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Local couple helps victims in Oklahoma

BY BRAD KADRICH
Oxford Leader Editor

Jeff and Genna Rockafellow promised each other Tuesday morning they weren't going to cry that day.

They didn't keep the promise.

By the time Jeff dropped Genna off at work at The Clarkston News' parent company, Sherman Publications, the couple had heard a story about a nurse who had died from injuries she sustained in the aftermath of the Oklahoma City explosion.

The story said the nurse's heart had been donated. For the Rockafellows, the tears began to flow. The promise would have to wait another day.

The Lake Orion couple spent four days last week in Oklahoma, volunteering in a crisis center for families in the wake of the April 19 bombing of the federal building that, at last count, had claimed 79 lives.

The Rockafellows have been back in town — physically, at least — since Sunday. After what they saw in their four days among the victims of the blast, they may never completely come back emotionally.

They left town that Wednesday afternoon, not sure what they were going to do, only certain that they had to go. Genna had heard the reports on the radio, seen the devastation in televised pictures.

The images sent her to the phone. "I called Jeff and he hadn't heard yet," recalled Genna, who is the dark room technician for The Clarkston News. "I told him to flip on the radio, and he said 'Oh my God.'"

"I said, 'We've got to go,' and he said OK."

The Rockafellows are state-licensed EMTs who volunteer at an ambulance bases in Genesee County, had no real plan of action. They just knew they couldn't simply sit home. "We have medical training, we're young with no kids to worry about," Genna said. "I kept telling myself, 'I have to be there.'"

A pair of airline tickets they had received as wedding presents after their November nuptials had so far gone unused. The Rockafellows had planned on using them to vacation in San Francisco. On April 19, they found a higher purpose. By 10 p.m., Jeff and Genna were in Oklahoma City.

"I was glad we had them, because we wouldn't have been able to fly down there and take money with us," Genna said. "And it's like Jeff said: San Francisco will always be there. We'll go one day."

That first glimpse

It took some doing, but the couple finally caught a taxi from the airport to the bomb site. Actually, they only got within a couple of blocks of the federal building because it had been cordoned off by police.



Genna and Jeff Rockafellow

That was close enough. The pictures, by now, are burned into the minds of a nation.

"We just stood there for a long time," Genna said. "We couldn't believe what we saw. The pictures on television... I just couldn't stop staring. It was like my eyes were seeing it, but my mind wasn't believing it."

They weren't needed at the bomb site, nor at the hospital. But the Red Cross needed help at the crisis center, being established in a large, often-used

'The hardest part for me was seeing their faces.'

Genna Rockafellow

church. The Rockafellows went to work helping families, taking missing persons reports, filling out medical examiner forms.

"That's pretty much all we did Thursday (the day after the bombing)," Genna said. "We took down any details they could give us: physical features, tattoos, jewelry they were wearing, anything at all that would help the medical examiner."

At first, it was difficult work. "The first couple of people I saw, I kind of broke down," admitted Jeff, an account manager for TRM Corporation in Auburn Hills. "Then I told myself I couldn't do that, because they needed help."

Friday was more tense. Distraught, family members came back looking for answers relief workers didn't have. "That was really hard," Genna said. "They hadn't eaten or slept, they were just kind of lost. It was a really emotionally draining day."

The notifications

An announcement came that identifications of victims and notifications of their families would pick up on Saturday. Jeff and Genna expected the worst, and got it in some ways.

The families who still hadn't heard anything about their loved ones had by now — three days after the blast — settled into a kind of vacuum, knowing the news wouldn't be good, unable to begin the closure process.

"They were just waiting to have proof positive," Genna said. "They were waiting to be told, 'Yes, we have a body, we have something you can bury,' so they could start that whole process."

The Rockafellows worked almost straight through. By Saturday afternoon, they — and others like them who had refused to leave were kicked out. "They didn't care what we wanted," Genna recalled. "We had been there too long."

Working in the crisis center was the hardest part. Families gathered together, at once seeking and giving comfort. Survivors came — cuts, bruises and all — to be with their co-workers and families.

The Rockafellows stayed with a family for a couple of hours, and Genna recalled the guilt the husband felt. The husband, who worked in the federal building, had been running late for work that day. If things had been normal, he would have been in the building when the blast went off.

"He just kept repeating, 'I was supposed to be there. I was supposed to be there.' It was weird," Genna said.

As she prepared to make the trip to Oklahoma City, and later, as she watched the survivors and the families trying to cope with the disaster, Genna was taken back just over a year, to the accident that killed her father. Some of those feelings came back with a rush in Oklahoma City.

"The hardest part for me was seeing their faces when they didn't know what was going on and they were scared," Genna said. "When they came through the door, I would see their face, and know that was my face."

"Without having to tell people what had happened, I could just go to them and say, 'I've been where you are. I know the hell you're having.'"

Since Sunday, the Rockafellows have joined the search for closure. The feelings bubble up, and they find a way to deal with them. They are trying to return to a normal life as quickly as possible — they forced themselves to take a shopping trip Saturday night, and returned to work Monday morning, just hours after getting back from Oklahoma City.

Back home in their natural surroundings, the Rockawells are coping, and recovering from the experience.

"It was very overwhelming," Jeff said. "There's a big chunk of me — and a big chunk of Genna, I'm sure — that will never leave Oklahoma City."

The news in brief

Fire Department hosts blood drive

The Independence Township Fire Department will host an American Red Cross Blood Drive on Thursday, April 27 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Donors should come to Station 2 at the corner of Sashabaw and Clarkston roads. Walk-ins are welcome; for an appointment call 625-1924.

HUG schedules meeting

Help Us Grow (HUG), the group formed to promote the upcoming millage for a new high school, will host a May Day kick-off on Monday, May 1 at 7 p.m. at Clarkston High School.

Representatives from HUG and school administration will be on hand to review facility problems facing the high school and middle schools and how the bond proposal will address those needs. Refreshments and tours of CHS will follow.

Anyone interested in hosting neighborhood meetings on the election may sign up at the meeting, and officials will be on hand to register voters. HUG has also announced it is accepting donations to help cover costs.

For more information call Kurt Shanks, HUG committee chairman, at 620-3878.

Poppy sales set to go

The American Legion Campbell-Richmond Post 63 will sell poppies from May 18-21.

The annual charity sale of poppies will take place at Farmer Jacks, Kroger, Foodtown and other areas. The money raised will go directly to aid veterans and their families.

Post 63 is located in Clarkston, at 8047 Ortonville Road.

Hearing scheduled for Waldon-Main property

A public hearing will be held May 1 at 7:30 p.m. by Clarkston's Planning Commission to consider re-zoning the property at the southeast corner of Waldon and Main. The request was made by Bob and Deanna Olsen to change several lots from residential to local business. Residents and neighboring property owners are invited to attend the hearing and offer comments. The hearing is being conducted by the Planning Commission prior to its recommendation to Clarkston's City Council.

State school board member in Clarkston

Clark Durant, chairman of the Michigan Board of Education, will be the guest speaker at the American Heritage Breakfast at Mt. Zion resource center, 4435 Clintonville Rd. on Saturday, May 6.

Durant will talk about "A Vision for the State Board of Education." Event chairman is state senator Mat Dunaskiss. Tickets are \$7.50 and the event, which begins at 8:30 a.m., is open to the public. For reservations call Jack Walker at 620-8902.

Springfield clean-up

Springfield Township residents may participate in a spring clean-up Saturday, April 29 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. at the Springfield Oaks Youth Activity Center, 12451 Andersonville Rd. Trash may be dropped off with verification that you are a township resident or property owner.

Charges include \$1 per car, \$5 per pick-up truck, \$10 per large truck and \$10 for any item containing Freon.

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Out of the pages

Middle-schoolers bring book to life for young readers

BY EILEEN OXLEY
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Storybook characters came to life for Clarkston Elementary first-graders last week.

Members of Patricia Evans' seventh-grade basic language arts class from Clarkston Middle School stepped into costumes — and they had almost as much fun as their young audience.

For 15 minutes children in Carol Campbell's class were captivated by a performance of "The Indian in the Cupboard" by author Lynne Reid Banks.

"Our speech pathologist Elizabeth Talbot wrote a script. We've been working on it with the (class). They made their own costumes and props," Evans said, before the show began last Wednesday.

"I wanted them to participate and to make as many homemade properties as they could. They were enthusiastic. They absolutely loved the story."

As a result kids fashioned a variety of costumes and props, creating them from suede, feathers, garbage bags, yarn, tissue paper and whatever their imaginations came up with.

Students portrayed the tale of "Omri," a little boy who receives a plastic Indian doll for his birthday. He puts it into a metal cupboard and — presto! Out steps a real Indian.

The story employs the same technique as "The



Student director Jacob Greene is flanked by Erin Bellinger (left) who narrated the story, and Ray

Baker, stage manager. Jacob and Ray made many of the props and costumes.

Nutcracker," where a wooden doll turns into a handsome prince. Omri soon discovers every toy he puts into the cupboard comes to life. But his actions have a price, teaching the kids about accountability. Omri soon discovers all is not pleasant and he's responsible for situations like a fight between the Indian and a cowboy doll who also becomes real.

The children were enthralled. And afterwards, the actors responded to questions.

Shane was asked where he got such a magnificent cowboy costume.

"My friend Jacob got the costume for me, the chaps and the hat. In the story that's the way Boone was, he was a cowboy," Shane said.

Jacob, who sat in a director's chair with his back

to the audience and often called, "Scene" and "Take," owns horses. "The riders wear chaps so they don't get burrs stuck on their legs. They help you so you don't get your legs dirty," he explained, as little ones' eyes grew wide.

Tony Row, who played a school principal, said he received a tip from CMS principal Vince Licatz — to lend a touch of authenticity to his performance.

"He said to remember to button my top button and tie my tie."

Evans was proud of her students and said they worked hard. She also explained the timeless appeal of stories about heroes.

"We updated The Terminator and made him into an Indian for our play," she quipped.



Left to right, CMS students and their roles: Front: Tony Row, horse I and Mr. Johnson; Mike Walker, Little Bear; Shane DeClue, cowboy; Ray Baker, stage manager; Danny Forster, horse. Back:

Jacob Greene, director; Ryan Gilford, Patrick; Jeremy Jarvis, Omri; Stephanie DeVos, Bright Star; Erin Bellinger, narrator.



A tissue-paper teepee was one of the many props made by the class.



The lines are drawn

Water/sewer master plan sets limits

BY DARREL W. COLE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

The township's lines of battle over sewer extensions are now drawn.

A water and sewer master plan shows Independence Township is serious about restricting sewer lines to the south end of the township. The plan was adopted by the township board of trustees April 18 on a 5-0 vote. Clerk Joan McCrary and trustee Daniel Travis were absent.

While the master plan is a guide for future township development, it is not law. It merely means any sewer extensions past the adopted boundaries must be approved by the township board, said township attorney Gerald Fisher.

Trustee Mel Vaara voted for the plan but still wondered if it is enough to stop growth in the north end of the township.

"I just worry we have too much encroachment north of I-75," he said. "I want this to be done as best as possible."

Supervisor Dale Stuart said this plan is a great start to the township's goals of preservation and current work on a township-wide master plan. While he realizes it is not law, he said it shows everyone where the township is willing to go with sewers and development.

"It doesn't say we can't grant extensions beyond those points. We may even find where we will change it upon request. But this is a means where we can go on record to developers saying, 'These are the limits we have set.'"

The boundary for the sewer and water line is Clarkston Road, east to Clintonville, south to Eston, and east to the township border.

Township attorney Fisher will add language which specifically points out how some may request modification of the sewer plan.

"There must be a uniform set of standards that determine when the line should be moved or altered," said Fisher. "So when the board denies there would be set standards and reasons to defend that denial."

Wellhead protection next step

Besides identifying planned sewer and water lines this master plan will provide the basis for determining where the township's aquifers are located.

Department of Public Works Director George Anderson said the state and federal governments may soon be requiring identification of all aquifers in municipalities. Because the newly-adopted master plan shows sewer lines will be restricted to the south end of the township, aquifer identification will only be needed there.

"If we don't have this master plan the state may soon be requiring us to present a wellhead study of the entire township at a much higher cost to us," Anderson said.

An aquifer is an underground source of water. Doing the study now is not only good preparation for the future but important for the protection of water sources, Anderson said.

Once the aquifers are identified, Anderson said the township board and planning commission would then try and restrict any "high-hazard zoning" near the

aquifers.

But before any zoning questions arise, Anderson said he must still get township board approval to do the wellhead protection study. He expects to ask the board if bids may be accepted for the study at the May 16 meeting.

If the wellhead study is approved, Anderson says Independence would be one of only a few municipalities in the state to have such a study, including Oxford and Milford villages.

The circus is coming

The Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce sponsored 3-ring circus will be coming to town June 30 at Clarkston High School.

After receiving Independence Township approval April 18, the Kelly-Miller Circus plans to have two shows at 4:30 and 7:30 p.m. with an anticipated attendance of 1,500 people per show. The big top will be set up in the parking lot at the school.

All proceeds benefit Lighthouse North.

The circus has met various township ordinance requirements including sanitation, fencing and insurance. Oakland County Sheriff's Department Lt. Douglas Hummel said the Independence substation will provide two reserve officers on site and the three regular afternoon officers will be on hand to assist. The Independence Township Fire Department will provide emergency medical services.



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Bond rating: A report card for municipalities

Independence on par with neighbors

BY DARREL W. COLE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Bond rating downgrade.

Several weeks ago that statement both worried and bewildered Independence Township officials and citizens. And while the township's one-rating-point downgrade will mean a higher interest rate on any future bonds, the township is still keeping up with the ratings of other Oakland County communities.

In early April, the township was notified by New York-based bond rating company Standard and Poor that its ratings were downgraded one grade from A to A- for limited tax general obligation bonds and from A+ to A for unlimited tax general obligation bonds.

The downgrade is due to the township's currently-held risky derivative investments, which have forced a "negative outlook" for the township's bond ratings, rather than the previous "stable outlook." Jeffrey Panger, a director at Standard & Poor, said the main reason for the downgrade is the township still holds the derivative investments.

Township officials have said Standard & Poor didn't base its decision on all the facts. They also said the township has a firm tax base and there is no danger of financial problems because the investments will eventually mature.

According to two experts in municipal financial matters, a rating downgrade may be perceived as worse than it really is, especially in Independence Township's case.

"In one sense it's a report card for municipal officials," said Joel Piell, chairman of the public law group for Detroit-based Miller, Canfield, Paddock and Stone. "It's also a way to show how outsiders view

Municipal bond ratings

Municipality	Rating/Comp.
Independence Twp.	A and A- from Standard & Poor.
Orion Twp.	A from Moody's; A- from S & P.
City of Pontiac	B+ and AA from Moody's; BB+ from S & P.
Springfield Twp.	No bond debts.
Waterford Twp.	A from S & P.
*White Lake Twp.	B
*NOTE: White Lake officials weren't sure what company gave them the bond rating, which was issued for construction of a water tower.	

the financial prospects of that community.

"There are some cost differences associated with a downgrade but it seems to be more of a blow to a community's psyche. It deflates one's ego."

Compared to other communities, Independence has a solid rating. Neighbor Orion Township has ratings of A and A-, while Pontiac's range from B+ to AA (See chart for other municipal ratings).

Robert J. Bendzinski of Bendzinski & Company, which only handles municipal financial services, agrees outside perceptions may affect the township more than the actual downgrading. He said interest rates rise when the rating falls, but the effect may be heightened because the financial community has read all about the township's investment problems.

"Obviously the fact that Independence Township did receive press from the Detroit papers puts it

in (business) people's minds," Bendzinski said.

Bendzinski, whose company represents communities such as Novi, Farmington Hills, Rochester and Orion, said Independence's rating is still good, especially considering Oakland County's high rating of A and AA.

"Oakland County is one of the four wealthiest counties in the nation and, overall, it's hard for a community to have a higher rating than the county it's in," he said.

Piell said the actual effect of the downgrade would be small. For example, he said if a municipality were to finance a AAA bond that would mature in 2025 (30 years) the interest rate would be 6.10 percent. Based on the same maturity, a AA bond, which would be a three-rating drop from AAA, will have an interest rate of 6.25 percent.

"Generally, if you drop below the investment grade rating of B then you probably can't sell the bonds," Piell said. "With some you have to have an A rating to sell."

Under Standard & Poor's bond rating system, Independence is nine rating grades away from a B rating. Their system's highest rating is a AAA+. The lowest is a D-.

Bond rating companies

The major municipal bond-rating companies are Moody's and Standard & Poor. Piell said there are a few others but those two are respected around the country and many financial institutions will only accept a rating from them.

"They've been around for the longest time and are very well respected," he said.

The state's municipal finance division says that bonds of \$1 million or more must have a credit rating, according to Piell.

Bendzinski said bond-rating companies operate much like a credit-rating company. "Everyone sends them information or they get it themselves and then they set the municipality's credit rating."

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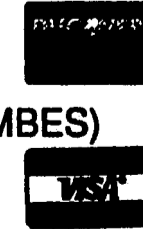
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In Focus

by Annette Kingsbury

It's good news week

Even the most hardened newsman or law-enforcement person has to choke up, even turn away, in the face of news as bad as that last week from Oklahoma City.

Witness Attorney General Janet Reno, who, in the hours after the bombing of the federal building, had to check her composure during a news conference describing the loss of children in a day-care center. Even without seeing her face, I could hear it in her voice over the car radio.

No one likes to hear such terribly, terribly bad news. But we must, or live in dangerous ignorance. It's the test many newspaper stories must pass: Do we tell the story, even though someone will be angered or offended, or withhold the truth, and risk allowing people to think they are safe?

Even before the bombing, this had been a topic of discussion among our editorial staff here at Sherman Publications. At a recent meeting, we talked about teen suicide and how to cover it—even whether to cover it.

Often, when such stories appear, we get calls and letters claiming we shouldn't have run the story. I've been on the receiving end of those calls after stories appeared having to do with crime, AIDS, suicide, even accidental injury. One recent caller to our Oxford paper claimed information had actually been fabricated (why any newspaper would do that, she didn't say). It didn't matter to her that the information had come directly from the police.

The dilemma we often face is that running the story may cause extra pain to someone. We always hope, whether it's a story about AIDS or crime or natural disaster, that it will serve as a signal to our readers. Hey—this is going on here. It CAN happen here.

Often we in quiet, beautiful, almost-rural northern Oakland County are able to convince ourselves that we are somehow immune from some of our neighbors' problems. I'll admit to having that feeling myself sometimes, when I look around at all the beauty and tranquility with which I've tried to fill my life. We don't face personal danger on a regular basis, therefore we are somehow protected. The most smug come to believe that somehow they are better, that because they lead a good life God has protected them from life's tragedies, rather than pure luck.

What's left unsaid but understood is that if you are a victim, it's somehow your fault. This argument has lately been used most when talking about AIDS, but is also heard when the discussion turns to other topics.

The day of the bombing I heard a radio reporter talking about how that state, that city, seemed like the least likely place for something like this to happen. That's just the point, I guess. If it can happen there, it can happen here, too. A sobering thought, but one that must be faced, like it or not.

I remember a few years ago when there was a rash of incidents of bricks being thrown from Detroit freeway overpasses, I wrote a column about the fear of

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Letters to the editor

Hockey time?

Dear Editor,

As a nine-year resident of Independence Township I am simply amazed at the quality of the athletic programs in the area. The high school consistently produces college and pro class athletes and the township has one of the broadest ranges of activities of any community I have ever had the pleasure to reside in.

There is a sport, however, who's time has come, that is not offered in our community. Ice hockey is the fastest and arguably one of the most exciting team sports played in most of the industrial world. Even those who profess little knowledge of the game admit its speed and skill are a wonder to behold.

This country has experienced no more intense pride than that fateful day at Lake Placid in 1980, when the USA pulled off the mightiest of victories over the traditional hockey powers with little more than good college players, some average amateurs and a coach with a dream.

Our community has, even if on a smaller scale, the ability and talent to begin to develop another class of athlete that can join the ranks of Clarkston's finest. Dozens of area youths already participate in the Michigan Amateur Hockey Association programs surrounding our community and 10 Oakland County high schools have varsity hockey programs.

This is one sport that can and will pay its own way. To finance a squad for an entire season is usually completely covered by gate receipts. Fan support grows quickly and there is no more dedicated booster group than hockey parents.

Logically the next step is to build a facility to broaden the community level of awareness and the great fitness potential in skating, a low impact aerobic activity for all ages from 4 to 90 years old.

Ice time availability is at an acute premium in this area. Many skaters rent time in the middle of the night, just to get their "fix" from this infectious activity. Here again, this is a facility that will become self-supporting. Currently, the cost of icetime rentals are over \$150 per hour! Most area arenas operate 8 to 24 hours a day. In the off season the building becomes a multipurpose facility for in-line skating (another skyrocketing sport), flea markets, swap meets and even rodeos!

The time has come for "Game-On!" Come on Clarkston, let's put a new generation of athletic Wolves on ice!

Jack D. Leech
Independence Township

The event of the season

Last week, my family and I had the privilege of attending, for the second year, the Easter program of the Clarkston Free Methodist Church on Maybee Road.

We wish to thank the musical, drama and technical staff, along with director Mark Thompson, for their combined hard efforts. The result was an awesome, exciting and jubilant presentation.

This very special program is a wonderful contribution to the community. I urge everyone to take advantage of what has become The Annual Event of the Easter season.

Kathleen Ashley
Clarkston

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Jim's Jottings

By Jim Sherman

Special moments, home or highway

A person has to cling to special moments in life. Not necessarily cling to the obvious, like good home, fine family, friends, food and health.

But special things like calling people in snow-covered Michigan from sun-drenched Arizona. Such calls are warming to the vacationers' soul and sickening to the shovelers.

Special moments like watching a reddened sunset silhouetting large saguaro cactus, watching humming birds hover around a waterer and pairs of Gambel's quail skittering about.

These special moments are mentioned here with only one purpose . . . to create an envy.

This year's 2-week trek to Arizona in April finds the desert more in bloom than other years. Hedge hog cactus, ocotilla and some prickly pear cactus are in bloom.

I had just finished the above paragraphs when Hazel reminded me of a shopping promise.

A couple hours later, on our way back to Carefree from Phoenix, I heard what sounded like a stone being squeezed from under a rear tire of our borrowed car.

To satisfy my curiosity I stopped and looked at the tire. Nothing! Three miles later the tire suddenly went flat with that sickening flip-flop-flip.

We were on reasonably busy Cave Creek Road and fortunately had lots of shoulder room. No problem. I've changed a few tires in my life. Check for jack. OK. Check the spare tire. Not OK. Too little air.

I stood behind the car and did a charade of a person asking "Do you have a telephone?" In minutes a young man stopped. I dialed a friend and forced the phone owner (really) to take some money.

Before my friends arrived four more people stopped to offer help.

With so much written and spoken about the cold, cruel world we are led to believe we live in, our roadside experience turned into another special moment to enjoy.

Addendum: At the Goodyear shop, after a new tire had been put on the old rim, the repair man handed me a six inch piece of steel rod used in reinforcing concrete.

He said he found it inside my tire. I guess the original sound I heard wasn't the squeezing of a stone.

A look back

15 YEARS AGO (1980)

"The Wonderful World of Pine Knob," a 12 ride amusement park within Pine Knob, gets final site plan approval and the go-head from the Independence Township Planning Commission. It will be located west of the music theater ticket booth. Trees will serve as noise buffers and the ticket booth can possibly be used for the amusement park as well, says Pine Knob Investment co-owner Joseph Locricchio. But some attending the meeting complain, worried about increased noise levels and height limitations for rides.

Clarkston High School athlete Steve Wyckoff breaks his own record for the high jump from 6-5 to 6-7 at the West Bloomfield Invitational track meet Saturday. "To break your own record and establish another school mark is a tremendous accomplishment," says Clarkston boys' track coach Walt Wymięko.

Members of the Clarkston Village Players rehearse for their musical comedy "Two by Two" which opens Friday at the Depot Theatre. The cast includes Larry Bate, Miriam Bate, Chuck Storey, Sandy Grider, Roy Dennison, Judy Rood, Darwin Bragg and Marcia Cybul.

25 YEARS AGO (1970)

Clarkston Police will soon have their own vehicle — a 1968 Pontiac Catalina that will be leased to the village from Haupt Pontiac. Sgt. Jack Frost says the car will be "a great help" and "we will volunteer our service many more hours with the new car."

Clarkston Junior High School's Student Government plans a "Clean Sweep" of the Clarkston area on May 2. Eleven groups of students will tackle eleven different areas on what they have dubbed "Grub Day." Areas include The Orchard, shopping center, downtown, Mill Pond, Holcomb, Middle Lake and the school area. Prizes will be awarded to the "grubbiest" students — those with the most trash.

It doesn't look hopeful for Don Auten's proposed furniture store and rental units adjacent to the village parking lot. Auten wanted to buy a portion of land along the north edge of the lot for parking, but village attorney Jack Banycky says the village can't dispose of the land without a vote of the people. When

Auten is denied, Councilman Willis Kushman says maybe consideration should be given to building downtown. Councilman Jack Hagen answers, "Shut the doors, the village is going out of business. I've heard this for 10 years." Hagen adds that he feels "it's time people stood up and announced that this was a good place to live and it would be just as good to leave it that way."

50 YEARS AGO (1945)

News from "By the Way": If you walk along Main Street you may remember how John Breakey spent time working with stones, dirt and mass to make it beautiful all along the curb ... Charlie Harmon has bought the Newton farm to the south of the village ... the Fords have bought the Garter farm that fronts on the Dixie and runs back to Deer Lake ... There are rumors of a "book tea" to help the school library ... Dolls will delight mothers and daughters who attend the May 11 banquet ... Carl Walker had the misfortune to break a couple of small bones Sunday when he fell off a ladder ... the Stamps begin their 30th year in Clarkston and thank the community for their support in building up The Clarkston News.

Real values at Carols 5 cent to \$1.00 store include men's all elastic garters, a pair for 50 cents; brassieres, size 34-36, 69 cents; a box of Kleenex for 10 cents; a 10-piece Glassbake set for \$1.39; and bobby pins, one card to a customer for a dime.

60 YEARS AGO (1935)

Bank deposits reach a new high in Clarkston with large deposits reported in Clarkston State Bank. Records from two years ago show deposits have risen from over \$31,000 in July 1933 to over 236,000, the present total. This production of deposits is far ahead of any from the depression years of 1932-1934 and compares favorably with 1927-1929.

Playing at the Holly Theatre are Ginger Rogers and Francis Lederer in "Romance in Manhattan," George O'Brien in "When a Man's a Man," Warner Baxter and Myrna Loy in "Broadway Bill," Edmund Lowe and Victor McLaglen in "Great Hotel Murder" and Kay Francis and George Brent in "Living on Velvet."

