soccer career as Clarkston's all-time leading scorer and was the boys track MVP in 1994.

The senior is a great all-around athlete who excels in many sports. Expect more great things from Kirk in the upcoming track season. At 6-foot-6 Kirk could also contribute to this season's basketball team.

But along with ability, Kirk is also a class act. He could take his kicking skills to the football field in college where he has received some offers.

10) The girls softball team finished a respectable 23-11, including 10-5 in the final season of GOAL play. Playing in the GOAL put the Wolves up against several of the state's top teams.

Their talent and skill were evident, especially in a regular season win over eventual state champion Brandon.

11) The girls volleyball team ended its GOAL affiliation with a league title and a district championship.

Despite a 23-17-6 overall record, coach Gordie Richardson's young team peaked when it had to.

The Wolves hope to continue their streak of four straight league titles and two district championships in the current 1994-95 season.

12) Clarkston changes league affiliations from the GOAL to the OAA.

The switch changed everything for many CHS teams. Most varsity squads found themselves in tougher leagues and are discovering the going tougher.

Two big negatives have been noticed so far. The first is that traditional rival Lake Orion won't compete against all CHS teams because of the division changes.

The second is that the second-place teams in all divisions don't receive trophies. Another fixable concern is the all-division football team is not chosen by position. It meant no quarterbacks were chosen on the first team, an honor CHS senior Toby Evans deserved more than anyone.

It's been heard from several coaches that too many non-sports people are making up the rules for the OAA.

13) While changes in CHS' athletic office probably haven't affected students, there surely was a dramatic change.

Long-time athletic director Paul Tungate is retiring and now works only about five hours a day. In the afternoon, new athletic manager Dan Fife, the boys basketball coach, takes over.

The change may be noticed more at athletic home games. In the past Tungate was at all of them and now can pick and choose. On the other hand, those of you used to Fife just at basketball games are now seeing him at all home contests, as required by his new title.

The transition should eventually lead to Fife being named the new AD.

14) Sherman Publications Inc. Tri-District teams were announced for the first time after the girls basketball and football seasons ended.

In the long history of SPI, which owns the Clarkston News, Lake Orion Review and Oxford Leader, never has a Tri-District team been named. It includes players from Clarkston, Lake Orion and Oxford schools and the players will be picked after each sports season.

It is a new way to get each school's athletes the recognition they don't always receive from other

publications.

15) We couldn't resist putting CHS baseball player Jeff Golec here. He makes the list because of one game.

But what a game it was. In a 22-1 win over hapless Pontiac Northern, Golec went 3-for-4 with three home runs and an amazing 11 RBIs.

16) We couldn't leave out all-around good student-athlete Jeremy Fife, now a senior playing basketball.

Fife is mentioned for not only his immense athletic ability, but for his work in the classroom (3.8 grade-point-average) and his leadership on the field and court.

After last season's basketball season, Fife was named All-GOAL. After the recent playoff-qualifying football season, Fife was also named All-OAA and was a first team pick for the SPI Tri-District football team.

A truly amazing story about Fife is the fact he broke his left wrist last year and, rather than wait for it to heal, he started shooting right handed, and still does. It is a tribute to his athletic abilities.

His coach and father Dan Fife says Jeremy is the best point guard he has ever had.

Sports shorts

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.

Know a local sports figure? Have a lead to a sports story?

Around town

● **Clarkston Cub Scout Pack 199** will conduct a bottle and can drive Saturday, Jan. 7 in the area of Pine Knob Elementary School. Cub Scouts will go house to house to raise money for their pack.

● **A fish dinner** will be held at Davisburg United Methodist Church Saturday, Jan. 14 from 5-7 p.m. The all-you-can-eat dinner includes fish, cole slaw, french fries and pie and is priced at \$6 for adults, \$4 for kids age 5-12 and \$1 for kids 4 and under. Proceeds will be split between two charities: We Care Fund and Neighbor for Neighbor. The annual event is put on by the church men. Call 634-3373 for more information.

