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Charles and Loretta Russell introduced the students at Clarkston Elementary School to the music of the Caribbean last week during a multicultural day at the school. The couple

had students and teachers alike dancing to their steel drum beat. For more, see the back page.

## Library's future topic of meeting

Progress at a standstill  
due to changes in law

BY ANNETTE KINGSBURY  
Clarkston News Editor

Right from the very beginning, the public library in Clarkston has had an unconventional legal status.

When it was founded in the 1950s, it wasn't a public body but rather the local women's club which hired the librarian and got the ball rolling. Though it was taken over by Independence Township in the 1960s and got its own millage in 1990, the library is facing an uncertain future because the law under which it went public has since been abandoned.

Because of its legal status, the library cannot ask for millage increases, no matter what demands are placed upon it for service. Yet its .75 mill operating budget is rolled back a little bit each year because of the Headlee Amendment to the Michigan Constitution. The library may ask for a Headlee override, as it did last year, but that only amounted to an increase of

\$19,000, essentially leaving the library in a no-growth situation. According to library director Mollie Lynch, the problem can be solved by changing the legal status of the library in one of two ways. Either the library can become an Act 164 library with its own board and its own millage under the township, or the city and township can join together to form a district library separate from the township's rule.

Lynch will present the options at a special meet-

## Teacher contract tentatively OK'd

Bargainers for the Clarkston Education Association and the board of education have reached a tentative agreement on a new contract.

Though the current teachers' contract does not expire until August, superintendent Gary Haner announced Monday night that an agreement has been reached. The board was scheduled to discuss the pact in closed session after Monday's board meeting, but was not expected to vote until after the teachers vote Thursday.

Tom Brown, a bargainer for the teachers, said

## Privatization meetings set

The Clarkston board of education has set two special meetings to review proposals for the privatization of transportation and maintenance services.

As expected, the district received proposals last week from National and Ryder for full transportation services, and from Marriott and Servicemaster for management of building, grounds and maintenance.

The board will meet Monday, May 15 at 7 p.m. to hear presentations on the transportation proposals. Then on Monday, June 5, it will meet again at 7 p.m. to hear maintenance proposals.

Each company is expected to send a representative to the meetings to answer questions from the board. Because of the enormous interest the plan to privatize has generated, both meetings will be held in the Clarkston Elementary School multi-purpose room.

"It is possible the board will make a decision on transportation at the time of the custodial presentation," superintendent Gary Haner said Monday night.

Trustee Barry Bomier suggested in response to concerns about notification that schools send the information home in Friday folders and newsletters of time allows. Haner said he would also ask the local cable-access channel to cover the two meetings.

ing of the Independence Township Board of Trustees on May 18 at 7:30 p.m. at the library.

"A district library allows two or more governmental entities to come together and form a library to serve the whole," she said. If there is interest in a district library, a committee would be formed to put together a package on how the library would operate, what it would be called, financing, etc. The committee's

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the membership is scheduled to vote Thursday at 7 p.m. The board of education is expected to vote at its next meeting, Monday, May 15.

Both sides have given credit to a process called ACCORD, which they said has allowed them to get over small issues quickly and move on to the big issues.

"We're excited about the process; it worked well," Brown said.

Neither side would discuss the terms of the contract until after it is ratified.

## The news in brief

### HUG hosts school-based meetings on millage

The Help Us Grow (HUG) Committee has scheduled a series of informational Town Hall meetings to discuss the June 12 bond issue for a new Clarkston High School. At each meeting, a representative from HUG and school administration will be on hand to present the bond issue and answer questions. All residents are invited to attend.

Meetings have been scheduled as follows:

May 15, 7 p.m., North Sashabaw Elementary School.

May 16, 7 p.m., Clarkston Elementary.

May 18, 9:30 a.m., Sashabaw Middle School.

May 18, 7 p.m., Springfield Plains Elementary.

May 22, 7 p.m., Clarkston Middle School.

June 7, 7 p.m., Pine Knob Elementary.

June 8, 7:30 p.m., Bailey Lake Elementary.

### Middle school sports approved

The Clarkston board of education approved the addition of middle-school football and girls volleyball at its regular meeting Monday night.

The proposal creates an eighth-grade football team at each of Clarkston's two middle schools, as well as seventh- and eighth-grade volleyball teams. No letters will be awarded for the sports.

The action was taken before a full report on middle-school sports has been presented because of the need to get a schedule together for the teams.

### Missing sheep anyone?

Though Oakland County still has some rural areas, the sheriff's department isn't often called in for sheep rustling these days. But that was exactly what happened Saturday, when the Independence substation got a call from Orchard Lake Police about a sheep that had turned up inside Orchard Lake St. Mary's High School.

The sheep was identified by an ear tag it was wearing as having come from a farm on Perry Lake Rd. Deputies went to the address, where with the resident they discovered two fences had been cut and one sheep was missing. The sheep was apparently taken some time during the night and taken to the school.

Orchard Lake police say they have a confession and about 20 boys from the senior class have been implicated. "Some seniors decided to play a senior prank," a police spokesperson said. Teachers arriving at school early Friday morning found it. "I really don't know why they stole the sheep," the spokesperson said.

A woman answering the phone at the school refused to say whether any of the boys implicated are from the Clarkston area. She said they will learn their punishment today (Wednesday).

### Last day to register to vote

The last day to register to vote in the June 12 Clarkston schools bond issue and OCC millage election is Monday, May 15 at 5 p.m. See your local township or city clerk for exact hours registrations are accepted.

OCC, which asked for a millage earlier this year but failed, will ask for .8 mill for seven years for college operations.

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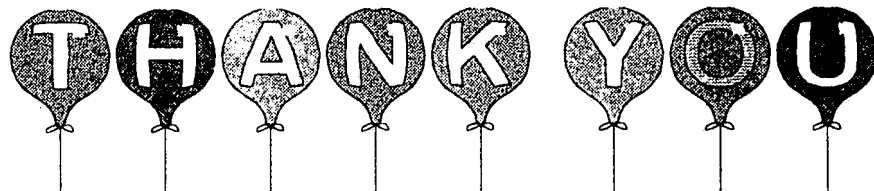
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### From the Pine Knob Elementary PTA

Another year and another School Fair is over. What a success! Many Pine Knob Elementary Families enjoyed the Fair where there were games to be played, faces to be painted, food to be eaten and so much more. We also held a raffle with many prizes to be won.

We would like to thank the many volunteers who put in countless hours to make the fair a huge success.

We would like to extend a special thank you to all of the businesses that contributed prizes to our raffle.

Thank You again-hope to see you next year!

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# THE SECOND FRONT

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## She's Mom to more than her own

### Clarkston mother gives quality time to community as well

BY EILEEN OXLEY  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

When 7-year-old Thomas Beattie read The Clarkston News last week, an ad about Superman caught his eye.

But he misread a little — an allowance easily made for a beginning first-grade reader. The ad asked residents to call the News if they had a Super MOM.

After correcting his son, Tom Beattie agreed. His wife Amy — Super Mom to Thomas and daughter Emily, 4 — certainly fit the bill.

"Just because Amy seems to do EVERYTHING and still manages to be home with the kids," said Tom, when asked why he thought Amy was a special mother. "When I look at her schedule, I can't see how it works."

But it does.

Amy, a soft-spoken blonde with gentle eyes, wouldn't have it any other way. She's able to have the best of both worlds — at home and out in the community.

As a Sunday School teacher at Clarkston United Methodist Church and classroom mom at Cedar Crest Academy, where Thomas and Emily attend school, she's active with her children seven days a week.

As with other moms, volunteering was a natural product of motherhood.

"I think they're a catalyst to activities I get involved in," she admits.

At the Academy she's "sort of the den mother — putting together special events, parties, field trips — if the teacher needs extra help. When children like you to get involved, you take advantage of the opportunity when you can. I feel very fortunate to have some spare time to be involved.

"When you show interest, that adds so much to their education. If children have a positive experience at school, it lends itself as a desire to learn."

And Amy expands those motherly skills outward — by providing day care for a friend's two children, participating in Clarkston Youth Assistance and teaching English as a second language for Clarkston Community Schools' adult education program.

The latter she describes as "fascinating.

"They're people from all over the world. I took the job because over in Pontiac there are a large number of Hispanic students. I've taken Spanish ... I thought, 'We could help each other with our skills!'" she says with a laugh, referring to the reciprocal effect teaching often produces.

"A lot of people come here without any skills. I realized I wasn't just their teacher — I was their friend. I was hooking them up with the community."

Some of the beyond-the-call-of-duty activities Amy plans for her students are acquainting them with new places like the library and the post office. She even sees to it that some of the new moms have baby showers.

"We had a Christmas party over here once," adds Tom.

But Amy's community service doesn't end there. Knowing her own children will be teenagers someday and vulnerable during what she calls a "crucial" and "wonderful" period, she decided to lend her athletic talents to Clarkston's younger set.

A runner who attended the University of Michigan on a track scholarship and majored in elementary education, Amy often drove by the high school track and watched budding athletes.



Thomas, 7, and his sister Emily, 4, really think their mom Amy is special. Though husband Tom's happy his wife chooses to stay at home, he

"I wanted to volunteer my services to help the kids. They had an opening at the middle school level. I thought, 'Well, that's good' ...

"I think middle-school-age children need role models. Parents can't be everywhere. I think it's good for children to see adults doing things like this in the community," she says firmly.

"Hopefully, someday, they'll want to give back."

That's what she hopes for her own children as well. Planning a family early in their marriage was the

supports her decisions. "If she wanted to take a full-time job I'd say 'Okay.'"

right choice, say the Beatties, because there would always be time for Amy to accomplish personal goals.

"We decided to start having children a little younger in life because I hadn't an established career," says Amy, who earned her teaching degree several years ago but has only taught part-time. "I wanted to do that when I was a little older."

She dreams of someday becoming a full-time

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### A Mother's Day poem

By Lauren Fuller, age 8

I would like to start by saying,  
not by telling or not by praying.  
My mom is nice and I can not deny it.  
On Mother's Day I'm going  
to be nice,  
well at least I'll try it.  
She does work and keeps the house clean.  
She plays with me and is never mean.  
While lying in bed these  
are the books we've read:  
The Life of Heidi  
Charlotte's Web  
and we are on  
The Trumpet of the Swan.  
She takes me on vacation

and she always gives me  
a birthday celebration  
and it's always a sensation.  
She buys me too many clothes  
and spoils me rotten.  
I've got so many clothes  
they're nearly all made  
out of cotton.  
My mom is special on any plain day  
and that is all that I will say.  
My mom may be plain  
and sometimes drives me insane.  
But I still think she's  
the greatest mother on earth.  
And I'm glad she gave me birth.

# Businesses to conduct parking survey

BY EILEEN OXLEY  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

As a parking study gets underway in downtown Clarkston, it becomes more evident teamwork is the answer.

Richard Beaubien, transportation director of the city's engineering firm Hubbell, Roth & Clark, addressed council along with attending business owners about a proposed \$7,000-\$8,000 parking study within the scope of six blocks on Main, including side streets, from Washington to Waldon.

"It would look at on-street and off-street major parking activity," he said.

The study would examine parking accumulation of cars from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. every day except Sunday. It would also measure parking duration, making note of car license-plate numbers in order to tabulate turnover.

"Number one, how many spaces are vacant (accumulation) and number two, how many spots are occupied for what period of time (duration)," Beaubien said.

Forexample, Beaubien said, "If someone's parking eight hours in a two-hour limit, we'll know."

Later he added, "It occurred to me if you had volunteers to do the survey work, costs could be reduced."

After a long discussion both council and members of the Clarkston Downtown Business Association agreed to scrap the expensive study, relying on downtown businesses to collect the necessary data.

A joint committee of CDBA members and councilwoman Karen Sanderson was established to

conduct the study. They will get back to council with survey results.

Last Thursday downtown business representatives met with Beaubien and Hubbell, Roth & Clark associate Gary Tressel to discuss the parking situation. Businesses were advised to come up with a city master plan that could be presented to the Michigan Department of Transportation should it someday decide to widen Main Street. Beaubien and Tressel pointed to a 1978 Vilican-Lehman land use study that examined the downtown area.

'The thought of no parking on Main Street scared the liver out of us.'

Bowen Brook

"One of the elements of that study was counting the parking spaces in six blocks of the downtown area," Beaubien said Tuesday morning. "When (M-15) was widened in the township, people thought the state had a plot to bring it through downtown Clarkston. Because it's an MDOT-controlled road (the state has) the authority to remove parking."

Several attending business owners were alarmed by the information.

"The thought of no parking on Main Street scared the liver out of us last Thursday," said Max Brock Realtors owner Bowen Brook. "With the state department looming it seems we need a plan."

Though Beaubien agreed a plan needed to be developed, he said Tuesday that he felt MDOT posed no threat.

Other possible solutions to the downtown parking situation were discussed. They include sharing private lots, stricter enforcement of parking violations, the development of an economic development corporation (Downtown Development Authority) and a parking structure in the Clarkston Mills lot, which was proposed in the 1978 study.

But Councilman Bill Basinger said that would be a costly project. "When you're talking about a deck, you're talking about a lot of money. It would be a pretty healthy bite," he said.

Beaubien said if the city were to build a parking structure, "it would cost \$5,000 to \$10,000 a space."

Sanderson stressed the urgency of collecting data before a city plan can be developed.

"I'd say get all your books in a row before you go forward," she said.

**In other council action:**

- Council voted 6-0 to apply for Tri-Party fund reimbursement from Independence Township to be applied to the White Lake Safety Path. Mayor Sharron Catalo was absent.

- A public hearing on the subject of reallocation of Community Development Block Grant funds was set for the next council meeting May 22

- Basinger said the finance committee, at its May 2 meeting, "decided to pay off the rest of the (1992) deficit and loans so we would have a much simpler budget. It's a wash and it will make our budget review a lot easier." Council passed a motion 6-0 to spend \$30,500 to pay off the remaining deficit of \$25,000 and the \$5,500 owing on the police department's Chevy Caprice.



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# More contaminated wells found in city

## State continues testing

BY EILEEN OXLEY  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Bluegrass resident Kelly Toth's call to Clarkston City Manager Art Pappas turned out to be a mixed blessing.

Because she feared she had a contaminated well, Toth asked to have it tested and was referred to the Oakland County Health Department. Oakland County public health sanitarian Karen Kubik and Michigan Department of Health environmental sanitarian Lois Graham came out and collected samples from the Toths' and other wells on Bluegrass several weeks ago. All are linked to the Clarkston Shell Station at Main and Bluegrass, one of several sites containing underground storage tank leakage.

Results from the Toths' well sample showed three parts per billion methyl tertiary butyl ether (MTBE), a chemical additive in unleaded gasoline, tentatively classified by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency as a Group C carcinogen.

Based on that classification, the U.S. EPA Lifetime Health Advisory of MTBE for drinking water was re-evaluated by a public health toxicologist and

changed from 40 parts per billion to 20 parts per billion, according to information supplied by the Michigan Department of Health's Division of Health Risk Assessment.

The additional samples taken from wells on Bluegrass were also evaluated by the state department's lab and showed MTBE levels "between 1 part per billion to 3 parts per billion," said Graham. In addition, one well was also contaminated with toluene, a liquid hydrocarbon considered toxic and used as an anti-knock agent in gasoline.

An additional well near the Village Muffler and Brake at Main and Clarkston Road, another site of underground storage tank leakage, was found to be contaminated with a low concentration of MTBE.

