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## Clarkston remembers



As waving flags on the graves of veterans surround him, American Legion Post 63 adjutant John Lynch speaks during Memorial

Day services at Lakeview Cemetery Monday. For more on the festivities, see the back page.

## POH, St. Joe's consider local joint venture

Pontiac Osteopathic Hospital and St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, both headquartered in Pontiac, are exploring the possibility of a joint ambulatory facility in the Clarkston area.

A letter went out to some Clarkston physicians May 15 over the signatures of Jack Whitlow of POH and John Cullen of St. Joe's. POH owns a parcel of land at Dixie Highway and White Lake Rd. where at one time it had hoped to build a hospital. That plan was stalled by challenges by the state as to the need for more hospital beds in southeastern Michigan.

"We're just having some discussions with POH to discuss a joint ambulatory care center in Clarkston," said Sonya Berry, director of public relations for St. Joe's. Whitlow could not be reached for comment.

Berry said such a joint clinic would be a first for the two hospitals.

"We have other things we share, like some of our medical education projects," she said.

## Morgan Lake waiting for wetlands OK

BY DARREL W. COLE  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Plans to develop the 286-acre Morgan Lake Golf Classic continued with a May 25 wetlands public hearing.

The state's Department of Natural Resources held a public hearing at the Independence Township hall to gather views on the 250-unit development's wetlands application.

While no final decision was made at the hearing, the DNR will review the application, comments made from two residents and the developer, and make a decision within 90 days. People wanting to express their views can still send written letters to the DNR's Livonia office within 15 days of the May 25 date.

While controversy over the Golf Classic, located in the southeast corner of the township, has raged for about two years, the hour-long hearing did bring to light new facts about the area's development.

Developers assured residents and the DNR their planned residential development will not have an adverse effect on Morgan Lake, although it will affect

the area's wetlands.

In designated wetlands, the Classic proposes to place 5,400 cubic yards of fill, over 260 feet of culvert, cross 18 wetland locations with boardwalks, use 16 wetland areas as shoot-overs by removing vegetation, install utilities, water mains, and construct 22 sediment basins with outlets to existing wetlands, etc.

Developers need to clear several of the golf course's 16 shoot-over wetlands. This would mean the removal of any trees or "woody vegetation that would restrict the flight of the golf ball," according to Brooks Williamson, wetlands consultant for the Classic.

Two residents showed up at the 1:30 p.m. DNR hearing to express concerns they have. John Torrone, a Rohr Road resident who has fought the development from the beginning because of concern over increased traffic in the area, said he's worried residential wells near the development will be affected because of the wetlands activity proposed. He also asked if the area's wildlife would be affected.

While DNR officials present at the meeting couldn't answer direct questions, they did say those issues would be considered before the application is approved.

Williamson also told DNR officials at the meeting that a new parcel west of Maybee Road will be purchased and used for the golf course. He said a new wetlands application for that area is being sent to the DNR because Sashabaw Creek runs through the southwest corner of the property.

The Golf Classic's wetlands application may be reviewed at the DNR's Livonia office, located at 38980 Seven Mile Road, Livonia, Michigan, 48152. Comments on the wetlands application may also be sent to that address.

Developers have not yet applied for wetlands approval from the township.

The Classic received township board approval in November 1994 for the PRD rezoning. It will consist of 112 single-family lots, 78 single-family detached units, and 62 single-family attached units. In addition an 18-hole golf course and clubhouse is planned. The total open space of the development is about 7 percent.

Five separate construction phases are proposed. Each phase must receive special approval from the township's planning commission and township board.

## The news in brief

### Landfill work over

The Department of Natural Resources said last week that the relocation of trash at the Waterford Hills Sanitary Landfill has been completed.

Earlier this spring, Clarkston residents were complaining of a bad smell which drifted down from the landfill. The DNR said the relocation of trash was one of several activities related to the permanent closing of the facility. Soil is now being added to the top of the trash in preparation for capping the landfill with a synthetic material. Grass will then be planted over the top.

### Changes to presidential primary considered

State Rep. Tom Middleton is one of the sponsors of a bill that would eliminate the necessity of declaring a party preference before voting in a presidential primary election.

Middleton said voters refused to participate in recent primaries in large numbers out of a dislike for the party declaration requirement. The turnout fell to 18 percent in 1992, down from 47 percent in 1972, the last "open" primary in the state.