● **Bloomfield Hills Women's Aglow** will meet Jan. 16 at 9:30 a.m. at the Holiday Inn, Telegraph Rd., Bloomfield Hills. Speaker is Susan Wineinger of Flint. Lunch is available. All are welcome; call 623-7004 for more information.

● **Walkers are being sought** for the fifth annual Walk for Warmth sponsored by the Oakland Livingston Human Service Agency. The walk is scheduled for Saturday, Feb. 25 at the Phoenix Center in Pontiac and ends with a brunch at Industry. The walk is a local effort to promote awareness for people who are experiencing heat-related emergency and raise funds on their behalf. Kam Carman, Mayor Charlie J. Harrison and L. Brooks Patterson are the co-chairs of the event. Call 858-5172 for more information.

● **"The Global Status of Women,"** a talk featuring Ambassador Arvonne Fraser, US delegate to the UN on the Status of Women, will be held Wednesday, Jan. 18 at Detroit's Westin Hotel. Sponsored by the Women's Economic Club, tickets are \$18 for members, \$25 for nonmembers. Call (313) 963-5088.

● **A Singles Coalition Benefit Dance** to benefit the Midwest AIDS Prevention Project will be held Friday, Feb. 10 at 7:30 p.m. at the Troy Marriott Hotel. Admission is \$12 in advance, \$15 at the door and includes JD and hors d'oeuvres. Call (810) 478-9181 for more information. Attire is dressy.

● **CPR classes** are offered monthly at St. Joseph Hospital in Pontiac the first Thursday of the month at 6:30 p.m. Fee is \$15; call 858-3037 to register.

● **Thinking spring?** The third annual Spring Home and Garden Show will be held at the Novi Expo Center Feb. 2-5. The show is sponsored by the Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan. Over 200 exhibitors will show their most interesting and up-to-date products. Admission is \$6 for adults; \$4 for seniors; \$3 for kids 6-12; under 6 free. Discount tickets are available at Farmer Jack stores. Call (810) 737-4478.

● **CHADD of the Oxford area** (Children and Adults with Attention Deficit Disorder) will meet Monday, Jan. 9, 7-9 p.m. at the Oxford Public Library, 20 W. Burdick St., in Oxford. Speaker will be

Dr. B. Travnikar on "Adults and ADD." Call 391-0113.

● **The University of Michigan-Flint** is extending the winter semester deadline for applications and registration to Friday, Jan. 6 without late registration penalties. A late fee of \$15 will go into effect Jan. 9. For more information call the admissions office at (810) 762-3300 beginning Jan. 3.

● **Looking for some clues to the new year?** Set your 1995 goals by attending a psychic fair Saturday, Jan. 14, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. at the Troy Marriott Hotel. Astrologers, card readers and palmists will attend and there will be lectures all day. Admission is \$5, readings are \$10. Call (810) 528-2610.

● **Country and Western dancing** for couples will begin at the Rochester Community House Jan. 8 for six weeks. Cost is \$48 and there will be sessions for beginning and advanced dancers. Sessions for singles will also be available; cost is \$30.

Ballroom dancing classes will begin Jan. 11; cost is \$48 per couple. Yoga begins Jan. 9; cost is \$36 for six weeks. For all classes, call 651-0622 to register.

● **The Oakland County Pioneer and Historical Society** will host its 121st Annual Meeting at the Oakland Avenue Evangelical Presbyterian Church, 404 Oakland Ave., in Pontiac on Wednesday, Jan. 18 at 1 p.m. The program will feature a video on 19th and early 20th century immigration to the US. Call 338-6732.

● **Free eye care for low-income families** will be offered by the Michigan Optometric Association again this year. Screening for eligibility will be held Jan. 3-31 by calling 1-800-766-4466, 7 a.m.-9 p.m. Central Standard Time. Or apply by mail by writing VISION USA, 243 N. Lindbergh Blvd., St. Louis, Mo. 63141. The program is targeted toward low-income, uninsured working people.

