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The question is . . .

School board drops remodeling of CHS from June bond election, cutting cost by over \$5 million

BY ANNETTE KINGSBURY
Clarkston News Editor

Reversing a decision it made earlier, the Clarkston board of education decided Monday night not to incorporate remodeling of the current high school into a bond proposal to build a new high school.

The change will drop the amount of the money being requested in June to \$52,175,000, down from \$57,500,000. The difference is the amount it would have cost to remodel the current high school to replace Clarkston Middle School.

The change was recommended by the administration in the wake of serious divisions which became apparent at last week's board meeting. At that time, several trustees expressed reservations about the high price tag for the remodeling. The district has already spent over \$2 million in the last year remodeling the current high school.

Monday's meeting represented a deadline of sorts for the board. The wording of the ballot proposal must be taken to Lansing before it goes to the voters. The district has an appointment with the Treasury Department on Feb. 23 to go over the wording. This was the board's last chance, short of calling a special meeting, to iron out its differences.

During the course of the meeting it became apparent the board had taken notice of the failure of two school bond proposals in Walled Lake last week-end. There, proposals to build three schools and add technology, a pool and an auditorium lost narrowly. They would have increased taxes by 3.5 mills, less than the amount to be requested in Clarkston.

The new Clarkston High School would, if approved, raise taxes 3.98 mills. (A mill is \$1 for every \$1,000 in state equalized property value. The increase would cost the owner of a home with a market value of \$150,000 an additional \$298.50 the first year.)

Several trustees, mentioning Walled Lake, suggested the district offer the voters a choice by splitting off the pool from the high school. The pool's cost is estimated at a minimum of \$5.5 million.

Saying he supports the pool, board vice president Bill Craig said he was concerned about "the ramifications of not getting a high school at this time . . . Are we jeopardizing a tremendous need for a high school . . . My concern is we might put the ammunition out there to shoot ourselves with."

Trustee Kurt Karlstrom agreed. "We've seen what happened at Walled Lake, and also Lake Orion. I totally support the pool. I support the new high school . . . (But) I agree with Bill. I feel real hesitant about it."

Despite their misgivings, the vote was unanimous to offer an all-or-nothing ballot proposal. None of the trustees wanted their vote to reflect any lack of support for the project.

"It is our obligation to sell or explain the need for this building," said board president Tom Howard. "I would hope we could keep it all together and sell it that way."

The board's unanimous vote drew applause from the audience. But board secretary Sheila Hughes reminded them that the work is just beginning.

"Don't forget: We need committees, we need chairs to make this happen in June," she said. "This is a community effort. It's for all the kids. Please help us make this happen for all the kids in Clarkston."

Postscript: So what happens to Clarkston Middle School? The proposed remodeling of the current CHS into a middle school will be bumped into a future millage question, called Phase III. Scheduled to be put to the voters six months after the high school is approved, it will incorporate remodeling at most district schools and perhaps another new elementary. A very preliminary price tag on that proposal was put at nearly \$30 million Monday night.

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The news in brief

Woman charged in accident

Jana Stockton, 38, of Waterford was arraigned in 51st District Court Jan. 23 on one count of felonious driving stemming from an accident in which a Clarkston woman was seriously injured.

Back on Jan. 5, Stockton, who was allegedly driving northbound in the southbound lanes of Dixie Hwy., struck two cars, including one driven by Judy Denapoli of Clarkston, who was then hit from behind by another car. At the time, a Waterford Police spokesman said alcohol was involved. He would not comment further Friday, since the case is pending.

Denapoli underwent surgery as a result of her injuries. Stockton's preliminary exam on the felony charge has been set for Feb. 13 at 8:30 a.m.

Youths charged in fires

Oakland County Probate Court has issued 12 charges including arson, larceny and breaking and entering against two boys in connection with several recent fires in Independence Township.

The names of the two boys, both of Independence Township, have not been released because of their ages, 14 and 15. They are free on bond on condition that they attend school and spend the rest of their time either at home or in the company of an adult guardian.

The two boys were apprehended after a foot chase which started when the owner of a barn on Dixie Highway discovered a fire inside the barn and saw the boys in the area with a torch. In addition to that fire on Jan. 17, one of the boys confessed to being involved in two other fires, Dec. 30 in a storage shed and Jan. 14 in a construction trailer.

Sentencing in baby case

Pamela Williamson and Mark Good have been sentenced to 10 days in jail (time already served) on child endangerment charges regarding Williamson's infant daughter.

Last summer, the two were arrested after Good offered the baby for sale to passers-by outside Food Town market on Sashabaw Rd. in Independence Township. They pled guilty on the charge in 52-2 District Court.

Since then, the baby has been placed in foster care, where she remains. Williamson's parental rights were terminated by a probate court judge.

Elementary music, gym restored

Thanks to an accounting blip, the Clarkston board of education voted Monday night to restore elementary music and physical education programs which had been cut three years ago.

According to deputy superintendent Steve Lenar, because of a one-time change in the way FICA payments were reimbursed by the state, the district came up with \$200,000 it wasn't expecting to have. The change will take place as soon as staff can be hired.

"We're not expanding anything," board president Tom Howard said. "This is obviously a program improvement that is a high priority to the staff."

In addition, superintendent Gary Haner said the district curriculum committee will soon be bringing the board a proposal to expand fine arts in the elementaries. That proposal is expected to be presented at the board's Feb. 27 meeting.

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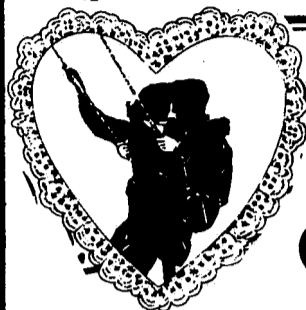
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Couples share secrets
on happy lives together

BY EILEEN OXLEY
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Does your husband throw his dirty socks under the bed? Does your wife leave her makeup all over the sink?

Maybe your boyfriend doesn't like your cat. Or maybe, you wish your girlfriend would take out "call waiting" because every time you try to phone her, she's talking to her friends.

These are some of the annoying habits that drive couples crazy — and sometimes apart.

But Clarkston psychologist and marriage counselor Stan Garwood, MA, MSW says men and women have to live with each others' flaws if they want their relationships to thrive.

"We all have our own little idiosyncracies," says Garwood. "The first thing I look for when doing marriage counseling is a basis — a strong commitment, unconditional love — and acceptance of each other."



DOC AND ELEANOR THAYER, who have been married for 60 years, take time out for a kiss. The couple says compromise is the key to a successful relationship.



JOHN AND DOROTHY HYDE, partners for 50 years, look at wedding pictures with their

grandsons Andrew (left) and Adam and the boys' new Cocker Spaniel Brandy.

Acceptance — dirty socks and all — is the rope that can bind couples together. What are some of the other secrets that keep that rope tight?

Here's a look at two Clarkston couples who have both celebrated their golden anniversaries. They share their recipes for long, happy lives.

John and Dorothy Hyde — 50 years

When John was asked what has kept the couple together for more than 50 years, he didn't need to wrestle with an answer.

"We LIKE each other," he said, throwing up his hands like you should know that. "I think she's wonderful — a good friend, good wife, good mother, good housekeeper, good cook ..."

And Dorothy answers, "He's got a good sense of humor. He makes me laugh."

They sat in their comfortable living room in a house on Cranberry Lake that the Hydies said needed a lot of fixing up when they moved in. The couple looked through a 1944 wedding book together.

The conversation went like this:

Dorothy: "Didn't he have curly hair though..."

John: "That's when I HAD hair."

John said he first laid eyes on his wife, a former model since the age of 13, when he was on a 72-hr. leave as a cadet training to be a navy pilot during World War II. She and her twin sister Doris were living at her family's home in Minneapolis.

"I was going to the University of Iowa in the cadet training program. One of my roommates was going with her sister," John recalled. For him, it was like love at first sight. For her it was different.

"I thought he was cocky," she said, wrinkling her nose. He said, "Which (sister) do I go out with?"

John enjoyed his leave — and Dorothy — so much, he decided to transfer there a couple weeks later. Dorothy said he flew "an open-pit biplane" all the way to Minneapolis.

"He froze his face off," she said. He also took another roommate who eventually married Doris.

"I said, 'Dick, I know where you're going ... Look — There are a couple of the best-looking chicks you ever saw. And they've got a mother who's a great cook.'"

Eventually, true love blossomed and John and Dorothy married two years later. Going through the war together was definitely a test of that love, as John was transferred to many places along the U.S. coast

before the Germans surrendered.

"I would have been sent to Japan if the war hadn't ended," he admitted.

Dorothy said times were tough but, "You accept things as they are."

That's seemed to work for them for the past 50 years, even when John was gone a great deal during his career as a salesman. Later he became a decoy carver.

"After I retired (from sales) I started the decoys and was working eight hours a day, seven days a week," he said.

But Dorothy kept herself busy with sons Greg and Larry.

"I was too busy being room mother at school ... And the boys played hockey."

John says he and Dorothy, now both 72, could share some advice with new couples just starting out.

"I'll tell you this ... Be tolerant of the other person. Everybody's got their foibles, you know. It's a give-and-take thing."

The couple looked back to their wedding album.

"Man, you were a good-looking broad," John said and then looked sideways at his wife. "I still think that."

But Dorothy says that might not include mornings.

"I just take his glasses before he gets up," she said with a wink.

Ralph ("Doc") and Eleanor Thayer — 60 years

As Doc and Eleanor sit inside their comfortable living room on Miller Road, they like to talk about how they remodeled their home years ago.

"We put all this knotty pine in ...," said Doc, gesturing around the room.

"I think it was when the children (Mike and Pat) were finishing high school," recalled Eleanor.

Like their marriage, the couple is also proud of the fireplace they built — together.

The bricks came from Green Acres, a former lodging establishment that Eleanor said was once "quite a popular place in the village." When they tore the place down, the Thayers rescued some of the masonry.

"(Eleanor) and I would go up there. They were selling the bricks for two cents apiece. That mortar on

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Long-time pastor called to Ohio

Leaves a legacy of love to church and community

BY EILEEN OXLEY
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Though The Rev. Bill Schram has been called from Sashabaw Presbyterian Church to take a new position in Ohio, he's leaving quite a history behind.

First, he's leaving many devoted parishioners who will miss his hearty laugh and the things he's done for them over the past 14-and-a-half years he's been at the church.

And he'll miss them.

"This was my first church," recalled Schram, as he sat at his desk Friday, inside an office he labels "a mess" because he's packing.

"I'll always have a fond spot for it. I've enjoyed the ministry and the faithfulness of the people, the depth of faith some of them have. I've enjoyed them as church members and Christians, but also as friends."

'I've enjoyed the ministry and the faithfulness of the people.'

The Rev. Bill Schram

Because the Schrams have no family members in this area, Schram says the church has functioned as "grandparents, aunts and uncles" for his and wife Jenny's two daughters, Jessica, 12 and Kati, 10.

"It's spoiled them much more than Jenny and I would have," he said, with one of those hearty laughs.

While in Clarkston, Schram was involved in activities, both in and outside the church.

Soon after he received his calling at Sashabaw Presbyterian, he headed a capital debt retirement

campaign for the new church built in 1972. The debt was completely paid off and Sashabaw Presbyterian had an excess of \$3,000-4,000 it was able to donate to mission causes.

And he and his parish were supportive when Lighthouse North needed a new home in this part of the county. The church wound up donating the old Sashabaw Presbyterian church building across the street for the social service organization's new location.

"There was a growing awareness. We decided something was needed in this area. The Lighthouse North headquarters were in Pontiac and there were people who used their services who lived here and had transportation problems," Schram said.

Eventually the building, which was built in 1856 and is on the National Registry of historic structures, became north Oakland County's headquarters for Lighthouse North.

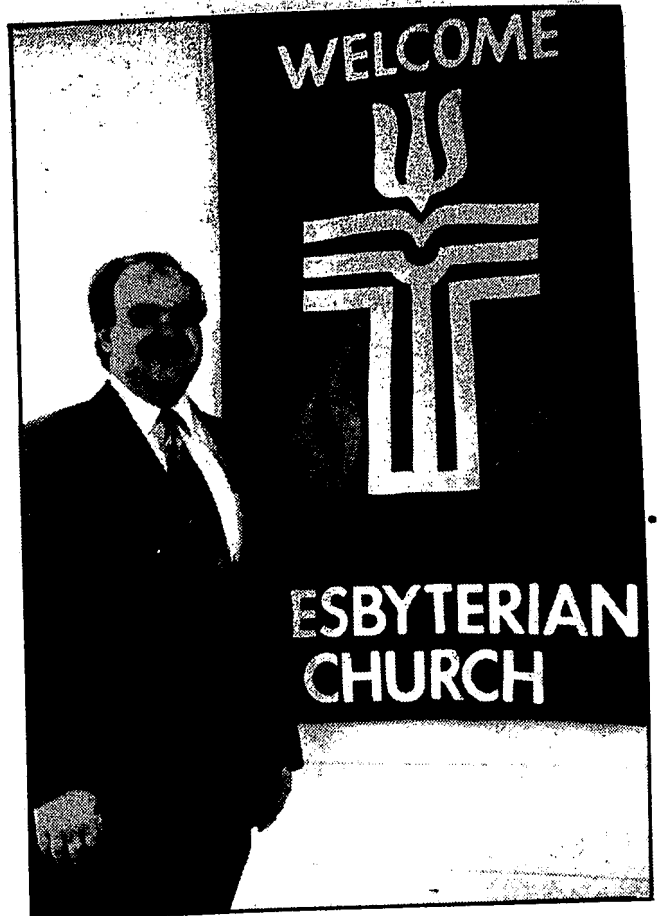
Sashabaw Presbyterian also provided Independence Township's Parks and Recreation Department with a place to hold its aerobics classes — on the second floor of the historic church — and got something in return.

"They (Parks and Rec.) contributed to and helped redo the upstairs. They helped connect the water and sewer line when the old pump was put in," Schram said.

In addition, Sashabaw Presbyterian let traditional folk music series Possum Corner hold concerts in the old church. The "what you sow, you reap" adage worked in that situation as well. The music group installed a handicap ramp.

"It's just amazing the way pieces fell into place," Schram said. "The community all worked together."

Schram and his wife came to Clarkston in 1980 as co-pastors, but Jenny left that position later to take a new one as stated clerk for the Presbytery of Detroit.



THE REV. BILL SCHRAM, PASTOR OF SASHABAW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH FOR OVER 14 YEARS, has been called to a new church in Lancaster, Ohio. Schram's last day is Feb. 19 and the church is holding an open house for him on Sunday, Feb. 12, from 1 to 4 p.m. The open house, located within the church at 5300 Maybee Road, is open to the public.

After the family moves to Ohio, where Schram will assume his new role as pastor of First Presbyterian Church in Lancaster, Jenny will continue her duties as stated clerk at Scioto Valley Presbytery in nearby Columbus.

Schram says his daughters are sad to leave the friends they've made in Clarkston and North Sashabaw Elementary. After all, they were born here.

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Drug resistance: more than saying 'no'

BY ANNETTE KINGSBURY
Clarkston News Editor

"Just say no."

It's a phrase today's young people hear often. They're encouraged to remember it, and use it when faced with an offer to use drugs. But does it work?

Based on the reaction of some eighth-graders in Lonnie Weil's health class at Clarkston Middle School, the answer is a resounding no.

As part of the DARE (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) program at the school, students engaged in some role-playing recently. Each group of four or five students was given a scenario where they would be exposed to drug or alcohol use, and asked to come up with a way to deal with it. One group took the "Just say no" directive literally, drawing giggles from classmates.

In their skit, the five boys acted out a scene in which John Lowery repeated just the word "no" a number of times before walking away from the hypothetical situation in which drugs were being offered. Both Weil and Oakland County Sheriff's Deputy Dave Hernandez, who teaches the DARE program, noted the classroom's reaction to the skit.

"Is that believable?" Hernandez asked. "You need a comeback."

In reality the DARE program teaches children many more avoidance techniques beyond the simplistic "Just say no." Among the lessons last week were at least eight techniques, including saying "No thank you," giving a reason or excuse for declining the drug, the "broken record" technique (in which the same line is repeated over and over), walking away, changing the subject, avoiding the subject in the first place, the cold shoulder, and strength in numbers.

In their skits, most of the students used the technique of walking away, often coupled with an



From left, Katie Cischke, Sheila Hill, Lauren Lee and Denis Foxx perform their skit.

excuse they'd made up to get away gracefully. Hernandez said that is the most commonly chosen technique in classes he teaches.