Tests have been completed on Bluegrass and have expanded to other areas in the vicinity of the Shell station.

At presstime Graham stated she and Kubik would be collecting approximately 20 volatile organic samples from other residential wells May 9. They include those

along Robertson Court to Clarkston Road as well as those on Glenburnie and Miller, continuing east and ending at Main Street.

"A monitoring well at the Shell Station showed 500 parts per billion MTBE in 1991. That was four years ago. We didn't find any MTBE contamination in residents' wells when we last took samples on Bluegrass and Snowflake (Snowflake is okay, she said) in 1992," said Graham.

That's changed with the recent findings.

"The request from Toth brought us back here again," said Graham. "(The tests) show that MTBE left the Shell site and we anticipate the levels will increase over time."

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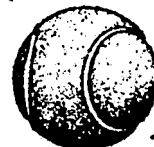
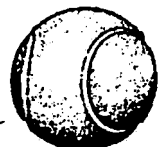
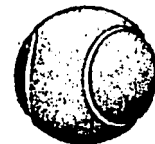
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## In Focus

by Annette Kingsbury  
*Restaurant or  
scourge of  
civilization?*

I guess I was only half serious when I predicted in this space a couple of months ago that there would be an outcry over the plan to put a tavern into a former church. Surely, I thought, Clarkstonites were smart enough to know that once a church is desanctified, it's just a building.

But I was wrong—terribly wrong, judging by the mail. We've been flooded with letters decrying the very idea of bringing a new liquor-serving establishment into town, especially into the vacant church on Main Street. I must confess to being shocked at the tone of these letters. You would think that Clarkston had been a dry town and the demon rum was crossing the borders for the first time.

I'm surprised that people would prefer to keep a prime spot vacant, its paint peeling and its grass overgrown, rather than turn it into an attractive business that will bring dollars to town. Clarkston has a reputation for being unfriendly to merchants both because of regulation and the lack of parking. A proposed downtown deli was denied recently because it couldn't provide parking spots. Now, the tavern owners are reconsidering their plans due to the outcry. What a shame.

You get the feeling some people would rather see another real-estate agent come into the church—anything so long as it doesn't have a liquor license. While I feel alcohol is a serious problem in this country, I fail to see how one bar/restaurant could make much of a difference.

The hard lesson for all of us is that we can't tell people what kind of business they can put onto their property, as long as it's properly zoned.

I have no idea what the Grange, as it's to be called, will look like or what kind of food it will serve. All I know is we need some more places to go to lunch and dinner, especially those of us who can't afford the Clarkston Cafe every day or who are tired of waiting in line at Mesquite Creek.

We have great shops downtown, though not enough of them. It would be a shame if, one by one, they move off Main Street to Dixie Highway or some other artery because existing downtown is no longer attractive, or even possible.

We need to breathe more life into the old downtown, not less.

## The Insider

### Kids say the darndest things

Sometimes kids say the darndest things and we don't realize little ears are picking up the news too.

Overheard by a Clarkston mom whose small children were playing with friends: Said one child, "You got hurt (in the Oklahoma bombing), didn't you?" Said another, "No. I was in the back of the building."

## Letters to the editor

### What will savings be from privatization?

Soon the Clarkston School Board will be making a decision that could have an important effect on this community's families. The issue is privatization of public school services; at this time it is bus drivers and custodians.

The details of this proposed plan have been slow coming. Before the decision is made the citizens of the Clarkston School District should be allowed to see, in detail, why this is such a good deal. The administration should show why and how money will be saved.

Cost of vehicle maintenance, fuel and supplies should be the same for both private and public organizations. It seems that employee wages would be where cost savings are found. What other advantages could be brought to us by a private company? Would they feel as strong about providing services or would the profit motive make this a lower priority. Remember, private companies need to make a profit to stay in business.

The current school bus drivers will be offered no guarantee to continue with the private company. Those offered employment must decide on no employment or employment with no benefits. Would the low wage package provided today by employees who are sensitive to the needs of the school? Would we continue to receive quality service and know that our children are in the care of employees who live in the community and care about their welfare? What will be the effect on small business that provides parts and services to the district through these

operations?

What will be the real savings? Is it worth the risk to lose what we currently have, without trying to fine-tune these operations? Why do we always look at employee wages for cost savings? Could it be that the way transportation and maintenance have been managed is the reason we are even considering this idea? Maybe this is the area we should look at for cost savings. Let's hope the current school board members will examine any proposal to change from our current system very closely.

We will be watching at the next school board meeting

Sincerely,  
Richard Jones  
Concerned Citizen

### Many thanks for fair

Another year and another school fair is over. What a success! The halls were filled with laughter and good conversation. The families enjoyed exciting games, moon walks, fire and police safety, face painting, good food and much more. We also held a raffle and there were many happy winners.

We would like to send a special thank-you to all of our local businesses who so generously supported our school with their donations.

Thank you,  
Pine Knob Elementary

More letters on page 14A



## Jim's Jottings

By Jim Sherman

### Needed: a bird that eats woodchucks

Years ago I used to read the weekly paper in Mason, Mich, The Ingham County News. It carried a column, "Out My Back Window," and was written by a handicapped person.

Many times when I look out a back window of our house I think of that column. Like this morning. A huge black heron was stalking breakfast along the banks of our lagoon.

They're great to watch. Slow of step. Long of neck. Patient.

Its neck reminded me of a day in Florida in March when, while waiting for Hazel to get her hair done, I watched a white egret searching for lunch.

It made a quick dash into a shrub and came out with a lizard in its mouth (beak). A snap of the head turned the lizard length-ways and it started what seemed to me to be an extended lunch period for the egret and a frightening experience for the lizard.

It took about 10 minutes for the lump to disappear from the bird's throat. It would shake its head and swallow every minute or so and the lump would sink a little more. Fascinating. A live National Geographic scene in the parking lot of a beauty salon.

My heron found no breakfast while I watched. You may not have enjoyed reading another account of bird swallowing anyway.

At the same time the heron was at the lagoon, two

ducks were at our swimming pool.

Here's my definition of our swimming pool: It's a useless use of concrete and water until occupied by grandchildren.

This morning a female mallard is crouched close to the edge on one side of the pool and the male mallard on the other.

Occasionally the male will drop into the pool, then jump back out; like it's too cold.

I have to assume this is the same female duck that was in the pool a few weeks ago and couldn't jump or fly out. I caught it with a pool cleaning net and released it. She didn't even look back to give thanks or nothin'.

Nothing worse than an ungrateful duck. It's like it knew I always order duck when it's on a menu.

One last backyard observance. A woodchuck. Hazel's got this thing against woodchucks. Whereas rabbits seldom eat our marigolds, woodchucks eat them, our roses, pansies . . . everything but weeds.

When I came back from trout fishing last week Hazel had a log on exact times the woodchuck was in our backyard. We're not supposed to shoot them and trapping will only put the varmints into someone else's garden. What to do?

I know! I'll get a woodchuck-eating fowl from the Amazon and

# A look back

## 15 YEARS AGO (1980)

The Independence Township Planning Commission nixes the rezoning of 51.5 acres for a proposed mobile home park on Maybee Road east of I-75. After nearly two hours of discussion members of the commission vote unanimously to accept the township planner's recommendation. Many residents attending present a great deal of opposition to the rezoning and applaud the decision. But others don't agree, arguing that low-cost housing is needed in the area.

Construction of the first safety path from the planning commission's full outline of proposed safety path routes is approved by the Independence Township Board. It will run the length of the west side of Sashabaw Road, from Clinton Road north to Maybee Road, and will be about one mile long, says Fred Ritter, township treasurer. Ritter adds that the area was chosen because it fulfills requirements set by the Community Development Block Grant fund program which stipulates that safety paths must be built in an area where the greatest needs are met.

The Oakland County Sheriff's Department reads deputies for summer patrol of Pine Knob Music Theatre. "A commitment has been made between Pine Knob and the county," says Lt. Gerald Reeves, head of the community service division. "It was passed by a full Oakland County Board of Commissioners May 1, and sheriff's deputies will maintain crowd and traffic control."

## 25 YEARS AGO (1970)

The Clarkston School Board is charged by the Clarkston Education Association with violation of the contract in the action taken refusing tenure to Richard Schadel, band director for the Clarkston High School. Clarkston Junior High School teacher Carolyn Mosher presents the allegations supporting the complaint of the CEA that Schadel has not been properly evaluated according to Board policy.

Students from the Industrial Arts Department of Clarkston High School compete in the state finals with the following results: first place, Wood: Greg Salk, Jim Wallace and Greg Pierce. First place, Drafting: Terry Bunton and Mike Violete.

Though they run out of contention at the Oxford Invitational, the Clarkston High School track team

breaks three school records at the meet on May 9. Fred Seyler runs the mile in 4:26.4, breaking the old school record of 4:29.8. Tom Muti breaks the former pole vault record of 11'3" by clearing the bar at 11'6". And, finally, the third record broken is accomplished by relay team members Mike Humphreys, Kurt Carlsen, Harold Ballough and Fred Seyler, who shave three seconds from the old 3:37.4 record, running the distance in 3:34.

## 50 YEARS AGO (1945)

Memorial Day is to be observed in Clarkston as in other years with the parade route running from Church and Buffalo Streets and ending at Lakeview Cemetery. Legionnaires, other war veterans, boys and girls home on furlough and the Boy and Girl Scouts are invited to march.

News in "By the Way": The 7th War Loan has started out with a bang. Many communities have already reached their quotas ... Clarkston was represented at the belated Jeffersonian banquet (\$25 a plate) at the Book-Cadillac in Detroit on Tuesday night by Ralph Marshall. Senator Pepper of Florida was the speaker ... Take out that date book and put a mark around May 25. That's the night of the last school dance and the freshmen will be greatly disappointed if you are not there.

## 60 YEARS AGO (1935)

A goodly crowd attends the Spring Frolic sponsored by the High School PTA despite inclement weather. Peppy music is furnished by Doc Marsh's Michigan Ramblers, much to the delight of the younger set who are the majority of those attending. Everyone has a good time and forgets about the rainy evening.

Playing at the Holly Theatre over the next few weeks are "Life Begins at 40," starring Will Rogers, "West Point of the Air," featuring Wallace Beery, "Traveling Saleslady," with Joan Blondell, Glenda Farrell, William Gargan and Hugh Herbert, and "George White's 1935 Scandals."

Specials at Rudy's include fresh spare ribs, 15 cents a pound; Heinz Bulk Dill Pickles, four for a dime; ginger snaps, two pounds for a quarter; and big, juicy oranges, 29 cents a dozen.

## If It Fitz

by Jim Fitzgerald

*Replacement eatery tough to swallow*



My wife and I recently withstood the 40th anniversary of our elopement. You don't get many wedding presents when you elope.

I thought about that when I read a news article about the upcoming wedding of former mayoral candidate Sharon McPhail and Detroit schools Superintendent David Snead. It said: "Some 5,000 guests will be invited, including President Bill Clinton, Gov. John Engler and Mayor Dennis Archer."

Wow. My mother brought me up to believe if a couple were nice enough to invite you to their wedding, you were obligated to send them a gift, even if you'd be out of town and unable to attend the reception to try to ingest food and beverages that cost at least as much as your gift.

According to the article, the McPhail/Snead buffet reception will be held in a Detroit public school, the Breithaupt Career and Technical Center. That should be large enough for 5,000 guests without the president being crowded into inadvertently erasing a blackboard.

But where do you put 5,000 gifts?

Maybe the best man is superintendent of Detroit warehouses.

Coincidentally, Snead and McPhail first met in the new International House of Pancakes on East Jefferson, a short walk from where my wife and I lived for 18 years. Since the engagement was announced the IHOP's business has increased 200 percent, owner Walter Bridgforth Jr. said, with women asking to be seated at the same table where McPhail found a husband.

But my wife insists she'd rather starve than eat there.

Her problem is that the historic Chene House, containing Little Harry's restaurant, was torn down to make room for the IHOP, and that was our favorite place to eat good food and enjoy wonderful piano and singing by Ernie Swan and others. We celebrated many anniversaries and other special occasions there, without once ordering pancakes.

(Time out for this message: Several readers have asked where super singer-pianist Michael Krieger is performing now that he's left Boodles in Pleasant Ridge. The answer is the Clarkston Cafe, in downtown Clarkston, on Thursdays and Fridays. You can hear him better there and — as I've known for years — the meals are splendid.)

OK, back to my stubborn wife. I've reminded her of the many delicious breakfasts — my favorite meal, but not before noon — we've enjoyed in other IHOPs. And, unlike Snead and McPhail, we didn't first meet at the Little Harry's site, so our romantic memories of it aren't ultimate. Why not give the new restaurant in our old neighborhood a try?

No way, she says. Detroit has thousands of vacant lots where that IHOP could have been built without destroying that wonderful old building, blah, blah, blah. Even though her most romantic Little Harry memories are probably of the Beef Wellington and the night J.P. McCarthy sang at the piano bar.

Speaking of stubborn, our Florida vacation condo was on the edge of a swampy forest preserve containing a boardwalk that offered a fascinating stroll in the mild wilds. But my wife wouldn't walk there for fear of seeing a snake. Instead, she went shopping at a Wal-Mart.

And when she returned I showed her, in that day's newspaper, an article about a man bit by a rattlesnake while shopping for a plant in a Tallahassee Wal-Mart. Obviously she would have been safer in the preserve, where I never saw anything more dangerous than a lizard.

However, not once in a month would my wife go preserve walking with me, but she went to Wal-Mart's damn near every day.

Another thing: No matter how strongly I disagree, she continues to insist Doogie Howser changed his name to Hank Goldberg and is now a lawyer for the prosecution at the O.J. Simpson trial.

## Don't Rush Me

By Don Rush

*Epilogue*



*"It is important to have closure in life. To end certain chapters, to close the book and go to the next." -- Somebody Smart*

Besides my mom and dad and Grandma, there's at least three other people that read my column (hey, you have to start small ...).

I only know this 'cause they told me (so there).

Two gents from Oxford read about the plight of my two, now-unwanted-in-the-Rush-household goldfish. Mr. Mueller and Mr. Piluras simultaneously decided they have better homes for the fish than some lake or toilet.

I tend to agree.

These two have graciously opened up their goldfish ponds to my fish, Ray and Ning. They didn't have to do, but they did. Viva le Piluras! Viva le Mueller!

I can rest easier at night knowing Ray and Ning will swim freely in a pond, without the threat of fresh water barracudas looming ever near.

My thanks, gentlemen.

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For Earth Day I asked out loud: why utility workers would neatly stack up piles of scrub-wood they cut, while taking the maple wood from around the Rush homestead?

It's not that I needed the wood. I have no fireplace or woodstove. It's not that I was upset, I just sort of wondered out loud. If anything I wish they would have taken all the wood; now I have to limp down the hill,

pick up a load, and limp back up, until the process is complete.

So, it was no big deal. You can imagine my shock when I received a call from a Detroit Edison representative. Mr. G. Rhodes called, and called the office until he got a hold of me.

I was ready to be chastised for besmirching the good utility's name. I thought a "how dare you" lecture was on its ugly way.

Nope, nada, nothing of the sort. I don't know what Mr. Rhodes' job is at Detroit Edison, but it should be customer service — or maybe he should teach it.

He was apologetic, offered to replace the wood, then offered to do some digging to find out the scoop. I don't know if he felt bad about the entire episode, but I felt bad thinking he felt bad. He sounded like he felt bad.