● **"Architecturally Speaking: Cranbrook Architecture in the 1990s"** is the name of a series of lectures to be presented at the Cranbrook Art Museum Feb. 9, 16 and 23 at 7:30 p.m. Cost is \$20 for all three nights, \$8 for one lecture. Call 645-3323.

● **"Puppets for our God"** from Davison First Baptist Church, will present "The Happy Prince," a unique presentation about ministering to those in need, at Calvary Evangelical Lutheran Church, 6805 Bluegrass, Clarkston on Sunday, Jan. 8 at 6:30 p.m. The show is considered entertaining to all ages. A freewill offering will be collected. The church is

Reunion

● Attention Denby graduates, class of 1950: If you haven't heard about the reunion Oct. 14, 1995 at Sterling Inn, Sterling Heights, it means your class has lost track of you. Call Chuck Dawson at (810) 585-2083 or George Meyer at (810) 647-3833.

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located off M-15 just south of the I-75 overpass.

● **The Rochester Attention Deficit Disorder Support Group** will meet Thursday, Jan. 19 at 7:30 p.m. at the Rochester Hills city offices. Speaker will be Bernie Travnikar on "Where We've been and Where We're Going." Call 651-0622.


● **Be a positive adult role model** for a child, age 5-16, in need of a one-to-one mentor. Oakland County Youth Assistance will offer training Saturday, Jan. 14, 1-5 p.m. at the Oakland County Courthouse, 1200 N. Telegraph, Pontiac. Call 858-0041 for more information.

● **"The Birds of Winter"** an indoor-outdoor program about the habits and survival of birds that brave Michigan winters, will be held at the Indian Springs Metropark nature center Sunday, Jan. 22 at 10 a.m. A vehicle entry permit is required, as is pre-registration. The park is located near White Lake. Call 625-7280 for more information.

● **The small Bavarian town of Frankenmuth** has begun preparations for Zehnder's Snow Fest '95 Jan. 31-Feb. 6. More than 150,000 people are expected to see the snow sculpting and ice sculpting championships. The highlight will be an ice sculpture chiseled from 500 blocks of ice. Forty tons of ice will be transformed into an ice palace, and 200 ice and snow carvings will line the town streets. Fireworks and live entertainment will warm the crowds. For more information call (517) 652-9925.

● **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.

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When it comes to obtaining breast cancer screening, women face a variety of difficulties. Transportation is no longer one of them.

Michigan Cancer Foundation has a new mobile breast cancer detection center. Beginning in December, the unit will be available to worksites, community and senior citizens' centers and churches throughout Oakland County, offering screening mammography, clinical breast examinations and breast self-examination instruction, as well as educational materials.

The \$300,000, wheelchair-accessible unit -- one of only four in Michigan -- can accommodate up to 20 patients per day and will be accredited by the American College of Radiology. Its purchase was made possible through the generous support of Kmart, Ford Motor Company, MasterCard and

several private individuals.

"Our goal is to help create greater awareness of breast cancer and to encourage women to have regular cancer-detecting health care," said Joseph Antolini, Kmart chairman, president and CEO. "Through our support of the mobile unit, we can work together to not only improve the health of women, but also to preserve the well-being of families in Michigan."

There are more than 22 million women age 40 and over in the American workforce; 61 percent of U.S. women age 40-65 are employed. Breast cancer screening in the workplace not only promotes employee health, it also makes good business sense. The 1990 estimated breast cancer costs borne by U.S. private industry employers and employees total more than \$4.2 billion, including \$937 million for treatment costs; \$567 million for disability costs; and

\$2.71 billion for lost earnings due to premature death.

Nearly 7,000 Michigan women will be diagnosed with breast cancer in 1994; 2,000 will die of the disease. While mobile mammography service may not impact the first number, it can make a significant difference in the second.

It is widely believed that breast cancer mortality could be reduced by 30 percent if all women followed the National Cancer Institute's screening guidelines, which include mammography, clinical exams and BSE.

