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## Board steps back from privatization

BY ANNETTE KINGSBURY  
Clarkston News Editor

The subject of privatization came up at the Clarkston board of education meeting Monday night, in a round-about way.

Though it was not on the agenda, a proposal to reorganize central administration was. And under tough questioning by trustees, superintendent Gary Haner admitted the plan was needed to implement privatization of bus and maintenance jobs.

Haner asked the board to deviate from its own policy by approving the reorganization without having discussed it at an earlier meeting. The board declined to do so, voting 4-2 to table the item (trustee Sheila Hughes was absent).

Since Haner said the timing was crucial, the board scheduled a special meeting for next Monday at 9 p.m. to revisit the matter. If their questions are answered, they are expected to vote on the reorganization then.

Haner refused to answer the trustees' questions about why the reorganization had to be approved immediately. He would only say that it was on the agenda as an action item "at the recommendation of district counsel." He also said, "It's the responsibility of the board to approve positions. It's my job to accomplish tasks." That didn't set very well with some trustees.

"Let's not play games; let's say what you need and why you need it," trustee Janet Thomas said.

"Is it not the responsibility of board members to oversee tax dollars going into the system?" asked trustee Kurt Karlstrom.

"I feel we are putting the cart before the horse in aligning structure for privatization before privatization is approved," said trustee Barry Bomier. He asked to see two reports on the business structure of the district that have been completed but not shared with the board. Haner balked.

"It's an internal matter . . . it is not a board matter," he said. In the end, he produced the reports. Board members will receive copies this week.

Lengthy discussion revealed that the only time

the board has discussed privatization and reorganization of the central office was about 11:30 one night after a closed session when the topics were not listed on the agenda.

"The only discussion was after we came out of a closed session and it was sketchy and thumbnail," Bomier said.

Board president Tom Howard defended Haner. "It's our job to look at this from a financial perspective and not to second guess the superintendent," he said. "There has been a clear innuendo that the superintendent is trying to slide one by. I don't believe that for a moment. We all understand the Open Meetings Act. We all know its limitations. Sometimes some things cannot be said in public."

### The plan

The plan to reorganize central office calls for cutting the position of Supervisor of Accounting now held by Nancy Zobel and consolidating all business activities under Steve Lenar. His current title is Deputy Superintendent for Business and Operations but it would be changed to Director of Business. Operations oversight (including buildings, grounds and maintenance)

would be transferred to Linda Nestor, current Director of Food Service. Her new title would become Director of Auxiliary Services.

The move shifts some responsibility out of Lenar's department and would save money since no new positions would be created, Haner said. He said Nestor's salary would go from the present \$53,000 to \$68,000 and that she is already helping with the move to privatization, even though it doesn't affect food service. Haner said savings would be about \$25,000 per year.

Interestingly, Zobel was honored in November as one of the district's outstanding employees. The nominating petition, signed by Lenar, said Zobel had reduced audit fees by 40 percent, saving the district \$20,000. And "During a year when interest rates were at their lowest in a decade, she increased our 1993-94 earnings by \$50,000 over the previous year."

In making the recommendation to eliminate her position, Haner told the board, "In hindsight, I believe that more supervisory responsibility was placed on the position of Deputy Superintendent—Business and Operations than is reasonable to expect from one

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Clarkston Elementary principal Dr. Elaine Middlekauff (standing) peeks at the work of a student and parent at a recent family math night at the school. For more on the evening, see page 19B.

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Trustee Barry Bomier

## The news in brief

### Spring Lake suit settled

On the day a trial over control of Spring Lake Country Club was to begin in Oakland County Circuit Court, the suit between the partners was settled out of court.

William Zable, attorney for Dan Fife, his wife and seven other partners, said he couldn't comment on the settlement because the parties agreed to a gag order. His clients were being sued by nine other partners over control of the property on Maybee Rd.

However, the property was foreclosed on by Michigan National Bank March 21 as scheduled. MNB's attorney, Douglas Bernstein, said there were no bidders so the golf club now belongs to the bank, subject to a six-month redemption period.

Zable said club members should not be concerned about their memberships. "We're going to refinance it," he said. "The same group is in control now that was always in control. Nothing's going to change."

Dan Fife did not return calls from The Clarkston News for comment.

### A dangerous place to be

Dixie Highway was the scene of two multiple-injury accidents within a few hours March 21.

At around 7 a.m. a two-car accident took place near Parview which sent five people to St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, four of them from one family. Heather, Andrea, Sheri and Adrienne Simons, of Clarkston, were all treated and released. But the driver of the other car, Carolyn Tjaarda of Waterford, was admitted to the hospital. She has since been released.

According to a police report, Heather Simon, the driver of the first car, turned left into the path of Tjaarda's car.

At 5:15 p.m. that day, five more people were taken to hospitals after an accident near Big Lake Rd. Roberta, James, Eric and Joseph Allen were all treated and released from North Oakland Medical Centers. The driver of the other car, Elbert Moore, was taken to Pontiac Osteopathic Hospital, where he was admitted. He has since been released.

### Gypsy moth spraying will cost township residents \$20

Spraying over 1,000 acres of land in Independence Township to combat gypsy moths will begin in early May.

Property owners, regardless of how big their parcel is, will be billed \$20 per parcel after the spraying is done. The township board of trustees approved the charge at its March 21 meeting.

Department of public works director Ann Conklin said the cost to the township is about \$12,000, so this is a fair price for all. Only people whose land is in the designated spraying area will be billed by the township.

Township attorney Gerald Fisher said this is a not a tax and, legally, people don't have to pay it, although the township has the legal right to send a bill.

"This is reasonable compared to what individuals would pay otherwise," said supervisor Dale Stuart.

The gypsy moth spraying is part of a county-wide program. Areas to be sprayed have already been submitted and approved.

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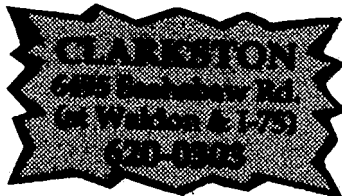
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## You'll never walk alone

A special relationship with a hospice volunteer helps a husband to carry on after his wife's illness

Second in a series on hospice

BY EILEEN OXLEY  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Losing a loved one is oftentimes the most painful experience ever faced in life. But, thanks to hospice, no one never has to walk that journey alone.

Hospice, a concept for end-of-life care, not only provides a team of physicians, nurses, social workers, clergy, home health aides and volunteers for those who are dying. It also helps those who are left to grieve after that loved one is gone. Help is available before, during and after the last days — with bereavement services offered for up to 13 months.

The relationship Lake Orion resident Jack Ruwalt had with Cranbrook Hospice volunteer Candy Cruz didn't end with his wife's death and the difficult months afterwards. Jack and Cruz have continued to keep in touch.

Jack remembers how he and his wife Melenese ("Mel") met Cruz, a Clarkston resident, after they first contacted Cranbrook Hospice five years ago.

"We didn't know too much about hospice. As Mel's illness progressed through the summer, we looked around at different programs," Jack said.

Upon the recommendation of Mel's doctor, they finally settled upon Cranbrook Hospice Care in Bloomfield Township. But the couple were worried about others taking charge.

"We were still frightened about losing control. Somebody else would take over, and you want to hang on as long as you can. It's a very personal thing," Jack explained.

The couple's fears were soon allayed after meeting Cruz.

"Because the two of them fell in love with one another. That's the only way I can say it," Jack continued.

Cruz chuckled.

"Yes, and it gave you a break. You could get out and teach catechism," she joked.

Cruz soon developed a very special relationship with Jack and Mel. Her sense of humor and sensitive nature connected with them. She would bring videos of her horses over and share them, in addition to helping Mel, a victim of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (emphysema), with physical needs.

"People with COPD have a difficult time breathing. They have to be sitting up or on their side so their lungs are freed up," Cruz explained.

The attention Mel received from Cruz and others from the hospice staff enabled Jack to spend time doing the things he loved for his wife.

He smiles as he remembers how his wife developed a fondness for new recipes.

"She'd watch these cooking shows and say, 'I'd like that for dinner ...' I duplicated a dish from Chi Chi's once. That was the fun part of it," he recalls. "I always felt that was the best time of my life, taking care of her."

Jack also remembers that his wife knew when the

end was near.

"I think she knew three or four days before that she was going."

Mel was able to spend her last hours, on a Sunday during the Christmas season, visiting with her four children and eight grandchildren. Cruz had gone home that day, but returned after a phone call.

"We were sitting here. I was accessing the box of Kleenex ..."

Cruz also spent hours rubbing Mel's back. Jack said Mel's favorite hymn, "Ave Maria," was playing when she finally, peacefully, passed on.

The significance of that moment, five years later, is still very real.

"C'mon — I'll cry with you," Jack says, as he notices the tears in Cruz's eyes.

"She's probably saying, 'Look at those two old fools down there ...'" Cruz says. "It was very special."

### Letter to a friend

*This letter from Jack Ruwalt to hospice volunteer Candy Cruz reflects the special care and compassion he and his family experienced, while in her care through the Cranbrook Hospice.*

Dec. 21, 1989

Dear Candy,

What you did for Melenese in her last few hours was exactly what a dear old friend would do.

You two had a relationship which many people on this earth will never attain.

I thank God for sending you to us when we needed you the most.

God be with you,  
Jack

I just sat there and rubbed her back for a long time. That's the nice thing about hospice — being at home. I think it sets the stage for things to be solved."

Afterwards, Jack and Cruz kept in touch, although long periods would pass in which they wouldn't see each other. But sooner or later, they'd connect.

"One of the nicest things she did was a year later. She called me up on our wedding anniversary and stayed with me for awhile," Jack recalled.

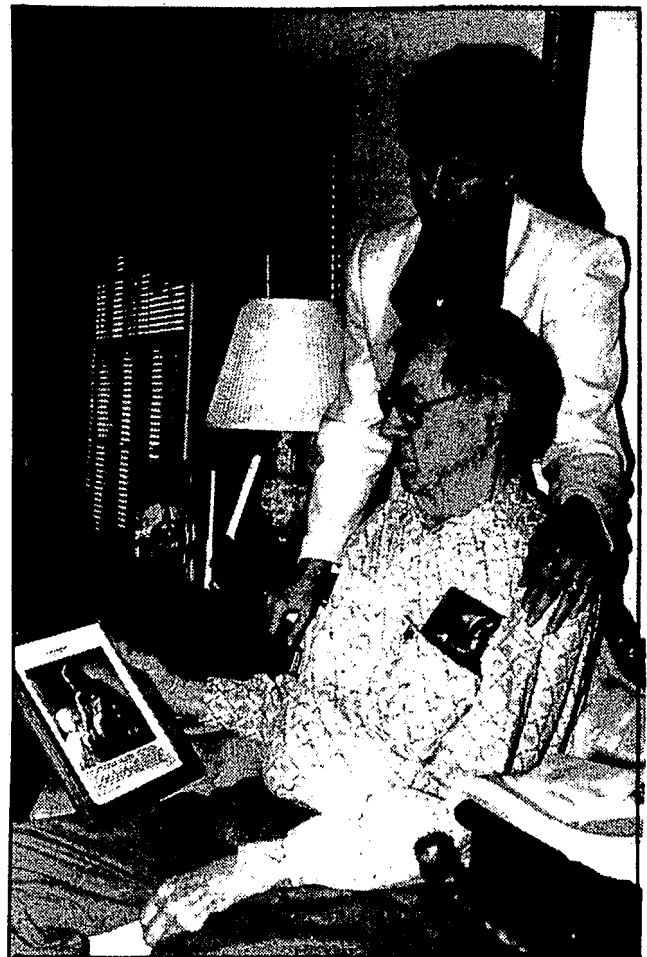
Another time a chance meeting at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Pontiac — where both were working — brought them together again, ironically, on Mel's birthday.

"It was such a coincidence. I saw Jack. He was volunteering at St. Joe's; he was in the gift shop. It was August 16, Mel's birthday," Cruz said.

Cruz, who is nearing the end of a nursing education in which she hopes to become a hospice nurse, treasures a memento from her time spent with the Ruwalt family. It's a letter from Jack, wherein he expresses his thankfulness for not only her care, but her friendship.

"What you did for Melenese in her last few hours was exactly what a dear old friend would do ...," says the letter in its opening.

"It was a different kind of relationship than family and friends," says Jack. "It was more one-on-



Orion resident Jack Ruwalt and Clarkston resident and hospice volunteer Candy Cruz share the memory of time spent together five years ago when hospice made life easier for Jack and his wife Melenese, who was stricken with emphysema.

one than anything else."

And he says he feels blessed with the compassionate care he received from the whole hospice team.

"I have nothing but the best to say about it. I recommend it strongly, maybe not for everybody, but for most everybody," Jack says.

"You can carry on your life, uninterrupted."

For more information on the hospice program, call Cranbrook Hospice Care at (810) 334-6700.

### Young singers compete

Vocal music students at Clarkston High School and Clarkston Middle School recently participated in competitions as complete choirs and in small ensembles.

At CHS, five choirs under the direction of Grayce Warren competed in the district choir festival March 16 at Walled Lake Western High School. The Varsity Concert Choir received top marks, Division I, in both performance and sight reading. The Mixed Choir and Choralaires received straight Division II ratings. The Bel Canto Choir and Barbershop Ensemble received a II in performance and a I in sight reading.

Because of their marks, the Varsity Concert Choir will continue on to the state level of competition in April at Jackson Community College.

At CMS, students under the direction of Danielle Blanchard attended district solo and ensemble festival March 4 at South Lyon Middle School. The students prepared primarily after school in six rehearsals due to the combination of grades and membership in three separate school choirs.

Receiving Division I ratings were four groups: a Select Double Trio of seventh- and eighth-graders; a select 7th grade treble ensemble; an eighth-grade girls ensemble and a seventh grade ensemble.

Receiving Division II ratings were a men's ensemble made up of seventh- and eighth-graders and an eighth-grade mixed ensemble.

# Teens caught in 'one-day spree'

## Firearms, breaking-and-entering among charges

BY ANNETTE KINGSBURY  
Clarkston News Editor

Three Clarkston High School students who apparently felt like playing hookey Friday have been implicated in two break-ins in which five guns and a car were stolen.

According to Detective Dirk Feneley of the Oakland County Sheriff's Independence substation, the boys, ages 14, 15 and 16, left school around 7:30 Friday morning, then broke into a house on Cramlane. After driving around they allegedly picked up Randy Kildal, 17, of Clarkston, before breaking into a home on Pine Knob Lane where a 1988 Ford Escort and five guns were stolen.

All of this came to light after two of the juveniles were found in a gravel pit off White Lake Rd. firing shots. An employee who had been working near the building called police after he heard shots hit the tower he was working on. No one was injured.

Police recovered three handguns at the time. While the investigation was under way a sheriff's deputy responded to a call about a breaking and entering on Pine Knob Lane. At that time it was learned five guns had been stolen during the break-in and "we had three of them," Feneley said.

The third juvenile was arrested at a home on Felix and the stolen car was recovered at the corner of Felix and White Lake roads. Kildal was arrested at the substation when he came to claim his bicycle, which he had left near the site of the shooting. With four people

now in custody, investigators learned a second adult, Chance Bright, 19, also of Clarkston, was on his way to bury the two remaining guns. He and a passenger were apprehended on Clarkston Rd. near Clintonwood Park and another gun found in his car.

"They took us out to where they had buried the shotgun in Heather Lakes," Feneley said. All the guns, the car and \$56 in rare coins taken in the robberies were recovered.

Feneley called the busy day "a one-day spree." There was no significant damage done to either house, and most of the suspects had no prior criminal records.

Bright and Kildal have been arraigned in 52-2 District Court. Kildal was charged with home invasion, larceny of firearms and receiving and concealing stolen property. Bond was set at \$7,000 (cash 10 percent).

Feneley doesn't believe Bright was involved in the break-ins, and he was only charged with carrying a concealed weapon and receiving and concealing stolen property. Bond was set at \$5,000 (cash 10 percent). Both adults will have their preliminary exams April 6.

The juveniles, whose names have been withheld because of their ages, have been charged in probate court. The 14-year-old, who has a previous record, was ordered held in lieu of \$25,000 cash bond. The 15-year-old was released to his parents. The 16-year-old was released after arraignment. All three face charges ranging from home invasion and felonious assault to receiving and concealing stolen property, auto theft and reckless discharge of a firearm.

## Clarkston church wants to join Habitat for Humanity

Calvary Evangelical Lutheran Church is seeking community input on establishing a Habitat for Humanity affiliate in Pontiac.

The church will host an informational meeting to discuss the proposal on April 17 at 7:30 p.m. at the church, located at 6805 Bluegrass Drive. The Rev. Dr. Ken Benson, the state director for Habitat for Humanity in Michigan, will be there to address the public.

Founded in 1976, Habitat for Humanity's mission is to provide low-income housing to those who need it most. All projects involve the prospective homeowners working on their own home and a neighbor's home.

Heidi Sommers, associate pastor at Calvary, said in a letter addressed to community, religious and business leaders in northern Oakland County that the need for affordable housing in the northern part of the county is great. "Habitat for Humanity has an outstanding success rate," she said. Less than one percent are foreclosed on and only one percent of the homes are sold.

So far there are 156 Habitat homes in Michigan. According to Sommers, 30 a day are built across the U.S. As each house is occupied, mortgage payments are deposited into a fund which supports the construction of more houses.

Former president Jimmy Carter, a longtime Habitat volunteer, said this about the organization: "I've learned more about the needy than I ever did as governor, as a candidate, or as a president. The sacrifice I thought I would be making turned out to be one of the greatest blessings of my life... I don't know anything I've seen that more vividly demonstrates love in action than Habitat for Humanity."

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# Aftermath: What does the future hold for Clarkston's city water situation?

BY EILEEN OXLEY  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Every week Clarkston resident Katherine Whitmer has bottled water delivered to her home on Wompole. And every week she has to lug gallons into her garage — and ultimately, refrigerator.

And though Katherine and her husband Wallace, who has Parkinson's disease, say they have to live with it, they still consider the inconvenience a pain.

"It's not fun," says the senior citizen. "I've got three cases here against my kitchen wall. Those bottles aren't light. They weigh a ton."

The Whitmers are one of two residences in Clarkston who have had to put up with bottled water for the past four years because their wells are filled with contamination. The state pays for the water which is delivered weekly from Bescoe in Battle Creek.

Because she and Wallace just missed the designated area where 24 Main Street residents received state Quality-of-Life bond funds to connect to Independence Township's community well system last summer, the couple eagerly voted for city water March 7. The election failed — by a narrow vote of 139 to 100.

"I was very disappointed," Katherine said. "I was really looking forward to getting some water. We're only a block away from the water line — we didn't get it."

And most likely won't — unless another special election takes place. But that's improbable now, says Clarkston Mayor Sharron Catalo, who voted in favor of the \$2.2 million system.

"No, I don't foresee (another election) — unless

there's another trouble in the area," Catalo said last week. "The issue of money keeps popping up — the issue of health never does. It's an expense no one wants to incur ... I guess that's what upsets me. More people are concerned about money than health."

Catalo only echoes what experts from the Michigan Department of Health and the Michigan Department of Natural Resources have already said. Contamination's a problem. It will only grow and become more expensive to implement a city water system in Clarkston as the years roll by.

One of those experts is Terri Golla, a geologist with the MDNR's underground storage tank division. Golla knows Clarkston's situation very well.

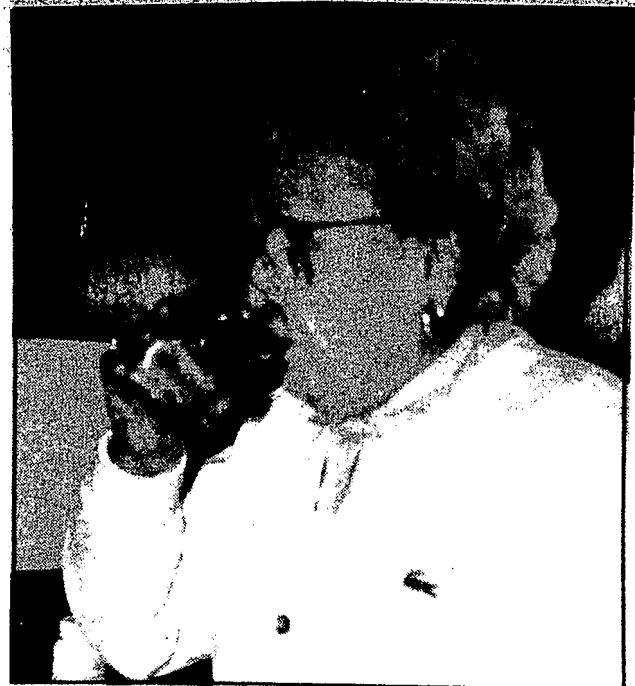
"It's serious for the people in the immediate areas," Golla said. "There are houses right next to the (contaminated) sites. I would certainly be concerned. I guess they're depending on Oakland County to keep monitoring their wells and tell them if they're contaminated."

Golla said contamination from volatile organic compounds (VOCs or petroleum products from service stations) are "so thick, they are floating on top of the water." Especially frightening are carcinogens like benzene, a component of gasoline.

"If you poured a glass of water you might be able to see it at the top," she said.

Adds Cheryl Wilson, of the MDNR's environmental response division, "It's there. The contaminants around the sites of contamination (in Clarkston) are above our clean-up standards."

Though the most serious contamination sites like Morgan's Marathon, Clarkston's Village Muffler Shop and the Shell Station are currently undergoing or will undergo clean-up procedures, it will take years to



Katherine Whitmer, a resident of Wompole in Clarkston, has been on bottled water for four years.

finalize them — and contamination is still traveling at the rate of "one foot per day," Golla stresses.

Presently, there are no Quality-of-Life funds available to support a city water system for Clarkston, says Jill Costello, legislative assistant to State Rep. Tom Middleton (R-Ortonville). Those funds have all been committed, she says. But new legislation may raise some hope.

"We're checking with the (State) Department of Commerce for possible community block grants," Costello said, adding that the state may raise the requirements for funding to contaminated sites. There is a new House bill that is "real specific with regard to contamination."

"According to the House, there are underground storage tanks that are going to be a problem in the future," she said.

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## In Focus

by Annette Kingsbury

### *The rites of spring*

At our house the first herald of spring isn't the lovely purple crocus opening to the sun next to the porch step. It isn't the first heady glimpse of golden forsythia.

No; that would be nice; but before all of those things happen, something stirs in our favorite feline. Something—be it warmer breezes or longer days—tells him spring is here. And to prove it, he goes out and kills his first mouse of the season.

So after long weeks of virtual peace on the homicide scene, we wake up one morning, stumble down the stairs, and rub our eyes at the first offering of the season sprawled lifelessly on our living room floor. Bon appetit.

The next sure sign of spring that struck me was just last week, when I suddenly noticed something—the huge number of animal bodies littering the roads. While road kill isn't unusual in these parts at any time of year, spring means many of our four-footed neighbors are stirring after a winter of hibernation or torpor. For some it's the mating season, for others there's a hungry stomach to feed. But whatever the reason, they're trying to make the mad dash across heavily travelled roads and many of them aren't succeeding.

I had a near miss myself just last week. Driving home from work late one night on Clarkston Rd. an opossum was suddenly illuminate—bright white—in the ghoulish glow of my headlights. It was just inches in front of my car but fortunately it was near the shoulder of the road. I swerved wildly to avoid hitting it, then, as my heart calmed back down in my chest, I remembered all those warnings I'd read about not swerving. I realized I'd just been lucky there was no oncoming traffic because there hadn't been time to think.

In past years these have not been the kinds of sings of spring I've especially paid attention to. However, the more homes that go up in former farm fields, the more animals are displaced. As they lose their native habitat, they have to find somewhere else to go. If the search means having to cross a road, they do it.

I'm not expecting anyone to stop building a subdivision so the previous inhabitants can stay. However, wouldn't it be nice if we could all slow down a bit and give these creatures a chance? After all, they were here first.

**NOTE:** Don't forget to catch "Bye Bye Birdie" at Clarkston High School this weekend. From the rehearsal I saw, this should be a fun evening fit for all ages. Students in the drama club, choirs and band will all be participating.

## Seeking '70 grads

The Clarkston High School class of 1970 is planning a 25-year reunion and needs to hear from class members. For more information call Paula Crawford Wood at (810) 625-8007 or Sandy Buzzell Isaacs at (810) 623-0204.

## Editorial

### Public business must be conducted in public

A lot has been said by the Clarkston school administration and board of education about improving communications with the public. However saying it and doing it are two different things.

Board president Tom Howard made it clear Monday night he has little patience for the state's Open Meetings Act, a law designed to make sure deliberations by public bodies are conducted in public. Howard flat out said, "Some things cannot be said in public."

Apparently the district has learned how to discuss things privately without actually breaking the letter of the law. Simply wait until late at night, don't list the item on the agenda, go into closed session, then, long after the public has left, come back into open discuss such important and far-reaching issues as privatization of the schools' transportation and maintenance departments and the reorganization of the central office administration are not among the things that should be handled that way. Jobs, pensions and public dollars are at stake.

The board of education has never held a public discussion about privatization. Superintendent Gary Haner has apparently never asked for formal direction from the board to pursue privatization. Yet when the board balked at reorganizing administration to facilitate the change, Haner acted like it was their fault he was hamstrung. In fact, he had not followed board

procedure in first presenting a proposal for them to discuss, then act on at a later date.

Haner admitted he was not giving the board all the facts. "I'm sorry I have to be a bit evasive with my answer," he said under intense questioning by some trustees.

Like the trustees, who voted 4-2 against the reorganization request, we wonder what Haner is holding back. He said the one employee to be laid off has already been informed. He has already let employees know that a move toward privatization is being explored. What's the big secret?

The OMA says, in plain English, "All deliberations of a public body constituting a quorum of its members shall take place at a meeting open to the public."

Technically, the board did that. However, an unlisted discussion at the end of a lengthy closed session at 11:30 p.m. with no one present isn't really a public discussion. It doesn't keep the spirit of the state's sunshine laws intact.

The public should expect trust and honesty from school officials. But what is being displayed, going behind the public's back? It may be legal, but is that what the public wants?

Public business must be conducted in public. Fortunately, at least a few trustees agree. AK



## Jim's Jottings

By Jim Sherman

### *Let's get tough on deadbeat parents*

First Lady Hillary Clinton recently suggested the two political parties forget party politics and compromise on what is right for America.

Of course, the Dems and GOPs do a lot of compromising on issues. We read mostly about the dominant changes they disagree on, like the balanced budget amendment.

We are right in Hillary and Bill Clinton's corner on one issue we think the GOP should not just compromise on, but should support.

Clinton has already gone along with the Republicans who brought the need for welfare reform into their 100 day agenda. He agrees — welfare needs to be changed.

One of the changes he suggests, and the one we wholeheartedly support, is the one that would take drivers and professional licenses from deadbeat parents.

Perhaps by the time this column is published this issue will have become part of the reform package. But, just in case it's not we're urging Congressman Knollenberg and Senators Levin and Abraham to vote yes to making this part of the package.

Years ago an employee asked me to talk to an attorney about representing him in a child support case. The lawyer wanted \$50 down to take the case. My worker thought that too much and decided to represent himself. He paid.

When I next saw the attorney, I told him what happened. He said something like, "I probably could have helped him, but on the other hand, why shouldn't he be responsible for his child's support?"

Indeed he should, and he was, contributing every week for 18 years. He wasn't a "deadbeat." He did what the court ordered. As we all know, thousands of others do not. Sherman Publications has an employee right now whose ex-husband owes thousands of dollars in child support, money he rightfully owes. It's wrong that he is not being forced to pay or that he isn't being punished in some way for not paying.

What an enormous relief it would be to our welfare rolls if those parents who owe child support paid it as they have been ordered. They are breaking the law and getting away with it.

The administration estimates a national license-revocation program would raise \$2.5 billion in child support payments over 10 years and reduce federal welfare payments by \$400 million.

Combined with the child-support provisions already in the GOP bill, the government could increase payments to children by \$24 billion while reducing welfare costs by \$4 billion.