"Most of them always take that walk away," he said, "because it does take you away from that situation. It's very, very rare that someone would follow you."

Hernandez pronounced himself pleased with the students work, noting that they all chose to avoid a possible confrontation.

But he stressed that assertiveness (which he defined as "a way of telling people what your rights and opinions are while still respecting theirs) is good too.

"It works; I guarantee you it works," he said.

"Nobody likes to be preached too and it's going to keep you out of a lot of fights too."

Kristi Hanel and Shannon Karen, who participated in last week's class, said they had both been in situations where alcohol had been around. In their skit, they were faced with alcohol use by a driver who was supposed to be helping them move. They made up an excuse about having to go somewhere and quickly left on foot.

"Why would you ride with a drinking driver?" Kristi said.

The DARE class at the middle schools is part of a nine-week health exploratory all Clarkston eighth-graders are required to take, Wilds said. The DARE

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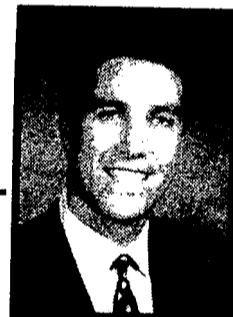
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In Focus

by Annette Kingsbury
*Watch yourself,
Grandma; the
kids are*

Last weekend I spent several hours reading three dozen essays written by middle-school girls in honor of Women's History Month. The essays were submitted for a contest sponsored by the Michigan Women's Commission and American Association of University Women, of which I am a member.

The girls were asked to write about a woman, contemporary or historical, who has served as a model of leadership in their lives. About 1,700 girls in grades 6-12 participated.

What surprised me most about these essays was that not one that I read drew a role model from history. Only a few went outside their families for inspiration. Rather, the biggest role models were grandmothers, followed closely by mothers.

As I read essay after essay, it became apparent that these little girls had observed their grandmothers in great detail. They knew the color of their eyes, the lines on their hands, their life histories. Most of all, they told in touching detail of their memories of times with Grandma, the influence she had on the family and the lessons she had taught.

It made me look back to my own childhood and remember that I had indeed spent a lot of time with my grandmothers. We would go visiting together and I would spend nights at their homes. Only with Grandma could I sip coffee and stay up late. They would sew clothes for me and my doll (who had a great wardrobe, incidentally, thanks to one Grandma). They were both great cooks, even if they did serve the likes of squid and snails on occasion.

Like the young writers, I too learned the concept of family, at least in part, from my Grandmas. I'm sure I never thought about it back then, as these young ladies did in their essays. I'm glad they have this opportunity to reflect on the women who are important in their lives; perhaps that's the real importance of an observation like Women's History Month.

Many of the stories told of terrible hardships—illness, loss of loved ones, etc. But not all of them drew their lessons from adversity. Many took note of their grandmother's never-ending kindness and said they hoped they would be just like her when they grew up.

It made me wonder: Do grandmothers know how important they are? Do they realize that little eyes are watching them, taking in every detail? That precious moments won't be forgotten, not even for a lifetime?

Maybe they do. Maybe that's why grandmothers enjoy their grandchildren so much. Older and wiser than when they were raising their own children (and hopefully not as busy) they can teach, by example, some of life's little lessons.

A lot's been said about role models in our society. Some people decline the mantle, seeing it as a burden. Others take it up willingly, feeling they have something to contribute to the greater good.

Grandmas will never make any top 10 lists. It may not be sexy or original to say your grandmother is your role model, but it may not be such a bad idea

Letters to the editor

Decries treatment by township

Dear Editor,

I am writing this letter in reference to an article that appeared in your paper Jan. 18 regarding flooded ditches on Cramlane and Waldon Rd.

I am one of the 13 residents referred to in your article. I am personally disappointed in the township and especially Dale Stuart in the way he handled the situation. He stated that he had been dealing with complaints from the residents since 1992 which is correct. But he failed to say that he tried to blame the problem on the residents and expected us to pay for the "fix" and at no time did he admit that anyone else was at fault. We continually refused to accept the blame because prior to the Waldon Woods Subdivision we experienced absolutely no water standing in our drainage ditches.

After some investigation into the construction of a detention pond located next to Waldon Woods Sub., I found that the chief deputy of the drain commission designed the pond and the route the water would take toward Gulick Lake. It does not take an engineer to recognize that the drainage ditches would not allow the water to flow freely and directly to Gulick Lake. The culverts were blocked in some cases and the level of the ditches varied from house to house. I'm very surprised that no one checked that portion of the project before going forward. My answer to trustee Jeffrey McGee would be, "Yes, I believe there was a major engineering flaw."

The residents provided pictures of dead rats and all sorts of debris found in the ditches after a rainfall. We had approximately three meetings with Stuart and Randall Ford discussing the problems to no avail.

Our last meeting was in November at which time we took a very strong stand and insisted that they incur the cost of the repair instead of 13 residents they now say were not at fault. We left the meeting with no resolution.

Stuart nor Ford or anyone else from the township has ever notified any of the 13 residents of their decision to approve up to \$30,000 for repairing the problem. We were still under the impression that they expected us to pay. Our only notification was through your paper.

We were treated very poorly in this situation. The 13 residents average approximately 20 years as residents. All of the homes and property are well maintained. The Clarkston Gardens and Orchards are two of the original subdivisions in Clarkston. If the residents had not maintained their property as beautifully as they have, Mike Hofer, the developer of Waldon Woods, would not even consider building next to us.

During our meetings many points such as this were cited. We were still sent away believing the township intended to do nothing for us.

Thank you,
Alvena J. Vincent

Letters to the editor . . .

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Jim's Jottings

By Jim Sherman

I'll take the snow, I think

I don't care what those people who live in, or run to, the so-called "Sunshine States" say . . . the sight of snow-laden trees on a sunny day in Michigan is absolutely beautiful.

Sure, white sands in Florida, swaying palms, pelicans atop boat dock posts and a rushing ocean surf can be very eye appealing.

But, pine trees with branches bowed with new snow, youngsters skating on a frozen lake and watching birds feeding and fighting at a snow covered feeder is more rewarding.

Sure, the Arizona desert with its prickly pear and proud saguaro cactuses, its bug chasing road runners, lizards and javelinas are drawing record numbers of new residents.

But, our winter wonderland of ski slopes, snowmobile trails, sledding, skating and snowball throwing has the attractions young and old can enjoy while having another, different season to look forward to.

Those regular and visiting southerners have their minds sunblocked, thinking that the world revolves around their bit of geography.

"Taint so. The rust belt is where it's at!

And, to do further research, improve my beliefs and find more strength for my arguments I'm going to Florida for just a couple weeks . . . right after two days of snowmobiling and just before the March thaw.

A couple weeks should be long enough. No need to spend a month or the whole winter like some non-believing northerners do.

I need to prove to myself again that a good shovel of snow beats a bad sand trap golf shot; that scattering salt on our icy walk is better than scratching sand flea bites; that wearing a hooded, insulated coat is more comfortable than a swimsuit; that snow blindness is easier to take than sunburn.

I scattered a few snow-scene pictures around Florida recently, mailing them to weakened escapees. We took pictures around our home of the lovely snow, the ice-covered swimming pool and snow-filled trees, and captioned them with "Wish you were here."

I guess I really 'got to' most of them, 'cause only one has called to say, "You're nuts, Sherman!" I suppose the others are too envious or sunburned to respond.

A look back

15 YEARS AGO (1980)

The future doesn't look bright for Independence Township's reserve police unit. Township attorney Richard Campbell tells reserve members they should not cover Pine Knob Music Theatre's traffic control because they can neither write tickets nor enforce state law. State law requires that a full-time officer be in charge of the police reserves in order for arrests to be made and tickets to be written. Township supervisor Whitey Tower says because that only leaves school functions and parades to cover, the reserve unit may fizzle.

Parents who disagree with Clarkston High School's method of disciplining students for absences — withholding grades — take their complaints to the board of education Monday night. Among the objections cited are using students' academic grades as a tool for punishing them for absences and tardiness, counting unexcused absences for illness and emergencies in these calculations and not maintaining uniform administration of this policy. The board will ask administrators for a report on the policy, due at the March board meeting.

Retired couple Sylvia and John Harken put on a "rock show" for South Sashabaw Elementary students. They present various stones including quartz, dogtooth, agates, tiger eyes, jasper and petrified wood.

25 YEARS AGO (1970)

Janet Gabier is named Dean of Girls at Clarkston High School. Gabier, a former English teacher at CHS since 1961, has been English Department chairperson for the last five years, has served on the Oakland County steering committee, was named State Public Relations Chairman for the Michigan Council of Teachers of English, and coached CHS cheerleaders. After her girls became state cheerleading champions in 1966, Gabier was selected State Coach of the Year.

More than 16,000 Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Explorers and their adult volunteer leaders in the Clinton Valley Council prepare to observe Boy Scouts of America's 60th anniversary Feb. 7-13. Celebration

activities include open houses, 60th birthday observances, Blue and Gold banquets and exhibits.

The Clarkston Cougars basketball team of Sashabaw Junior High School put an end to their two-game losing streak as they defeat Linden Junior High School 58-40 Monday. High scorers include Larry Miracle and Ed Medlin with 13 points each.

50 YEARS AGO (1945)

It is decided at the Clarkston PTA executive meeting Tuesday that an award be given to the elementary classroom having the largest number of parents who attend the next PTA meeting. That meeting is scheduled for Feb. 21, where Pontiac Boys' Club organizer "Chick" Gaffney will be the guest speaker.

Children who wish to be Paper Troopers and help the war effort by collecting waste paper are encouraged to phone Mrs. Shanks or Mr. T.S. Boyns. They will tell children where to leave the bundles of paper they have gathered during the drive.

The Drayton Theatre is featuring Hedy Lamarr and Paul Henreid in "The Conspirators" and the Holly Theatre is showing Spencer Tracy, Signe Hasso and Hume Cronyn "The Seventh Cross."

60 YEARS AGO (1935)

Though rangy Davison players present an "overhead" threat to Clarkston's varsity basketball team, Clarkston emerges victorious in a 29-25 win Tuesday night. Up to this point the Davison team has remained undefeated in the Genesee County Athletic League. The local lads have been a thorn in the side of league leaders this season, beating not only Davison but forcing Orion into an overtime period recently.

Specials at the Rudolf Schwarze market this week include hamburger, two pounds for 25 cents, Uneda Shredded Wheat, two boxes for 23 cents and Dossin's Salad Dressing, a quart for a quarter.

This week the Holly Theatre presents Bing Crosby and Kitty Carlisle in "Here is My Heart," Guy Kibbee and Aline MacMahon in Sinclair Lewis' "Babbitt" and Barbara Stanwyck and Warren William in "The Secret Bride."

If it Fitz

By Jim Fitzgerald



Board is confused on morality, religion

Are atheists and agnostics ineligible to serve on the Michigan State Board of Education?

Are taxpaying families that don't believe in a supreme being in danger of being forced to support a public school system that teaches it's impossible for nonbelievers to be moral?

Sure.

The board recently issued a "mission statement" that began: "We, the Michigan State Board of Education, grateful to Almighty God for the blessings of freedom, do earnestly desire to secure these blessings undiminished for our children . . . Religion, morality and knowledge are necessary to good government and the happiness of mankind, so therefore schools and the means of education shall forever be encouraged."

It was deja vu all over again.

Late last year, in an interview given in connection with Christian Heritage Week, Gov. John Engler proclaimed that "the quality of our relationships with one another depends on our morals, and our morals depend on our faith. But if we have no faith in God . . . then what will make us try to act in a decent, charitable manner?"

At the time, I scoffed at the idea of religion being a requirement of morality. Look around the world. Read some history. Try to count the huge, ever-mounting number of bloody, outrageous crimes -- sins! -- committed in the name of one organized religion or another.

I wrote a column about my friend Ralph, an atheist who for over 60 years has maintained high-quality respectful relationships with countless people, including Christians. Ralph abhors violence and spends much time promoting peaceful solutions to problems. He is forever giving money to the Salvation Army.

That column brought an unusually large reader response -- almost 300 phone messages in three days and nearly 100 letters. I was pleasantly surprised that the majority agreed with me that Engler was way off base. Donald Montgomery of Okemos put it most aptly:

"What is actually depressing is the governor's conviction that human nature is so base that people will behave decently only through promise of angelic delights or threat of hellish punishments. Do we feed a starving child or comfort a grieving parent only because we calculate that otherwise we'll miss heaven and be sent down to hell? Are charitable actions merely payments to a vengeful bookkeeper in the sky? It seems to me that the mere fact that our neighbor needs help is reason enough to make at least some of us behave decently most of the time."

Amen.

I learned to say amen long ago, in church, which I still attend most Sundays. An atheist or agnostic has never called me a fool for being a Christian. But I'm forever hearing Christians insist that their way is the only right way, and everyone else is condemned to hell. We should be ashamed.

The state Board of Education should be ashamed for so arrogantly inviting religion into our public schools. Too many Christians say they're in the majority, so why not pray in school? What can it hurt?

The answer, of course, is that public schools are for all the public, including atheists and agnostics, and even the most vague organized religious observance can be embarrassing, intimidating or otherwise hurtful to some students.

Pray in church, or at home or in your head.

In fairness, it should be noted that it isn't only our government that believes you have to pray for morality. A recent Detroit News editorial asked: "What incentive do fallible people have to make sacrifices that morality demands if there is no possible threat of divine sanctions?"

Does that sound very familiar, or what?

Sometimes I think Engler writes the News editorials.

Have a thorny problem you need help with? Write therapist Stan Garwood, 5854 S. Main, Clarkston, Mi. 48346.

Don't Rush Me

By Don Rush

The boy in the bubble



The Adventures in Home Improvement never seem to end. For me it is one effort in futility after another.

This winter's Poseiden Adventure is drywalling the dining room. I know now, as I knew before, why those hardy folks in the drywallin' business get paid the big bucks.

Drywalling is not for the weak of heart. As I type I can turn around and look at the door leading into the Rush Residence Home Office. And, I see the dining room through the translucent, milky-gray, plastic cover that I have stapled up on the door frame.

The dining room entrances are all covered similarly. When I have to work in there I feel like the boy in the bubble. Trapped.

Alone to face the burden of gagillion particles of drywall dust floating in the air, waiting to invade my body.

I can think of no redeeming quality of drywalling, unless, of course, somebody else is doing it.

This is the third room in the house I have drywalled. I hope it is the last. In the very beginning I had expected the first room to look, well, less than professional.

I expected I would get better with each passing room. Do the words, hardy-har-har, mean anything to you? They do to me. That's what the drywall gods are doing now as they look down upon my progress.

"Oh ye of little, hardy-har-har, faith."

Before I started down this road of misfortune I sought out advice from my elders. "Oh wise men of

more wisdom than I, tell me thy secrets. What must I do to make drywalling a blessed sight to behold?"

And, of course, everyone had a tip or two.

"Make sure the mud is creamy."

"Hold the trawl at a 45 degree angle."

"Run your blade over the tape to pack it in so it doesn't bubble out."

"Don't sand the mudded joints. Use a wet sponge."

I asked in good faith, but as soon as I went into the project I must have been smitten by an evil spell. Maybe I just forgot. The results have been the same.

I had lumps in my mud and had to re-mud.

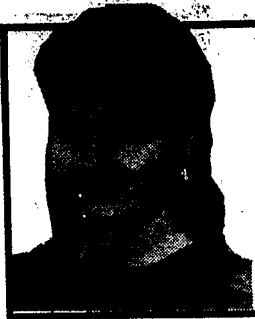
I didn't press the joint tape firmly into the joint. Of course that certain joint is the first you see when you walk in the room; and of course, the tape has bubbled out.

I tried the sponge routine, for about 15 minutes, and went back to sanding. The sponge thing takes too long. Now, white drywall dust coats about everything we own in the house (save our dog Mickey -- she makes sure she rolls around in the snow at least a couple of times a day to stay clean).

And I thought I could do this. I really thought I could. Damn the drywall gods for making a mockery of my efforts. Smacken-fracken, blizen-rizen.

I guess there's only one thing left for me to do (besides not joining the drywallin' union): make sure we buy lots of furniture, pictures and plants to cover up my work.

Hardy-har-har.



Ei-liners by Eileen Oxley

Forever Bill

All the world's a stage, and all the men ... merely players.

— William Shakespeare

OK, so the Pistons' glory days are over — for the time being.