Hats off to Mr. Rhodes, and to Detroit Edison for having the foresight to hire Mr. Rhodes.

Wouldn't it be a better place to live if all phone calls and customer service were like that. People would smile more, feeling they got the best bang for their buck. There would be less cynicism. The grass wood probably be greener and the sky bluer ... I can dream, can't I?

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As Rockin' Robert Seger used to sing, "turn the page ..."

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# What good advice has your mother given you?



**Mark VanHoose, Royal Oak:** My mom and my dad always say respect your elders through life — and I do.



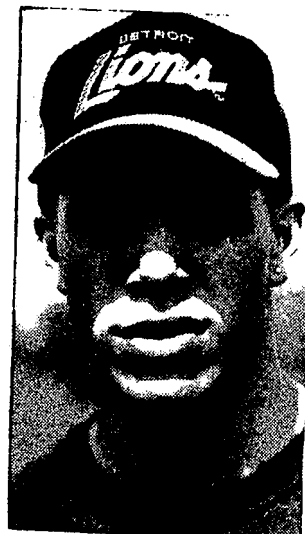
**Kevin Riley, Waterford:** My mom always stressed to work very hard. You never get something for nothing.



**Sue Owen, Clarkston:** She always said to have clean and repaired underwear.



**Lindson Feun, Waterford:** My mother always said get your education — and I did. I'm a Ph.D.



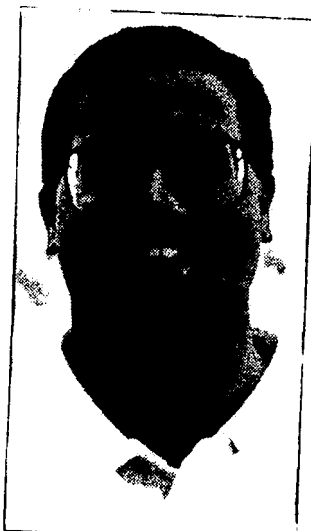
**Toby Evans, Clarkston:** I guess, basically, treat others the way you'd like to be treated.



**Ryan Gilford, Clarkston:** Do good in school. Don't pick bad friends.



**Michael Lynch, Clarkston:** Not to do drugs. She tells me not to do anything bad, not to carry guns and stuff. Not to wear different kinds of clothing 'cause it looks like gangs.



**Al Kuhn, Waterford:** Number one obviously was stay in school and get your education. She was also always a firm believer in positive thinking and taking responsibility for your actions.



**Mary Kay Ausum, Davisburg:** Always be honest and be thoughtful. She's the most thoughtful person I know. She's a sweetheart.



**Katie Woloson, Clarkston:** She tells me school's important and she always tells me to look before crossing the street. She says that a lot. And don't ride in cars with strangers.

## Ask the therapist By Stan Garwood, MA, MSW, DCSW

Dear Therapist:

I am a 62-year-old male in good health. Soon I will have the option of continuing in my employment or retiring. I am indecisive. Financially, I could retire now. My wife seems ambivalent about it. I derive much reward from my job. However, it seems I'm in a rut, experiencing some boredom and feel I need a change. What do you suggest I do?

Signed,  
Retirement Dilemma

Dear Retirement Dilemma,

Sooner or later, if we reach these magic years, we all must decide when and how to retire. Since this is such a large step and a very important developmental transition, I would hope that as much thought and planning as possible go into it. Retirement should not only be your reward for doing a sometimes thankless

and required life task, but should initiate the beginning of a whole new life style, one which, if planned out carefully, can be challenging, rewarding and fulfilling.

You mentioned "being indecisive." Would that have to do with some anxiety about the unknown future lifestyle?

How much time have you devoted to this decision? Have you developed other interests, hobbies over the years? Do you enjoy leisure time activities? How does your wife really feel? Will she be supportive? Will it bring you two closer together through mutual interests and activities?

However, is paid employment crucial to your self-fulfillment as a person? Do you define yourself through your work? Would you lose your identity if retired? Have you failed to make future plans which

are both realistic and attainable? Are your future goals reasonable? Would you sacrifice the wherewithall and support of key people if you retired presently?

Everyone's circumstance is different. You are the only one who can sort this out for yourself. I anticipate I've provided some direction.

These questions and others need to be researched and carefully thought out. I recommend that you talk with retirees and illicit their ideas and experiences. You should read as much about it as possible. Planning new vocational tasks, hobbies, interests while still employed at your current job has its advantages in ruling out what you don't want to do while at the same time discovering the one or two you enjoy.

The key word is "enjoy." Whatever direction you choose, it must be positive and emotionally rewarding. Good luck.

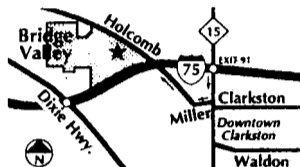




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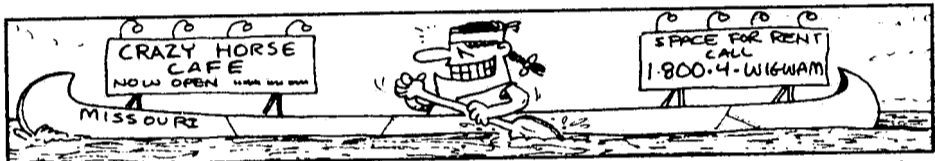


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In January, 1993, Matthew underwent surgery to remove the tumor. His mother, Robin, said about 95 percent of it was removed. Since it is a slow-growing type of malignancy, the doctors hoped what remained would disintegrate on its own.

But it didn't, and now Matthew is facing surgery

again. The family still has unpaid medical bills from the first surgery, which was partly covered by their insurer, Blue Care Network. They have not yet been notified whether the second surgery will be covered.

On June 9, a benefit '50s dance will be held at Deer Lake Racquet Club to benefit Matthew's medical expenses. Call 693-1462 for ticket information.

In addition, there is a benefit fund for donations. Anyone wishing to make a contribution should send a check to the Matthew Anderson Benefit Fund to the Huntington Bank, 4396 Highland Rd., Waterford, MI 48328-2139.

## Obituary

### Edith Olk

Edith E. Olk, 86, of the Pontiac area most of her life, died May 3, 1995.

She was preceded in death by her husband Lawrence.

She is survived by a daughter, Beverly (Earl) Brown; three sons, Duane (Kay) Olk, Forrest (Sheri) Olk and Wendell (Georgene) Olk; 14 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; a sister; and two brothers.

Funeral services were Saturday, May 6 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Trust 100 Funeral Home in Clarkston. Interment was in Lakeview Cemetery.

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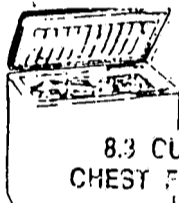
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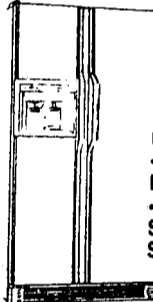
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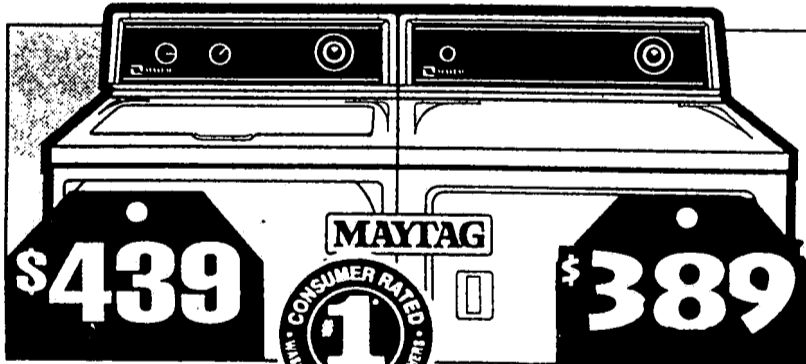


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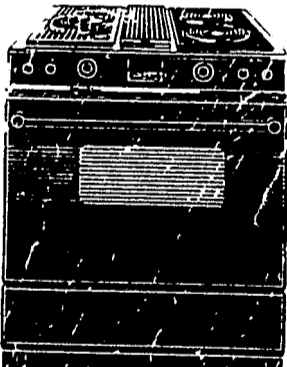
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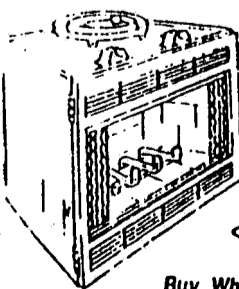
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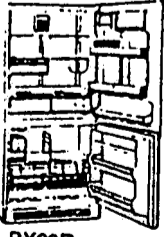
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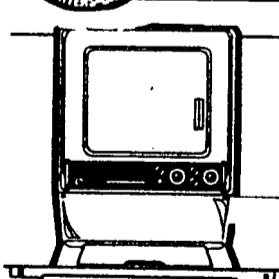


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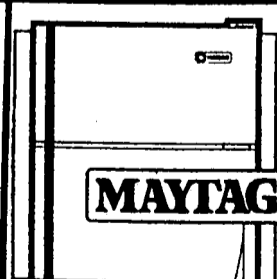
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# Proposed Mr. B's improves parking

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

Owners of the proposed Mr. B's knew parking was a major concern among township officials.

So rather than settle for what they have already presented, Mr. B's is offering to create over a hundred more parking spots behind their building, located on Dixie Highway, across from the Dixie/M-15 intersection.

The land is currently zoned residential and consists of about 9.5 acres. About 4.5 acres of the parcel would be used for the parking lot, which fronts on Parview.

The Independence Township Board of Trustees voted unanimously May 2 to accept the first reading of the proposed rezoning from residential to office. The one requirement is that the parcel cannot be used for anything but a parking lot.

"After the concept plan received planning commission approval we realized there is a need for additional parking," said Mr. B's engineer Jim Scharl of Kieft Engineering.

Scharl said with the new parking area, the entrance off Parview would most likely be the main entrance, reducing the flow of customers from the dangerous Dixie Highway driveway, which is almost across the street from the M-15/Dixie intersection.

To limit traffic from turning left from the drive onto Parview, Kieft said Mr. B's "plans on prohibiting

those turns as strong as the county road commission will allow us."

There are also plans to work with the Michigan Department of Transportation about reconfiguring the Dixie/M-15 light.

Scharl said the new parking area would greatly benefit the site, reduce congestion from the Dixie Highway driveway and encourage customers to come in from Parview.

Trustee Daniel Travis, who also serves on the planning commission, said Mr. B's is the best proposal for that corner. "They are always well-received wherever they go and this will definitely improve that site. The one problem the planning commission had is parking and now that has been addressed."



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## Milestones

## At school

● Jeff Rooding has been named to the Dean's Honor List at Cleary College in Ypsilanti.

● Eastern Michigan University's graduation list includes the following local residents: from Davisburg, Mark Mills, BS. From Clarkston: Jay Clark, BS; Jeffrey Martin, BS; Alejandra Smith, BA; Kristen Stewart, BS.

● Junior Matthew Ericksen of Clarkston is one of 14 Alma College students studying the political, economic and social issues of Australia in that country during spring term. A 1992 graduate of Brandon High School, he is the son of Albert and Scarlet Ericksen of Clarkston.

● Sophomore Kimberly Clark of Clarkston is one of 11 Alma College students studying in Paris during spring term. Students will have daily French lessons and live with French host families. Clark is a 1993 graduate of Clarkston High School and the daughter of Eva Clark of Clarkston and Jerome Clark of Waterford.

Meghan Schlicher of Clarkston rode with the elite Culver Girls Academy Equestriennes in the Blossomtime Festival Parade in Benton Harbor May 6. The drill team is an honor organization of the school's best riders.



Each year, 15 girls are selected for membership in the organization, which rode in the 1989 inaugural parade of President George Bush. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Schlicher, Meghan is a junior at CGA, where she has competed on the tennis and soccer teams, is active in the Student Admissions Organization and appeared in theatricals.

● Jeanne Kusza of Clarkston has been elected to Beta Gamma, the Madonna University chapter of Phi Alpha, a national honor society for social work students. Members must have a 3.0 overall grade point average.

● Courtney Bates, 13, a student at Clarkston Middle School, performed in the 3rd Annual Michigan Flute Festival Sunday, May 7 at Orchestra Hall in Detroit. Courtney studies privately with Jenni Atkinson; her band director is Julie Matthews. Courtney is the daughter of Susan Bates.

● Gregory Loechtenfeldt of Clarkston received his BS in justice studies from Northern Michigan University after the winter semester.

● Degree candidates from the University of Michigan this spring include: from Clarkston, Michelle Davis, BA; Adam Marks, BS; Darren Miller, MS; Christi Opmann, BA; Kristen Strelt, BA; Kyle Chenet, BS mechanical engineering; Stacey Secatch, BS electrical engineering; from Ortonville, Michael Render, BS.

## Reunions

● The Clarkston High School Class of 1975 is planning a 20-year reunion. For information call Vivian Roy, 627-5964, Jill Pointer, 625-8125 or Gale Hyde, 625-4771.

# Spring plant sale at OTC

From left, Jeria Wickham and Emily Pointer, students in the floral/greenhouse program at Oakland Technical Center Northwest, display some of the baskets that will be on sale during the annual bedding plant sale May 17. Hours are 8 a.m.-2 p.m. at the school, located at 8211 Big Lake Rd. near Dixie Highway and I-75. The sale will include student-grown annuals, perennials and hanging baskets.



## In service

● Army Spec. Robert Sharrard has completed a U.S. Army primary leadership development course in Camp Jackson, Uijong-Bu, South Korea. An imagery analyst, he is the son of Lillian and Robert Sharrard of Waterford and a 1990 Waterford High School grad.

● Army Pvt. Tammy Green has entered basic training at Fort. Jackson in Columbia, SC. She is the daughter of Denise Green and Richard Green, both of Clarkston and a 1992 Clarkston High School graduate.

● Marine Pfc. Chris St. Charles, son of Michael and Nancy St. Charles of Clarkston, recently reported for duty with the 9th Engineer Support Battalion, 3rd Force Service Support Group, Okinawa, Japan. The 1994 graduate of Clarkston High School joined the Marines in September.

● Marine Pfc. John Zamora, son of Sally Zamora of Clarkston, recently graduated from the Basic Landing Support course at the Marine Corps Engineer School at Camp Lejeune, NC. The 1994 graduate of Clarkston High School joined the Marines in July.

● Marine Lance Cpl. Tony Jeans, son of Judy Edwards of Clarkston, recently reported for duty with 2nd Maintenance Battalion, 2nd Force Service Support Group, Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune, NC. The 1992 graduate of Clarkston High School joined the Marines in December, 1993.

## Business brief

James R. Adams of Clarkston, gas operations field supervisor for Consumers Power Company's Macomb office, has been recognized for 25 years of service. Adams began his career with Consumers Power as an advanced unskilled laborer in the Pontiac office and has been in his current position since 1991.



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## New arrivals

● Paul and Kathlyn Rasmussen announce the birth of twins, born April 27, 1995. Monica Anne weighed 6 pounds 4 ounces and was 18 1/4 inches long. Michael James weighed 6 pounds 13 ounces and was 19 1/2 inches long. The twins have an older brother Matthew who is two years old. Grandparents are John and Anne Rasmussen of Clarkston, and Ken and Carol Thomas of Clinton Township.



Lee and Heather (Lee) Ekstrom of Waterford announce the arrival of their first child, a son. Samuel Lee Ekstrom was born April 23, 1995. He weighed 7 pounds 11 ounces and was 21 inches long. Grandparents are Carolyn and Jim Lee of Davisburg and Merlin and Ireta Ekstrom of Farmington Hills.