Nineteen states now use the threat of license revocation to collect child support, and many include driver's licenses as well as licenses for doctors, lawyers and real estate agents.

In Maine, only 41 licenses had to be revoked; in 21,000 other cases, the threat was enough to collect the delinquent debt, according to the Clintons.

Even if Congress and the Senate cannot agree on this White House suggestion, we urge Michigan office holders to adopt the license revocation program passed by the 19 states.

# A look back

## 15 YEARS AGO (1980)

Requests for building permits in Independence and Springfield townships have dwindled due to rocketing inflation and soaring interest rates. Springfield Township supervisor Collin Walls says planning commission meetings are down to once a month. Formerly, the commission met twice a month. "Last year, we'd have one or two proposed subdivisions at every meeting. But now -- zip," Walls says.

Mushy conditions make it necessary to postpone the Easter Bunny's visit to Clarkston Jaycees' annual Easter Egg Hunt. The event is set for Saturday, April 5 at Clintonwood Park. Prizes of large Easter coloring books will be given in addition to the hidden candy that is found.

Clarkston Junior High School eighth-grader Greg Molzon wins the regional spelling bee by spelling "slave" and "adagio" correctly. He spelled 38 words in all to win the contest.

## 25 YEARS AGO (1970)

A shopping mall larger than Tel-12 in Southfield is proposed for Clarkston. If implemented, it would occupy a portion of the Waterford Hill Golf Course. The plans were made public at a meeting of the Independence Planning Commission Wednesday night. Zoning changes have been petitioned.

The Clarkston High School 1970 baseball season begins April 7 where the team will face Waterford Township at 3:30 p.m. on Waterford's diamond. Coach Paul Tungate cites several team members as definite strengths and sizes up the rest to attend the dedication services.

## 50 YEARS AGO (1945)

An Easter Sunrise Service is sponsored by the Youth Fellowship of the Methodist Church. The service will take place from 7-8 a.m. with a breakfast following in the dining room. "King Kong" with Robert Armstrong and Fay Wray is playing at the Drayton Theatre and Marlene Dietrich and James Craig star in "Kismet" at the Holly.

Specials at Kroger's this week include Kroger's Embassy Brand peanut butter, a two-pound jar for 39 cents, Musselman's applesauce, a number two can for

12 cents, sirloin steak, 38 cents a pound and onion sets, four pounds for 29 cents.

## 60 YEARS AGO (1935)

A card party sponsored by the PTA on Tuesday afternoon turns out to be a delightful affair. The school auditorium is adorned with pussy willows and daffodils, making it very attractive for the 50 tables of bridge players. Each table receives a prize, with one chair the bearer of a lucky number. Tea cakes are served from a table decorated with snapdragons and calendulas.

The PTA finance committee is happy with the outcome: they clear \$9.75 of their expenses. If you weren't a supporter at this event you will have another chance to participate at the Friday evening dance at the school.

Waterbury's Home Market offers Saturday specials including fresh fish (smelt) at 16 cents a pound, two No. 2 1/2 cans of peaches for 45 cents, Bancroft Peas, a can for a dime, and Wheaties, two boxes for 23 cents.

Features at the Holly Theatre include "Devil Dogs of the Air," with James Cagney, Pat O'Brien and Margaret Lindsay, "Bordertown" with Paul Muni and Bette Davis and "The Little Colonel" with Shirley Temple and Lionel Barrymore.

## Tech center students honored

Six students who attend Oakland Technical Center Northwest in Clarkston have been honored by the Society of Automotive Engineers.

Ben Stock will receive a \$300 scholarship for his third-place entry in the SAE annual high school poster contest. Bryan Symansic, Devon Ostrand, Benjamin Snapp, Jennifer Grappin and Zach Keenan each will receive a \$100 savings bond for their entries in the contest, held in conjunction with the SAE annual convention in Detroit. The contest was open to all high school students.

The winning entries depicted the theme of this year's convention, "Engineering for Value." Judges represented automotive and traffic safety specialists from auto companies, colleges and traffic safety organizations.

## If It Fitz

by Jim Fitzgerald



*Some public displays hard to comprehend*

In a family restaurant, my wife couldn't enjoy her meal because a woman in the next booth repeatedly slapped and scolded a little girl.

At a stage play, the curtain was about 20 minutes late going up because a party of six people were in someone else's seats and refused to move.

Sometimes it's impossible to understand the totally offensive, thoughtless and cruel behavior of strangers. You wonder if you should stick your nose into their business, and risk getting it punched.

And you ponder that if these people behave so ignorantly in public, what about their private lives? How would you like to be exposed to them regularly, instead of only on this one chance, dismaying encounter?

The theater incident occurred at a splendid production of "The Mikado," staged by the Gilbert and Sullivan Players (GASP), which recently completed a four-day run at the Bower Theater in Flint. A woman had purchased six tickets for the Saturday performance, but she and her friends showed up Friday.

I later learned the woman explained to ushers that, after buying the Saturday tickets, she decided it would be "more convenient" to see the show Friday night. She seemed sincerely to believe her abrupt, unannounced change of plans should be perfectly acceptable to everyone concerned.

It didn't matter that the show was a sellout. It wasn't at all important that six people who arrived on the correct night were unable to occupy the seats they'd paid for. The six interlopers got in them first and wouldn't get out.

Talk about GASP. What are you going to do with such ignorant, selfish people? Call the cops and further delay and disrupt the start of the play?

Management put chairs in the aisle for the unfairly displaced six and, to atone for the discomfort and inconvenience, also refunded their money.

If the decision had been mine, I might have got my nose punched.

On that same weekend, at Sunday morning breakfast out, it was my wife who most wanted to put her nose at risk. I think she was especially angry because the elderly couple seated directly behind us appeared to be the grandparents of the two little girls with them, and we were also accompanied by two granddaughters. For my wife, it was no damn time to make grandmothers look bad.

We couldn't help hearing the grandmother speak roughly to the perhaps 4-year-old girl seated across from her, apparently for not eating right. And when the old bat repeatedly got up and walked around the table to get near enough to slap the cowering kid on the face, I thought my wife would have a stroke.

What stung me was that while several strangers couldn't help staring at the unpleasant scene, the grandfather and older granddaughter acted as though nothing unusual was happening. They went right on eating, barely glancing at the slapping, not saying one word to the slapped child or the slapping grandmother.

Despite my wife's sputtering, the slaps didn't appear to me to be hard enough to warrant the intervention of a stranger, charging child abuse. They were only hard enough to make me fantasize that the sad-eyed little girls lived with their loving parents, and hardly ever saw their grandparents.

I wished I could believe that. I wished so hard it somehow hurt.

People who won't get out of someone else's theater seats only give me a big pain in the neck.

People who slap little kids on the face in public give me a big pain in the heart. I can't stop worrying about what they do in private.

## Don't Rush Me

By Don Rush

*Save our culture, save our old movies?*



Ah, the Academy Awards -- count me in as one of the many who are glad the 67th annual gathering of stars is over.

The muscles in my neck cord up whenever there's some sort of Hollywood awards ceremony broadcast on television. I find it ironic when a "star" stands up and tells the American people that the only decent thing for us to do is to support such and such cause. That Americans' only moral and ethical choice is to pay their hard-earned dollars for whatever cause the high in mighty in the entertainment world deem necessary.

It's ironic they tell Americans to be moral and decent, and yet they come from the hotbed of immorality and indecency. And, that is their prerogative -- they can sleep with as many as they want; they can do all the illicit drugs they want; they can even tell us we're uncaring beasts because we don't agree with them -- that's their right.

It just makes me tense when they do all this and then go back to their mansions on the hill and feel warm and fuzzy because they did a nice thing.

Arthur Hiller, the president of the whatever in Hollywood came out and urged Americans to save the National Endowment of the Arts and National Endowment of the Humanities.

"We must preserve our culture," he told the one billion viewers world-wide.

This, of course, would be done through the NEA's and NEH's efforts in preserving old films. In hindsight, it was probably a poor choice of programs to choose on behalf of the NEA and NEH.

"Let's have a ground swelling of support so we can save our industry's old movies," he could have said.

He would have every working, tax-paying American pay for a multi-billion dollar industry's responsibility. I'm sorry (no, I'm not), I don't buy into the notion of taxpayers paying for preserving old films.

IT'S ONLY ENTERTAINMENT, FOLKS.

And, while it may be the new opiate of the people, old movies are not as important as lifting people out of poverty. And old movies like *Boys Town* will not lift people out of poverty.

I think the good old boys and girls who throw down \$10 million or more a movie should form a private club and take care of their own causes. Leave us out of it. We have too many other things to worry about.

Like paying 40 percent of what we earn to the government and having enough left over to make house payments. (And Arthur, get a hair cut.)

*Got a message for Fitz?  
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## CHS life by Don Downey

### Hobbies

Whenever I have to fill out an application or questionnaire, I always come to a dead halt when I reach the line that demands "List your hobbies."

What am I supposed to write? I don't put together models. I don't collect anything. I tell my parents that I'll only go camping if I can sleep in the van. My hobbies are too abstract to put into impressive little phrases, so I usually put down something like gardening (I like to eat the fresh foods from the garden my dad slaves over all summer) or scuba diving (my friend and I are certified divers, but I think it's too scary, so I don't go any more).

How impressed do you think an interviewer would be by my truthful answer to the hobby question? "Oh, I dunno. I like to read novels and go to the theater, but usually I just rent the movie version and veg out in front of the TV."

By the way, when did watching TV lose its status as a legitimate hobby? It seems like every time I mention TV to anyone at school, they immediately throw their nose into the air and proclaim: "I don't watch TV. I don't have TIME to watch TV. Anyone who watches TV is pathetic. If it wasn't for my stupid parents, I wouldn't even own a TV."

Of course, they don't say these last two lines, but they don't realize mental telepathy is one of my other hobbies.

The spaces on applications are too small. How am I supposed to fit "When I go to band functions like competitions and festivals, I like to sit on the ground and watch groups from other cities pass by and decide which school has the nerdiest band nerds."

I also don't think screeching in my sister's face, going through fast-food drive-thrus, doing the laundry (which is a chore I actually enjoy) or terrorizing my cats count as acceptable pastimes, even though I love doing them. Since I will never have a chance to write my reasons on a questionnaire, I will take this opportunity to explain why these activities have so much appeal to me.

My sister and I are less than a year-and-a-half apart. My parents should have realized this could

create problems, but they didn't, so as a result I have a unique hobby. I think my sister and I get along pretty well, but I have to admit there is nothing I enjoy more than using her as entertainment. During my 16 years on this planet, I have put together a repertoire of annoying words and phrases that I save for moments when my sister is in a mood so bad that a single word could send her over the edge and give her the Jan-Brady-Gong look.

When I am in my car and I need a little excitement, I turn to the McDonald's drive-thru. For some reason this experience doesn't have the same effect on other people as it does on me. I look at the extensive menu. Too many choices! My pulse quickens. My brow begins to sweat. My breath becomes short. I pull up to the speaker. Too early! I haven't made up my mind yet! The cashier asks for my order. "Wait! I'm not ready!" I want to say. But my mouth betrays me. "Uh, can I have a McChicken sandwich please?" The McChicken sandwich. Shouldn't I know it always saves me from potential drive-thru embarrassment? I have ordered it every time I have been to McDonald's for five years, so why do I always flip out? Beats me.

The laundry is fun because it only takes two minutes to move clothes from machine to machine and I can watch TV while folding the loads! What could be better? When I have my own place, I plan to own only four appliances: a big-screen TV, a toaster, a waffle iron and a washing machine. There is pride in knowing every garment you own smells good.

My cats don't like me. The pair, named CJ (who I call CJ-Dittums) and Olivia (who I call Weeba), run in fear when I enter the room. Maybe they don't like their nicknames, but who would? I think they've never gotten over the time I put them in the laundry basket and spun them around like that antigravity ride at Boblo.

These are my hobbies. They won't win many scholarships or develop my job skills, but they're mine. I hope I haven't scared you into deciding not to read "Student Life" any more. That wouldn't be fair to Amber.

## Heritage Hunt II by Virginia Block

Sharing information is the key to building pedigree charts, family relationships and happiness in new friendships.

In 1971, we "accidentally" became a victim of the bite of the genealogy bug, and found a pathway to dealing with "empty nest" syndrome. We have been accused of never discarding a scrap of paper since, but at the request of a nephew, we've had to try to locate copies of Piatt and Block lineage documentation.

On the way to locating our "family stuff," we discovered much long neglected material YOU may need. It was our intention to share it long before this — but this week, while fighting the flu bug, everything was put on hold — until (!!) a large box of "goodies" arrived via UPS from good friends, the Minders.

Among the treasures they sent, three volumes of listings of those buried in McCracken County, Ky., cemeteries, a booklet "American Memorials and Overseas Military Cemeteries," "Genealogy in the Bronx," (a guide to sources of information); catalogs from "Amnesty: US Vital Records" and US and special census records; a 1979 edition of Everton's Cemetery Compendium, a Union list of Canadian newspapers, plus much, much more.

These will be placed in the library of the Pontiac Area Historical and Genealogical Society. Our next

meeting on April 13 will feature Joan Griffin speaking on Ontario/French Canadian Research, as a prelude to the OGS Kent County Ont., seminar coming up in May.

The time is 7:30 p.m., lower level of the Pontiac Public Library. The public is welcome, at no charge. We urge you to come and meet with others searching families in Ontario — they may be "kinfolks."

Peggy Brann shares with us a copy of the form needed to request a certificate being offered by the President to anyone requesting (as next of kin), a lovely memento honoring World War I soldiers. We are sure many of you, like Peggy and I, have fathers who went to the service back then to save the world for Democracy.

We have added a husband, son and two sons-in-laws' names to the list of later wars since then, but pray to the Lord we'll never have to see grandsons and great-grandsons on the list. Thanks, Peggy, and the Minders.

Happy Hunting.

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## People poll

By Eileen Oxley

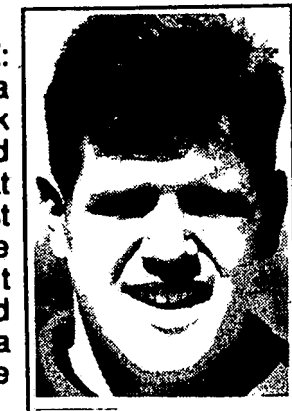
### Where are you going on spring break?



MIKE FROST: No idea. I'll jump in the car and go somewhere.



SHANNON MERENUK: I'm going to Florida and going on a cruise to Nassau with 10 of my friends for a week-and-a-half.



JUSTIN KULEVICZ: I'm going to Panama City. I'm going a week early. My friends and I bought a bus that says "Faith Baptist Church" on the outside. We put couches in it and everything, even a Sega Genesis for the ride down.



JAIME WODECKI: I'm not really sure right now. I might be going to Myrtle Beach with some friends that live in a different city.



CHRISTOPHER HERBERT: I'm going to Myrtle Beach with my friends.

All are seniors at Clarkston High.





# School fair

Pine Knob Elementary School will present its annual school fair Saturday, April 8 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Admission is free and 50 cents buys you a raffle ticket which could win one of over 100 prizes the school PTA has been gathering. Some of them are being held by students (left to right) Catherine Emerick, Nikki Whiteford, Adam Herr, Abby Whiteford and Vincent Herr. Among the raffle items are Roller Blades, ski boots, golfing, games and toys, flowers and many more items, all from local merchants. The proceeds will be given to teachers for classroom supplies. Organizers say this year's prizes more than double the most they've ever had donated before.

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# Township reallocates block grant funds

BY DARREL W. COLE  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Senior center kitchen renovation plans were scrapped after estimates went from \$12,000 to \$40,000.

The Independence Township Board of Trustees originally marked \$12,456 of community development block grant funds from the 1993-94 allocation for kitchen renovation. But treasurer John Lutz said the scope of the project increased dramatically and costs soared over what was allowed.

On March 21 the board approved re-programming those funds to improvements at Bay Court Park and Clintonwood Park. At Bay Court, \$3,956 will be used to make the facilities handicapped accessible. At Clintonwood, \$8,500 will go towards making the playground equipment handicapped accessible.

CDBG funds are federal grants given to municipalities for use in low-moderate income areas. Projects that will benefit the handicapped, senior citizens and selected other activities also qualify.

### Other board action:

● Almost \$700,000 was added to the township's general fund balance after the 1994 fiscal year.

The unaudited funds came about for a variety of reasons, but most of the carry-over will be used for projects already planned for.

The extra \$699,178 is mainly due to: building and permit fees collection of \$299,000; state shared revenues of \$177,000; investment income of \$50,000; cemetery revenues of \$30,000; cable TV revenues of \$15,000, a lawsuit settlement of \$50,000; and, a \$57,000 Sashabaw and Maybee road improvement project payment that was not made, but was budgeted for.

In addition, the fire fund budgeted \$200,000 for

payment on a new fire station during 1994, but the board only recently gave the go-ahead for the station construction. That balance will be carried over to the next budget and help pay for the station in 1995.

The police fund finished 1994 with a deficit of \$164,628 — as officials expected — but the deficit should be eliminated by the end of 1995, thanks to a millage approval by voters earlier this year.

Because of the various fund balance increases the board designated some funds be approved for planned projects.

Of the general fund's \$1.08 million in carry-over funds, \$100,000 was designated for general road improvements, \$100,000 to township hall improvements and \$300,000 for Sashabaw and Maybee road improvements, leaving over \$580,000 still left in carry-over funds for 1995.

Of the fire fund's \$717,000 in carry-over funds, \$425,000 will go to the new fire station construction and \$105,000 for a new life rescue truck, leaving \$187,000 in carry-over funds for 1995.

● The township's department of public works building will receive a \$473,000 face lift.

The base bid from Premacon Inc., the lowest of 15 bidders, includes an addition and remodeling of the DPW building. The Southfield-based company specializes in commercial and institutional additions and renovations, according to TMP Associates, engineers for the project.

Premacon recently finished a renovation of the Walled Lake Schools administrative offices.

The next lowest base bid was \$487,000 from Norstar Construction, while the highest bid was \$555,000 from Barton and Barton.

● Cranberry Lake Estates (Greene Haven St.) sewer improvement and special assessment will be the

subject of a public hearing April 18 at the township annex, 90 N. Main Street.

A petition was circulated and signed by 62 of 116 lot owners in favor of the possible sewer improvement. The public hearing will be held to determine if the special assessment district is to move forward.

● The board approved the annual \$1,500 membership fee to the Clinton River Watershed Council, a non-profit organization.

The CRWC's major goal is to protect the Clinton River and its tributaries for local governments. Other membership entitlements include help for government representatives on a wide variety of natural resource issues.

● Kevin Daniels was upgraded from his township position of maintenance man I to maintenance man II, which amounts to a 40 cents per hour increase in pay.

Daniels was recommended for the promotion by parks and recreation director Ann Conklin because she said he is hard working, willing to learn and knowledgeable in the operations of the parks and the equipment used.

In his new position, Daniels will be responsible for the total maintenance of the safety paths, the downtown development association areas, training seasonal and part-time employees, Sashabaw Plains Park, light construction projects, as well as other duties.



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● Judy Addis has been named a sales associate at Clarkston Real Estate Services, Inc.

● Prudential's Renaissance Agency, which has an office in Clarkston, has been recognized for achieving outstanding results in a recent customer satisfaction survey. The agency was recognized for an 82-percent customer satisfaction rate at a luncheon this month in Southfield.

● Carolyn Smith has been named a sales associate at Clarkston Real Estate Services, Inc.

● Robert Olsen of Planned Financial Services, Inc. of Clarkston has been appointed board member and trustee of the Local Development Corporation of Oakland County, a non-profit organization.

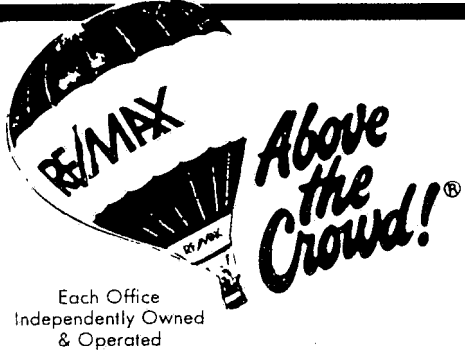
Olsen is a certified financial planner with a master's degree in finance. He is ending his presidency of the Clarkston Foundation as he begins with the

LDC, a board of business people that assist small-business owners in the approval of loans.

● Clarkston native Paula Blanchard, ex-wife of former governor James Blanchard, has formed her own company. The Paula Blanchard Companies has offices in Troy and Washington, D. C. and provides communications and public relations counseling and services. Future strategies include a publishing house and a special-events travel company. Her clients include the Michigan Cancer Foundation and the U. S. Botanical Garden.

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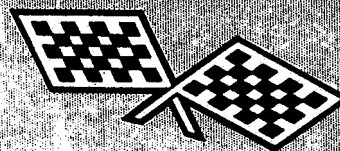
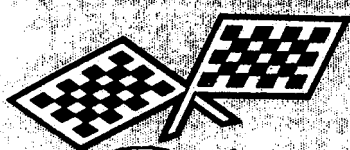
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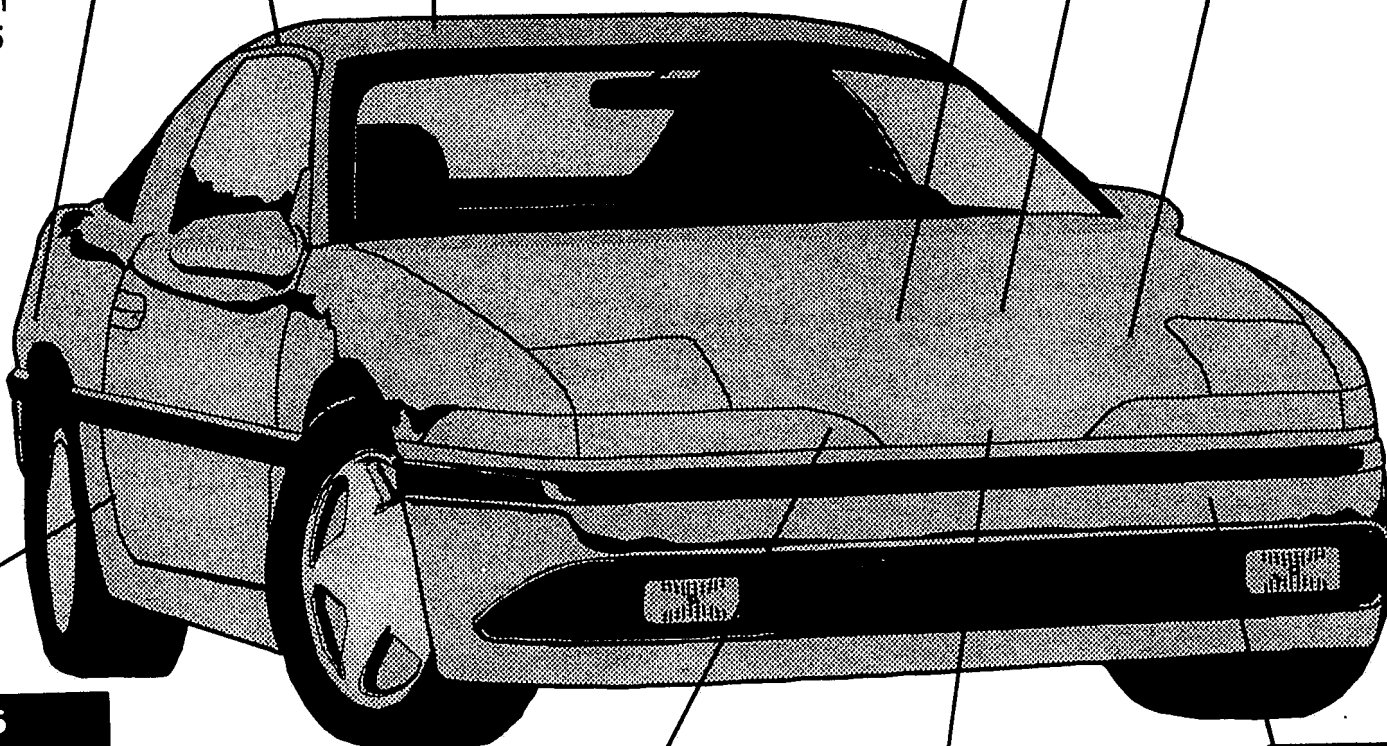
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Mr. and Mrs. John Black Jr.

### Neumann-Black wed in Grand Blanc

John Dean and Kristen Elizabeth (Neumann) Black Jr. were married July 2, 1994 at First Congregational United Church of Christ in Grand Blanc. The double-ring ceremony was officiated by Dr. Max B Hayden.

The bride's attendants included Julie Tait of Linden, Michelle Matteson of Alpena and Pam Belows and Tina McConkey, both of Clarkston.

The groom was attended by Bill Stoltz of West Bloomfield and Rick Cook, Travis and Grant Gritzinger, all of Clarkston.

Ushers were Matt Newmann, the bride's brother, and Sean O'Rourke, the groom's brother, both of Clarkston.

A rehearsal dinner was held at Mitch's II in Waterford. A reception followed the wedding at the Grand Blanc Country Club.

Kristen is the daughter of Charles and Cheryl Newmann of Clarkston. She is a graduate of Clarkston High School and Oakland Community College. She works as a dental hygienist for Dr. Robert Roehrig in Rochester.

John is the son of John and Sue Black and Greg and Brenda O'Rourke of Clarkston. He is a Clarkston High School graduate, employed by Pro-Line Outdoors in Brighton.

The couple spent their honeymoon on a Caribbean cruise. They reside in Clarkston.

### Trustees honored

Thomas Howard and Sheila Hughes of the Clarkston Board of Education will soon be receiving the Award of Distinction from the Michigan Association of School Boards. The award is the result of formal instruction in school issues the two have undertaken, as well as attendance at seminars, conferences and workshops to keep informed on education topics.



Clarkston High School students (from left) Sarah Mcnew, Julie Lloyd, Kristin Millard, Kerry Kelly, Katie Reschke and Tina Surre are shown surrounding their Congressman, Dale Kildee. The students were in Washington, D.C. recently as part of the Close Up Foundation's program to give students a view of their government leaders at work.



### Grunow-Whisner

Charles and Cindy Grunow of Troy announce the engagement of their daughter, Kristen, to Corey Whisner, son of Marilyn and Mac Whisner of Clarkston. The bride-to-be is a graduate of Michigan State University and is employed by Federal Mogul in Southfield. The prospective groom is a graduate of Miami University and is employed as a loan officer with National Bank of Detroit in Detroit. A May wedding at Clarkston United Methodist Church is being planned.



### Terpstra-Bridger

Mary Terpstra of Clarkston announces the engagement of her daughter, Lisa Rene, to Steven Douglas Bridger, son of Rodger and Karen Bridger of Clarkston. The bride to be is a graduate of Clarkston High School and Oakland University and is employed at Entertainment Publications, Inc. in Troy. The prospective groom is a graduate of Clarkston High School and works as a fire fighter/paramedic for the Waterford Township Fire Department. A July 1995 wedding is being planned.

## New arrivals

● Dr. Thomas and Mary Anne Santarossa of Clarkston announce the birth of their third child. Steven Thomas was born March 20, 1995. He weighed 7.04 pounds and was 20 inches long. He has two brothers, Michael, 5 and Gregory, 2. Grandparents are Rosemarie and Eugene Santarossa of Plymouth and Mary Foster, of Detroit. Great-grandparents are Lucy Persichino of Plymouth and Angela Santarossa of Farmington.

● Craig and Ann Hutchins of Camas, Washington announce the birth of a son. Matthew Dayton Hutchins was born March 14, 1995. He weighed 7 pounds, 5 ounces and was 20 1/2 inches long. He has a sister, Katie, 3. Grandparents are Dayton and Louise Hutchins of Clarkston and Al and Joan Staffacre of Hudson, Ohio.

## Honors

● Jeffery Huspek of Clarkston was among the piano students of Melissa Dell Coe who received superior ratings at the recent National Federation of Music Clubs Junior Festival.

## Reunions

● Pontiac High School is planning a 50th class reunion for the class of 1945. Anyone interested in attending should write P. O. Box 431932, Pontiac, MI 48343-1932.