But I remember when they reigned as Kings of Basketball for two great years.

And, no matter how many people might slam the Pistons' former Bad Boys style of playing, you certainly can't argue they were one of the most colorful teams in NBA history.

And one of the chief players in the cast of characters that graced the wooden floor of The Palace and other arenas was Bill Laimbeer.

And I was there, working, as I still do, part-time.

There when he and Rick Mahorn grabbed every opponent they could get their dirty hands on. They were B-A-A-A-D mothers — and the crowd loved it.

There the next year after Mahorn was ungraciously swept away and Bill was left to carry on the Bad Boys image without him. But he didn't disappoint me or the rest of the fans.

Last Saturday's retirement of his old number 40 before the Atlanta Hawks/Pistons game began was like revisiting those glory days — and Bill's part in them.

I'll have to admit that although The Palace pulls some bloopers from time to time, they do a dam good job when it comes to putting together a video saluting one of their Pistons. Example — the Joe Dumars tribute, done to The Temptations' "The Way You Do the Things You Do."

So I reveled, laughed and cried as I revisited Bill through the video. Who could forget his "huh?" expression every time the ref made a call he didn't like. Or the camera zooming in on his profile as he spit expletives into the air. Or the many times he took the Celtics' Kevin McHale down. G-r-r-r. Kev was a

pansy next to Wild Bill Laimbeer.

And my favorite scene — the time Bill was driven off the floor at an away game amid boos and catcalls. And his coup de grace to the jeering crowd — a mock bow.

Yes! I said. That's our Bad Boy! In their face, Bill! Give it to 'em, mighty Bill!

So, when they retired his number Saturday, as Dumars, Isiah Thomas and Chuck Daly, among others, roasted him during perhaps the kindest half hour he ever experienced on the Pistons floor, the fans stirred up their faithfulness.

Ghostly echoes of "B-a-a-a-d Boys" and occasional shouts of "We love you, Billy!" punctuated the ceremony as a handsome, smiling Laimbeer thanked family, friends and fans.

The people there weren't thinking about the fact that he'd led Detroit in all-time rebounds with 9,430 or that he nailed those three-pointers so deftly.

They weren't thinking of his golf game or that he'd be set for life with all his millions.

They weren't even thinking about his not-so-nice reputation of turning away little kids who ask for his autograph.

They were caught up in the magic of a former Piston, whose badness became endearing years ago.

It was perhaps former Piston Kelly Tripucka who gave the best speech. He recalled the first time he and Laimbeer met as teammates at Notre Dame.

Tripucka said Bill plunked down a six-pack of beer on his bed. He also remembered that Bill owned "an old beat-up car.

"I knew right away this was a guy I could like and be friends with," he said.

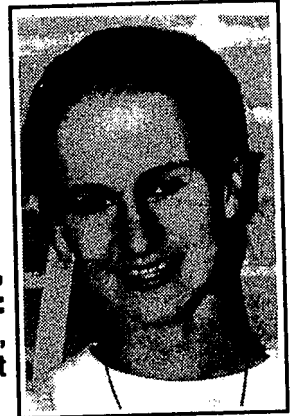
We knew it too.

Like loving a child unconditionally, Bill's fans accepted him the way he was — surly, nasty, hunky, lovable, always giving his best shot — truly the baddest of them all.

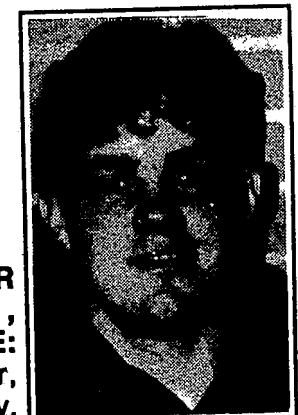
People poll

By Eileen Oxley

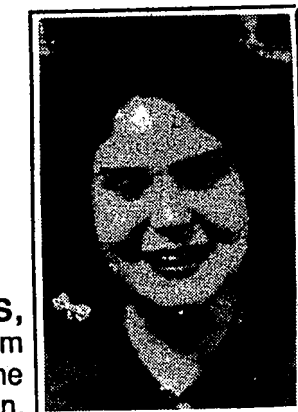
Who would be your dream Valentine?



AIRICA SAVAGE, TENTH GRADE: William Baldwin, because he's just plain gorgeous.



CHRISTOPHER HERBERT, TWELFTH GRADE: Heather Locklear, because she's pretty.



BROOKE KNAS, NINTH GRADE: Jim Morrison, because he was a great musician.



ADAM LAMB, NINTH GRADE: Kate Moss. I'm in love with her looks, but I don't know about her personality. There's something distinctive about her.



STEPHANIE MARTIN, TENTH GRADE: My friend, Joe Cuthbertson, because he's sweet, very kind and outgoing.

All students are from Clarkston High School.

CHS life by Amber Gebrowsky



Competition

Grade point averages, basketball games, mock elections. What do these things have in common? They are all examples of competitions that affect today's high-school students.

Caught in a society that places great importance on being number one, competition also adds stress to students' lives. Some claim competition in beneficial, and believe that learning takes place only when we are forced to compete against each other. Others question competition's worth. In either case, the question arises: What is more important in education, the process or the product?

All too often, the product is valued, while the process is forgotten. For many students, a little series of numbers known as a grade point average is a life-and-death matter. The process of actually learning is second to obtaining a high GPA.

Some students are genuinely interested in learning. For them, advanced, intensive and AP Classes are an option. These classes require students to do more than just stay awake; real thought and effort must be displayed. There is a strong emphasis on learning, and these students do learn a great deal. When all is said and done, however, their grade in the class still may not be a solid "A."

Other students opt for those classes that ensure them an easy "A." Yes, their transcript will look nice, but what do they actually learn? They end up appear-

ing to be better, smarter students than their classmates with more rigorous schedules, but are they really?

In the words of CHS band director Cliff Chapman, "It is harder to be your best than it is to be better than someone else." It is fitting that this comment comes from him, as, frequently, music is the one area in high school where competition against others is downplayed. Music is a collective activity; everyone in the ensemble must succeed for the group to produce beautiful music.

District Solo and Ensemble Festival took place Feb. 4 for Clarkston's instrumental musicians. In this activity, students were required to prepare a piece of music that was evaluated and rated on a scale of one to five. However, students were not competing against each other; they competed only against themselves. Instead of seeing fellow musicians as rivals, students actively supported each other.

Having taken part in this activity this year, I took time to listen to fellow flautist Jeni Myers. Jeni is currently first chair flute, and is an excellent musician. After listening to her performance, I found myself reassured. Jeni did a beautiful job, and I wouldn't have wanted it to be any other way. It was not a situation where we had to be better than each other; it was a situation for everyone to do their best.

So did I learn from this experience? You bet. Better still, I think others can, as well.



CHARISE BUNDESEN, owner of a new business, *A Touch of Art*, holds a hand-painted watering can against a backdrop of designs painted on antique furniture and other items. She also works with modern pieces.

Painter opens her own store

Independence Township resident Charise Bundesen hopes folks will get acquainted with her new hand-painted antique furniture business, *A Touch of Art*. The small hot pink and aqua building on Dixie Highway is nestled between two other businesses just north of Andersonville Road.

"My customers can find me now," said Bundesen, with a bright smile.

Bundesen's following has had to track her down at arts and crafts shows for the past three years. But now she's glad to have a place of her own for hand-painted wares that include not only furniture ("mostly florals," she says) but clothing and accessories. She's glad to create a color-coordinated wardrobe — for the person as well as the home.

She says hand-painted antique furniture is enjoying a popularity boom, but admits to her own original style which is a marriage of tole painting, rosemaling and "Norwegian folk art with lots of scroll work."

A Touch of Art, located at 5843 Dixie, is open Tuesday through Saturday from noon to 5 p.m. or by appointment. Bundesen also does custom work. Call (810) 623-1094 or 623-0993 for more information.

More than just saying 'no'

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portion takes 10 days. During last week's session the students also talked about drug messages they get in the media, such as billboards and other advertising.

"It's always a cute girl in a bathing suit," one boy noted.

Hernandez, whose work is funded jointly by Independence Township and the Board of Education, pointed out that students want to be like everybody else, and can do so without succumbing to drugs.

"It's pretty normal to want to fit in, isn't it? We see a person dressed a certain way. We say, 'I better buy a shirt like that'... We've got to find a way to say no to (drugs). It isn't easy, even for adults."

Senior news

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 informa-

tion or reservations call Sarah at 625-8231.

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Young singers compete in solo/ensemble festival

The largest number in the history of Clarkston's vocal music department turned out to participate in this year's district Solo and Ensemble competition, held January 28 at Eastern Michigan University in Ypsilanti.

Vocal director Grayce Warren said that of the 41 events which initially expressed interest last fall, 35 made it to the festival. Clarkston, Novi and Walled Lake Western high schools dominated the district, which has the largest concentration of school districts in the state, she said.

"Success can only take place with the cooperation of parents, fine accompanists and the cooperation of our middle-school teachers, Danielle Blanchard and Becky Linder," Warren said.

Any event (solo, trio, quartet, etc.) receiving a mark of "one" (superior) is qualified to move on to state competition, which will be held at the University of Michigan-Flint in April.

The ratings . . .

RATING I (Excellent):

SOLOS: Alesha Dowdle, Maria Fifelski, Jennifer Harsch, Marisa Jannaman, Bobby Vance, Allsa Visconti, Kristen Wicklund, Christie Williams.

TRIO: Julia Freeland, Sarah McNew, Bobby Vance.

BARBERSHOP QUARTET: Joel Sanford, Scott Sanford, Ryan Seaman, Jimmy Teritto.

QUARTET: Joe Diliogghio, Julia Freeland, Bobby Vance, Kristen Wicklund.

C.H.S. MADRIGAL SINGERS: Sopranos: Alesha Dowdle, Maria Fifelski, Sarah McNew, Kristen Wicklund; **Altos:** Kelly Biegan, Sara Chamberlain, Julia Freeland, Katie Morris.

RATING II (Good):

SOLOS: Rachel Barton, Jason Bertram, Tina Marie Cagle, Christy Cordial, Natasha Curtis, Kristen French, Jeren Kneisc, Rachel Lambourn, Colin McIntyre, Sara

McNew, Katie Morris, Elizabeth VanderMeer, Carrie Thomas.

DUETS: Beth Baldiga and David Parkin; Lisa Brown and Elizabeth VanderMeer; Tina Cagle and Natasha Curtis.

QUARTETS: Alesha Dowdle, John Dugan, Maria Fifelski, Ryan Moore; Andrea Blair, Adrienne Brown, Nichole Cardon, Sabrina Evans.

CHORALAIRES QUARTET: Kelly Banks, Christy Cordial, Elizabeth Schmaltz, Carrie Thomas.

ADDITIONAL PARTICIPATING EVENTS:

SOLO: Elizabeth Schmaltz.

DUET: Jason Bertram and David Srugis.

QUARTET: Rick Davies, Greg Franson, David Parkin, Tim Sievers; Bethann Devos, Emily Franson, Tom Hanel, Brian Wiel.

ACCOMPANISTS: Kelly Biegan, Cassandra Friedl, Colin McIntyre, Sheila Spencer, Mr. Bernie Wright.

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Couples share secrets for happy lives

From 3A

them was TOUGH," Doc said.

The couple married in 1934 after meeting at Eastern Michigan University in a class five years earlier. Both were studying to become high school teachers. His majors were business and physical education and hers was home economics.

"I sat in front and he was in back. We saw each other — EYED each other, I guess," said Eleanor, with a laugh.

Though back in those days, initiating a date was usually left up to the man, it was Eleanor who asked Doc out.

"I asked him to a sorority dance," she said. Doc, who already had a date that weekend, was forced to turn her down. But that little nudge by Eleanor sparked some of Cupid's arrows and he asked HER to a dance two weeks later.

"There were about 700 women and 500-600 men. Men were at a premium," quipped Doc.

That sense of humor is one of the things Eleanor likes best about her husband.

"I can't stay mad because he has such a wonder-

ful sense of humor. He says something that makes me laugh and then it's all over," she said.

After the couple became engaged, they waited five years to get married.

"My landlady told me I'd better hurry," said Doc.

Teaching jobs were hard to come by during those difficult Depression years, but Eleanor secured a job in Hastings while Doc taught courses at Chelsea near Ann Arbor.

In 1937, after teaching in other districts, Doc taught bookkeeping and business law at Clarkston High School and coached football. He retired in 1970.

Eleanor spent many years doing dressmaking in their home and in 1949 worked half-days at CHS, supervising study hall. Eventually she became the school's librarian, after taking some classes in Flint. She retired in 1968.

The Thayers enjoy playing cards and bridge with other couples and bicycled together until Eleanor's health problems forced her to limit physical activity.

They say they've never had a problem with

fighting.

"We don't argue. I just go down to the basement (when I'm mad) and start working," said Doc.

"We never say mean or harsh things to each other," agreed Eleanor.

They also say they're good friends. Though they admit they were thrown a big party on their 50th wedding anniversary, they planned something different for their 60th.

"We went down to the monument maker and had our gravestones made. People think that's something ... Crazy, isn't it?" Doc chuckled.

Their recipe for a good marriage?

"You have to compromise," says Eleanor.

"It's give-and-take," follows Doc. "The minister who married us said something I'll always remember: It takes two to make a fight. If one of you just eases off, the quarrel doesn't continue."

And then his sense of humor returns. He says that although Eleanor is the "older woman" — 87 to his 86 years — they have a deal.

"I've got an ultimatum. I've got to outlive her. I've been told," he chuckles.

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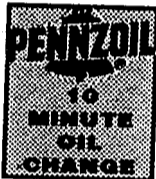


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Cedar Crest gala dedicated to Ivan Rouse

Cedar Crest Academy's annual Gala will be held Saturday, March 11 at Spring Lake-Country Club, according to co-chairpersons Beth Thom and Dana Fortinberry.

The Gala is the major fund-raiser for the Cedar Crest Educational Foundation, which this year has earmarked the school library's development as beneficiary for the proceeds.

This year's theme is "Dreamcatchers" and will focus, as have many of the school's students this year in class, on Native American culture. Guests are invited to dress for the theme, or simply choose semi-formal attire.

This year's Gala is dedicated to the late Ivan Rouse, founder and owner of the Clarkston Conservatory of Music. Rouse played a key role in the

development of the music program at Cedar Crest when the private, independent school was founded in 1984. It was Rouse who brought to the school Miriam Moore, who continues to head the music program today.

Tickets for the Gala are \$50 and include dinner, dancing to the music of Jamie Smith, and a silent auction. Among the items already donated for the auction are a weekend at Garland Resort, dinner at the Clarkston Cafe, and a brand-new Chrysler or Jeep. Class baskets will also be auctioned, including the ever-popular Dress-Up Basket from Mrs. Carlson's K-5 class.

For more information or for tickets, call the school at 625-7270.

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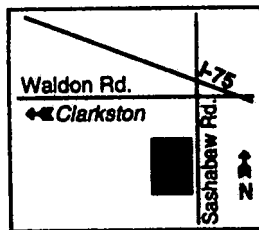
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Principal as superhero?

The kids at Bailey Lake Elementary School celebrated the 100th day of school with a visit from one of their favorite celebrities, Zero the Hero.