## Senior spotlight

### 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.

- May 11 — Lemon Pepper Cod
- May 12 — Pork Roast
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- May 16 — Turkey Breast
- May 17 — Lasagna

# 'Go Back for Murder,' go back for more

## Clarkston Village Players wrap up season with Agatha Christie

BY EILEEN OXLEY  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

After watching the first act of Agatha Christie's "Go Back for Murder," one might be tempted to throw up his hands and holler, "The butler did it!"

But there is no butler in "Go Back for Murder," a smart whodunit in the vein of classic Christie. However, there is a butler-like clerk named Turnball. And there are a great number of suspects and motives which plague the audience as it tries to unravel the mystery behind a murder that took place 16 years earlier.

Then, Caroline Crale, a devoted wife and mother, was convicted of poisoning her philandering husband and artist Amyas while he was in the midst of painting his current main squeeze — a sexy, flamboyant mistress named Elsa.

But Caroline's now grown-up daughter Carla hasn't bought the judge's verdict. She receives a letter written by her late mother while upon a prison death-bed. Turned over to Carla when she "comes of age," the letter says Caroline is innocent.

Thus, Carla "goes back for murder," collecting people from that fateful day who agree to reconstruct the murder scene.

As usual, one cannot predict Christie, who likes to take her audience through twists and turns as tedious as the Orient Express.

That's accomplished nicely by the Clarkston Village Players who are presently taking their theatergoers on an well-paced ride at the Depot. Directed by Marlene Sewick and produced by Holly Stephens, the Players' adaption features a variety of first-time and seasoned community theater actors who all clearly relish their roles.

Some do justice to the English accents that were taught by British-born Nancy Penvose, who plays the ever-loyal Miss Williams. Particularly adept is Bob Kaminskis with his "de-ah" (dear) as he addresses the hapless Carla within dual roles of Turnball and the gentle Meredith Blake.

Bravos for veddy British-ness must also be given to Richard Ernst as smitten attorney Justin Fogg, Verne Vackaro as Meredith's nasty brother Philip and Sandy Grider as the flirty Elsa/Lady Melksham.



Clarkston Village Players' "Go Back for Murder" is a fitting "end" to the 1994-95 season.

But others, who choose not to speak with Alderbury twang, are just as effective. Russ Crissman is an arty Amyas and Ruth Parent, a first-time Player, brings a sort of "Bad Seed" quality to her role as Angela, Carla's half-sister.

Cynthia Lohmeier-Lundquist, doubling as the naive-but-smart Carla and wronged wife Caroline, does a fine job in the lead. And though Charles Diamond is seen briefly as Carla's insensitive cattle breeding-minded fiance, he embodies him with loathsome sleaze.

The many scene changes are accomplished with Pullman-like curtains that slide back and forth while simple props like tables and chairs become an office, a hotel room, a restaurant.

"You want to do something other than regular sets, something that flows smoothly," explained Sewick following Friday's opening-night performance. "It takes about 20 seconds to do the scene changes."

The second act is more elaborately designed, resembling the Crale's Alderbury home. There are

armchairs, fireplace, windows and an archway that functions as an exit into the garden where some of the conversations take place. There is even the finished portrait of a young Elsa that mysteriously changes — like the picture of Dorian Gray — into a landscape when the assembled characters de-age into the past.

Both provide a backdrop for the guests who try their best to invoke memories that may help — or hinder — Carla in her search for the truth.

But memory, as Justin Fogg soom explains in the last act as a sometimes narrator, is "a fragile thread and uncertain."

What is certain is an enjoyable performance by the Clarkston Village Players who, in "Go Back for Murder," whet appetites for another fine season.

"Go Back for Murder" continues the next two weekends at the Depot Theatre. Friday and Saturday performances begin at 8 p.m., the May 18 Thursday show, 7:30 p.m. Call 625-1826 or 625-2511 for info.

See page 17A for Player profiles.



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## Letters to the editor

### Clearing up questions about historical society

To the Editor:

I would like to take this opportunity to clear up a misconception held by many in our community.

As a former president of the Clarkston Community Historical Society, I was often called by people seeking information on regulations regarding work on their historic homes. The Historical Society does not regulate work on historic homes. We are a nonprofit, apolitical organization with a goal of providing the people of Clarkston and Independence Township educational and research materials regarding the history of their community.

Following are some of the things we have done with our resources to benefit the Clarkston area. In recent years, we have donated \$50,000 to the Independence Township library for their expansion, and have also created a small-scale museum and archive in the Heritage Room in the library.

People use the Heritage Room to do genealogical research or to learn the history of a home or property they have purchased. We have held several programs on local history for area youth, and each year present programs for adults, as well.

We hold the annual Crafts and Cider Festival each September, bringing thousands of people into the downtown area to shop. The Independence Township Library has an extensive collection of books relating to history and historic architecture because since our founding over 20 years ago, we have been donating books to the library.

But it is our most recent accomplishment that we are perhaps most proud of. This week, the second-grade students in the Clarkston School District will be receiving a new textbook. The book, which covers the history of our community from before the first white settlers arrived through the

present, was made possible through the financial backing of the Historical Society.

We are pleased and proud to give this book to the children of Clarkston, and we will continue to serve our community in any way that we can.

I hope that this will clear up any questions about who we are and what we do in our community. Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Kim Huttenlocher  
Vice President

Clarkston Community Historical Society

### Are we trying hard enough to recycle?

Dear Editor,

On this 25th anniversary of Earth Day I feel compelled to speak out on something that concerns me. What does it take to motivate government employees? Let me explain.

My family has been spring cleaning and we need to dispose of some miscellaneous pieces of copper, metal and steel. I carted these scraps to the Independence Township DPW on Flemings Lake Road since they claim to have recycle bins at this location. They do not have bins for copper, aluminum or steel. I called our garbage pickup, Clarkston Disposal, and they do not accept the above mentioned metals. Both Clarkston Disposal and Independence Township told me to put it into the garbage.

I called Sam Allen Scrap Metal in Pontiac and was informed that the salvage value is as follows: steel - 1-1/2 cents/lb; copper-66 cents/lb., \$1.15/lb

over 100 lbs; aluminum-40 cents/lb., \$57/100 lbs.

These salvage values do not address the fact that dumping these scraps into the garbage helps fill the already over-crowded dumps. Nor does it address the fact that mines are defacing the earth to produce the same metals that are being scrapped instead of recycled.

The United States government has been trying to force local governments to get recycling going. The Save the Earth movement has been trying to get recycling going. Are local governments trying sufficiently?

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Clarkston

### Thanks for Milk Jug support

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the students, staff and their families at Clarkston Elementary as well as the community for their tremendous support during our Milk Jug recycling contest. Many parents could be counted on to help with this project, but three could always be counted upon at any given moment: Jennifer Arkwright, Linda McGregor and Chris Smith.

We would also like to extend a special thank you to Clarkston Disposal for providing the container we used for collecting the milk jugs and recycling them.

The winner of the contest sponsored by the Jennings Co. will be announced by May 15, 1995. Clarkston Elementary collected 76,599 milk jugs for recycling.

Sincerely,  
Jeff Crane  
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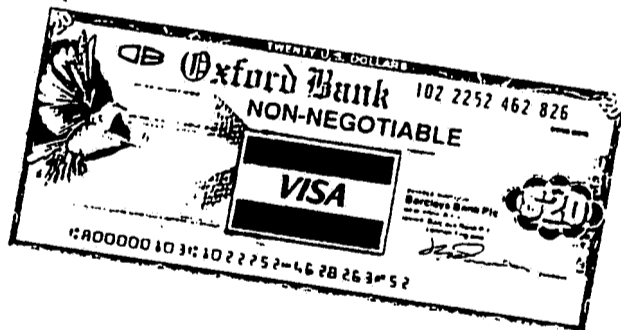
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## Around town

● **The Mother's Day plant sale** at the Oakland Technical Center Northwest will be held May 11-12, 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Silk and fresh gifts for mom created by students in the floral/greenhouse program will be available. Then on May 17, the annual spring bedding plant sale will be held, 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Hundreds of annuals, perennials and hanging baskets will be available. The school is located at 8211 Big Lake Rd., just off Dixie Highway.

● **A giant Marine Corps League of Oakland County rummage sale** will be held May 12-13 (rain

date May 19-20) all day at 4314 Jackson Blvd., White Lake.

● **The Oakland County Pioneer and Historical Society** will hold its annual dinner Sunday, May 21 at the Rochester Community House, 816 Ludlow at 1 p.m. Dinner will be followed by a discussion on "Personal Involvement in Community History." Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 for children under 12. RSVP to OPHS, 405 Oakland Ave., Pontiac, MI 48342. Or call 338-6732.

● **OCC Auburn Hills** will host an open house for high school students Wednesday, May 17 beginning at 6:30 p.m. Talk to faculty and staff about applying, financial aids and specific courses. To pre-register call 340-6902 or 340-6782.

● **"How to protect your assets from the high cost of nursing home care"** will be discussed Wednesday, May 17 at the Waterford Senior Citizens Center, 6455 Harper, beginning at 1 p.m. RSVP by calling 623-6500.

● **Free weight-reduction classes** will be offered by Oakland County Health Division in Pontiac on five consecutive Tuesdays beginning May 23 from 10 a.m. to noon. You must pre-register by May 17 as class size is limited. Call 858-5136.

● **The Bloomfield Hills Women's Aglow** will meet May 22 at 9:30 a.m. at the Holiday Inn, Telegraph Rd., Bloomfield Hills. Speaker will be Lottie Greene who, along with her husband, is rebuilding Noah's ark. Call 623-7004.

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# 'Bonkers' family center needs ordinance change

BY DARREL W. COLE  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

In order to build the "premier family entertainment center in the state" Independence Township's ordinance prohibiting video/arcade games must be changed.

Investors want to build an establishment similar to the "Chuck E Cheese" family entertainment centers. The proposed location would be in a vacant supermarket at the northwest corner of Maybee and Sashabaw roads.

The "Bonkers" company and Christopher Puertas asked the township board of trustees May 2 to amend its ordinance because they say the games in their establishment are not "video games."

"An integral part of this family center will be coin-operated games which dispense tickets to the players depending on their performance," said Bonkers attorney Kurt Anselmi. "These tickets can be redeemed for prizes at the prize counter within the entertainment center."

Bonkers representatives insist their games are based on skill and that separates them from arcade-type games.

Trustees tabled the request for further review but township attorney Gerald Fisher said the current ordinance does not allow such devices.

Regardless of the type of game, Fisher said the ordinance prohibits gifts for performance.

It states, "No gambling in any form shall be permitted on the premises, and no prizes, gifts, rewards, or the like, shall be offered and/or given by the owner, manager and/or employee for specified performance on a coin-operated amusement device, other than entitlement to continue operation on such device

without further charge for a specified duration."

The 20,000-square-foot building would be geared specifically for families. The owners insist no children would be allowed in unless accompanied by an adult, and no adults would be let in unless accompanied by children.

### Other board action:

● Architects and engineers doing work for the township will now have to sign plans they personally review or for someone who is working on those plans under their direct supervision.

The board approved the first reading of the zoning ordinance amendment. This provision was adopted to provide greater control over preparation of plans by licensed professionals.

● Independence Valley Phase III, consisting of nine lots, received tentative preliminary plat approval.

This is the final phase of the Independence Valley subdivision, located at Pine Knob and Sashabaw roads, south of Oakhill Road.

● Drunk driving laws just got tougher in the township as the board approved a state revision to the Operating Under the Influence of Liquor ordinance.

The new state law, which was adopted by the state legislature May 1, involves the creation of a felony offense for drivers under the influence of alcohol or a controlled substance which results in the serious injury to another person.

Adoption of the state law to local ordinance allows Independence Township to enforce the new revision. However, such felony offense cases will have to be taken up by the Oakland County Prosecutor.

● The township's annual Spring Clean-up waste hauler will be Clarkston Disposal. The township received three bids, including from BFI and City Waste, and Clarkston Disposal was lowest.

● "Putts For Kids," was put on hold for approval of a raffle license for its July 15 fundraiser at Spring Lake Country Club.

The board voted to table the request because organizers didn't show proof they are a non-profit corporation approved by the state. Once proof is shown the raffle license could be granted.

## Cranberry sewer SAD hearing set

Residents in Cranberry Lake Estates can voice their comments regarding the proposed sanitary sewer improvement special assessment roll at a May 16 public hearing.

The hearing will be held at 7:30 p.m. at the Independence Township Hall, located at 90 North Main Street.

The proposed improvements include construction of sewer lines to all of the about 117 lots in the subdivision currently operating on septic systems.

Costs for the project are expected to be a total of about \$950,000, or about \$1,000 per year for a ten-year SAD.

Last month the township's board of trustees voted 3-2 to get costs for the proposed SAD.

### Parking change on Depot ignored

Although the City of the Village of Clarkston recently eliminated 12 parking spots on Depot "people continue to park there," said Clarkston Police Sgt. Scott Dickey. The CPD has issued several tickets for violating the no parking law over the past few weeks and Dickey cautions people to be aware of the situation.



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# The people behind the Village Players.

The 1994-95 season has featured first timers and old timers. Here's a look at some of them:

**Pamela Hill**, a Realtor and Players member since 1982, did 10 productions in eight years. Making her comeback in "Rashomon," she played the wife. "It was a challenge with stage kissing and being thrown to the floor," she says.

**Gale Wright**, a "semi-retired" hairdresser, has done hair and makeup for the Players for 14 years. "Rashomon" and "Return Engagements" were challenging. For example in the latter play Gale was the one who made Dave Kramer "look young and then old." In "Go Back for Murder," faces stayed primarily the same and wigs were done ahead of time. "Character makeup is always more difficult than regular makeup," she says.

**Ruth Parent**, a first-timer in her role as the

mischievous Angela in "Go Back for Murder," is a special education teacher and a grandmother. She wasn't nervous opening night. "As soon as I got on I was fine. I did a lot of self-talk to myself." She adds, "I'll go to Hollywood but I won't take my clothes off."

**Verne Vaccaro**, a retired junior high school teacher who starred in two CVP productions this season, has done community theater for "about 30 years" and has been active with the Players for nine. "I came out here and fell in love with the theater and the people. You don't get the same feeling in a great big theater," he says. "I love amateur theater. It's so much fun. Sometimes it can be a dog of a show but it's still fun to watch."

**Bob Kaminskis**, a former high school teacher and seasoned actor, didn't begin his career until he was 37. Since then, he has acted with Chris Lemmon (Jack's son) and singer/star Karen Morrow and has

been featured in "Hoffa," TV and "26 musicals." One of the highlights of his career was when he got to kiss "Cheers" star Kirstie Alley.

**Mel Case**, a carpenter and installer with Glass Lock and Door, has done it all — acting, directing and producing — in five years with the Players. Like others, he also acts elsewhere and particularly enjoys directing. "What I truly enjoy is taking an author's work, really reading it through and transferring it to the stage. You're the one who has the final interpretation. It can make or break a show."

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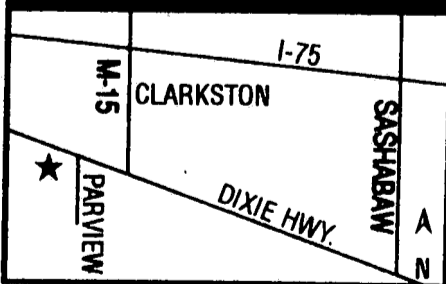
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## Sheriff's log for Independence Township

**MONDAY, MAY 1,** a missing dog was reported on Deer Ridge. The owner felt the dog was missing due to a neighborhood dispute.