# HUG returns to push for new school

BY ANNETTE KINGSBURY  
Clarkston News Editor

Kurt Shanks said it's a sort of repayment on a debt that led him to volunteer to be the chairman of HUG—Help Us Grow—the group that will work to get a school bond issue passed in June.

Shanks, who has only lived in Clarkston for about a year and a half, said he is making up for the years he lived in another school district (Rochester) and didn't vote, didn't keep up on the issues facing the schools. During that time, two bond issues failed.

"I was one of the parents who never voted; I didn't know about it," he said last week. "Now I've got to repay the debt for not getting involved before, for assuming the right thing would be done."

Shanks, lead safety engineer for Cadillac Motors in Flint, moved to Clarkston when his job transferred him to Flint. He has two children, ages 10 and 12, who attend Pine Knob Elementary and Sashabaw Middle School. His wife, Penny, is active with the PTA.

When it came time for the family to move, he said, Clarkston was "a compromise. It had good schools and they were getting better, rather than decaying. I think a lot of people look at that" when moving, he said.

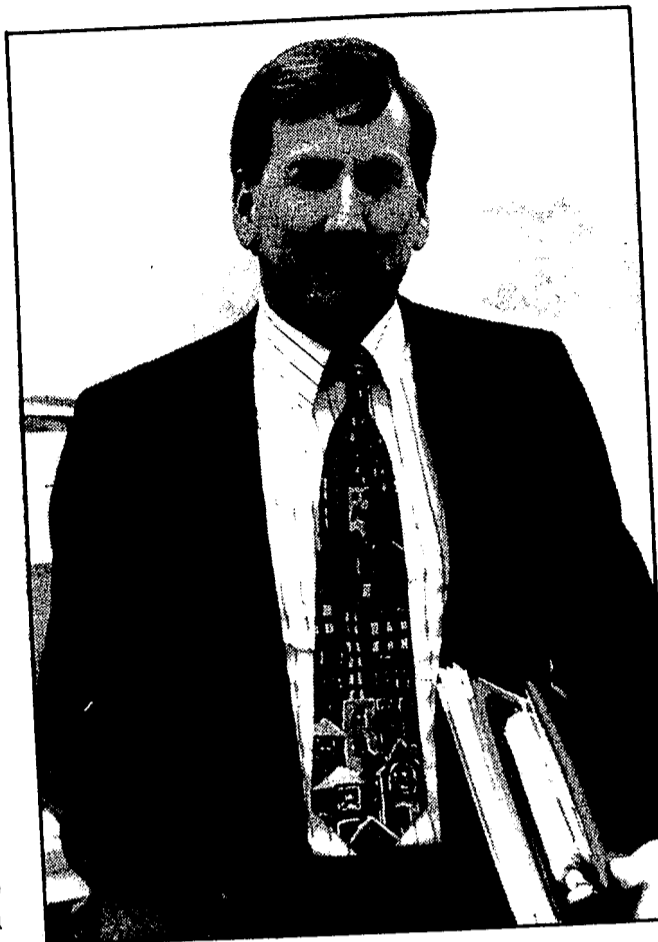
Since then, he has become a well-known face to school people, attending every board of education meeting, even running briefly for the board last year before pulling out. He's planning to run again this year.

Clarkston schools will be asking the voters June 12 for permission to borrow \$51.5 million to build a new high school. If it is successful, the intent is to use the existing high school to replace Clarkston Middle School, which is considered to have outlived its usefulness as a school.

Shanks will marshal the forces to inform the voters on the issue and then get them out to vote, no small task since two previous campaigns for a new high school have failed.

The name HUG is being carried over from the last bond campaign, the successful vote to build Springfield Plains Elementary. That project is considered Phase I; the high school Phase II; and further renovations and perhaps another elementary school Phase III, which will be brought to the voters after Phase II is approved.

"I've got to get the word out—you've got to be



Kurt Shanks

informed and educated and then vote the way you want," he said. "Make a knowing vote."

Shanks feels it is important to have public debate on the issue and have it early enough so everyone's questions can be answered. "In the past I've seen finger-pointing late in a campaign when no one can respond," he said.

Some of the main issues Shanks expects to face during the campaign include the following:

- "Why are we building a new building at all?" as opposed to adding on to the existing high school, which is currently over capacity.

- "Those questions have been seriously thought out and the most fiscally responsible plan is the plan we have," Shanks said. The plan was brought forth by a committee whose chairmen worked on the previous campaign.

- Inclusion of a pool in one package with the

building instead of as a separate question, giving voters more options.

"It is part of the proposal now. To debate that is a moot point," Shanks said. "I support it, primarily because it is tied to the curriculum."

- Technology: Many people question its place in the schools while others are concerned about built-in obsolescence and cost.

"We don't expect technology to be a cure-all for the problems in education," Shanks said. "It is a tool—nothing else. But it is a necessity. You have to have some familiarity with technology."

- Cost: If successful, the bond issue will cost taxpayers an additional 3.94 mills the first year.

"The four mills represents a major hurdle," Shanks admitted. "We hope folks see it as an investment in their community."

Shanks said he doesn't plan to sell the project by pointing out that everyone got a tax decrease under Proposal A. "Even if property taxes hadn't been lowered, this would still be necessary," he said. "I believe this is a fiscally responsible package."

- Design of the building: "I'm sure we will be accused of building the Taj Mahal," Shanks said. No plans have been shown to the public yet, but the board of education has visited several new schools and is targeting the Rockford, MI high school as its model.

"What we want to ensure is the building and materials will last a long time," Shanks said. "This district has a history of trying to get by... You have to look out for the long-term good of the school district."

- The fact that the district plans to come back with Phase III as soon as this proposal is approved: "I don't think it'll be an issue this time," Shanks said. "We could hide the issue that we're going to be coming back. What we're trying to emphasize is foreplanning."

Shanks knows that what goes on in the classroom is more important than the building in which it happens. But he feels Clarkston students are "handicapped" by their facilities.

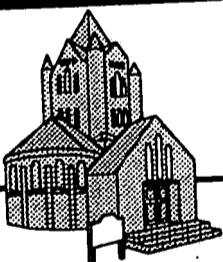
"If you don't have running water in the science labs, that's a handicap. That's what we're seeing right now at the middle school. It's like a master carpenter without the proper tools. The final product just isn't going to come out."

Shanks feels this will handicap students after graduation when they have to compete with students

See Parents, page 16A

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# Regional drain considered for preservation of land

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

Special assessments may be used as the means to fund a possible regional drainage system in the Sashabaw corridor.

This proposed regional system would eliminate the need for detention basins for every development. Instead, more land would be saved because several developments could use the same detention basin.

The presentation was given to the Independence Township Board of Trustees at the March 21 meeting by engineer Randall Ford of Hubbell, Roth and Clark.

Ford said regional planning is possible in the Sashabaw corridor area because it is not fully built up. Township supervisor Dale Stuart said this kind of planning should be implemented more often in the township because it is "futuristic" thinking. "We are attempting to plan now so that the anticipated growth does not leave us with a piece-meal approach," he said.

The study Ford presented would include a drainage system and detention basin for six separate sub-districts in the Sashabaw corridor.

He said every potential development would be able to use one of the six detention basins.

"One of the key elements we do as engineers is review new developments and look that they have proper drainage to handle the development. The new development must have a detention basin sized to handle it," he said. "We started to think that with Sashabaw we could avoid having a bunch of detention basins and better utilize the resources out there already."

With the number of wetlands already surround-

ing the corridor, Ford said the first idea was to have one regional detention basin. But that would cost too much so the next step was to break the corridor up in sub-districts.

Trustee Jeffrey McGee said, "Effectively, we increase the usage of each property and in my opinion that's a benefit to the municipality and the developer."

Ford agreed. "It would save some area because there is one place for a detention basin in each sub-district and not several."

The one concern among some board members is how such a regional system would be paid for. Township attorney Gerald Fisher said there are three options, but it narrows down to one. Funding through the general fund won't work because it would be too expensive, and receiving voter-approval for a millage request would be a hard sell.

The only option left, according to Fisher, is to establish a special assessment district. Because these SADs will be created before most development moves in, he said developers "will pay the lion's share of this because it will be a benefit to them."

"We need to explore the SAD concept more and get the drain commission bond counsel to look at it further," Fisher said.

Fisher was directed to further investigate the possibility of setting up SADs to pay for the regional drainage project.

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No ideas is so outlandish that it should not be considered with a searching but at the same time with a steady eye.

—Winston S. Churchill

# Parents

Continued from 15A

from other districts. "We aren't giving them equal opportunity right now," he said. Shanks plans to attend every community event he possibly can in the coming months so if anyone has questions about the bond issue he can answer them. The HUG steering committee is currently meeting weekly and other committees are meeting as needed.

**'This is more than an equity issue; we are trying to overcome a handicap.'**

**Kurt Shanks**

"We've got tons of folks just banging on the door to help out," he said.

Though he's also running for school board in the election on the same day as the bond vote, Shanks said there is no relationship between the two.

"If I'm not elected this will not be the end of my involvement with the schools," he said. And he stresses that he knows what he's getting himself into. "I've done this before; I know what I'm doing."

## Tavern gets council nod

A site plan for Curt Catallo's proposed tavern/grill in the former Church of God building on Main Street was approved 3-0 by Clarkston's City Council at its meeting Monday night. Abstaining from the vote were Mayor Sharron Catallo and Councilman Bill Basinger, with two other council members absent.



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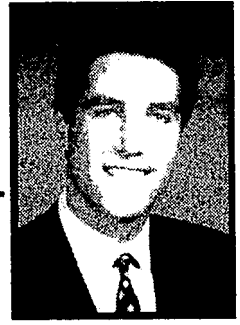
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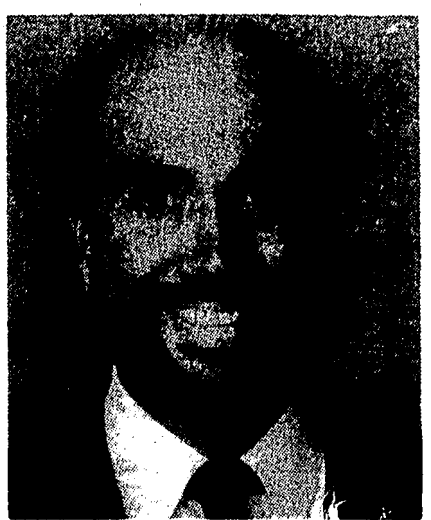
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# Land Conservancy preserves land for future

## 14 new 'unique' sites added to township park plan

Series on preservation continues

BY DARREL W. COLE  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

"We've assembled almost 300 acres of land over the years but all were gifts to us. We realize with all the development coming in we need to be more proactive," said Independence Land Conservancy Secretary Tom Bullen.

And as part of a more proactive stance, the ILC's goals and objectives were approved for inclusion in the township's parks and recreation master plan at a township board of trustees meeting in February. Inclusion in the master plan qualifies the ILC for state and federal land grants.

At the township board of trustees meeting March 21, the ILC was expected to request board approval to apply for a department of natural resources grant.

"Last year we tried to get a grant for a parcel along the Clinton River (in Clarkston) but were turned down because we were not in the master plan," said Bullen, adding the village does not have a recreation master plan.

That ordeal got the ILC working to be included in the township's parks and recreation plan. Parks and rec director Ann Conklin agreed that the ILC's goals are consistent with the parks and recreation department.

"We didn't include the Land Conservancy holdings (land) the first time and it should have been done," Conklin said. "This will allow the ILC to receive grants through the DNR."

Along with the inclusion of over 300 ILC-owned acres of land, the ILC recently identified 14 sites that should be included for future consideration, including the highest point in Oakland County, called Oakland Crest, in Deerwood Manors, west of Crooked Lake.

Bullen said the ILC's goals are to preserve open space while it is still available. In the future, as open land is developed and more people move into the township, the ILC will not be needed. "That's why it's important we stay involved because once open spaces

are gone, they are gone forever," he said.

The ILC was founded in 1972.

The new priority list took many hours of hard work from several ILC members, according to Bullen. Tom Hall took aerial photographs of each of the land areas while John Dryer, Tom Pytel, Jim Reed and ILC President Tom Stone also dedicated themselves to the project.

The 14 new sites identified are considered "environmentally and topographically unique within the township." The sites, in order of priority for acquisition, are as follows:

- The Oakland Crest area is described as two-to-five acres in size and "very wooded, steep."

- On Oakhill, the upper Bushman Lake/Clinton River headwaters property. This 188-acres is heavily wooded with wetlands.

- Just west of Walters Lake on 80 acres (two parcels) of rugged, high and wooded areas.

- On Hadley Road at end of the bend north, 40 acres of all-wooded land with a rising slope to adjoin Independence Oaks Park and the Manors development.

- On Clarkston Road, just west of the entrance to Independence Oaks, Excellent location and not likely to develop soon.

- On Allen Road, back-ups to Clarkston Schools' property on Reese. This 31 acres (two parcels) is partially wooded with a small lake in the middle.

- On Allen Road, west side at the junction with Hubbard. A large lake constitutes most of this 17 acres, which includes some woods and an adjacent development.

- Both sides of Pine Knob Road, north of Stickney. Mostly open space on this 80 acres (two parcels) with some woods east, and smaller parcels and development adjacent.

- On Clarkston Road there are four parcels north of Pine Knob and also Sashabaw Heights, just west of

Pine Knob. These 200-plus acres of land have high visibility that is still natural with some woods and — adjacent to Pine Knob — a small lake. Sashabaw Heights is all wooded

- West and adjacent to Walters Lake is 130 acres (four parcels) on wooded, rolling land.

- The northwest corner of I-75/M-15 is two parcels totaling 48 acres. A high-visibility area of open space and wooded land.

- The southwest corner of I-75/M-15 includes about 25 acres of high visibility open land.

- Eighty acres of Clarkston Schools land, near Reese Road is open with some woods on the northwest perimeter.


- Pontiac Osteopathic Hospital property located at Dixie and White Lake roads. These three parcels, constituting 195 acres, are wooded and open.

Although Conklin assured the board this amendment to the master plan doesn't legally commit them in any way to the ILC, trustee Bruce Mercado cast the lone no vote because he wanted a legal opinion on the matter.

But Supervisor Dale Stuart said the parks and recreation master plan is only a guide and planning tool for "wishful" goals and objectives. "This is a way they (ILC) can access funds that they wouldn't otherwise receive," he said. "This does not in any way involve us financially or in any other means. This group has made a strong effort and we should support them."

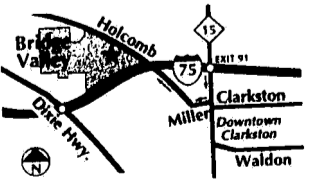
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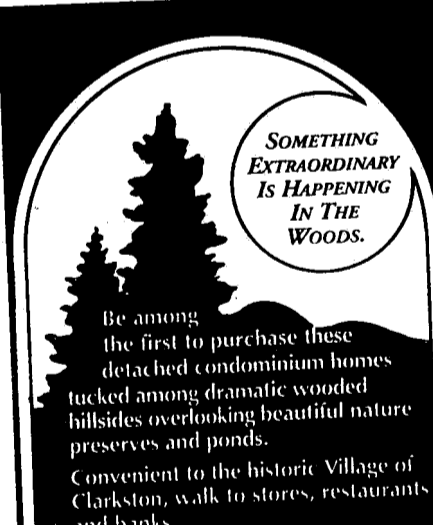


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## Letters to the editor

### Politics as tennis Fitz should be sent to his room

Keeping track of village politics these days is like watching a tennis match. The ball seems to be bouncing back and forth with points scored based on who the players are, much like a real tennis game.

The ball certainly was in the village's court when they decided to drag the bed and breakfast issue through the court system.

Back at the home court Bill Basinger, Clarkston city councilman, steps before the village Zoning Board of Appeals for three variances and receives all three.

Meanwhile, new city property owners ask to tear down a stone carriage house that sits outside of the historic district. Request denied... back to court.

The ball shoots back into the village council's lap as a request comes for a restaurant in the Hallman Apothecary building. Request denied due to a "concern for lack of parking" and the possibility of a garbage issue.

Back at city hall a decision must be made to continue the costly bed & breakfast litigation on to the Court of Appeals. A decision is made to continue on.

A new player enters the court. Young Kurt Catalo, the mayor's son, requests a church be changed into a tavern/grill. Request approved. No parking concerns at the south end of town. Seems young Kurt can use the parking available from surrounding properties. Kurt's ball quickly deflects to the Historic District Commission and receives a quick "smiling" nod of approval. Lickety-split, Kurt shoots the ball back to city council, where he receives a unanimous OK to serve beer and wine in the church tavern/grill.

The score?

City council 6, plain city folks love (that's tennis talk for zero, zip, nada).

Jon Abbott  
Clarkston

To the Editor:

In regard to the recent editorial by Mr. Fitzgerald: It would seem that Jimmy Carter's being "inspired" by a peace poster hardly constitutes his willingness to abandon his beliefs in the basic tenets of Christianity.

I strongly suspect Jimmy Carter has much more in common with Pat Robertson than he ever will have with Mr. Fitzgerald.

It is indeed ironic that, after presenting his personal vision as to how "peace among the world religions" can and cannot be achieved.

Mr. Fitzgerald takes the position that those who disagree with him (specifically Bible-believing Christians) do so because they are "narrow," "egocentric," "ignorant" and "insanely bigoted."

When children have angry outbursts like this (temper tantrums), it is often best to simply send them to their room, so no one has to listen to it. It is a shame this cannot be applied in Mr. Fitzgerald's case.

Since he has his own column, will this barrage of hatred be something we can continue to expect to see in the Clarkston News? If so, cancel my subscription.

Sincerely,  
Jim Forster  
Clarkston

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Clarkston

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Maegan Brown, 7, and her mom, Marilyn, listen to the reading.



Ashley Rodriguez and Tori Champion.

## Reading is fun

That mean old teacher, Viola Swamp, made a surprise visit to Pine Knob Elementary School last week as part of Family Reading Night.

Viola Swamp, a character in a favorite children's book called "Miss Nelson is Missing," was played by kindergarten teacher Anne Moller. She donned a wicked looking fake nose and a black dress to provide an appropriately "witchy" look for the substitute teacher who made her students appreciate their real teacher all the more.

Families gathered on blankets in the school gym for Moller's reading, then split up for other reading activities. But not before they were admonished by Moller: "Boys and girls, be very careful; Viola Swamp is looking for you."

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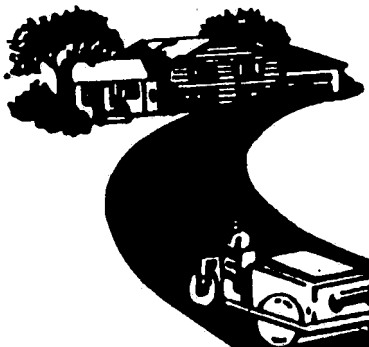
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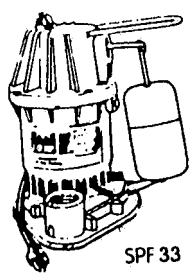


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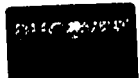
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# From Japan, with love

5-year pen pals meet, thanks to their church

BY ANNETTE KINGSBURY  
Clarkston News Editor

For five years, Megan Krigbaum of Clarkston and Fumiyo Koga of Jonan-Mach, Japan, have been exchanging letters.

The letters, all in English, have sometimes been sporadic, Megan admits, "because I always forget." However the two girls persevered and the correspondence led to a meeting last week in Clarkston.

Fumiyo and 22 other girls from her high school in Kumamoto spent a week in the Clarkston area as guests of Calvary Lutheran Church. The girls all attend a Lutheran school in Kumamoto. Fumiyo and two other girls bunked with Megan's family during the visit.

The original correspondence and the visit were brought about by Rev. Andrew Ellis, a Lutheran missionary in Japan since 1951 whose work has been supported by Calvary for 25 years. It was he who provided Megan's Girl Scout troop with names of girls in Japan to write to. Last summer, on a visit to Clarkston, Megan gave him a gift for Fumiyo. This year, as the school planned its annual U.S. trip, he asked if they'd like to come to Clarkston so the two girls could meet.

The study tour, now in its fourteenth year, is offered "to widen the vision and outlook of the students," Ellis said, and "to help them with their English and to inspire them to study English better and harder."

The tours always include a stay in American homes sponsored by a Lutheran Church Synod, Ellis said. The tenth- to twelfth-grade students are always accompanied by two teachers.



Pen pals Megan Krigbaum and Fumiyo Koga stand with Fumiyo's classmates from Japan. At right is Rev. Andrew Ellis.

The trip marked Fumiyo's second time in the U.S. Ironically, it also included her second visit to Washington, D.C., a place Megan has yet to see.

Though she has studied English for five years, Fumiyo, 16, admitted it was "very hard" trying to converse. As a reporter asked questions, Fumiyo frequently looked at Megan as if asking for a translation. Megan would try to put the question into different words and help Fumiyo answer. Fumiyo laughed heartily when the reporter reminded her that Americans would no doubt find Japanese equally difficult.

Fumiyo's week with Megan included spending a day at her school, Kingsbury, and a day at Clarkston High School; a visit to two farms; a Pistons game; the Detroit Institute of Arts, the People Mover and Greektown; a Christian rock concert and, on her last day, a visit to Lakeside Mall.

"Very fun but very tired," is how Fumiyo summed it all up.

When asked what her favorite part of the week was, Fumiyo said, "NBA." A tennis player herself who watches football and volleyball back home in Japan, she said she had no trouble following the game. "It was very exciting and very interesting and the players are very good," she said.

The two girls also enjoyed just getting to meet each other in person. "It's fun; it's nice to meet her," Megan said. "I'm enjoying her."

According to Ellis, high school is not mandatory in Japan (therefore all high schools charge tuition) and educational opportunities are still limited for girls. That's why the Lutheran Church decided to found its own school for girls back in 1926.

"The stated goal was to raise the education of women," Ellis said. The school offers kindergarten, junior high, high school and college in what he calls "wholistic education based on Christian principals of love and service."

Despite its Christian background, students don't have to be Christian to attend. Though Fumiyo is Lutheran, many of her classmates are not. Ellis said only about one percent of the population in Japan is Christian.

Fumiyo said she goes to school six days a week from 8:25 a.m. to 4 p.m. and takes classes in history, math, Japanese, English, science, sports, cooking and Bible.

"When they start their classes they bow to the teacher," Megan said, adding that she can't see American kids ever doing that. "They'd be lost," she said.

Fumiyo has two older sisters. Her father is president of a small company and her mother is a housewife. They live in a town on the southernmost Japanese island in a town she described as smaller than Clarkston.

However the island itself is well populated, and students commute to the school by train, even if it's an hour or more ride, Ellis said. Some who come from further away board.

Though she knows no Japanese, Megan would love to visit Fumiyo in Japan some day. Meanwhile, she plans to go to college and become an orthopedic surgeon. Fumiyo is a tenth-grader and hopes to go to college and become a nurse. Since both girls are planning medical careers, they should have a lot to write about in the coming years.

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**TUESDAY, MARCH 21**, medical on Mary Sue; one to North Oakland Medical Centers. Auto accident on Parview; five people were transported to St. Joe's by ambulance, another by private car. Medical on Parkwood; one to an area hospital. Minor injury accident on Clarkston Rd.; one person with minor injuries refused transport. Five people were transported to hospitals after an auto accident on Dixie Hwy.

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22**, medical on Pine Knob Rd. Medical on Ortonville Rd.; one to Pontiac Osteopathic Hospital. Medical at the high school; one to Crittenton.

**THURSDAY, MARCH 23**, vehicle fire on northbound I-75. A person riding a bike on Dixie Hwy. passed out and fell. She refused transport to a hospital. Medical on Kingfisher. Medical on Longview.

**FRIDAY, MARCH 24**, medical on Whipple Lake Rd.; one to POH. Medical on Allen Rd. Chimney fire on Sashabaw.

**SATURDAY, MARCH 25**, complaint on Ranch Estates. **SUNDAY, MARCH 26**, medical on Drayton. Grass fire on Holcomb near I-75. *The Independence Township Fire Department responded to 376 calls this year through 9:44 a.m. March 26.*

## School board

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administrator."

However during the course of discussion, he said privatization will require extra administrative supervision and that is part of the reason he wants some of Lenar's duties transferred to Nestor. Nestor would gain a secretary to help her with the workload. "We're being asked to create a new position and add more administrative time to handle privatization," Thomas said. "We need to have answers to the questions. We have not dealt with this in any detail." "What's the problem?" Howard said. "I don't see a problem. Frankly I think what you're proposing is micromanagement... I think we need to clarify what is the superintendent's job, and what is the board's job." "I think we all understand we are elected officials responsible to the electorate," Bomier responded.

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## Sheriff's log for Independence Township

**MONDAY, MARCH 20**, a Flint man was turned over to sheriff's deputies on an outstanding warrant from Independence. Vehicle fire on Sashabaw Rd. The headlights and mirror of a 1978 Pontiac were broken after a fight on Mann Rd. A chain was cut at a yard at a Dixie Hwy. business and a 1994 GMC pickup truck, a 1984 Camaro and a car trailer were stolen. Five checks were missing from a business on Dixie Hwy. Four of them turned up cashed in the total amount of \$5,350. Threats were recorded on an answering machine on Thendara. A windshield was smashed on Maybee Rd. but nothing appeared stolen. Larceny of a bicycle from an unlocked garage on Edgewood. Malicious destruction of a mailbox on E. Church. An 84-year-old Davisburg woman was ticketed for speeding after her car left White Lake Rd. and hit a fire hydrant.

**TUESDAY, MARCH 21**, a Winell resident returned home to find her mail on the ground and a \$25 check missing. An Oxford man was arrested on E. Holly Rd. on two Friend of the Court warrants from other counties. Bond totalled \$18,500. He was taken to the Oakland County Jail. Harassing phone calls on Parview. A 30-year-old Waterford woman stopped while driving erratically on Dixie Hwy. was found to be in possession of suspected marijuana. She was ticketed for driving with a suspended license and an improper license plate and possession of marijuana. Her car was impounded and she was driven home. Minor injuries were reported in auto accidents on Dixie and on Clarkston Rd. No one required transportation to a hospital.

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22**, a 12-year-old boy reported he was being harassed by other boys on Mary Sue. Non-injury accidents on Dixie, on Sashabaw and on Maybee.

**THURSDAY, MARCH 23**, a Hunters Creek Dr. resident reported a cellular phone stolen, but the next day found it. Hang-up calls on Dixie. Three boys, ages 7, 10 and 13, were suspected of pouring tar on a garage on Pine Knob Lane, as well as putting some holes in the building. Two of the boys confessed. Wires from an alarm, a phone and a light were pulled out on White Lake Rd. A prowler was also seen in the area. A door was kicked in on Cameo Lane but nothing appeared taken. Police theorize a large dog may have scared the burglar away.

Malicious destruction of a mailbox on Foster. Power tools valued at \$1,600 were stolen from a construction site on Alpine Dr.

**FRIDAY, MARCH 24**, a 17-year-old girl was arrested under the state's domestic violence law after she allegedly assaulted her brother and sister, ages 12 and 10, on Ortonville Rd. The next day she was back home and police were again called to the house. A garbage-truck employee was struck by the door of his truck after the truck was hit by another car on Waterford Hill Terrace. Injuries were minor.

**SATURDAY, MARCH 25**, a mailbox was run over on Whipple. Customer trouble on Dixie Hwy. Lost or stolen license plate on Waldon. A 50-year-old St. Clair Shores man was arrested for drunk driving on northbound I-75 after a motorist using a portable phone called in his license-plate number. The man told police he had purchased a pint of alcohol "to drink on his way up north." His blood alcohol level tested at nearly twice the legal limit. Four Detroiters were stopped for speeding on southbound I-75 and found to be in possession of suspected cocaine. The driver, a 21-year-old man, had no drivers license and was ticketed. Over 100 tiny bags, some containing suspected cocaine, were confiscated from the car, and \$348 cash was confiscated from the driver, who said he worked at McDonald's. All four people were released at the station but the car was impounded.