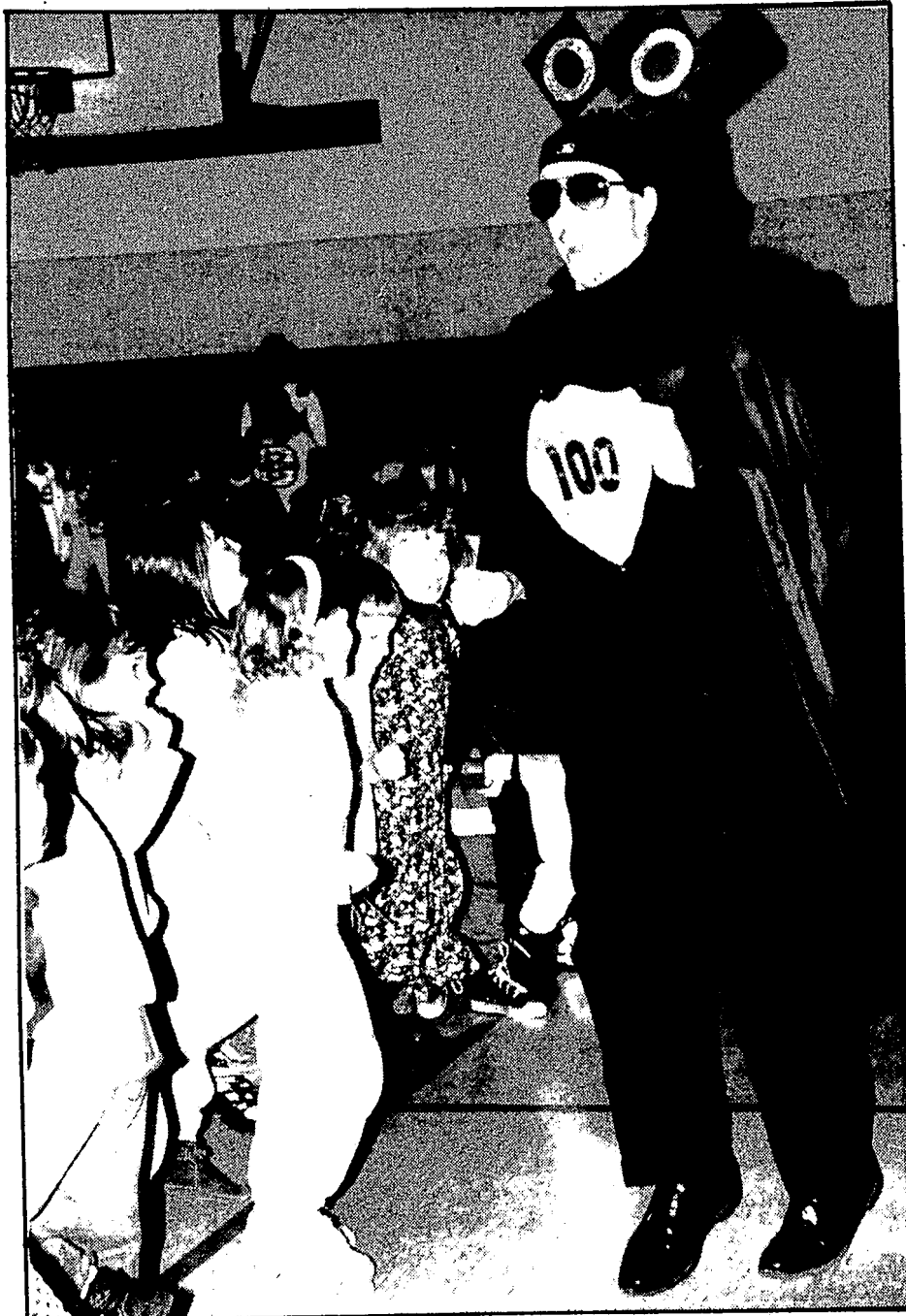
Zero (alias Bailey Lake principal Chris Turner) came to an assembly at the school Friday and quizzed the students on a few math problems. He then challenged them to jog in place for 100 seconds, and sit in silence for 100 seconds. Guess which one was harder?

To chants of "Zero, Zero" from the kids, Turner read a poem that was about 100 ants (that's his favorite number) at a picnic. To the kids, the idea of 100 kisses registered higher on the groan meter than 100 ants at a picnic.

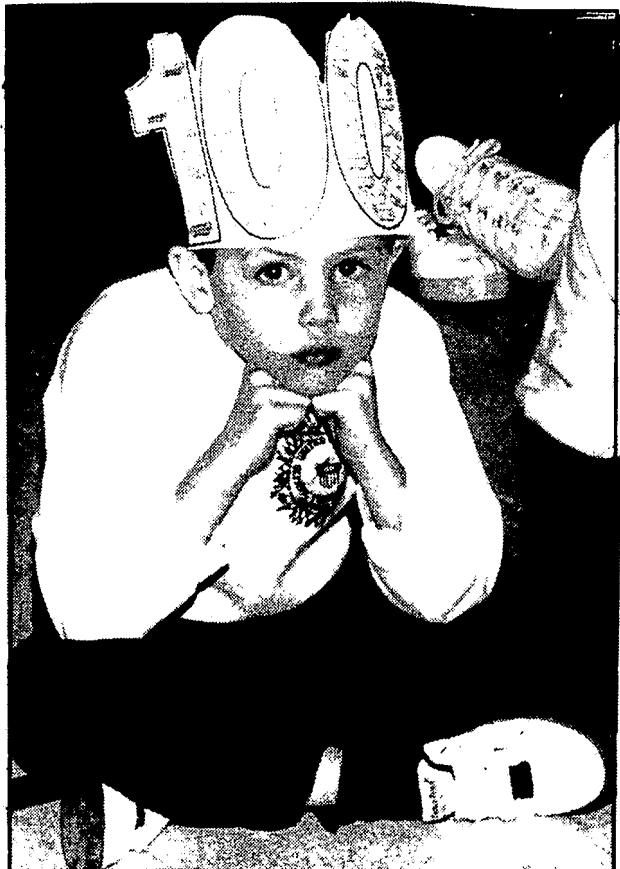
Turner was dressed for the occasion in a backwards baseball cap with two big zeros attached to the top. He also wore a black cape, shades and a sweater with an emblem attached to the front; sort of like Superman, but all in black.

Turner wasn't too keen on being caught on film in his get-up ("Someone will pay for this," he mumbled) but the kids enjoyed every minute of it.

—By Annette Kingsbury



At left, some students wore hats in honor of the 100th day of school. At right, Principal Chris Turner went undercover (OK—so the kids knew it was him) last week for a little fun as Zero the Hero.



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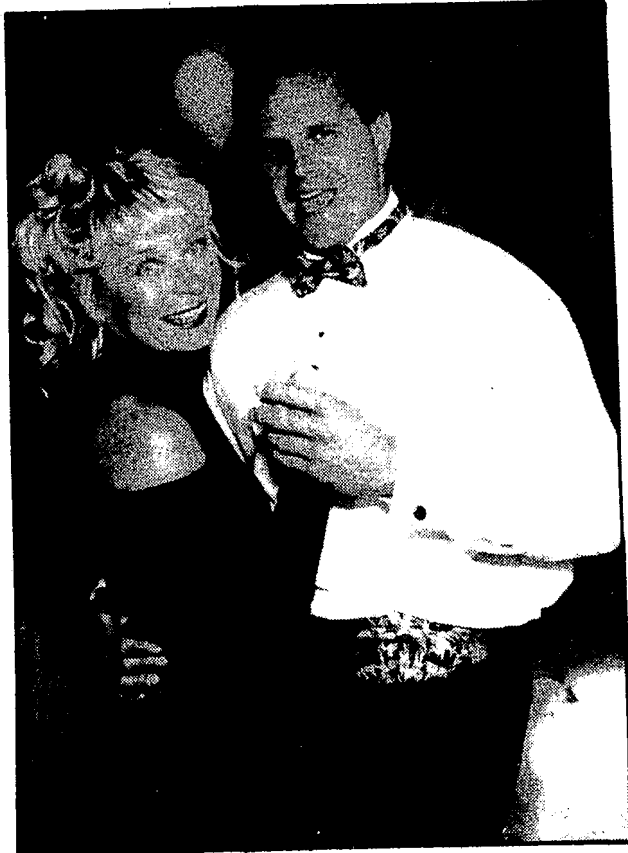
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Valentine engagements



McLaughlin-Lawrence

Wanda M. Phillips of Waterford and Martin M. McLaughlin of Port Richey, FL announce the engagement of their daughter, Judith M., to Rick J. Lawrence, son of Shirley Lawrence of Alger and Ronald Lawrence of Houghton Lake. The bride-to-be is a Clarkston High School graduate. She attended Oakland Community College and graduated from Orange County CA Manicuring School of Beauty. The prospective groom graduated from Milford High School and attended Kirkland Community College. He is employed as a meat manager for IGA Foods in Clarkston. Both Judith and Rick are members of Clarkston Free Methodist Church, where a June 1995 wedding is planned.

Resident named to conference on aging

Brant Fries, PhD, of Clarkston has been appointed by Governor John Engler to attend the 1995 National White House Conference on Aging, which will be held in May in Washington, D.C.

Twenty-seven people appointed by Engler will join a congressional delegation which will take to the conference public policy recommendations expected to affect the aged into the 21st century.

Fries is a professor in the Department of Health Services Management and Policy at the University of Michigan School of Public Health, where he is head of the track in long term care policy and administration.

He is also a research scientist in the university's Institute of Gerontology, and works for the Veterans Affairs system as chief for Health Systems Research at the Ann Arbor Geriatric Research, Education and Clinical Center.

The author of 50 publications and two books, Fries received his doctorate from Cornell University and has taught at Columbia and Yale. He is a Fellow of the Gerontological Society of America and a member of the American Public Health Association and the Association for Health Service Research.

The meeting of two personalities is like the contact of two chemical substances: if there is any reaction, both are transformed.

—C. G. Jung

Married couples who love each other, tell each other a thousand things without talking.

—Chinese Proverb



Ward-Schaller

Robert and Nancy Ward of Clarkston announce the engagement of their daughter, Nancy Elizabeth, to Steven Gerrard Schaller, son of Albert and Marilyn Schaller of Lakeport, formerly of Clarkston. The bride-to-be is a graduate of Clarkston High School and Central Michigan University, where she obtained a bachelor's degree. She works as a technical assistant in engineering for Schaller Corporation in Chesterfield Township. The prospective groom graduated from Clarkston High School and received a BS in mechanical engineering from Michigan State University and an MBA from Oakland University. He is employed as a die design engineer for Schaller Tool & Die in Chesterfield Township. A September 1995 wedding at St. Daniel Catholic Church is being planned.



Bernhardt-Schal

Bill and Paula Bernhardt of Waterford announce the engagement of their daughter, Gina Maria, to T. Neal Schalf, son of W. Neal and Rochelle Schalf of Clarkston. The bride-to-be is a graduate of Waterford Kettering High School and the prospective groom is a Clarkston High School graduate. A May 1995 wedding is being planned.

New arrivals

● David and Sandra (Mallett) Moltmaker of Royal Oak, announce the birth of a son, Steven Alex Moltmaker, born Jan. 31, 1995. The baby weighed 9 pounds, 10 1/2 ounces. Grandparents are Don and Merelyn Mallett of Clarkston and Dean and Phyllis Moltmaker of Mt. Clemens.

In service

● Navy Seaman Recruit Douglas Burnside, son of Peggy Burnside of Clarkston, recently completed US Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill. He is a 1994 graduate of Brandon High School.

Milestones

At school

● Clarkston native Jay T. Rider has been accepted and is presently receiving training as a Michigan State Police recruit.

Rider, a member of the 111th state police recruit class, is expected to complete his training May 12. Training lasts 17 weeks and includes criminal law and investigation, crime scene processing, patrol tactics, physical fitness, first aid, firearms and defensive tactics. He will also be trained in precision driving techniques and special police enforcement functions. Upon graduation he will be assigned to one of 64 state police posts in Michigan.

● Kimberly Clark, Staci Hill and Abraham Savas, all of Clarkston, made the Dean's List for outstanding academic performance during fall term at Alma College. Each carried at least a 3.5 grade point average and a minimum of 13 credits.

● Amy Desrochers of Clarkston, a theatre major at Emerson College in Boston, has been named to the Dean's List for the fall semester. The honor goes to students maintaining at least a 3.45 grade point average. Emerson is devoted solely to communication and performing arts.

Earns law degree

Cynthia Lohmeler-Lundquist has graduated from the Detroit College of Law, receiving her Juris Doctorate degree in a ceremony at Masonic Temple in Detroit Jan. 29, 1995. While at DCL she served as senior class vice president. She currently works as office manager at the Stratford Group in Clarkston, where she lives with her husband, Eric.



Have a milestone?
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Students honored in arts contest

The Community Room of the Independence Township Public Library was filled to overflowing January 30 for the culmination of the Clarkston schools' annual "Reflections" fine-arts competition.

Students in all grade levels had been invited by the PTA Council to submit their best work in literature, music, photography and the visual arts in this national competition. The theme was "Dare to Discover." Surprisingly, even the youngest took up the challenge, writing music and compositions and submitting works on paper, such as painting and collage. In total, 86 entries came in from 64 students. One, Adrienne Verla of Sashabaw Middle School, submitted 15 entries in three categories. The works were on display at the library, and the musical compositions were played for the packed house.

Judging was done by experts in each field, including Clarkston High School band director Cliff Chapman for the music, Sandra Meyer, a former teacher, for the literature, Ken McCormack of Photo Dynamics, Inc. for photography, and Kelly Erickson, a commercial artist, for visual arts.

Chairwoman Marilee Cook said the crowd was unexpected in this, the second year the PTAC has sponsored the event. Winners of the district-wide competition were announced at the gathering, but everyone who submitted an entry was recognized and all of their work will go on to state competition.

—By Annette Kingsbury



Catherine Thorndycraft, who took second in music at the middle-school level, reacts as the crowd listens to her composition on tape.

Time Machine

By Adrienne Verla

I had a machine,
it went back in time,
with a press of a button,
Back, back, back in time,

My first trip I decided,
would be,
back, back, back in time,
to Adam and Eve,

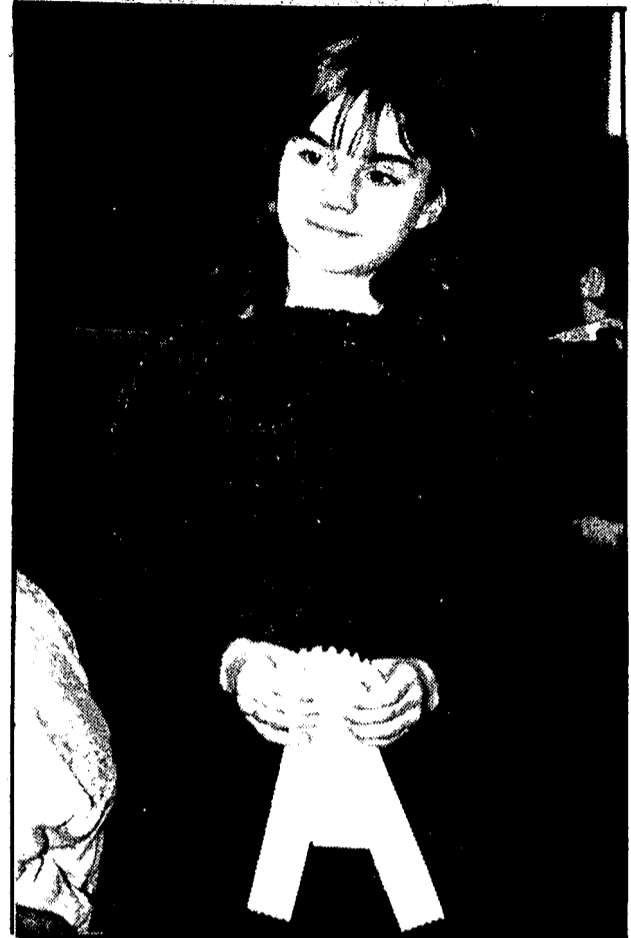
Then I'd go forward,
a little bit more,
I'd march right through
King Arthur's door,

Then I'd go further through another door
To September 16, 1982
to see my birth happen,
once more.

After that I would go all the way
to June of the year 2000
And see my graduation day.

But I have a feeling the machine would say,
"No entry here, not yet that is,
You have much to learn
Your time will come some day."

I guess the machine would be right
To deny this request to me
for I would not want to miss one moment
Life is very special you see.



Sandy Richardson of Clarkston Middle School with her ribbon for honorable mention in literature at the middle-school level.

District winners

(by grade group)

Literature

K-2: Andy Pauwels
3-5: Elizabeth Hunter
6-8: Lisa Knakal
9-12: Amy Bryson

Visual Arts

K-2: Garrett Phillips
3-5: Lance K. Red
6-8: Allyson Haller
9-12: Sarah Fenton

Photography

K-2: Elissa Smith
3-5: Angie Regiani
6-8: Jade Jackson

Music:

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Scott Hubert (left) and Matt Hunter show off their ribbons.

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To the Editor:

Webster's Dictionary defines an attorney as a person who has legal authority to act on behalf of another, a legal agent qualified to act for someone engaged in legal proceedings. We have laws to protect our children, our animals and ourselves. Do they work? Yes, they work, if you have a good attorney. What is a good attorney?

To me, a good attorney is honest, willing to help the person he is representing, and definitely not one that sees dollar bill signs in his eyes; or how much he can take by letting court actions drag on until financially the person he is representing goes broke. Then he decides to get it settled by threatening to quit whether or not it benefits his client. Then, they want you to sign a mortgage lien on your home.