"This disenfranchises Michigan voters in the national election process," Middleton said. HB 4435 passed the state House 100-4 and has been sent on to the Senate.

### Business association meets

The next meeting of the Clarkston Downtown Business Association has been scheduled for June 6 at 8:30 a.m. at the Clarkston Cafe. The association is made up of downtown Clarkston merchants.

### School board to hear custodial proposals

The Clarkston board of education has scheduled a meeting June 5 at 7 p.m. to hear proposals from two private companies for providing custodial services to the school district. Earlier the board heard proposals from bussing contractors. The meeting will be held at Clarkston Elementary School.

### Changes announced for city meetings

The regular Clarkston city council meeting scheduled for Monday, June 12 will be held on Tuesday, June 13, due to the school election taking place in City Hall June 12. During the meeting a public hearing will be held regarding the city's 1995-1996 budget. Copies of the proposed budget are available at City Hall, 375 Depot during regular office hours.

A reminder: A special meeting will be held June 7 at 7 p.m. for the purpose of interviewing candidates for the position of Clarkston chief of police. The meeting will also be held at City Hall.

### '50s dance/benefit June 9

Return to the 1950s with a dance at Deer Lake Racquet Club June 9 to benefit Matthew Anderson, a former Clarkston resident who is facing his second surgery for a brain tumor.

Tickets for the dance are \$20 and can be purchased in advance by calling Brooke McCall at 693-1462. They can also be purchased at the door. A benefit fund has been established at Huntington Bank.

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## A helping hand, not a handout

### Habitat for Humanity comes to North Oakland

BY ANNETTE KINGSBURY  
Clarkston News Editor

Since she's in the real estate business, Linda Walsh knows that owning a home is the American dream.

She also knows how expensive home ownership can be, and how hard it is to come up with enough money for that first house. So when she learned her company, Coldwell Banker, was supporting Habitat for Humanity on a national level, she was immediately interested.

Walsh and about a dozen people attended the first meeting of the North Oakland County Habitat affiliate April 17 at Calvary Lutheran Church in Clarkston. The meeting was organized by assistant pastor Heidi Sommers, who, before coming to Clarkston, helped build a Habitat house in Guatemala. After hearing state director Rev. Dr. Ken Benson speak, Walsh agreed to serve on the board. Now she is working toward the first-ever Habitat home to be built in north Oakland County.

The new affiliate will be responsible for the entire county north of South Blvd. There is already a southern Oakland branch, which has built one home and expects to build a couple more this year.

"After selling homes I feel everybody should be able to have a house of their own," Walsh said. "This

way, it affords someone who might not be able to have a home of their own."

The new Habitat affiliate is currently seeking volunteers in a whole range of skill levels, from architects and builders to those who can raise funds, make lunches or plant flowers.

"The beauty of this project is if you can walk and hold a hammer at the same time, you don't have to be a builder," said Carol Eberhardt, president of the Habitat board and also a Coldwell Banker employee. "You don't have to have skills to volunteer. I think that's why the program appeals to so many people."

Habitat became a household name after former President Jimmy Carter and his wife Rosalyn became volunteers after they left the White House. The organization was founded in 1976 by Linda and Millard Fuller, and now has affiliates in all 50 states and over 40 countries.

It works by using all volunteer labor to provide low-cost housing to those who could not otherwise qualify for a mortgage. Each family that receives a house must first put 500 hours of "sweat equity" into the and demonstrate an ability to repay an interest-free loan. Their payments go into a fund which helps finance future homes.

Often land and building costs are donated, keeping the costs of a Habitat home far below market rates. The average Habitat home in the U.S. costs around \$35,000.

"One of the nice things is their philosophy of not abandoning the family," Eberhardt said. "Once they get the house, less than one percent default on the loan. The committee stays in touch with the family."

Eberhardt and Walsh say they are looking for property in the Pontiac and Holly areas for their first project. They hope someone will want to donate unused land they're tired of paying taxes on. Already, they have an architect, an engineer and an attorney who have volunteered to help.

Jim Gibson, Habitat executive director in southern Oakland County, said he's had no trouble coming up with enough volunteers to staff projects.

"The work we do is just too attractive and too fulfilling and the people we serve, the need is so great," he said. The need surprised him, even though he's a Michigan native and current resident of Ferndale. "It's remarkable the level of need is so great."