A window on a 1989 Ford pick up was broken while parked on Parview. **SUNDAY, MARCH 26**, someone threw a beer bottle at a 1988 Ford as it was being driven on Sashabaw, breaking a window. The door was smashed on a 1994 Chevy pick up parked for two hours on Waterford Rd. *The Oakland County Sheriff's Independence substation has responded to 2,473 calls this year through March 26.*

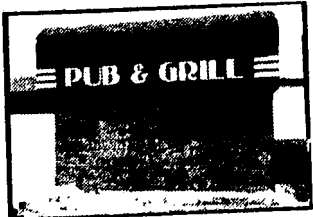
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## Clarkston Police

**FRIDAY, MARCH 24**, a Lake Orion female fell asleep while driving and hit a Detroit Edison light pole at Main and Washington. She was uninjured and not issued a ticket. A man was picked up by the Walled Lake Police Department for an outstanding warrant in Clarkston. He had not paid a ticket.

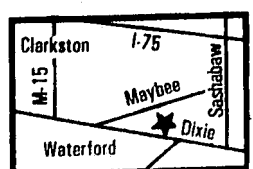
**SATURDAY, MARCH 25**, police were called when an Independence Township man was disturbing the peace in downtown Clarkston. The man, who was reported "yelling and screaming," was sent home.

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## Obituaries

### Robert Burnes

Former businessman and sheriff's officer Robert Charles Burnes, of Saginaw, died March 25, 1995. He was 74.

Mr. Burnes was instrumental in developing an Alcoholics Anonymous program for inmates at the Oakland County Jail, where he was an intake officer. He also at one time owned Inch Memorials in Pontiac with his father.

Born in Pontiac September 14, 1920, Mr Burnes was a graduate of Oakland Community College with a BS in guidance and counseling. He also attended Albion College and served in the Navy during World War II.

He was a member of AA and First Presbyterian Church of Saginaw, an avid Detroit Tiger fan and a big-band enthusiast.

He is survived by three daughters: Julie Ann Stevens of Saginaw, Suzanne Nicholas of Annapolis, MD and Barbara Campbell of Houston, TX; a son, Jim Burnes of Battle Creek; 10 grandchildren, two nephews and three nieces and a cousin, Virginia (Dave) Wilson.

Funeral services were Tuesday at Lewis E. Wint & Son Trust 100 Funeral Home. Burial was in Ottawa Park Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Oakland County Trusty Camp or the Pontiac Alcoholics Anonymous Central Office.



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### Helen MacKay

Helen MacKay, 68, of Clarkston died March 22, 1995.

She was preceded in death by her husband Hugh. She is survived by a daughter, Sue (John) Taylor of Fenton; a son, John of Clarkston; three grandchildren, Heather, Danielle and Joseph Taylor, a sister, Jean (Jim) Grahamand; and an aunt, Helen Jewell of Traverse City.

Funeral services were Sunday at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Trust 100 Funeral Home in Clarkston. Interment was in Roseland Park Cemetery.

She is survived by two daughters, Jo Anne Simson of Charleston, S.C. and Virginia Pierce of Prudenville, MI.; a son, Richard, of Hinsdale, IL.; five grandchildren and two great-granddaughters.

Funeral services were held in Florida. Burial was in Restlawn Memorial Gardens in Port Charlotte. Memorials may be made to Congregational United Church of Christ, P.O. Box 838, Punta Gorda, FL. 33951.

### Correction

● In an Ei-liners column last week, three lines of text were missing. Fifteen lines from the end, it should have begun, "I think you could pit just about any group against its opposite — blacks and whites, nazis and Jews, rich and poor, liberals and conservatives — and have the same dangerous outcome."

The next paragraph should have followed with, "In the Amedure case, add surprise, outrage, anger, humiliation, a strong heterosexual identity, a weak impulsive moment, and — voila — you have the murder of an innocent man."

### Michael Speagle

Michael A. Speagle, 45, died March 22, 1995.

He is survived by his wife Jackie; four children, Michael, Marni, Scott and Steven; a sister, Myra; parents-in-law Charles and Irene Rosa; and many family members and friends.

Funeral services were held Friday at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Trust 100 Funeral Home in Clarkston with the Rev. Douglas R. Trebilcock officiating. Interment was in Lakeview Cemetery.

### Helen Valentine



Helen Marjorie Pascoe Valentine, 90, of Punta Gorda, formerly of Clarkston, died Feb. 19, 1995.

Mrs. Valentine was born July 22, 1904 in Tecumseh, MI and moved from Clarkston to Punta Gorda 16 years ago. She graduated from Butler University and earned a master's degree in English from Bryn Mawr college in PA. She helped to establish community libraries in both Clarkston and Waterford, taught in public schools and college and volunteered at Charlotte Regional Medical Center in Punta Gorda. She was also a member of the Congregational United Church of Christ in Punta Gorda.

She is survived by two daughters, JoAnne V. Simson of Charleston, SC and Virginia Pierce of Prudenville, MI; a son, Richard, of Hinsdale, IL; five grandchildren and two great-granddaughters.

A memorial service was held Monday at Rober-son Funeral Home, Punta Gorda Chapel. Interment was in Restlawn Memorial Gardens in Port Charlotte.

Memorials may be made to Congregational United Church of Christ, P.O. Box 838, Punta Gorda, 33951.

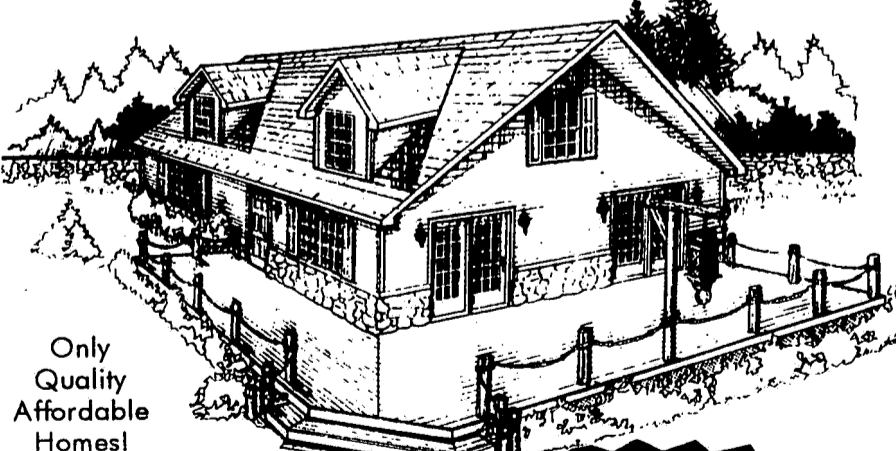
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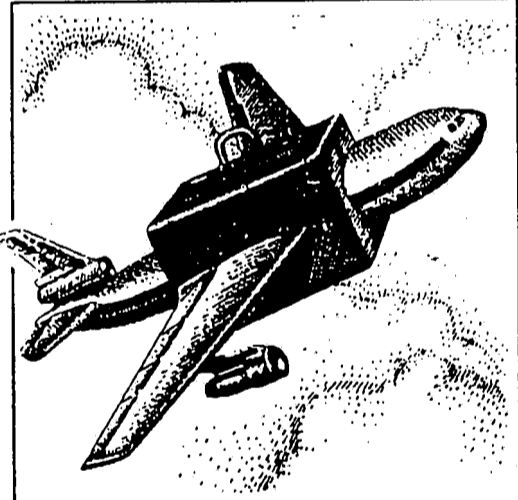
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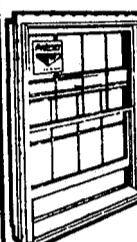
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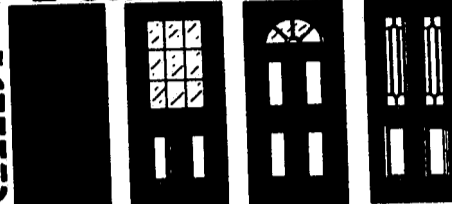
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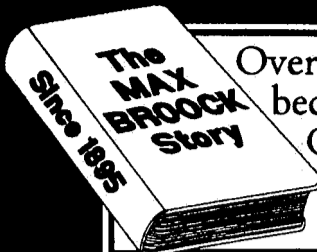
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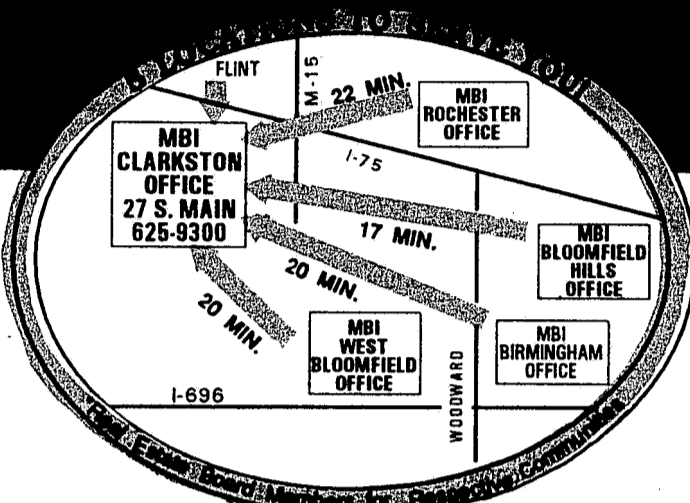


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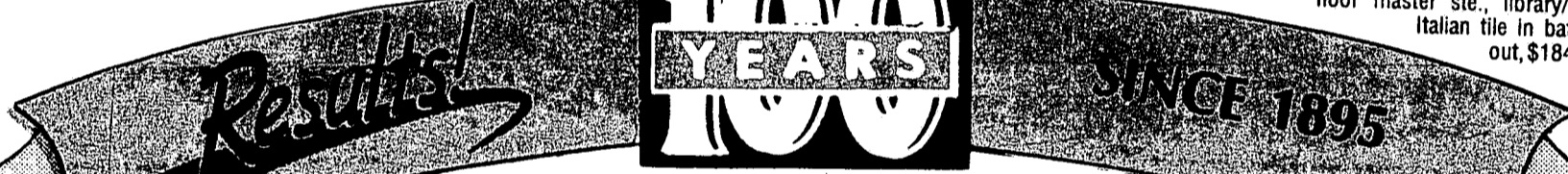
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Section B

## 'Lone Wolf' has gymnastic goals set

**After long wait, Perna finally gets her chance**

BY DARREL W. COLE  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

All eyes were upon Courtney Perna as she readied for her first routine.

The junior tried to block out the fact she was in the spotlight, being the only member of the Clarkston gymnastics team.

"I was nervous because I knew I was being watched by the other girls. I wanted to prove to them I belonged," she said.

She definitely did just that and along the way Perna even qualified for the state meet in the vault by taking eighth at regionals. It was quite a season for Clarkston's first letter-winner in gymnastics.

But the future looks like it will be even better.

Because of Perna's determination and drive to establish a gymnastics program, Clarkston may join Holly to form one team.

Clarkston Athletic Director Paul Tungate said Holly has agreed and now the districts will petition the Michigan High School Athletic Association for the OK.

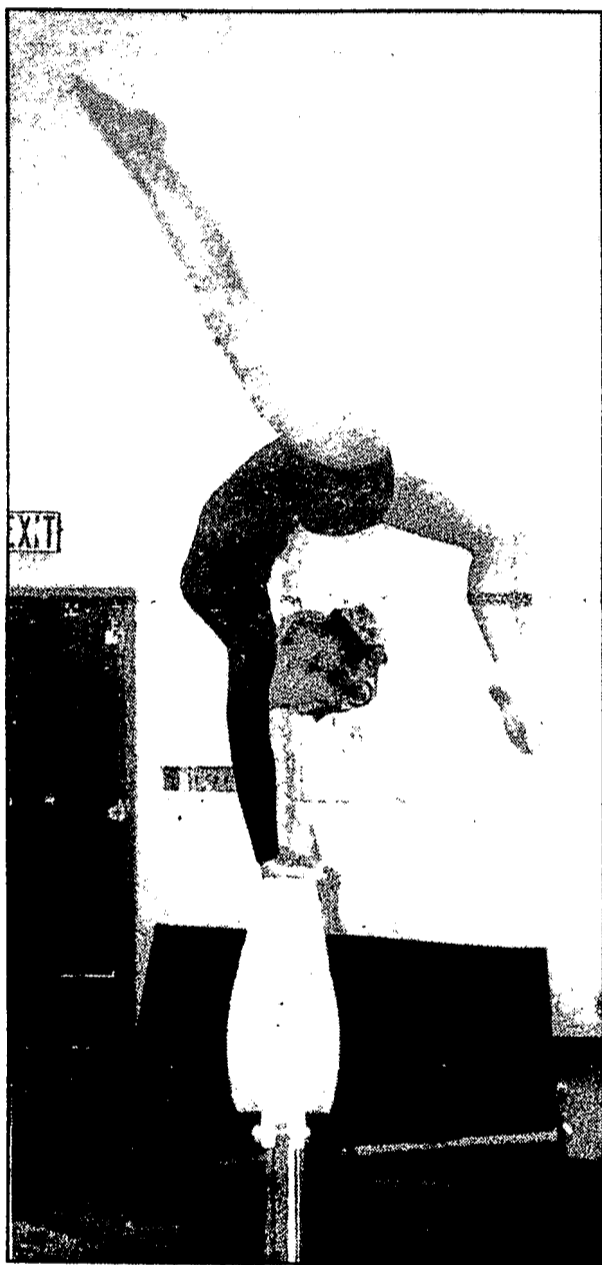
"There is no extra cost for this and because we have about three or four interested and so does Holly, it should work out for us," he said.

Although deciding what to call the team has not been determined, Tungate said the Clarkston gymnasts will be coached by Holly's coach.

For the last four meets of this season, Perna competed with the Troy Athens gymnastics team, thanks to coach Natalie Leich, who teaches at CHS.

Perna said it was Leich who first told her she could "tag along" with the Athens team and compete at the meets they attended.

"After she told me I asked Mr. Tungate if I could do it and he said 'OK, I'll just have to get the board's approval.' I was so shocked that's all there was to it



CHS junior Courtney Perna trains hard in preparation for next year's Clarkston gymnastics team, the first at CHS.

that I told him I have to give you a hug and I cried when I told my friends.

"I was just so happy."

Perna admits she had begun to lose hope she could compete in high school gymnastics as this past season winded down. But when she finally was allowed to compete, there was no stopping this determined athlete.

In order to qualify for regionals a gymnast must earn qualifying scores in four meets. For Perna there was no room for error as she had exactly four meets to make regionals.

"I was really pressed for time when I started. There was a lot of pressure on me to qualify but I'm really hard on myself," she said. "You've got to keep pushing yourself or you won't succeed."

Despite the short time frame, Perna did qualify for the regionals, although she was disappointed she didn't do better in her favorite routine, the balance beam.

"But I realized when I got to states that it was an honor because I saw some of the girls I competed against sitting and watching in the stands. There's a lot of competition out there that I didn't know of."

Perna, who also finished in 10th place in the vault at the Canton Invitational, doesn't plan on taking a break. She continues to train at the Waterford Community Education Building with coach Kay Rilly and knows she must get better in the uneven bars and in her all-around performance.

Troy Athens coach Leich said for the first time in high school competition, Perna did real well.

But Perna also gives a lot of credit to the Athens team for supporting her and making her feel comfortable. "I remember the first day I got there the other girls goofed around and joked with me. It really made me feel at home."

She said whatever meet she was at people supported her and the fact she was Clarkston's lone gymnast. "A lot of people said they could never do this like I did."

Even the meet announcers made Perna feel at home. At one meet she was announced as the "Lone Wolf," and the tag has stuck.

## Parks and recreation needs senior softballers

DARREL W. COLE  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

"The only qualification is you have to have a good time," says Lannette Amon, senior softball league coordinator for Independence Township Parks & Recreation Department.

Amon wants it known that the township is looking for senior softball players to fill out the four men's teams and one co-ed team, regardless of experience or talent.

"We just want people to come out," Amon said. "We're not in this to win everything, were in it to get exercise and have a fun time for all.

"We'll take everyone and anyone."

The women on the co-ed team must be age 50 or older and the men must be 55 or older. While the leagues have operated for many years, Amon said there is a real need right now for women players.

"We always need more women to come out and fill the co-ed team, which is more of a recreational-type league. On the men's teams we have different skill levels from recreational to very competitive."

There is no residency requirement on the teams and practice will most likely begin the last week of April or first week of May. Games are played twice a week over a 10-week period.

For more information about being placed on a

team contact Amon at the parks and rec department at 625-8231.

All five Clarkston senior teams play in the Northwest League, which includes squads from all over Oakland County.

### Senior Center Activities

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



### CHS kicker All-Academic

Senior Matt Wenger was named to the Michigan High School Soccer Coaches Association All-Academic Team. Wenger was co-captain of the Clarkston team and was named second-team all league in the OAA Division I. He plans on attending the University of Michigan next fall and will major in engineering. His parents are Jim and Sharon Wenger.

What's happening in your neighborhood? Let us know at The Clarkston News, 5 S. Main St., Clarkston, MI 48346. 625-3370.

## The column

By Darrel W. Cole

### Tops in these parts

Forget the fact the Clarkston Wolves basketball team lost to state-runner up Detroit Pershing in the quarter-finals, after they had that team on the ropes.

Forget one of the Wolves' two other losses was to state champion Flint Northern.

Forget their incredible 22-3 record.

Forget this team won a regional title for the first time in Dan Fife's illustrious coaching career.

Forget the magic Jeremy Fife, Dane Fife and Tim Wasilk created in every game.

Forget the toughness and determination of Brad Agar and Jason Graves battling inside against bigger players.

Forget super-subbs Ryan Schapman and Pat Mulligan.

Forget the rest of the team accepting their roles like true team players.

Actually, forget all the great accomplishments the 1994-95 CHS boys basketball team earned as basketball players this season.

But remember their sportsmanship and the classy way they handled themselves after every game.

Remember that during games they never got cocky with an opponent, or taunted them after a spectacular play.

There is something to be said about winning and losing. But with this team, there should be more said about they way they handle themselves as young men.

They just played hard all the time. And win or lose they will take that with them in everything else they do in life.

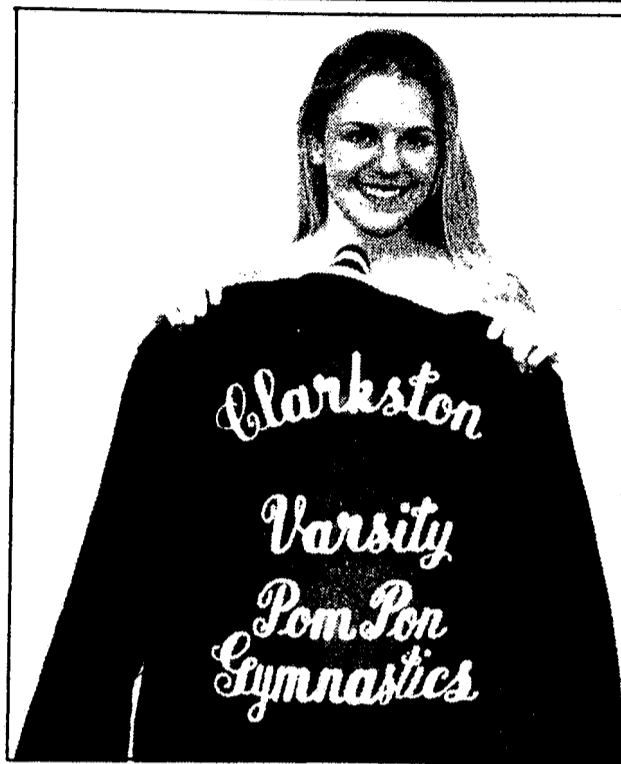
Let us remember that.

### Gymnastics pioneer

"The lone Wolf" is leading the pack.

Junior Courtney Perna is a trailblazer. Almost all by herself she helped to establish the first-ever Clarkston High School gymnastics team. In fact, this season, she was the CHS team.

But next season, if all goes as planned, she will have been the reason for the gymnastics program being started at Clarkston, although the team will combine with Holly and be coached by their coach.



The varsity jacket Courtney Perna wears is the only one of its kind in Clarkston High with "gymnastics" sewn in it.

Regardless, it took a lot of determination, hard work and dedication for Perna's dream to finally become reality. She waited patiently for her chance to compete, all the while training just as hard.

From talking to others and her, it's obvious she is a determined person, who expects the best from herself. Through it all she never stopped dreaming.

It's a tribute to one person's ambition. And when her chance finally came she was the lone Wolf. But that didn't deter her and she was again determined to prove she belonged.

It seems Perna's gymnastics career is headed for success. But no matter what she does from here on out, Perna will forever be remembered as the lone Wolf that earned Clarkston's first varsity gymnastics "letter."

# Athletics OK with school districts

## Rules survey polls over 700 Michigan administrators

High school administrators throughout the state approve of athletic rules just as they are.

The Michigan High School Athletic Association conducted a survey of over 700 high school administrators, asking if they approve or disapprove of various MHSAA rules for sports. The respondents to the 19-question survey varied from school district superintendents (55), principals (209), athletic directors (424), coaches (15) and school board members (18).

The main findings of the survey showed schools are happy with the current football playoff system, boys volleyball should not be added as a MHSAA sport and academic and age standards for athletes are adequate.

Listed below are some of the questions asked, with responses:

● "Would your school district sponsor boys volleyball in an MHSAA Boys Volleyball Tournament held in the spring season?"

YES — 202 (26.6 percent), NO — 556 (73.4).

● "Do you support a change in the football playoffs that would qualify the 16 teams in each division of each class that accumulate the highest playoff average, regardless of the region in which the 16 teams are located?"

YES — 304 (39.8 percent), NO — 459 (60.2).

● "Do you favor withholding a school from the MHSAA tournament in any sport in which that school's varsity team members and coaches have accumulated three or more ejections for unsportsmanlike conduct during the regular season?"

YES — 447 (56.5 percent), NO — 344 (43.5).

● "Do you favor changing the girls basketball season to the winter and the girls volleyball to the fall?"

YES — 283 (36.2 percent), NO — 499 (63.8).

● "Do you favor one common starting date for the start of practice for all winter season sports

(currently there are different dates for different sports)?"

YES — 400 (50.8 percent), NO — 387 (49.2).

● "Do you want the MHSAA minimum academic standard for athletic eligibility increased statewide (currently students have to pass 20 credit hours in the previous semester and be doing the same in the present semester)?"

YES — 346 (43.7 percent), NO — 445 (56.3).

● "Do you have concerns pre-participation physical examinations are inadequate in scope and detail?"

YES — 332 (41.9 percent), NO — 461 (58.1).

● "Do you believe the maximum age standard of the MHSAA should remain unchanged but the MHSAA Constitution should be changed by vote of all member schools to permit the MHSAA Executive Committee to waive the maximum age standard for students who had a disability that delayed their education progress before the 7th grade?"

YES — 406 (51.7 percent), NO — 379 (48.3).

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## Recreation roundup

### Youth Soccer Registration

Regular registration for youth soccer is being taken now at the Independence Township Parks & Recreation Department. Regular registration runs through March 31. Late registration will be taken after March 31 contingent on availability. There is a \$5 increase in the fee for late registration. Be sure to register early and save \$\$\$! For additional information call the Parks & Recreation office, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. at 625-8223.

### Youth Baseball/Softball Registration

Early bird registration for youth baseball/softball is being taken now at the Independence Township Parks & Recreation Department. Those signing up early can take advantage of special early bird rates. Regular registration begins April 3 and runs through April 21. There is an increase in fees for those registering after April 21. Be sure to register early and save \$\$\$! For additional information call the Parks & Recreation office, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., at 625-8223.

### Adult Softball

Open registration is now being taken for Adult Summer Softball leagues. Leagues available: Men's, Women's and Co-Rec at a variety of ability levels. Games played at the Clintonwood Park on Monday through Friday evenings and Sundays. Leagues run from early May through mid-August. Specific league information is available by calling the Parks & Recreation Office at 625-8223, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

### Youth Baseball/Softball Sponsors Needed

The Independence Township Parks and Recreation Department is searching for local support of the 1995 Summer Youth Baseball and Softball program. These programs supply opportunities for over 1,300 youth in our community to participate in both recreational and competitive baseball/softball leagues. The program's success depends on sponsorship from the local business community. Businesses are invited to sponsor teams in a variety of different divisions, each with its own fee. Fees cover uniform costs for the team, and in return the sponsor name will appear on the uniforms and wherever the team name is displayed. Sponsors will receive plaque(s) with team photo, league schedules and newsletters throughout the

season.

For more information on how to sponsor a youth baseball/softball team please contact Dave at the Independence Township Parks and Recreation office, 625-8223.

### Amateur Ice Skating Show

Back by popular demand this trip will go down to the city of Southfield to enjoy their annual show, from front row seats. These kids work hard and are as good as, if not better than, the pros! There will be a stop at the Old Country Buffet for a dutch treat all you can eat dinner on the way down. Sign up early to guarantee your spot, but not later than Monday, April 17, if tickets last that long! Program date is Thursday, April 27, 4:30 to approximately 10:30 p.m. Cost is \$20 residents/\$23 non-residents and includes transportation and ticket.

### Preserving land worth saving

The Michigan Nature Association will hold two meetings locally to discuss wild lands it hopes to preserve in Oakland County.

The first meeting will be Sunday, April 2 at 2 p.m. at St. John Episcopal Church on East Holly Rd. in Holly. Then on Sunday, April 9, two showings, at 2 p.m. and 4 p.m., will be held at the Hart Community Center in Davisburg. Speakers will show slides of the land and wildlife species targeted for preservation.

The MNA is in the second phase of a three-year campaign to rescue the best of the last remaining wetlands in Oakland County. According to the Michigan Natural Feature Inventory, only 37 good natural areas remain in the county, less than one-half of one percent of the land.

A nonprofit citizens' group, the MNA raised \$114,633 in the first phase of the campaign to purchase 32.81 acres in Rose and Brandon townships and establish an endowment to care for them.

The group needs \$39,400 more by June 1 to complete property transactions in the second phase, which will include 49.2 acres of wetlands in Rose and Orion townships.

Many guided field trips to the current Oakland County projects have been scheduled beginning April 15. For a copy of the schedule or for more information, call (810) 324-2626. To make a donation, write the MNA at P.O. Box 102, Avoca, MI 48006.

## Sports in brief

### Boys hoops banquet

Class A final eight finisher Clarkston will have its team basketball banquet April 3, 6 p.m. at Spring Lake Country Club.

About 150 people associated with the basketball team are planning to attend but there is room for about 140 people from the public. Tickets must be purchased by March 31, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Spring Lake.

Cost is \$8 per person. Dinner starts at 6:30 p.m.

### East-West football all star

Clarkston senior Jason Graves will represent his team in the 15th annual East vs. West All-Star Football Game July 29 at Michigan State University.

Graves, who was all-state after the Wolves football team went 9-2 on the season and made the state playoffs, is listed as one of three tailbacks on the East squad.

He will play football for Saginaw Valley State University next fall on an athletic tuition scholarship.

● The 1995 Classic Billiard Tour sponsors the 3rd Annual Women's Professional Billiards Association Detroit Classic April 6-9 at the Shark Club in Waterford (6650 Highland Road).

Forty-eight of the top women in the world will play, including Ewa Mataya, Loree Jon Nones and Jeannette Lee.

The classic starts April 6 at 7:30 p.m. with a celebrity pro-am tournament where anyone can challenge a professional player. Proceeds go to the Waterford Lions Club.

The pro tournament begins April 7 at noon, with day and night sessions and continues to April 8. On April 9 the semi-finals and finals will be held.


Tickets can be purchased for day and night sessions and weekend passes are available. Call the Shark Club at 666-4161 for more information.

● Albion College will host the nationally known All-American Quarterback/Receiver Camp July 13-16.

The camp is in its ninth year at the Albion campus and other sessions are held in California, New Jersey and Arkansas. Last year, of Parade Magazine's nine outstanding quarterbacks in the nation, four attended the All-American camp.

The all-inclusive fee is \$335, which includes meals, housing, instruction, insurance and a T-shirt. Call 805-967-2222 for more information.