If It Fitz

by Jim Fitzgerald



It's way past time for atoning action

Regarding the current widespread uproar against affirmative action, my favorite rhymester, Rudy Simons of Southfield, put it this way:

*You wind up their motor,
They'll quoitcha, "No quota!"
And many will label them "hero."
But did they care an iota
When there was a real quota
And that quota was absolute zero.*

I wish I could be as cleverly succinct as Simons (undoubtedly, so do a lot of readers). More strongly, I wish it were no longer necessary to write columns like today's. Thirty years ago, I would have scoffed at the suggestion that affirmative action favoring black people would still be necessary in 1995.

Of course, I also thought Elvis Presley was a showbiz blip surely to be forgotten overnight.

My cousin Al, now retired from a lifelong job working for his uncle, is pleased by the current clamor to end any sort of employment-line jumps for minorities. And magnanimous Al is especially delighted to say that although he is white, he doesn't hesitate to praise those several well-known black people who publicly proclaim affirmative action is unneeded and unwelcome in the black community.

Oh, yes. Those are the black people who usually became well-known for their success, especially financial, thanks to their high intelligence and work ethic. Which certainly proves that whites don't own the franchise on I've-got-mine prejudice, whether it be based on race, class or luck.

Where were Cousin Al and the other anti-affirmative-action zealots yesterday? Al is almost 80. Today, he yelps about constitutional rights when a black person is allowed to sit right beside a white person in the employment office. Years ago, he had no complaints when there was a sign in the employment office saying, "Whites Only."

If only the obvious bigots like Cousin Al were using the reverse-discrimination argument to fight affirmative action, I wouldn't be so dismayed by the hypocrisy. But many supposedly enlightened people, including judges and newspaper editorialists, are taking the same position.

Where was all that grave concern for equal opportunity when blacks, women and other minorities needed it?

How can educated, supposedly intelligent people wail that they shouldn't suffer, however marginally, for some injustice, like slavery, committed before they were born, without conceding that people born after slavery was abolished (or sanitized) are still suffering from it?

It is true, as Cousin Al keeps preaching, that two wrongs don't make a right. But in a society trying to atone for past sins, it is not wrong to give equally qualified blacks a slight head start the first time they compete in a race they previously were only allowed to watch — from segregated seating. It is not wrong. It is the fair and decent thing to do.

It's too bad if a few innocent newborn whites must personally pay the price of atonement. But it's a legitimate debt that someone must pay. And who could deny that those doing the atoning are suffering far less, and in far less numbers, than those sinned against?

My sympathy is with, say, the white would-be fire fighter who must let an equally qualified black applicant into line ahead. I would only ask him or her to try to understand, and to remember when blacks couldn't even apply.

But there is no sympathy here for Cousin Al and the other righteous hypocrites who have suddenly discovered it is unfair to be forced to ride in the back of the bus. I would only ask them to get out and walk.

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Don't Rush Me

By Don Rush

To flush or not to flush, that is the question



Decisions, decisions. Life is always full of them. At this very moment, deciding on the right decision has got me boxed into a tight corner.

On my left shoulder sits a wee little, red cartoon devil. On the right, a snow-white angel.

"Flush 'em!" "Save them."

Why do things have to be so complicated? They're only goldfish, for goodness sakes!

They're kind of big now, and they're in the way now, and we're remodeling the house and . . .

. . . and, My Lovely Bride has sent down orders: "Eighty-six the fish, Rush."

You can see I'm torn here. I saved these two orange, oriental carp from a certain painful demise at the mouth of some pet piranha, or other pet predator. In this barbaric world of ours, they were raised to perform the death swim for the enjoyment of some sadistic person who gets all excited when the poor little feeder fish gets gulped down. They were like Christians waiting for the lions.

Though I'm always inclined for the little guy, I didn't start out being attached to these fish. On the contrary, they were to be used to get the bacteria and pH levels going in the fish tank for more exotic and colorful fish.

But when the levels were just right I just couldn't flush 'em. The little voice on my right told me there's something inherently wrong with using the fish, only to

cast them aside to die among human waste.

Sure they only cost me about 25 cents apiece, plus tax, but flushing them didn't seem the right thing to do.

Three years, and over \$200 in fish food later, the subject has again reared its ugly head.

"Flush em, and you can quote me," My Lovely Bride barked. "That way you can clean out the spot in your office for that ugly green chair in the living room that you refuse to pitch."

This was to be the spring when I dug that gold fish pond I've always wanted since my two guys got over five-inches long. Of course, that was before I fractured some bone near my ankle (a story unto itself).

"It'll take you 'til July to dig that pond. We're getting new carpet in three weeks. Why don't you let them go in the lake," offered you know who.

I must admit, the thought has crossed my mind more than once and on the surface it seems like the right choice. "They'll be free."

But . . . but won't they be sitting ducks out there in that big, dark lake? Those spring-hungry pikes and big-mouth bass will spot those two gold fish a nautical mile away. Gulp, gulp, and they'll be gone: destiny can be so cruel.

Decisions, decisions. Life is always full of them. Rats.

CHS life by Amber Gebrowsky

Spring break, Clarkston style

Bright light, crowds of people, a cool mist spraying across my face . . . Ahhh, the joys of spring break!

As I return to school after a much-needed week off, I can't help but smile as I reflect on my vacation. OK, so I am returning sans tan, but what a vacation!

Where did I go? Cancun, Daytona Beach, France, or Texas? Well, not quite. I stayed a little closer to home. For the most part, I made it as far as the Dairy Queen on M-15.

You see, the bright light was really from the fluorescent light bulbs at the big DQ, the crowds of people were customers desiring ice cream, and the cool mist upon my face was generally spray from the shake machine.

This really wasn't as bad as it sounds. I mean, I didn't have to worry about Montezuma's revenge, sunburn or getting lost in a strange city. All I had to worry about was how much hot fudge to put on a medium sundae.

Of course, going to work was not the only adventure of my senior spring break. I took numerous road trips and outings, some of which were a little more successful than others.

For example, on our second official day of vacation, best friend Mandy MacLachlan and I decided to head to a bookstore in Rochester. I assumed the position of shotgun, confident that Mandy, armed with a set of directions, knew how to get us there.

An hour and a half later, we still hadn't seen the desired bookstore. We had seen The Palace, the Silverdome, Cranbrook, St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Oakland Community College and the restaurant that I ate at last May after taking the SAT.

Our directions proved to be a little mixed up,

unless of course one desired to take a sightseeing tour of southeastern Michigan. If this was the case, we were in luck. Now, if our college plans don't work out, there is always the new possibility of opening a tour company based right here in Clarkston.

Several days later, Mandy and I took part in yet another quest for the desired bookstore, this time with an entourage consisting of my parents, a 5-year-old cousin, and good friend D'Anne Witkowski. Not only did we find the bookstore, we succeeded in finding a McDonald's with a playland for my cousin, and a hard-to-find classical music CD that I have wanted for months.

Finding the CD was exciting — definitely better than lying on a sunny beach somewhere, or swimming in the ocean. I was nearly dancing in the music aisle when I spotted the CD, and was almost ready to embrace the slightly bored cashier. I did think better of this, however, and merely flashed the man an exuberant smile and thanked him profusely for having one of the best music selections in the whole free world.

HOWEVER. Seventeen-year-old high school students should probably not visit playlands. If you are 5 years old, these structures are great, and everyone loves them. However, if you are 17 they are only for the very brave. The noise level alone is intimidating, and the sheer number of waist-high individuals contributes to the confusion. While my peers and I perceive ourselves as ready for adulthood, I am far from ready for parenthood.

And that's just the tip of the iceberg. My other vacation adventures were plentiful, and similarly exciting. While I may not have experienced a new city or a new culture, I did experience a lot — the City of the Village of Clarkston-style.



Ei-liners by Eileen Oxley

In our own back yard

During the past few days I've noticed reporters have used the word "vulnerability" in covering the Oklahoma City tragedy.

How appropriate that is.

Violence is definitely moving closer to home. Now, with the developments over the weekend, it's knocking at our back door.

It's somehow ironic that during the time we celebrate Earth Day, we find another kind of pollution to ponder.

People don't seem to care that they're messing up Mother Earth. And some don't care that they're destroying human life either.

The picture of the gentle firefighter who held a dying infant outside the Murrah Federal Building hit all the major newspapers. And, if a picture is a thousand words, that photo said it all.

Horrific tragedy, as in murder and terrorism, has always been "somewhere else," never so close to home.

But in the last few months we the U.S., we the local area — and now, we the state of Michigan — have been put on the map. We'll never be the same again.

Terrorism in America and tragedy in our neighborhoods to the east is stamped permanently in our minds.

In our own backyard we have witnessed Lake Orion's first murder in 27 years — of a man some of

us bought party supplies from.

We have seen a likeable 14-year-old, a teenager on the brink of young manhood, tortured and stabbed in Oxford. He'll never get the chance to be a dad, his sister said.

We made national news when Scott Amedure was murdered after he appeared on the Jenny Jones talk show.

And now, the latest — a Michigan connection with the federal building bombing.

People we will never meet will now know us forever.

In our own community several teens created explosives that could have blown them to bits just like the people in Oklahoma.

Hopefully, they'll be shook up after reading the articles.

How do we handle this, man's inhumanity to man?

Do we bury our heads in the sand and hope it won't happen again?

Do we lock our doors and take extra precaution at the money machine and car wash?

Must we hide in our own homes, living in fear, never feeling truly safe again?

True, we are vulnerable, just as the newspapers have said.

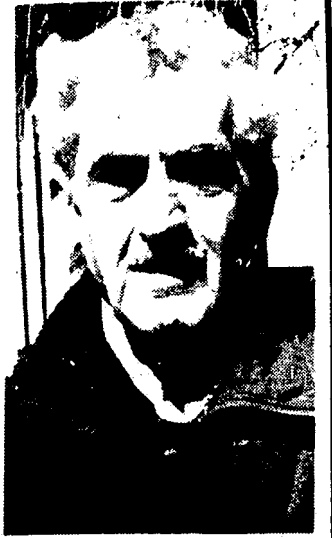
But we have to go on.

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People poll

By Eileen Oxley

How does it feel to have a Michigan connection with the Oklahoma tragedy?



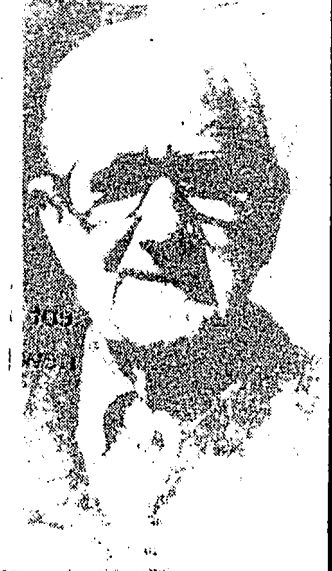
JOE GENTLE, ROCHESTER HILLS: It doesn't bother me a bit because they're liable to come from any place. People that are unbalanced — you'll find them all over.



DICK GREENFIELD, CLARKSTON: Sad. Number one, you're innocent till you're proven guilty. If they are proven guilty, they're pretty sick puppy dogs and they are a danger to the human race and should be locked up.



MARGARET ROTH, CLARKSTON: It just feels terrible. It breaks my heart that it happened and our area is involved. Nobody feels good when little children are killed. They're our next generation.



JOHN HASTIE, CLARKSTON: It's embarrassing and it's awkward. But it probably could have been any chapter in the country that spawned the attack. The world is full of people who are willing to hold other people's coats for them while they do the fighting.

Two men honored for helping victims of house fire

Robert Clancy hasn't forgotten losing his grandparents in a fire 21 years ago. He never will.

Perhaps that's the reason why, when he was out riding his motorcycle on a beautiful spring afternoon March 15, he didn't keep going when he saw smoke, even though it was his first day off work in three months.

He and another man, Robert Green, were honored last week by the Independence Township Fire Department for helping to rescue the already seriously ill resident of a burning home on N. Eston Rd. The two men moved Ronald Strelve away from the house after his wife had gotten him as far as the door. Due to Strelve's illness, the home contained several oxygen tanks which were in danger of exploding.

Green, a neighbor on his way home from work, said Strelve was on the home's deck when he arrived. Since the home was a log cabin and the windows were open due to the unseasonably warm weather, he was concerned that the victim needed to be taken a safe distance away.

"We knew we had to get them out of there," Clancy said. Strelve died later from his burns.

Fire chief Gar Wilson said the combination of factors made the fire burn very hot. He said the roof was already caving in when he arrived.

"We need more people like you guys," he told Green and Clancy. "There's a lot of people that will turn their head."



From left, Robert Clancy, fire chief Gar Wilson and Robert Green. Wilson presented the two men with certificates of appreciation last week for trying to save a fire victim.

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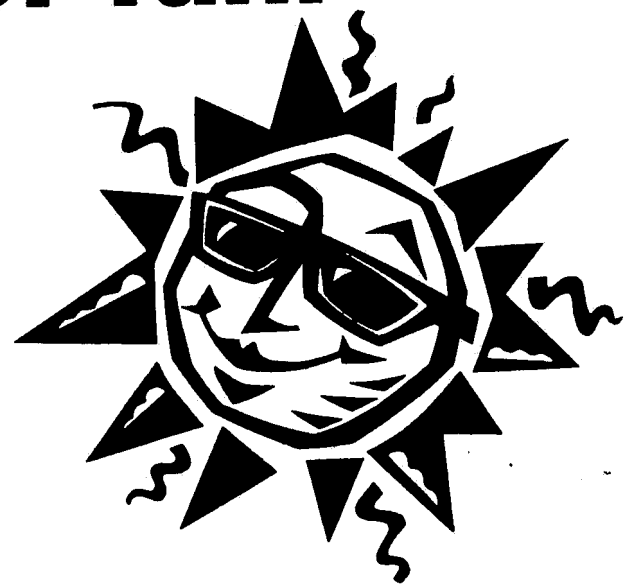


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Denny Sullivan, President

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Shannon Longstaff, Owner

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Greenery Health Care Center

David Duffy, Administrator

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Davisburg Sand & Gravel Al Valentine, Owner

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When you are in the market for sand, gravel and crushed concrete (one and two inch sizes) of the highest quality, be sure to call Davisburg Sand & Gravel. Their trucks are expertly maintained and you can depend on them to have the materials you need on the job when you are ready for it. Regardless if your needs are large or small, Davisburg Sand & Gravel has the experience and equipment to handle the job. They offer a discount on large orders and free grading on 50 yards or more. Give them a call soon.

Waterford Electrolysis Clinic

Sue Kamash, Registered Electrologist

The field of electrolysis gets to the root of the problem of unwanted hair. Certified or licensed electrologists are professionally trained in safe, medically approved methods of hair removal. In this area, Waterford Electrolysis Clinic, located in Waterford at 6512 Hatchery Street, phone 666-2777, offers you completely private and professional treatments.

Many clients have found that temporary methods of hair removal, including tweezing, waxing or depilatories, are a nuisance, while electrolysis treatments offer a safe and permanent alternative. Waterford Electrolysis Clinic will design a personalized hair removal plan for you, providing a clean and comfortable atmosphere in which to receive your treatments. Hair can be successfully removed from the arms, legs, face and other parts of the body and you will find that rates may be much more reasonable than you had thought.

Developed in 1875 by a St. Louis eye surgeon, electrolysis techniques have been successfully utilized for over 100 years. These techniques have been refined and modernized to provide clients of today safe, medically approved, permanent hair removal. Waterford Electrolysis Clinic invites and welcomes your inquiries and will provide you with a free initial consultation. Contact them today for an appointment or more information. Mention this reader ad and receive 15 minutes of free electrolysis.

Metro Towing

Serving Your Towing Needs For 9 Years - Larry Balone, President

For fast, reliable towing services, call the pros at Metro Towing, located in Waterford at 4290 West Walton Street, phone 674-3002. They have many years of experience in the towing business and can handle your every towing need. They offer damage-free local and long-distance towing and live by the motto "anytime, anywhere." Your vehicle will be taken to the destination of your choice.

For most people, it is not often that they need to call a towing service, but when you do, rely on Metro Towing for prompt and courteous service. They will be there for you 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, and may be reached by calling 674-3002. They specialize in local and long distance damage-free towing for commercial or private towing services. These experts have all the necessary equipment to perform any wrecker operation needed. "They pick up where you left off."

It's nice to know that the trucks and personnel at Metro Towing are available when you need them the most. For professional damage-free towing service and competitive prices, Metro Towing is the name to remember. Clip this reader ad and put it in your wallet for the next time you need the services of a competent and reliable towing service.

BUSINESS REVIEW

Readers Ads Continued.

Mail Boxes Etc.

Pat Baird, Owner • Over 4 Years Of Experience

Do you spend too much time standing in line at the post office? Are you running from store to store looking for just the right office supplies? Let Mail Boxes Etc., located in Pontiac at 506 North Telegraph Road, phone 335-5155, be your shipping center and more. They are in the business of serving your business, and can save you valuable time and money with the help of their complete shipping, packing and business support services.

Mail Boxes Etc. can ship anything anywhere via ground or air, and overnight delivery is available. Packaging and shipping supplies are on hand, and their knowledgeable staff will custom pack anything you wish. This is one company that truly understands the importance of business support services. That's why they offer a wide variety of office supplies, including photocopies, business cards, stationery, rubber stamps, greeting cards, keys, passports and photo IDs. Services such as word processing, facsimile and postal services also play a key role in their success.

Mail box rentals, stamps, gift wrapping and complete mail services make Mail Boxes Etc. the area's one-stop business center. Don't waste anymore time in line at the post office. Stop by Mail Boxes Etc.—the smart alternative—today.

George E. Krull, DDS Pediatric Specialist

Your smile is meant to last a lifetime. Protecting and improving the appearance of your teeth and keeping your smile bright are the priorities of Dr. George E. Krull. His office is located in Clarkston at 6401 Citation Drive, and may be reached by calling 625-3603. The doctor is experienced in all aspects of general, family and pediatric dentistry. He and his staff provide a wide range of services including preventive care, cosmetic dentistry, bonding, general and pediatric dentistry, and emergency treatment.

Today, dentistry is virtually painless, but many people still associate dentistry with discomfort. Dr. Krull and his staff understand this fact and try to make your visit as pleasant as possible, realizing that regular check-ups are your family's best defense against dental disease. Providing concerned, individualized treatment to all of their patients, they welcome your inquiries and will be glad to discuss proposed treatment and care prior to performing any procedures. Most insurance plans are welcome and the office accepts patients qualifying for Medicaid dental benefits. Convenient office hours are available by appointment.

Dr. George E. Krull and his staff adhere to the strictest infection control standards and keep current with new dental procedures. He is a licensed specialist in pediatric dentistry and a member of the American Dental Association and the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry. He is sensitive to your feelings and encourages open communication regarding your overall dental care.

The Inner Light Center Loretta M. Juricic, C.HT

Hypnosis has been recognized as a treatment by the medical profession for over 100 years. When performed as a therapeutic measure, it provides a safe means for an individual to make positive changes in his or her life. The Inner Light Center, located in Pontiac at 1075 Featherston Street, phone 377-3396, is highly qualified in all phases of hypnosis. She is able to provide therapy for individuals with stress related problems.

Hypnosis has helped many people to quit smoking and proven effective in obesity as well as in habit or pain control. Hypnosis therapy is also used to help improve one's self-esteem, concentration or memory, which is particularly advantageous for people involved in sports or who need to present a positive image through public speaking. The Inner Light Center provides a private consultation and confidential treatments which may be scheduled by appointment. Convenient hours including evenings are available. She would also like the public to realize that there is no reason to fear hypnosis when it is performed by a qualified professional.

If difficult roadblocks have been recurring in your life, The Inner Light Center may be able to offer you a permanent solution. This caring professional invites you to contact her for a consultation or more information and begin now to be the best you can be!

AAA Michigan Travel Agency

Bob Harabedian, Manager

AAA Michigan Travel Agency is your complete travel headquarters for all phases of business or leisure travel. They cater to individual business people and to corporate groups of all sizes. These travel experts are located in Waterford at 1375 North Oakland Boulevard, and invite you to call them at 666-2600 or 1-800-222-2661 when you or your company needs to make travel plans.

AAA Michigan Travel Agency is fully computerized and can make every arrangement necessary for your trip including hotel, car and transportation reservations as well as provide cruise and tour bookings. They are experienced in planning all accommodations for business meetings and large conventions as well as travel incentives for your company. AAA Michigan Travel Agency keeps a computer profile for each of their clients, which includes their personal travel preferences, provides management reports and helps design corporate travel policies to monitor travel expenses. Contact them for an appointment to discuss your firm's travel needs.

For individual or business travel for yourself or a group, AAA Michigan Travel Agency is the agency to contact. You will find their professional service and personalized attention to be among the best available. Let them be your travel connection. Bring in this reader ad and receive 25% off a cruise and tour package of \$750.00 or more—good through May 31, 1995.

Pontiac-Oakland Visiting Nurse Assoc. Visiting Nurse Assoc. Private Care, Inc.

Margaret Rombach, Executive Administrator • Kathy Bulski, Administrator For Private Duty Nursing

When it comes to health care for a loved one—there's no place like home! When patients require day-to-day nursing care, they are frequently happier and recover more quickly in their own home.

At Pontiac-Oakland Visiting Nurse Association and Visiting Nurse Association Private Care, located in Waterford Township at 959 West Huron Street, phone 683-1770, these professionals provide home health care. They offer nursing service, social workers, physical, speech and occupational therapists, aides and nutritionists. They are screened and tested under the supervision of a registered nurse, and are bonded and insured for your protection. Pontiac-Oakland Visiting Nurse Association has recently opened Visiting Nurse Association Private Care, Inc. This service provides personal care, respite care, child care, laundry, light housekeeping, meal preparation and transportation services. All personnel are bonded and insured and thoroughly screened to ensure complete safety and competent services. They provide their services throughout the entire area. In accordance with the services they provide, there is occasional insurance coverage and they will help clients determine if insurance is accepted. All cases are opened and supervised by registered nurses and they can also provide one-time RN specialists. These services are privately paid by the client.

Both companies will handle your requirements in a professional manner. Patients have unique needs, and the personnel here will provide individualized care plans reflecting their needs as a whole. Remember, peace of mind begins with personal care.

Bill's Auto Supply Serving The Area For 21 Years

If you're in the market for auto parts, you have two choices. You can go to a new auto parts house and spend a small fortune, or visit the friendly people at Bill's Auto Supply, where they have one of the area's largest selections of quality used and rebuilt auto parts at prices sure to please.

With the price of auto parts as high as they are today, the average person cannot afford to keep his car in the best of repair, unless he is a wise owner and saves his money by selecting his parts from Bill's Auto Supply, located in Pontiac at 2425 Williams Drive, phone 858-7586. From starters and alternators to both standard and automatic transmissions, these people can supply you with practically any part you may need. If your car has been in an accident, they may have just the right fender, bumper, hood or door at a fraction of the price that you would pay for a new replacement.

The personnel at Bill's Auto Supply are experts in their field and can help you select just the right part to fit any particular project. They pay top dollar for used and wrecked cars, and then disassemble them to give you the best buys anywhere. You're sure to save money when you pay a visit to Bill's Auto Supply, and you'll be sure of a square deal every time.

Terry's Tires Terry Lugg, President

When the people of this area think of tires, they usually think of Terry's Tires, located in Pontiac at 1153 North Perry Street, phone 332-5460. This fine company has come to be thought of as the community's one-stop tire headquarters. They have tires for cars, trucks, recreational vehicles, tractors and four wheel drive vehicles. Radial tires for American and foreign cars can be selected from their large stock. Your tires are the only things between your car and the road. Don't compromise the safety of yourself or your family with worn tires. Stop by soon and you'll find that quality does make a difference.

This firm features first line, first quality tires from famous name brands. However, name brands alone do not make a good dealer. Trained personnel doing quality work constitutes a major reason why this firm stands out among all the other tire dealers in the area. Terry's Tires also features computer spin balancing and tire rotation. These professionals can handle all of your tire needs.

Remember, for a dealer that's large enough to buy in volume, but small enough to give you personalized service, stop in at Terry's Tires. You will be pleased with the attractive prices they can offer you on their quality products.

Elizabeth Lake Collision

Larry & Jim Rappuhm, Owners

"Quality" is more than just a word at Elizabeth Lake Collision, located in Waterford Township at 4602 Elizabeth Lake Road, phone 681-4125. They are proud of their superior craftsmen and the quality work they produce. From small dents in your car's door to "nearly totalled" vehicles requiring repair or replacement of major body sections, their skilled personnel apply experience, knowledge and judgement to expertly restore your car's body to pre-crash condition. Special attention to details during the repair process assures you of the highest quality finished product.

Automotive painting and refinishing is truly an art. The painters at Elizabeth Lake Collision combine the latest techniques, highest quality materials and an expert's keen eyes to create showroom quality finishes. Every precaution is taken to ensure the final finish matches your original paint as closely as possible in both appearance and quality, to protect and preserve the value of your car.

Properly restoring your vehicle requires the unique combination of experience, technical knowledge, judgement and the professional touch of skilled craftsmen. Elizabeth Lake Collision's professional repair techniques allow them to get your car back on the road quickly, safely and at a fair price.

The Huttenlocher Group

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The leader in this area for all types of insurance coverage are the professionals at The Huttenlocher Group, located in Waterford at 1007 West Huron Street, phone (810) 681-2100. The personnel at this firm fully understand all phases of insurance and can properly advise you concerning the type and amount of coverage for your personal and business needs.

With all the different types of policies available from such a wide variety of companies, most of us would have a difficult time making an informed decision. The Huttenlocher Group is one insurance agency whose primary concern is finding you the most complete coverage at the most competitive rates. In addition, they understand that the most important factor in selling insurance is the individualized, personal attention they can provide you, year after year.

Be sure to consult with The Huttenlocher Group when in need of any type of insurance. Don't take chances when it comes to you, your family, your business and your personal property. Call the friendly staff at The Huttenlocher Group and you'll be sure to agree, choosing the right agent is the best insurance you can have.

Philip R. Seaver Title Company

Joan Wummel, Office Manager

Buying a home is an important purchase. Once the deeds and mortgage documents are signed, the property is yours, so you think, but it may not be. Chances are, you are the owner, but a sure title is not simply having a deed in hand. A deed alone will not cancel prior "rights" others may have to your property—rights and claims you would never expect to exist.

When a title policy is issued through Philip R. Seaver Title Company, you can rest assured that your property is protected by the policy subject only to its term. If a flaw in the title is discovered, the title company will defend the title as issued, at its own expense, and will correct or clear the title or will pay any loss incurred. Now that you may be considering refinancing your home, you'll need title insurance again and the rates at Philip R. Seaver Title Company are very competitive in the area.

A low, one-time premium covers the entire cost for as long as ownership remains in your name. Protection of your property rests on the financial stability, professional integrity and responsible management of the title insurance company. So, select your title insurance as carefully as you would any other insurance. Protect yourself against loss due to title defects. Insist on an owner's title insurance policy through Philip R. Seaver Title Company, located in Clarkston at 6751 Dixie Highway, Phone 625-6100 for additional information today.