His branch built its first home in Ferndale, and is planning another one there and one in Royal Oak in June, as well as moving a third home and totally rehabilitating it. All three properties have been donated.

"We connect with families through social service agencies, churches, etc.," he said. "We have an awful lot of people making application . . . We have an incredible number of single mothers."

Gibson speaks glowingly of his first client (she could not be reached for comment).

"She needs very little from us and gives us an awful lot," he said. "You give people a chance to own a decent home and they don't even have a checking account . . . I see the families as probably the greatest contributors."

Gibson is so enthusiastic he said he'd like to build 125 homes next year, and added that the Detroit affiliate is planning to build 15 homes in one week in August this year. There's a Macomb County affiliate as well.

And the beauty of it all, according to Eberhardt,



From left, Heidi Sommers, Carol Eberhardt and Linda Walsh.

is it doesn't require going to a lot of meetings and getting involved in political disagreements.

"The reason I'm into this is I've been a professional volunteer for 20 years. I stopped everything a few years ago. A lot of organizations get political . . . I just got tired of going to meetings and getting nothing accomplished . . .

"This is going to be a refreshing change. There is hardly anyone who doesn't say, 'Oh, I'd help with that.'"

The North Oakland Habitat for Humanity will, as required by its charter, host a community kickoff, probably in July. "Once that happens, I see it taking off very quickly," Eberhardt said. "My guess is we'll probably put a house up before winter."

For more information on Habitat for Humanity, call Eberhardt or Walsh at 625-1333. To make a donation, until their tax-exempt status is approved, make checks payable to Calvary Lutheran Church.

### What they're saying

'I don't know of anything I've seen that more vividly demonstrates love in action than Habitat for Humanity.'

—Former president Jimmy Carter

'Habitat for Humanity has provided a vibrant testament to the power of love in action to those in need around the world.'

—Coretta Scott King

'I know this is God's house. He just loaned it to us while we're here.'

—Mary Mathis, Habitat homeowner

### One family's experience

With three children, a divorce and irregular child support, Doreen Marquis said even though she has a good job at Beaumont Hospital, there was no way she could qualify for a mortgage.

The part-time OCC student said lenders refused to include her child support as income for mortgage qualifying purposes because her ex-husband doesn't pay regularly. So she and her three children shared a two-bedroom apartment.

"There's times you don't know where the money's coming from; you're so close to getting on welfare," said Marquis, who now owns the first Habitat for Humanity home built in southern Oakland County, in Ferndale.

Marquis learned through her church that Habitat was looking for families and applied in March of last year. After an interview with several board members, she was notified in June that she had been accepted, as long as she was willing to contribute 250 hours of sweat equity.

"I said, 'I'll do anything. I don't really know how to hammer a nail but I'll do anything a volunteer could do,'" she said.

She ended up getting on the roof to help shingle and also worked on drywall and painting. While she did so, other volunteers watched her kids. It was a grueling workload that left her with precious little time for her children, but they're way ahead now financially.

Marquis, 30, with 9-year-old twins and a 6-year-old, said her house payment is now about half what she used to spend in rent. She said she will continue to be active with Habitat as more families come on board.

"I want to be involved in helping build people's houses. I want to meet the families to kind of explain there are pressures you might not expect," she said.

'Constructive undertakings'

# OTC students win state, U.S. competitions

BY EILEEN OXLEY  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

You might say students from Oakland Technical Center Northwest's building trades program have well-constructed futures.

At least that's what some might make of Jason Bradley and Kenny Hoover, who recently took top honors in respective state and national competitions.

Jason, a 1991 Brandon High School graduate, participated in OTC's building trades program while there. He was awarded a scholarship to the Associated Builders and Contractors school, an apprentice program in Madison Heights, and recently graduated. This year he won local, regional, state, and finally first-place in the national ABC skills competition, held in Hawaii. The contest involved a six-hour building project and three-hour written test.

In Hawaii Jason competed with seven other students in constructing a complicated cedar chest box. He was given blueprints and just enough materials to complete it.

"The hands-on portion involved both rough and finished skills — certain aspects of carpentry called finished carpentry," said Cindy Dunn, director of education at the ABC school. Dunn said the students were judged on safety, neatness of the job, blueprint



SOLD! Left to right: OTC instructor Dick Moscovic and student Jason Bradley, student Kenny Hoover and OTC instructor Steve Wycoff, stand

in front of one of the beautiful homes built by building trades students.

reading, skill level and use of materials.