However, according to the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System, a project of the Centers for Disease Control, only 41 percent -- less than half

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-- of Michigan women age 50 and over received screening mammography and clinical breast exams in 1992. While this figure is improving, it highlights a dramatic need in the community.

"If we practice just what we know now, we could be much more successful in our treatment of breast cancer," said Vainutis Vaitkevicius, M.D., the Foundation's president. He is confident the new unit will help make current treatments and information available to everyone.

The new unit will accept all third-party insurance plans, Medicare, Medicaid and referrals from area health departments. The Foundation also operates stationary detection centers in Berkley and Detroit. Groups interested in scheduling the unit may call Debra Riekens, (313) 833-7700.

Resolutions you can live with in the new year

It's that time of year again—time for New Year's resolutions. We all make them, but how many do we keep?

Many people sincerely resolve to lose weight by eating right and exercising. Unfortunately, lots of them start with grand expectations and quickly run out of steam.

"It can be different this year," says Catherine Terzes, a representative of TOPS, Take Pounds Off Sensibly. "Some people do keep their resolution. As the year goes on, they become healthier, stronger, thinner—just as they'd hoped."

These successful resolution makers do several things right, according to Terzes.

"First of all, they set realistic goals. They don't try to do too much too soon. Second, they make it a point to enjoy the process. They pick an exercise they really like, for example, so they can stick with it over the long run.

"Third, they make the change primarily for themselves, not to gain someone else's approval. And finally, they get encouragement toward their self-improvement goals from supportive family members, friends and others."

TOPS' emphasis on lifelong sensible weight control fits some important criteria for success established recently by a panel of experts studying obesity.

The experts, assembled by the Institute of Medicine for the National Academy of Science, recommended consumers choose programs that "focus on long-term weight management and provide instruction in healthful eating, increasing activity, and improving self-esteem . . . (the program) should encourage clients to be assessed by their health-care providers."

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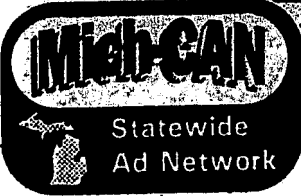
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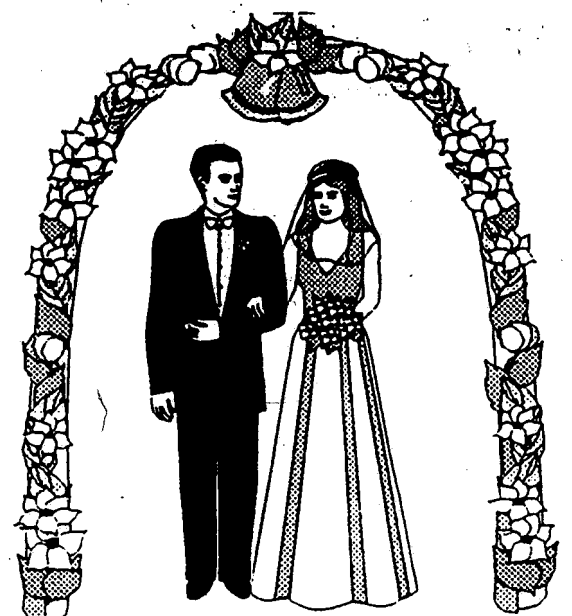
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Obituaries

Vera Allemang

Vera V. Allemang, 84, of Waterford, formerly of Traverse City, died Jan. 1, 1995.

Mrs. Allemang was preceded in death by her husband Carl.

She is survived by a son, Robert (Carol) Allemang of Clarkston; two grandchildren, Dale and Susan; and five great-grandchildren, Curtis, Julianne, Matthew, Bonnie and Brook.

Family services have been held. Funeral arrangements were entrusted to the Lewis E. Wint & Son Trust 100 Funeral Home in Clarkston.

Memorials may be made to the American Lung Association.

Cecil Bell

Cecil B. Bell, 77, of Clarkston and Zephyrhills, FL, formerly of Sault Ste. Marie, died Dec. 28, 1994.