Auto-Lab Diagnostic & Tune-Up Center

Established 1980 • Serving The Area For 2 Years

If you are particular about your foreign or domestic vehicle, then you should be very particular about who services it! Auto-Lab Diagnostic & Tune-Up Center, located in Waterford at 5534 Dixie Highway, phone 623-1400, is the automotive service and tune-up center to see for the exacting work you demand.

Auto-Lab Diagnostic & Tune-Up Center reflects the continuing trend of specialization in auto maintenance. The manufacturing technology of both American and import cars has changed the way cars are tuned today, requiring advanced electronic equipment. The management at this shop has extensive experience in this specialized service and they specialize in auto electronics and complete auto repairs. This technology offers the opportunity for high volume tune-up business, fast service, and most importantly, one low price backed by a warranty. To properly analyze your engine, Auto-Lab Diagnostic & Tune-Up Center uses an electronic engine analyzer. They simulate actual driving conditions found when idling and during acceleration. They can fine-tune your engine for peak gas efficiency and riding comfort or locate the source of any ignition problem you're having quickly and accurately. This equipment eliminates the guess work in tuning your car.

Remember, for the finest in complete automotive tune-ups, stop in to see the friendly people at Auto-Lab Diagnostic & Tune-Up Center, or call 623-1400 today for an appointment. They are the "pros" in top-notch auto performance!

Milestones



Gray-Mitchell

John and Alice Gray of Clarkston announce the engagement of their daughter Kristen to Brian Mitchell, son of George and Helena Mitchell of Troy, Ohio. The bride-to-be is a pharmacy student at Ohio Northern University. She expects to graduate in May. The prospective groom received a bachelor's in business administration from the University of Dayton in May, 1993. He is employed as a technology consultant for AT&T Global Information Solutions in Dayton. An August 1995 wedding is planned at Clarkston United Methodist Church.

Club notes

● The Sashabaw Plains Chapter of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution received several honors at State Awards Day April 5.

Attending the ceremonies in Lansing were Chapter Regent Dorothy Lowe, Vice Regent Charlotte Maybee, Secretary Linda Miller, Treasurer Nancy Woodruff, member Frances Stewart and Chapter DAR Good Citizen Chairman Jane Morse. Also attending was Megan Laich, DAR Good Citizen, of Kettering High School, and her mother, Sue McGraw. Megan placed in the top 10 at the state level and was recognized with a \$75 scholarship.

The chapter received awards for contributing to the most Indian projects, National and Otherwise, for increased membership, sponsoring a genealogical workshop, timely Registrar reports and 100 percent participation in the President's General Project.

New arrival

● Michael and Denise Marcks of Benton Harbor announce the arrival of their first child. Michelle Marcks was born April 15, 1995. She weighed 6 pounds, 14 ounces and was 20 inches long. Grandparents are Gregory and Patricia Marcks of Orion Township, Deanna Paaue of Walker and Gerald Paaue of Grand Rapids.



Congressman gets first-hand look at Lighthouse

U. S. Rep. Joe Knollenberg, (11th District) confers with Lighthouse North volunteer Mary Halpin during a recent visit to Lighthouse's Emergency Service Center in Pontiac. Knollenberg had a tour and heard presentations from staff, clients and volunteers. Lighthouse president K. Noreen

Keating said, "Because the fate of our federal funding lies in the hands of our U. S. representatives, I feel it is important for the decision makers to see the work that we do first-hand."

Reunions

● The Waterford Township High School Class of '75 is looking for former classmates. A reunion will be held August 19 at Santia Hall in Keego Harbor. If you have not received any information contact the reunion committee at (810) 391-3703 or (810) 969-2755 or P.O. Box 322, Oxford, MI 48371 to verify your current address.

● Western Michigan University alumni and friends are invited to a reception Thursday, May 11 at 5:30 p.m. at the Fox and Hounds Restaurant, 1560 N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills. The event is designed to provide networking with other alumni and information about WMU's efforts to make its voice heard in the legislature. The evening will also include the annual meeting of the Southeast Michigan Chapter of the WMU Alumni Association. RSVP for this free event by calling (616) 387-8777.

At school

● Stephen Lay of Clarkston has been named to the Dean's List at Eastern Washington University for winter quarter. To be listed, a student must carry at least 12 credit hours and achieve a grade point average of 3.5 or better.

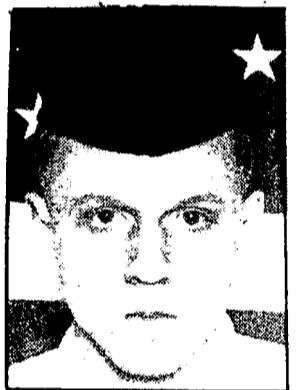
● Michael Romein, a junior at Clarkston High School, has been admitted to the 1995 High School Engineering Institute at Michigan State University, a week-long program to expose students to various engineering disciplines. Michael is planning to pursue a degree in chemical engineering. He is the son of Tom and Carolyn Romein of Independence Drive.

● Three students from Clarkston have been named resident assistants for the 1995-96 school year at Michigan State University. They are: Jodie Nichols, a sophomore in James Madison College, RA for Case Hall; Mary O'Rourke, a sophomore in communications, an RA for Wonders Hall; and Heather Walter, a sophomore in international relations, an RA for Mason-Abbot hall. Nichols is a 1993 Kettering High School grad. O'Rourke and Walter are 1993 Clarkston High School grads.

● Rachel Olney of Clarkston has been named a recipient of the Oakland Community College Merit Scholarship for the 1995-96 school year. As such she is eligible for 12-15 credit hours of tuition and registration fees.

In service

Air Force Airman Kevin Hensley has graduated from basic training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio. He is the son of Marilyn and Chester Hensley of Davisburg and a 1994 graduate of Holly High School.



● Army Pvt. Brock Kennedy has completed basic training at Fort Sill, Lawton, Oklahoma. He is the son of James Kennedy of Waterford and Janet Kennedy of White Lake and a 1994 graduate of Kettering High School.

Air Force Airman 1st Class Kenneth Mercier has graduated from basic training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio. He is the son of Judy Mercier of Clarkston and a 1988 graduate of Clarkston High School.



In concert

Singer/songwriter Brent Henderson will appear in concert at Clarkston Community Church of God on Sunday, May 7 at 10:45 a.m.

Henderson is the author of several number-one hit songs recorded by Sandi Patti and others. He has performed both as a soloist and as a member of the groups ONE and Chapman/Henderson.



Henderson Band. He has toured with Sandi Patti and had a song featured on Dr. James Dobson's Focus on the Family radio program. His latest album is "Brother 2 Brother." The church is located at 6300 Clarkston Rd. For more information call 625-1323.

Cranberry sewer district contested

Backers say lake preservation is the key issue

BY DARREL W. COLE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

The 117 parcel owners in Cranberry Lakes Estates may soon be figuring out how to pay for a \$950,000 sewer system.

Residents of the subdivision packed the Independence Township Hall during an April 18 public hearing, both supporting and objecting to the special assessment district. While the township's board of trustees was just as split on the issue, they still passed the proposal 3-2. Trustees Bruce Mercado and Mel Vaara voted no, while clerk Joan McCrary and trustee Daniel Travis were absent.

The SAD, proposed to be paid for over a 10-year period, will be presented to the board again once costs are determined. The board at that time could still stop the SAD process if costs are different than currently believed.

Costs for the SAD are expected to be about \$8,000 per parcel spread out over 10 years.

For some residents at the hearing, stopping the process would be ideal. But others say septic systems are failing and nearby Cranberry and Little Walters Lake will eventually be contaminated if something isn't done now.

About 53 percent of the parcel owners signed a petition in favor of the SAD. By law, a SAD must have at least 51 percent in favor to move forward.

The petition's validity caused the most concern on the night. People not wanting the SAD said several residents signed not knowing what it was all about. But organizer Carey Guyer said everything was done honestly.

Township attorney Gerald Fisher said the petition is legal and the wording on it indicates what the petition is for. Once someone signs their name to such a petition, it cannot be removed, although, Fisher said, names may be added for support.

The emotions and concerns from both sides of the issue were great enough that township supervisor Dale Stuart warned residents before the hearing he "will not tolerate rude behavior" or personal remarks to one another.

Maria Turman, appointed spokesperson for those against the SAD, said most of the residents feel they

weren't given the facts about what they were signing. "We were told the signatures were put in to receive information only. Those petitions were misleading," she said.

Guyer said because of the concern over the first petition, she circulated another one and explained to people exactly what it was for.

"That time they had the option to take their name off," Guyer said.

But petitions aside, Guyer, her husband Bob and many other residents said the real issue is the fact a subdivision sewer system will save them all money and save the environment.

According to Oakland County Health Department records, at least 70 percent of Cranberry Lake Estates' septic systems are 16-26 years old. In addition, 69 registered septic fields have no repair records past 1979 and about 28 septic fields have no permits on record.

With a sewer system, some residents said they will no longer have to worry about paying for new septic systems, which cost as much as \$5,000 in some areas, according to Department of Public Works Director George Anderson.

"When your septic goes you have to pay right away and there is no long-term bonds in that situation. This is a permanent fix, not short term," said Stan Cool of Amy Drive.

Teresa Horn said, "I care about the lakes we live near. There is no problem now from failing septic but we have the opportunity to protect the lakes for the future. I think it's important for sewers to come to our neighborhood."

Resident Bruce Balmas is opposed to the sewers because he says people are spreading rumors that the lakes are polluted when there are no facts to support that. He also says adding sewers does not add value to a home.

Just as residents debated both sides of the issue, the township board was also split. Trustees Vaara and Mercado voted no because they said there is too much confusion over the petition's validity. Both would have supported a re-circulation of a new petition.

"I'm not opposed to sewers but I think these petitions need to be more clear," Vaara said.

Mercado added, "I'm in favor of sewers also and what's in the best interest of the lakes but I will vote no

because I would like a re-circulation done."

Treasurer John Lutz and Stuart both agreed the protection of the lakes should be a major priority.

"This is two subdivisions located between two lakes and there is a strong possibility of those septic failing and affecting the lakes," Stuart said.

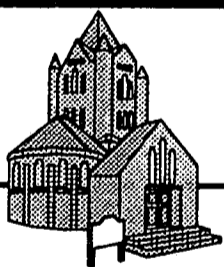
"It's these opportunities that we have right now we can take advantage of," said Lutz. "I think in this community we have water resources around us that only we will contaminate. In the future, septic tanks will be even harder to get because of tougher regulations."

Failure to file or pay taxes can be costly

By April 17, the Internal Revenue Service expected most taxpayers to have filed their income tax returns and paid the balance of their 1994 tax liability. If you didn't file or pay your taxes by the deadline, or if you pay less than the amount you owe, you can expect to face some stiff penalties from the IRS, cautions the Michigan Association of CPAs. Late-filing and late-payment penalties are added to any interest you'll pay on the balance of taxes due.

What Happens if You Didn't File?

Many taxpayers who are unable to pay their tax bills delay filing their returns. That approach can be very expensive. If you don't file your tax return on time or apply for an extension, you can expect a late-filing penalty amounting to 5 percent of the net amount of tax due for each month (or part of a month) that your return is late. Until your return is filed, you're subject to interest, and both the late-filing and late-payment penalties, which together are capped at 25 percent of the amount you owe. To put a quick stop to the late filing penalty, which is the harsher of the two penalties, send in your tax return as soon as possible, even if you can't send your tax payment.



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625-2311
High School 625-9760
Pastor James Todd Vanaman
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AWANA Wed. 6:45
Wed. Eve. Service 7:00
Education Ministry
K-3 - 12 w/supervised care

CLARKSTON COMMUNITY CHURCH OF GOD
6300 Clarkston Road
Clarkston 625-1323
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.
Mid-Week Service Wed. 7:00 p.m.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION
6490 Clarkston Rd., Clarkston, MI 48346
625-2325
Sunday Services:
7:40 a.m. Morning Prayer
8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
10:00 a.m. Choral Eucharist
Church School & Nursery
Member Episcopal Synod of America
Father Charles Lynch, Rector

CLARKSTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
(A Stephen Ministry Church)
6600 Waldon Road, Clarkston 625-1611
Sundays: Worship 8:30 & 10:30 a.m.
Church School 8:30, 9:30 & 10:30 a.m.
Staff: Pastors, Doug Trebilcock, Jon Clapp
Support Director/Program Director, Don Kavern
Music, Louise Angermeyer
Youth/Education, John Leece

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7010 Valley Park Dr., Clarkston
(W. of M-15, S. of I-75) 625-4580
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Sunday Masses: 7:30, 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.
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11:00 a.m. Worship
4:30 p.m. Adult Choir
6:00 p.m. Worship
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5:45 p.m. Children's Choir
7:00 p.m. Bible Study & Prayer
7:00 p.m. Mission Organizations
for Preschool & Children
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5300 Maybee Road, Clarkston
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11:15 2nd Worship Service
6:00 p.m. Vespers
Wed. Family Program 7:00 p.m.

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6805 Bluegrass Drive, Clarkston
(W. of M-15, just S. of I-75) 625-3288
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Nursery available
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Staff: Pastors-Dr. Robert Walters, Heidi Sommers
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GPA: 3.87.

PARENTS: Wallace and Diane Whittington of Independence Township.

PLANS FOR AFTER GRADUATION: "On to Wayne State for my first four years, then on to MSU's veterinary program. Either that or a sharp shooter for the Secret Service, maybe a stand-up comedian. I'd like to do something with animals. Stand-up comedy—that's a one in a million shot."

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES: Marching band, jazz band, pit band for the school musical (he plays trombone); target shooting, collecting firearms, riding motorcycles and trying to make people laugh.

"I act like an idiot sometimes. I guess I'm not embarrassed very easily."

SCHOLARSHIPS: He received two but chose the Presidential Academic full-tuition scholarship to Wayne State University.

FAVORITE SUBJECT, CLASS, TEACHER: "Former history teacher Mr. Alessi. I like science the best and I have Mr. Burdick. Wow, buddy, he's smart."

JOB: Has worked since ninth-grade at Marco's Pizza in Lake Orion, both after school and on weekends.

HEROES: "Heroes make people imitate others' behavior when they should be concerned with being

themselves. To be yourself you have to pick pieces from everybody."

FAVORITE COMEDIANS: David Letterman, Jerry Seinfeld.

FAVORITE LUNCH FOOD: "Grease patties and salty fries."

FAVORITE MUSICAL GROUPS: "It's between ZZ Top and Stevie Ray Vaughn."

A GOOD BOOK HE'S READ: "The only thing I've read lately was my Harley manual and I suppose that was good."

THE SECRET TO HIS ACADEMIC SUCCESS: "A sense of humor. When a lot of people get

turned down by a situation they cry. I think you have to laugh... It also makes you feel good to kid others in that spot, try to help them."

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ONE THING HE'D CHANGE ABOUT CLARKSTON: "The hall monitors. They remind of guards at a maximum security prison. Either that, or the gestapo... They are very pushy."

PETS: A dog, Maggie.

WHAT HE'S KNOWN FOR: "I'm always looking for a good time. When people find out I'm smart, they say, 'Oh, I never imagined.'"



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CHS choir performs at capitol

The Clarkston High School Varsity Concert Choir accepted an invitation from state Rep. Tom Middleton to participate in the 1995 spring music program at the state capitol April 7.

The choir performed a 45-minute concert under the direction of Grayce Warren at the Michigan Library and Historical Center. The concert included

classical works of Haydn and Mozart as well as American music, including the Battle Hymn of the Republic and a song from "Guys and Dolls."

The students also toured the historical center and the capitol building and had lunch at the Ottawa Tower before returning to Clarkston.



Barricades continue

It may be a couple of weeks before repair work at the Maccabee Temple building, which houses Old Apothecary Antiques and the Village Bake Shop, is completed in the wake of falling brick last week. However proprietors of the two Main St. businesses want customers to know they are still open. "I've had a few people ask me how long I'm closed," said antique store owner Susan Gahan, who points out that her store has a back entrance. Bricklayers from Cats Masonry in Davison have been making mortar repairs at the north and south ends of the facade. Pedestrians are urged to use caution in the area.

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Priest honored for work with Indians

BY ANNETTE KINGSBURY
Clarkston News Editor

A retired priest now living at Colombiere Center is one of 50 national winners of the Spirit Award, given by an organization called The Christophers.

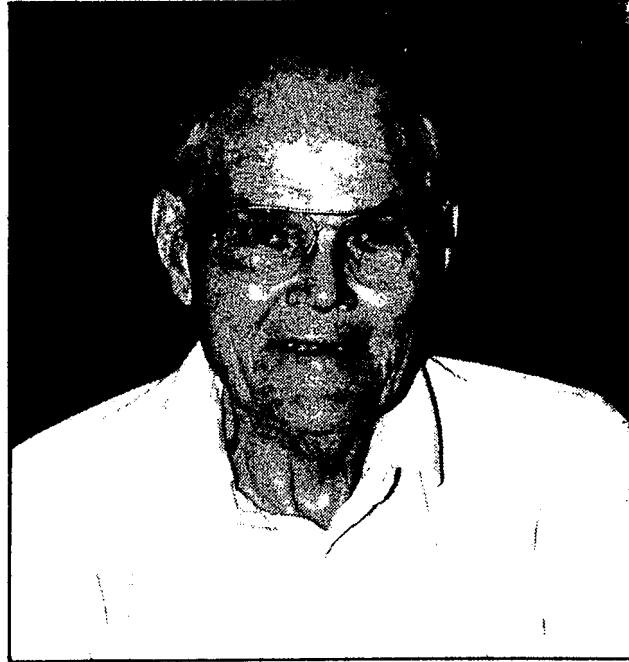
Rev. Joseph Lawless, 84, is a Jesuit priest who spent his entire career ministering and living among the Chippewa Indians in Michigan's Upper Peninsula. He received the award because "He has sought economic relief and social justice for America's first inhabitants," according to The Christophers. "Father Lawless has walked among the Chippewa Indians as servant and friend."

Founded by Father James Keller in 1945, The Christophers made the awards "in recognition of life-long endeavors in furthering the Judeo-Christian concept of service to God and humanity." Their motto is "It is better to light one candle than to curse the darkness." Their philosophy is "You can change the world." There are no membership fees in the organization, which serves people of all faiths or no particular faith.

Lawless has been living at Colombiere Center, a Jesuit retirement home and retreat center in Springfield Township, since September 1993. Born in Toledo, he joined the Jesuits right after college and was ordained in 1943. He taught for three years at University of Detroit High School, then completed the final phase of his training, called the tertianship, a period of prayer, guidance and study.

Jesuits are the largest religious order of the Catholic Church. Founded in 1540 by St. Ignatius Loyola, a Spanish nobleman, Jesuits take vows of poverty, chastity and obedience.

When he had completed his tertianship, Lawless went to see the Provincial, the leader of the region's



'Christ was a man for others. We're supposed to be people for others.'

Father James Lawless

Jesuits, seeking an assignment.

"He asked me what I wanted to do," Lawless recalled. "I told him I would like to work with black people." But the Provincial said help was needed in working with Indians in the UP and asked if the assignment sounded suitable.

"I said, 'You send me up there and I'll go.' That was in 1946," Lawless said.

During the next 45 years, Lawless would come to know the UP well, serving some island communities as well as larger towns including Marquette, Escanaba and Sault Ste. Marie.

"The main thing was to give them the sacraments," he said of his work. "There weren't enough priests to go around. We Jesuits have fewer vocations (now). We don't have the men to spare."

That in fact is the reason he left the UP. The Provincial decided he could no longer afford the manpower, and the Jesuits were replaced by Franciscans, Lawless said. But life had improved for Indians in the UP during his tenure.

"When I first went up there the people were very poor. When school started I used to take their kids and get them clothes . . . For the last seven or eight years they've had the casino. They were unemployed; now they're employed. They all have an income. They're better off now."

Now slowed and somewhat frail after a heart attack but still possessing a firm handshake, Lawless finds things to do and people to help around Colombiere Center.

"I'm busy here," he said. "Christ was a man for others. We're supposed to be people for others. So I do what I can for others here."

When asked what winning the award means to him, he didn't hesitate.

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Just call her 'Flipper'

Devereaux pays off bet

BY EILEEN OXLEY
Clarkston News Staff Writer

There was something fishy about Springfield Plains last Thursday. Down the halls were signs that read "Dive into Drama" and "Get 'caught' in a great adventure — read a book."

Near Principal Dr. Sharon Devereaux's office, the sound of "Little Mermaid" music could be heard and a look through the office window revealed "flying" fish.

And there in the office stood Devereaux — covered from head to toe in rubber.

As she pulled flippers over her stockings feet, Devereaux explained that the scuba suit had come from a teacher.

"The teachers did this," she said, pointing to her turned-into-an-aquarium room which featured hanging paper fish and a sign that read, "Under the sea goes Dr. D!"

"When I came in this music was playing and the office was decorated."

Devereaux struck a deal with her students that if they reached their goal of reading hours at the end of March, designated as Michigan Reading Month, she would go "Under the Sea" in full rubber regalia.

Springfield students spent over 7,300 hours reading, well over the proposed goal. Lower elementary grades

averaged 15 minutes a night reading or being read to, with higher grades averaging a half hour. Kindergarten teacher Darcy Burleson chaired the event.

"Every so many books, the kids got paper fish in their rooms," Devereaux said.

Sitting outside the office, second-grader Alisha Gonzales knew her numbers.

"I know how much books were read. One fish is worth 100 books," she said.

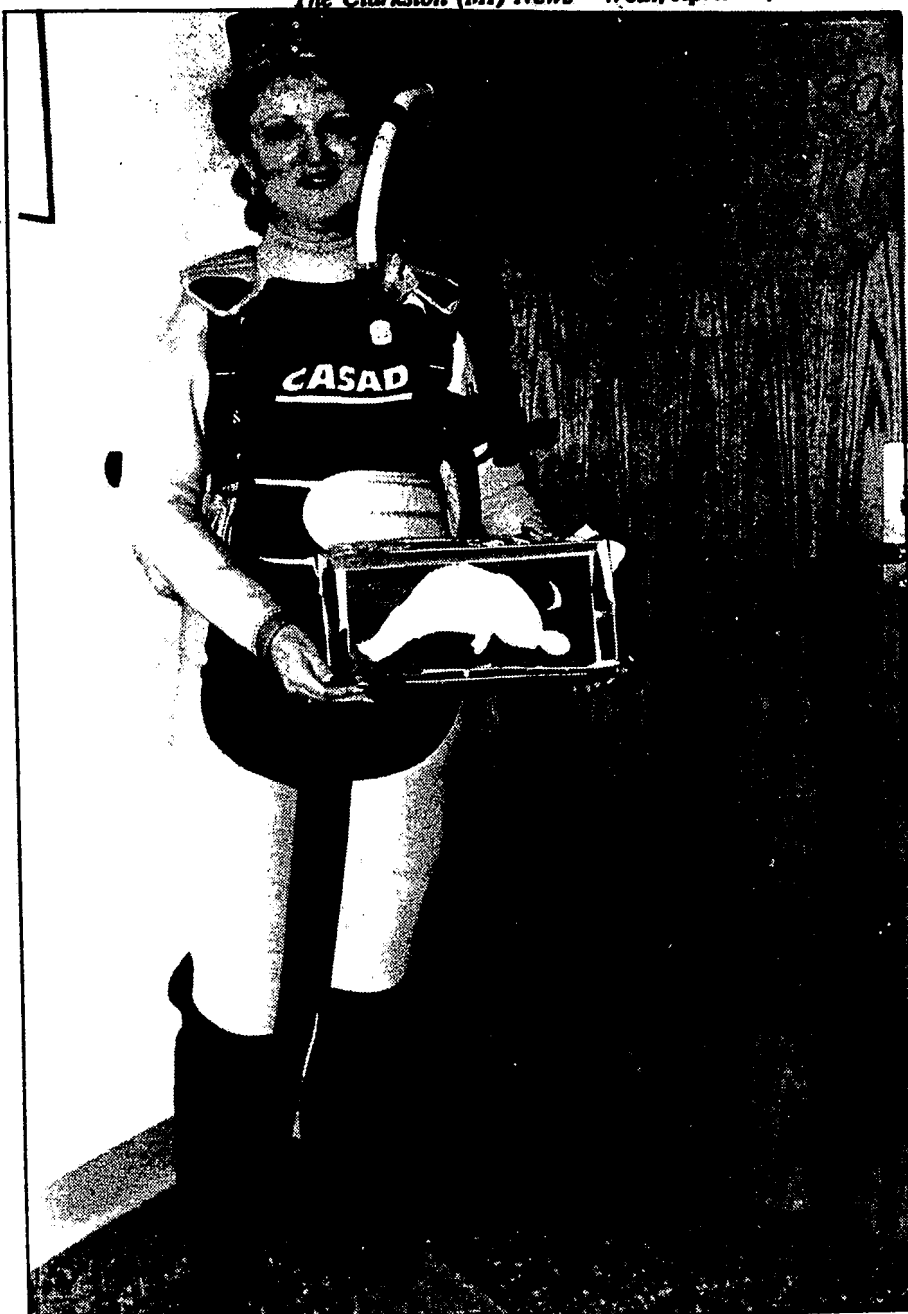
Devereaux added that the top two classes that spent the most hours reading — those of second-grade teacher Rosemary Lewis and fourth-grade teacher Heather Smith — received an extra-special "popsicle treat."

By early afternoon, Devereaux wasn't flipping out, but admitted she was "starting to get really warm." However, she would staunchly remain encased in the wet suit until the whole "school" had marched into her office and received certificates.

The certificates, like the sea, were blue and stated "Flip Over Books," the reading month theme. They also incorporated Springfield Plains' dolphin logo.

Though the principal had to trade her glasses for goggles occasionally, she said the hardest part was getting used to the flippers.

"One of the kids showed me how to walk — it's heel, toe, heel, toe," she said, demonstrating.



Dr. Sharon Devereaux

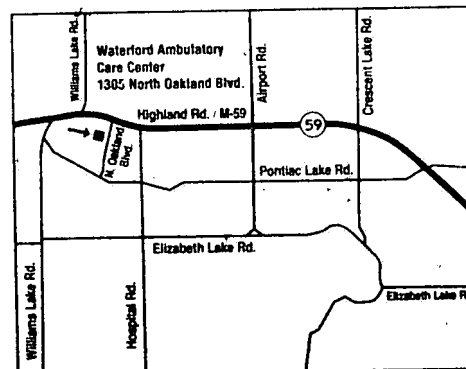


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Teamwork in parking, says council

City meets with business owners over Depot St. parking

BY EILEEN OXLEY
Clarkston News Staff Writer

The elimination of 12 prime parking spots on Depot may turn out to be a window of opportunity for the downtown area.

At Monday night's council meeting, which drew members of the Clarkston Downtown Business Association, CDBA president Buck Kopietz was optimistic.

"Opportunities come up to do some really positive things about parking," Kopietz said. "We could work on the streetscape and the downtown could be fun again."