Dumping on private property on Clintonville Rd. A witness got a license plate number off the vehicle used in the dumping, and it was traced to a Bloomfield Hills man. He was ticketed.

Harassing phone calls were reported on Clarkston Rd. and on Lancaster Lake.

Runaway juveniles were reported on Columbia and on Princeton. They have since returned home.

Damaged vehicle on Sashabaw. A woman reportedly fell at a gas station and dented a car.

Non-injury accidents on Waldon and on Ortonville Rd.

Injury accident on White Lake Rd.

**TUESDAY, MAY 2,** a 30-year-old Clarkston man was arrested during a traffic stop on an outstanding warrant out of Oxford. He also received a ticket for driving with a suspended driver's license.

Warrant arrest on Pelton. A 19-year-old Clarkston man stopped for speeding was arrested on an outstanding snowmobile violation.

Non-injury accidents on Dartmouth and on Ortonville Rd.

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 3,** non-injury accidents on Maybee and on Sashabaw.

Suspected narcotics were found in a bottle on a golf course on Maybee Rd.

A 29-year-old Flint man was arrested on an outstanding warrant during a traffic stop. He was driving on a suspended driver's license at the time.

Runaway juvenile on Silver Lake Rd. The boy has since returned home.

**THURSDAY, MAY 4,** a Holly man was arrested at the scene of an accident on Dixie Highway after police found he was wanted on \$5,000 bond in a Friend of the Court case.

A 16-year-old Clarkston boy said he was sprayed with Mace by an unknown person who then fled.

Non-injury accidents on Dixie, on Holcomb and on Ortonville Rd.

Injury accident on Rockcroft. A driver told police he lost control of his car and hit a tree. He did not require hospitalization.

**FRIDAY, MAY 5,** a storage shed on Sashabaw Rd. was pried open and two cases of motor oil were stolen.

A 15-year-old boy was reported as a runaway on Ranch Estates.

A leather jacket was stolen from a car parked in a Marconi driveway overnight.

Threats at Pine Knob Elementary School.

A cordless drill and pager were stolen from a car

parked on Hillview Shores.

Car/deer accident on the M-15 overpass.

**SATURDAY, MAY 6,** \$779 was reported missing from a safe at a Sashabaw Rd. store.

A woman watching two swans on Greens Lake reported hearing two popping sounds and seeing one swan fall over. It later died.

Assault and battery on Sashabaw. A 15-year-old Clarkston boy said he was hit in the face at a party.

Injury accidents were reported on Oakhill and on Sashabaw. In the Sashabaw accident, a 30-year-old W. Bloomfield woman was taken to Beaumont Hospital with injuries.

Non-injury accident on Dixie. One of the drivers fled before police arrived.

**SUNDAY, MAY 7,** larceny of a rototiller from a shed on Independence Drive.

A vehicle drove into a gas pump sometime during the night on M-15. Broken taillight pieces were found near the damaged pump.

Three times customers failed to pay for gas at local stations. In two of the cases, the drivers said they'd be back to pay but never returned. In the third case, the driver paid for candy but denied having pumped gas before fleeing.

A window was smashed on a 1983 Ford pick up parked on Clintonville Rd.

Four Clarkston teens, ages 16-17, were ticketed for being minors in possession of alcohol after police found them parked on Perry Lake Rd.

Domestic assault and battery on Woodlawn. A woman reported her intoxicated husband struck her in the nose and then fled. He was arrested a short time later.

## Clarkston Police

**FRIDAY, MAY 5,** a Davisburg woman backed into a Clarkston man on northbound M-15 at Robertson, causing minor damage to both cars. No ticket was issued.

An auto accident occurred at M-15 and Robertson when an elderly Clarkston man had a stroke. The man was transported to St. Joe's Hospital and died Saturday morning, said Officer Scott Crissey of the CPD.

A peace officer was installed at Main and Waldon during a domestic situation.

**SATURDAY, MAY 6,** a peace officer stood by on Surrey Lane during a domestic situation.

## Fire call

**MONDAY, MAY 1,** fire in the attic of a home under construction on Valley. Firefighters think it may have been started by a dropped cigarette. The home sustained minor damage.

Injury accident on Ortonville Rd.; one to an area hospital.

Medical on Dixie; no transport.

**TUESDAY, MAY 2,** medical on E. Church.

Medical on Pear Lane.

Medical on Parview.

Grass fire on Clement Rd.

Medical on Edgewood.

Rollover accident on Dartmouth.

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 3,** a woman was feeling ill due to an odor in the building on Lancaster Lake Rd.

Medical on Dixie.

Burning complaint on White Lake Rd. The fire was extinguished and a warning was issued.

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

**THURSDAY, MAY 4,** injury accident on Ortonville Rd.

Car fire on I-75.

Medical on Clintonville Rd.

**FRIDAY, MAY 5,** truck fire on Dixie.

Medical on Sashabaw.

Medical on Mann Rd.

Injury accident involving a possible stroke on N. Main; one to St. Joseph Mercy Hospital.

Possible injury accident on Ortonville Rd.

Injured ball player at Clintonwood Park.

Injury accident with a car fire on Rockcroft; no transport.

**SATURDAY, MAY 6,** medical on Ennismore.

Medical on Oakhill.

Medical on Elk Run Ct.

Brush fire on M-15.

Unauthorized burning at a construction site on Holcomb.

Medical on Ricki Court; one to POH.

Motorcycle accident on Clarkston Rd.; no injuries.

**SUNDAY, MAY 7,** medical on Clarkston Rd.

Grass fire on Georgetown Ct.

Medical on S. River Dr.; one to North Oakland Medical Centers.

A child injured a finger on an exercise bike on Sunnyside.

Brush fire on Hillcrest.

Stumps burning at a construction site on Canterbury Lane.

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# Library's future topic of meeting

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proposal would be brought to the township board and the city council. If they approved, it would be put to the voters in both municipalities.

Since the village of Clarkston became a city, it has contracted for library services with the township. It pays for the service out of its general fund.

"We're charged the same millage rate as the township but we don't charge a separate millage," said city manager Art Pappas. However city residents do not pay on the library's debt millage. They do pay a 10 percent administrative fee on the contracted service.

Township property owners pay .75 mill for library operations, plus a debt retirement on the current building. (A mill is \$1 for every \$1,000 in taxable property value.) All library matters are controlled by the township board of trustees.

Changing the library to an Act 164 library would set up a library board but retain the library as a township asset. Under Act 164, the library could ask for up to two mills; under a district library, up to four.

Independence Township Trustee Mel Vaara believes it's time for a change.

"There are two libraries left in Oakland County still controlled by the township board (Independence and Waterford)," he said. "I firmly believe there should be some kind of library board. I feel they'll have more time to deal with it . . ."

"I feel we have a professional librarian in Ms. Lynch and if she feels she can better serve the public, she should have it."

Lynch said she can live with either of the choices. "The trouble we face is the act we were founded under no longer exists," she said. "My question is how can I get enough funding to restore the hours and get adequate services. That's the problem I'm faced with."

Lynch hears the complaints of library patrons about limited hours and an extremely limited collection. Last year after the Headlee override was approved, the library opened up Sunday hours and poured the increase into books and automation. But it wasn't enough to make a serious dent.

Lynch hears criticism that new books aren't being shelved fast enough because of the lack of

manpower. People assume she's not using volunteers and going after grants and other fund-raisers.

"We've done all three and we've had some success," she said, citing a \$15,000 grant for the children's section and an \$8,600 grant to microfilm back issues of The Clarkston News. But she said it's hard to compete for handouts with less fortunate towns.

The good news, Lynch said, is that more and more people are becoming aware of the reasons for the library's problems.

"A lot of people move in, a lot come from communities with independent libraries and are surprised we're part of the township," she said. "So there is a growing awareness, more than there was four years ago when I came here."

Her top priorities should the library be restructured are restoring hours, improving the materials collection, and adequate staffing—"enough help to meet the needs. People have to wait for reference help. We need to solve that problem."

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# She's Mom to more than her own

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elementary teacher or managing her own day-care center.

But that's down the road. For now, she's happy being a part of her children's lives, taking occasional classes at Oakland University to earn a master's in early childhood development while her children continue their own education at the Academy. Thomas will enter second grade next fall while Emily continues as a pre-schooler.

"She's special," says Thomas, adding that his mom is lots of fun and reads to him and his sister. She's even been known to do kid-like things such as making paper airplanes.

"She flew them too — sometimes," says the wide-eyed youngster.

"She's fun. She plays my Barney game with me," says Emily, who has dimples as deep as the Grand Canyon.

When asked what qualities make his wife that very special mom, Tom answers, "Patience — the patience she has with the kids. And I really feel fortunate that she's willing to stay home with them. In the work force, there's a lot of pressure ... But it's one of those things where if she wanted to take a full-time job, I'd say 'Okay.'"

Though Amy feels she's made the right choice in staying home for now, she feels there are many working mothers who don't get the credit they deserve. And her husband shares that opinion. Neither Tom nor Amy think stay-at-home moms are necessarily any better than those who whisk themselves out the door

early in the morning with a briefcase.

"It's not a case whether you stay at home or work full-time," muses Amy, as she watches her two scamper off into the back yard during a blissful Sunday afternoon. "I wish there would be more respect for each other. You need to follow your own lifestyle ..."

The light brown eyes are gentle and serene. It's obvious Amy has found her niche.

"The key is how much love you can surround your family with," she says with a wise smile.

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## Barth MVP of Orion Invitational Hurlers in contention with strong week

BY DARREL W. COLE  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

One week.

That's all it took for the Clarkston baseball team to get back to winning ways.

After starting out the season at 0-4, the Wolves went 4-2 last week to move their record to 4-6. But more importantly the Wolves are 1-1 in the OAA Division I. Coach Roy Warner said the team's goal is to win the league and last week they proved it's

possible.

Warner said his team could have won all six games last week, pointing to two one-run losses.

"The thing is we just kept working hard and the kids never gave up. In order to get out of a slump you have to do that," Warner said.

Much of the team's success can be attributed to some better offensive performances, as well as solid pitching and almost error-free defense.

"Early in the season we were not hitting the gaps, but now we are getting them to go through. We're also walking less people and when you struggle on offense

you have to be solid on defense."

The team's first win of the season came on May 1 against Pontiac Northern by an 8-7 score. The Wolves followed that up with an incredible come-from-behind 7-6 win over league foe Troy Athens on May 3.

In that game, Warner saw his team down 6-1 before the incredible, determined comeback. The game ended when pinch hitter Joel Sanford, a senior, hit a single down the left field line for the game-winning RBI.

"That was an impressive comeback for us," Warner said. "We could have quit but the kids just kept going at it."

Clarkston then battled but lost 4-3 to Chippewa Valley May 4. Warner said both teams played well. The Wolves were led on offense by seniors Blake Farah and Mike Turk, who both went 2-for-3 at the plate.

Warner received a strong performance from his players in the Lake Orion Invitational Tournament held May 6. The Wolves beat Imlay City 5-1 in the first game, but lost 3-2 in the finals to a tough Lake Orion squad.

Against Imlay, Turk was the winning pitcher as he went five innings, gave up one earned run, 4 hits, and had 3 strikeouts. Junior David Barth pitched two innings in relief, struck out one and didn't give up any runs. On offense, the Wolves were led by Barth's 3-for-3 performance, including one solo home run, and senior Bobbie Blue's 2-for-4 hitting. Turk also hit a solo homer, while the defense was solid with only one error.

In the championship game against Orion, the Wolves fell apart in the final inning. The game was tied when Clarkston's defense had a throwing error and a passed ball that led to the winning run.

Barth pitched the game's first 1 2/3rd innings but was replaced by senior Jamie Churchill who went 4 1/3rd, gave up only 2 hits with no earned runs, had 6 strikeouts and walked three.

The Wolves had five hits on offense, led by another Turk home run and Barth's 2-for-3 hitting.

Barth was selected Clarkston's MVP of the tournament.

The winning ways continued May 8 for the Wolves as they defeated Ferndale 9-6. Junior Scott Hill was the winning pitcher while Farah earned the save with two innings of relief duty.

Blue hit a two-run homer for CHS while Turk was 3-for-4 and junior Jeff Mull went 2-for-4, including a triple.

With the defense committing only one error, Clarkston's offense spread out the scoring in the first four innings.

The Wolves scored one in the first, three in the second, two in the third and three in the fourth. After that, a strong defense held Ferndale.

A May 5 game against league foe Rochester was canceled after four innings and a 0-0 score. The game will be made up at a later date.

Beginning this week the Wolves play league opponents in six of the next seven contests.



Junior Ryan Knake slides safely home during the Wolves' comeback win over Troy Athens May 3. CHS was down 6-1 before winning 7-6 in the final inning.

## Dawgs' tourney a success

Twenty-nine teams played 62 games in three days at the first-ever River Dawgs Classic Tune-up Tournament May 5-7 at Independence Township's Clintonwood Park.

The Clarkston Baseball Club and the township's parks and recreation department organized the event. Dawgs vice president for baseball Jack Leech said, "It was an amazing tournament and the township did an incredible job of organizing things. Everything went great."

Although the four River Dawgs teams combined to win only five games, Leech said it was a good experience for the players to compete against other top teams.

The 11-year-old team went winless, the 12-year-olds went 2-2, the 13-year-olds 0-3 and the 14-year-olds 3-1. The Dawgs 12 and 14 teams advanced to the quarter finals before losing.

The 11-12-year-old overall champion was Davison, winning 9-6 over the Rochester Rams. The 13-14 year old champ was the Rochester Hawks, winning 7-1 over Macomb Steele's.

The Dawgs begin their season May 13 in the North Oakland Baseball Federation's opening ceremonies at Suburban Softball in Rochester.

### Sports shorts

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# Softball can't catch a break

BY DARREL W. COLE  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Just when things started going good, the Clarkston girls softball team lost its top pitcher last week.

While the team has struggled early, coach Al Land said the defense, especially pitcher Alesha Ulasich, had toughened up as of late. That changed quickly,



Amanda Richardson takes a swing during the May 5 Troy game.

however, as Ulasich, a junior, is temporarily sidelined because of tendonitis in her arm.

That loss didn't help the Wolves last week as they went 1-3 on the week, moving their record to 6-10 overall and a hopeful 3-2 in the OAA Division I.

"She was doing exactly what we expected and that was to start slow but come on stronger later on," Land said. "In the first 10 games we gave up about seven walks a game, but after the Saturn Tournament (March 29) we have averaged only two walks a game."

That turnaround is due to a defense getting used to a pitcher and everyone settling into their positions. Land said Ulasich's absence means junior Nikki Maynard will have to step up to the challenge, with some help from senior Kristy Barefoot, the normal first baseman.

"We'll find out about the character of the girls now and will see how long it takes us to regroup, although it seems we've been trying to regroup from the beginning," Land said.

The Wolves started out last week with a tough 3-2 loss to Birmingham Seaholm May 2. They followed that with a May 4 doubleheader loss, 12-4 and 7-4 to Chippewa Valley, the state's #5 ranked team. Clarkston then beat Troy 15-5 May 5.

The second game against Troy was canceled due to rain.

Despite the tough week, Land, as always, said he is very pleased with his team's effort and positive attitude.