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# 'Victorian' secret

## Embroiderer weaves humor and wisdom along the way to finished needlework

BY EILEEN OXLEY  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

*"We think comfort and luxury are the chief requirements of life, when all we really need to make us happy is something to be enthusiastic about."*

—18th century English writer Charles Kinsley

The above quote is a favorite of Clarkston resident Arlene Detorre. She decided 50 years ago what that "something to be enthusiastic about" would be.

"I was a stutterer. It was so bad. I felt so isolated," Detorre recalled, drinking a cup of tea in Carol's Village Grill Thursday.

"I couldn't speak ... At 7 years old I decided 'I'll be good at something — I'm good at needlepoint. I'll do that!'" she said brightly with a toss of her short red locks.

Detorre is a successful embroiderer who creates and teaches in addition to being a judge for general needlework at the Michigan State Fair each year. Her book, "Victorian Patchwork and Quilting," featuring many of her original creations photographed by Beverly Maxwell, will be available in major book and quilt stores by May 15.

'... You can do it while you watch TV ... But you can't eat potato chips.'

Arlene Detorre

"It's 164 pages and 46 projects," she says proudly. "It's basically for beginners and people who don't have access to crazy-quilt classes." Some of Detorre's most popular designs like her "kitty quilt" are included.

Besides embroidering ("I'm an embroiderer, not a quilter," she's quick to point out, because she folds, not cuts fabric), teaching is probably Detorre's second love. When figuring out her taxes, she found she had put 900 miles on her car in '94, most of them in commuting to craft stores where she instructs.

And gone forever is any sign of a speech problem. "I'm a talker," she admits. In fact, many would agree she is as much a stitch at conversation as she is with needle and floss.

For example, when talking about how sore embroiderers' hands become, she says she resorts to "udder creme."

"We're stitch animals," she quips, narrowing

## Health beat

**NEW HELP FOR HOMEBOUND:** A Clarkston resident has started a new business that monitors the homebound and elderly.

A computer calls the client at home one to three times daily. If no one answers, a computer will then call one of three predetermined people who have agreed to assist when needed.

Joseph Golarz offers the service out of his home to Oakland County residents. When the computer calls, the resident answers by pressing "1" if everything is OK. If the resident presses "0" it means help is needed. If there is no answer after nine rings, help is summoned.

Golarz and his company, Masters Compunet, can be reached by calling 391-0062.

her eyes.

And when explaining how beginners should select their first pieces with care, buying only three pieces of 100-percent cotton "you absolutely love" — she weaves in a little humor.

"Don't buy the quilt immediately. How many times do you bring something home, throw up and hate it? Buy small and get big — if you still love the fabric, go back and get the whole quilt," she says firmly.

Regarding her own work, Detorre never starts out with a design in her head.

"The fabric speaks as you go," she said.

As for style, many of Detorre's creations feature what she called "the celestial look," with stars, moons and suns incorporated into her brightly-colored and more muted pieces.

"That was in last year. I love that look. I have the stars falling into the fleece," she says, referring to a sweatshirt with a falling-star design. But, she admits, the process was backwards because she worked from the bottom up to create a more flowing design.

"I have the featherstitch starting here, at the waist and falling into curves. It gives it a fluid feeling this way."

Detorre says it is not the individual stitches like buttonhole, feather and chain that give the piece its character — but the combination of stitches.

"There might be a dozen stitches, but some are composites. It's how we combine them," she says.

And finishing is so important, she adds. Though expensive, she advocates finding a professional finisher to sew squares together, put binding on and back the design with fabric.

"You can have nice work or mediocre work, but if you have a professional finisher, it sparkles. It cost more money, but it's so worth it. You come out with a masterpiece."

Detorre's own finisher uses so many pins and secures them so tightly that "it can't move and there are no buckles."

Some of her classes include an exquisite evening-bag course where luxury fabrics and metallic thread are used, a "ring-bearer" pillow course where fine white or pastel thread upon white fabric create a popular piece, and her basic beginner course where the first-time needler has a choice between a pillow, table runner or tote bag ("It's really two pillow tops together," she confides). Some classes are taught at Calcote Country, 5 S. Main in Clarkston.

A mother who raised eight children while she took one class a semester at Oakland Community College until she graduated 18 years later with a fine arts degree, Detorre has a soft spot for those who are stressed with similarly busy lives. She feels embroi-



Arlene Detorre, a successful embroiderer for most of her life, says her latest creations are "teacup quilts." She says her grandmother taught her how to make hot pads from old sheets, incorporating the teacup design. "Nowadays, we're a throw-away society," she says. This teacup quilt is displayed at Calcote Country, 5 S. Main in Clarkston.

dery is very therapeutic.

"A lot of people find a way out of illness and depression with this. And you can do it while you watch TV ... But you can't eat potato chips," she quips.

Another one of Detorre's quotes that fits in with this philosophy is by Voltaire: "Perfect is the enemy of good."

As she explains it, "You've got to get good before perfect."

In other words, she stresses, many people feel they have to reach high levels of perfection in order to produce a beautiful or self-satisfying piece. When they get frustrated, she says, it's time to stop for awhile.

"Then park that needle. Come back later. You'll find out it's not so crooked," she says with a smile.

A "Quilts From the Heart" 1995 Quilt Show presented by the Quilt Guild of Metro Detroit, featuring Arlene Detorre's and others' work, lectures and workshops, will take place April 21-22 at Lutheran High School East, 20100 Kelly Road, Harper Woods. Call (810) 781-5932, 727-2886 or 939-9680 for more information.

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# Around town

● A marshmallow drop sponsored by Independence Township Parks and Recreation will be held Saturday, April 8 at Clintonwood Park. Fees are \$3 for residents, \$5 for non-residents in advance (\$4/\$6 at the door) and may be purchased at the Parks and Rec. office, 90 North Main St., during office hours. On-site tickets will be available only if the event is not sold out in advance. In case of inclement weather the event will be rescheduled to Saturday, April 15. Call 625-8223 for more information.

● An Easter egg hunt sponsored by Independence Township Parks and Recreation will be held Tuesday, April 11 at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 5660 Maybee Rd., beginning at 10 a.m. Kids ages 2-5 will enjoy fun, games, prizes and hunting for Easter eggs. Cost is \$4 for residents, \$6 non-residents. You must pre-register at the parks and rec. office, 90 N. Main St. Call 625-8223 for more information.

● The widowed support group will meet Thursday, April 6 at 7 p.m. at Clintonwood Park. Guest

speaker will be Oakland County Sheriff's Deputy Dave Hernandez speaking on the neighborhood watch program. The meeting is free and open to the recently widowed; call 625-5231 for more information.

● The Oakland County Genealogical Society will meet Tuesday, April 4 for a program on "Linguistics and European Name Changes" by Charles Hall. The free meeting begins at 7 p.m. at the Baldwin Public Library, 300 W. Merrill, Birmingham. Call 335-4061 for more information.

● How to grow, use and enjoy herbs will be the topic of a workshop and luncheon at Seven Ponds Nature Center in Dryden on Saturday, April 1 at 10 a.m. Guest speakers are Sandy and Ken Campbell of Perennial Impressions in Oxford. The Seven Ponds Friends of Herbs will provide the lunch featuring herbal dishes. Cost is \$12. Call (810) 796-3200.

● A support group for women with breast cancer will meet at Calvary Lutheran Church, 6805 Bluegrass at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, April 4. Certified myomassologist Susan Ochenski will speak on massage therapy, stress reduction and polarity theory. Call 625-3841 for more information.

● Planning to order trees from Global Relief? The deadline is April 14 for bare-root trees in many varieties at \$18 each for five- to six-foot trees. For more information call 625-9100.

● Maranatha Baptist Church, 5790 Flemings Lake Rd., Clarkston will present its annual Easter program, "No one cares for me like Jesus," on Sunday, April 9 at 11 a.m. The musical drama is performed by church members and the Senior Choir. A nursery will be provided. Call 625-2700 for more information.

● A school fair will be held at North Sashabaw Elementary School Saturday April 1. Hours are 11 a.m.-3 p.m. The fair will feature a dunk tank, jail, games, moon walk, cake walk, raffle, silent auction, face painting, food and more. The school is located at 5290 Maybee Rd. Tickets at the door are 4 for \$1.

● An Earth Day March for Parks will be held Saturday, April 22 at 10 a.m. at the Mill Pond Park in Davisburg. The event is sponsored by Springfield Township Parks and Recreation to raise money for the preservation of local parks. Volunteers will hike the one-mile trail at the Shiawassee Basin Preserve. To register or for more information call 634-0412. Pledge forms are available at the parks and rec office, 495 Broadway, Davisburg.

● The Clarkston Farm and Garden Club will hold an open meeting April 3 at 1 p.m. at the Independence Township Library. The program will be a slide presentation on the Matthaei Botanical Gardens at the University of Michigan. The meeting is open to the public.

● CHADD of the Oxford Area will hold a support group meeting for adults only for anyone wanting information about adult attention deficit. The meeting will be held at the Orion Township Library, 825 Joslyn Rd., Wednesday, April 5 at 7 p.m. For more information call 625-3617.

● Herald spring at Independence Oaks Nature Center with a chorus of frogs and a flock of birds. On April 1 the park naturalist will present "In Cold Blood," a program on the lives of reptiles and amphibians. A frog walk is planned, so dress accordingly. The program runs 7-8:30 p.m. A vehicle entry fee will be charged. Call 625-6473 (TDD 858-1684) for more information.

● A country hoedown will be sponsored by the Clarkston Eagles April 8. DJ Tommy Tucker will be there to call the square dancing and a fried chicken dinner will be available starting at 5 p.m. Proceeds go to charity. The hall is located at 5640 Maybee Rd. Call 625-9838 for more information.

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of Somalia's internal unrest. Rooth, 23, the son of Robert and Rebecca Rooth of Clarkston, is aboard the San Diego-based amphibious assault ship USS Essex as part of the 13th Marine Expeditionary Unit as part of the protective force for the last U. N. soldiers leaving Mogadishu.

## Senior spotlight

### Bake Sale

Volunteers are needed to bake goodies and/or help sell at this monthly fund raiser for the Independence Township Senior Center. The kids at Sashabaw Junior High School anxiously await this special activity every month. All goodies must be dropped off at the Senior Center any time before 2 p.m. on the day of the sale. If you would like to become involved call 625-8231. Proceeds from this activity help with many community projects and the purchasing of articles for the Senior Center.

### This Week's Lunch Menu

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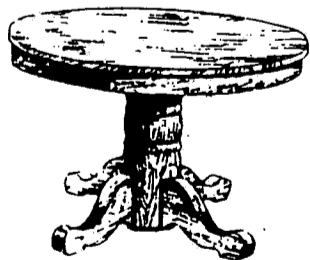
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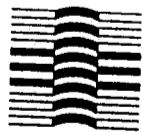
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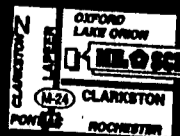
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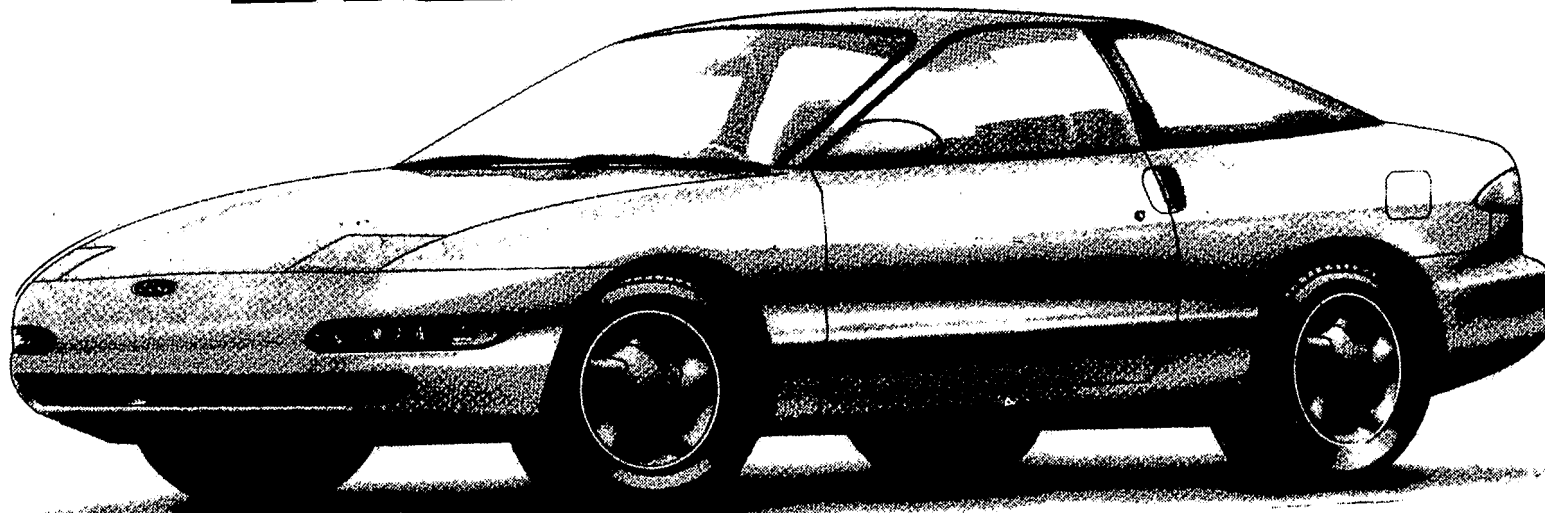
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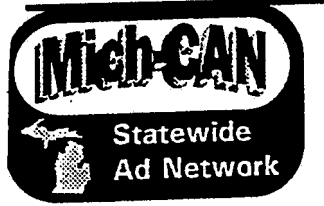
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# Parents become students for a night

It was hard to tell who was having more fun with the computers—the kids or their parents—at last week's Family Math Night at Clarkston Elementary School.

The evening was offered so parents of first- and second-graders could "learn about the same kind of things your kids do when they come in," principal Dr. Elaine Middlekauff said. The first-time-ever event was thought up by Cindy Pyscher, a former student teacher (now subbing) at the school.

"You want to help in the early grades," Middlekauff said. "Tonight shares with parents the math activities of the kids."

Some of the activities included eating an Oreo cookie, then making a graph of the different ways people eat their cookies (one little boy ate his before the word "go"); Tangrams, puzzles made of seven different-shaped pieces which, when put together properly, made up various animals; Bingo, where each square had an amount of money on it; and the computer lab.

Brightly colored cut-out numbers on the hallway floor led the way from the gym to the computer lab. Inside the lab, it was remarkably quiet. At each station, children were wedged in between their parents and the machines, showing off the latest software. Some parents had obvious computer skills; some had to let their children lead the way.



A dad appears lost in concentration at the computer.



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**PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**

Date: April 18, 1995  
 Time: 7:30 P.M.  
 Place: Township Hall (Annex)  
 90 N. Main Street  
 Clarkston, Michigan

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on April 18, 1995, at 7:30 p.m. in the Township Hall (Annex) of the Charter Township of Independence, 90 North Main Street, Clarkston, Michigan, the Township Board shall meet for the purpose of hearing comments and objections to the proposed sanitary sewer improvement, the petitions filed seeking the improvement, and the tentatively special assessment district.

The proposed improvement involves the construction of sewer line, manholes and other facilities to provide public sanitary sewer service to all of the lots in the Cranberry Lake Estates subdivision not previously served with sanitary sewer, and to three acreage parcels having frontage on state highway M-15, all of which property is described on the list of parcels numbers below. The cost estimate for the improvement shall be in the amount of \$950,000.00.

A copy of the plans and cost estimate are on file at the Township Offices, 90 North Main Street, Clarkston, Michigan for public examination during normal business hours.

Appearance and protest at the hearing is required in order to appeal the matters to be considered at the hearing to the State Tax Tribunal. An owner or party in interest or his or her agent may appear in person at the hearing to protest the improvement, the petitions or the tentative special assessment district, or shall be permitted on or before the hearing to file his or her appearance or protest by letter and his or her personal appearance in such case shall not be required.

Joan McCrary, Township Clerk

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

Because the People Want to Know

### CLARKSTON SCHOOLS

#### NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Clarkston Community Schools is requesting bids for the re-roofing of the Oakland Technical Center-NW Campus Building. A mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 4, at 10 a.m. at the Oakland Technical Center-NW Building, 8211 Big Lake Road, Clarkston, Michigan 48346. Bid specifications will be distributed at this meeting only. Sealed Bids will be due on Thursday, April 13 at 10 a.m. at the Clarkston Administration Office, 6389 Clarkston Road, Clarkston, Michigan. Questions regarding this notice can be made by calling Steven A. Lanar, Deputy Superintendent-Business and Operations, at 625-4402.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

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### INDEPENDENCE TWP. CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

#### TOWNSHIP BOARD AGENDA

7:30 P.M., APRIL 4, 1995

- Call to Order
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call
- Opening Statements and Correspondence
- Approval of Agenda
- Minutes of Previous Meeting
- List of Bills
- Approval of Purchase Orders
- Public Forum

#### New Business

1. First Reading Rezoning - 08-19-351-003, 08-22-326-001, 002, 003, 004, 007, 008, 010, 011.
2. First Reading Rezoning M-15 Corridor, North of I-75.
3. Use Approval Render Building, 5896 Dixie Hwy, C-3.
4. Permission for chamber to hold the circus.
5. American Legion Poppy Sales.
6. Road Chloride Discussion.

Only those matters that are listed on the agenda are to be considered for action. A majority vote of the Board members may add or delete an agenda item.

Tentative agenda - subject to change. Please consult posting at Township Hall for additions or deletions.

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### INDEPENDENCE TWP.

#### SYNOPSIS OF ACTION TAKEN

#### BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

Supervisor Stuart called the meeting to order March 21, 1995 at 7:30 p.m. at the Independence Township Hall Annex.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call: Present: Lutz, McGee, Mercado, Stuart, Travis, Vaara.

Absent: McCrary.

There is a quorum.

1. Approved agenda with the addition of Gypsy Moth Spray Financing under Old Business, Fund Balance Designations and Cranberry Lake Estates Sewer Improvement and Special Assessment under New Business.

2. Approved minutes of March 6, 1995 Special Township Board meeting.

3. Approved minutes of March 7, 1995 Regular Township Board meeting.

4. Approved payment of the list of bills totaling \$249,797.27.

5. Approved the issuance of purchase orders in the amount of \$19,762.50.

6. Approved motion to re-program the 1993/94 CDBG funds to be used for accessible playground at Clintonwood Park and accessible facilities at Bay Court. The total to be re-programmed is \$12,456.

7. Approved motion for the application for a DNR grant with the Independence Land Conservancy.

8. Approved bid award for the DPW Building Renovations to Premacon Inc in the amount of \$464,500.

9. Approved Gypsy Moth Spray financing letter and a bill sent to residents with an approximate cost of \$20 per parcel rather than setting up a Special Assessment District.

10. Approved concept of a Sashabaw Drainage District financed by special assessments and to continue the investigation.

11. Approved the upgrade of Kevin Daniels to Maintenance Man II.

12. Approved payment of \$1,500 for Clinton River Watershed Council membership.

13. Approved a Resolution to waive recapture of Community Development Block Grant funds.

14. Approved designation of \$100,000 of General Fund Balance for road improvements.

15. Approved designation of \$100,000 of General Fund Balance for Township Hall improvements.

16. Approved designation of \$300,000 of General Fund Balance for Sashabaw and Maybee Road improvements.

17. Approved designation of \$425,000 of Fire Fund Balance for fire station construction.

18. Approved designation of \$105,000 of Fire Fund Balance for a life truck.

19. Approved a Resolution to set a public hearing on April 18, 1995 for Cranberry Lake Estates Sewer Improvement and Special Assessment.

20. Approved motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
 Joan E. McCrary  
 Township Clerk



Courtney Perna ousts another student in Musical Chairs, then signals victory



## Spring fever

Question: What do you get when you combine teenagers, blindfolds and chocolate syrup?

Answer: One big gooey mess.

That was the scene inside the Clarkston High School gym Friday as students indulged in one hour of silliness, thanks to student council. The "field day," as it was called, was a series of games meant to blow off a little spring fever steam on a beautiful afternoon when most people would rather not be inside.

Events included such stand-bys as the tug of war, musical chairs and a three-legged race, even an egg toss. But the truly messy stuff came when students, one from each grade, were asked to stand on a chair, blindfolded, and handed a bottle of chocolate syrup. Below them, another student from their class sat on the floor, clothing covered with a big plastic bag, and a small plastic cup on their head. The object: to fill the plastic cup with chocolate.

When it was over, there were four people who needed a shampoo—bad. And they still had one hour of class time left before being dismissed for the day.



What a treat: the chocolate shampoo.



And it's good! The Egg Toss forces the receiver to angle for success.

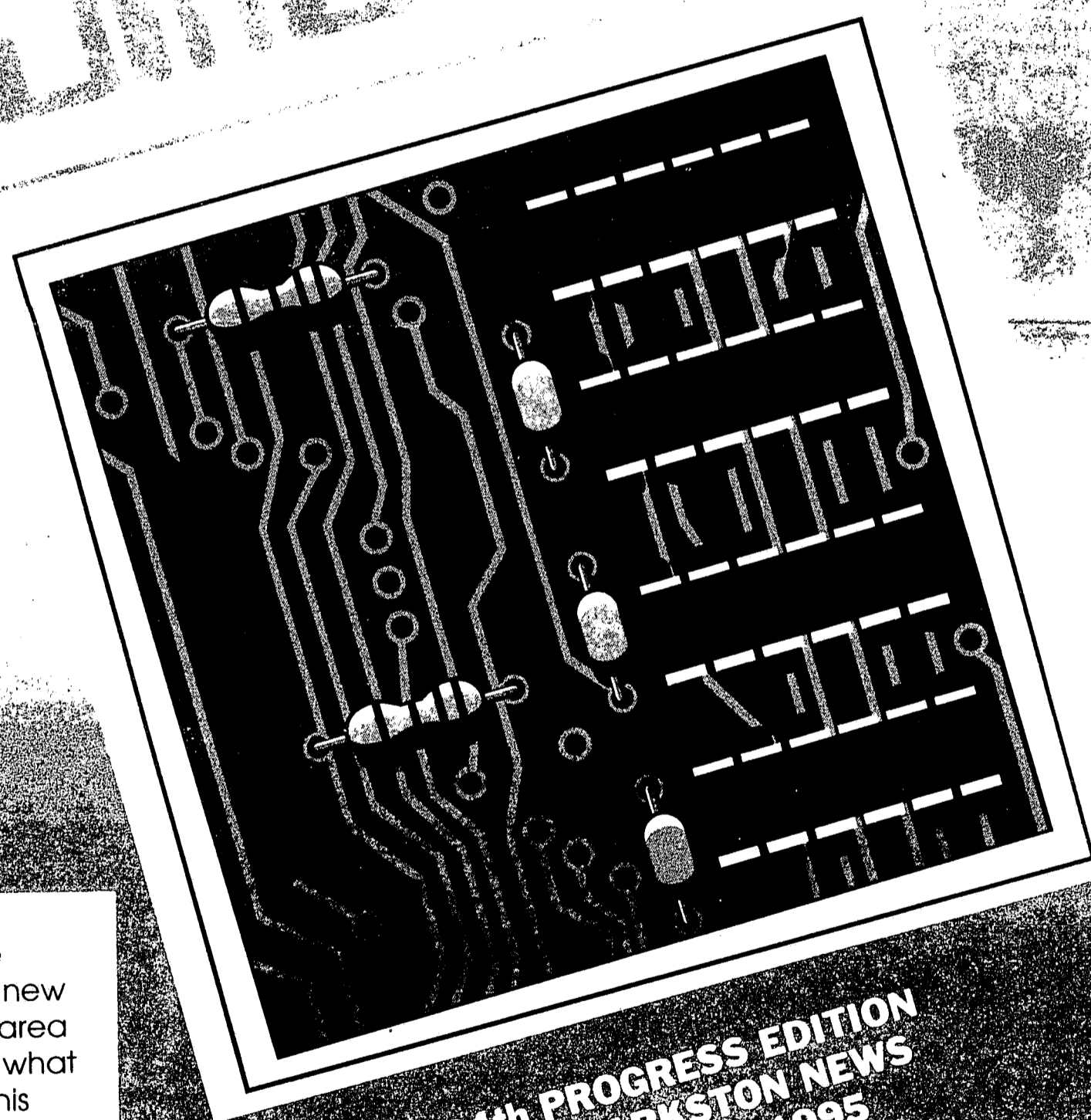


The Tug of War was a crowd favorite.



Most students seemed to have no trouble with the Three Legged Race.

# PROGRAMMED FOR SUNDAY



Long time neighbors...or new friends; these area businesses are what help give this community the character and appeal that makes it very special for residents and visitors alike.

**24th PROGRESS EDITION  
THE CLARKSTON NEWS  
MARCH 29, 1995**

## New look, more room

# Same quality service at Poolmart & Spa

Poolmart & Spas is starting its 16th season at the corner of S. Main and Dixie Highway in Clarkston. Over the past 15 years, Poolmart & Spas has made a commitment to quality, service and, most important, the customer.

At Poolmart & Spas we have three full-time staff with seven part-time staff. Every person at Poolmart & Spas is trained in water chemistry from pool to spa. Every customer gets knowledgeable answers for any problem.

Poolmart & Spas is a member of NSPI (National Spa Pool Institute) and also has four members of their staff certified by the NSPI (Techn I, Tech II, certified).

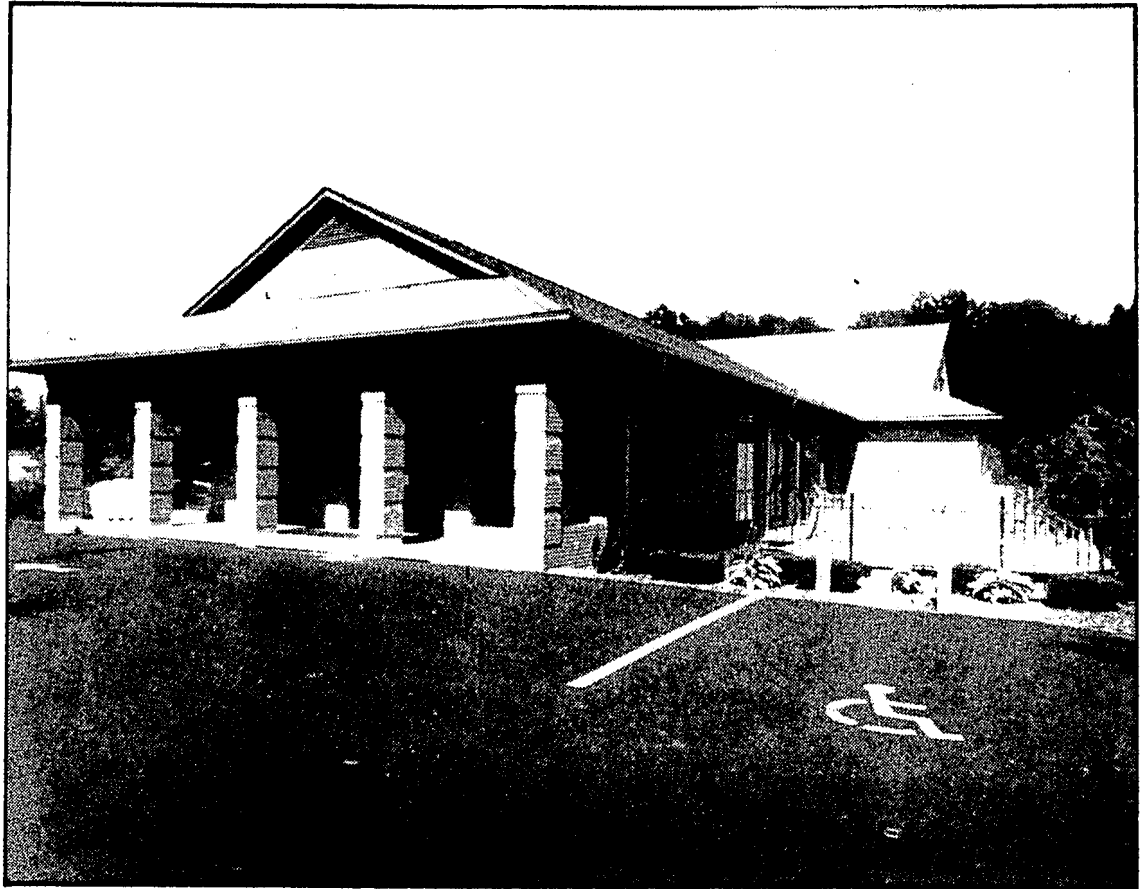
Poolmart & Spas carried an assortment of products for your every need. The major product lines we carry are: Doughboy Pools, Dimension One Spas, BioGuard chemicals.