A study of the downtown parking situation is underway with Bob DeCorte of Traffic Improvement Association of Oakland County and Kopietz. They will examine "peak hours" of business and parking downtown and evaluate additional parking spaces, now that they Depot spots are gone. Individual downtown businesses are asked to provide information about their own situations.

Members of the CDBA estimate they have lost one third of the downtown's parking spots.

"Losing those spots, especially on a Friday night, is a big chunk. We're all fighting for the same spots," Carroll Harris, co-manager of the Clarkston Cafe, said.

"The people are not coming down here (the city lot) to park. They're parking on Main Street."

Council woman Karen Sanderson, sympathetic to the situation, volunteered Monday night to represent council at future meetings between TIA and CDBA which may include the city's engineering firm Hubbell, Roth & Clark.

"Just even getting through town is a nightmare — it's awful," Sanderson said.

Kopietz feels now the city will be forced to address the issue of downtown parking after "expert witnesses" Hubbell, Roth & Clark recommended council get rid of the spots. According to minutes of the April 10 council meeting, Clarkston city attorney Tom Ryan and the city's insurance company also advised council to remove the spaces.

Action was taken with a 6-0 vote April 10 to eliminate all 14 Depot parking spots. But Mayor Sharron Catallo reinstated two spaces at the bottom of the hill on the north side of Depot where ground is more level.

The court case, involving a woman who slipped and fell in front of Max Broock Realtors during icy conditions last year and sued the city, is still in litigation. A trial in front of Oakland County Circuit Court Judge Steven Andrews is set for June 5, provided a summary disposition on May 10 is not granted.

If it is, "the case is all over with," said a court spokesperson.

A meeting between Catallo, City Manager Art Pappas and members of the CDBA and other downtown business owners was held last Thursday morning. Many business representatives were upset over the parking loss and questioned council's action.

"A slip-and-fall is a slip-and-fall. I don't see any difference," Robert Eshaki, co-owner of Rudy's, said.

Others agreed, saying the accident could have happened anywhere and in front of any business, whether or not parking was located on level ground or a dangerous hill.

But Catallo defended the action, saying the dangerous parking area was eliminated "not as a result of

In other council action:

● Olde Apothecary Antiques co-owner Sue Gahan approached council on having an antique show in Depot Park this summer that would draw business to the downtown area. Gahan would like to draw as many as 50 antique dealers and establish the show as an annual event. The show would be sponsored by Lighthouse North, with proceeds from rent and a bake sale going to the non-profit organization. Council members felt they should establish a special committee to set policies for Gahan's event as well as others held in the park. They agreed to set June 24 as a tentative date, but Councilman James Schultz will establish criteria by council's next meeting May 8.

● Carol's Village Grill co-owner Don Bomgesser and Clarkston Cafe co-manager Carol Harris represented their respective businesses over the recent sewer billing. Council recently billed the two eating establishments and the Village Bake Shop for excessive amounts of grease found in the sewer lines behind their businesses. The city required additional maintenance which cost them an additional \$2,400 and asked for reimbursements. All three establishments feel they are not responsible. Council agreed to put the bills "on hold" and have Hubbell, Roth and Clark investigate, passing a resolution 6-0 with Councilman Bill Basinger absent.

● Council passed a resolution 6-0 to ask the Road Commission for Oakland County to close off roads for Fun Daze May 20 and the Memorial Day Parade May 29.

● Pamela Ford Morgan, a Main Street resident who did not get township water, addressed council about carrying on the campaign for city water. "I think it's something that has to happen," she said. Morgan, an employee of Morgan, Moreno & Milzow Real Estate, will talk to other Clarkston businesses and gather signatures for a petition that may result in putting a community water system "back on the ballot," said Pappas Tuesday. She voiced her concern about reduced property values because of contaminated wells and worried about seniors. Councilman Steve Secatch remarked that if Morgan can attain a significant amount of signatures "it will say a lot... but if (there are) 30, (people) will say, 'You're sticking it to us again,'" stressing council's neutrality.

● Council announced both the Shriners and BFW Poppy Sales will be in the downtown area May 18-20.

● Dates for setting Clarkston's budget for the 1995-96 fiscal year were discussed. The city's finance committee will meet May 2, with the council meeting of June 12 set for a public hearing. Council plans to approve the budget at its June 26 meeting before the new fiscal year begins July 1.

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Carroll Harris

the slip and fall ... it came to light with the slip-and-fall."

On Monday night business owners asked council to reinstate the spots. They also argued whether the grade of the hill was steeper than state and federal guidelines.

"I doubt that there's any statutes because there's a lot of parking like that all over the place," Fred Drendall, who represented the Village Bake Shop, said. "Expert witnesses are saying (parking) shouldn't be (there) and insurance companies like to hear that."

DeCorte said Tuesday morning that he was looking into grade restrictions on Depot, but because the degree of the slope varied they might be difficult to determine.

Other possibilities discussed by council and business representatives included reducing some of the lengthy spaces along Main Street to squeeze out some additional ones, and going back to employee permit parking to oust parkers who don't belong in private lots.

Catallo said she also feels hopeful about the parking study — and stressed that businesses get their individual information to TIA.

"If not, we're going to just keep chasing our tails," she said.

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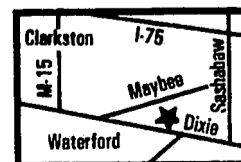
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Mayor comments on tavern

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It has become apparent from recent letters to the editor that there are concerns regarding the fact that the building for a proposed new restaurant was formerly a church. I would like to address that issue.

When the last congregation moved, there wasn't any interest in the building continuing its use as a church. While that dear old building was constructed to be a place of worship, and served beautifully as one for many years, its last congregation sold it with the knowledge that with them would go the days of the building being a church.

Some may find it upsetting that the building is no longer a church. Still there is no reason why it should not be used as something else in accordance with its zoning. It's a fine historic building with a warm, special place in the community. Tearing down such a significant structure, just because it no longer serves its original purpose, would be a waste. We have a viable alternative to keep the building alive and, similarly, to its goal when it was built more than a century ago; bringing people together. It can serve a useful purpose in our community without denigrating its former use. If the city ruled that none of the commercial buildings could be used for anything but their original use, I'm not sure what would remain.

Also, it is not fair to condemn verbally the city

government, or the prospective business in the former church, simply because some residents were unable to alter zoning to fulfill their own desires; nor is it just to imply that to have success in the business community in Clarkston, you must have connections.

Anyone who attended any of the meetings concerning the restaurant realizes that because of my relationship to this proposal it underwent greater scrutiny. This greater scrutiny is consistent with the integrity of each of the men and women who serve on the various commissions and boards, giving up their time and energy out of a genuine concern to make Clarkston a better place for everyone. Also, as far as my part in the voting, I abstained from voting on any measures to do with the prospective restaurant.

I realize that no matter what use were proposed for this building, someone would voice an objection merely because it serves their own purposes. I am grateful that the vast majority of our neighbors understand the difference and anxiously await this new addition to our community.

Sincerely,

Sharron Catallo, Mayor
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Marsha Combs
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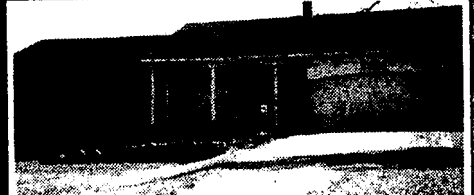
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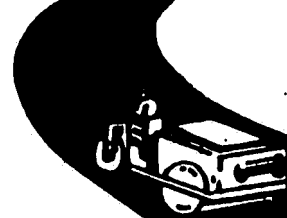
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Searching for a match

Bowl-a-thon to benefit leukemia patient

BY ANNETTE KINGSBURY
Clarkston News Editor

Two years ago when David ("Kootch") Kraus went to Hilton Head Island to visit a friend he fell in love. He decided to stay there and make a living.

But the Pontiac Catholic High School graduate, now 25, couldn't have known what was ahead of him. After experiencing a rash and extensive bruising he went to see a doctor. A blood test revealed he had acute myelogenous leukemia and would soon need a bone marrow transplant.

Now his friends and family in the Clarkston area are trying to raise money to keep the process going. Because of problems with insurance and limitations on what insurers will pay for, money must be raised to find a marrow donor for Kraus and pay his already mounting medical bills.

A bowl-a-thon has been organized by Clarkston Real Estate Services, Inc which will be held May 20 at Cherry Hill Lanes. All proceeds will be used to cover Kraus' medical expenses. The goal is \$60,000.

"Right now the hospital bills are astronomical," said Kraus' mother, Jan Brower. "Even when he's out he goes back to the hospital three or four times a week."

At the time of his diagnosis, Kraus was working but had no medical insurance. He's received some Medicaid but it doesn't cover some costs, such as testing of potential marrow donors and the lengthy hospital recovery period that will be required after the transplant.

Doctors at one time were considering removing some of Kraus' own marrow but eventually decided he wasn't a good candidate for that procedure. So far no matches have been found on the existing bone marrow registry, and the hospital, Medical University of South Carolina, has stopped looking because they can't afford to test new potential donors.

"We want to do our own bone marrow drive," Brower said. "If we have this bowl-a-thon and are successful we could fund the testing."

Brower is hopeful a match can be found. Kraus is of German heritage and four possible matches have been found on a German registry, she said.

Kraus has already undergone massive chemotherapy which he wasn't expected to survive.

"The doctor told me 'He won't live through it,'" Brower said. That was in February. "He made it through. He was very, very ill."

Kraus is considered in remission now but that



David Kraus

doesn't mean the battle is over.

"It's a real fast reoccurring type of leukemia," his mother said. He needs the transplant "as soon as possible."

"Finally I just asked, 'Is he going to die?' They won't answer that . . . They type of leukemia he has, they give him a 35 percent chance."

Anyone who would like to participate in the bowl-a-thon should call Nancy Mould at (810) 651-8760 after 5:30 p.m. Anyone who doesn't want to bowl can still make a contribution by sending a check to The Kootch Foundation, in care of the Telephone Employees Credit Union, 250 N. Perry, Pontiac, MI 48342.

Clarification

● In two recent articles about the removal of parking spots on Depot, a lawsuit involving a woman who slipped and fell in front of Max Broock Realtors was mentioned. It was erroneously reported that the case has been settled and money awarded to the victim. The case is still in litigation.

Also, though the story did not say the suit was against Broock's, the content may have been unclear. The lawsuit was filed against the City of the Village of Clarkston, and not against Max Broock Realtors.

Light bulb warning

The Michigan Fire Service News reports that two fires have been reported in Rhode Island which are blamed on single-wattage light bulbs being used in three-way sockets.

"The extra pin in a three-way socket, when used with a single-wattage incandescent lamp or with a fluorescent base with lamp (a new energy-saving unit) can cause arcing and become a potential hazard to the consumer," the magazine reported in February.

"The three-way socket has been manufactured and approved by Underwriters Laboratories for three-way light bulbs and should be used with that type of bulb only."

Information has been sent to the Consumer Product Safety Division but Independence Township Fire Marshal Neil Ashley wanted to let residents know about the problem.



Winning colorists

Kelle Ann Richards (left), Jenna Walker and Samantha Hoffman were the winners in the Easter coloring contest sponsored by The Michigan Group Realtors. Everyone who entered the contest also brought in a food donation for Lighthouse North. Winners in each of three age groups won an Easter basket. Prizes were awarded April 14.

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Sheriff's log for Independence Township

MONDAY, APRIL 17, larceny from an auto on Mt. View. A window was broken and a radio was stolen. The car was discovered by officers responding to a nearby medical call.

Larceny from a Ford pick up parked on Parview. A window was smashed and a CD player stolen. The owner said it was the second time in six months the car had been broken into.

TUESDAY, APRIL 18, harassing phone calls on Mann.

A GMC pick up parked in a Rissman Lane driveway overnight had the rear window shot out.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19, fraud at a business on Andersonville Rd. Someone stole two company payroll checks and cashed them at local stores.

Larceny of 100 2-by-4s valued at \$300 from a construction site on Cedar Knoll.

Attempted breaking and entering of a business on Dixie. The rear door was scratched and the door handle broken off. The owner said it was the second such attempt in two weeks.

Assault and battery on Pelton. A 28-year-old Clarkston man was ticketed for an altercation involving his brother, 25.

Malicious destruction of five or six mailboxes on Greenview. One resident saw three boys on bikes fleeing the area.

Larceny of \$25 cash from an unlocked van in the high school parking lot. Also, a set of keys was stolen from a nearby bench.

An Ortonville man was questioned in connection with two checks written three days apart on a closed account. In all, he received \$972 cash from a local grocery store for the checks.

Threats on Williams.

THURSDAY, APRIL 20, breaking and enterings were reported at two adjoining businesses on Dixie. The door glass was smashed on one business but nothing appeared disturbed. At the other business, six nailers and three staplers were among the tools missing.

Larceny of 200 square feet of granite, six sheets of lattice and eight bags of cement from a construction site on Forest Ridge Dr. The owner said it would have taken a good-sized truck to haul it all away.

A computer worth \$3,000, a phone and a camera were stolen from a locked car parked in a Parview lot.

Larceny of a car phone from a home on Meyers.

Death threat on an answering machine on Chanto. Attempted breaking and entering of a shed on N. Eston. A resident saw two young boys in the yard with the shed open, but they were scared off by dogs.

A car phone was stolen from a 1995 Ford van

parked on Morning Mist overnight.

FRIDAY, APRIL 21, bomb threat at a business on Dixie. An employee said a man called about 10 a.m. and said there was a bomb in the motel and in a doctor's office, but he didn't say which doctor. A check turned up nothing.

Threats on Northcrest.

SATURDAY, APRIL 22, harassing phone calls on Lotus Dr.

A Highland man was arrested at the scene of an accident on Parview under suspicion of drunk driving. Police found his van up against a tree with heavy damage. He was taken to Pontiac Osteopathic Hospital, where he was treated for minor injuries. Preliminary breath tests showed he was driving with an illegal blood-alcohol level.

Three Clarkston boys, ages 16, 17 and 17, were ticketed in a Dixie Highway parking lot. There was an open case of beer in the back seat and a half-empty fifth of liquor in the front seat. The driver was ticketed for having open intoxicants in a motor vehicle. The two passengers were ticketed for being minors in possession of alcohol. All three were released to their parents.

Larceny of two wicker chairs from a front porch on Algonquin overnight.

Malicious destruction of a window on Chestnut Hill.

SUNDAY, APRIL 23, the owner of a 1992 Ford Aerostar parked in a Dixie Highway parking lot for 15 minutes reported it missing.

A 35-year-old Clarkston man was reported missing on Whipple Lake Rd.

Clarkston Police

TUESDAY, APRIL 18, a yellow lab was reported at Clarkston High School but police were unable to catch it.

THURSDAY, APRIL 20, an Ortonville man was arrested for drunk driving at M-15 and Clarkston Road and for an outstanding warrant out of Clarkston for driving with a suspended license. He was taken to Oakland County Jail where he posted bond.

SATURDAY, APRIL 22, a loose dog was reported at M-15 and Princess but was not retrieved.

SUNDAY, APRIL 23, indecent exposure on Miller was reported by a resident. Police talked to the subject, a juvenile, who was taken to his home.

Fire call

MONDAY, APRIL 17, medical on Bullard.

Medical on Longview.

Medical on Ortonville Rd.

Medical on Clintonville Rd.

Alarm on Deer Ridge.

Medical on E. Church.

TUESDAY, APRIL 18, a runner with an injured ankle came to Station One and was then transported to a doctor for care.

Carbon monoxide alarm on Woodlane.

Minor injury accident on Dixie.

Injury from a domestic dispute on Pelton.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19, medical on Clintonville.

Medical on Pinedale.

Medical on Ortonville Rd.; one to St. Joseph Mercy Hospital.

THURSDAY, APRIL 20, medical on Kingfisher; no transport.

Medical on Perry Lake Rd.

Wire down on Dixie.

Medical on Clarkston Rd.; one to Pontiac Osteopathic Hospital.

FRIDAY, APRIL 21, medical on Mattawa.

Vehicle fire on I-75.

SATURDAY, APRIL 22, medical on Clement.

Injury accident on Parview.

Injury accident on Maybee Rd.

Medical on Maybee.

SUNDAY, APRIL 23, medical on Ridgeview.

Two medicals on Clintonville Rd.

Medical on Ortonville Rd.

Medical on Ortonville Rd.; one to St. Joe's.

Medical on Meadow Brook.

Medical on Curtis.

The Independence Township Fire Department has responded to 484 calls this year through 7:09 a.m. April 24.

County holds auction

Oakland County will auction off recovered stolen property and surplus property on Saturday, May 6 at the county center beginning at 8:30 a.m.

Items, including bicycles, tools, stereo equipment and jewelry, will be included. Vehicles will be available for inspection on Friday, May 5 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

"This is a wonderful opportunity for bargain hunters to come out and find some great buys," said Oakland County Executive L. Brooks Patterson.

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Are you too anxious to read this story?

Help is near for sufferers of anxiety disorders; proper diagnosis is key

BY ANNETTE KINGSBURY
Clarkston News Editor

"I will not fear. Fear is the mind-killer. Fear is the little death that brings total obliteration."

—Dune

For most Americans in 1995, at some time or another anxiety is a part of modern life.

For many, last week's bombing in Oklahoma City provoked fear, panic, sadness—all normal reactions to such a tragedy.

But what if you feel anxiety for no particular reason? Anxiety that is so strong that it begins to control your life, make you feel ill, keep you home or force you to avoid certain situations? Fear where there is no identifiable or current danger?

Then, according to experts, you may be one of an estimated 28 million Americans suffering from an anxiety disorder, the country's most common mental health problem. If so, it's time to seek outside help.

To help those who may be suffering but are unsure what to do, St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Pontiac will take part in a national anxiety disorders screening day on Wednesday, May 3. There will be two sessions, at 2:30 and 5:30 p.m. Participants will see a videotape depicting the symptoms of anxiety disorders, take a written self-test, and then have the opportunity to discuss the results privately with a mental health professional. Referrals, if appropriate, will be made. All the services are free and confidential.

How do you know if your anxiety is normal or not?

"Every day we have sensations that are appropriate to a given situation," said Dr. Neel Jolepalem, of St. Joe's. "There is a reasonableness to the anxiety."

He used the example of driving a car. Most people know anytime they get in a car they can have an accident, but handle that risk by taking normal safety precautions.

"But if you are driving and you are so anxious you can't think clearly, have feelings of impending doom and physical discomfort" and there is no present danger, you may be suffering from an anxiety disorder.

Clarkston psychologist Stan Garwood said some of the signs of anxiety disorders include:

- Persistence: continuing more than a couple of months.
- Interfering with life situations and normal routines: "An agoraphobic sometimes can't drive, has to stay home, can't be in crowds," he said.
- Panic attacks: These can mimic heart attacks. "The fear is so real it scares the heck out of them," Garwood said. "Most of them (attacks) don't go away on their own."
- Fear of losing control or going crazy: "Going into therapy can tell them no, they're not going crazy."

Garwood said there are four commonly described anxiety disorders:

PANIC DISORDER: Symptoms can include a tightness in the chest, rapid heart beat, dizziness, the classic anxiety attack.

AGORAPHOBIA: Anxiety related to certain places. "It could be on a road, it could be in a crowd, it could be in a store," Garwood said. "It may or may not be connected with panic. The reason they're expe-

riencing high anxiety is the fear of stimulating a panic attack. But some do not have panic attacks. They just experience intense anxiety. Sometimes they're afraid they're going to die."

SPECIFIC PHOBIAS: such as heights, bridges, spiders, flying, etc. "A lot of people don't seek therapy, they just avoid," Garwood said.

SOCIAL PHOBIAS: people who are afraid of unfamiliar places and people.

In all of these cases, the body kicks into an automatic reaction, called the flight-or-fight phenomenon, which causes feelings of intense fear.

The phenomenon was first described 50 years ago. Doctors now know it starts with the pituitary

More help

The Rochester Community House, 816 Ludlow, Rochester, will offer a lecture on "Battling Depression and Anxiety," providing strategies to eliminate symptoms, on Monday, May 1, 7-9 p.m. Cost is \$15. Call 651-0622 for more information.

For information on support groups related to anxiety disorders, write the Anxiety Disorders Association of America, 6000 Executive Building, Suite 513, Rockville, MD 20852.

gland, which secretes a compound which stimulates adrenaline. That makes the heart beat faster and blood flow increase to prepare the body to fight or flee.

Garwood describes the phenomenon as one by which the body prepares a person for something or prevents something from happening.

"When we're little kids our parents teach us fear of crossing a road because you could get hurt," he said. "It's to prevent certain things from happening, to let you know you could get hurt."

Other examples are butterflies before an important speech or a major test.

"Normal anxiety is anxiety we can deal with within ourselves, our family setting, our environment," Garwood said.

Recognizing the symptoms as anxiety and not some other medical problem can be the hard part, since patients and doctors may at first interpret them as signs of some new illness.

Leon Eisenberg of Harvard Medical School, writing in the New England Journal of Medicine, said family doctors are ill-prepared to diagnose anxiety in patients.

"Many patients express physical discomfort, rather than overt psychological symptoms," he said. The cost of such misdiagnosis can be huge, both emotionally and financially.

Eisenberg quoted a study of 11,000 patients of primary care physicians. "Psychological disorders seen in general medical practice account for an enor-

mous number of medical consultations," he wrote. Patients with even minor depression, he continued, are more impaired than those with chronic physical diseases. (Anxiety is considered a forerunner of depression.)

"Only chronic heart disease produced more disability," he wrote.

The good news is that anxiety is highly treatable. Perhaps as high as 90 percent of patients can receive significant relief with treatment, which may include psychotherapy and/or medication. Hence the decision to offer this first-ever national screening this year.

"It was put together by support groups and is endorsed by professional societies," Jolepalem said. If you are unable to attend alone, a friend or relative is welcome to come along for moral support.

For more information on the free screening day, call St. Joe's at 858-3177.

Support groups

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

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

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

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

I NEED HELP TOO (for people caring for a seriously ill loved one): the first Wednesday of each month, 7 p.m.; third Wednesday of the month, 1 p.m. at Cranbrook Hospice, 281 Enterprise Ct., Suite 300, Bloomfield Hills. Call 334-6700.

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

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

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Children too feel pain of bombing

BY ANNETTE KINGSBURY
Clarkston News Editor

Clarkston teacher Joanne Stroebel threw out her lesson plans Monday morning.

On the first day back after a week-long spring break, her students in the Challenger language arts program at Sashabaw Middle School couldn't help but want to talk about the Oklahoma City bombing that had occurred just days before, killing children as well as adults.

Since her class involves a lot of writing, Stroebel asked her students to put their thoughts down on paper. She was moved, amazed and impressed by what they wrote.

"The kids know this is an historical event they'll be talking about to their children," Stroebel said. "The kids talk about it because of the tremendous impact on kids, the involvement of kids.

"We talked about it. I said, 'Just think about it and write what you feel. Open up a vein; open up your heart.'"

This isn't the first time Stroebel has challenged her students to connect with the real world. Last year she asked them to read the diary of a Sarajevo girl trapped in the war in Bosnia, then write letters to her.

"When I gave this assignment, there wasn't a sound in the classroom," she said. "Kids have a way of putting things in perspective. Sometimes we just don't have that."

"Hatred. Is this word strong enough to describe the people who did this? I don't think so. There isn't a strong enough word on this earth to describe these unearthly people . . . They may look human on the outside but, on the inside, they are on fire, interacting with the devil."

—Amy Zasocky

"It's not just the people that died or got seriously injured that were hurt. It's all Americans that were touched greatly in this terrible act. Especially the poor children who didn't have a chance to live their lives fully and barely start them."

—Blake Coe

"I wish I could help, but I'm too young to give blood and I can't be a hero, but I can be a friend. I can pray for them, and give them my best wishes, but otherwise I'm helpless, completely helpless."

—Lisa Saunders

"I don't want to live in a country that explodes at random, that rips hearts in half, that crucifies life in the most horrible fashion . . . We will stop this, although we will never forget it."

—Patrick Heber

'Hatred and evil can be worse than anything else you could ever know. We must teach love and kindness.'

—Adam Duddles

**This horrible blast took more than lives;
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It took our hope,
Our peace of mind.
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Beth Reatherford

"People everywhere are crying and it's not fair because America doesn't deserve this."

—Heather Carlile

"What were they going to gain besides hate? I really respect the people that are going into the building to try and save others."

—Mary Hunter

"To have one of my relatives in there would have torn me apart."

—Annie Whittington

"Were you trying to prove something, make a name for yourself in history? Well if that's what you wanted, you certainly did that!"

—Allison Lynch

"Hatred and evil can be worse than anything else you could ever know. We must teach love and kindness."

—Adam Duddles

"This tragedy outweighs the earthquakes and the hurricanes and any other nature-related disasters."

—Robert Koch

"The land that secures me can't secure itself. The home that loves me uses false love. Before there were no doubts, no worries, no pain, no reality. Now we know. We know of real tears and pain, of anger and helplessness, of life and death. We've learned of the real world, a troublesome place, frightful and dark, tired and lonely. This real world is covered in a thin layer for children to see, posed as a perfect world, nothing goes wrong, until now."

—Mercedes Combs


"All evil, greedy people want is to be big, known, and remembered instead of passing on like another nobody from this world. That's what the bombers wanted, I bet. And they'll get it. For decades to come."

—Allison Olinger

'I wish I could help, but I'm too young to give blood and I can't be a hero, but I can be a friend. I can pray for them, and give them my best wishes, but otherwise I'm helpless, completely helpless.'

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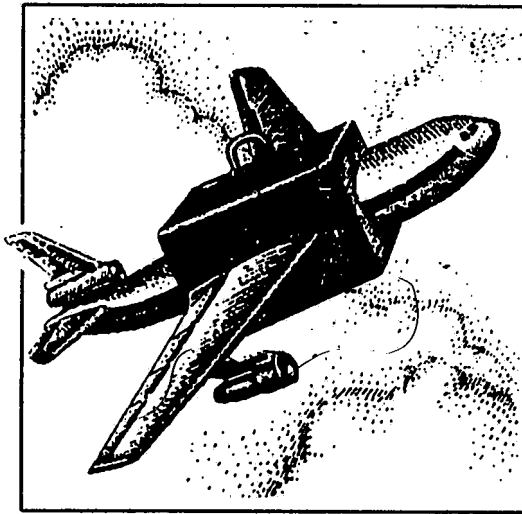
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Ei-liners

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We need to put our arms around Mother Earth and each other, embracing life with renewed fervor.

For, how can we stop killing each other if we're still killing her?

Maybe the best answer is temperance.

Enjoy life, take care of the Earth and each other — but give a quick check in the rear view mirror occasionally to your own backyard.

We can never be too careful anymore.

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going downtown. It raised a few eyebrows among my friends, who seemed to find it politically incorrect to voice the feeling. Either that, or they didn't think they could actually get hit. I think you have to know it's out there, consider your options, then act.