Jason also had to build a set of stairs and a pair of sawhorses. He said the competition was based on more than just the finished product.

"The whole idea was about working safely and productively."

Kenny, a Holly High School sophomore who works in OTC's building trades program under instructor Steve Wycoff, participated at VICA's (Vocational Industrial Clubs of America) state competition

in April after winning locally and coming in second at regionals. He also was given a blueprint and specific materials and judged in similar areas: safety, precision, use of materials, etc. The competition included a four-hour building portion and a one-hour written test.

Kenny had to construct a small building which he labeled a "glorified doghouse."

"He had to shingle a roof, put on vinyl siding, install a window, cut rafters and lay stairs and walls,"

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# Tiny tot makes medical history

## Large Clarkston fundraiser set

BY EILEEN OXLEY  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Like most uncles, Clarkston resident Jose Garza is proud of his niece.

But unlike most, he had an usual event to brag about when talking about 20-month-old Ginny.

"She had her first solid bowel movement last night," Garza said proudly.

That's a milestone for the toddler who was born with Hirschsprung's Disease, a condition that leaves its victims with undeveloped intestinal tracts. Cases vary from mild to severe, and little Ginny was born with the latter.

From day one she has spent most of her young life in hospitals and has never known what it's like to be hungry, relying on tube feedings for nourishment. She has never been praised by her parents for "going potty," having three ostomies positioned on her tiny body for waste collection.

But now little Ginny is on the road to recovery, having been one of the few recipients of a full intestinal transplant.

For young Novi couple Stacey and Ray Trevino, the outlook first appeared to be grim for their child. The condition was noticed even before Ginny was born.

"(The doctors) noticed a blockage. There were



Though victimized all her young life by a severe case of Hirschsprung's Disease, 20-month-old Ginny Trevino is a bright, busy and happy child. The youngster is recovering in Miami from a full intestinal transplant.

no ganglion (nerve) cells to push the bowel through. The ultrasound showed stool just sitting there," said Ray, talking from Miami last week.

Dr. Marc Webb, assistant professor of clinical

surgery at the University of Miami's transplant division at Jackson Memorial Hospital, is part of the team that performed the transplant. He said the human bowel system is "fairly primitive, like a snake." A nerve system contracts and squeezes, moving food and waste. In Hirschsprung's Disease, "the nervous system doesn't develop," he said.

Doctors told the Trevinos the blunt, bare facts. Though they were advised to keep their baby as comfortable as possible, she would eventually die. But Ray and Stacey refused to accept the prognosis. They asked about an intestinal transplant but were told it was "not a realistic possibility" and "experimental."

Still undaunted, they persisted and, with the help of personnel at the local hospital where Ginny was born, found a doctor who had performed successful intestinal transplants at Children's Hospital in Pittsburgh. When Ginny was three months old she was transported to Pittsburgh, evaluated and put on a waiting list for a complete intestinal transplant. But while there she developed numerous infections, the most severe occurring when she was nine months old. Ginny's belly became so swollen with oxygen that her diseased intestine had to finally be removed. She was put on an intravenous feeding system and ostomies (openings in her body to collect waste) were installed.

The surgeon the Trevinos had found, Dr. Andreas Tzakis, who hails from Greece, left Pittsburgh for University of Miami's Jackson Memorial Hospital — and Ray and Stacey followed him.

In April the Trevinos were finally told a donor had been found.

"It was a perfect fit," said Sherry Haskins, Jose Garza's girlfriend. "It was a baby, not expected to live. They (the parents) were actually on their way to the hospital before their baby died."

Little Ginny was on the operating table for over 11 hours. Dr. Tzakis and others on his team were

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# OPINIONS

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## In Focus

by Annette Kingsbury

*The future  
is now*

The student of the future will get more than just a locker when she enrolls in school.

It may be hard for those of us over 30 to imagine, but students in new schools are already receiving computer time as part of their high-school school supplies. Needless to say, in order to do that you have to have computers available and rooms to put them in.

Those are just some of the challenges any new high school built in Michigan faces today. And while Clarkston has a definite need—its high school just plain isn't big enough any more—there are more issues than just space.

I remember the first time, a year or so ago, I had occasion to visit Clarkston Middle School. Walking through the doors was a real eye-opener. I felt like I was back in the 1800s, and expected Oliver Twist to pop out of a door anytime begging "Please Sir, I want some more."