I'm going through a divorce that has taken almost three years, and three attorneys. The first attorney took my \$2,000 retainer fee and two months later decides to go to New York to try to make it in the movies. She gives my case to another attorney (\$1,500 retainer required), who decides it's healthier to have a liquid breakfast, lunch and dinner. I retained another attorney (another \$1,500). His favorite words, "You don't have the money to keep fighting your husband, so if you don't accept the offer, I'll quit."

So there you have it. Money decides the issue. If you have the money, some attorneys will keep it

going forever -- as long as you have the money to give them. But when you run out of money, WATCH OUT!

Court orders are issued and signed by the judge. If they're not followed, you tell your attorney and he says, "The judge doesn't want to deal with it, she'll give us a mediator."

What is a mediator? Another \$200 an hour. And then you have a Guardian Ad Litem for the children. What is that? Another \$200 an hour. And if you have a spouse who is constantly lying and inventing trouble, and in-laws who not only interfered in your marriage, they want in the divorce, too.

Well, guess what, now you have to pay for them to sit or call. The meetings can take two to three hours. It's money in their pockets, so they don't care how long you sit and argue.

I see all the advertisements on television for attorneys dedicated to helping us sue doctors for malpractice. Who do we turn to for bad representation from attorneys?

To close this up, ask around, not one or two people, but many to find a good attorney. If we stop feeding the greedy sharks, and hire good attorneys that work for US, maybe we can get the greedy sharks out of the water, but only if we stop feeding them.

Bridget Slade
Clarkston

Maybe it's time for delegate change

Dear Editor,

People you voted for that stand for principles are being drummed out of voicing their values in the Republican Party. Debate and disagreement is a threat to their existence.

To people living in Precinct #4 bordered by Waldon Rd., M-15, Dixie Hwy., Maybee Rd., to Sashabaw Rd., and Waterford Rd., to Dixie Hwy., your precinct delegate, Ralph Chambers, has been displaced by Frank Millard from outside your representative area.

Republican Party rules allowed nine other precinct delegates to vote in their "cronies" regardless of where they live or the fact that they are not elected by anyone but them to represent you at the Republican State Convention.

These intolerant people excluded other precincts like Jim Maddox #2, Tim Patterson #9, and the city of Lake Angelus, who will not have any representation at the state convention caucus to replace an ineffective 9th Congressional District Chairman. This was done at the recent Oakland County Republican Clarkston area caucus by Precinct #1 Neil Wallace, #3 Carol Kammer, #5 Kurt Schulte, #6 John Lutz, #7 John Weller, #8 Dale Stuart, #11 Eric Schulte, #12 Russ Schulte and Clarkston's Bob Cook.

Neil Wallace and Dale Stuart said that's the way it is. It's Republican Party policy. It will never change.

Well, maybe it is time for a change in precinct delegates.

Very truly yours,
Ralph A. Chambers
Clarkston

Levin out of touch

Dear voters:

Senator Carl Levin's meandering letter regarding how he tried to "save" us from a bad bill on unfunded mandates demonstrates a man totally out of touch with November 8, 1994 and a document called the Constitution.

Senator, whether a mandate is paid for at the federal, state or local level or by the private sector, we the citizens pick up the bill. There are no free lunches for us.

Senator, at one time you seemed to be a talented and caring man, but you've been there too long. In 1776 and again on November 8, 1994, we the people spoke loudly and clearly. We don't want a king or a bunch of out-of-touch liberals telling us what to do. It is called freedom!

James O'Neill, M.D.
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Sheriff's log for Independence Township

MONDAY, JANUARY 30, a check for \$60 was written on a closed account at a Dixie Hwy. business.

Non-injury accidents were reported on Dixie and on Maybee.

Injury accident on Big Lake Rd.

Suspicious circumstances on Pine Knob Lane.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 31, breaking and entering at a business on White Lake Rd. The door appeared to have been pried but an alarm may have scared the burglar off.

Two Clarkston men, ages 18 and 19, were ticketed for trespassing on Maybee Rd on an ATV and a snowmobile. They were escorted home.

Mail tampering and mail theft on Thendara.

A 17-year-old Clarkston boy was apprehended shoplifting a pack of cigarettes in a Dixie Hwy. store. He told a deputy "he didn't know why he stole the cigarettes and that he was sorry. He also added that he had enough money in his pocket to pay for the product."

Fraud was reported on Sashabaw after a box of checks was apparently stolen from a mailbox and began turning up as they were being cashed. One bank caught the check-casher on videotape. The investigation is continuing.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, failure to pay for \$10 worth of gas on Dixie. The clerk got a license-plate number off the car, which was traced to a Clarkston address.

A Mann Rd. resident reported harassing phone calls over several months. Police contacted the person making the calls, who admitted her role. She was advised she'd be prosecuted if the calls didn't stop.

A Green Haven resident reported he saw a man at his neighbor's mailbox and in the neighbor's driveway in the pre-dawn hours. He got a license plate number off the man's car.

Harassment on Griggs.

A 37-year-old Grosse Pointe man stopped for driving on I-75 without taillights on his trailer, was arrested on an outstanding felony warrant. He also received two tickets (he was driving with a suspended license) and had his vehicle impounded.

Threatening phone call on Monterey.

No injuries were reported when a motorist slid on an icy curve on Maybee, causing an accident. The

driver was ticketed.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2, malicious destruction to a 1992 Ford overnight on Parview. Two door handles were sprung and several lights were broken.

An officer taking an accident report arrested a passenger in the car on three outstanding warrants. He was taken to the Oakland County Jail in lieu of \$400 bond.

Harassment and threats on Waterford Rd.

Malicious destruction of a window on Tuson.

Non-injury accidents were reported on Deer Lake Rd., on Dixie (two), on Sashabaw and on Greenhaven.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3, a Michigamme resident reported a car cruising the neighborhood with four people inside. When police arrived only the driver was in the car, which was searched. Clothing in the car was gang-related, according to the report. Later, a Michigamme resident reported the window on his Chevy S-10 had been smashed.

Domestic assault and battery on Ennismore. A 41-year-old Waterford man fled after allegedly striking his ex-girlfriend in the head several times with his fists. A warrant has been requested for his arrest.

Breaking and entering at the Knights of Columbus Hall on Maybee. The door was pried, phone lines cut and the alarm taken off the wall. Offices were ransacked and cabinets, cash registers and game machines were broken into. The amount of money taken was unknown as of presstime but damages were estimated at \$5,000.

A student at Clarkston High School reported that his paycheck for \$104 was taken from his locked locker during a gym class. The lock was also stolen.

A driver on Pine Knob Rd. reported that as he was driving at about 35 miles per hour, his Blazer hit a series of potholes, causing him to lose control of the car and hit an embankment. Ten minutes after being called to that accident, deputies got another call at the same location. Two cars coming over the hill saw the

Blazer stuck crosswise in the road. The first car was able to stop in time but the second car, trying to avoid a collision, also went into the embankment.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4, a 19-year-old Clarkston man who stopped to help a motorist who was stuck on Jerome reported that an altercation ensued and he was sprayed with MACE.

Larceny of a purse from a church on Ortonville Rd. The owner reported that credit cards, a check-book, her keys and WIC coupons were in the purse. A credit card has since been used at least once. The suspect was seen running from the church.

One house on Bluegrass and eight on Waldon Woods reported having paint balls shot at them.

A Tuson resident reported she was assaulted by her ex-boyfriend, who threw her to the floor during visitation with their child. He then fled after damaging a VCR and several doors.

Larceny of a snowboard valued at \$100 at Pine Knob Ski Resort.

Non-injury accident on Clarkston Rd.

Two people were injured on southbound I-75 when a driver lost control of her car after encountering an icy spot. The car hit a guard rail, spinning back into the road and striking another car. The driver of the first car was ticketed and transported to Pontiac Osteopathic Hospital.

A Bloomfield Hills man was injured after he lost control of his car on northbound I-75, crossed into another lane and was hit by an oncoming car.

A 16-year-old Clarkston girl was ticketed after she caused a three-car rear-ender on Sashabaw. Only minor injuries were reported.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5, breaking and entering on Dixie. Three computers, a printer, TV and VCR were stolen after thieves broke a large window with a rock. The thieves then apparently tried to break into a second office, breaking another window, but an alarm sounded and they fled.

No one was injured when a driver slid off Waterford Rd. and into a sign.

It is the mark of a good action that it appears inevitable in retrospect.
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Fire call

MONDAY, JANUARY 30, fire in a night-light outlet on Clintonville Rd. The fire was put out with a fire extinguisher.

A child injured on the playground at Bailey Lake Elementary School was transported to Pontiac Osteopathic Hospital.

Carbon monoxide investigation on Reese Rd. Odor investigation on Allen Rd. A faulty oil furnace was found to be the problem.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 31, medical on Ortonville Rd. One person was taken to an area hospital. Medical on North Eston; one to an area hospital.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, minor injury accident involving a school bus on Maybee Rd. Medical at Sashabaw Middle School.

Medical on Dixie Hwy. **THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2**, medical on Rohr; one to an area hospital.

Medical on Ortonville Rd.; one to an area hospital.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3, firefighters were called to an address on Clarkston Rd. for the second time in a month for a carbon monoxide investigation.

Two medicals at Pine Knob Ski Resort. Woman in labor on Frankwill.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4, medical on Mary Sue; one patient was taken to St. Joseph Mercy Hospital.

Two possible injury accidents on I-75. Medical at Pine Knob Ski Resort.

Injury accident on Sashabaw. **SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5**, medical on Williams Dr.

Medical on Waterford Rd. Dumpster fire on Pine Knob Rd.

The Independence Township Fire Department responded to 108 calls this year through 1:43 p.m. Feb. 5.

Clarkston Police

THURSDAY, FEB. 2, a car parked in the city lot at Main and Washington was hit by a female motorist from Goodrich. Police are investigating.

A car parked so that it prevented a resident leaving a business on S. Main was reported. When an officer arrived the car was gone.

FRIDAY, FEB. 3, a Middle Lake resident was assisted when his car got stuck in a snowbank after he backed out of his driveway. An officer pushed him out.

SATURDAY, FEB. 4, a possible prowler was reported by a resident on W. Church. When police arrived, no one was found.

Special ed staff added

The Clarkston board of education voted unanimously Monday night to add special education staffing at several buildings, effective immediately.

According to Special Services Director Pat Brumback, the SPICE program (a special ed. preschool) at Springfield Plains has been out of compliance with state regulations based on caseload size. She requested a half-time teacher and half-time paraprofessional be added to bring the program into compliance.

In addition, a two paraprofessionals were approved for second semester based on special needs of two students. Cost of the staff will come from the general fund.

Pastor leaves

From 4A

But his family is looking forward to the challenges ahead.

And they will never forget the folks in Michigan. "It was fun to marry people I (once) had in youth groups," he said, reminiscing. "And officiating at 'mock marriages' at the high school. Some of the times were sad, as when I had to (preside) over funerals of people who had been friends. But I'm glad I could do it."

Schram has also been involved in church youth groups and active in various organizations like Clarkston's Optimist Club.

One of the things he won't forget is the church's annual Easter Egg Hunt, traditionally held on its front lawn the Saturday before Easter.

"We have an Easter CHICKEN, although we sometimes have trouble getting people to wear the outfit ... I've done it myself a few years," he said with a chuckle.

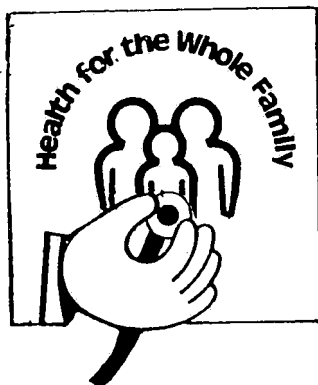
Schram said a philosophy he lives by is found in — where else — The Bible.

"Jeremiah says, 'Seek the good where you live.' That's a good motto," he said.

Parishioner Tom Hall feels Bill has certainly lived by that motto.

"I think one of the biggest things we can say is he will be missed by people in the congregation. He's been an inspiration to many — people who have gone through difficult times ... He's really good at talking to people and guiding them through those difficult times," he said.

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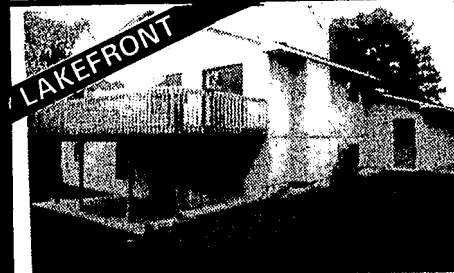
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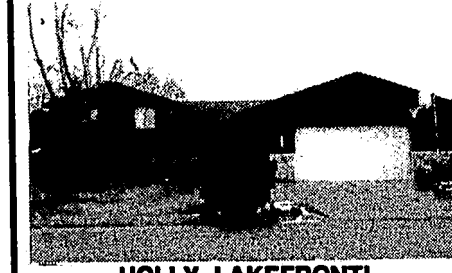
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The schedule of talks is:

Feb. 27: attorney Daniel Devine Jr. on "The Financial and Legal Aspects of Divorce."

March 6: psychologist Michael Willett, PhD, "Helping Children Succeed After Divorce."

March 13: social worker Janice Tracht, "Understanding Divorce and Adjusting to Change."

March 20: psychologist Dr. Daniel Swerdlow-Freed will present "Improving Communication with Children and (ex) Spouses."

March 27: "Functions of the Friend of the Court" by FOC personnel.

All seminars will run 7-9 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church, 1589 W. Maple Rd., Birmingham. For more information call 858-0347.

Independence Township recycling drop-off center

A wide range of recyclables are accepted for free at the Independence Township drop-off center at 6050 Flemings Lake Rd, just east of Clarkston Rd. Hours are 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Friday and 8-noon Saturday. You must be a township resident.

● **Brush:** must be small enough to be put through a shredder. Stop at the DPW office before dropping it off.

● **Newspapers:** Loose, dry newspapers are preferred—no shiny inserts or brown paper bags.

● **Cardboard:** Corrugated and flattened only. Brown paper bags may be dropped off with cardboard.

● **Glass:** Clear white, green or brown. Remove all labels and rinse containers clean.

● **Cans:** Tin or aluminum only, labels removed and cans rinsed clean.

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● **Batteries:** Household, car, marine, lawn, etc.

● **Used motor oil:** Do not mix with anything else, such as antifreeze. Do not leave the containers, which cannot be recycled.

Need help with school? Tutoring offered by Community Education

In response to many requests, Clarkston Community Education has decided to add tutoring for students in grades 1-12 to its offerings.

The new program will offer tutoring after school, evenings and on Saturdays. All sessions are one-on-one and will be held at the Community Ed. building at 5275 Maybee Rd., according to Jeanne Molzon of Community Ed.