Today I still go downtown, though I fear crime. I still drive a car, though I fear accidents. I still fly, though a fear a crash. Like most people, I try not to let the fear overcome me, preferring to push it into a dark

corner of my mind, hoping—no assuming—that nothing will happen to push it to the forefront.

Last week's bombing serves to allow the fear to resurface, at least for awhile. We all hope it was an isolated incident. But how to protect ourselves from such events will, I'm sure, be the topic of many conversations in the coming weeks.

If you'd care to be in on the conversation, send me your thoughts at 5 South Main St., Clarkston, MI 48346.

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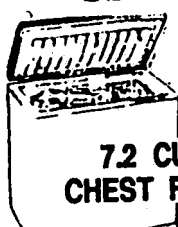
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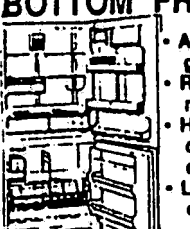
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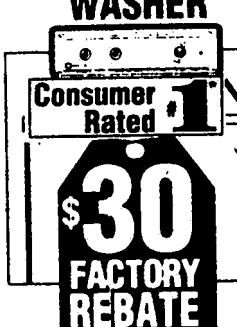


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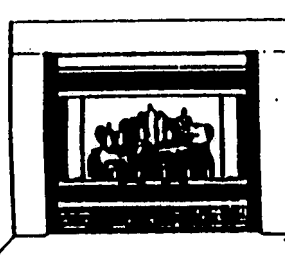
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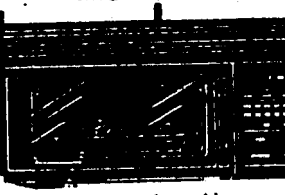
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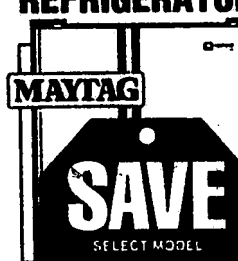


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Section B

Wolves battle Class B champs in first game back from break

BY DARREL W. COLE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Except for a few early-inning errors, the Clarkston Wolves softball team didn't show any negative signs from spring break.

The Wolves, with one senior in the starting lineup, battled defending Class B state champion Brandon to the end, but still lost 4-1 on April 24.

Coach Al Land was not only pleased with his team's effort but was also glad to see they were solid after a week-long vacation. He said about half the team was home during the break so practice was limited.

"It has been two weeks since we last played but I was pleased with the team," Land said. "We have to look at some of the positives in these kinds of games because we have a difficult schedule coming up with Brighton, Rochester and (Waterford) Kettering.

"If we can take something out of that loss we'll be ready because we all knew without the errors we could have won."

Right from the start, the Wolves were ready. Junior center fielder Stephanie Giroux led off the game with a double and was then sacrificed to third.

After one more Wolf got out, Land knew his team needed a spark. As the Clarkston batter waited at the plate with two strikes called, Land gave the signal for Giroux to steal home. She made it and the Wolves took

a 1-0 lead.

"She did a great job on that play," the coach said. "We had two outs and two strikes on the batter and we said before that we need to jump on them (Brandon) early and get a lead."

That's just what the Wolves did. But Giroux wasn't done there. On defense, she helped preserve that slim 1-0 lead in the first inning when she gunned down a Brandon runner at home plate from her outfield position.

But soon after, Brandon scored three runs on a Clarkston error.

The Wolves clamped down on defense from there on out, but couldn't score against the tough Brandon squad.

With one senior starting against Brandon, Land knows his team's 0-3 record isn't a judgment on the team's talent.

"With a team like this I have to look to the future. I understand that it will take a few games for the kids to gain that confidence but it will happen. A perfect example is against Brandon. They could have folded but our kids just stayed with it and made the plays."

In addition to Giroux's strong play, Land credited shortstop Crystal Lemke, freshman third baseman Tiffany Honey and catcher Amanda Jenkinson with strong defensive performances.

Before spring break the Wolves had four games canceled because of bad weather.



Agony of defeat; Glory of winning

Spring break is over and CHS sports start up once again this week. As summer nears, athletes in tennis, softball, baseball, soccer and track will work to be their best. Pictured above, Jennifer Bauer hurts all over after a grueling run earlier this season

Patterson joins national power

Erin Patterson, a 1994 Clarkston High grad, is one of five freshmen hoping to contribute to Alma College's nationally ranked women's softball squad.

Patterson, who was the Wolves' top pitcher last season and led them to a 23-10 record, is one of only two freshman pitchers on the Alma squad. Two of the team's pitchers are seniors and another one is a sophomore.

The two seniors, Beth Aulerich and Julie Hoffman, are returning stars for the Scots as they led them to a 36-8 record, a conference title, the Great Lakes Regional championship and a fifth-place finish in the NCAA Division III national tournament.

Aulerich was 17-5 with a 2.29 ERA and was an all-region selection. Hoffman was 14-3 with a 1.60 ERA and batted .333 as she was selected all-conference. Sophomore pitcher Andrea Hill was 4-0 with a 1.60 ERA as a freshman.

With Patterson working to crack the pitching lineup, Alma returns 15 letterwinners and seven starters. Fastpitch World magazine ranked them third in NCAA Division III preseason polls.

Patterson and her new team's next games are scheduled for April 28-29 in the Ohio Northern Invitational. They play in the MIAA Championships May 4-5 in Battle Creek. The NCAA tournaments begin May 12.



Clarkston kids skate to title

These three Clarkston school elementary kids helped lead their Lakeland Hawks hockey team to the Squirt "A" state championship. Pictured, left to right, are Eric Plante and Ryan Francis of North Sashabaw Elementary, and Adam Peters of Pine Knob Elementary. The Hawks, playing in the 10-11 year old division, won the title in five games by outscoring opponents 33-4. Assistant coach Brian Plante is also a Clarkston resident.

Pull out the bikes, lock in the safety

It's spring! Time to dust off the bicycle, don a helmet, pull up the kick-stand and enjoy pedaling in the fresh breezes of springtime.

In Michigan many children are doing just that, but unfortunately some are bicycling with abandon, unaware of how to ride safely.

Should we be concerned? Yes.

Eighteen bicyclists under 15 died statewide in 1993 — 62 percent of the 29 bicycle deaths in Michigan that year.

"Studies suggest young riders' mistakes often cause crashes with cars," says Jerry Basch, AAA Michigan Community Safety Services manager. "That's true for boys and girls up to age 12."

Part of the difficulty is inaccurate perception, he said. As a result, young riders sometimes misjudge the speed of oncoming vehicles.

"Children may think it's safe to cross the street when it's often dangerous," Basch says. "The gap in traffic may be too short for a safe crossing."

Young riders can reduce the risk of crashes with cars by following these guidelines:

- Be cautious when entering roadways from driveways and alleys. Remember to slow down, stop and look for traffic.
- Ride with traffic on the right-hand side of the street.
- Stop at stop signs.
- Obey traffic signals and watch for turning vehicles.
- Signal before turning and look before changing lanes.



Parents can play a key role in helping children ride safely, Basch adds. For safe fun, here are a few reminders this spring bicycling season:

- Riders should always wear helmets. About 80 percent of bicycle deaths involve head injuries. Fewer than 2 percent of children regularly wear helmets.
- Coach children before they move from sidewalk to street riding to make sure they can do so safely.

They should know the "Rules of the Road" for bicycling safely, the risks of sharing the road with motor vehicles and demonstrate the judgment and maturity necessary for safe riding.

- Inspect bicycles to make sure the brakes and tires are in good condition.
- Make sure bicycles are sized properly to children. In a traffic situation, kids may have difficulty controlling a bicycle that is too big.

New laws regulate off-road vehicle use

Governor John Engler on April 21 signed into law enrolled Senate Bill 206, which amends and updates certain portions of the state's Off Road Vehicle Act.

"These amendments are important milestones in better managing ORVs in Michigan," Department of Natural Resources Director Roland Harnes said. "The new amendments will better protect both public and private lands from degradation caused by irresponsible ORV operation, while providing additional funds for improved trail systems and law enforcement efforts through the ORV Trail Improvement Fund."

Highlights of the newly-enacted law are as follows:

- The amendments reaffirm the "closed unless posted open" policy on state-owned land in the Lower Peninsula. This policy was first enacted in 1991 and expired through a legislatively-enacted sunset provision on January 1, 1995. ORVs will continue to be allowed to operate in designated areas and on designated trails and routes.

NOTE: This policy does not apply to the Upper Peninsula pending studies mandated by the Legislature to be conducted by an ORV Committee appointed by the Natural Resources Commission and the statewide ORV Trails Advisory Committee. In the Upper Peninsula, ORV operation is permitted on designated routes and forest roads unless posted closed. Cross-country ORV operation on state-owned land is expressly prohibited except for licensed hunters to remove deer, bear and elk at

speeds of 5 mph or less.

- The new amendments provide for increasing the cost of ORV licensing from \$10 to \$16.25 on April 1, 1996. This fee increase will provide funds for improving and upgrading the trail system and additional funding for enforcement of the regulations.
- Private land owners and their invited guests are no longer required to license ORVs operated exclusively on their private property. Previously, the ORV law required licensing of all ORVs regardless of where they may be operated.
- ORVs operating in special events are no longer exempt from statutory sound levels. This will permit the agency to more effectively respond to complaints of excessive noise emitting from races and scrambles on private land. It also expands the

availability of ORV licenses by authorizing agents presently selling hunting and fishing licenses, to handle ORV licenses. This will allow the DNR to integrate ORV license sales into the new electronic license sales system and make it far simpler for users to purchase ORV licenses.

● The amendments clarify quiet hours of operation during the fall hunting seasons. Quiet hours now apply only during the November firearm deer season.

● The Department of Education is mandated to make ORV education courses available to youths under 16 years of age. Enforcement of this requirement is mandated to begin on April 1, 1996. For information on class availability, contact the Department of Education at 517-373-0763.

Golf classic to benefit students

The 2nd Annual Conrad J. Bruce Memorial Golf Classic is set for June 17 at Spring Lake Golf Club.

The classic will benefit the student/athlete \$500 scholarship and the building and trades program \$500 scholarship at Clarkston High School.

The cost is \$80 and includes 18 holes of golf, power cart, buffet dinner and door prizes. It will be a team scramble format with a 7:30 a.m. shotgun start. Registration takes place in the downstairs clubhouse.

Lunch will be served at 12:30 p.m. and a cash bar will be available. The classic will be played rain or

shine.

Some features of the classic include: A closest to the pin contest on the 5th hole with a male and female winner; A longest drive contest from the 15th hole; Individual plaques will be presented to each member of the foursome with the lowest score; and, everyone's name will go in a drawing for door prizes.

Forms can be picked up at various businesses or at the Clarkston High School Athletic Office. For more information call classic chairperson Chris Bruce at 625-8746.

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The playscape was built one hot week last summer with all volunteer labor. About 100 people are needed to do some maintenance work, both those comfortable with power tools and those who aren't, according to organizer Sheila Ritter.

Hours are 8 a.m. to close on Saturday and noon until the work is done on Sunday, if needed. Help is needed to work construction, food service, child care and the tool crib. Bring tools, rakes, brooms, wheel-

barrows, rags and extension cords if available.

The Dreamkeepers, as this group is called, hopes to finish the playscape's pirate ship, add ground cover and picnic tables and benches, re-seal the wooden playscape, sand rough spots and touch up paint, among other projects.

"Nobody should feel discouraged if they don't know how to run a power tool," Ritter said. "If we get enough people on Saturday, we may not have to work on Sunday."

The park is located on Andersonville Road between White Lake Road and Dixie Highway. For more information call 625-8223.

Kids and sports equal injuries

Spring is not only the season for softball, baseball, tennis, track and soccer. In addition, it's the season for tennis elbow, rotator cuff tendonitis and shin splints.

But kids and sports don't have to add up to injury.

Britta Ottoboni, a Henry Ford Hospital athletic trainer, says many of those sports injuries can be eliminated with sport-specific conditioning programs.

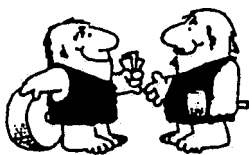
"The majority of sports injuries in kids can be prevented," she said. "The key is having qualified adult supervision, pre-sport physicals and a good conditioning program prior to the season."

Typically, more injuries occur at the beginning of the season because athletes aren't in shape, according to Ottoboni.

Overdoing it is the culprit of most sports injuries in youths. Because children are still growing, their cartilage may not be fully developed and can be more

easily damaged by repetitive motions such as throwing a baseball.

"The 'no pain, no gain' attitude should be outlawed," said Ottoboni. "Continuing to play when in pain can lead to more serious damage."



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Oxford Bank reports drop in first quarter earnings

Oxford Bank Corporation, the holding company for Oxford Bank, reported today that its net income for the first three months of 1995 was \$418,000 or \$1.31 per common share. In the same quarter of 1994, the company reported net income of \$455,000 or \$1.42 per share.

Randall G. Fox, chairman, president and chief executive officer of both the holding company and the bank, said, "The primary reason for our 8.1% decline in quarterly earnings is the start-up expense associated with our new branch in Dryden that opened for business Jan. 23. Over the long term, this

expansion will be very beneficial to our organization, but in the short term we expected to subsidize the operations of this new office."

Fox also pointed out that the bank's interest margins were under pressure during the first quarter as the company's cost of funds increased faster than the yields on its loans and investments. "This was due primarily to the popularity of our long-term certificates of deposit that pay higher interest rates," he explained, going on to say, "Moreover, our deposits grew at a faster pace than loans, so we invested the additional funds into lower yielding short term securities."

Two things to remember riding a cycle

Motorcycle season is here. At the first hint of spring and dry roads, motorcyclists uncover their bikes and hit the road.

Motorcycles are fun, but can be a dangerous pastime. With their rapid rates of acceleration and the fact that they are less visible than passenger vehicles, safety is an important issue.

Two major safety factors to consider while operating a motorcycle are helmets and driving while intoxicated. In 1992 the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration found that motorcycle operators involved in fatal crashes had higher intoxication rates than any other type of motor vehicle driver. Of the 1,016 single-vehicle motorcycle fatalities in 1992, over half (52.4%) were intoxicated.

During a crash, helmets are the only protection a motorcyclist has to prevent serious injury. NHTSA estimated in 1993 that motorcycle helmets reduced the likelihood of a fatality by 29 percent in a crash. From 1984 through 1992 an estimated 5,832 motorcyclists were saved through the use of a helmet.

By avoiding alcohol while riding a motorcycle and always wearing a helmet, riding a motorcycle can still be a fun and safe pastime.

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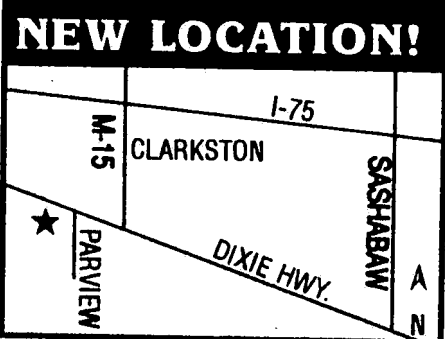
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Ex-cigarette model turns against smoking

Delivers message to students

BY DAN MCCARVILLE
Lake Orion Review Staff Writer

Students and parents in the Clarkston area received an anti-smoking message last month from an unlikely source: former Winston cigarette ad man Dave Goerlitz.

Goerlitz, 45, appeared in 42 Winston ads and pulled down a yearly salary of over \$100,000 for only 26 days of work. He was also a stunt double for movie actors and filled-in for Harrison Ford in the movie "Witness."

It was on the set of "Witness" in 1985 when Goerlitz, who smoked three packs of cigarettes per day, suffered a mild stroke brought on by the clogging of the arteries.

"The blood couldn't get there," said Goerlitz, who has also done ads for Diet Coke, Chaps cologne, Coors beer, and Gloria Vanderbilt's Swan Perfume. "Right now I can't feel anything in my left leg from my hip to my kneecap. And sometimes I don't have any feeling in my face."

After the stroke, Goerlitz went back and did more Winston ads before taking a stand against the tobacco industry, especially the way it targets its advertising toward kids. Camel cigarettes has an animated character "Smoking Joe" which Goerlitz said is very recognizable by six-year-olds.

"My job was to get five thousand kids a day to start smoking," Goerlitz said. "Ninety-three percent of smokers start when they're under 14. The ads are not for the parents. They're already hooked. The goal is to reach kids. And if you try to do anything about it, they call you a 'militant fanatic.'"

Tobacco companies try to lure kids in by offering them grown-up pleasures, according to Goerlitz. Most kids in sixth grade are in denial of their future.

"You see so much violence and gore and other heavy stuff on television and in video games that a picture of a black lung isn't going to bother you," Goerlitz told a group of middle schoolers at one presentation.

Candy cigarettes and chewing tobacco bubble gum, are also offered to kids. Goerlitz doesn't like the message it sends.

"You wouldn't give a wet bar as a toy to a six-year-old," Goerlitz said.

In Goerlitz's view, the ads are intended to make smoking look wonderful while appealing to the macho side of males and the independent, assertive side of females. Tobacco companies spend \$4 billion a year on advertising, while the



'The ads are not for the parents. They're already hooked. The goal is to reach kids.'

Dave Goerlitz
former Winston model

government gets \$31 billion a year on tax revenues.

"What they're selling is an image," Goerlitz said. "The tobacco in Marlboro Lights and Virginia Slims is exactly the same. They use pictures to confuse you. Adults tell kids not to smoke until they grow up, but adults also tell kids to grow up and act mature."

Goerlitz travels across the country making presentations to schools, and has appeared in front of over one million school kids in the last five years. He is funny during his presentations and his experiences as both a child and a parent hit home with his audiences.

"Using humor gives me an opportunity to slip in information," Goerlitz said. "If you're too serious, then kids don't listen."

Another problem for Goerlitz is the media

and its lack of attention on kids and cigarettes.

"You hear all about O.J. (Simpson), Tonya Harding and Roseanne," said Goerlitz, "but you don't hear anything about 14-year-olds who are buying cigarettes."

One incident with his kids sticks in Goerlitz's head. He was smoking in the car while they were in the backseat, and they asked him if he would roll the window down. Because it was cold out, he told them no.

"I didn't want my kids to get pneumonia, but I had no problem with exposing them to the 4,162 poisons, irritants and pesticides that are in a cigarette," Goerlitz said.

The disregarding of the surgeon general's warning that is on each pack of cigarettes puzzles Goerlitz. He is also amazed at how the smoke in restaurants magically stops right before it enters non-smoking sections.

"You wouldn't buy any other product that had a warning on it," Goerlitz said. "You wouldn't buy toilet paper if it had a warning on it that said you might get a rash on your butt if you used it."

Health beat

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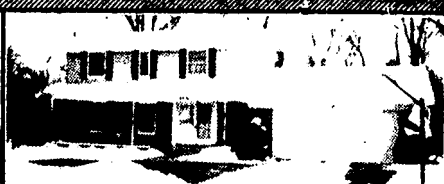


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Move over marbles--here come POGs!

Trendy game is banned in one Clarkston school

BY EILEEN OXLEY
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Once again, American kids are turned on to a new craze — no different than hula hoops, mood rings or trolls.

POGs are taking over marbles, hopscotch and jump rope as the new prince of playground fun.

In Clarkston they're hot. The object of the game is to flip over brightly-colored cardboard POG circles with heavier discs called "slammers," usually made of metal. The person with the most POGs wins and keeps the winnings, as in marbles or checkers.

POGs, an acronym for a passion-orange-guava juice drink from a Hawaiian dairy, started when kids used the bottle caps to create a game. The name stuck and traveled across the Pacific where milk caps replaced the juice bottle tops and turned the game into a national adolescent addiction.

"Our teachers have been comparing it to Tiddly Winks (a similar game of the '50s)," Dr. Sharon Devereaux, Springfield Plains Elementary principal, said. "They came to my attention a month ago. They were banning them in some schools ... But here, the playground aides tell me some children who have difficulty entering into play are now playing on the playground."

Devereaux eliminated the possibility of any POG problems like stealing, fighting — even gambling, which has been reported elsewhere — by pre-empting with firm instructions.

"Our children aren't fighting over them at all. They've been told they have to be 'nice' or the POGs will be taken away."

Playground aides, who supervise children and are aware of what's going on, agreed with Devereaux, as did other school employees.

"It COULD be a problem, you know," an Andersonville Elementary employee, who wished to be nameless, said. "There's talk of stealing and not being fair — but it wouldn't be any worse than marbles. Although I think more kids can play this at all levels."

"I think they're affordable for kids, but I'm sure somebody's raking in the money."

Some checking with nearby stores revealed just how expensive the dime-thick discs and their accessories are.

Michael Cullen, inventory control manager for Toys 'R' Us stores in Michigan and northern Ohio,

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Neither rain, sleet nor snow keeps Springfield Plains kids away from their beloved POGs.

calls POGs "very, very popular, low-priced and easily collectable."

"We're getting many shipments in. There are numerous vendors." Cullen says the price range varies, from 10 to 99 cents for one POG to \$4 for a package of seven. The "better games" sell for \$10 to \$20, depending on the quality of materials (cardboard or metal) and might include "just POGs" or album cases for display, POG floorpads, cases and slammers.

"But most of those are sold separately," Cullen said. He added that designs and colors featuring cartoon characters like Beavis and Butthead, Power Rangers and Looney Tunes, peace signs and billiard balls are very popular.

Lori Shaheen, manager for Tre's Hallmark in Independence Township, says she hasn't gotten any POGs in, but she's expecting them.

"It's just starting to hit the Midwest, but there aren't any great shakes here yet. We're just waiting to hear about them, but for now, I'll spend my dollars on something else. I have a good supplier. The last craze was trolls and they drove me nuts."

Shaheen keeps close contact with other Hallmark retailers in the U.S. and says her fellow merchants in Arizona say "POGs are dead. It starts in California and works its way across the country. I'm

keeping my ear to the ground."

The only school to report any "disc-asters" is Clarkston Middle School where principal Vince Licata has banned POGs.

"He said he had a lot of arguments and fights about stealing. I haven't seen it happen at our school yet," Ellen Whitehead, Sashabaw Middle School secretary, said. "I haven't noticed any problems. Some game called 'Magic' is popping up here."

"I think one of the big problems is kids at this age start taking things from others. Kids were taking POGs from each other. I think that's what's happening at Clarkston Middle School."

North Sashabaw Elementary building aide Sharron Belch says, although POGs are not a problem, she feels cogs may be turning in adolescent heads.

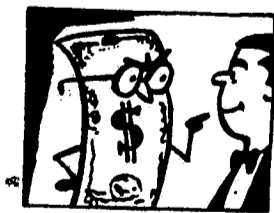
"I'm just waiting for the kids to start fighting. They haven't — YET. But it reminds me of gambling. They take their fists and pound down on them (Belch was referring to a "Scissors, Paper, Rock" game popular among the young set). That's how they get their turn."

Belch said a recent vacation might have swayed her ominous prediction.

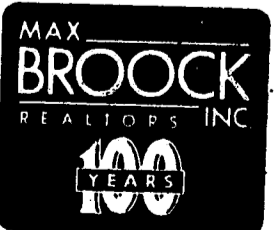
"I just got back from Vegas," she admitted.

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Hope 'springs' eternal in Clarkston

Spring has sprung, the grass has riz, I wonder where the flowers is?

--Anonymous

Just when we thought we'd never see the end of a dismal Easter week, the sun suddenly peeked out Friday afternoon.

Clarkston came to life as folks stepped out of hibernation. They biked, Roller-bladed and walked along Main Street, taking advantage of the blissful day as temperatures soared toward the seventies.

Daffodils and tree buds could almost be seen opening. Ducks squaked, birds chirped and people smiled, welcoming the long-awaited season.

--By Eileen Oxley

School's out! At least for a few days ... At right, Josh Polley and Mike Bielak try some fancy Rollerblading stunts on Washington Street. At far right, Clarkston Middle-Schoolers Jessie Doyle, Kelly Passage and Kathryn Zarzycki skip along Main Street.



The perfect day to enjoy a slice of pizza — Marylu Sommerfeldt of Clarkston Hair Design takes a break.



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National Physical Fitness & Sports Month
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- May 4 **HEART HEALTH 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.**
Fee: \$50.00 (value of \$140.00) By appointment only. Includes EKG, PFT (pulmonary function) blood pressure, cholesterol with HDL (good cholesterol) and a consult with Dr. Van. Not billable to insurance.
- May 9 **BOATING SAFETY 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.**
Fee \$5.00/family. Pre-registration required. Michigan pleasure boat safety: Six hour class (over 2 nights) in conjunction with Oakland County Sheriff Marine Division. To receive certification, you must be at least 12 years old.
- May 10 **THE SILENT KILLER 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.**
Free. Pre-registration required.
High Blood Pressure presented by Dr. Steven Friedman.
- May 17 **MENOPAUSE AND YOUR HEALTH 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.**
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Around town

● A blood drive will be held at St. Daniel's Church on Sunday, April 23, 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Walk-ins are welcome but to schedule an appointment call 625-4583.

● A salad luncheon will be held Thursday, April 27 at Mt. Bethel Methodist Church, at the corner of Jossman and Bald Eagle Lake Rd., Groveland Township. Serving hours are 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

● Clarkston residents Ric and Carola Huttenlocher will perform with the Madrigal Chorale Sunday, May 7 at 4 p.m. at St. Hugo's Catholic Church on Opdyke Rd., Bloomfield Hills. Tickets are \$10 per person (\$5 senior citizens and students). Call 652-3097 for ticket information

● An "aerobathon" to benefit the Rainbow Connection will be held at Deer Lake Racquet Club on Sunday, May 7. Hours are 10 a.m.-noon; admission is \$15. For more information call 625-8686.

● Are you receiving a lump-sum payment from your pension plan and don't know what to do? A free investment seminar will be held at Joseph James Financial Services, Inc. in Rochester Hills May 17 at 7 p.m. Call 852-3040.

● The annual country fair of Kingsbury School will be held June 4, noon-5 p.m. at the school, 5000 Hosner Rd., Oxford. There will be entertainment, chicken dinners, strawberry shortcake, games and an auction. For more information call 628-2571.

● A family fun skate hosted by Marilyn Turner will benefit the Rainbow Coalition Sunday, June 18, 2-5 p.m. at the Rolladium, 4475 Highland Rd. Cost is \$7 for a family of four or \$3.25 per person. Call 651-1261 for more information.

● The Oakland County Genealogical Society will host a program on "Shortcuts to your Ancestral Village" with Jan Zaleski on Tuesday, May 2 at 7 p.m. Zaleski is a past president of the Polish Genealogical Society of Michigan. The meeting will be at the Baldwin Public Library, 300 W. Merrill, Birmingham. Call 335-4061 for more information.

● The "May Fashion Fling" of the Young At Heart Senior Citizens Group of Springfield Township will be held Thursday, May 11 at 11:30 a.m. at the Northwest Inn inside the Oakland Technical Center Northwest, 8211 Big Lake Rd. Fashions by Dancers and a lunch of pecan chicken salad, roll, beverage and dessert will be included in the \$7 admission price. Tickets are available at the Springfield Township Parks and Recreation office at Hart Community Center, 495 Broadway, Davisburg. For more information call 634-0412.