In April of 1995 Poolmart & Spas will have completed a redesign of their showroom, which now dedicates a pool display with the pools fully functioning.

A spa showroom is also available with 10-15 tubs, some with mood rooms so customers can try out the spas. Also on hand are chemicals, toys, games, accessories and parts, whatever it is you need.

Stop in and we'll take care of you!

# POOLMART & SPAS



Take a wet test, walk into Poolmart's new Clarkston. To start relaxing, and for more showroom at M-15 and Dixie Highway, in information call 625-0729.

# Farewell to Lowrie's Landscape

"It's a gangplank!"

Those were my first thoughts as I walked across the plywood boardwalk into the office of Lowrie's Landscape for my job interview with Tom Lowrie seven years ago. Thankfully, it was a good omen. I wasn't walking towards an end, but to a new beginning.

For seven years I had the opportunity to work for Tom Lowrie and the Lowrie Boys as their office manager/goddess. Undeniably, it was the most challenging, unpredictable and rewarding job I have ever held. Being the only female in an entourage of testosterone is, in itself, a unique experience. Add to that clientele who are somewhat apprehensive about bulldozers coming in close proximity to their very expensive homesteads; gardeners who are very concerned about the biological make-up of the topsoil they are purchasing; suppliers who have interesting perspectives on their payment plans; and top it off with a boss who makes Speedy Gonzales look lethargic, and you have the makings of an interesting life.

Working with men does put life in perspective. Every spring I had bouquets of the wild-growing phlox brought to me lovingly arranged in discarded beverage containers by very thoughtful co-workers. One of these fellows brought in "road-kill stew" on occasion—it was delicious, but I learned never to ask what was in it. Pizza parties were always fun; the guys would be snarfing down "pizza sandwiches" going back for sixths, but as soon as I walked in they would gallantly serve me up a slice and make sure I was full before fighting over the cheese stuck to the box. I laughed until I cried at their stories about dating, camping, buying "unmentionables" and work. One of my favorites was:

"Take peat and fill to Dave at the Smith residence," instructed Tim to our newly hired truck driver.

"What the heck am I supposed to do with Pete and Phil?" Dave, the foreman, cried in frustration as the



driver pulled up with his delivery. "I don't need more manpower! I need my materials!"

I have trouble coming up with anecdotes about Tom. One, there are so many. Two, I cry easily.

As with any good friend, it is difficult to say what they mean to you. I won't attempt to try here, but I would like to share the one incident that cemented our friendship.

Soon after I was hired, there was a landscape convention. Tom asked me to accompany him to so that he could introduce me around. My proud feelings of being the new office manager for Lowrie's Landscape were quickly shot down to size when Tom first introduced me as, "This is Cindy. Uh, she answers the phone." I never let him forget that and, thereafter, he never ceased to make me feel like I was the most wonderful thing to ever cross a gangplank!

The gangplank is now gone and so am I. Neither is a loss. I've gained knowledge and wisdom from my time with Lowrie's along with memories and friendships I will always treasure. And I hope that memories of, "Good morning, Lowrie's Landscape, this is Cindy!" will echo within the walls of Lowrie's for a very long time as well.

—Cindy Beach

Lowrie's Landscape, Inc. is proud to be celebrating its 16th year in business in Clarkston.

"Sixteen years is pretty darn good in this business," owner Tom Lowrie says. "Especially when your livelihood depends on three of life's most unpredictable factors: the weather, perishable goods and people."

"Fortunately, we are blessed to be based out of such a supportive community as Clarkston. A good deal of our business comes from referrals, and the people in Clarkston are wonderful about passing along the quality of our work to their friends and neighbors."

Lowrie's has experienced and expert designers and craftsmen: Denis Kendrick, 10 years; Dave Wright, eight years; Rob Gawne, seven years; plus over 20 part-time and seasonal employees, all carefully trained to offer clients the finest service possible.

All this has led to yet another Gold Award from the Metropolitan Detroit Landscape Association. Lowrie's has been the recipient of this prestigious award in the category of Custom Residential Landscaping over \$25,000 for the past five years. All of these landscapes were expertly designed by Matt Madsen.

**LOWRIE'S Landscape**  
INCORPORATED

*Innovative Design and Construction*

Location: 9561 Dixie Highway, Springfield Township (across from the Whoopee Bowl).

Hours: 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday.

Phone: 625-8844

# Come as you are to the Clarkston Cafe

You don't have to be celebrating a special occasion to enjoy fine food and friendly service at the Clarkston Cafe.

Casual customers as well as dressy diners can experience old favorites as well as new facelifts in both menu and decor.

Since its purchase by Sign of the Beefcarver, Inc. in July, the Cafe has made some changes, say its new managers.

Co-manager Carroll Harris says folks have been remarking about those improvements which include a new

Since its purchase by Sign of the Beefcarver, Inc. in July, the Cafe has made "improvements, not changes," say its new managers.

building facade, brighter atmosphere and more American menu.

"They really like the atmosphere now, especially the new windows," Harris said. "Everyone has been real positive and business has been up by about 25 percent from last year."

Co-manager Brad Gaines agrees. "Mostly the reaction is favorable.

There's a little bit more for everybody now — from a light salad to a dinner. We've expanded the menu and the beer list," he said.

The Clarkston Cafe's new chef, Matt Chuchman, says favorites like hazelnut catfish, sauteed perch and raspberry, blueberry and three-berry pies (the latter in-season) are still offered.

"Now you can get the hazelnut catfish all the time. It was only available through a special menu before," he said.

"We've put in some new basics — ribs, pork chops, new pasta dishes, a chicken sandwich, some lighter fare — they didn't have these previously."

Now patrons can savor the new as well as the old. They can enjoy the intimacy of the rustic interior or "people-watch" from the new windows while dining.

The Cafe has also started special events such as wine and beer tasting — welcome additions to a Clarkston landmark that has served appreciative guests for years.

## Clarkston Cafe

Location: 18 South Main Street, Clarkston

Hours: Monday-Thursday, 11 a.m. to 11 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, 11 a.m. to midnight; Sunday, 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Phone: (810) 625-5660



Co-manager Carroll Harris and chef Matt Chuchman want their customers to feel right at home. Not pictured is co-manager Brad Gaines.

# After 100 years, business is still booming

Offering the highest order of real estate services has been a tradition for 100 years at Max Broock, Inc. And it just keeps getting better.

The Clarkston branch of Max Broock has seen a tremendous change in the real estate market. The business of buying and selling is much more demanding than when Max Broock first began business around 1895, especially in the North Oakland County area where growth is rapid.

"During the depression the firm's principal business was the sale of farms in Independence, Waterford, and Springfield townships," said current company owner Bowen Broock.

Now the company, the oldest privately owned realty firm in Michigan, is conquering the '90s and ready for 2000 and beyond. Max Broock has been more than capable of dealing with current changes in the real estate field, including seller-property condition disclosure, agency disclosure, and, most importantly, Proposal A, the new property tax reform law.

Moving into the second 100 years aggressively with a top-notch staff, the latest technology and a determination to grow with the Clarkston area is a main focus, according to Jill Bertelson, office manager for the Clarkston branch.

While the company prides itself on a solid history, Max Broock will continue to work toward the future. That goal is being accomplished with remodeled offices in Birmingham, and expansion and remodeling of the Clarkston office.



## Max Broock is 100 years strong.

"For '95 we also plan expansions of our Bloomfield Hills and West Bloomfield offices," Broock said.

In honor of 100 years of service, a special celebration will be held at Meadow Brook Hall June 21. Many important guests will be present and the company will be commemorated by the Michigan Historical Com-

mission for a century of service.

Broker Ron Rodda added, "MBI is not a 'normal' real estate company. What sets us apart is the exceptional people in our firm ... Our people are the reason we have lasted 100 years and will be here for the next 100. We are a company with heart."

## Max Broock Realtors, Inc.

Location: 27 S. Main Street, Clarkston, 48346.

Hours: Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Saturday, 9 to 7 p.m.; Sunday, 9 to 6 p.m.

Phone: 625-9300.

# Pleasant surprises and brand names at Solley's

Behind the familiar Solley's storefront at 3779 M-15 in Brandon Township is over 4,000 square feet of display area. And what this business displays is every imaginable major appliance, plus televisions, video recorders, fire places and woodstoves.

"It's a lot bigger store than most people think," said owner Alan Solley. "People are pleasantly surprised by the prices."

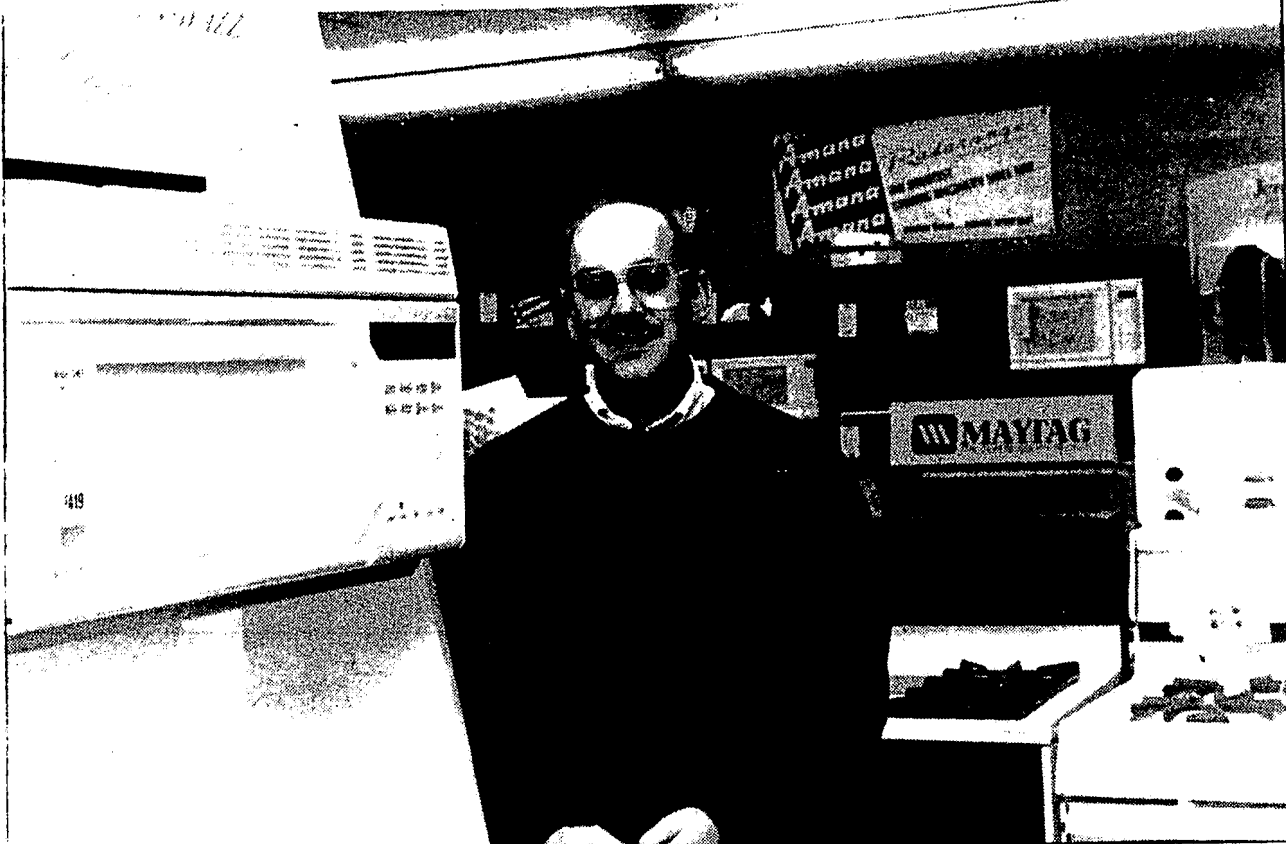
"We offer special discounts to people who are building a new home and are buying a number of appliances," he added.

Solley's, which is celebrating its 46th year, sells and services brand-name appliances including Maytag, Amana, Jenn-Air, Sub Zero and Frigidaire.

They also carry an extensive inventory of woodburning equipment. Woodstoves, fireplaces, chimneys, gas logs and glass doors are all on the floor for customers to look at.

"A store located in a small community can be as competitive as one located in a large commercial zone," Solley said. "We belong to a nationwide buying group and make purchases by the truckload. We also don't spend huge sums of money on advertising or rent."

Although low prices are important, Solley doesn't feel that's the only benefit customers get at his store.



ALAN SOLLEY is proud of the quality and service his family business has provided the community for 46 years. Shoppers like his

large showroom, which included displays of popular appliances and heating equipment. Next day service is still available.

## Solley's

**Location:** 3779 Ortonville Road, Brandon Township  
**Hours:** 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday  
**Phone number:** 625-2417

Solley Sr., Alan's father.

Thurlby has also been trained by manufactures and now has over 20 years of in-field experience. He has used his experience to train others, having taught for the Northwest Oakland Vocational Education Center in Clarkston.

Along with quality and service, promptness is important. The company delivers six days a week. Next-day delivery is also available, and Solley says in most cases a purchase made in the morning can be

delivered that afternoon.

Solley likes the challenge of competing against appliance stores much larger than his. He also likes keeping abreast of all the changes taking place in the industry.

"If I could only convince everyone to make a comparison between a purchase at Solley's and a purchase at a larger store, I would be happy because I believe we have the best value," he said.

## Environmental Artists, Ltd.

# Romantic Garden: Surprise, intrigue

By JEFFREY HENNIG  
Environmental Artists, Ltd.

Simple pleasures.

What an appropriate epithet for the "retro-nineties" lifestyle. After a decade of fast-track careers, power breakfasts and expensive razzle-dazzle, families and friends are becoming reacquainted and spending more time at home. In warmer weather, this "new age quality time" simply moves outdoors.

Of course, spending time outdoors is much more appealing if the yard is beautifully landscaped. If yours is suffering from neglect, consider the newest trend in landscape design - the revival of the romantic garden.

You've seen them. Romantic gardens are regularly featured in home and garden magazines. The French impressionist Monet devoted canvas after canvas to the riotous display of color, the meandering path, the hidden alcoves typical of the style. And, locally, Grosse Pointe, Bloomfield Hills and other well-aged sections of town annually show their best romantic displays.

Unlike the simplified, low-maintenance landscapes of the 1980s evidenced throughout the newer suburbs, the romantic garden originates from a highly detailed design.

Its construction involves the use of rich, timeless materials like hand-stacked stone walls, reclaimed pavers laid to resemble an ancient castle floor, modular New York blue stone, aged teak benches, old lamp posts weathered to a verdigris patina and iron gates and trellises heavy with flowering vines.

Plantings are an eclectic mass - lush and abundant. The trees, shrubs, hedges and flowers provide the privacy essential for this type of design by creating natural walls and rooms in the garden as well as contributing color, texture and scent.

Inspired by the gardens of England, romantic landscape design plays on the emotions. A good design might entice a fantasy during a leisurely walk along a worn brick path. A professional designer can create a mood to delight the observer with a cunning optical illusion or an illusive fragrance.

The romantic landscape garden does involve a



Construction of a romantic garden involves the use of rich, timeless materials.

considerable financial investment, however, and will also require a high degree of maintenance. Ultimately, though, you can realize a handsome return. (Romance on a Budget)

Still, there are less expensive ways to create similar settings. If you love to garden and have the patience, creating your own romantic landscape is an alternative offering both unique challenges and rich rewards. It can be constructed in any amount of space from the confines

## Environmental Artists

**Location:** 7150 Dixie Highway, Suite 6, Independence Township  
**Hours:** 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday (after hours available by appointment)  
**Phone:** 625-3520

of a high-rise roof top to a multi-acre estate, but to be successful, keep certain criteria in mind.

First, the structural features of this landscape style are very specific, with terraces and patios replacing wooden decks. And pergolas draped with vines, refined gazebos, winged walls, gated walls, arches and trellises are also typical of the romantic garden.

The options are much more varied when it comes to the selection of plants and flowers. Virtually anything that flowers is appropriate - especially old fashioned favorites such as lilac and hydrangea - while ivies, ferns and cutting gardens are a must. You could also consider tucking small clumps of moss and baby's breath into various cracks and crevices. Trees will not only offer ornamentation and drama, they will also give you a mood in spiring dappled shade. The Norway spruce, an evergreen with graceful pendulous branches, fits this scheme perfectly.

The romantic landscape garden should invite, surprise and intrigue the senses. Above all, it is a private sanctuary offering simple pleasures. It should be designed to shut out the sounds and activity of the rest of the world while giving your mind and eyes a break from the mundane pursuits of day-to-day living.

Jeffrey Hennig is president and chief designer of Environmental Artists, Ltd., a Clarkston-based landscape design/build firm.



# Damman's — 75 years of customer-focused service

Celebrating its 75th year, Damman's is more than just another hardware store.

When customers step into the Damman Hardware store at 6669 Dixie Highway in Independence Township, knowledgeable salespeople help them find everything for tackling those "how-to" projects. Hardware, power tools, small appliances, lawn and garden supplies — with top name brands like Black and Decker, Stanley and Dutch Boy — are all available. There's even a gift registry.

Besides great stock, store manager Dean Werre says he tries to offer his customers special events.

"Building excitement is what we're trying to do," he said.

From now until April 14, folks can guess the number of jelly beans Werre has stashed in a big jar. The winner will walk away with a huge Easter basket and a large stuffed bunny.

Or you might like to combine fun with community service by participating in a spring clean-up. There will be a drawing as well, with winners leaving with rakes and other house and yard cleaning supplies. This event, held Memorial Day, will include a clown, popcorn and balloons.

All a part of Damman's winning philosophy — to offer its customers the very best, focusing on the individual needs of neighborhood homeowners.

Maybe that's why they have been so successful.

Damman's first store opened on the east side of Detroit 75 years ago. Founded by Adolf L. Damman, it



Damman Hardware store manager Dean Werre offers both quality service and special events to his customers. The winner who guesses the

number of jelly beans in this jar will walk away with a large Easter basket and stuffed bunny.

supplied builders with their daily needs as they built up the area. As new homeowners moved in, Damman's added retail types of merchandise. Through the years it has been involved in such areas as home modernization, contract hardware and industrial power tool distribution.

Now, after 75 years, Damman's has 17 stores in the Detroit Metropolitan area — and keeps on growing. "We are opening a new store in the Orchard Lake

area — this will be number 18," Werre said.

Not only has Damman's remained flexible and sensitive to the growing Detroit market. It has remained flexible and sensitive to its customers as well.

"What we try to do is provide a niche in the marketplace," Werre said. "Our main theme is customer service. We try to help each customer out as best we can."

## Damman Hardware

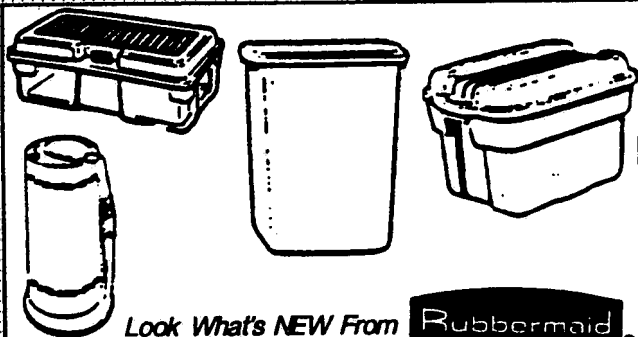
Location: 6669 Dixie Highway in Independence Township

Hours: 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., Monday through Saturday; 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday

Phone: 620-1144

Open 9-9 Sunday 10-5

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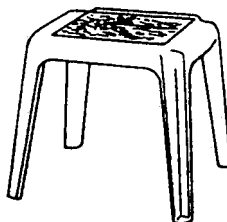
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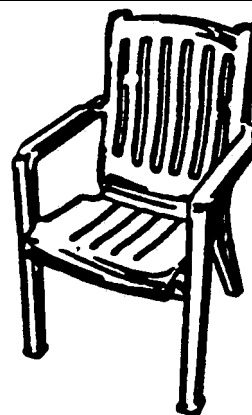
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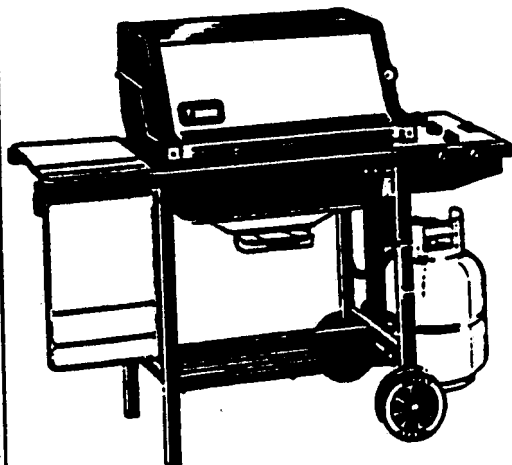
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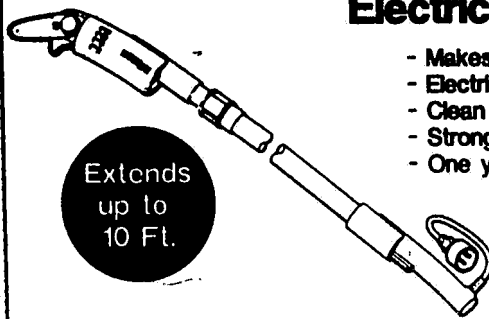


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# See the professionals at Clarkston Real Estate

Clarkston Real Estate Services, Inc. has been in business for six years. During that short time, the company has achieved an impressive business record along with other professional accomplishments and services.

The company now boasts 30 sales associates.

"We have over 400 years of combined experience selling homes in Clarkston and surrounding areas," said sales manager Bill Clark, who is also president of the North Oakland County Board of Realtors.

Another associate broker, Louise Bisogni, is 1995 president of the Women's Council of Realtors, North Oakland Chapter.

Each associate at Clarkston Real Estate has high standards of ethics along with a proven ability in the real estate field.

"Our concept is to provide the best quality service to our community and we believe this is best achieved by maintaining high standards of professionalism among associates," said Clark.

Clarkston Real Estate Services, Inc., has made a positive impact on the community as a full-service real estate office, listing and selling residential and commercial properties.

Clarkston Real Estate and its associates are very community-minded and are members of the Clarkston Chamber of Commerce. In addition, they serve on several citizen advisory committees and are involved in many charitable organizations.

All of the associates take pride in meeting the



BARBARA BENJAMIN, GRI  
Sales Associate

LOUISE BISOGNI  
Sales Associate

PHYLLIS BRAUN  
Associate Broker

BARB BREUER  
Sales Associate

JEAN CAVALIER  
Associate Broker

BILL CLARK, GRI  
Associate Broker

PEG CLARK  
Sales Associate

DARLENE DARBY  
Associate Broker

FRAN DICHTE, GRI, LTG  
Associate Broker

JULIE DOELLE, GRI  
Associate Broker

SHARON FRERICKS, GRI  
Associate Broker

JEAN GAGE, GRI  
Associate Broker

PAULA GARRIOTT,  
CRS, GRI  
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PAMELA HILL  
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SHARYN HILL, GRI  
Associate Broker

MARY KAVERLEY  
Sales Associate

BANDY LAWRENCE  
Sales Associate

IRENE MARSHALL  
Sales Associate

LISA MILLER  
Sales Associate

JUDY MILLER, GRI  
Associate Broker

LINDA MLADENOFF  
Sales Associate

MARILYN MOIR, CRS, GRI  
Associate Broker

MARTY NOWAK  
Sales Associate

MICHELLE PHAUP  
Associate Broker

KIM TURNER, CRS, GRI  
Associate Broker

HAZEL VOORHEES  
Sales Associate

JOAN WEGER  
Sales Associate

JUDY WOOD  
Associate Broker

## Clarkston Real Estate Services, Inc.

Location: 7151 North Main Street, Clarkston, 48346.

Hours: M-Th, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Friday, 8-6; Saturday, 9 to 5; Sunday 10 to 5.

Phone: 625-1000.

challenges of an ever-changing market — including current financing and the latest changes in rules and regulations — while maintaining a close personal relationship with all clients and customers.

"The reason our office is successful is because we are experienced professionals," said Clark. In 1994 we closed over \$64,000,000 worth of business helping over 460 families achieve their dream."

# Baylis family practice continues legacy

For Dr. Larry J. Baylis it's his turn to carry on the strong tradition set by his father and brother at M-15 Family Medical Center.

And since 1991, that's exactly what Dr. Larry Baylis has been doing. His father, Dr. Shelby M. Baylis, started the M-15 Family Medical Center in 1981. In 1986 his brother, Dr. Loren Baylis, took over the practice. Since 1991 it has been Dr. Larry Baylis' turn to provide the personalized care patients have come to expect from their family doctor.

"It's quite a tradition that was started by my father and brother and I'm trying my hardest to uphold that," Dr. Larry Baylis said. "I'm trying to care for my patients the way my dad and my brother did."

"A family practice is a great profession and my dad knew that when he started this one. My dad was a surgeon by specialty but he always called himself a family practitioner who did surgery. And you knew he was loved by many people because, even to this day, people say what a caring man he was."

The M-15 Family Medical Center takes care of everyone in the family from babies to grandparents by offering traditional health care services with an emphasis on caring. Dr. Baylis said people can expect quality medical care for their family from a staff that does care.

The M-15 Family Medical Center, located just north of I-75, is proud to serve the local community with a personal touch that can't be found elsewhere.

## Family Medical Center

Location: 7736 Ortonville Road (M-15), Clarkston, 48348.

Hours: Monday and Wednesday, 12-8 p.m.; Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Every other Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to noon.

Phone: 625-5885.

'My dad was a surgeon by specialty but he always called himself a family practitioner who did surgery. And you knew he was loved by many people because, even to this day, people say what a caring man he was.'

Dr. Larry Baylis

"Everyone wants to be treated like a human being and I try to relate as well as I can to my patients' needs," he said. "Good family care is personalized attention. My Father always said, 'Listen to your patients and you can diagnose the problem most of the time before the examination,' my brother and I never forgot that statement. The time and quality care we give to families is the most important thing and that's what keeps them coming back, while bringing others in"

Dr. Larry Baylis said he realizes that medical insurance and medical care have changed from when Dr. Shelby Baylis first opened the center 15 years ago. But he also wants people to know the M-15 Family medical Center tradition will remain.

"Medicine today is not like it used to be but at this particular family medical center we'll work with you to get the quality help and care you deserve," he said.

One message Dr. Baylis would like to get out is that people need to have preventive medical care.

"The most important thing I would say is that people get regular checkups. Preventive medicine saves lives."



Dr. Larry Baylis of the M-15 Family Medical Center is a family doctor who offers personalized service to patients.

# Old house, new house: Lorimer can help

The Main Street home of builder Michael J. Lorimer has undergone some changes since it was featured in the SCAMP home tour in 1990. In fact, so has the owner.

Five years ago, Lorimer was a bachelor just a few years out of Lawrence Technological University. He had started his own business, following in the footsteps of his father, who is also a builder. He bought the house at 80 North Main Street in 1987, then worked hard to finish a major renovation in time for the tour.

Fast forward to 1995. Lorimer is now married to Denise and their third child is due in September. The home has undergone some interior changes too, thanks to Denise. "The details she's put in have changed it from a builder's house to a home," her proud husband says. "It has a much more complete feel."

The couple grew up in the Birmingham area, where their parents were friends. "We were childhood friends," Michael says.