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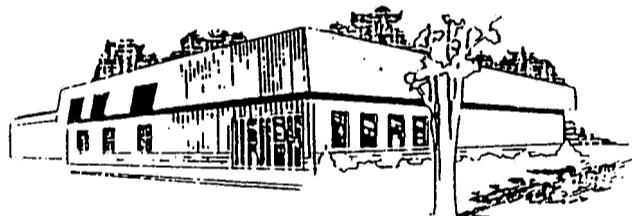
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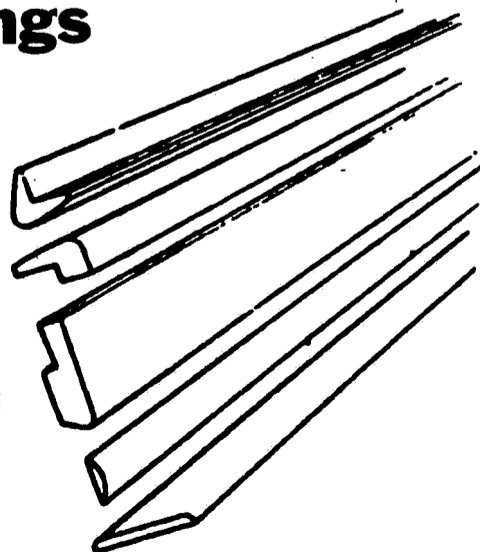
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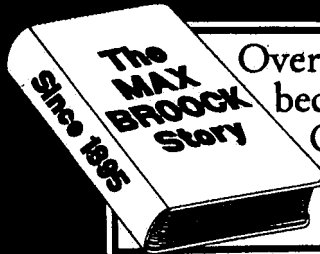
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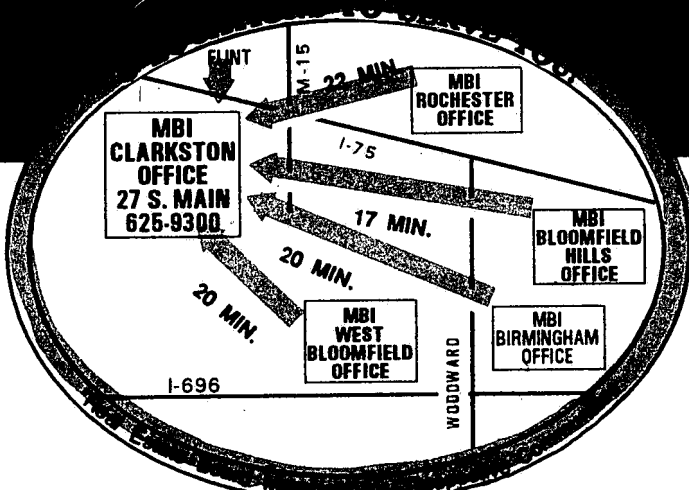


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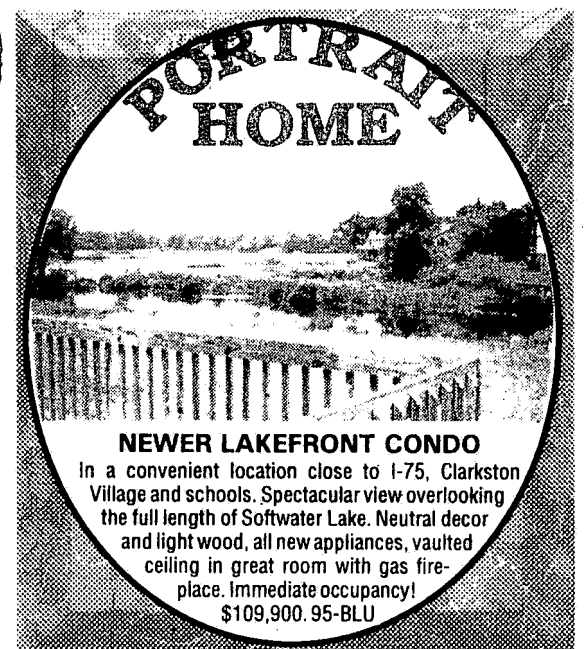
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The Clarkston News

Section B

Stunned by Northern, Wolves bounce back

BY MICHAEL ROMEIN
Special to The Clarkston News

Late in the fourth quarter, Pontiac Northern was up by three points over the Clarkston Wolves, 44-41. Clarkston had the ball. The pass went to Tim Wasilk, who was momentarily open. He hit the three-point shot to tie the game.

Now, with less than 17 seconds left, Northern had the ball, but missed the shot. Now, with 5.4 seconds left, Jeremy Fife dribbled up court and passed to Wasilk. Again, he drained the triple. No time was left.

The crowd went wild. Everyone in the Jungle thought Clarkston had won. But drowned out by the noise was the sound of the referee's whistle.

Traveling.
No basket.
Overtime.



Dane Fife gets ready to lay one in . . .

And ultimately, a disappointing 55-49 loss before over 2,000 fans at Clarkston.

The Jan. 31 game had actually begun quite well for the Wolves. They took a 12-4 lead in the first quarter, behind solid play from Dane Fife. The Huskies could not get their shots to fall, and Clarkston's defense kept the pressure on.

In the second quarter, Clarkston went up 17-10. However, that was the end of the Wolves' offense for the half. The Huskies went on an 8-0 run to take an 18-17 lead.

Clarkston trailed most of the second half. Dane Fife sprained his ankle late in the fourth quarter after a basket which pulled the Wolves to within one, and had to leave the game. Nevertheless the Wolves put

Just what is capacity?

The Oakland County Sheriff's Department and Independence Fire Marshal were called to Clarkston High School during the Jan. 31 sellout game against Northern because someone was concerned the crowd exceeded capacity.

The original call came in at 7:35 p.m., just about game time for the varsity, which plays after the junior-varsity game ends. CHS Principal Brent Cooley said he had stopped selling tickets by that time and was turning people away from the packed gym.

Cooley said there is no official number for gym capacity posted in the building; he puts it at around 1,800. He takes the blame for not having fans counted as they entered and making sure the parking lot was orderly in case of an emergency.

"Safety is our number-one concern," he said Monday. Despite the crowd and Clarkston's first loss of the season there were no problems Tuesday night, and Cooley said he never felt the situation was out of hand.

As of Friday night, he had instituted counters at the door and had his grounds crew making sure the parking lot allowed for easy egress in case of emergency.

—By Annette Kingbury

it together at the end and tied the game on Wasilk's triple. Then came the disputed traveling call, and the game went into overtime with the score tied at 44.

Even with Dane Fife returning, the Wolves came out flat in the extra period. They had plenty of chances. With under 20 seconds to play and Northern up by two, Wasilk had two good looks from beyond the three-point arc, but was unable to convert either. The Huskies then made four foul shots to ice the game and came away with a tough victory. For the Wolves, it was the first loss of the season.

Dane Fife led the Wolves with 16 points. Wasilk had 10, including two three-pointers. Jason Graves contributed seven points, and Brad Agar added six.

Friday was a better night for Clarkston. Behind Dane Fife's 19 points, the Wolves finally overcame the Rochester Adams Highlanders and recorded a 61-54 victory.

"This was a big win for us after the Northern loss," Clarkston coach Dan Fife said. "I was not sure



But misses on this shot

how the team would respond, but we came out with enthusiasm and played well. Even when they caught us, we came back. I think the players believed in themselves, and in the team."

"Teamwork really sums up the way that we played," added Jason Graves.

The first minute of the game did not go very well for Clarkston. Adams went up 5-0 very quickly. However, the Wolves then went on a 24-3 run to close out the first quarter and it looked as if the game would be a blowout.

The Highlanders, however, did not quit. They put together a solid second quarter, and with a 20-4 run, the two teams went to the locker rooms tied at 28. At this point it was anybody's game. Still, the Wolves had to win to avoid their second straight loss after beginning the season undefeated.

To start the second half, Dane Fife stole the ball and laid it in to give Clarkston a two-point lead. The

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JV sports

By Michael Romein

Girls qualify for league meet

BY ANNETTE KINGSBURY
Clarkston News Editor

Basketball

Clarkston's JV basketball team played fairly well this week, splitting a pair of games.

On January 31, the Wolves played undefeated Pontiac Northern. Although the Wolves lost, 55-46, they played very well. Clarkston was only down one, heading into the fourth quarter, and Northern did not pull away until the middle of the fourth.

"If we had made more foul shots at the end, we might have given ourselves a chance to win," said Coach Kaul.

Justin Morgan was the high scorer for the Wolves with 18 points. Mark Venegoni added 8 points, including two triples.

On Friday, the Wolves played at home against Rochester Adams. Again, they played well, and this time they won. The score at halftime was 15-15. At the start of the second half, it looked as if Adams was going to pull away, taking a 25-19 lead. However, Clarkston came back and went on a 20-0 run to take a 39-25 lead with 1:20 left in the game.

"That was our best performance of the season," Kaul said.

After that, both teams scored six more to give Clarkston a 45-31 victory. The Wolves were impressive in the fourth, making 13 of 16 free throws. Brad Conley hit 7 out of 8, and Mike Maitrott converted 4 out of 5. Chad Bailey and Morgan led the Wolves in scoring. They each had 13.

Volleyball

Clarkston's JV volleyball team has had a rough start to its season. However, on Jan. 14, they finished in first place at a tournament at Lansing Waverly. They have also played in a tournament at Walled Lake Central, where they lost in the quarterfinals, and at the Clarkston JV invitational.

This week, the team played well but lost two games. On Jan. 30 against Rochester, the Wolves lost 13-15 in the first match and 6-15 in the second match. Megan Bjurman led Clarkston with 5 kills, 5 solo blocks, 2 assist blocks and 5 aces. Stephanie Vogler had 10 assists.

On Feb. 2, the Wolves lost in three to West Bloomfield. Clarkston won the first match, 15-12, but lost the second, 8-15 and the third, 11-15. Vogler and Kristi Millard led Clarkston with four aces each. Suzanne Schmidt had three digs, and Kammy Powell and Millard each had three kills.

Although the team has had a rough time so far, Coach Missy Hixon said they've made a pact.

"We have incredible talent on this team. We have made a pact with ourselves to start a new season. We're looking at this next week as revenge week, to bring us back from our losing streak."

The Wolves will play Troy and Royal Oak Kimball this week.

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By virtue of its fourth-place finish in Friday's divisional meet at Pine Knob, the Clarkston High School girls ski team qualified for the Southeast Michigan Ski League meet Feb. 9.

Only the top four teams coming out of the divisional contests last week advance to the league meet. The boys team narrowly missed the cut, finishing fifth Friday after coming in seventh in the slalom and second in the giant slalom, puzzling their coach.

"It's really strange to have a team finish seventh in one race and second in another," Coach Thom Halsey said.

The good news is that several boys qualified as individuals for the league meet by finishing in the top 10 Friday. Paul Rumph qualified in both the giant slalom, where he finished sixth, and the slalom, where he finished eighth. Kyle Russell qualified in the giant slalom, where he came in eighth, and BJ Rumph qualified in the giant slalom, where he came in sixth.

"I guess the encouraging news that came out of the whole meet was that both the teams did very well in the giant slalom. That is considered the most technical," Halsey said.



Katie Atkinson finishes a run Friday morning.

There was some bad news for the girls. The day before the divisionals, Heather Unsworth hurt her knee in a freak accident while doing some light skiing. It removes her from competition for the duration of the season. Coach Halsey said he blames it on the "sophomore jinx" which seems to have plagued his sophomore-heavy team all season.

"We've had our share of problems," he said. "We lost our top boy a couple of weeks ago, now one of our top girls. It's been rough."

The injury right before the meet may have contributed to the girls coming in flat, the coach said. Karla Russell came in 13th in the giant slalom and 15th in the slalom.

Halsey said Friday's cold didn't bother the skiers and called the conditions "ideal" skiing weather because there was little or no wind. Skiing at such a

big meet, however, created its own problems.

"It requires a lot more focus," he said. "That's something that will come with time. We expect to have the top teams next year. We have the strongest kids coming back. We're the team to look out for next year."

Halsey also thanked the parents who volunteered to help out at the meet, which hosted skiers from nine high schools. With Clarkston considered the host school, parents volunteered as time keepers and brought in food, among other things, Halsey said.

JAN. 30 VS. CRANBROOK-KINGSWOOD: Both the boys and girls teams lost in their only dual meet last week against the tough team from Kingswood. Coach Halsey said his skiers were "outstanding" in the loss.

For the boys Paul Rumph placed third overall and Kyle Russell fourth.

"Kyle Rumph has kind of been a sensation late in the season, and he came through with fourth," Halsey said. As a team, "The boys needed everything to go right and it didn't. They definitely had a chance of beating Cranbrook-Kingswood."

For the girls, Karla Russell finished fourth, with Heather Unsworth coming in fifth.

"Although they would never concede, they really went up against one of the toughest teams in the state," the coach said. "They (Cranbrook) are loaded with a team full of senior girls who are just outstanding. We're loaded with sophomores. We expect to give them a run for their money in a couple of years."



The rivalry continues

The second annual Super Hooper Tournament, a basketball game which pits Clarkston High School faculty against that of the two middle schools, will be held Saturday, Feb. 25 at the CHS gym. Last year the CHS staff won the travelling trophy, and principal Brent Cooley says he will do "whatever it takes" to keep the trophy from moving to the middle schools. Tickets are \$2 in advance at the three schools' offices; \$2.50 at the door. Proceeds go to the CHS Parent Teacher Student Association, which is sponsoring the event, for the benefit of the high school. Baked goods will be for sale during the game along with food from the athletic boosters. For more information call fund-raiser chairperson Marsha Combs at 625-7693.

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"I just think that sometimes people get tired of hearing about the Fifes."

That's what Dan Fife said to me during our weekly interview about his team. It was late at night when I received the call at my home.

Normally coach and I get a chance to talk during school hours when we're both at work. So, although I was much appreciative, it was surprising to hear from coach Fife at my home.

Immediately, coach apologized for not getting back to me sooner and hoped it was no bother. He then proceeded to explain he had some issues at school (in his role as athletic manager) he had to take care of and that an interview with The Detroit News took four hours.

I said, "hey, no problem, coach."

But let's get back to this four-hour interview thing. Naturally, I was curious. So I asked the coach what it was about. He told me the writer was doing a story on him and his three sons, two of whom he coaches now and one who plays for U-of-M.

Hey, neat I thought, another story about a father/coach and his sons.

Neat, yes, but Dan Fife is not deaf or blind to the sentiment that some people are tired of hearing about the Fifes. He admits he's sometimes wary of the coverage his family receives. You know what I said? I said who cares what some — and I do believe it is a small minority — people think.

Here's a man who in 12 years has averaged 18 wins and only five losses (a record of 214-58), not including a 10-0 start this season and happens to have a freshman and senior son starting for him and another son starting at Michigan. And yet some people wonder why his sons and him get so much coverage.

It should be obvious. Dan and sons deserve it. Their story is unique and there is no reason other

people throughout Michigan should not be told of it also.

If you've already heard their story then you don't have to read or listen.

People in the Clarkston area should be proud their own hometown boy came back from a successful basketball career at Michigan to coach his high-school team. They should be proud Clarkston's basketball program is praised for developing strong teams and players by television broadcasters like ESPN's Dick Vitale.

Over the years, very few times has Clarkston had the best talent on the floor. But the players are taught that hard work, sound fundamentals and desire win more games than all the talent in the world.

It's why CHS players move on to play in college, such as Chris Wasilk at Oakland University, Bill Knight at Ferris State, Luke Fedio at Grand Valley State, etc. etc.

Dan has an intense passion for hoops. When he talks basketball you can sense his love for the game. His players, including his sons, play harder than anyone, just as their coach demands.

Maybe the anti-Fife sentiment is harbored by only a few people. If so, I've heard from those few.

They are the same people who take enoyment in Dan's current legal predicament with the Spring Lake Country Club. They say it's about time something negative was written about Fife.

I say it's sad that people can be so petty and envious as to wish bad things would happen to someone else.

The Fifes don't search out the publicity. Because they win, the media throughout the state and nation find their unique story. I say let it continue. The exposure only enhances Clarkston's image.

It's not the Fifes' fault they happen to be part of a good school with successful teams, strong coaches

and good kids. They are just part of the entire team. It just so happens they are father/coach and sons.

Personally, I'm enjoying watching this unique situation. If some people are tired of hearing about the Fifes then stay home and don't read. I think many more of us realize Clarkston basketball is more than just the Fifes.

But the father coaching his two sons won't last forever and may not happen again, so enjoy it.

Varsity bounces back from loss

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Wolves never gave up the lead after this point. However, the two teams traded baskets for awhile, until Wasilk scored five in a row to put Clarkston up seven. From that point on, the outcome of the game was never in doubt, and the Wolves won by seven.


"We really stepped it up early," said Wasilk, who scored 11. "But we let down the intensity, and they came back in the second quarter. We played well down the stretch to win."

Jeremy Fife added 14 points to the Wolves' cause, and Graves had 10. Brad Agar scored 5, and Pat Mulligan and JR Kirk each scored 2.

The Highlanders were led by Lester Whitt with 18 and Ryan Elliston and Tim Czamecki with 12 each.

Clarkston is now 12-1 overall and 5-1 in OAA Division I play. The Wolves traveled to Rochester Adams Tuesday night. Their next game is Friday at home against Troy.

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BY DARREL W. COLE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Scott Strickler has never been "out" of wrestling.

One season after winning a state championship (1991) for Clarkston's wrestling team, Strickler left coaching because of family and career commitments. But he never left wrestling.

Now almost three years later Strickler, 32, remains heavily involved in the sport he has loved since his youth. Besides being a wrestling referee, Strickler is editor and organizer of the Michigan Wrestling News, a Clarkston-based publication that covers state wrestling from college and high school to youth wrestling.

In only its second season of publication Strick-



Strickler (center) with his co-workers on the Wrestling News, (from left) Dave and Nanette

Davis and Adamine and Brent Michelsen.

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ler, from Waterford, is determined to see it flourish. With his wide-reaching background in the sport and the help of publisher Dave Davis and staff writers Brent Michelsen, Nanette Davis and Adamine Michelsen (who are all from the Clarkston area), he is determined to see it succeed.