The Wolves played a solid game against Seaholm and were ahead 2-1 going into the final inning. It was the last game Ulasich would pitch last week. "She did real well that game and we had the chance to win but couldn't hold on," the coach said.

Maynard took over the main pitching duties for the doubleheader against Chippewa Valley, with some help from Barefoot. But it wouldn't have mattered who pitched because Land said that team deserves to be ranked among the state's best.

The Wolves finally earned another win against

Troy, thanks to solid pitching from Maynard, who had a shutout going into the later innings.

Land said his young team is far from giving up, especially with a 3-2 division record.

"All the kids have played pretty well, so if we can just get the pitching to settle down we'll be OK," said Land.

"They are trying as hard as they can so you can't fault them. Regardless of how we finish it's fun to coach kids who want to listen and get better."

Besides the standout play of regulars like Stephanie Giroux, Aimee Giroux, Amanda Jenkinson and Crystal Lemke, Land said players like Suzanne Schmidt, Kristen Peterson and Emily White all do their part as well.

Of Schmidt, a junior, Land said, "She really loves to play the game and is one of those kids that is a joy to coach because she really gives her best in every

way."

Peterson, a senior, and White, a sophomore, play some outfield but are mostly counted on to bat around the fifth or sixth spot.

"We really count on them in that spot," Land said. "Between those two we need hits and they do get them for us. That middle of the lineup is important and they do a great job for the team."

The coach also credited the "corners" (first base and third base players) as coming on strong compared to the start of the season. Senior Allison Vallad, Schmidt, Barefoot and freshman Tiffany Honey have solidified the positions.

Land said he believes the team will come together eventually. Considering their tough schedule — Land said his Wolves have played only two below-average squads so far this season — they can only get better.

## Dean to join Fighting Irish

### All State golfer receives top scholarship

BY DARREL W. COLE  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

It wasn't a difficult choice for Jon Dean to turn down a golf scholarship to Xavier University. Because when Notre Dame came calling, Dean accepted less, knowing that in the long run he'll get more.

"I had made that verbal commitment to Xavier for almost a full ride, but when Notre Dame came up, I really couldn't turn it down."

While Xavier had recruited Dean, a two-time all state and all county golfer for Clarkston High School, Notre Dame was a last-minute surprise. In early January Dean found out Notre Dame's coach was interested but the school's application deadline had already passed.

"I finally got my application done but admission is really tough so I wasn't too hopeful," Dean said.

After Dean was accepted into the school, the coach said they could offer him a quarter scholarship, the highest a golfer at Notre Dame can receive. "It was a great opportunity I couldn't turn down. Not only because of academics but the contacts after school too."

Academics are just as important to Dean as golf, as evidenced by his 3.7 grade point average. He has tentative plans to go into business administration.

While the decision of which university to attend was tough on him, Dean said his parents told him to do what makes him happy.

"I'm very fortunate it didn't come down to the money," Dean said. "My parents told me not to worry about it. I can't begin to explain how supportive they have been."

Dean is looking forward to his first season sporting the Fighting Irish logo. He said the coach expects him to become a solid player at the number three or four spot.

If his past history has anything to do with college success, Dean should excel. Last fall he



Jon Dean and CHS golf coach Jim Chamberlain.

led his Wolves team to a state title after finishing as runners-up the year before. He finished fourth in the two-day state tournament this fall and was 10th the previous season.

Besides high school, Dean has established himself in out-of-school play as well. This past winter he won a national junior tournament and last summer was selected to the Williamson Cup, which consists of the top four high school juniors in the state.

Dean says his most memorable accomplishment is winning the state title. "That's got to be the most important. It's a whole different feeling because it's a team and you go through so much with everyone."

His coach at Clarkston, Jim Chamberlain, said Dean has what it takes to be good because he is strong mentally.

"His strength is his ability to grind. Jon is not altered by what's going on around him, he has real tunnel vision when he's competing and does what has to be done," Chamberlain said.

Dean will join the Fighting Irish as they prepare to battle in the Big East Conference.

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# Netters compete like champions

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

The 4-3 Clarkston boys tennis team may not be the best, but their competitiveness can't be matched. First-year coach Kevin Ortwine said his young Wolves squad is performing exactly the way he expected, but they are showing an intense competitive drive in each match.

"These kids do compete for every point," Ortwine said. "Andover is the only team that really outgunned us this season so far, but the other losses to Groves and West Bloomfield we proved we could play with them. We're playing these good teams and not getting crushed, and

that's especially important because we have a lot of kids coming back.

"I think this season has gone real well."

The Wolves' goal is to move their OAA Division II record of 1-2 to 2-2 before the season is over. In order to do that they must beat rival Lake Orion in a makeup match scheduled for May 9.

"If we could do that we'd finish third in the league and I think that would be quite an accomplishment for us," the coach said.

Last week the Wolves split four matches. It started off with a convincing 7-0 loss to league foe Bloomfield Hills Andover May 1, one of the state's best teams. "They really belong in Division I," Ortwine said. "They are demolishing everyone, including the Division I teams."

On May 3, the Wolves once again beat Royal Oak Kimball 7-0, then lost 7-0 to West Bloomfield on May 4, followed by a gritty 4-3 win over Troy Athens on May 5.

Ortwine called the Troy Athens match "the biggest match of the year for us," because it kept the Wolves out of the league cellar.

The Wolves won despite being without two strong doubles players in freshman Jim Kyle and junior Paul Wolven. Both were in St. Louis on a band trip.

The top three singles players all came through for the Wolves. Sophomore Mike Augler, #1 singles, sophomore Kevin Kopec, #2 singles, and junior Mike Kopec at #3 singles won their matches.

After senior Rob Goeckel lost a hard-fought match in a tie breaker and the #1 and #2 doubles team lost, it was then up to the #3 doubles team of juniors Zach Sanger and Dan Brazier. "They really pulled out a big win for us," Ortwine said.

The Wolves were shut out against West Bloomfield but almost every match was competitive, according to Ortwine.

Augler, both Kopecs and Goeckel all won at the singles positions. The #1 doubles team of freshman Jim Kyle and junior Paul Wolven, the #2 doubles team of Sanger and Brazier and the #3 team of senior Brian Trollman and sophomore Jayson Scheiderer also won.

The OAA Division II tournament is scheduled for May 11 at Andover High School. A match with Pontiac Northern was added to the schedule for May 12 at home. The Holly Invitational is scheduled for May 13.

The Wolves then battle Lapeer East May 15 at home in a makeup match, followed by late schedule addition Waterford Kettering May 17 at home.

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# Times keep girls on track

BY DARREL W. COLE  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

West Bloomfield may not have been a formidable foe, but Clarkston girls track team still put in a solid performance.

With several girls running personal-best times, the Wolves easily won the May 2 meet 78.5 to 49.5. They also performed well in a May 4 Lake Orion Relay Invitational, featuring combined girls and boys teams.

Coach Gordie Richardson said beating West Bloomfield was a good boost for the team, especially since his athletes gave strong performances.

"Time wise it was a good meet for us but we weren't real sharp mentally in some instances," he said. "But we did have some kids score points for us who normally wouldn't, and we had some run faster times than they ever had before."

Three mile runners for the Wolves ran as fast as they ever have. Junior Stefanie Burklow, senior Carrie Mead and sophomore Kristin Maine all ran excellent miles, according to the Richardson.

Other girls who ran personal-best times include Burklow in the two-mile run, and junior Lisa Herron and freshman Liz Cook in the 800 run.

Richardson also credited the 3200 relay team of junior Amanda Armstead, freshman Emily Hogan, junior Beth Fletcher and junior Sara Treder with a solid performance taking first place.

Other first-place finishers include sophomore Kellie Christie in the long jump, senior Leah Scharl in the 400 run and high jump, senior Renee Staley in the 200 dash, freshman Jennifer Bauer in the 800 run, the 800 relay team of Christie, Herron, junior Liz Murphy and Scharl, and the 1600 relay team of Jennifer Bauer, Cook, Herron and Scharl.

So far this season, Richardson said he's pleased with the effort given by the girls.

He said the ultimate goal for the athletes is to peak during regionals and they all seem to be on a pace to do just that.

## Girls and boys Lake Orion Relays

While no team scores were kept at the May 4 Lake Orion Relays, the girls and boys track teams combined to take six first-place finishes and three second-place finishes, out of 13 events.

Six teams competed in the meet.

The winning events for the Wolves include the long jump and high jump relay, 3200 relay, distance relay, shuttle hurdles and 1600 relay.



## Reaching title game

Clarkston resident and Birmingham Brother Rice graduate Matt Allen helped the Fredonia State University Blue Devils to a second-place finish at the NCAA Division III hockey championships. Fredonia, 23-5-4, lost 1-0 to Middlebury in the finals. Allen, a defenseman, is described by his coach as quick and strong with good puck-handling ability.

# Depth shows as boys prepare for key meets

BY DARREL W. COLE  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

While Clarkston varsity boys track coach Walt Wyniemko relies heavily on his seniors, he received solid efforts from many players last week.

The Wolves ran in two relay meets and competed in a dual meet against West Bloomfield. Clarkston took fifth at the Ashley Relays May 6 with 43 points and had solid efforts at the Lake Orion Invitational May 4. Clarkston easily defeated West Bloomfield 88-44 May 2.

"We have had some good personal performances but these next meets are really big because we're getting into the thick of the league," Wyniemko said.

"We're at the spot we want to be and our younger guys are coming on stronger, knowing what we want and expect of them. But we know to be successful our seniors have to come through."

Everyone did some good in the boys-only Ashley relays, led by senior J.R. Kirk's first places in the long jump and high jump.

Kirk also took second in the high hurdles.

Senior Jason Graves took fourth in the long jump and sophomore Chris Evans was sixth in the high

hurdles.

The relay teams that performed well include the second-place distance medley team of Graves and



J.R. Kirk soars in the long jump.

seniors Matt Warner, Jeff Dengate and Matt Wenger, and the fourth-place sprint medley team of seniors Rich Bevins and Shane Collier and juniors Dan Slavin and J.D. Zuchelkowski.

Wyniemko's squad performed even better in the dual meet with OAA Division II opponent West Bloomfield. Leading the pack was Kirk's three firsts in the long jump, high hurdles and high jump.

But Kirk wasn't alone. Fellow senior Josh Preston came up big and won the shot put and discuss, while Graves was first in the 400 run and Evans took the 300 hurdles.

Clarkston also had three relay teams take first place, including the 3200 relay team of Wenger, Warner and freshmen Josh Holst and John Burklow, the 1600 relay team of Graves, Wenger, Bevins and Zuchelkowski, and the 800 relay team of Slavin, Bevins, Collier and Graves.

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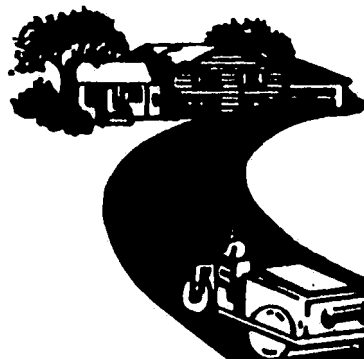


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# Kickers aggressive in best game of season

BY DARREL W. COLE  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

It was another loss but Clarkston girls soccer coach Dan Fitzgerald couldn't ask for much more from his hard-working team.

Despite a 3-0 loss to Brandon May 4, the Wolves "dominated" the game, the coach said. "We played real aggressive and had a lot of chances to score and win but just a few fluke goals gave them the win."

The Wolves also lost to Waterford Kettering 2-0 on May 2 but they weren't the same team that showed up to play Brandon.

"It was a fairly close game against Kettering but really they were better and controlled the ball about 60 percent of the time. They got their two goals from plays they shouldn't have scored on," Fitzgerald said.

He said his team may have played their best game in two years against Brandon, but has no victory to show for it. Going into the week, Fitzgerald said he has tried to stress to his players the need to be more aggressive going after the ball.

They were exactly that against Brandon.

"We did a good job off the ball. We don't get a lot of chances to score so we have to rely on winning the ball and making something happen."

The players did just what Fitzgerald asked but Brandon scored a few easy goals. "When we let in a bad goal it's hard for us to come back."

Helping spark the varsity team was the addition of three junior varsity players. Sophomore Lisa Gebus and freshmen Amanda Yarber and Jamie Youness will probably remain on the varsity for the rest of the season.

At 1-9 overall and 0-6 in the OAA Division II,

Land just wants his players to improve and maybe make some waves in the districts.

This week, the Wolves host West Bloomfield and Bloomfield Hills Lahser, followed by a May 16 match with Lake Orion and a May 18 meeting with Kettering

to finish out the season.

Districts for the Wolves will be held May 22-27 at Grand Blanc High School with Grand Blanc, Holly, Rochester, Rochester Adams, Waterford Kettering and Waterford Mott. Tournament matchups were drawn May 9.

## Freshman sports

By Mike Romein

### Freshman Softball

The freshman softball team remained undefeated this week, winning all three games.

On May 1, the Wolves defeated Lapeer West 6-5. Amber Mitchell was the winning pitcher, and Sam Hardenberg picked up the save. Natasha Curtis doubled for Clarkston, and Abby Wiley had the game winning hit, a triple.

On May 2, Clarkston crushed Rochester Adams 25-3. Mitchell again was the winning pitcher. She also helped out at the plate with a triple. Stacy Tegler had a double and Angie Thompson had a double and a triple.

On May 4, the Wolves defeated Rochester 19-7. Mitchell and Hardenberg were the winning pitchers. Tegler led the cause with a home run, and both Hope Manuul and Carmen Lund had doubles.

The Wolves overall record is now 5-0.

### Freshman Baseball

The freshman baseball team played five games

in four days this week, winning one and losing four.

On May 1, the Wolves split a doubleheader with Lapeer West. In the first game, Clarkston won behind the pitching of Bryant Caudill. He had two strikeouts, allowed no walks and only two hits. Caudill, Jeff Loveless and Mike Little each had two hits, but everyone contributed.

In the second game, the Wolves lost 4-1. Josh Summers scored the only run for Clarkston, after drawing a walk, and then scoring.

On May 2, Clarkston lost to Rochester Adams, 8-0. Jared Thomas pitched a good game, but again the Wolves committed too many errors. Thomas also led the team with two hits, and Loveless, Josh Clark and Jason Coryell all had one hit.

On Wednesday, May 3, the Wolves lost to Troy 8-6. "That game was a heartbreaker," said freshman coach Rod Hool. "We had a 6-2 lead in the bottom of the sixth, but we then committed six errors."

Then on May 4, the Wolves lost to Rochester 8-0. Phil Johnston pitched the whole game, but too many errors was the problem again.

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# JV Sports

By Mike Romein

## JV Soccer

The JV girls soccer team had an excellent week, winning twice, and scoring 16 goals in two games while only giving up two.

On May 2, Clarkston won at home against Waterford Kettering 8-2. Georgia Senkyr, Natalie Vaughn and Jacki Tripi each scored two goals. Lisa Gebus and Manda Yarver both scored one.

On May 5, the Wolves won at Brandon 8-0. Senkyr led the team, scoring three goals. Vaughn again scored two, and Megan Schroeder, Courtney Garish and Carin Lloyd added one.

"We had a great week," said head coach Brian Fitzgerald. "We just took it to them right from the start in the last two games."

This week, after a Tuesday matchup with West Bloomfield, the Wolves play Bloomfield Hills Lahser on May 11 and Oxford on May 12. Both games are at Clarkston.