Denise has a degree in early childhood education and will complete work on her RN in May. Michael's degree is in construction engineering technology.

"Our backgrounds are so similar that when we got married it was fun to fill up the house," Denise says.

Their home will be back on the SCAMP tour this year, just as the Lorimers work on a design for their future new home.

"I worked in the family building business since I was a kid," Michael says from his spacious dining room decorated with family heirlooms. "I worked my way through college—night school. And shortly after college I bought this home.

"I wanted to design it as a family home. I always wanted to raise a family. So really it's the completion of a dream for me to be able to raise a family here."

In order to accomplish that, Lorimer had to almost completely redo the internal workings of the house, change the floor plan and double the square

footage, all while working within the historic district restrictions of the city. "It was a mechanical nightmare," he says now, standing in the large foyer. What he created is user-friendly while respectful of the long history of the home, which was built in 1970.

Though the renovation and tour were, he says, "good for business," historic homes are not all he does. His new-house projects include a totally barrier free, up-north style "lodge" for a quadriplegic that was featured in the Detroit Free Press. The writer said of it, "Although the house was designed with a wheelchair in mind, it doesn't shout, or even whisper, 'institutional.'"

Lorimer has also built more traditional new homes. He is currently building a home on spec in Pebble Creek in Springfield Township in the \$350,000 range. Other

lots are available in the subdivision, which is where he will also build his own new home. He's also working on renovating a historic barn in the city of Clarkston. The barn had to be moved in order to lay a new foundation. It will then be moved back to its original location.

"We started with the renovation and we've grown—the family and the business," Lorimer says. And he adds he likes working with a theme for each project.

"I look at so many of the homes built today and they're so identical. I guess that's the way to get volume. But I'm not as interested in volume as I am a quality home."

The house on North Main Street will eventually be for sale. "By putting it on the home tour in 1990 it gave me a deadline to complete the construction. By putting it on the tour in 1995 it gives me a way to show off our family home.

"It lives completely like a brand-new home. It feels old but functions new. That's my desire, to give it that historical feel."

## M.J. Lorimer Building Co.

Phone: 625-6277

Hours: By appointment



Michael J. Lorimer and his wife Denise with their sons, Drew, 5 and Jack, 15 months.

# Smith's Disposal is hometown proud

Treating every customer like family is a constant goal for Smith's Disposal and Recycling.

"You can't do it with the big companies out there but when you're independent like you can have more of a community focus," said manager Ken Smith.

That community focus is no surprise considering Smith's is also a family business with Ken's father and mother, Leonard and Doris, being owners, and his sister Carol Evans working in the office.

Since they all also live in the Clarkston area, it's easy to "care" about their customers as well, Ken said. "Our customers stay with us because we care about the area and the citizens. We have about three-quarters of the township and so we do whatever we can to keep the local people happy."

Smith's, in business for 15 years, knows that personal service keeps its customers loyal. Ken said they pride themselves on being able to work with customers, whatever the problems. Recently an elderly lady couldn't bring her trash bins to the curb because she had broken her leg.

"She called us and told us she couldn't walk," Ken said. "So when our truck got to her house, one of the guys on the truck came up to her door and picked up her garbage for her. We understand people get in jams sometimes and that's why we try to work with our people."

That personal attention does not end with customers. Smith's is also an avid supporter of countless community activities. Besides the regular support of the Clarkston Foundation, Optimists Club and others,



## Smith's Disposal and Recycling Inc.

Location: 5750 Terex Ave. (off Andersonville Road), P.O. Box 125, Clarkston, 48346.

Hours: 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Phone: 625-5470.

Smith's office staff includes, from left to right, Amy Clark, manager Ken Smith and Carol Evans. Overlooking the three is a picture of Ken's parents, Doris and Leonard Smith, who is the owner.

they just recently donated mini-basketballs to the Clarkston cheerleaders so they could raise money.

Smith's also sponsors a yearly memorial scholar-

ship award at the high school.

"As things come up we very seldom refuse," Ken admits.

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Long time neighbors. . . or new friends; these area businesses are what help give this community the character and appeal that make it very special for residents and visitors alike.

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## The Clarkston News

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MAIL ROOM:  
LaDonna Wilk



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(From the left) Assistant to the Publisher Don Rush, Publisher Jim Sherman, Jr., and Creative Director Bill Ardalan.



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# Andersonville Acres open for business

A group of businesses, old and new, industrial and retail, have just moved into the new Andersonville Acres Industrial Park, located at 7818-7824 Andersonville Rd. just minutes away from downtown Clarkston.

The center was built by R. E. Shell & Associates, which retains ownership along with one of the tenants, Therm Nichols of Nichols Heating and Cooling. It's a unique arrangement but part of the business style of Bob Shell, who tries to have an owner-tenant at each of his commercial developments.

This latest addition is convenient from both White Lake Road and Dixie Highway and is in an area soon to be made even more accessible due to changes planned for White Lake Rd.

There is one vacancy still available at Andersonville Acres. Call 673-6370 for rental information.

The merchants below are all tenants and/or owners in the development.

## SHERWOOD business machines

### Sherwood Business Machines

Mike Sherwood is a busy guy. He just sits down for an interview when his beeper goes off. But when you're in the business of keeping computer owners happy and up and running, you've got to be available.

Sherwood has been in the computer business for 15 years. He started out working for someone else, then in 1988 open his own business. This winter he moved from Waterford to the new center on Andersonville Rd.

The move allowed him to expand his inventory of parts as well as his service facility. With six employees now, "Our normal response time is within 24 hours," he says. "And emergency calls are even faster. Very seldom do we have to have a computer out of the site more than one day."

The computer business changes more rapidly than any other, and Mike stays on top of all the changes by attending as many seminars and manufacturer training sessions as he can. It's the most challenging part of his business, he says.

In addition to IBM compatible computers, Sherwood Business Machines sells Sharp copiers and many brands of FAX machines. Both home users and businesses are among his customers.

"We do provide consulting as well," he says. "Most of the time the problem isn't that the computer is broken; it isn't set up right. So we do quite a bit of consulting as well."

Though there are some walk-in customers, Sherwood serves a customer base that runs as far away as Clio, Detroit and Ann Arbor. "We have a little bit more foot traffic here, even though we're off the beaten path. I think it's easier to find," he says of his new location.

Hours are Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. and Saturday by appointment. Call 623-9000 for more information.



## NICHOLS HEATING & COOLING

### Nichols Heating and Cooling

Therm Nichols has been in business for 19 years, 12 of them on Dixie Highway. But with success often comes the need to expand. So around the first of the year he moved to Andersonville Acres and became a landlord with Bob Shell in the process.

Because of the type of business he is in, Nichols requires a light industrial zoning classification, and found there wasn't a lot of it available in the area. The new building allows for a mixture of industrial and retail while providing all the space Nichols needed.



From left, Therm Nichols, Jon Kraut and Mike Sherwood outside Andersonville Acres. The Prudential building on M-15.

"I was renting there (his old location) and I'm part owner here," he says. "We designed it the way we wanted it. Everything here is under one roof."

Nichols sells and services furnaces, air conditioners, air cleaners and humidifiers to both residential and commercial customers. The business is seasonal, yet he keeps 10 service/installation people available "to meet the needs of our customers when they need our service." He also has an office staff of two who serve many functions, including walk-in customers and dispatching of servicepeople.

"Some people want to come in and talk rather than call on the phone," he says.

"I credit my growth and success to my employees. They're dedicated and caring people. We get many compliments on how they conduct themselves when they are in the customer's home and business."

His former space, though on the well-traveled Dixie Highway, had become not just too small but also hard to get in and out of. The new location has none of those problems. And White Lake Road improvements will only make it better, he says.

"It's convenient to Dixie and to I-75. It's a growing area."

Hours at Nichols Heating and Cooling are 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Friday and 9-1 on Saturday. However, a call to them any time of day or night will bring a response. For more information call 623-6628.

## AFM SCREEN PRINTING

### AFM Screen Printing

If you've ever wondered where you can get personalized hats, shirts, jackets, etc., look no further than AFM Screen Printing.

Customers can bring in their own artwork, logo, etc. and have it printed onto clothing, or the company can create one for you on its computers using the Corel/Draw IV program.

"The key to our business is we actually do the physical work here," said owner Jon Kraut. "We're not just a sales company. We have a lot more control over what happens. We print for a lot of other companies in the area, county-wide. We do wholesale work too." Kraut says he orders from 50 different vendors to get a wide variety of fabrics, styles and colors. "We can get just about anything you can think of," he says. He's even printed on umbrellas, though they're not the easiest thing to do.

"Occasionally we get strange jobs, irregular surfaces to print on," he says.

AFM Screen Printing is a family business. Jon and his father, Dave, are partners. His mom, Mary, and three younger brothers, Sam, Joe and Charlie, all work there.

Jon got his first taste of the business when he began selling promotional items when things were slow in the excavating business, where he used to work.

"We noticed there was a real need in the area for a quality print shop that could deliver on time," he says. "My dad and I sat down and decided to open this up."

His customers now include businesses, non-profit organizations, schools, parks and recreation departments, even family reunions. Business has grown so much that the company needed larger quarters. The move to Andersonville Acres from Waterford has allowed AFM to expand from its former 800 square feet to 2,500 square feet.

Hours are 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Monday-Friday. For more information call 623-7800.



### R. E. Shell & Associates

The builder, Bob Shell, has been in the business of both commercial and residential building for 15 years. After running the family hardware store which had been founded by his father, Shell retired but quickly found himself needing something to do. He opened a one-man office that quickly grew.

A few years ago Shell built a new office in Waterford, near the Sashabaw-Walton intersection. Now his daughter, Tracy and her husband, Steven Ryan, work with him. Tracy and Steven concentrate on residential projects, Bob on commercial.

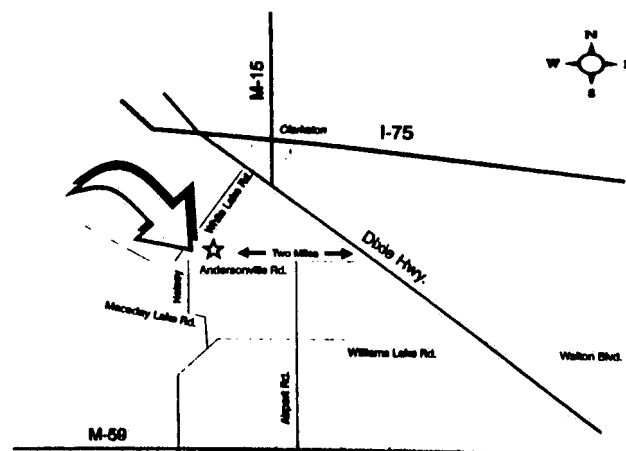
Tracy, a Central Michigan University graduate with a BS in business administration, and Steven, a Michigan State University grad, both are builders. They also market their homes themselves.

Tracy says the demand these days in residential building is custom, and that is something her company can deliver.

"Our main goal is to make sure the customer is satisfied with the project right down to the last detail," she says. The company has built many homes in the Clarkston area and is currently looking for a spot to build their own development.

As far as commercial, Bob Shell recently built the Prudential building on M-15 just north of I-75, and is currently under construction further north on M-15 in Brandon Township. As demand continues to grow, he is always looking for new spots.

Telephone R. E. Shell & Associates at 673-6370 to discuss your future building needs.





# New doctor joins Clarkston Medical Group

A new specialist has joined the staff at Clarkston Medical Group.

Steven Calkin, D.O., board certified in internal medicine, adds a specialist in adult medicine to the practice. Dr. Calkin was added "in order to provide more services for our adult patients," said Kari Gorz of the clinic.

Born in Pontiac, Calkin attended Oakland University and then UOMHS in Des Moines for his osteopathic degree. He did graduate training at Pontiac Osteopathic Hospital and has been board certified since September, 1993. He has office hours on Tuesday and Friday at the clinic, splitting his time between Clarkston Medical Group and a practice in Keego Harbor.

Calkin joins four board-certified pediatricians who have a reputation for excellence dating back over 35 years: James A. O'Neill, M.D.; Charles E. Yee, M.D.; Irving D. Kemis, D.O.; and Mohammad N. Amin, M.D. They continue to provide complete primary medical care.

This care includes comprehensive well exams, preventative programs, laceration, burn and other injury care, illness treatment, the latest immunizations and coordination of any care needed by specialists.

The doctors are on staff at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Pontiac Osteopathic Hospital and the North Oakland Medical Centers, making rounds every day of the year. They've even been known to make house calls and nursing-home visits when needed.

'Ever since I can remember I wanted to be a doctor.'

Dr. James A. O'Neill

The five doctors are assisted by registered nurses and certified lab technicians at the clinic, which recently added x-ray capability. In addition, when the office closes, it becomes Clarkston Ambulatory Care Center.

## Clarkston Medical Group

**Location:** 5885 M-15, just north of Dixie Highway (across from the post office).

**Hours:** Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-7 p.m.; Saturday, 8 a.m.-1 p.m. After hours and holidays, 625-CARE.

**Phone:** 625-2621.

There, during the night and weekend hours when most doctors' offices are closed, patients can be seen on a walk-in basis. The Ambulatory Care Center is always manned by at least one board-certified physician. And its proximity to Clarkston offers an alternative to cramped, busy hospital waiting rooms when an illness or injury can't wait.

Doctors of Clarkston Medical Group also occasionally conduct medical studies. Dr. Kemis, for example, was a physician-investigator in the Boston University Fever Study, a national study which examined the safety of medications commonly used to treat fever in children. Kemis was one of the physicians selected from around the country to participate in this first-of-its-kind research project.

Clarkston Medical Group accepts most major insurances, including Blue Cross Blue Shield and PPO Plus, a new product available to GM, Ford and Chrysler employees only.



Dr. Steven Calkin, internist, is the newest addition to the staff at Clarkston Medical Group.

O'Neill, the elder statesman of the group, is still seeing many adults he treated as children. They still remember, and appreciate, his caring attention. He says he's proud of the profession.

"Ever since I can remember, I wanted to be a physician," he says. His favorite part of the job? "The privilege to serve, help and care for people."

# RE/MAX Today— out in front

When it comes to selling real estate, RE/MAX is a cut above.

Not only do RE/MAX associates help people find their miracle homes in Clarkston, Waterford, Lake Orion, Holly and Ortonville, but they keep abreast of the latest financing options and trends. And higher education programs are offered — right in the office.

"We only have full-time real estate professionals. We believe we can give better-quality service because that's all we do," Curt Carson, associate broker and owner of RE/MAX Today, said.

"If somebody walks in the door we're like a McDonald's. They know what they're getting — full-time, quality service."

RE/MAX takes that service a step higher by donating to the Children's Miracle Network every time a home is purchased or sold. A banner proclaiming "This is a miracle home" goes up in the yard.

The Network helps children afflicted with cancer,

heart disease and other life-threatening illnesses. Every time a RE/MAX associate makes a donation, a "miracle" takes place — help for a sick child.

When you give, you also receive and RE/MAX Today has more than doubled its sales each year since its inception.

How do RE/MAX associates feel about their work?

Associate broker Sue Chivers-Dendler likes the support she gets from fellow associates, who, like her, work full-time.

"There's more camaraderie in terms of working with your peers. You support each other," Chivers-Dendler said. "And I like the Clarkston market."

"I think we're all pretty much on the same level," Paula Keels, Realtor associate, said. "We've been through the same experiences in making the transition from the traditional real estate office to RE/MAX."

Jim Allen has been selling real estate for 30 years.

The last decade was spent with RE/MAX.

"I love my career. It's freedom," Allen, Realtor associate, said. "I'm my own boss. You have to be to be in this business. If you're not, you're out of it. RE/MAX is a very rewarding company to work for."

Carson agrees.

"We almost think of ourselves as doctors and lawyers. We think of ourselves as professionals. That's the type of service we provide."

## RE/MAX Today, Inc.

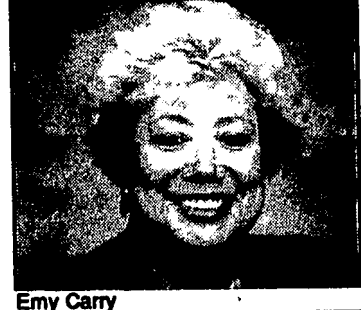
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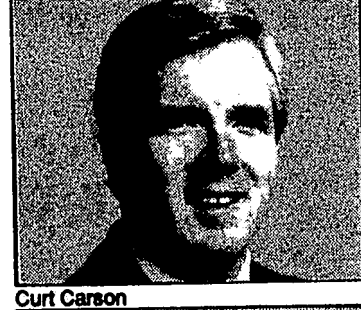
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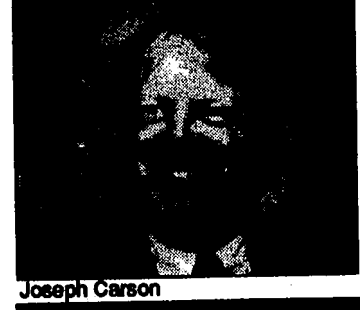
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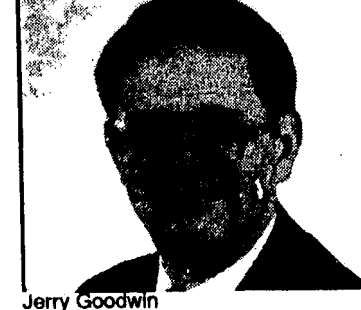
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# Brinker's Plumbing & Heating has what you need

In this area when people think of plumbing and heating people think of Brinker's.

The half-century old family business has built a solid reputation of service and retail sales.

"Our company is very service- and do-it-yourself minded. Employees are acquainted with plumbing products and problems and are willing to help you purchase and install products," says Burt Fangel.

Burt and his wife Phyllis own and operate Brinker's. Their daughter, Kristi Beno, is the store manager and assists customers in finding special plumbing projects.

Son Kevin Fangel is a licensed master plumber and is in charge of the service department. He guides home owners in their plumbing and hydronic heating needs.

They not only service the home owner, they also work with remodelers and commercial accounts.

Brinker's has a wide selection of faucets, water conditioners, iron filters, whirlpools tubs, vanities and

tures and high efficiency water heaters.

Brinker's has service trucks with plumbers and a retail store for the do-it-yourselfer.

Brinker's has been a family-owned store since it began more than 50 years ago by the original Mr. Brinker -- Phyllis's father. Burt started working for

Brinker's after he got out of the service. Forty-years ago he and Phyllis were married.

They've been successful in marriage and plumbing these 40-odd years because of their dedication and hard work.



Brinker's attractive building located on Hatchery.

## Brinker's Plumbing and Heating

**Location:** 4760 Hatchery Rd, Waterford (at Frembes, south of Dixie Hwy.)

**Hours:** M-F, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sat., 9 to 3 p.m.

**Phone Number:** 673-2121 or 673-2132

furnaces. Some of the brand names sold at Brinker's includes: American Standard, Kohler, Mansfield, and Gerber plumbing fixtures; faucets by Grohe, Delta, Price Pfister, Gerber and Wolverine Brass; hydronic (hot water) boilers by Utica, Burnham and Lochinvar.

Brinker's has stocked A.O. Smith water heaters, McClean Water conditioners and iron filters, Myers, Wayne, F&W Water Pumps; Rainbird, Hunter, Nelson lawn sprinklers plus thousands of repair parts.

In the past year they have added low gallonage flush toilets, redesigned and attractive faucets and fix-

## 110 years of service

# 19th Century values, 21st Century vision at Oxford Bank

Oxford Bank was founded 110 years ago as an institution rich in the values of 19th century America. Personal involvement and investment in our community were foremost among these.

Life today is far more complex, but the values we held then still apply as we prepare to meet the challenges that the 21st century will present.

Our ambition at Oxford Bank is to provide our customers a complete array of modern financial services, yet keep the same concern for our community that was the hallmark of a much simpler time.

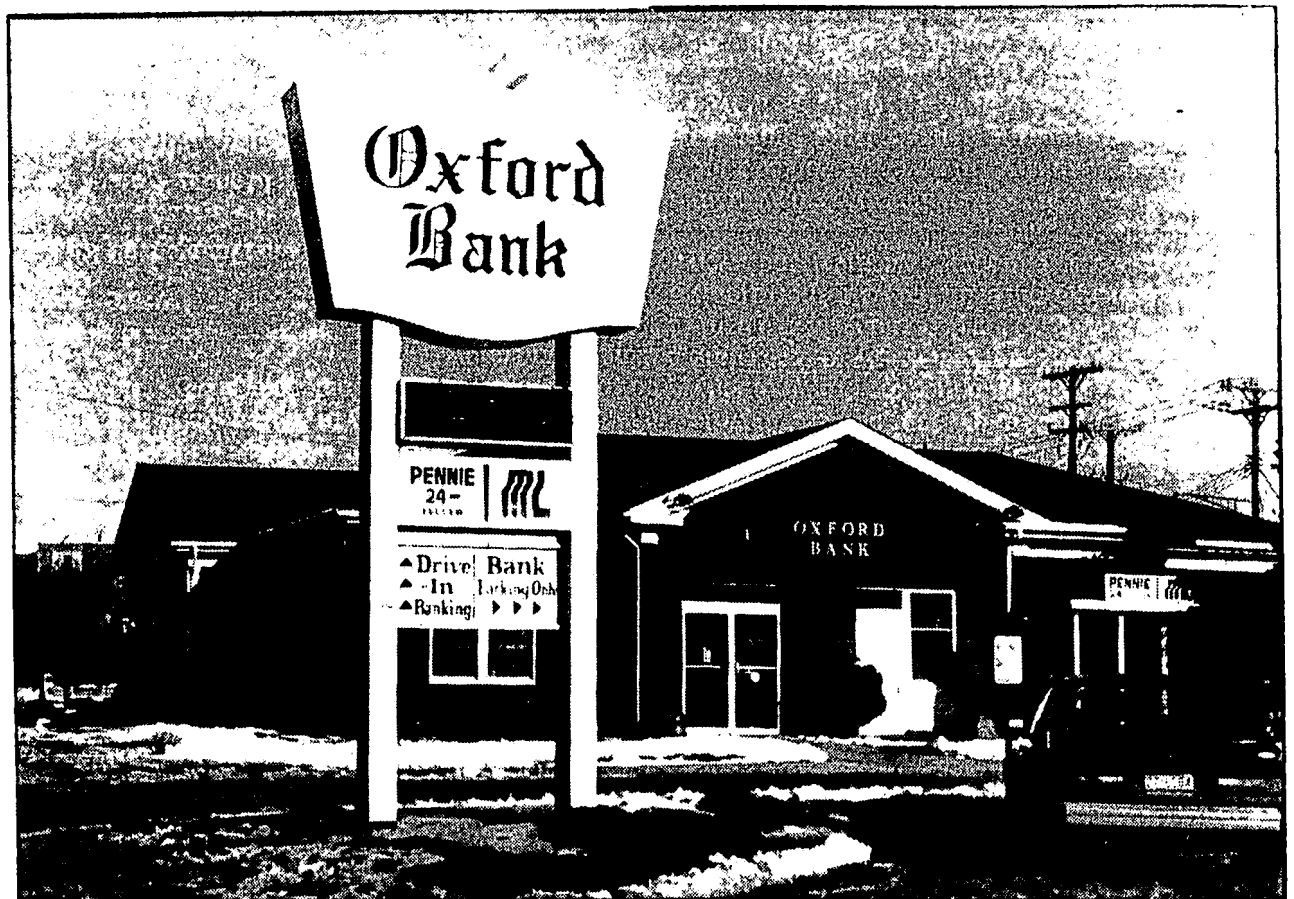
Today, Oxford Bank combines traditional banking with state-of-the-art technology, products and services. We continuously seek new ways to fulfill the needs of new businesses while adhering to the sound banking principles on which we were founded. We offer innovative financing to employers so that they will invest in our area and create new jobs.

We have invested in new and expanded facilities, yet remain a bank where you can walk in and be recognized.

Our employees, officers, directors and their families actively participate in the communities we serve. We know our customers' needs because they are our neighbors. Our region is one of the most prosperous in the country.

Oxford Bank plays a role in this prosperity by investing in our neighborhoods and businesses. Our communities grow along side us as together we strive to meet the challenges of tomorrow, and our neighbors come to realize their dreams.

Our founders could not have imagined that banking would be as it is today. But they gave our bank a sense of partnership with the communities we serve . . . a solid 19th century foundation upon which we will continue to build as we enter the 21st century.



OXFORD BANK

## Oxford Bank

**Location:** 7199 Ortonville Road (M-15)

**Hours:** Mon.-Sat., 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

**Phone Number:** 625-0011

# Clarkston Muffler & Brake meets the challenge

Clarkston Muffler and Brake is a family-owned automotive repair business that has been providing service to the Clarkston area for the past three years. Conveniently located at the corner of Clarkston Rd. and M-15 in Clarkston with services ranging from mufflers, brakes and front end service to light engine repair.

Owner and operator, David McGrath, prides himself in providing the best in honest and reliable workmanship. "We strive for excellence when it comes to repairs and customer service -- simplifying in the most accurate terms what's going on with the customers vehicle," McGrath explained. When servicing is required you also have the confidence in knowing that Clarkston Muffler and Brake only uses replacement parts that are of the highest quality available for after-market repairs.

During the past year many area residents may have noticed the continued improvements that Clarkston Muffler and Brake has made to their business. One of the most noticeable improvements was the completion of a paved lot in addition to a fresh coat of paint to their building.

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**David McGrath**

While obviously pleased with their progress David is quick to point out that their improvements haven't



Clarkston Muffler and Brake is conveniently located at the corner of M-15 and Clarkston

Road in Clarkston.

stopped with the parking lot and building. "In response to our customers requests we now offer free pickup and delivery in the Clarkston area, as well as, extended service hours." Service hours are Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Evening appointments now available.

Clarkston Muffler and Brake also realize the importance of being an area business and supporter of the local community. "We feel strongly about our role in the Clarkston area and we are committed to supporting the community which supports us," responds David. Whether it's High School sports and events, the Fire

Department or sponsoring a local baseball team, Clarkston Muffler and Brake truly believes in hometown pride.

Whatever your automotive repair needs are you're sure to be satisfied at Clarkston Muffler and Brake. Clarkston Muffler and Brake meets the challenge of providing the best service at the best price everyday.

## Clarkston Muffler And Brake

**Location:** 148 N. Main St. (M-15), Clarkston  
**Hours:** Open 8 a.m. - 6 p.m. Mon. thru Fri., 8 a.m. - 3 p.m. Sat (Closed Sun.) Evening appts. available  
**Phone:** 625-1384

# Ambulatory Care Center: New place, same service

When the Clarkston Ambulatory Care Center, Clarkston's after-hours medical center, moved next door back in January, it was for only one reason--more space.

Now 12 years old, the CACC had grown continuously as the population and word of its availability had spread. Founded by a group of Clarkston doctors in 1983 to provide after-hours walk-in care for their patients, the center was housed inside the offices of Dr. Ronald LePere. In January it moved right next door to the offices of Dr. James O'Neill to gain more examining rooms and square footage. Eventually, a new facility may be built on Dixie Highway near I-75, O'Neill says.

Beverly Walters, director of nursing at both the Ambulatory Care Center and O'Neill's office, said the CACC now sees over 300 patients per weekend and the six examining rooms they had just weren't enough.

"It originally started out as a runny-nose clinic," Walters says. "Now we are seeing increasingly more emergencies and trauma."

Typical visits to the CACC may involve sprains, cuts, fevers, coughs, flu, sore throats. Sometimes patients are ill enough to require an ambulance ride to a hospital. If and when that happens, the center has an arrangement with area ambulance companies to transport patients to the hospital of their choice.

The CACC is connected by FAX to area hospital emergency rooms. EKGs can be read via telephone lines, and even pacemakers can be connected by phone to hospitals for diagnosis of problems on the spot.

Any visit to the CACC comes with follow-up with the patient's regular doctor. A complete copy of any lab work, x-rays or other testing performed at the CACC is forwarded to the regular doctor. If hospitalization is required, arrangements are made in conjunction with the patient's regular doctor.