"As you go around to different schools, coaches and players you hear the same thing, that no one gets

any press," Strickler said. "They all feel like they get slighted and there is nothing out there for the wrestling community."

"When I was a coach I followed other teams and players real close and so I knew all the connections. It was really just a matter of putting it on paper."

More than any Michigan daily newspaper, Wrestling News covers the top high-school teams and individuals. There is information on hundreds of wrestlers each week. The staff rates the state's top teams and individuals based on feedback from others throughout the state and their own personal observa-

tions. Strickler knows his former position as CHS coach may lead some to think he is biased. Don't let him hear you say that.

"I can't afford for people to think this is a Clarkston High School newspaper. Everything we are trying to gain depends on our credibility. We try to cover all of Michigan wrestling," Strickler said, noting circulation is over 250. "I've been around wrestling my whole life and I've kind of seen all aspects of it. I feel I'm pretty unbiased when it comes

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Scott Strickler gets the close up view officiating

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Strickler said the newspaper does not make any money and much of the costs come out of his and the others' pockets. But he also says he wants the nine-month publication to continue to grow because the sport deserves it.

As far as coaching, Strickler admits he's thought about it. His wife has too. "She always tells me, 'You might as well go back to coaching' because the newspaper now takes up a lot of time," Strickler laughs. "I guess I foresee it someday but right now there is still no better feeling in the world than when an ex-wrestler you coached sees you and starts talking about what they are doing."

For now Strickler is busy enough with his job as a juvenile youth counselor at Camp Oakland and raising a young child, not to mention the time he gives to officiating wrestling matches and the newspaper.

If he ever goes back into coaching, Strickler would like to take over a struggling program, just like he did when he came to CHS from Saginaw Valley State, where he was a national wrestling qualifier. At 23, Strickler knew he had some work to do.

The CHS program had been down for a few years but he knew that with enough dedication, it could be strong.

"One of the things I was lucky to have was that the Clarkston Freestyle Program and the two junior highs were strong already and those were great feeder programs."



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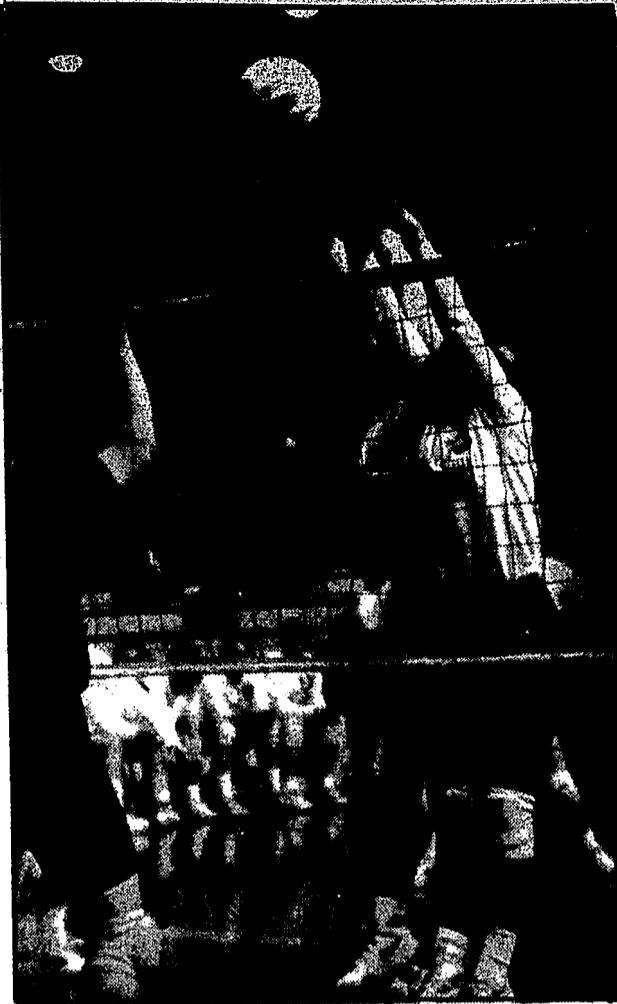
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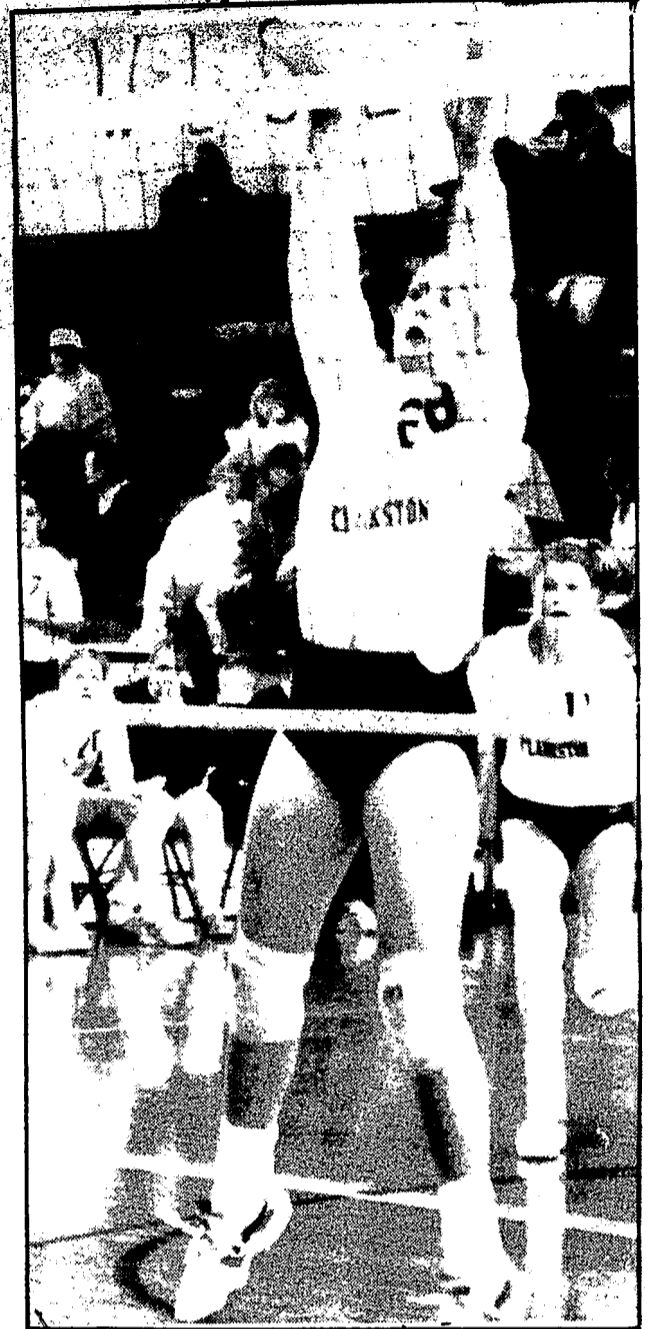


Synchronicity! Stephanie Giroux (right) and teammate mirror each other.

Spikers host invite

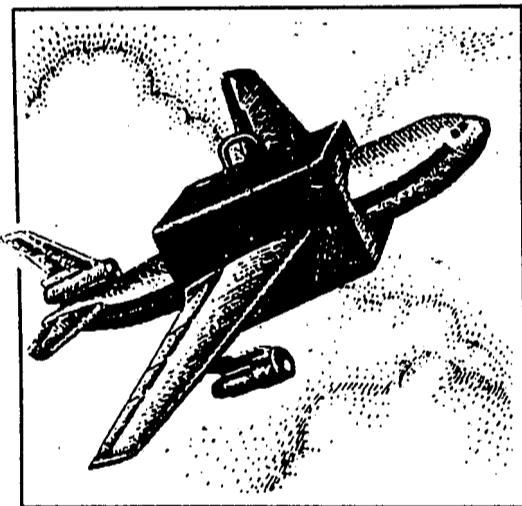
The Clarkston varsity volleyball team hosted schools from all over the area Saturday at an invitational meet.

The Wolves started out strong on the day and made it to the final round, where they were defeated.



Lisa Herron (rear) rushes up to help Beth Eby.

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● A spaghetti benefit dinner will be held at the American Legion Post 63 on Friday, Feb. 17, 5-7:30 p.m. Cost is \$5; kids 5-12, \$3; kids under 5 free. The hall is located at 8047 M-15 in Clarkston.

● The Writers' Reading Series continues at the LA Cafe Friday, Feb. 17 at 8 p.m. Poet Anthony Stachurski, and fiction writer Elizabeth Berlin will be followed by an open mike segment. Cover is \$2; call 623-1610 for more information.

● A private pilot ground school will be offered by Clarkston Community Education in conjunction with Tradewinds Aviation beginning Thursday, Feb. 23, 6:30-9:30 p.m. at Sashabaw Middle School. The class will include aerodynamics, aircraft systems, controls and navigation—everything you need to learn about the ground. Call 674-3141 to register or for more information.

● ACT preparation classes will be offered by Clarkston Community Education with a choice of two different classes. A three-hour workshop will be held Thursday, Feb. 23; a six-hour workshop will be held March 15-16, all at the high school. The classes are open to high-school juniors or anyone taking the ACT and will include strategies, shortcuts, practice materials and a general overview of the test. You must register at Community Ed., 5275 Maybee Rd. or by phone with a credit card by calling 674-3141.

● An arthritis self-help course is being offered at Crittenton Hospital in Rochester starting Feb. 23 from 4-6 p.m. through the Arthritis Foundation. Fee is \$20 and scholarships are available. For information

and to register, call (810) 350-3030.

● February is American Heart Month and North Oakland Medical Centers are offering some programs on the theme. Free blood pressure screening will be done in the hospital main lobby every day from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. A free hypertension lecture with Dr. R. Parikh is set for Feb. 16, 1:30-3:30 p.m. For more information call 857-6948.

● Babysitter preparation will be taught at North Oakland Medical Centers Feb. 6 and 8 for those at least 11 years old. Hours are 6-9 p.m.; cost is \$20. Call 857-7111.

● West Oakland Parents Without Partners will host a dance Saturday, Feb. 18 at 9 p.m. at 300 Bowl. The dance is open to the public; cost is \$5 for non-members, \$4 for members. Orientation for new members begins at 8:45. Call (810) 975-6242 for more information.

● The Alliance for the Mentally Ill will host a general meeting Feb. 23 at 7:30 p.m. at the Beaumont Hospital Administration Building. Peggy Frankie will talk on "Higher Learning Support for the Mental Health Client." For more information call (810) 557-6440.

● A dance for singles which will benefit the Midwest AIDS Prevention Project will be held Friday, Feb. 10 at the Troy Marriott at 7:30 p.m. Admission is \$15 and includes DJ, hors d'oeuvres and cash bar. Attire is dressy; men must wear a coat and tie. For more information call (810) 478-9181.

● Baker College invites prospective college students and their parents to a seminar on financial aid forms on Saturday, Feb. 11 at 10 a.m. at the campus located at 1500 University Drive, Auburn Hills. The seminar is open to any student, not just those planning to attend Baker. Individual counseling and a tour of the campus will also be available.

● Expectant parent classes will be offered by the Oakland County Health Division beginning Monday, Feb. 27 at 10 a.m. in Pontiac. There is a \$25 charge and pre-registration is required. Call 424-7042 by Feb. 21.

● The Rochester Parents Without Partners will host an orientation and singles dance on Thurs-

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day, March 2 at the RiverCrest in Rochester beginning at 9 p.m. Cost is \$4. For information call 693-5233.

● The Second Marine Division Association is attempting to contact former members of the Division. Any person who served with or was attached to the division is eligible to become a member, regardless of what era duty was performed in. The association has an annual reunion, publishes a bi-monthly newsletter and has a scholarship fund for division dependents. For more information contact Carl Wiegel, 217 Audubon St., Hot Springs, AR 71913 (phone 501-623-3823).

● A winter carnival and kids weekend will be held at Olde World Canterbury Village in Orion Township Feb. 18-19 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. There will be Frisbee golf, snow basketball, ice fishing and Valentine crafts. On Feb. 11-12 the village will also host an ice sculpture contest. The entries will be illuminated for nighttime viewing Feb. 12-19. Both events are free. For more information call 391-5700.

Income Tax Assistance

Assistance with income tax filing is available at the Independence Township Senior Center on Tuesdays, by appointment only, beginning February 7. Call 625-8223 for additional information.

Parks and Rec. hosts spaghetti dinner

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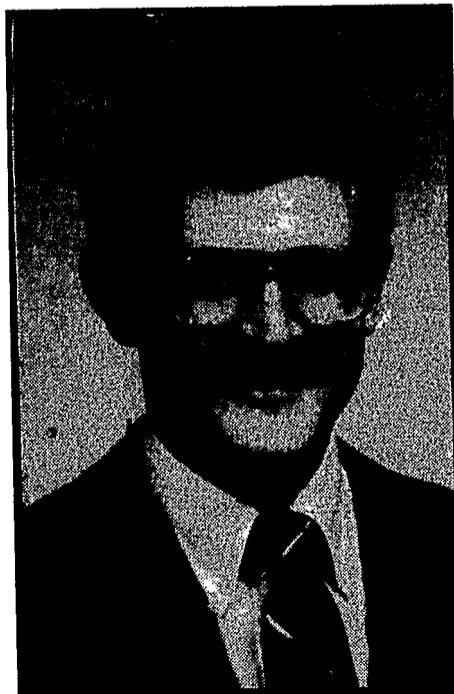
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PLANS FOR AFTER GRADUATION: "I will either go to Albion College or Lyman Briggs School at Michigan State University, where I will major in pre-med. After my college experience, I would like to either become a cardiologist or perhaps a pediatrician. I love kids."

It will take 12 more years of schooling to achieve that dream. "It's going to be like starting school again."

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES: drama club, where he is currently preparing the role of Mr. MacAfee in "Bye Bye Birdie" ("I'm in everything," he says); band (mellophone), jazz band (French horn), WOLF club, National Honor Society, barber-shop ensemble.

HONORS, AWARDS, SCHOLARSHIPS: Chenille letter and pin (two), Boys State, secretary of drama club.

FAVORITE SUBJECT: "My favorite subjects have always been the sciences."

FAVORITE TEACHER: "My favorite teacher is a teacher I have never had in class. Mr. (Jeffrey) Tice (drama club sponsor) has inspired me in too many ways to list, and I owe him a lot of credit in making me who I am today."

JOB: "With the courses that I have right now, and the other responsibilities that I have, who has time for a job?"

HEROES: "My heroes are the people who try to make a difference in their community and especially in the lives of young people. Anyone who strives to help people out deserves the title of "hero" in my book."

FAVORITE LUNCH FOOD: "My favorite lunch food has to be a sub from Subway."

FAVORITE MUSICAL GROUP: "My favorite musical group is Nine Inch Nails, my favorite singer is Harry Connick Jr. and my favorite instrumental musician is Maynard Ferguson. I know that's a strange combination, but you asked."

A GOOD BOOK HE'S READ: "My favorite book is John Steinbeck's 'Of Mice and Men.'"

THE SECRET TO HIS ACADEMIC SUCCESS: "I wouldn't say that I have a secret that makes me good at school. It's just that I put my homework and my studies before all else in my spare time."

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ONE THING HE'D CHANGE ABOUT CLARKSTON: "the fact that too many people in our community think that taxes that go to our schools are

wasted. It made me upset to see a quote from someone who was interviewed for the 'People poll' section who said that he wouldn't want to pay taxes for a new high school, thinking it would just be wasted. Let that person spend a day in our crowded halls and cramped auditorium and see if he changes his mind."

PETS: None. "I've got two baby brothers (ages 2 1/2 years and 10 months)."

HOBBIES: Enjoys computers.

CHURCH: Acolyte at Clarkston United Methodist Church.

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

Be a sweetheart— don't give sweets

Forget the cliché of giving a heart-shaped box of chocolates on Valentine's Day, especially if your sweetie is trying to lose weight or improve his or her lifestyle, says Catherine Terzes, of TOPS, Take Pounds Off Sensibly.

Some alternatives TOPS recommends:

—The gift of time. Volunteer to help your loved one stick to an exercise routine by watching the kids so he or she can take a walk.

—Sports accessories, such as headbands and wristbands, or a pass or membership fee to a local health club or gym.

—If you must give sweets, try a box of fat-free hard candy.