He was preceded in death by his brother Alfred Bell and sisters Bernice Sutton and Dorothy Hill.

Mr. Bell was the owner of Cecil B. Bell Excavating in Drayton Plains and a veteran of the US Navy, World War II. He was also a member of VFW Post #9023, Brimley, MI and a longtime member of Community Presbyterian Church in Waterford.

He is survived by a wife, Lois C., two daughters, Carol (Marvin) Barnhart of Clarkston and Marilyn (David) Smith of Canton; two grandchildren, Venessa and Leslie Smith; and three brothers, Earl, Howard and Leonard Bell.

Funeral services were Dec. 31 at Community Presbyterian Church with Pastor Thomas C. Hartley officiating. Burial followed in Lakeview Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Community Presbyterian Church or the American Diabetes Association.

Joyce Jackson

Joyce Cardew Jackson, 75, of Waterford, formerly of Huntington Woods and Royal Oak, died Dec. 29, 1994.

Mrs. Jackson was a concert pianist and a piano teacher for many years in the Royal Oak area. She was a member of the Royal Oak and Detroit Musicales.

She is survived by her husband Robert H.; a son, David C. (Esther) of Waterford; two daughters, Linda (Gary) Metzger of Clarkston and Suzanne Jackson of Farmington; five grandchildren, Laura, Steven, Katherine, Laura Beth and Rachel; and a sister, Barbara Hurlik of Arizona.

A memorial service was held Jan. 3 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Trust 100 Funeral Home in Clarkston with the Rev. Richard C. Nelson officiating.

Memorials may be made to the Waterford Senior Center Meals on Wheels.

Jeanette Tucker

Jeanette May Tucker, 78, of Whitmore Lake, formerly of Waterford, died Dec. 26, 1994.

Mrs. Tucker was preceded in death by her husband Basil.

She is survived by three sons, Robert (Linda) Tucker of Waterford, Richard Tucker of Highland and Lawrence Tucker of Whitmore Lake; four grandchildren, Brian, Scott, Kathy and Amy; a sister, Winifred Miller of Clarkston; and a brother, Donald Miller of Clarkston.

Funeral services were Friday at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Trust 100 Funeral Home in Clarkston with Donald Kevern officiating. Burial followed in Lakeview Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the American Heart or Diabetes Association.

Support groups

OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS: Saturdays, 10 a.m., Mondays, 5:30 p.m., Church of the Resurrection, 6490 Clarkston Rd.

MOTHERS OF PRESCHOOLERS: Tuesdays, 9:30 a.m., St. Trinity Lutheran Church, 7925 Sashabaw. Call 625-4644.

CO-DEPENDENTS ANONYMOUS (CODA): Thursdays, 7 p.m., Church of the Resurrection, 6490 Clarkston Rd. Call 625-0839.

WEIGHT WATCHERS: Waterfall Plaza, 5651 Dixie Hwy. Mondays, 5:45 p.m.; Tuesdays, 9:30 a.m., 5:30 and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesdays, 10 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Thursdays, 6 p.m.; Fridays, 9:30 a.m.; Saturdays, 8:30 and 9:30 a.m. Handicap accessible. Call 1-800-487-4777.