● A used book sale sponsored by the Independence Township Friends of the Library will be held May 4-6 at the library, with a Friends-only preview on May 3, 6-8 p.m. (Join the Friends at the door for \$15 to gain admission to the preview.) Sale hours are 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Thursday, 1-6 Friday and 10-2 Saturday. Saturday is "Buck-a-Bag" day. The library is located at 6495 Clarkston Rd.; call 625-2212 for more information.

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● A Mother's Day special entitled A Musical Murder Mystery at the Blue Light Lounge will be held at the Santa Banquet Center, 1985 Cass Lake Rd., Keego Harbor on Saturday, May 13. Tickets are \$25 and include dinner, hors d'oeuvres, entertainment and prizes. Call (810) 682-0420.

● A support group for women with breast cancer will meet at Calvary Lutheran Church, 6805 Bluegrass, at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, May 2. Nurse Veronica Decker, certified specialist-psychiatric nursing and cancer therapist, will talk on coping with breast cancer. Call 625-3841 for more information.

● Tuesday Musicales of Pontiac will hold its annual spring luncheon May 9 at noon at Central United Methodist Church, 3882 Highland Rd., Waterford. The program will include the Tuesday Musicales Chorus and vocalist Jessica Miller, a club

scholarship winner. For reservations call (810) 363-9596.

● High-school students are invited to the first annual Youth Day Conference of the Oakland County Bar Association Friday, April 28 at Walsh College in Troy. Workshops will feature current issues argued in the courts, including homicide investigations, rights at school, sex and paternity, gangs, date rape, censorship and the arts, assisted suicide, save the planet, and more. Keynote speaker is Mega Man of WDFN. To attend, call 858-1925.

● A family-style roast beef dinner will be held at Mt. Bethel United Methodist Church Saturday, May 6, 4:30-7 p.m. Cost is \$6. The church is located at the corner of Jossman and Bald Eagle Lake Rd. in Groveland Township.

● Rochester Parents Without Partners will hold an orientation and dance Thursday, May 4 at the RiverCrest in Rochester, beginning at 9 p.m. Cost for the dance is \$4. For more information call 693-5233.

● The Detroit Chamber Winds will be featured in a concert Sunday, May 7 at 4 p.m. at Mott High School, 1151 Scott Lake Rd., Waterford. The event is sponsored by the Waterford Cultural Council. Tickets are \$7.50 for adults, \$5 for students, senior citizens and council members. For reservations or information call 623-9389.

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Obituaries

Rosemary Aikin

Rosemary F. Aikin, 72, of Clarkston died April 23, 1995.

She is survived by her husband Gordon; three daughters, Rosemary Demanowski, Jacqueline Mantzer and Bernice (Brian) Wendorf; a son, Dennis (Shellie); 15 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; two sisters, Irene Green and Lucille Worrell; and a brother, Patrick Cornish.

Funeral services were held yesterday (Tuesday) at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Trust 100 Funeral Home in Clarkston with Brother Dan McCullough officiating. Interment was in Roseland Park Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Cranbrook Hospice.

Teuta Bardha

Teuta Bardha, 24, of Clarkston died April 23, 1995.

She is survived by her parents, Myfit and Melihat; and three siblings, Sulo, Besa and Dhurata.

Funeral services were held yesterday (Tuesday) at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Trust 100 Funeral Home in Clarkston. Interment was in Roseland Park Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Children's Lung Foundation in Cleveland, Ohio.

Shirley Heazlit

Shirley A. Heazlit, 69, of Clarkston, formerly of Lexington, died April 19, 1995.

She was preceded in death by her parents, seven brothers and five sisters, all formerly of the Stratford, Ontario area.

Mrs. Heazlit was a member of the Calvary Evangelical Lutheran Church in Clarkston and was retired from the Waterford Training Institute, Waterford School District.

She is survived by her husband, Robert F.; two daughters, Cindy of San Jose, CA and Tammie Jo of Clarkston, formerly of Lexington, KY; and a sister, Marie (Jim) Yundt of Stratford, Ontario.

Funeral services were held Saturday at Calvary Evangelical Lutheran Church with Pastor Robert D. Walters officiating. Services were provided by the Lewis E. Wint & Son Trust 100 Funeral Home in Clarkston.

Memorials may be made to Calvary Evangelical Lutheran Church.

William Howland

William Glenn Howland, 67, of West Branch, formerly of Mio and Clarkston, died April 22, 1995.

Mr. Howland owned Howland Lumber, Inc. of West Branch.

He is survived by his companion, Shirley Clark of West Branch; four daughters, Charliss (Phil) Handrich of West Branch, Billie (Tom) Stemple of Fairview, Glenda (Lon) Gascho of Grand Rapids and Stacey (Brian) Atkinson of Indiana; a son, Fred (Yvonne) Howland of West Branch; stepchildren Cindy (Ray) Jones of Clawson, Sherry (Duane) Jeff of Royal Oak, Mark (Teresa) Clark of Troy and Ken (Chris) Clark of Mio; his mother, Cecile Howland of Fairview; and 17 grandchildren.

Funeral services were held today (Wednesday) at Lakeview Cemetery with Pastor Roger Allen officiating. Funeral arrangements were entrusted to the Lewis E. Wint & Son Trust 100 Funeral Home in Clarkston.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of Helping Hands, West Branch, or the American Cancer Society.

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Russell Biggs

Russell Thomas Biggs, 64, of Clarkston died April 20, 1995.

Mr. Biggs retired from Pontiac Motors in 1989 and was a member of the UAW Local #653.

He is survived by his wife Shelby; seven daughters, Denise (Ron) Lee, Evelyn (Mike) Romano, Margie Welch, Jennifer (James) Welch, Idesta (Bruce) Hundt, Trina Poe and Malinda (Tim) Riley; a son, Paul (Vicky) Poe; and 20 grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at the Blue Ridge Funeral Home in Beckley, West Virginia with Pastor Kenneth Krimmel officiating. Interment was in Blue Ridge Memorial Gardens.

Michigan visitation was Saturday at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Trust 100 Funeral Home in Clarkston.

Memorials may be made to the Michigan Cancer Foundation.

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Fred Hishke


Fred Hishke, 55, of Oscoda, formerly of Ortonville, died April 17, 1995.

He was preceded in death by his son Bill and Bill's wife Mable.

He is survived by his wife Nancy; a son, Jim (Lecia) of Florida; three daughters, Teri (Scott) Testerman of Royal Oak, Tami (Greg) White of Grand Blanc and Toni Hishke of Pontiac; eight grandchildren; and many friends.

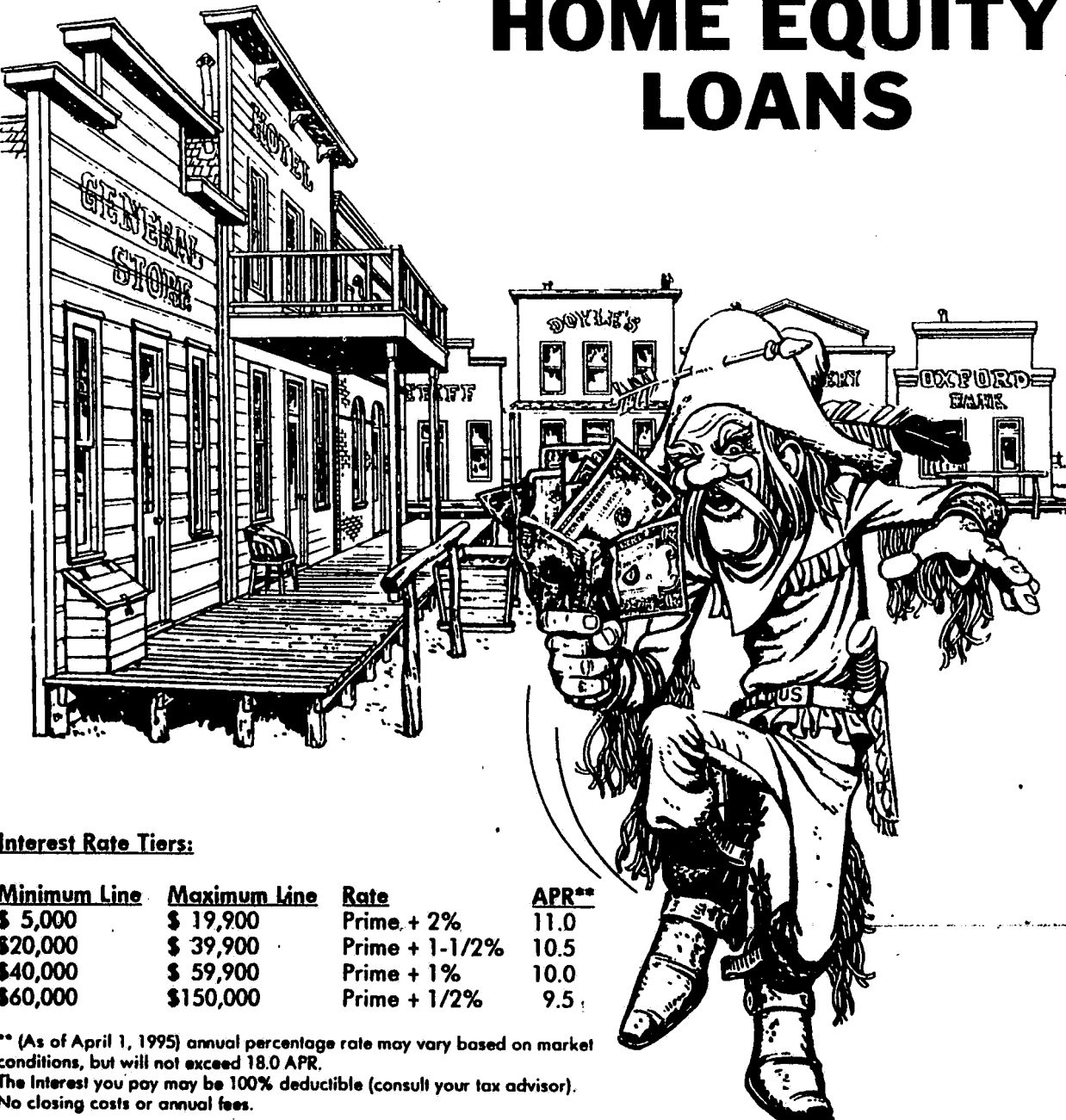
Funeral services were held Friday at Trinity United Methodist Church of Waterford with the Rev. Tat-Khean Foo officiating. Interment was in Ortonville Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Leukemia Society of America.




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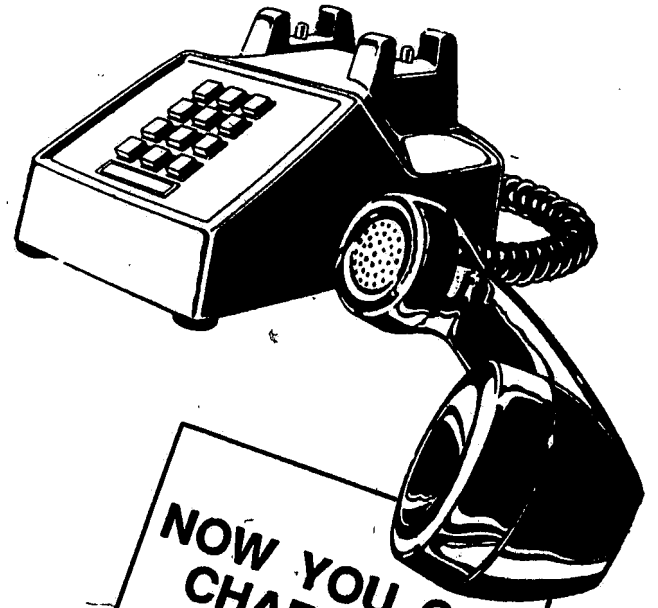
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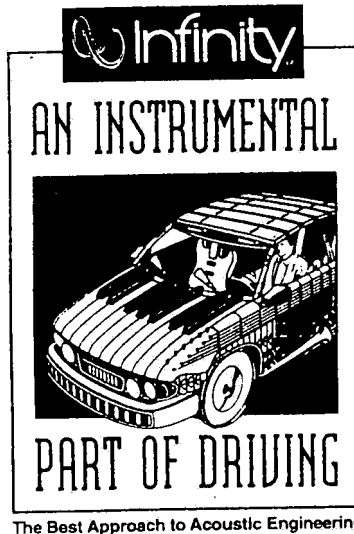
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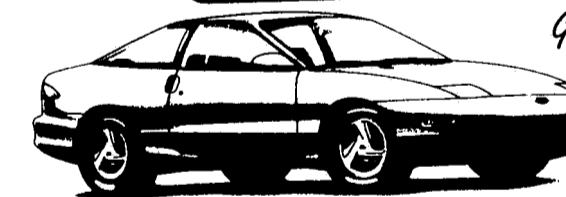
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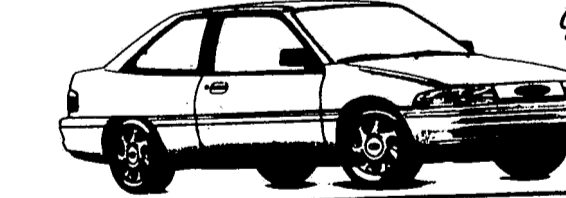
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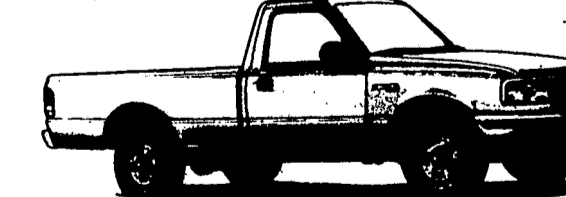
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INDEPENDENCE TWP.

SYNOPSIS OF ACTION TAKEN

BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF
THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE
Supervisor Stuart called the meeting to order April 18, 1995 at 7:30 p.m. at the Independence Township. Hall Annex.
Pledge of Allegiance.
Roll Call: Present: Lutz, McGee, Mercado, Stuart, Vaara.
Absent: McCrary, Travis.
There is a quorum.

1. Approved the agenda, with deletion of Investment Manager Selection under Old Business, and moving closed session for pending litigation to the beginning of the agenda.
2. Approved minutes of the Regular Township meeting of April 4, 1995 as amended.
3. Approved payment of the list of bills totaling \$432,493.76.
4. Approved the issuance of purchase orders totaling \$86,149.58.
5. No one spoke under the Public Forum segment of the agenda.
6. Approval to close the regular meeting at 7:36 p.m. to hold the closed session to discuss pending litigation with Township Attorneys.
7. Approval to re-open the regular meeting at 8 p.m.
8. A Public Hearing was held on Cranberry Lake Estates Sewer Improvement SAD.
9. Approved a resolution for Cranberry Lake Estates Sewer Improvement and Special Assessment, for a duration of 10 years.
10. Approved a request for an outdoor assembly license for the Kelly-Miller 3-ring circus.
11. Approved a request to enter into an agreement to hire Mr. John Dorsey as a computer consultant at a cost not to exceed \$7,000.
12. Approved the Master Water and Sewer Plan as outlined by Township Engineers, with Standards for Modification to be considered and adopted in the future.
13. Approved adjournment of the meeting at 9:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Joan E. McCrary
Township Clerk

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The project consists of the following:

- 12" Storm Sewer, HDPE, A-2000 PVC or Equal, Trench A — 297 lf
- 12" Storm Sewer, HDPE, A-2000 PVC or Equal, Trench B — 1,428 lf
- 12" Storm Sewer, C-76, CL-IV, Trench A, 49 lf
- Catch Basin/Manhole, 4' Diameter, 4 ea.
- Inlet, 2' Diameter, 10 ea.
- Miscellaneous items of removals, restoration and traffic control

Plans and Specifications will be on file, and available beginning Wednesday, April 19, 1995 at the offices of Hubbell, Roth & Clark Inc., Consulting Engineers, 555 Hulet Drive, Bloomfield Hills, Michigan. A fee of Twenty-Five (\$25) Dollars, in the form of a check made payable to Hubbell, Roth & Clark, Inc., will be required on the project plans and specifications, which will be non-refundable.

A certified or cashier's check or bid bond payable to the Charter Township of Independence, Oakland County, Michigan, in an amount equal to five (5%) percent of the bids, shall be submitted with each bid.

The successful bidder will be required to furnish satisfactory insurance certificates and policies, Performance, Labor and Material, and Maintenance and Guarantee Bonds.

RIGHTS RESERVED BY THE TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE:

The Owner reserves the right to accept any bid, to reject any or all bids, to waive any and all informalities not involving price, time, or changes in the Work and to negotiate contract terms with the Successful Bidder, and the right to disregard all nonconforming, nonresponsive, unbalanced or conditional Bids. Also, the Owner reserves the right to reject the Bid of any Bidder if the Owner believes that it would not be in the best interest of the Owner to make an award to that Bidder, whether because the Bid is not responsive or the Bidder is unqualified or of doubtful financial ability or fails to meet any other pertinent standard or criteria established by the Owner.

No bid may be withdrawn after the scheduled closing time for receiving bids for at least forty-five (45) days. Also, no Proposal will be received unless made on blanks furnished and delivered to the Township Clerk on or before 2 p.m., Local Time, Wednesday, May 3, 1995.

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Senior spotlight

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 through Friday, 8 a.m. through 5 p.m. or drop in to the center at 5980 Clarkston Road, in the Clintonwood Park (between M-15 and Sashabaw Road) and pick one up.

This Week's Lunch Menu

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

liquid meals are also available. For further information or reservations call Sarah at 625-8231.

- April 27 -- Beef Tips & Gravy
- April 28 -- Lemon Pepper Cod
- May 1 -- Veal Supreme
- May 2 -- Swedish Meatballs
- May 3 -- Baked Chicken Parmesan
- May 4 -- Ricotta Shell with Meat Sauce
- May 5 -- Sweet and Sour Chicken

Homebound Meals

Homebound meals are available to seniors living in Independence Township. These meals are delivered to seniors who are unable to prepare their own meal. People needing homebound meals should contact Sarah at the Senior Center at 625-8231, Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Have a milestone? Send it to The Clarkston News

PUBLIC NOTICE

Because the People Want to Know

CLARKSTON

CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 10, 1995

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by Mayor Catalo, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll: Present: Arkwright, Basinger, Catalo, Roeser, Sanderson, Secatch.
Absent: Schultz.

Moved by Arkwright, supported by Secatch, "That the minutes of the meeting held on March 27, 1995 be approved as submitted." Motion carried.

Moved by Arkwright, supported by Sanderson, "That the agenda be approved with the following deletions: Historic District Commission Ordinance, Gypsy Moths, Tri-Party funds and the following additions: Loud speaker and Gazebo use." Motion carried.

Resolved by Arkwright, supported by Sanderson, "That the bills be paid totaling \$32,429.79 with the corrections as noted." Roll: yeas-6, nays-0. Resolution passed.

The Depot Park Playground Project was discussed. The sod is going to be laid at the end of April. The replacement slide was shipped last week. There is money available from the Depot Park Playground Project for ongoing maintenance such as wood chips. The Village of Clarkston is responsible for the ongoing maintenance as the Project committee has disbanded.

It was discussed and decided that the Police Committee will meet to interview the 16 candidates of a field of 37 who applied for the Chief of Police position. The committee will do background checks and recommend the top 2-3 candidates for a second interview with the City Council. The recommended candidate will have a psychological evaluation prior to being offered the position. The goal is to have hired the Police Chief by the end of May.

Resolved by Arkwright, supported by Secatch, "That under the local option, The City of the Village of Clarkston will exercise the provision to opt out of SMART as currently proposed." Roll: yeas-6, nays-0. Resolution passed.

Basinger indicated he wanted to make a few comments regarding the change of property at 54 S. Main to a restaurant. He indicated that he did abstain in voting on this matter. He stated that no variances were needed as this restaurant is currently located in our business district, provides for adequate parking. The site plan was reviewed by the planning commission and they recommended its approval. The Council acted upon the recommendation of the Planning Commission. Basinger also indicated that previously there had been two liquor licenses in the Village and the Council was only reinstating a former license. Basinger indicated that there had been concerns expressed about using a church for a place which served alcohol. Basinger read from a dictionary of a church as an edifice which has been consecrated for worship. He went on to state that just because a structure looks like a church does not mean it is a church and also just because a structure does not look like a church does not mean it is not a church. He stated that there is a requirement that government remain religiously neutral. He re-stated that he did not vote on the decision to approve this site plan but he felt that the Council had acted appropriately. There are no reasonable grounds to prevent its establishment.

Sanderson indicated that she has a problem with this and that she does not see a bar in the Village as an asset.

Basinger indicated his major concern was that the structure be maintained.

Randy Lincoln of 1411 North Woodward in Birmingham addressed the Council on the behalf of the Clarkston Cafe. The Council had billed the Clarkston Cafe, Carol's Grill and the Village Bake Shop for excessive amounts of grease found in the sewer lines behind these establishments which required additional maintenance. The costs associated with the maintenance were divided among the three establishments based on a formula of number of units/square footage. The Clarkston Cafe is the largest of the three, therefore their portion of the bill was also the largest. Mr. Lincoln indicated that the Cafe has grease traps as well as a grease dumpster behind the building. He produced receipts to indicate the frequency with which these are cleaned. He also indicated the type of grease as well as the type of dish washers that are used

can also affect how grease would coagulate to block sewer lines. He indicates that the type of dish washer and type of grease they use at the Cafe would cause less coagulation than other types which are less expensive. Mr. Lincoln feels the bill should be apportioned differently as he feels his establishment is not responsible for the majority of the problem.

Arkwright indicated that a representative from the Village Bake Shop and Carol's Grill should be asked to attend the next Council Meeting to discuss the methods which they retain and dispose of grease in their businesses. After these reports a policy will be developed to deal with this problem.

Attorney Tom Ryan gave the second reading of the Fire Prevention Ordinance. An ordinance establishing minimum regulations governing the safeguarding of life and property from the hazards of fire and explosion arising from the storage, handling, and use of hazardous substances, materials and devices; and from conditions hazardous to life or property in the use or occupancy of buildings or premises; known as the fire prevention code.

The entire ordinance is on file at the Village Hall if anyone wants to read it.

Resolved by Sanderson, supported by Basinger, "That Ordinance #119 be adopted." Roll: yeas-6, nays-0. Resolution passed.

Arkwright complimented the Planning Commission on the fine job they did on this ordinance.

Ryan indicated that he met with the Township's attorney on April 3, 1995 to discuss objections and concerns with the proposed asset settlement. He is hopeful it can be concluded by the end of April.

Resolved by Arkwright, supported by Basinger, "That Tim Vanderkerckhove be appointed immediately to fill a vacancy on the ZBA." Roll: yeas-6, nays-0. Resolution passed.

Pappas was directed to inform the subdivision at Valley Park Drive and Holcomb that they need to submit a drawing and to receive a permit to change their subdivision signs.

Resolved by Roeser, supported by Secatch, "That an application be made to close White Lake Road on May 20, 1995 for Fun Daze and on May 29, 1995 for the Memorial Day Parade." Roll: yeas-6, nays-0. Resolution passed.

Clarkston High School will be holding a donkey basketball game. The company which provides the donkeys will be advertising the event with a loud speaker throughout the town. The Council did not foresee a problem with this as long as the hours were reasonable. Pappas will find out what time they intend to do this.

Clarkston Hair Design wants to use the gazebo for a hair show during 1996. Roeser suggested that this be tabled until Schultz is available.

Resolved by Roeser, supported by Arkwright, "That the Council go into closed session to discuss pending litigation." Roll: yeas-6, nays-0. Resolution passed.

The Council went into closed session at 9:05 p.m.

Resolved by Roeser, supported by Secatch, "That the Council go back into open session." Yeas-6, Nays-0. Resolution passed.

The Council went back into open session at 9:45 p.m.

Resolved by Roeser, supported by Secatch, "That the mediation award in the Koster case be accepted." Roll: Yeas-Arkwright, Basinger, Roeser, Sanderson, Secatch. Nays-Catalo. Resolution passed.

Resolved by Arkwright, supported by Sanderson, "That all parking on Depot be eliminated per the recommendations of our insurance company, our attorney and the traffic consultants." Roll: Yeas-6, Nays-0. Resolution passed.

Resolved by Secatch, supported by Arkwright, "That a study be undertaken by the traffic consultants to determine alternative parking in the City and to find a pedestrian access from Main Street to Depot Park." Roll: Yeas-6, Nays-0. Resolution passed.

Resolved by Arkwright, supported by Basinger, "That the decision made by Judge Hilda Gage in the Kopeitz VS the City of the Village of Clarkston be appealed to the Court of Appeals on the advice of the City Attorney because of the favorable ruling in the companion case by Judge Sosnick." Roll: Yeas-Arkwright, Basinger, Catalo, Roeser, Sanderson. Nays-Secatch. Resolution passed.

Pappas was instructed to refer the Building Inspector to the City Attorney regarding enforcement of the sign ordinance.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 9:55 p.m.

Jeanne Selander-Miller
Clerk

Kids in the kitchen

PTA cook book features student favorites

BY EILEEN OXLEY
Clarkston News Staff Writer

You'll find the usual in Clarkston Middle School's PTA cookbook — wing dings, carrot cake and white chili.

But how about Big Mac cookies, No Peek chicken and People Puppy Chow?

Expect to see those recipes when you ask kids to contribute, says Pam Ruggirello of the PTA cookbook committee.

"That was the big part of it — pushing it for the students. They're old enough to start working in the kitchen," said Ruggirello, matter-of-factly, sitting in her comfortable living room next to a basket filled with just-printed books.

And she should know. Her two sons, Anthony, 12, and Michael, 10, flip for her marinated chicken wings ("They call it 'sticky chicky'") and almond poppy seed bread. Ruggirello likes the fact the latter makes two loaves.

"It doesn't see the Wednesday of vacation — it's gone," she quips.

Ruggirello is one of four PTA members who assembled over 90 recipes from CMS students, staff and parents for a fundraising drive. She got the unique idea of including kids from a similar collection put out by Bailey Lake Elementary.

Thus, credit is given to kids as much as to adults — with their names in parentheses under their parents'.

PTA members Ruggirello, Wendy Burleigh, Karen Clark and Donna Cook collected recipes from November through January, proofread the writing and sent the final copy on to the cookbook company, where it was recently printed. There are 300 cookbooks in all.

"We wanted it to be available for Mother's Day," Ruggirello explained.

The family that bakes together may stay together and Ruggirello's is no exception. Her boys have always made cookies with her and recently Anthony produced a succulent pork loin while she recuperated from a hospital stay.

Though their present repertoire includes kid faves like macaroni and cheese, hot dogs and pizza, Ruggirello hopes it'll expand through future cooking classes at school.