## JV Softball

The JV softball team had an excellent week, winning four games while only losing one.

On May 1, the Wolves played Waterford Mott. Rachel Fuller got her first win of the season with a 15-5 fifth-inning mercy. Fuller had six strikeouts on the mound and also went 3-for-4 at the plate, including a double. Stephanie Vogler also went 3-for-4, with three singles. Beth Bills, Mary Brewer and Tami Angel all went 2-for-4 in the game. Brewer had a double, and Angel had a double and a triple.

On May 3, Clarkston won a fifth-inning mercy over Birmingham Seaholm 20-8. Allison Prudhomme was the winning pitcher, recording five strikeouts. Brewer and Vogler were both 3-for-4, with two of Brewer's hits being doubles. Prudhomme also added to the cause with a 3-for-5 performance,

including a double.

On May 4, the Wolves won the first game of a double header over a tough team from Chippewa Valley. "Chippewa Valley had been undefeated until they met up with Clarkston," said head coach Karen Czamecki.

Clarkston got out to a 5-2 first-inning lead, and had Chippewa Valley unsuccessfully attempting to play catch-up the entire game.

In the second game, Chippewa Valley won 12-7. Fuller was the losing pitcher for the Wolves. Vogler and Kretz both went 2-for-3 with a single and double.

On May 5, the Wolves were scheduled to play a double header with Troy. However, due to heavy rain, the second game was cancelled, and will be made up later in the season when Clarkston visits Troy.

In the game before the rain came, the Wolves won 16-5. Fuller had an excellent game, picking up the win, and going 4-for-4 from the plate. Brewer went 3-for-3 with a triple, and Vogler was also 3-for-3. Bills also played well, going 2-for-3.

For the week, the Wolves record was 4-1, making their overall record 7-5. In the OAA, their overall record is now 3-2. Last week, the Wolves racked up 71 runs over five games, while only allowing 35. Brewer leads the team in hitting with a .531 batting average, including four doubles, four triples, and two home runs. On the mound, Prudhomme is 4-3 overall, Fuller is 2-2 and Sam Hardenberg is 1-0.

This week, Sam Hardenberg and Hope Manuel, two players on the freshman team, will be moving up to play with the JV squad full time.

## JV Baseball

On Monday, the Wolves had an outstanding game. They overwhelmed Pontiac Northern 30-0. Dennis Busch got the win, allowing only three hits while striking out nine. Brian Hickey went 3-for-4 with two doubles, a triple and three runs batted in. Nick Zabatsky went 3-for-3 and batted in one. Jason Frack had an inside-the-park home run. Eric Knake had a triple and drove in one. Jason Ostrom went 1-for-2 and stole two bases. Mark Endreszl, Chad Bailey, Mike Gray and Busch all added hits, and Matt Gifford had an RBI sacrifice.

On May 2, the Wolves lost a close game to Troy Athens, 10-7. "We gave up 8 unearned runs on 7 errors," said JV coach Jerry Ostrom. "That's why we lost."

In the game, Ostrom went 2-for-4 with two stolen bases. Frack also went 2-for-4 and batted in one. Hickey and Zabatsky also had hits.


On May 3, the Wolves lost a tough game at Chippewa Valley, 3-1. It was a great defensive battle, and Clarkston only managed four hits.

"That was the first well-played game all year," said Ostrom. "We had our chances, but Chippewa Valley made some really great plays."



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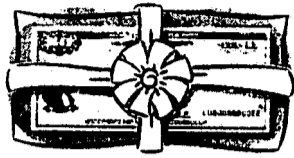
A champagne gala and art auction will preview the event on May 13. During the exhibit there will also be a sketching contest, a lecture on van Gogh, a box lunch and gallery discussion and children's workshops. A one-man play called "Vincent" will be performed May 18-19 at 7:30 p.m.

Gallery hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. daily. A voluntary contribution is suggested for admission to the exhibition.

Van Gogh died at the age of 37 after only 10 years as a painter, but during that time he produced 1,700 paintings and drawings. He identified closely with the world of nature and felt passionately about landscape, a theme central to his art. He believed that a vital force existed in nature that animated each and every tree, plant and animal. This unifying force results in a harmony between man and nature so apparent in "Diggers."

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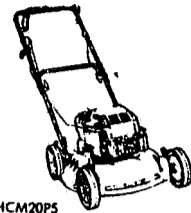


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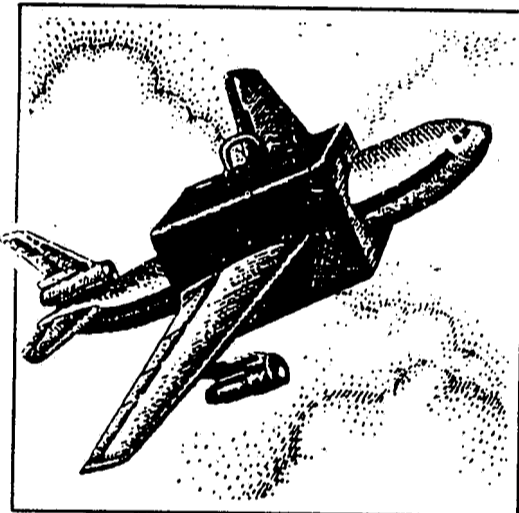


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# Students get prom-season warning

## Be careful out there, quadriplegic tells kids

BY ANNETTE KINGSBURY  
Clarkston News Editor

Like most teenagers, 18-year-old Rich Archuleta thought he was immortal. Invincible. Untouchable.

He could get drunk, do drugs, drive his motorcycle full speed ahead without benefit of a helmet. Nothing could hurt him. He was an athlete, young and strong.

Imagine his surprise, then, when he found himself the victim of a drunk driver. Now paralyzed, 14 years older and much wiser, he wheeled his wheelchair before Clarkston High School students recently and gave them a sobering message for the prom/graduation season—be careful.

"When I was 18 my life was perfect. I was just like you," he said. An all-around athlete, he had planned for himself a future as a flight nurse.

Yet he admits he drank to get drunk on a regular basis. "That was my goal," he said. "I never thought it could harm me."

Ironically, what ended up harming him was someone else's drinking. Alone on a dark Utah road on his motorcycle late one night without a helmet, he was suddenly and, apparently, intentionally run down by a drunk driver. There's still amazement in his voice when he tells the story today.

"It did not occur to me I was experiencing a drunk driver because I had never experienced that," he said. "I was lucky."

That night his luck ended when his back hit the curb and his spinal cord was instantly and irrevocably injured. He remembers praying, "Oh please, let this be a horrible dream; just let me wake up and feel my legs." But his prayers were not answered.



Rich Archuleta

Archuleta's experience is now part of a film called "A Fine Line." The film records the experiences of six young people—five boys, one girl—who were all patients around the same time in the same rehabilitation facility. The film was shown at CHS before Archuleta spoke and it pulled no punches, showing, among other things, one boy's head being drilled to accommodate the "halo" that would protect his neck. You could hear the students flinch in their seats. Otherwise, there wasn't a sound in the darkened auditorium.

"There's no way to explain what it feels like to wake up in a hospital bed and your life is never going to be the same," one of the patients says in the film.

Among those in the film, Archuleta's case is unique in that he did not cause his own injury. The other victims did

"I have someone else I can blame for this," Archuleta said. "Those guys have got to wake up every day and realize their are paralyzed from the neck down and it's their own fault."

Despite the serious consequences, Archuleta stopped short of telling his audience they shouldn't drink.

"I'm not here to condone alcohol or condemn it," he said. "I'm here to tell you alcohol is an adult situation with adult consequences. If you're going to go out and party and drink just be careful; just be damn careful . . . It doesn't have to be this way for you."

Archuleta said he comes to Michigan twice a year, at prom and Homecoming times. He visits 25-30 schools each visit. He said he never tells kids "don't drink."

"I'm not their parent. I don't want to do that to these kids. If you can learn by example, I'm a good example."

The driver who changed Archuleta's life forever has never paid for his crime. Even though he was a convicted drunk driver who was well known to local law enforcement and a witness got his license-plate number, he was never charged because Archuleta could not positively identify him.

'There is no way to explain what it feels like to wake up in a hospital bed and your life is never going to be the same.'

Nevertheless, Archuleta said he has had to get beyond seeking revenge and even beyond considering suicide, the number-one killer of people with spinal cord injuries.

"I'm going to be in a wheelchair for the rest of my life. So I forgave him," he said. "The hatred was tearing my life apart."

Students were able to ask questions at the end of Archuleta's talk. One wanted to know if he still drinks.

"Yes, but differently," was the reply. "I have a glass of wine ora beer with dinner."

A student also wanted to know if he had any children (he's engaged but there are no guarantees he'll be able to father children).

At the end of his talk, Archuleta again tried to impress upon the students how quickly life can change.

"If you're going to drink after prom, be careful. Live to see another prom. Live to get drunk another day if that's your motivation. I don't care what you do; just be careful."



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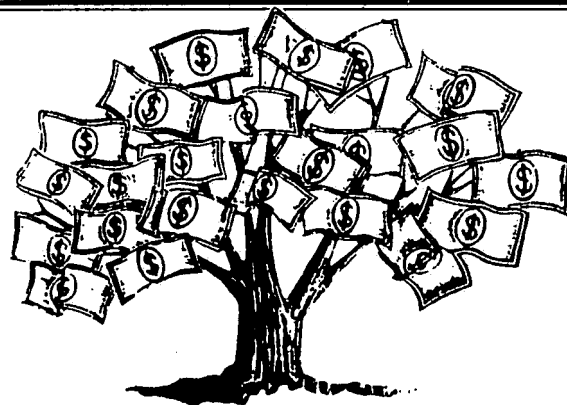
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#### DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

TAKE NOTICE, that the Land and Water Management Division of the Michigan Department of Natural Resources will hold a public hearing on Thursday, May 25, 1995, at 1:30 p.m. at the Independence Township, Annex Room, 90 North Main Street, Clarkston, Michigan.

The purpose of this hearing is to secure the views of interested persons concerning the following application for permit:

Application for Permit 95-10-0242 under the Inland Lakes & Streams Act (1972, P.A. 346, as amended) by Albert Semann, 4105 Golf Ridge Drive, Bloomfield Hills, Michigan, 48013, to construct Morgan Lake Golf Classic, a planned development including condominiums, single family homes and an 18-hole golf course by the placement of 5,400 cubic yards of fill material, 260 feet of 36 inch culvert, 140 feet of 24 inch culvert, for road crossing-Tee #3-improvements to Maybee Road and safety walk in 1.30 acres of wetland. Cross 18 wetland locations with boardwalks 10 feet wide for a total of 3,312 feet, utilize 16 wetland areas as shootovers by removing vegetation only, place utilities, water main, and sanitary sewer at each of the three road crossings beneath fill for roadways, construct 22 sediment basins with outlets to existing wetlands, place sanitary sewer and water lines crossing 3 wetland areas within the right of way of Maybee Road. Stormwater outlets for the area are proposed upland of the wetland boundaries. Project is located T4N, R9E, Section 25 & 36, Independence Township, Oakland County, Michigan.

The application may be reviewed in the Land and Water Management Division, DNR, SE MI Dist. Headquarters, 38980 Seven Mile Road, Livonia, Michigan 48152, during normal office hours.

The hearing will be held pursuant to Section 6(2) of the cited statute. The hearing will not be a court-type proceeding; witnesses will not be sworn, and there will be no cross examination. Public hearings are primarily informational and are held to encourage the expression of views and presentation of facts.

The Michigan Department of Natural Resources will, upon written request, provide a copy of the Department's decision on this application.

MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES  
Les Thomas  
Permit Consolidation Unit  
Land & Water Management Division

Dated: April 14, 1995

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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 May 2, 1995 at 7:30 p.m. at the Independence Township Hall Annex.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Present: Lutz, McCrary, Mercado, Stuart, Travis, Vaara.

Absent: McGee (arrived at 7:35 p.m.)

There is a quorum.

1. Approved the agenda with the removal of Subrogation of Sewer Lien and Water/Sewer Plan-Exception Standards and the addition of Resolution to set Public Hearing for Cranberry Lake Estates Sanitary Sewer.

2. Approved minutes of the Special Township Board meeting of April 13, 1995 as submitted.

3. Approved minutes of the Regular Township Board meeting of April 18, 1995 as amended.

4. Approved payment of the list of bills totaling \$472,511.06.

5. Approved the issuance of purchase orders totaling \$14,118.48.

6. Approved a First Reading on the revised OUIL Ordinance.

7. Approved the Bid Award for Spring Clean-Up to Clarkston Disposal.

8. Approved adoption of Resolution to set Public Hearing on Cranberry Lake Estates Sanitary Sewer for May 16, 1995.

9. Approved a First Reading on part of Parcel 08-29-377-011, Parview of Dixie from R-2 to Office.

10. Approved a Tentative Preliminary Plat for Independence Valley Phase III.

11. Approval to table the Request to Amend Coin Operated Amusement Center Ordinance.

12. Approved a First Reading for Zoning Ordinance Amendment Section 5.12, Professional Seal Requirements.

13. Approval to accept the amended Intergovernmental Agreements and authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to sign on behalf of the Township and forward to the City.

14. Approval to authorize the Attorney to sign the Salem Gravel Consent Judgment on behalf of the Township.

15. Approval to grant permission to Parks and Recreation to conduct the Fun Daze on Township roads.

16. Approval to table the Resolution for Putts for Kids until additional information is received.

17. Approved the adjournment of the meeting at 9:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan E. McCrary

Township Clerk

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## INDEPENDENCE TWP.

### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

#### NOTICE OF PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

At a regular meeting of the Township Board held on May 2, 1995, the Board authorized a first reading on a revision to the OUIL Ordinance. The following is a summary of this ordinance:

A TEXT AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE II OF CHAPTER 19 OF THE INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP CODE AND THE UNIFORM TRAFFIC CODE FOR CITIES, TOWNSHIPS, AND VILLAGES, BEING SECTIONS 5.15 AND 5.15(a) THROUGH 5.15(h), REGARDING OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF INTOXICATING LIQUOR AND TO SUBSTANTIALLY CORRESPOND TO ACT NOS. 449 AND 450 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1994, STATE OF MICHIGAN.

On the 2nd day of May, 1995, the Township Board of the Township of Independence adopted an ordinance which amended the text of the Chapter 20 of the Township of Independence Code and the Uniform Traffic Code (UTC) for Cities, Townships, and Villages, duly adopted by Township ordinance, specifically Sections 5.15 and 5.15(a) through 5.15(h) and to repeal and replace prior Township OUIL Ordinance.

In summary, this ordinance and UTC Sections 5.15 and 5.15(a) through 5.15(h) as amended, provide the following changes:

1. All provisions regarding alcohol content have been revised: alcohol content is measured in grams per 100 milliliters of blood, per 210 liters of breath, or per 67 milliliters of urine.

2. A court shall not dismiss a case or impose any other sanctions because of failure to comply with the time limits set forth in this ordinance.

3. A person who operates a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol or a controlled substance or a combination thereof, or with an unlawful bodily alcohol content and who causes a serious impairment of a body function of another person is guilty of a felony pursuant to state law.

4. The ordinance also contains savings, repealer, effective date and adoption provisions.

A true copy of this ordinance is kept at the Township of Independence Clerk's office, 90 N. Main Street, Clarkston, Michigan 48347, and may be reviewed, inspected, and/or a copy obtained during normal business hours.