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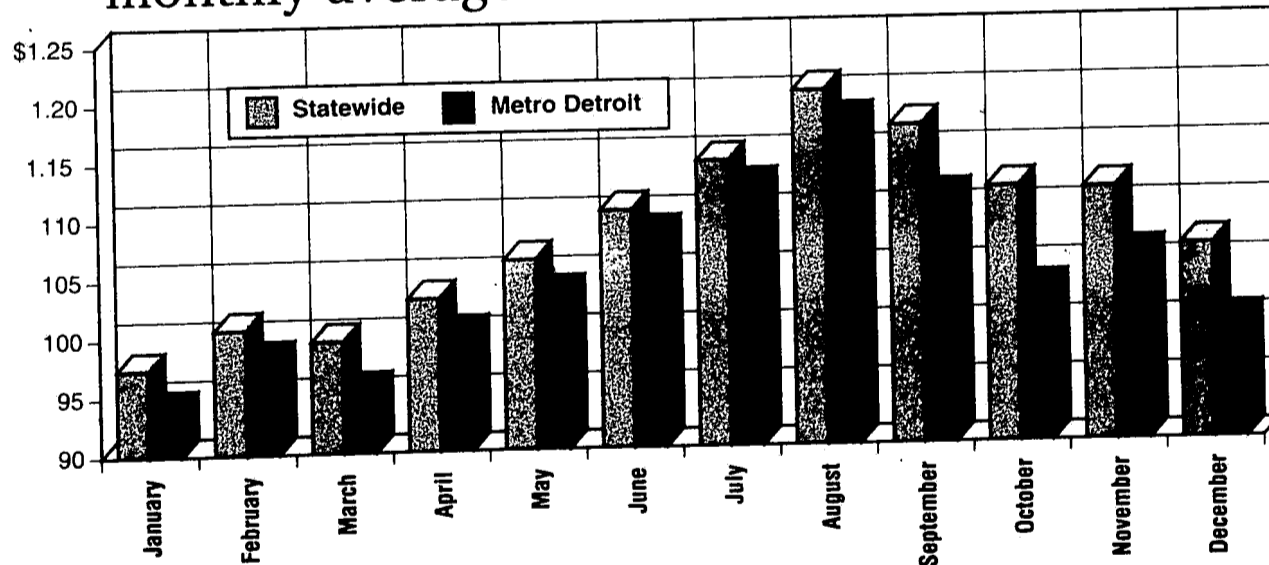
ALZHEIMERS DISEASE AND RELATED DISORDERS: The first Tuesday of each month at 1 p.m. in the Xavier Pavilion, St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Pontiac. Call 858-3020.

CHADD (Children with Attention Deficit Disorders) OF THE OXFORD AREA: The second Monday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Oxford Public Library, 20 W. Burdick St. Call 391-0113.

HELP (Handling Emotional Loss of Pregnancy), a bereavement support group for parents, meets the second Thursday of every month at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Pontiac, 7:30-9:30 p.m. in the Xavier Pavilion, Room G. Call 858-3560.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Planning Commission of Independence Township, Oakland County, Michigan, will hold a Public Hearing on January 12, 1995 at 7:30 p.m. at the Independence Township Board Room, 90 North Main Street, Clarkston, Michigan 48346, to consider the following:

FILE #94-1-051
P.E.G. Construction for Hilltop Estates
Request Cluster Option in R-1C Zone in accordance with Section 5.24.
Parcel Identification Number: 08-11-476-001 & 08-14-226-001
Common Description: 80.54 Acres, Michigamme & Stickney Roads

Any further information regarding the above Public Hearing may be obtained at the Township Planning Office during regular office hours 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday thru Friday, or by phone at (810) 625-8111.

Joan E. McCrary
Clerk

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ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

The Independence Township Board of Appeals will meet Wednesday, January 18, 1995 at 7:30 p.m. at the Independence Township Annex Board Room, 90 North Main Street, Clarkston, MI 48346 to hear the following case:

Case #95-0004, Floyd Soo, Petitioner
APPLICANT REQUESTS 30' HEIGHT VARIANCE FOR COMMUNICATIONS ANTENNA
Woodview, Lot 37, R-1C
Clarkston Ranch Estates Sub #2
08-13-205-018

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN THAT THE ABOVE REQUEST MAY BE EXAMINED at the Independence Township Building Department during regular hours each day, Monday thru Friday, until the date of the Public Hearing.