"Because going into the 21st century, the women are going to be working as much as the men — They'll have to help out and learn to get along in the kitchen. Their dad knows how to cook and knows his way around ...

"It won't hurt 'em," she said, with a laugh.

The Clarkston Middle School PTA Cookbook may be ordered through Ruggirello or CMS. It's also available at Music Master, 6461 Sashabaw (in the Food Town shopping center at Waldon Road). Cost is \$6, with mailing charge an extra \$1.25 for postage and handling. For more information call Ruggirello at 620-2354.

The following are a few samples from Clarkston Middle School's PTA Cookbook (Note: Adults are allowed to test them too).

Pizza Bagels

Brandon Scheiderer

Plain bagels
Pizza sauce
Grated Mozzarella cheese
Toppings: pepperoni, ham, olives, etc.

Place pepperoni over the bagel hole. Smooth pizza sauce over top of bagel. Sprinkle cheese over sauce. Add toppings. Place on microwave dish and put into microwave. Cook on high for one minute.



Easter may be over, but PTA member Pam Ruggirello holds a basket full of goodies.

Recipes don't always have to be edible: Make Your Own Stickers

Andrew Curtis

Bring to a boil:

8 T. vinegar

Add:

4 packets of unflavored gelatin

Reduce heat to low. Stir until gelatin is dissolved.

Add:

1 T. peppermint extract

Makes 1/2 cup glue. Brush on back of stickers-to-be. (Can use heavy wrapping paper, magazine pages, greeting cards and so on.) Let dry. Trim, lick and stick. Remainder stored in an airtight jar will not spoil for many months, but will solidify. To use again, warm in a pan of hot water.

Pretzel Animals

Marty Rathsburg

1 pkg. yeast

4 c. of flour

1 1/2 c. warm water

1 egg

1 T. sugar

1 T. salt

In a big bowl mix together yeast, water, sugar and salt. Stir in flour. Knead dough on table until smooth. Shape dough into your favorite animal shapes. Brush with beaten egg. Bake in oven set at 425 degrees for 15 minutes or until browned.

People Puppy Chow

Amy Licatovich

1 stick of butter

1 c. chocolate chips

1 c. peanut butter

4 c. Rice Chex

2 c. powdered sugar

Combine butter, chocolate chips and peanut butter in glass bowl. Microwave on low seven minutes. (Stir after half of the time.) Cool. Add Rice Chex. Mix together. Put mixture into paper bag and add powdered sugar. Shake well to coat the chocolate pieces. Remove from bag and enjoy.

Marinated Chicken Wings

Anthony Ruggirello

5 lb. chicken wings

1 c. water

1 c. sugar

1 c. soy sauce

1/4 c. pineapple juice

1/4 c. oil

1 tsp. garlic

1 tsp. ginger

Mix all ingredients except chicken wings. Pour over wings in shallow container. Marinate 24-48 hours. Place skin side up on cookie sheet. Bake at 350 degrees for 1 1/2 hours.









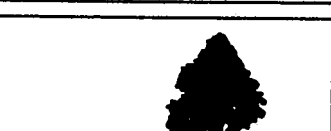
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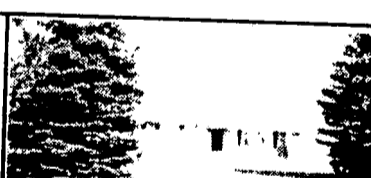
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Five percent of GDP Housing plays role in economy

Housing is vital to the nation's economy. It accounts for millions of jobs, about 5 percent of the Gross Domestic Product and billions of dollars worth of goods, services, wages and taxes each year and is essential to any economic recovery. In fact, housing accounted for as much as 33 percent of the growth in the Gross Domestic Product during the early quarters of the current economic rebound.

Construction of 1,000 new single-family homes generates \$60.5 million in wages and \$33.2 million in federal, state and local taxes and fees while creating 2,097 worker-years of employment. Construction of 1,000 multifamily units generates 800 worker-years of employment, \$23.3 million in wages and \$15.8 million in federal, state and local taxes and fees.

In 1994, the nation's home builders constructed a total of 1.45 million new homes, providing jobs for 2.7 million people and generating \$78.3 billion in wages and \$43.8 billion in tax revenues.

New home construction and remodeling typically account for between four and five percent of the total domestic economy — or about \$250 billion a year. In 1994, home building and remodeling accounted for 4.3 percent of the U.S. Gross Domestic Product.

Housing's contribution to the economy goes even further, according to a recent National Association of Home Builders survey, a family spends an average of \$6,500 to furnish, decorate and improve its new home during the first 12 months of ownership. That means buyers of the 1.1 million new homes forecasted to be built in 1995 will pour an estimated \$7.15 billion into their local economies when they furnish and equip those homes. That is quite a

lot of sofas, blinds and tools.

Because of stronger than previously anticipated demand for new homes during the remainder of the decade, the housing industry will continue to play a crucial role in the nation's economy. Between 1.3 and 1.5 million new homes, including multifamily units, will be needed annually to meet demand created by formation of new households, demand for trade-up homes and pent-up demand caused by four years of stagnant economic growth.

Other growth sectors in the industry include seniors' housing and remodeling. The demand for housing for the seniors population is projected to increase by 10 percent over the next decade with the



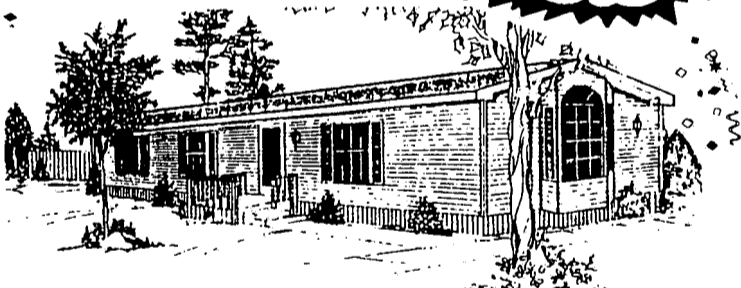
double impact of the aging of the baby boom generation and the fact that people are living longer, healthier lives.

Similarly, the remodeling sector will continue its meteoric growth with expenditures for remodeling estimated at \$120 billion in 1995 and \$200 billion by the turn of the century. This is driven by a growing tendency to age in place and the aging of housing stock from a median age of 27 years in 1990 to 32 years by the end of the decade.

In addition, by that same time, the sheer number of homes in the country will rise from more than 100 million to 110 million. That's a large number of homes that will need maintenance or improvement.

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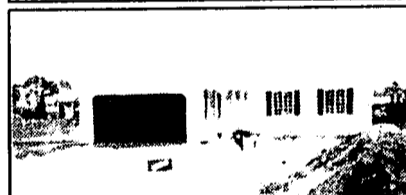
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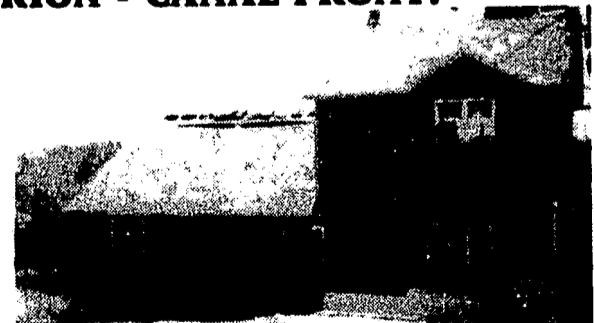
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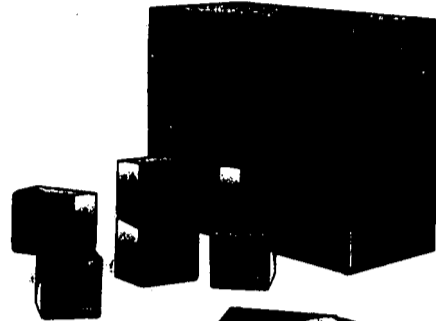
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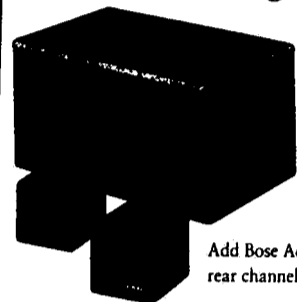
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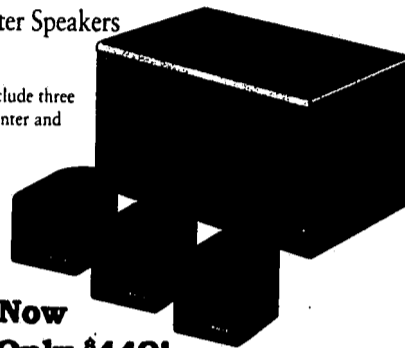
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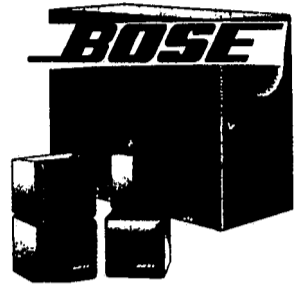
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Baby Boomers continue to dominate market

As it has for more than 25 years, the baby boom generation, which includes people born from 1946 to 1964, will dominate the housing market between 1995 and 1999, prompting builders to hear new home production primarily toward trade-up demand.

Starter home markets will have to adjust to a continuing decline in the number of young adults, reflecting the post-1964 "baby bust." At the same time, the baby boom and bust cycle that occurred earlier in the century will mean slow growth in the active retirement market, but accelerated growth in the frail elderly market.

These are just some of the findings in a new analysis, "The Future of Home Building," which was recently published by the National Association of Home Builders. In that report, NAHB projected that housing starts will average 1.4 million units per year during the remainder of the decade and noted that growth in new households will account for about four-fifths of demand for new homes. Other demand for new homes will come from a number of factors including the need to replace units lost from the stock and demand for second homes.

Other principal findings about demand and demographics include:

- Immigration will account for about one-third of household growth, but initially most immigrants will go to a limited number of metro areas in California, New York, Florida and Texas.

- Married couples will account for a declining share of households, but will still comprise about three-quarters of new home buyers.

- Although the share of married-couple households with children will decline, more families will have teenage children.

- In trading up, many buyers will favor homes with customized features and greater privacy from their adoles-

cent children.

- Increasing participation by women in the labor force and further narrowing of the gap between the earnings of men and women will generate more demand for homes that accommodate the time-constrained lifestyles of dual-earner couples.

- Demographic changes will raise the homeownership rate, but barriers to ownership will remain a

problem.

- Growing demand for trade-up homes will raise the average size and price of new homes.

- Demand for second homes will increase as baby boomers reach the peak ages for buying second homes.

- As the young adult population declines, owners of multifamily housing will reposition their product to appeal to middle-aged tenants.

Real Estate expert to the rescue

All the details involved in home buying, particularly the financial ones, can certainly be mind-boggling. That's why you'll want to find a real estate professional to work with early in your home search.

A real estate broker will be well-acquainted with all the important things you'll want to know about a neighborhood you may be considering. The quality of the schools, the number of children in the area, the safety of the neighborhood, traffic volume: a real estate expert will be aware of these factors and more.

He or she will help you figure the price range you can afford, and search classified ads and multiple listing services for those you'll want to see. With inside information and immediate access to homes as soon as they're put on the market, the broker can save

you hours of wasted driving-around time.

When it's time to make an offer on a home, the broker can also point out ways to structure your deal to save money. The broker will explain the advantages and disadvantages of different types of mortgages, guide you through the paperwork, and be there to hold your hand and answer last-minute questions when you sign the final papers at closing.

Incredibly enough, all this valuable help from the real estate broker is free! Brokers receive a commission that is paid by the home seller, not you, the buyer.

The following are some tips to help you find a trustworthy real estate broker.

- You'll want to start searching for a broker as soon as you decide to

buy a home. Talk to several, and find someone you think you'll be comfortable with. Here's how to go about it:

- Many of your friends and relatives have probably bought and sold their homes through brokers. Make some phone calls and get the names of the real estate professionals they've had good experiences with.

- You can find out which brokers specialize in the kind of home or the area you want by looking in the Yellow Pages or your local newspaper's classified real estate ads. Or, drive through neighborhoods and note the brokers' names on "for sale" signs.

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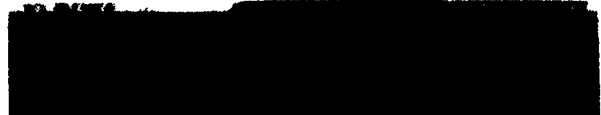
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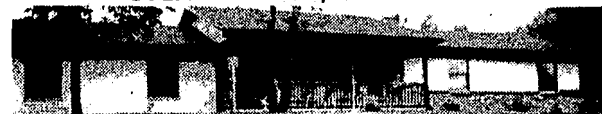
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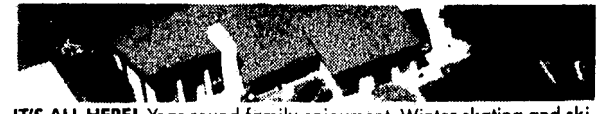
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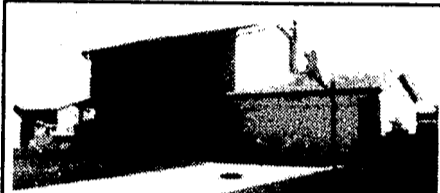
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Projecting a whole lot of building to go on in Orion

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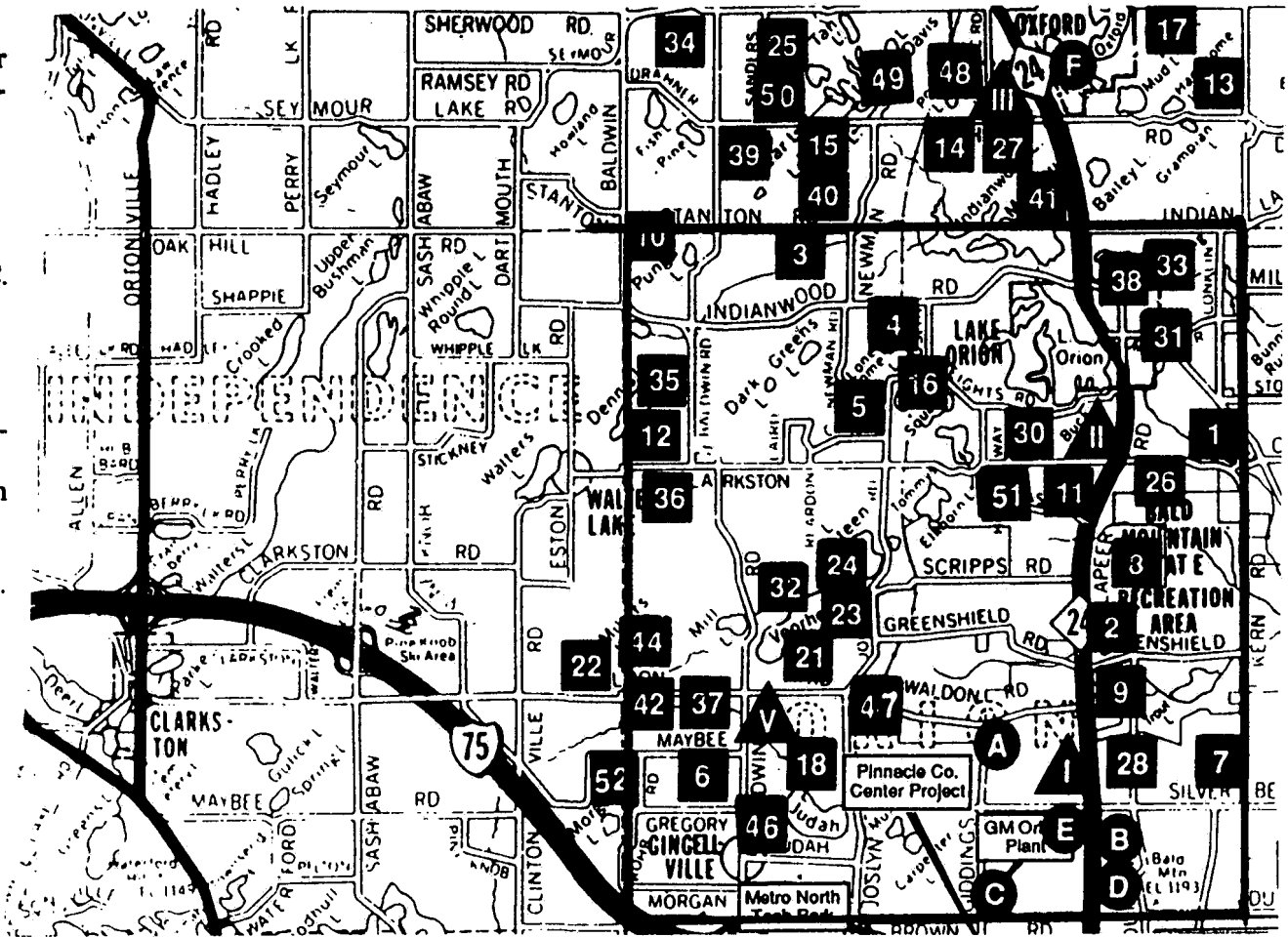
Assoc. Realtors, shows a projected total of approximately 3,371 lots/units that are either proposed or under construction in Orion Township or on its borders.

With a projected persons per unit of 2.86 (a SEMCOG 1993 Estimate), these new developments will bring approximately 9,634 people to the township.

Residential developments

Note: These following developments are either completed (C), under construction (UC), approved (A), or in final phase (FP).

1. 220 lots, Paint Creek Ridge (FP).
2. 56 lots, Bald Mountain Estates (C).
3. 18 lots, Paint Creek C.C. (UC).
4. 255 lots, St. Andrews Estates, Indianwood C.C. (UC).
5. 39 lots, Lonesome Lake (UC).
6. 259 lots, Rolling Meadows (FP).
7. 152 lots, Silver Bell Oaks (FP).
8. 159 lots, Round Tree (FP), and 199 Apts, Pheasant Ridge (UC).
9. 213 lots, Indian Lake Village and 116 lots, Orion Woods (UC).
10. 41 lots, Paint Creek Farms (UC).
11. 70+ lots, Barrington Cove Condominiums (A).
12. 150 lots, Heather Lake Estates (UC).
16. 89 lots, Marina Point (FP).
18. 87 lots, Forrest Hills (UC).
21. 50+ lots, Pulte Homes (C).
22. 300+ lots, Country Club of the North (A).
23. 48 condominiums, Lochmore (FP).
24. 82 condominiums, Scripps Lakeview (C).
26. 52 lots, White Oak (FP).
28. 87 lots, Silverbell Estates (FP).
30. 30 lots, Hemingway Woods (FP).
31. 120 lots, Franklin Settlement
32. 64 lots, Keatington Cedars II and III (C).
33. 69 lots, Indian Hills (FP).
36. 97 lots, Clarkston Ranch Estates (FP).
37. 32 units, Park Place Estates (A).
38. 21 lots, Estates of Long Lake (C).



40. 68 lots, Twin Lakes Estates (UC).
41. 320 pads, Parkhurst Estates (C).
42. 21 lots, Baldwin Woods (C).
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Oxford area on the edge of boom

By Peggy Murray
Oxford Leader Reporter

Boom or bust.

That may be the way some people view development — either you grow or you die. But residents and officials in the Oxford-Addison area seem to feel growth, though probably inevitable, needn't be dramatic.

Surveys in Oxford have shown residents want their community to remain rural. Legal battles against recent proposed developments in Addison Township show that there, too, people like their large lots, open spaces and rural character. Subdivisions are practically unheard of.

Still, Oakland County is one of the fastest growing in the state, and the Oxford-Addison area is steadily increasing in population and residential development.

Planners indicate that since the mid-1980s, the growth pattern has steadily moved up the I-75/M-24 corridor spurred by an increasing number of jobs created by the Oakland Technology Park, the Chrysler Tech Center and the Palace of Auburn Hills.

"I think growth has been pretty steady in Oxford," said David Birchler, Oxford Township planning consultant of Birchler Arroyo. "(1985) is about the time the push up the M-24 corridor really got underway. Prior to 1985, things were relatively static out in Oxford. Growth was on a fairly soft curve."

Not-so-static Stats

In 1980 Oxford Township's population was 7,823. By 1993, it rose to 9,625, SEMCOG's figures indicate. Oxford Village's population was 2,746 in 1980 and 3,075 in 1993. Addison Township's population was 4,184 in 1980 and 5,207 in 1993. The Village of Leonard had 423 in 1980 and 387 in 1993.

The rate of new residential housing also increased. Between 1980 and 1993, Oxford Township gained 879 new single family, two-family and multiple family dwellings. During that same period, Oxford Village gained 203; Addison Township 454, and Leonard 17.

Living on the Edge

According to one developer, Jon Weaver of Real Estate Interests, Oxford is "poised on the edge of the growth curve."

He ought to know.

It's a long-term project REI and its partner, American Aggregates, are proposing that could really spike Oxford's growth curve. In October, the companies unveiled a 20-year concept plan for about 1,400 acres of property just north of downtown Oxford. The plan calls for construction of up to 4,365 residential units within a two-decade period.

"This site is a very unique piece of property and has a large impact on the future of Oxford Township and Oxford Village," Weaver told planning commissioners recently. "We mean to have a positive impact."

Birchler said Oxford Township has worked hard to plan for and direct growth, not encourage it. He said he doesn't believe the REI plan will draw more growth to Oxford than would naturally come this way.

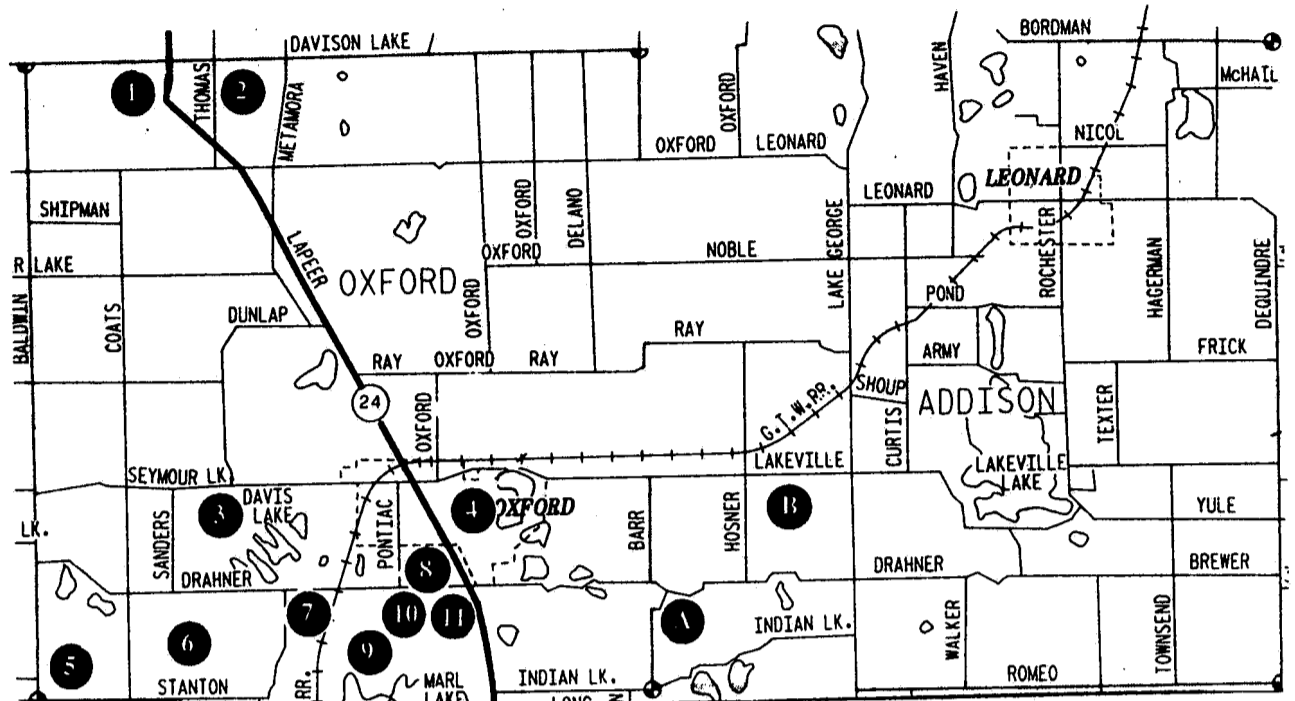
"That's certainly not the township's intention," Birchler said. "The township's intention is to work closely with the developer and to direct the demand that's going to be present anyway to where the township wants it to go, in the form the township wants it to take."

"By our land use and zoning policies we'll make sure the areas to which it's directed include the Central Area, as well as properties along Drahnner Road, which are naturally in the path anyway."

Wave of Development

Even without the REI/American Aggregates plan, the tide of growth is lapping at Oxford. Some of

Where the new developments are going



OXFORD VILLAGE AND TOWNSHIP

- 1 - **Machlay**: an 11-unit site condo project. One home is now under construction.
- 2 - **Thomas Road Farms**: a seven-home subdivision proposed for about 10 acres.
- 3 - **Michelson Peninsula**: has 43 undeveloped lots, but only six of those are expected to be built this year.
- 4 - **Oxford Lakes**: a subdivision that has an unplatted potential of 150 more homes. This year 21 may be constructed.
- 5 - **Twin Lakes Estates**: a nearly-complete subdivision that has a couple more homes that may be built.
- 6 - **Oxford Woods**: has room for about 65 more homes. About 35 could be built in 1995.
- 7 - **Riverwalk**: a 29-lot subdivision that could see about 15 homes constructed in 1995.
- 8 - **Paint Creek Village**: a 124-lot subdivision that could have about 20 homes built this year.
- 9 - **Lakes of Indianwood**: a 294-lot development that could see seven homes built this year.

10 - **Woodbriar**: a 156-lot site that is expected to see 20 homes built this year.

11 - **Rolling Meadows**: a 13-lot subdivision that could see 10 homes constructed this year.

The above was compiled from information provided by the Oxford Village and Township building departments and planning consultants.

ADDISON TOWNSHIP AND LEONARD

- A - **Harmony Hills**: 29-unit subdivision that should see six homes built during 1995.
- B - **Copper Hills**: 100-lot site that could see 18 homes developed this year.

The above information provided by Addison Township. Most residential construction in Addison is on individual lots, not subdivision developments. Leonard is expecting no development projects for 1995.

that growth has flowed north from Orion Township.

Already booming, Orion Township in 1993 had 375 new dwellings constructed, making it No. 10 on the list of Oakland County communities with the most new residential units, according to SEMCOG data.

Most new Oxford Township developments in

Between 1980 and 1993, Oxford Township gained 879 new single family, two-family and multiple family dwellings. During that same period Oxford Village gained 203; Addison Township 454 and Leonard 17...

recent years have concentrated in the West Drahnner Road area.

Rolling Meadows, a 13-lot subdivision off Drahnner near Red Barn is under construction now — up to 10 homes could be completed by the end of 1995, according to township officials.

Woodbriar, which when built out is expected to have 156 homes, will be built off Drahnner south of Olive Street. Oxford Building and Zoning Administrator Mike Darling foresees construction of about 20 homes in Woodbriar during 1995.