Physically, Dr. O'Neill's office had to undergo

some major changes to accommodate the Ambulatory Care Center. It was not previously equipped for x-ray, so lead walls had to be installed. The x-ray center is now staffed by North Oakland Radiology during the day while at night, the Ambulatory Care Center staff takes over. There is now also an on-site pharmacy, Pine Knob Pharmacy.

## Clarkston Ambulatory Care Center

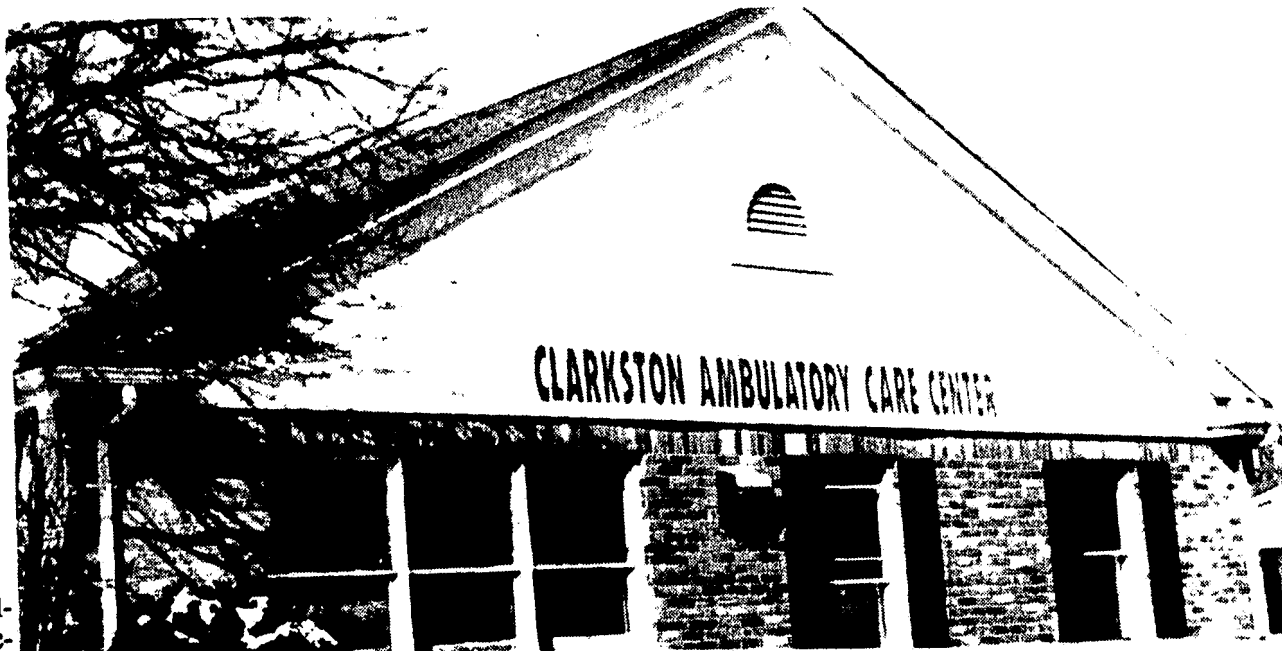
**Location:** 5885 M-15 (Dr. O'Neill's office)  
**Hours:** 7 p.m.-8 a.m., Monday-Friday; 24 hours on weekends and holidays, beginning at 1 p.m. Saturdays.  
**Phone:** 625-CARE (625-2273).

The shifting of staff and duties goes off like

clockwork. Dr. O'Neill's busy office closes at 7 p.m. weeknights. At that moment the CACC takes over, and holds court until 8 a.m. for whoever walks in the door. Then O'Neill's staff returns and begins taking patients on a walk-in basis. On weekends, it's the same thing, with O'Neill taking appointments until 1 p.m. Saturdays, the CACC taking over for the balance of the weekend. It sounds complicated, but it works.

Apparently the word is spreading. After-hours patients now come from all over--Grand Blanc, Waterford, Pontiac--the whole area surrounding Clarkston. The office's proximity to Dixie Highway and I-75 make it a natural.

"It doesn't look like much physically," O'Neill says. "But there are a lot of talented people working in there. It's a labor of love and a lot of fun. It's a family and a very interesting group of people."



Clarkston Ambulatory Care Center on M-15.

# Good Closet Keeping meets your needs

Thinking about organizing your closets? Let Good Closetkeeping Systems do all the work.

Owners Jack and Susan Stone sell components — drawers, shelves, hanging units — to fit any type closet space.

"We help people quadruple or triple their storage," says Susan.

The system is so simple that do-it-yourselfers can install it. Jack compares it to an erector set. The closet system is engineered for versatility.

"The quality is better than you find in stores and we sell it for 40 to 60 percent less than market prices," Jack adds.

The six-year-old business is located at 189 West Clarkston Road in Lake Orion. The Stones work with builders and lumber companies. In fact, their biggest business is wholesale distribution. This enables them to pass on next-to-wholesale savings.

"Big name builders use our systems in their homes — often in models or pre-sold homes," Susan says.

Jack and Susan are licensed builders and are working on a development in Westland. They are also in the process of dividing a parcel of land in Lake Orion for future residential use.

The Stones got started in the closet system business when they were looking for one for their own home.

They talked with several closet dealers who wanted to install a closet organizing system for them. They were disappointed in the quality so decided to start their own distributorship.

"These closets are the wave of the future," Jack says. "Visually you can see all of your clothes. And it replaces furniture."

And if the Stones aren't busy enough promoting their closet systems, they have started distributing South Western Design products.

"This new facet of our company features art objects, rugs and many other accessories handmade by Southwest Native American artisans," Susan says.

Customers can pick from a unique selection of Kachina dolls, dream catchers, rugs, skulls, Santa Clara pottery (some signed). And the Stones are adding new merchandise to their collection every day.

"Someday we plan to include jewelry and furniture," Susan adds.

Good Closetkeeping Systems' showroom is still being completed. The business' phone number is 810-693-4778.



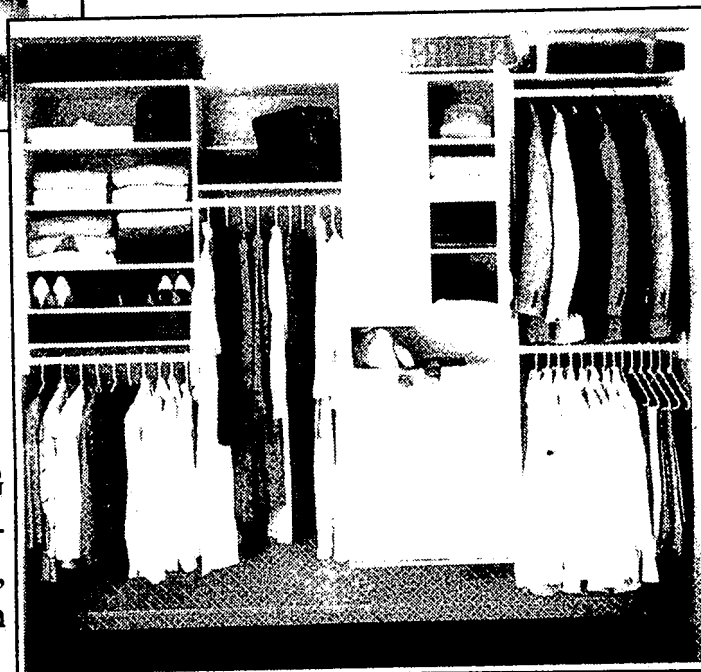
Good Closetkeeping Systems owners Jack and Susan Stone invite you to stop by their completely remodeled building at 189 West Clarkston.



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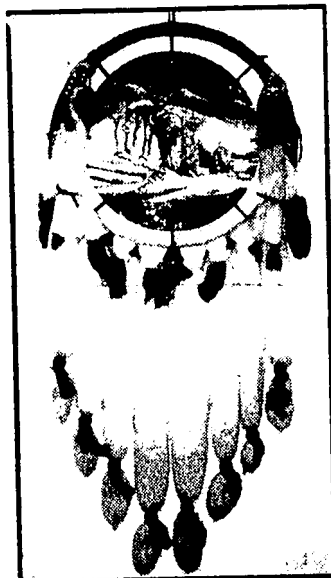
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# Gott's family philosophy works for you

Family pride goes a long way in making customers feel special at Gott's Auto Service.

And that's no wonder considering Robert Gott has serviced the public's autos for over 30 years, and now his sons Bob Gott Jr. and Kevin Gott are following in his footsteps.

"Quality care and customer satisfaction are paramount at Gott's Auto Service," said Robert Gott. "We are family owned and operated and there is a lot of family pride in all we do."

Gott says he's had a long, successful career in car care service "simply because we enjoy diagnosing mechanical and electrical problems and the opportunity to perform and educate customers on the care and maintenance of their automobiles."

He says his sons, Bob and Kevin, have the same passion he does for the mechanics of cars and, like him, they are certified mechanics who keep current in the latest advances in car care through continuing education programs.

In addition to auto service, the senior Gott owned Carmen's Restaurant from 1976 to 1984 and is a licensed pilot.

Gott's Auto Service offers full service to customers in the following areas: engine repairs, tune-ups, shocks, brakes, tires, transmissions, wheel alignment, air conditioning, computer control, clutch, oil change, AET testing, towing service and more.



## Gott's Auto Service

Location: 5709 Maybee Road (corner of Maybee and Sashabaw roads), Clarkston, 48346.  
Hours: 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday to Friday.  
Phone: 623-0119.

Family pride and a focus on quality workmanship make Gott's Auto Service on Maybee Road unique. Pictured from

left to right are Tim Vogel, Paul Mosher, Robert Gott, Bob Gott Jr. and Kevin Gott.

# Homebuyers are VIPs for Realtors

V.I.P. Realty is its own kind of "success story."

Owner Nicole Gourand understands about starting out small because it's exactly what her company has done. V.I.P. Realty prides itself on catering to the person or family that is also just starting out.

"We're a relatively small independent company that really started out from nothing and now we are successful," she said. "It's really the American success story."

The entire staff at V.I.P. finds that being involved with people making a new move into a home is the most enjoyable aspect of their business. Since locating to the new building two years ago, Gourand said the company has seen even more success.

"We are really on the cutting edge of growth and Clarkston is really the hub of activity in our area," she said.

Gourand has lived in the area for 30 years and now has her two sons and a daughter working at V.I.P. as agents also. It's that homespun flavor that should tell customers V.I.P. cares about them and will do all it takes to give them the best personal service possible.

"We pride ourselves in being full-time professional real estate agents. We provide our customers or client with the very best service available and we have all the latest technology to make it easier to find that perfect new home," she said.

V.I.P. sells mostly residential real estate but also some commercial and investment properties. Their coverage area includes all of north Oakland County, in addition to Genesee and Lapeer counties.

## V.I.P. Realty

Location: In the Independence Town Square, 6517 Sashabaw Rd., Clarkston, 48346.  
Hours: M-Th, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.; F-Sat., 9 to 6; Sunday, 11 to 5.  
Phone: 620-3600.



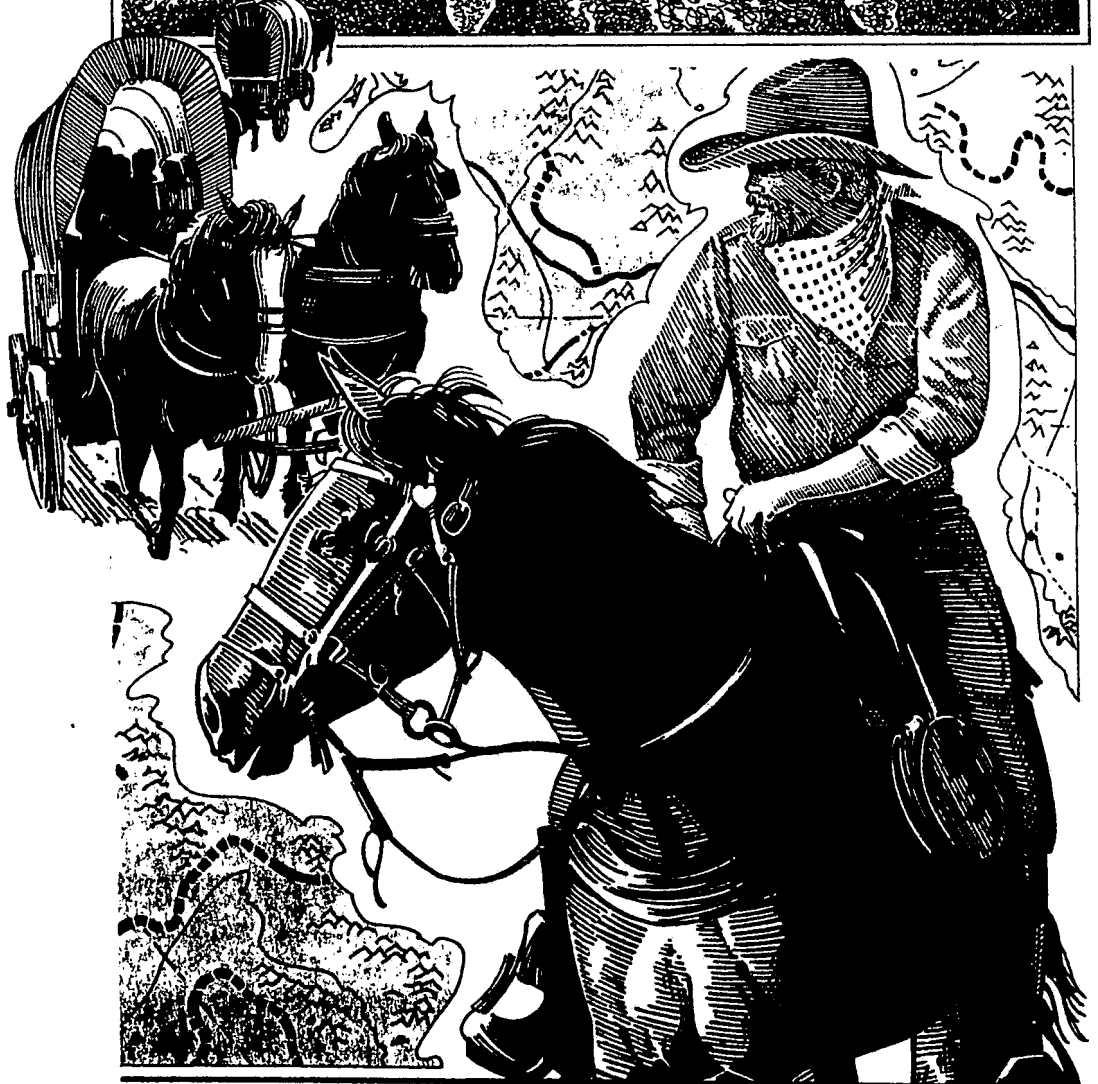
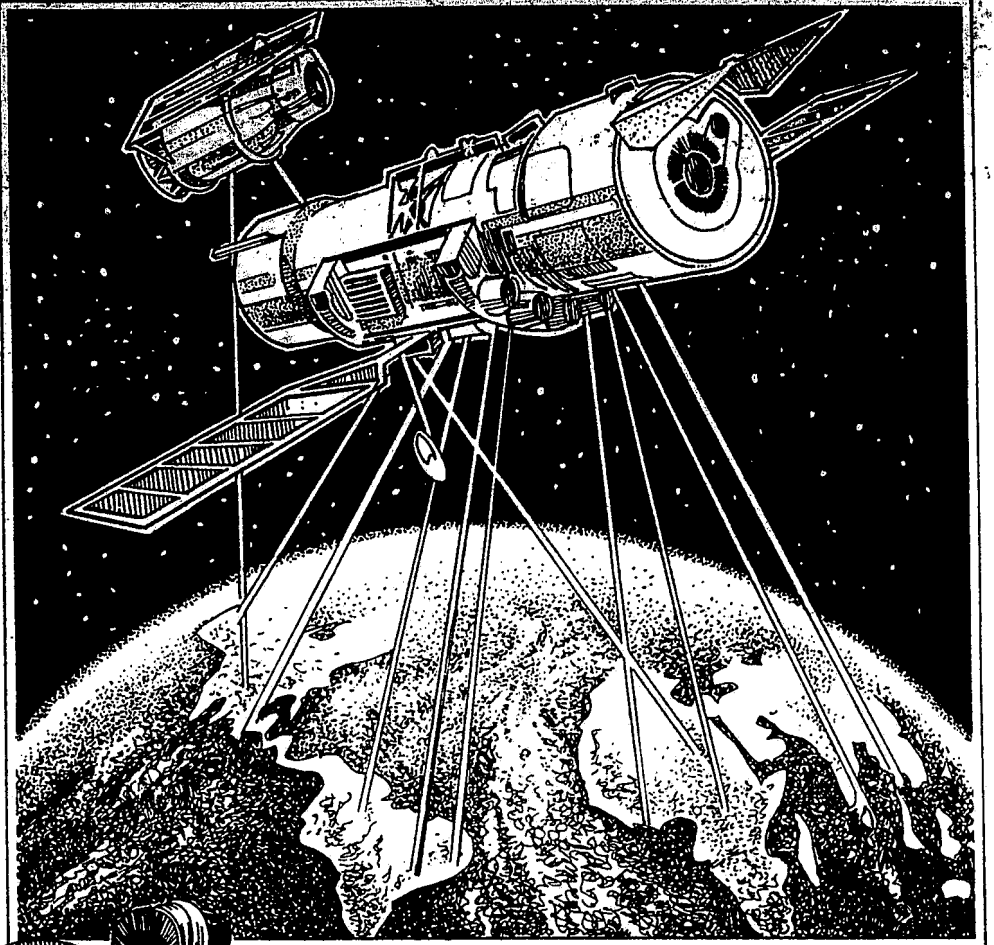
The V.I.P. Realty staff is focused at making you, the customer, feel right at home with your new home. Pictured top row, left to right, is Eric Gourand, Kathy Downey, Shannon Spears, Lisa Hendricks and John Bannasch; front row, left to

right, Kelly Slusser, Chantal Gourand, Lori West and Nicole Gourand. Not pictured is Dave Watson, Rob Dacey, Rosemary Schimizzi and Claude Gourand.

# 19th CENTURY VALUES

# 21st CENTURY VISION

At Oxford Bank, we hold true to the values on which we were founded 110 years ago, and we look forward to the next century with a clear vision of growth for our community.



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# Ace is the place on M-15 for hardware

Matt Woodside, manager of Ortonville Ace Hardware, is a busy guy.

With spring right around the corner, on a recent day he had just taken delivery of three semi-truck loads of new merchandise to add to his already well-stocked store.

Now in its third year, the Ortonville Ace is part of the growing family of stores owned by Harold Grove. The family also owns a store in Oxford, which is celebrating 20 years in business, and is preparing to open one in Lake Orion.

When you walk in the door of the Ortonville store, you can't help but notice the bright, orderly atmosphere and well-stocked, nearly to-the-ceiling shelves. Everything you expect and want in a hardware store is there, from paint and wallpaper to tools and garden seeds; plumbing, electrical and even storm and screen repair.

Woodside is the Ortonville store's new manager, there since January. However, he worked at the store earlier as assistant manager before going to Indiana University. A Fort Wayne native, he moved to Michigan with his family four years ago.

But Woodside's actually been in hardware since high school, getting his start, appropriately, working at an Ace Hardware in Ft. Wayne. As manager he gets to use what he learned in college studying public management, but he also has to know how to fix a screen or what plumbing part a customer may be looking for, so his previous experience comes in handy.

One service Woodside is especially proud of is the store's computer paint-matching system. Customers need only bring in a small, solid-color sample of a shade they'd like to match, and a computer will do the rest, allowing the store employee to custom

mix a paint in any color.

"Our paint department is our number-one selling department," Woodside says. "A lot of people don't know we have the computer paint matching. When they find out, they're excited."

Helping home handymen find the parts they need is also an important part of the business. "We've got a lot of do-it-yourself plumbers and electricians," Woodside says. But in addition, he also has commercial customers, including contractors, and he can learn from them.

"One thing I like about hardware is I learn something new every day; a better way to do something, a new way to do something," he says. "Somebody always knows something I don't know."

## Ortonville Ace Hardware

Location: 4 N. M-15 at Grange Hall Rd., Ortonville  
 Hours: 8 a.m.-8 p.m., Monday-Friday; 8 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday; 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday  
 Phone: (810) 627-2801

At Ortonville Ace Hardware, you won't be left to wander the aisles on your own like the huge chain stores, such as Home Depot.

"We're here to give you advice and help you solve your problems," said Nathan Grove, son of the owner. If you've ever been inside those big warehouse-like stores, you'll appreciate the difference at Ortonville Ace.

That dedication to customer satisfaction helped owner Harold Grove become Citizen of the Year, voted by his fellow Oxford Chamber of Commerce members.

Like they say in the commercials, the "helpful hardware" people hang out at Ortonville Ace Hardware.



Matt Woodside shows off some of the new gardening supplies arriving at Ortonville Ace Hardware for spring.

## We're Springing Into Our 20th Year!

 <p><b>\$16<sup>99</sup></b>  <b>Wesco</b>  <b>Garden Weasel</b>                  Rotary cutter loosens soil and throws out weeds. Wheels can be adjusted. 72552</p>	 <p><b>\$34<sup>99</sup></b>  <b>BLACK &amp; DECKER</b>  <b>16" Hedge Trimmer</b>                  Double-edged blades cuts in either direction. Safety guard protects hands. 71950</p>	 <p><b>ACE 89¢</b>  <b>Hardware</b>  <b>Jersey Gloves</b>                  Lightweight jersey glove has comfortable fit. Protects your hands. 71311</p>	 <p><b>ACE \$10<sup>99</sup></b>  <b>Hardware</b>  <b>Shovel or Spring Rake</b>                  Choose 47" long-handled, round point shovel or 22-tine rake. 70018,74978</p>	 <p><b>ACE \$10<sup>99</sup></b>  <b>Hardware</b>  <b>Ace Square Point Shovel</b>                  Features a 2 blade with hollow back and 47" ash handle. 70024</p>	 <p><b>AMES \$13<sup>77</sup></b>  <b>Lopping Shear</b>                  Heavy-duty with TFE coated, curved blade cuts branches and woody shrubs. 71779</p>
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# Clarkston Clinic offers convenience, comfort

*Daytime urgent and walk-in care and full-service family practice*

When physician Ronald LePere opened his family practice in Clarkston 36 years ago, medicine was just as he knew it would be.

It was full of opportunities to help people and required long hours of work, which included house calls and hospital rounds.

Medicine today has changed, some for the better and some for the worse, he said.

"It has changed from an old-type practice where you didn't have to worry about lawsuits, third-party pay and socialized medicine," Dr. LePere said. "However, technology has improved so much that you can make diagnoses much more easily now."

## The Clarkston Clinic

**Location:** 5905 S. Main St., Independence Township

**Hours:** 7:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday

**Phone:** 625-4222

Procedures such as scope surgery mean less hospitalization. Patients with serious diseases today may live longer than they would have years ago.

Patients, however, have remained the same, the doctor said.

"I've certainly enjoyed talking with people and helping people as much as before," he said. "One of the most rewarding aspects is seeing kids you delivered having kids of their own and watching them grow up. You've been part of their life for 30 years."

Challenges continue to crop up for the doctors and the nurse practitioner on staff.

"Ten to 15 years ago, it was learning that you couldn't cure everybody, accepting the fact that you couldn't do that," he said. "Lately, there's more challenges in the social changes in medicine — socialized medicine, which no one will like it when it gets here. It will bankrupt the country."

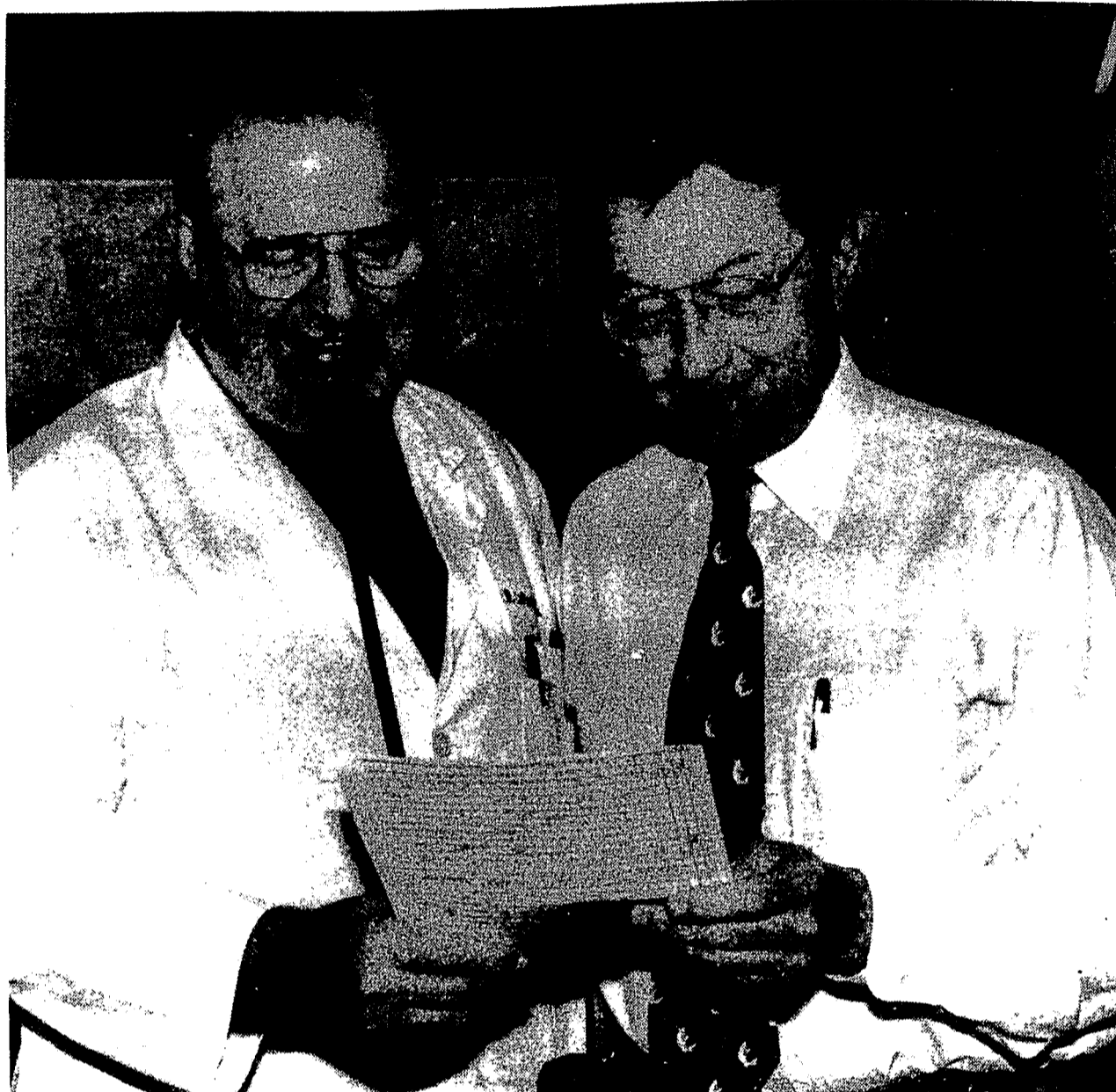
Business takes more and more time, with forms to fill out for government and insurance companies.

"It's challenging to keep cognizant of the health-care changes and potential reforms that are ongoing in the industry today," Dr. LePere said.

The Clarkston Clinic offers complete family care, including X-ray, EKG and other modalities, and urgent and walk-in care. Also on hand is the Pine Knob Pharmacy, where prescriptions can be filled — a great convenience to patients who don't feel up to making another stop on the way home.

Dr. LePere also offers his patients an on-site blood and culture lab, which ensures fast test results.

Dr. LePere's associates — Dr. Carroll Knauss,



**Dr. Ronald LePere consults with surgeon Carroll Knauss, who treats Clarkston Clinic patients who have general surgery needs. Dr. Knauss also provides those patients with before- and after-care at the clinic. Dr. LePere said patients appreci-**

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