Respectfully submitted,
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TOWNSHIP BOARD AGENDA 7:30 P.M., JANUARY 10, 1995

- Call to Order
Pledge of Allegiance
Roll Call
Opening Statements and Correspondence
Approval of Agenda
Minutes of Previous Meeting
List of Bills
Approval of Purchase Orders
Public Forum
- Old Business
1. Second Reading and Adoption for Rezoning of R1R to R1C-Sashabaw Road (08-15-200-001)
 2. Second Reading and Adoption of the O.U.I.L./U.B.A.L. Cost Recovery Ordinance
- New Business
1. Discussion of Sale - Police Sub-station
 2. Non-Union Salary Adjustments
 3. Appointments to Various Boards
 4. Cramlane Drainage Improvements
- Only those matters that are listed on the agenda are to be considered for action. A majority vote of the Board members may add or delete an agenda item.

No longer 'Red'

Former Soviet Union opens doors to American students

BY ANNETTE KINGSBURY
Clarkston News Editor

American movies, TV shows and McDonald's golden arches were about the only things familiar to some American students studying in the former Soviet Union this summer.

Kim Kolody, a 1991 Clarkston High School graduate, was among 20 engineering students from Michigan State University who spent the summer in Russia and Ukraine earning credits in engineering and humanities. It was the first trip the school had sponsored in the former USSR, and communications were often difficult according to Kolody, a senior studying civil engineering.

"The idea of studying in Russia was not

Inflation, anyone? At the beginning of the summer, a dollar was being traded for 2,000 rubles. By mid-summer, it was going for 4,000 rubles, Kolody said.

greeted warmly by my mother and father (Gary and Linda Kolody of Clarkston)," she said. "Communication within the country is poor, meaning there is limited access to phones to provide updates of one's well-being. Travel by bus, train and airplane within the country does not meet US standards and can be life-threatening on occasion. Somehow I managed to convince my parents that even with these dangers the potential benefits of such an experience were great."

Though time was scheduled at a number of universities, including the Kiev Polytechnical Institute, the Moscow State Technical Bauman Institute and the Taganrog Radio Engineering Institute, Kolody said translation difficulties and the primitive conditions made learning engineering tough. It was the cultural experience that was most satisfying.

"We found our contact with the Russian students to be very positive," she said. "They are friendly and excited about having contact with Americans. Typically they would skip their classes so they could spend more time with us practicing English and asking questions about the United States."



Kim Kolody stands in front of Lenin's tomb in Moscow's Red Square. "He's really in there," she said. Perhaps not for

much longer, according to recent news reports.

Though she has never taken any Russian language classes, Kolody stayed with Russian families during her trip. A translator went along with the group to help out, but Kolody found many of the people she met could speak English, having studied it from an early age.

"They also learn the language from American movies with dubbed Russian voices but the English can still be heard in the background. This English exposure allowed them to pick up some surprising expressions. One student would say, 'So on and so course' when really meaning 'So on and so forth.' When pouring a drink he would say 'Say when.' You just don't expect to hear these basic American expressions."

Despite that, daily life in Russia was very foreign to the young Americans. In one city, Kolody stayed in a one-bedroom flat with a family. Laundry was strung on a line across the living room after laundering. School work was hand-written, even when lengthy, and bound with ribbon, rather than computer written. Though it was summer, fresh fruits and vegetables were scarce in some cities, though meat and rice were plentiful. In one hotel there was no hot water, even for bathing.

Kolody said that during the course of the summer she was able to see the effects of inflation. When she arrived, one dollar was

being traded for 2,000 rubles. By mid-summer, it was going for \$4,000 rubles.

"A lot of people convert their rubles to dollars when they get paid, then convert it back to rubles when they want to spend it," she said. "They have a rule that they must buy and sell in rubles (in stores)."

Seeing the country's historic landmarks

'They didn't want to let us see the negative aspects of the country ... They need American support.'

Kim Kolody

was the highlight of the trip. The students visited Kiev, St. Petersburg and Moscow, as well as Taganrog on the Black Sea. In Kiev they were only 65 miles from Chernobyl, site of a terrible nuclear accident. They were shown a video but got the impression no one really wanted to talk about it.

"They didn't want to let us see the negative aspects of the country," Kolody said. "They have a lot of pride in it. They need American support."