A colleague had the same experience some months later when she first saw CMS. It's dark, it's dreary, and no amount of paint on the lockers can fix that. Yes, learning can and does go on, but would you want to sit in a depressing environment, hour after hour, day after day?

Then there's the high school, where you can get into a log jam during class-changing time and have a heck of a time getting where you're going. Again, not the end of the world. But that lack of space means more than just crowded halls. It means the inability to bring in technology, which takes up space as well as money.

It also means you can't get in to see theatrical productions, as I learned this spring when I didn't buy tickets in advance for "Bye Bye Birdie." Being new to the community, I didn't know you absolutely had to buy tickets ahead of time.

For me the hardest issue related to the June 12 bond issue is the pool. Is the \$5-\$6 million it will cost necessary? This is something each individual voter will have to decide. But this is Clarkston, and perhaps the community can afford to have a pool. Surely it will become a center of community activity if it is built.

It's perhaps sad that only school districts have enough money to provide major community services, but in small towns that appears to be the case. In neighboring communities as well as Clarkston, when anyone needs a large room to hold a meeting, they turn to the schools. There are no other community centers.

So whether you have kids in school or not, this issue affects you. Hopefully, voters will consider the realities as they exist today, not as they were in the past.



The kiwi bird of New Zealand is the only bird that has nostrils at the tip of its bill.

## Editorial

### Dear readers, old and new

We hope you have enjoyed your complimentary issues of The Clarkston News. This is the last week of our sampling.

The Clarkston News has been covering local news, without interruption, each week since 1929. Most folks around these parts know us and read the words we write. That said, the area's tremendous growth over the past few years has brought many of you to this area for the first time.

Many of you were surprised The Clarkston News even existed. You may have been surprised at the depth of coverage The Clarkston News gives you on what's

up with your local governments. No other source gives you information you need on our schools and local government like The Clarkston News. No other newspaper is here for you week in and week out like The Clarkston News.

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Thanks for your time. We look forward to hearing from you in the future. --Don Rush

## Letters to the editor

### Where are the teachers?

Anyone that has been attending the board meetings on privatization can't help but notice the lack of support being given the school bus drivers by the teachers.

This group of your fellow employees stands to lose half their wages, benefits and years of future credit time toward retirement but still you do nothing to help them.

Does your obvious absence at these crucial meetings indeed mean that you sacrificed your fellow employees to enhance your own working conditions?

If your working hours were cut in half and you

only worked a half-a-day, causing your salary to be cut in half, would you expect support for these same people that supported your strike but who you are turning your back on now?

Name withheld

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## Jim's Jottings

By Jim Sherman

### The first liar doesn't have a chance

My headline today is an expression often used when the first guy says, 'I had a cold' and the second says, 'I had pneumonia!' Or, 'I caught this huge bass!' and the second one says, 'Mine was bigger!'

I'm waiting for someone to top the story out of China recently when it was reported, "Hailstones as big as basketballs pounded China's southern Guangdong province this week, killing at least 37 people and injuring 453."

In this storm more than 2,000 houses collapsed and at least one hailstone weighed about 33 pounds.

I will no longer talk about the hailstones that hit our place in Arizona a couple years ago, when marble size stones damaged our roof.

33 pound hailstone? C'mon! If the Chinese make it baseball size, I'll reduce mine to BB size. At least they called it a freak storm.

Don't bother trying to explain to me why, when women handle something like 80 percent of the money, there are 27 percent more collect calls made on Father's Day than Mother's Day.

It doesn't take a Dave Barry to explain the fickleness of golfers and golf fans, but he did in a recent column. All golfers know the expression, 'It's not the wand, it's the magician.' And, all watchers of golf blame the ball, not the professional golfer when the

putted ball doesn't fall into the cup.

When making a phone call and the first thing you hear is, "If you're dialing from a touchtone phone . . ." then they go on with their punch one if, punch two if, punch three if. By the time the recorded voice finishes isn't it him/her you want to punch?

Senior citizens, or as our publication calls them, Mature Americans, are being painted with a brush of greed these days. Sometime the national media will point out that the seniors of America are probably much bigger givers than receivers. Think about which age group does the most volunteer work, gives the most to charities and churches and gives the most support to libraries, institutions and government.

Fact: The Full Faith Unity Church is on Joy Road in Detroit.