JOAN MCCRARY  
TOWNSHIP CLERK

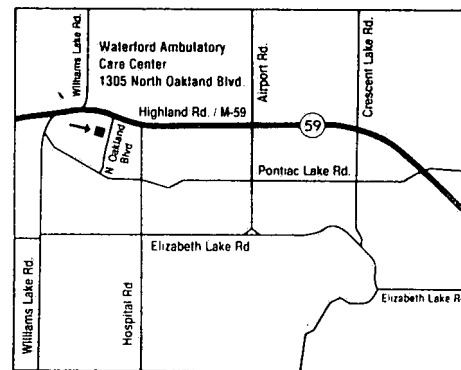


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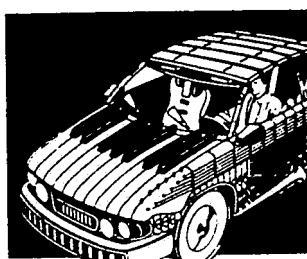
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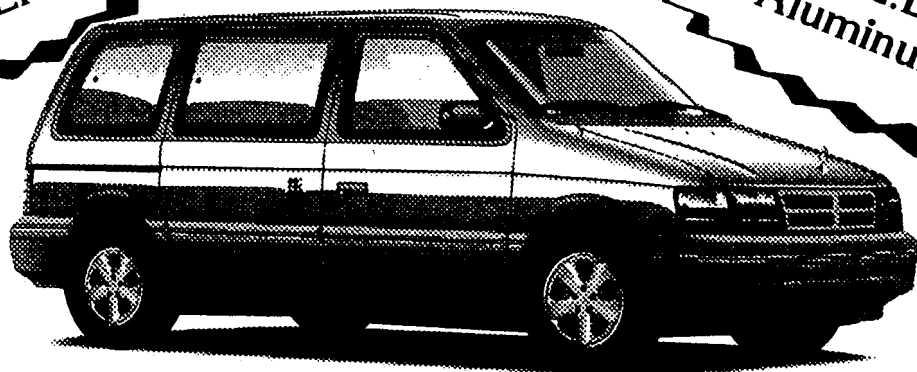


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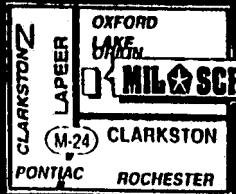
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## INDEPENDENCE TWP.

### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

The Independence Township Board of Appeals will meet Wednesday, May 17, 1995 at 7:30 p.m. at the Independence Township Annex Board Room, 90 North Main Street, Clarkston, MI 48346 to hear the following cases:

- Case #95-0034 Krijn Faase, Petitioner  
APPLICANT REQUESTS FRONT YARD SET BACK VARIANCE OF 7' AND SIDE YARD SET BACK VARIANCE OF 1' PLUS 3' BETWEEN STRUCTURES TO CONSTRUCT DETACHED GARAGE ON NON CONFORMING LOT OF RECORD  
Sylvanview Dr, Lot 1-3, R-1A  
Sunny Beach C.C.  
08-13-158-014
- Case #95-0035 Shirley Bronikowski, Petitioner  
APPLICANT REQUESTS VARIANCE OF 440 SQ FT TO CONSTRUCT ADDITION ON EXISTING POLE BARN  
Horseshoe Circle, Lot 34, R-1R  
Equestrian Lake Village  
08-03-102-020
- Case #95-0036 Tammy Berryman, Petitioner  
APPLICANT REQUESTS TEMPORARY USE APPROVAL FOR SALES TRAILER, LAKE FOREST ESTATES  
Lake Forest Dr, Lot 8, R-1A  
08-31-452-017
- Case #95-0037 Carl Blehm, Petitioner  
APPLICANT REQUESTS REAR YARD SET BACK VARIANCE OF 8' FOR ADDITION ON NON CONFORMING LOT OF RECORD  
Woodlawn, Lot 58-60, R-1A  
Sunny Beach C.C.  
08-12-327-059
- Case #95-0038 Steve Mattinson, Petitioner  
APPLICANT REQUESTS VARIANCE FOR ADDITION TO PORCH ON NON CONFORMING LOT OF RECORD  
Edgewood Dr, Lots 12 & 13, R-1A  
Merrie Oaks Sub  
08-35-379-001

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

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

# PUBLIC NOTICE

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## INDEPENDENCE TWP.

### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

#### ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

The Owner will receive sealed bids for:  
General Construction Of  
Bay Court Park  
Multi-Purpose Building And  
Beach Renovation  
6970 Andersonville Road  
Independence Township, MI 48347  
Attn: Mrs. Joan McCrary  
Clerk, Independence Township

Bid Proposals will be received until the time and the place, as follows, where and when the opening of bid proposals will be publicly opened.

Time: 2 p.m., May 24, 1995  
Place: Clerk's Office  
Charter Township of Independence  
90 North Main Street  
Clarkston, MI 48347

Bidding Documents will be available for examination and distribution on or after May 3, 1995.

Examination may be made at the Office of the Architect, TMP Associates, Inc., Architects-Engineers-Planners, 1191 West Square Lake Road, Bloomfield Hills, Michigan 48302; F.W. Dodge Corporation Plan Room, Detroit, Michigan; or the Builders Exchange of Detroit and Michigan, Detroit, Michigan.

Qualified Invited Bidders, upon payment of a \$75.00 deposit per set, may obtain bidding documents from the Office of the Architect, consisting of Drawings and Specifications. Maximum of three (3) sets per bidder.

Deposits will be refunded upon return of the Bidding Documents to the Architect within ten (10) days after opening receipt of proposals provided the documents are complete, in clean and usable condition and free of marks or other defacement.

Bid Proposals shall be on forms furnished by the Architect, accompanied by a satisfactory Bid Bond or Certified Check for five percent (5%) of the Base Bid Sum maximum possible proposal amount.

Bidder shall agree not to withdraw Bid Proposal for a period of sixty (60) days after date of receipt of bids.

Accepted bidder shall be required to furnish satisfactory Performance Bond and Labor and Material Payment Bond in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders.

A State of Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund Grant is being used to partially fund the construction of this project. Relevant requirements of the agreement between the State of Michigan and the Owner will apply.

The right to reject any or all Bid Proposals, either in whole or in part, or to waive any informalities therein is reserved by the Owner.

# PUBLIC NOTICE

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## CLARKSTON SCHOOLS

### LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION

#### SCHOOL ELECTION NOTICE OF LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION OF THE ELECTORS OF

#### CLARKSTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN

#### TO THE ELECTORS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Please Take Notice that the annual school election of the school district will be held on Monday, June 12, 1995.

The last day on which persons may register with the appropriate city or township clerks, in order to be eligible to vote at the annual school election called to be held on Monday, June 12, 1995, is Monday, May 15, 1995. Persons registering after 5 o'clock in the evening on Monday, May 15, 1995, are not eligible to vote at the annual school election.

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

This Notice is given by order of the board of education.  
Sheila J. Hughes  
Secretary, Board of Education

# PUBLIC NOTICE

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## INDEPENDENCE TWP.

### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP BOARD AGENDA

7:30 P.M., MAY 16, 1995

- Call to Order
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call
- Opening Statements and Correspondence
- Approval of Agenda
- Minutes of Previous Meeting
- List of Bills
- Approval of Purchase Orders
- Public Forum
- Public Hearing — Cranberry Lake Sewer SAD Assessment

#### Roll

#### OLD BUSINESS

- 1. Cranberry Lake Sewer SAD - Resolution Approving Special Assessment Roll.
- 2. Second Reading and Adoption - OUIL Ordinance Revision.
- 3. Second Reading and Adoption - Parcel 08-29-377-011 Parview off Dixie R-2 to Office.
- 4. Second Reading and Adoption - Zoning Ordinance Amendment Section 5.12 Professional Seal Requirements.
- 5. Water/Sewer Plan - Exception Standards.

#### NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Subrogation of Sewer Lien
- 2. 1995 Year to Date Budget Review
- 3. Resolution - Puts for Kids
- 4. Final Preliminary Plat Approval - Hilltop Estates
- 5. First Reading Rezoning Request - Bluffs of Pine Knob from R1R to R2
- 6. Update on Fire Station 1 Construction
- 7. Citation Drive SAD
- 8. Well Head Protection Program

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

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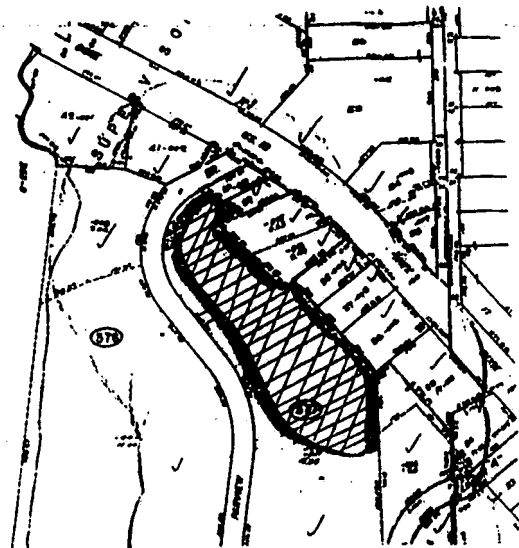
## INDEPENDENCE TWP.

### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

#### NOTICE OF PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

At a regular meeting of the Township Board held on May 2, 1995, the Board authorized a first reading of an amendment to the Township's Zoning Ordinance No. 83 as follows:

To rezone 4.52 acres of land from R-2 Multi-Family Residential to Office. Part of Parcel 08-29-377-011. Located Parview off Dixie.



Respectfully Submitted,  
Joan E. McCrary  
Township Clerk

## PROBATE

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
IN THE PROBATE COURT  
FOR THE COUNTY OF OAKLAND  
FILE NO. 95-242-116-SE  
HONORABLE SANDRA G. SILVER  
in the Matter of the Estate of:  
MERTON C. WORSTER,  
Deceased.

ROBERT G. ISGRIGG, JR. P-24924  
Attorney for Per. Rep.  
2745 Pontiac Lake Rd  
Waterford, MI 48329-2653  
(810) 682-8800

Last Address: 1780 Barbados Ave.,  
Maroo Island, FL 33937  
Social Security No.: 478-16-1950

#### PUBLICATION AND

#### NOTICE OF HEARING

#### TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

TAKE NOTICE: On 4-27-95, A.D., 1995, at 8:30 a.m., in the probate courtroom, Pontiac, Michigan, before Honorable Sandra G. Silver, Judge of Probate, a hearing was held on the Petition of Robert G. Isgrigg, Jr., attorney for DAVID W. WORSTER, nominated Florida Personal Representative. DAVID W. WORSTER was appointed Personal Representative of MERTON C. WORSTER, who lived at 1780 Barbados Ave., Maroo Island, FL 33937, and died on 2/12/95; and the will of the deceased dated 12/4/90 was admitted to probate.

Creditors of the Deceased are notified that all claims against the Estate will be forever barred unless presented to the Personal Representative or to both the probate court and the Personal Representative within four (4) months of the date of publication of this notice.

Notice is further given that the Estate will thereafter be assigned to persons appearing of record entitled thereto.

Dated: March 31, 1995  
DAVID W. WORSTER  
6366 Bethany Avenue  
Fl. Myers, FL 33919  
ROBERT G. ISGRIGG JR (P-24924)  
Attorney for Per. Rep.  
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#### TEXT AMENDMENT TO ZONING ORDINANCE SITE PLAN REVIEW—STATEMENT OF PERSON PREPARING PLAN

An Ordinance to amend Ordinance Number 83, as amended, the Charter Township of Independence Zoning Ordinance, as amended, for the purpose of amending Article V, General Provisions, to require a detailed statement of the person preparing a plan submitted for site plan review.

The Charter Township of Independence ordains as follows:  
Section 1 of Ordinance

Article V, of Section 5.12, subsection 2.B.1)(h), shall be amended to read as follows:

#### ARTICLE V. GENERAL PROVISIONS

#### Section 5.12. Site Plan Review.

Site Plan Review and Approval of all development proposals within specific zoning districts is required by the following provisions. The intent of this section is to provide for consultation and cooperation between the developer and the Township Planning Department so that both parties might realize reasonable utilization of land and minimum adverse effects upon the surrounding land uses. Through the application of the following provisions, the attainment of the Master Plan of the Township will be assured and the Township will develop in an orderly fashion.

1. (No change.)

2. Application for site plan review. An Application for Site Plan Review shall be submitted to the Township Building Department. The detailed site plan presented for consideration shall contain all information required in this Ordinance.

a. (No change.)

b. Site Plan Drawings and Illustrations. Plans required by Section 5.12 of the Township Zoning Ordinance shall contain all of the following data, as applicable:

1) General information.

(a) through (g) (No change.)

(h) The identification of the registered architect, engineer, surveyor, landscape architect, or planner's professional seal, which shall be required on all plans, accompanied by the following statement:

"I (name of professional) certify that the plans submitted for review were prepared by me or by persons under my employ or supervision. I am a principal of the firm indicated in the title block or the responsible licensee in charge of the project for the firm producing the documents. My license is in good standing with the Michigan Licensing Department and is currently active."

(i) through (l) (no change.)

2) through 5) (no change.)

3. — 9. (No change.)

#### Section 2 of Ordinance

All other regulations in the Zoning Ordinance, excepting those set forth above, shall remain in effect, amended only as provided above.

#### Section 3 of Ordinance

The provisions of this Ordinance are hereby ordered to take effect immediately upon publication in the manner prescribed by law.

Respectfully submitted,  
Joan E. McCrary  
Township Clerk



Charles and Loretta Russell



Students lead the singing of "Hakuna Matata" from "The Lion King."

# A different drummer

Charles and Loretta Russell must have the best job in the world.

Listening to them sing and play their steel drums, it's impossible not to tap your toe, shake your hips, and just feel good to be alive. After awhile, you stand up and start to move around, and pretty soon even grown people start forming a conga line and doing the limbo. And they're not even at a party.

The Russells, who call themselves the Gratitude Steel Band, brought their infectious energy to Clarkston Elementary School Friday as part of the school's multicultural day. They gave some of the history and theory of steel drums, but spent most of the time playing and singing for the enraptured students and teachers.

The Russells said the drums, which are made of actual industrial steel drums, were popularized in Trinidad in the Caribbean as far back as the late 1920s. Charles Russell demonstrated traditional Caribbean music, as well as classical, popular and even jazz on the drums.

"The point is the steel drum can play just about anything if you know the melody and I know the melody," he said.

Russell said he got his start keeping time for a very large steel band which had a 35-piece percussion section. After marrying his wife eight years ago he taught her to play.

"This is all we do is play music," Loretta Russell said. "This is our living."

During their show, the Russells invited students to do the limbo and then form a conga line. Clarkston Elementary principal Dr. Elaine Middlekauff was at the head of the line as the Russells sang, "The more we sing together the more we have fun together." Truer words were never spoken.

But the grand finale had to be the mass singing of "The Lion Sleeps Tonight," made popular for a new generation by the hit film "The Lion King." Anyone wondering just how popular this film is should have been in the Clarkston El. gym on Friday. Every child knew every word to the song, and they sang it at the top of their collective lungs. It was a sight and sound to behold.

By Annette Kingsbury



Everybody got into the conga action.



Above, Dr. Elaine Middlekauff leads the conga line. Top right, limbo time. Below right, Isaiah Bazely tries his hand at percussion, hammering out the beat on a 1957 Chevy brake drum in the key of F.