The **Lakes of Indianwood** is slated for an area off Drahnner near the Dominican Sisters property. It

surrounds Indianwood Lake and dips across the border into Orion Township. Seven of the possible 294 homes could be built in 1995, having received final preliminary plat approval in October.

Riverwalk, a 29-lot subdivision planned for property off Drahnner and across the road from Chirco, may build about 15 units in 1995, Darling anticipates.

Oxford Woods, an ongoing several-phase subdivision off Drahnner near Clear Lake Elementary, could see about 35 more homes in 1995 in Phases 4, 6, and 7.

Twin Lakes Estates, a subdivision with a possible 74 homes, is almost built out, Darling said. Just a few homes can still be built in the subdivision bordered by Drahnner to the north and Stanton to the south and between Coats Road and Baldwin to the east and west, he said.

Paint Creek Village is a 124-home subdivision proposed for property north of Drahnner between Olive Street, Pontiac Street and Minnetonka. Darling projects about 20 homes constructed there this year.

Michelson Peninsula, a mostly developed subdivision south of Seymour Lake Road, between Cheltenham Lane and Harwood Drive, still has about 43 undeveloped lots. Darling said he believes six of those could be developed this year.

In the northern part of Oxford Township, two small developments are proposed — **Thomas Road Farms** and **Machlay**. The Thomas Road Farms project — located south of Davison Lake Road, between East Street and Thomas Road — proposes

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Growth in area continues in Oxford, Addison

Continued from previous page

seven homes on about 10 acres. The Machlay development off Davison Lake Road — west of Lapeer Road and east of Ludwig — would construct 11 residences, one of which is already being built.

Growth Tributaries in Addison

The Draher Road residential development Oxford Township is experiencing is trickling into Addison Township, where two subdivision developments are proposed not far from the Oxford border.

Harmony Hills, located off Draher Road just east of Barr Road, is a subdivision that ultimately will have about 29 units, about six of which are expected to be built by the end of 1995.

Copper Hills, a golf course/housing development slated for a chunk of land between Draher, Lakeville, Hosner and Lake George, is expected to have 100 homes when complete. This year about 18 of those homes could be constructed, Addison Township supervisor Robert Koski said.

Addison is also feeling some overflow growth from communities such as Oakland Township, the supervisor said.

"I'm sure (growth in surrounding areas) is affecting us to some degree," Koski said. "People look in Oakland Township and see prices going up and up. Then they look at land values in Addison and it looks attractive."

But that doesn't mean Addison is expecting any major influx of new housing.

"(Lack of sewer and municipal water) keeps growth down, especially since Oakland County just passed their new health policy that new three-bedroom homes need a minimum (1 acre) and a fourth bedroom would need another quarter acre

because of septic," Koski said. "That tends to curtail growth."

Villages Square off Growth

Oxford Village will see about 20 homes in Oxford Lakes. The proposed homes would be built off Oxford Lakes Drive, adjacent to Oxford Lake. The Oxford Lakes development could eventually build out with 150 more homes, according to village records. However, those potential homes are not platted.

The Village of Leonard is not slated for any new

Oxford Township has roughly 12,000 undeveloped acres of land . . . In Addison Township, well over half, or 15,000 square acres, is undeveloped . . .

residential projects, according to Clerk Connie Sutherby. In 1994, no homes were constructed.

What's Left?

Oxford Township has roughly 12,000 undeveloped acres of land, according to the township Master Plan. Of that undeveloped land, 10,500 acres are vacant, 4,400 agricultural and 1,204 extractive.

Oxford Village has about 50 acres of undeveloped land, but only about half of that is considered buildable, according to the building department.

In Addison Township, well over half, or 15,000 square acres, is undeveloped, Koski estimated.

Sutherby said there is "plenty" of land available

for building in Leonard, but did not have exact acreage.

Potential Impact

With developments going in all over the area and space available for even more projects, communities are faced with a growing need for more infrastructure, police and fire and schools.

The Oxford Area Community Schools system, which serves Oxford Village and Township, Addison and Leonard as well as parts of neighboring communities, is already burgeoning. To accommodate the growing student population, Oxford Intermediate School opened this year housing the district's fifth- and sixth-graders. The district is also studying the need for more schools and trying to target the best future locations for any new buildings.

Oxford Village is in the process of pulling together a plan to upgrade its streets to manage the current traffic wear, but also is trying to anticipate the impact proposed developments will have on those roads.

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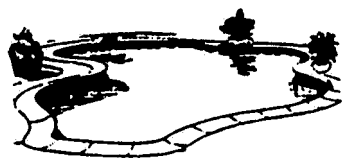
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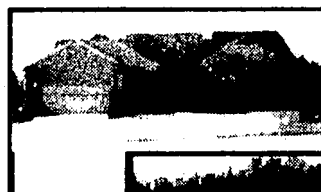
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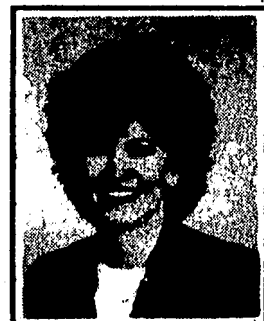
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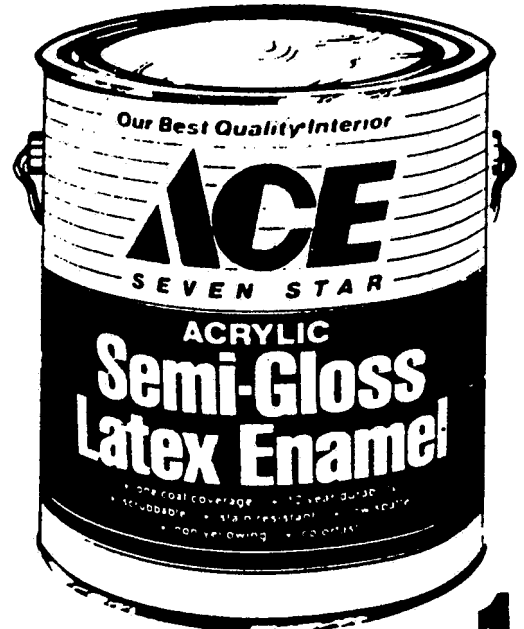
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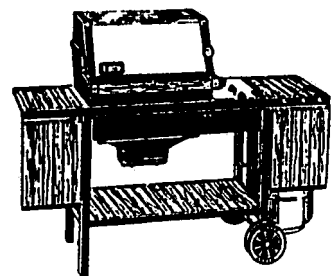


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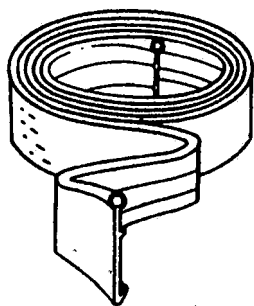
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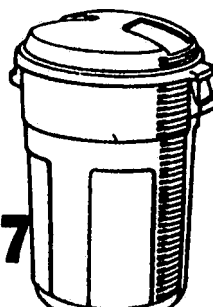


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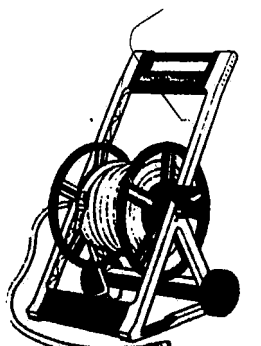
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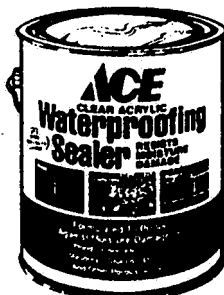
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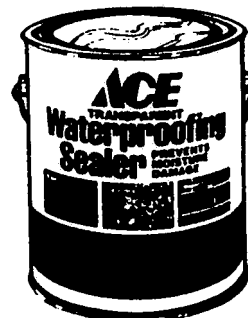
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Income tax advantages of owning a home

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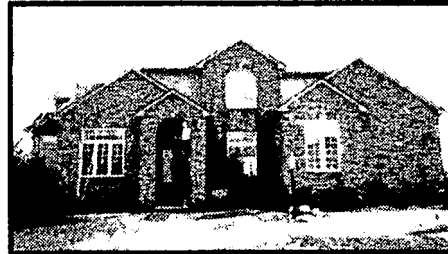
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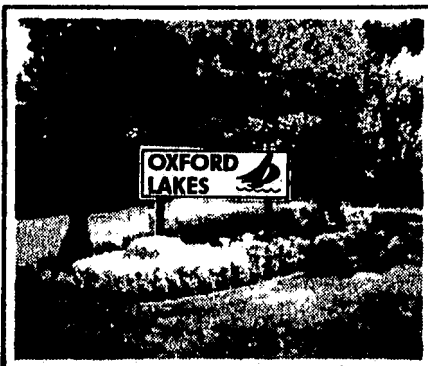
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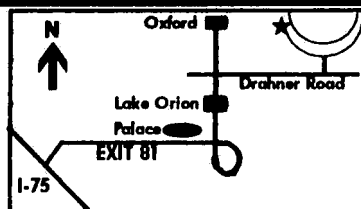
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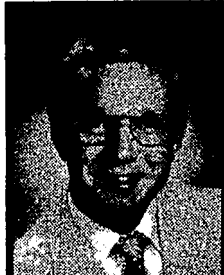
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Home equity accounts lots of home owner wealth

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It's no secret that Americans keep a great deal of money secured in their homes, but a look at the actual numbers is still revealing.

According to 1991 U.S. Census Bureau figures, Americans have more than \$4.1 trillion in equity in homes they own. That's an average of \$66,152 per household and accounts

for nearly half of the net worth of the average American family.

That makes home equity the primary source of a household's net worth, with financial assets (including saving accounts, stocks, bonds, etc.) coming in second.

Owning a home is perhaps the single most important investment that can be made. By paying down mortgage debt, home equity — and therefore, household net wealth — grows. That equity can be tapped through a home equity loan to give homeowners cash for significant costs such as college tuition.

Homeownership and home equity are even more important for lower-income households than for households in general. In 1991, home equity for owners with monthly incomes below \$1,071 accounted for 75 percent of their total net worth. People over 65 make up the majority of this group, meaning home equity is an extremely important financial cushion for post-retirement years.

For younger home owners, home equity also makes up a significant portion of their wealth. For example, for households headed by a person age 35 or under, home equity accounted for 54 percent of total net worth in 1991.

For households with limited net worth, home equity takes on great significance as well. For home owners with net worth from \$5,000 to \$10,000,

71 percent of that net worth is home equity. As net worth rises, home equity as a percentage declines since those households typically have greater financial assets of other types.

For home owners of all ages and income levels, it's clear that buying a home and building equity in the home offers a stepping stone to a secure financial future.

Face-lift readies home for sale

First impressions count with home buyers. A well-kept exterior increases a home's appeal and sells it faster, real estate appraisers say. Outdated colors, faded and peeling paint, or rotting wood is a turnoff that can bring a lower sale price — if the house sells at all.

"Realtors estimate that 95 percent of prospective home buyers don't bother to go inside a house that doesn't have curb appeal — a generally attractive, well-maintained exterior," reports David Elias in Popular Mechanics magazine.

What if the exterior needs a face-lift now, but you want it to look good when you try to sell in a few years? One option is to replace wood siding and soffit (the panels that cover the underside of roof overhangs and porch ceilings) with durable aluminum, vinyl, or steel that retains its good looks for many years and never needs repainting.

Good-quality siding with long-term warranties from reputable manu-

facturers comes in a range of prices. For example, top-of-the-line vinyl siding is thicker, holds its shape better, and comes in more colors, profiles and textures than economy vinyl siding. Costlier siding typically has clear-through colors that won't show scratches, but a lower-priced product sometimes makes sense.

The most marketable houses are those that meet neighborhood standards, but don't exceed them — a Rolls Royce looks out of place in a Chevy neighborhood.

Stick with colors that are popular in the marketplace, advises Practical Homeowner magazine. It's best to avoid intense colors if you're planning to sell.

"Nothing causes more conversation or controversy among real estate agents than how the owner's decorating taste affects the sale of a house," writes Good Housekeeping's John Driemen. It's hard for potential buyers to see themselves living in a house with an eccentric, highly individualized color scheme.

Changing with the times

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but each room can be larger.

In addition today's homes are much more energy efficient than homes built 10 to 20 years ago. Extra insulation, double-glazed windows, tighter construction, and more energy efficient appliances are just a few of the features that will save you money in heating and cooling bills. And because everything in the house is new, maintenance costs will be low.

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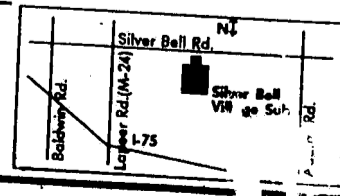
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Don't rush Check out builder before building

The quality of a new home will in large measure be determined by the skill of the builder who constructs it.

That's why you should shop for a builder as carefully as you shop for the features of a home. By doing so, you will be able to shop with a sense of confidence and knowledge that will help you to make the correct decision.

When you buy a new home, you are not just buying a structure. Along with the structure comes a package of services, and the quality of those services will have an important effect on your enjoyment of the house. Most homes come with a one-year warranty on workmanship and materials. Since virtually every home is going to need at least minor adjustments and repairs during the first year, you should look



service after the sale.

Where do you find a skilled builder? A good place to start is the local builders' association in your area. Most builders' associations can provide a list of their builder members. The real estate section in the local newspaper is another good source of information about builders who are active in your area, the types of homes they are building, and the prices you can expect to pay. Also ask friends and relatives for recommendations.

The best way to find out what kind of service a builder offers is to ask previous customers. If you are buying a detached home in a subdivision, a

townhome, or a multifamily condominium, find out what the builder has recently built in the area near where you are buying. Then visit one or two of the previous projects and ask the residents about their experiences with their home and their builder. The best time to visit usually is a Saturday morning when people are out doing yard work or chores.

When shopping for a new home from a particular builder, you should try to talk to people who have gone through the same experience that you are contemplating. Don't be shy about approaching people. Even knock on some doors if you have to. The worst that usually happens is that someone will refuse to talk to you. However, in most cases, a builder's previous customers will be quite open with you. If they are unhappy with their homes, they will let you know. And if they are happy, they will want to give the builder more business. Try to talk to at least three or four homeowners per neighborhood. You should not rely on the views of only one person.

Try not to rush through the process of choosing a builder. Set a reasonable timetable for your search, and do not make your decision until you feel comfortable about what you're doing. After you have happily settled into your new home, you will realize that the homework you did was well worth the effort.

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Heavy growth area

Nearly 300 building permits in Independence

Independence Township's 295 building permits issued in 1994 blew away 1993's mark of 258.

And while all counts aren't in, the township's building department has felt the effects of increased population and growth. Much of that is due to the many areas of undeveloped land and the rise of the Chrysler Tech Center in Auburn Hills, as well as other

industries.

In fact, the township will soon be hiring a full-time zoning enforcement officer for the first time because the job has become so big. In the past, the township's building inspector also handled zoning enforcement. Now both positions will be full time.

The growth spurt hasn't just affected Independ-

ence. Surrounding townships such as Springfield and Orion have also experienced heavy growth.

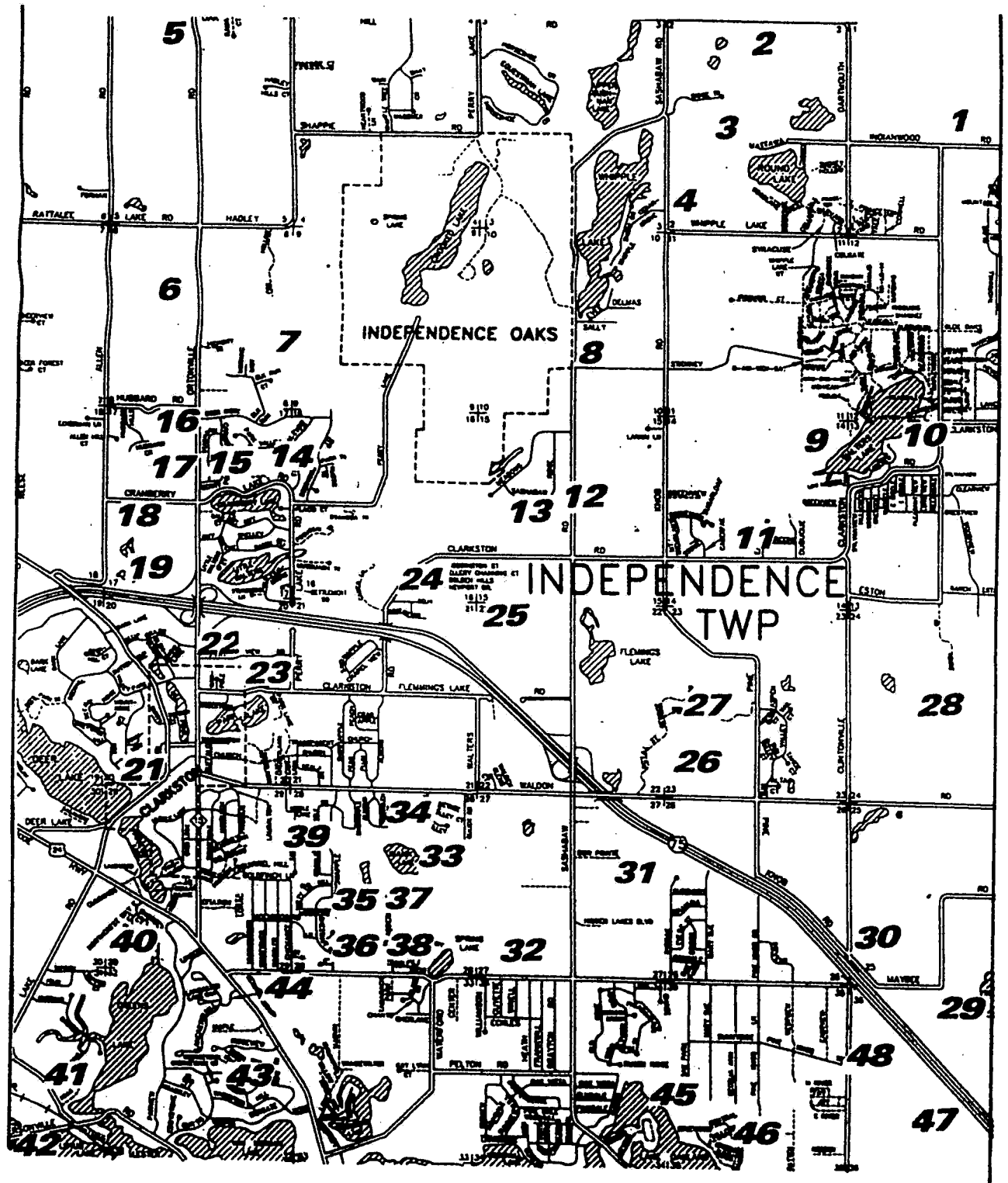
Building permits issued in Independence have steadily increased from 137 in 1991 and 197 in 1992. The township record for permits issued was 318 in 1986.

--Darrel W. Cole, *The Clarkston News*

Residential developments

NOTE: The numbers below correspond to the map below, left. Developments listed are proposed or under construction. Information was compiled from the Independence Township Building Department.

1. Indianwood Court, 8 lots.
2. Robin Hills, 16 lots.
3. Independence Valley, 44 lots.
4. Rendell, 8 lots.
5. Oakhill Corners.
6. Strawberry Hills, 10 lots.
7. Manors of Deerwood, 34 lots.
8. Stone Valley, 34 lots.
9. Hilltop Estates, 42 lots.
10. Adult care home.
11. Pine Knob Country Estates, 74 lots.
12. Clarkston Ridge, 21 units.
13. Sashabaw Creek Meadows, 54 lots.
14. Cranberry Hill, 4 lots.
15. Cranberry Pointe, 42 lots.
16. Canterbury Estates, 44 lots.
17. 1st Commercial Realty.
18. Cranberry Woods.
19. Cranberry Park, 43 lots.
20. Bridge Valley.
21. Village West, 8 lots.
22. Independence Pointe.
23. Steeple Ridge, 11 lots.
24. New Port Condos.
25. Windgate.
26. Pine Knob Manor Homes, 19 lots.
27. Pine Knob Bluffs, 49 lots.
28. Stonehedge, 600 sites.
29. Morgan Lake Golf Classic, 300+ sites.
30. Clintonwood.
31. Hidden Lakes, 397 units.
32. Bridgewater, 260 units.
33. Lake Waldon Village, 126 lots.
34. North Gullick Lake.
35. Sheringham Woods, 53 lots.
36. Sheringham Place, 74 lots.
37. Spring Lake North, 213 lots.
38. Spring Lake South.
39. Waldon Woods, 40 lots.
40. Northcrest, 20 units.
41. South Village Park, 16 lots.
42. Lake Forest, 9 lots.
43. Clarkston Bluffs.
44. Clarkston Pines, 83 units.
45. Timbers of Lake Oakland, 15 lots.
46. Pine Breeze, 31 lots.
47. Independence Woods, 132 lots.
48. Odom, 339 units.



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New home buyers benefit from lower home owners insurance rates: insurance companies

Almost every home owner has home owner's or property insurance. Banks require proof of insurance when granting mortgages, and most people who own their homes free and clear still keep them insured to protect against property damage losses.

The leading risks to homes are fire and theft. In 1991, 26 percent of claims paid were for fire damage and 17 percent of claims covered theft losses. A home owner's insurance policy typically protects against property damage caused by fire, lightning, wind, riots, smoke, theft and more, but generally excludes flood and earthquake damage. Separate policies are available for people who live in areas prone to these natural disasters.

Property insurance makes up only about 4 percent of the monthly mortgage payment that includes principal, interest, taxes and insurance.

There are several ways to reduce property insurance costs.

Fire resistant materials, particularly in roofing, may give home owners a discount of as much as 15 percent . . .

The national median property insurance premium per \$1,000 of property value was \$3.53 in 1990, or \$494 on a home worth \$140,000, excluding the value of the land.

The factors used by insurance companies to set property insurance rates often favor new

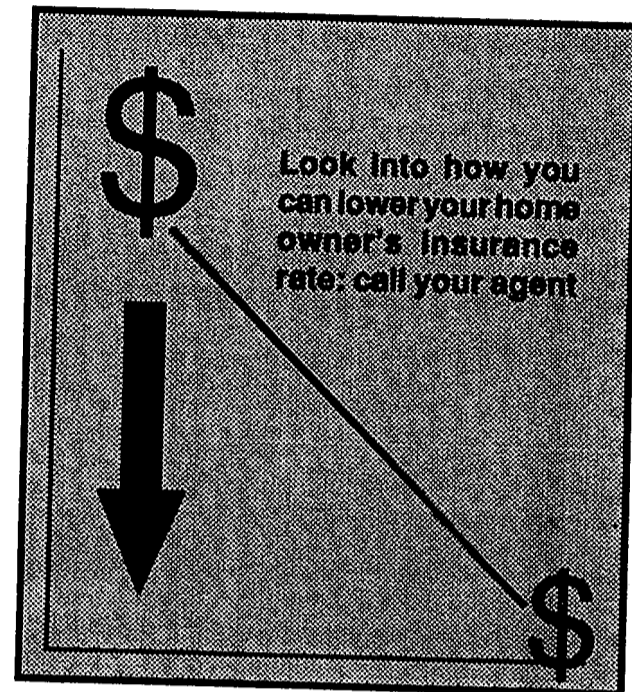
homes, so buyers of new homes benefit from lower home owner's insurance rates than the rates paid for existing homes. Insurance companies set their rates based on premium and claims experience for a state. To estimate what factors are more or less likely to result in a claim, they examine property attributes, location and tenant characteristics.

Property attributes include factors like wiring and materials. New homes have lower property insurance costs per 1,000 square feet than older homes because they are deemed safer (old wiring is one fire hazard) and because their up-to-date technology makes them easier to replace, so the risk to the insurance company is lower and the home owner's rate is lower, too.

To examine location, insurance companies rate the efficiency of the local fire department and water systems. Some companies may also rate community building codes and code enforcement. Crime is also a factor. Homes in high crime areas will have higher insurance rates than comparable homes in low crime areas.

Insurance costs also vary depending upon who resides in the house. Elderly households may receive lower insurance premiums because it is assumed that they stay home more, and that reduces the risk of a break-in or an unattended house fire. Non-smokers also may receive discounts.

There are several ways to reduce property insurance costs. Fire resistant materials, particularly in roofing, may give home owners a discount



of as much as 15 percent. And brick homes will generally enjoy premiums 5 to 10 percent lower than houses with wood siding. Location near a fire hydrant, and installing household sprinkler systems, smoke detectors, fire extinguishers, burglar alarms and dead bolt locks also will lower premiums.

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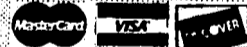
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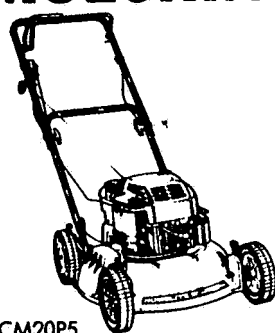


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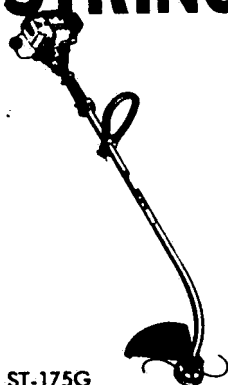
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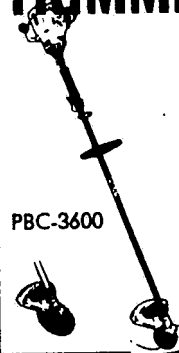


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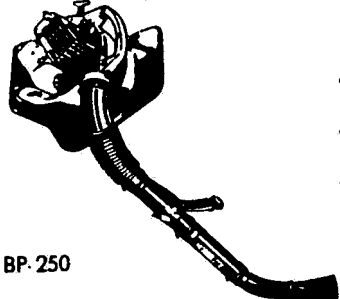


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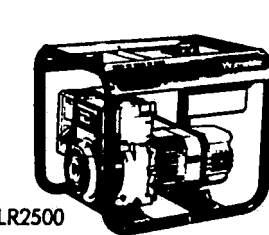


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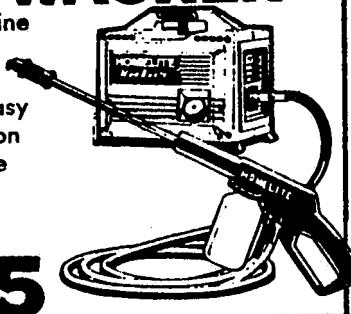


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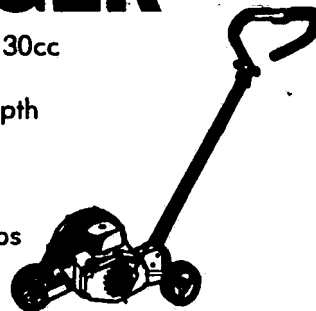
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