I think bread bakers deliberately put creases in the top of loaves so that, when making a sandwich, and you want the slices to match perfectly, you have to align them as they come from the package. I just hate myself when I misspread, don't you?

When the above item is all I have to complain about, I guess I really have the world by the tail. Now, I'm waiting to let the first liar brag about his biggest, best, most, etc.

# A look back

## 15 YEARS AGO (1980)

The primary race begins for seven Republicans who are running for trustee seats and the clerk's position in Independence Township. All seven positions on the township board are up for re-election with at least two people running for each full-time office. Running for these spots are Floyd Tower, James Smith, Christopher Rose, Ralph Chambers, Karen Herron, Frederick Ritter and Carol Balzarini.

Clarkston's school election will be held Monday, June 9. Those running include the following: Ann Glenn, a member of the Michigan White House Conference on Families, Addison Hubbard, an accountant for General Motors Corp. Truck and Coach, C. Vincent Luzi, assistant director of personnel for Oakland County, and Carol Townsend, a computer terminal operator for Motorcar Transport in Pontiac.

Arson is suspected in the Sunday evening fire which damages lumber stacked next to the Manufacturers Bank of Southfield under construction on M-15. Gar Wilson of the Independence Township Fire Department says, "There were gas cans around the lumber and a mixture of what smelled like diesel fuel and motor oil dumped on the lumber."

## 25 YEARS AGO (1970)

The Clarkston Education Association gets ready to sponsor a public forum, "To Meet the Candidates" in conjunction with the June 8 election. The forum will be for the purpose of getting acquainted with those who are running for vacant seats on the school board. David Leak and Mrs. Ingrid Smith, the two candidates, will answer questions that will be presented to them prior to the meeting. After these are completed, people on the floor will be permitted to address the candidates.

Residents attend the village planning commission meeting Tuesday night and oppose a rezoning of 619 acres. The present zoning, which includes the acreage bordering Oak Hill, Sashabaw and Perry Lake Roads as well as Crooked Lake, is agricultural. The request is to change sections of the area to mobile home sites, lakefront apartments, single family residential and commercial.

The unimpressive record of the 1970 baseball season fails to dampen the spirits of players and coaches at Clarkston High School. The team ends the season with seven wins and 15 losses, but the fact that much experience has been gained by a promising junior squad makes the year rewarding.

## 50 YEARS AGO (1945)

The Clarkston High School Band presents a concert in the auditorium under the direction of Mr. Harold Lamb. They perform a variety of marches, overtures and novelties with Frank Ronk playing a solo part during Gaiety Polka remarkably well. The band makes a profit of nearly \$40 that will be used to buy new music stands as soon as they become available.

Featured at the Drayton Theatre are "Destiny," with Gloria Jean and Alan Curtis, "Casanova Brown" with Gary Cooper and Teresa Wright, "Cisco Kid Returns," starring Duncan Renaldo and Martin Garralaga, and "Dillinger," with Elisha Cook Jr. and Lawrence Tierney.

Specials at The Village Market this week include Defiance Coffee, two pounds for 61 cents, mackerel fillets, a can for 29 cents, Pillsbury's Pancake Flour, two boxes for 23 cents, Birdseye Spinach, a package for 27 cents, and Gro-Pup, a box for 21 cents.

## 60 YEARS AGO (1935)

The Baccalaureate service at the High School draws a large crowd, as young men and women step out to face the future. The junior class is responsible for the pretty decorations of baskets filled with spring flowers. The service opens with the congregation singing "America," after which the Rev. C.E. Edwards preaches a very stirring sermon. The Methodist Church choir sings a special number and Miss Adelaide Lloyd of Pontiac performs a solo, "Consider the Lilies of the Field." The service closes with the congregation singing "Blest Be the Tie That Binds."

The farm home on the Sashabaw cement road near Woodhull Lake known as the Fiske place is destroyed by fire Sunday. The fire appears to have started in the roof and, despite the efforts of neighbors and passers-by, the house burns to the ground. Family members of Basil Bird who live there succeed in removing some of their personal belongings.

Specials at Kroger's this week include Regent light meat tuna fish, a can for a dime, Country Club Salad Dressing, a quart jar for 29 cents, stuffed pork chops, 29 cents a pound, and Northern Tissue, five rolls for a quarter.



The people of India speak 14 major languages and more than 1,000 minor languages and dialects.