"By helping that person work toward a healthier lifestyle, you'll show how much you really care

High blood pressure is the number one illness among adults in the United States. Uncontrolled high blood pressure may result in stroke, heart attack, kidney damage or other diseases. Usually, there are no signs or symptoms, that's why it is so important to have your blood pressure checked regularly, and to see your doctor if you have any questions. In observation of American Heart Month, North Oakland Medical Centers is offering the following programs to help you care for yourself and the ones you love.

How's your heart?

Free Blood Pressure Screening

in the Main Lobby of the Medical Center

February 13 - 17, everyday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Wear loose clothing on arms. No appointment necessary.

Free Lecture on High Blood Pressure

in the Huron Auditorium with cardiologist, R. Parikh, M.D.

Followed by a question and answer session and refreshments.

February 16, from 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.

Lifesaving Skills

If someone's breathing or heart stopped, could you perform CPR--cardiopulmonary resuscitation? It could save a life.

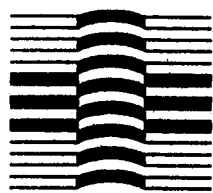
Infant CPR - February 9, from 6:30 - 7:30. Fee \$10

Adult CPR - February 23, from 6 - 9:30 p.m. Fee \$15

Adult, Infant and Child CPR - February 14, from 6 - 10 p.m. Fee \$15

Preregistration is necessary for the Lifesaving Skills classes.

For more information on any of these programs, call (810) 857-7117.



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Bruce and Brandon Rosengren

All in the family

A Clarkston father and son have been burning up the ski slopes in NASTAR (National Standard Race) competitions.

Bruce Rosengren placed fifth among all of Michigan's 40- to 49-year-old men in the Budweiser All-Stars ranking program for the 93-94 season. At the same time his son, Brandon, was busy winning his own race in Coca-Cola Jr. NASTAR, where he placed eighth among all Michigan 7- to 9-year-old boys, making him one of the fastest ski racers in the state.

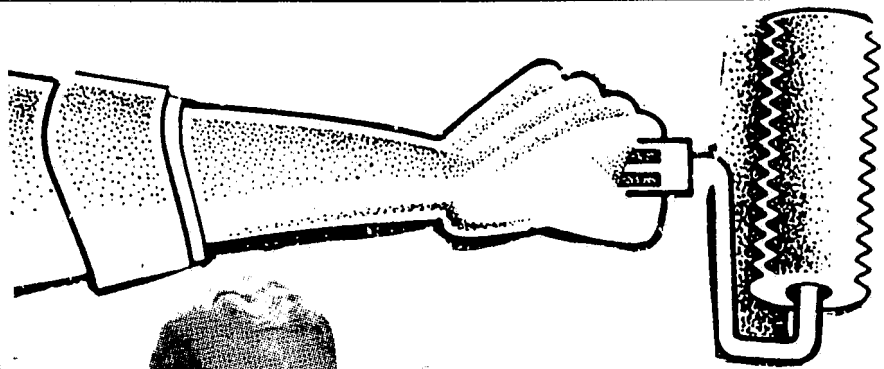
A fourth-grader at Springfield Plains Elementary, Brandon has been skiing since he was 2. He races with the Thunderbolt Racing Team, based at Pine Knob, and participated in an international race clinic over Christmas break. The team is coached by Thom

Halsey, who also coaches the Clarkston High School team.

Bruce Rosengren is a ski instructor at Pine Knob and a member of the Pontiac Fire Department's ski team, a three time national champion.

NASTAR ranks skiers by age group based on their single best race of the season. Handicaps are calculated based on the percentage each racer is behind the National Pacesetter, currently Daron Rahlves, who has a zero handicap.

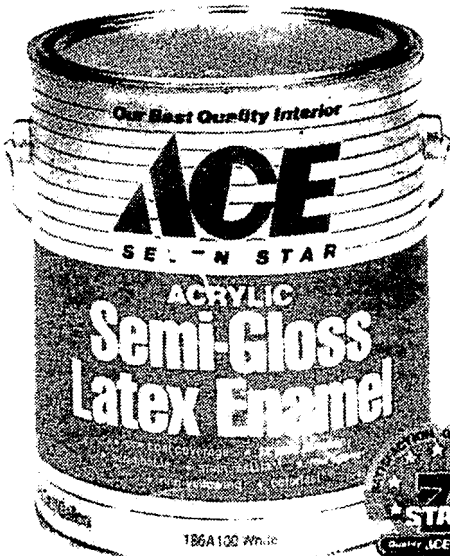
Bruce Rosengren's season-best handicap (at Crystal Mountain) was eight, meaning he was just eight percent behind Rahlves. Brandon's season best handicap was 24, meaning he was 24 percent behind Rahlves.



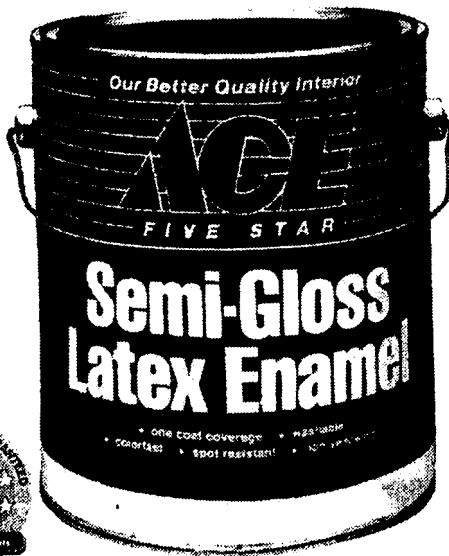
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Spring fever led to Valentine rite

BY ANNETTE KINGSBURY
Clarkston News Editor

Valentine's Day comes again next week, and all over the world, loved ones will be expecting special signs of affection from their significant others.

How did it all get started? And who is this saint named Valentine anyway; can we blame it all on him?

Probably not. History records very little about St. Valentine. In fact, there may have been anywhere from one to eight St. Valentines, early martyrs of the Christian Church. Relics of one man were found in Rome under the basilica built to honor the earliest St. Valentine, a priest of Rome said to have been beheaded on February 14, 269 AD.

Hardly a romantic beginning; in fact, some cynics believe the exchanging of love tokens on St. Valentine's feast day came about by accident.

However, Feb. 14 coincides neatly with two things that may more logically explain the link; the

Roman feast of Lupercalia, which began Feb. 15, and the old European belief that birds began mating on Feb. 14. Those two traditions, plus the continuing feeling that spring belongs to lovers, probably all worked together to create the Valentine's Day we know today. Call it an early case of spring fever.

Lupercalia was a festival honoring the pastoral god Lupercus, the Roman version of the Greeks' better-known Pan. On the eve of the festival, names of young women were put into a box, to be drawn out by young men. He became her 'gallant' for the next year.

The custom of drawing names continued for centuries. Gifts, then later cards, were exchanged. The custom was known to have made its way to England at least as early as 1400, when it was mentioned in literature.

In the United States, the observance came over with the early settlers, although historians note it wasn't always compatible with the settlers' Protestant beliefs. Public displays of affection were not only

frowned upon, they were sometimes punishable by law, notably in New England. In "Celebrations," a book by Robert Myers, the author recounts one such story.

"Pity the fate of poor Captain Kemble of Boston who, in a burst of passion, kissed his wife in public, for which lewd and unseemly behavior he was sentenced to sit two hours in the stocks. The fact that he had just returned from a three-year voyage did not soften the righteousness of his accusers."

Despite such strictures, the romantic custom refused to die. In the 1700s, books of verse called "writers" were imported from England. Would-be valentines could copy out a suitable verse onto a homemade valentine. By 1800 commercial valentines were available here; in 1840 moveable parts were all the rage.

Later in the century, comic or "vinegar" valentines, containing not-so-nice verse, were popular. They cost a penny and came to be known as "penny dreadfuls."

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Teen is finalist in pageant

Much to the surprise of her parents, Sarah Hool, 14 and a freshman at Clarkston High School, came home from school one day and informed her parents, Deborah and Rodney, that she wanted to enter a pageant.

It's called the American's National Teenager Pageant, and does not require a swimsuit competition. Rather, girls ages 13-18 had to submit an essay along with a photo to enter.

Sarah had never entered a pageant of any kind before. "She just looked at the brochure she got and said, 'Mom, this is something I really want to do,'" said her mother.



Sarah Hool

And to everyone's surprise, Sarah has made the finalist level of the state competition. Finals are June 9-10 in East Lansing.

Described by her mother as "very much a jock," Sarah is a member of the varsity cheerleading squad, runs track and has trained in gymnastics. She's also a member of the Blue and Gold Club at CHS and a youth group at St. Daniel's Church and likes to write.

Sarah has the choice of performing a talent at the state pageant or writing an essay on "What's right about America" and has chosen to write. She'll also undergo questioning by the judges and an evening gown competition.

According to pageant literature, judging is based 30 percent on academics, 30 percent on leadership, 30 percent on communications and 10 percent on appearance. A minimum of \$50,000 in scholarship money will be up for grabs at the state level.

The state winner will advance to the national pageant in August.

Staff beats students in CMS hoops

The Clarkston Middle School staff took on the eighth-grade boys basketball team in their annual match January 27 and the staff emerged victorious in a squeaker, 94-93.

Leading scorers for the staffers were "Slamming Jamming Jericho" Ostrom, with 30 points, including six three-pointers; "Smurf" Colling, with 25; "Dr. C." Craven with 12 and "Italian Stallion" Licata, with 11. Also contributing were "Above the Rim" Fransworth (6), "On the Floor" Campbell (6) and "Round the World" Pegouskie (4). "Too Tall" Albee was shut out.

Every player on the eighth-grade team scored. They were led by Mark Wisniewski with 15, Eric Jenks with 13 and C. J. Shilling with 12. Nate Jerdon added 10, David Smith 8, Matt Baker 7, Chris Himburg and Denis Foxx six each, Ryan Leach and Ben Brueck five each and Adam Douglas 2.

The game was officiated by former assistant school superintendent Mel Vaara.

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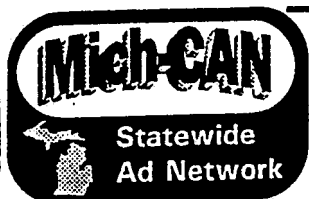
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Obituary

Jay Duca

Jay Duca, 45, of Clarkston, died Feb. 5, 1995. Mr. Duca was a member of the Clarkston United Methodist Church and the Novi Chamber of Commerce. He was employed as a bank officer and branch manager of Huntington Banks. He is survived by his wife, Christine; two children, Curtis and Grace; and a brother, Frank Duca, of

Washington, MI.

A funeral service was held today (Wednesday) at Clarkston United Methodist Church. Burial followed at Oakview Cemetery in Royal Oak.

Memorials may be made to Clarkston United Methodist Church.

Funeral arrangements were made by Lewis E. Wint & Son Trust 100 Funeral Home in Clarkston.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Planning Commission of Independence Township, Oakland County, Michigan, will hold a Public Hearing on March 9, 1995 at 7:30 p.m. at the Independence Township Board Room, 90 North Main Street, Clarkston, Michigan 48346, to consider the following:

FILE #94-1-053
REZONING REQUEST: GREAT AMERICAN PROPERTIES, Petitioner
FROM: C-1 (Local Commercial)
TO: PUD (Planned Unit Development)
INTENDED USE: Medical Office Building
Parcel Identification Number: 08-29-328-013
Common Description: 10.45 Acres, Dixie Hwy & Ortonville Rd, Part of Lot 58, Supervisors Plat #9.

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 through Friday, or by phone at 625-8111.

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FILE #95-1-005
Amendment to Zoning Ordinance #83
Revisions to Article V, Section 5.12.
Site Plan Review-Professional Seal Requirements
Please contact the Building & Planning Department for further information and copies of the proposed language.

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FILE #94-1-055
REZONING REQUEST BY: B.P.K. Dev. Co. Inc.
FROM: R-1R (Rural Residential)
TO: R-2 (Multi-Family Residential)
Parcel Identification Number: 08-23-376-021, 022, 023, 024 & 006.

Common Description: Bluffs of Pine Knob, Units 21, 22, 23, 24, & 25, St Andrew Dr & Waldon Road.

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The Planning Commission of Independence Township, Oakland County, Michigan, will hold a Public Hearing on February 23, 1995 at 7:30 p.m. at the Independence Township Board Room, 90 North Main Street, Clarkston, Michigan 48346, to consider the following:

FILE #94-1-045
SPECIAL LAND USE REVIEW
J.A.C. Construction/INDEPENDENCE ACRES
REQUEST CLUSTER HOUSING OPTION IN R-1C Zone in accordance with Section 5.24.
Parcel Identification Number: 08-01-401-002, 003, 004, 005, 006 & 007

Common Description: 80 Acres, Southeast corner Eston Rd & Indianwood Rd.

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 through Friday, or by phone at 625-8111.

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FILE #94-1-054
REZONING REQUEST BY: Doug Klang, FAMILY VIDEO
FROM: MS (Motor Vehicle Service Station & C-3 (Highway Commercial)
TO: C-1 (Local Commercial)
Parcel Identification Number: 08-34-201-001, 002, 003 & 006
Common Description: South East corner of Maybee & Sashabaw Roads.

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FILE #95-1-002
REZONING REQUEST: Mr. B's, Petitioner
FROM: R-2 (Multi-Family Residential)
TO: C-3 (Highway Commercial)
Parcel Identification Number: 08-29-377-011 in part
Common Description: 4.52 Acres, Parview off Dixie Highway (Behind Seaver Title, Sam's Town & Car Wash).

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 through Friday, or by phone at 625-8111.

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LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION SCHOOL ELECTION

NOTICE OF LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION OF THE ELECTORS OF CLARKSTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Please take notice that the Board of Education, pursuant to a directive from the Board of Trustees of Oakland Community College, Michigan, has called a special election to be held on Thursday, March 16, 1995.

TAKE NOTICE that the purpose of the special election is to vote on the following proposition:

Shall the limitation on the total amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property in the Oakland Community College District, County of Oakland, be increased for calendar year 1995 and in perpetuity by 1.0 mill on every dollar (being \$1.00 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation, as fully equalized) of all property in said Community College District which millage increase would provide estimated revenue to the Community College of \$29,900,000.00 during the 1995 calendar year, if approved and levied, (resulting in an approximate increase for 1995 of \$51.00 for each household owning a home with a true cash value of \$102,000.00) to be used for general operating purposes.

The last day on which persons may register with the appropriate city or township clerks, in order to be eligible to vote at the special community college election called to be held on Thursday, March 16, 1995, is Tuesday, February 14, 1995. Persons registering after 5:00 o'clock P.M. on Tuesday, February 14, 1995, are not eligible to vote at the special community college election.

Persons planning to register with the respective city or township clerks must ascertain the days and hours on which the clerks' offices are open for registration.

This Notice is given by order of the Board of Education of Clarkston Community Schools, Oakland County, Michigan.

Sheila J. Hughes
Secretary, Board of Education

PROBATE

STATE OF MICHIGAN
PROBATE COURT
COUNTY OF LAPEER
CLAIMS NOTICE
Independent Probate

FILE NO. 95-039145-1E
Estate of Mary A. Bouvard,
368-58-7741.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
Your interest in the estate may be barred or affected by the following:

The decedent, whose last known address was 5321 Wilson Rd., Lapeer, MI 48421, died 4-19-94.

Creditors of the deceased are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to the independent personal representative, Christine Praksell, 5591 Pyles Rd, Columbusville, MI 48421, or to both the independent personal representative and the Lapeer County Probate Court, Lapeer, Michigan 48421, within 4 months of the date of publication of this notice. Notice is further given that the estate will be thereafter assigned and distributed to the persons entitled to it.
Dennis M. Kacy (P15637)
21 S Main St
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(810) 625-2916

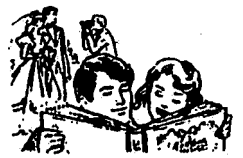
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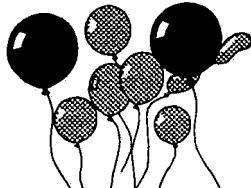
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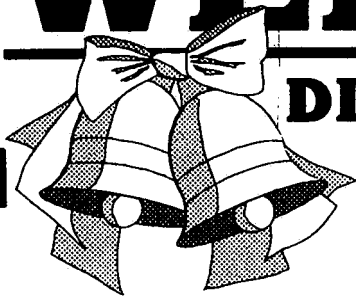
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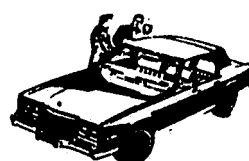
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