## If It Fitz

by Jim Fitzgerald



*His words are read, Jean made me blue*

A recent column quoted Fred Longe of West Bloomfield Township, who described himself as a semiretired dentist. This brought an interesting response from Bob Brazell, a semiretired Dearborn educator, who described himself as Longe's former neighbor.

"I began to wonder if a semiretired, half-time dentist attracts a patient whose tooth only aches half the time," Brazell wrote. Which didn't rhyme. Nevertheless . . .

Brazell spends part of his semiretirement rhyming, and will soon publish a book of poetry. My Longe quote pertained to the diverse pronunciation of the English language, as in: "The oughs, though it is enough to make me cough at the thought of a bough in a tree." So Brazell was compelled to rhyme:

*Combs should either rhyme with bombs  
Or else, perhaps with wombs.  
Why should combs rhyme with gnomes  
Instead of with tombs?*

Besides teaching an occasional class, traveling with his wife in all 50 states and 76 countries, recently bowling 212 on the same day he played five sets of tennis, and writing poetry, Brazell spends a good part of his semiretirement, I imagine, trying to forget his past.

The fearful truth is that when he was a student at St. Stephen High School in Port Huron, before World War II, Brazell dated a much older woman. Worse yet, she was my much older sister, Terrible Jean.

I was barely an infant at the time, but the brutal unfairness of Terrible Jean's conduct created anguished memories that can't be erased, no matter how much vodka is rubbed on them. Whenever Terrible Jean was assigned to baby-sit for her much younger siblings, while our parents sought solace at a movie, she was under orders to allow no guests inside the house. And always, as Mom and Dad went out the back door headed for the garage, through the front door came 10 or 20 of Terrible Jean's friends, often including Bob Brazell, headed for the kitchen.

When our parents returned to a de-flooded, semi-wrecked house, Terrible Jean said we innocent little kids must have done it when she had to go to the bathroom. Our little sister Nancy still has jarring flashbacks of the night one of Terrible Jean's friends sat on a coffee table, breaking the glass top. Terrible Jean immediately sat, helpless little Nancy in the middle of the broken glass and made her stay there until Mom and Dad walked in to see what that awful child had just done.

We much younger kids were afraid to squeal on much larger Terrible Jean because she promised to kill us if we did. She meant it. She probably still does. After finishing this column, I'm going into hiding.

I am not, of course, accusing Bob Brazell of any culpability in Terrible Jean's child abuse. And I know, as evidenced by the woman he ultimately married, that Bob's taste in dates improved greatly as he matured. But certainly, even all these years later, he must occasionally wake up screaming, thinking of what might have been.

As for Brazell modestly mentioning that, although he is old enough to have dated my much older sister, he can still bowl 212, all I can say is that Chuck Sharrow of Port Huron recently sent me an article clipped from a 1956 issue of the Port Huron Times Herald. It detailed local bowling history, and included this:

"Edmund Fitzgerald rolled the first sanctioned 300 in the city, turning the trick on the Victoria alleys."

That was my father. So there. I figure once either you or your dad has achieved the ultimate in athletic accomplishment, there is nothing left to prove.

Onward and Upward, sitting.

Got a message for Fitz? Phone 1-313-222-8755 anytime.

## Don't Rush Me

By Don Rush

*Questions, questions*



Where is all this gray hair coming from? Why is my lawn growing so fast? And where did I get all this stuff I have?

On the morning of my 10-year anniversary of work all of a sudden I'm starting to ask questions. What have I done? Where have I been?

Was it always this way? Did I just wake up the today and start in questioning or did I always question? What is going on here?

Why is the sky blue, or the grass green? Why is it that every space I seem to occupy seems to be crammed with stuff? What is it in my genetic makeup that makes me want to save stuff? I have lots of stuff. I cannot seem to get rid of stuff. I love stuff.

The other day while brushing my hair with the hair brush I was given on my 13th birthday (What's wrong with me -- I even have a hair brush that's older than the graduating class of 1995?) I noticed gray hair. I'm too young for gray hair.

Is this gray hair a portent of something lurking around the corner? What's next? When will my hair

fall out?

What is happening to me?

I looked through my sock drawer this past weekend and found red and white baseball socks (the stirrup kind) from my Clarkston little league days.

They don't fit anymore. I don't play baseball anymore. Then why in the world would I save them?

And, why can't I keep up with the lawn anymore? I cut that lawn twice a week and it is still not enough -- I don't even fertilize it or rake it. I just cut it. Am I slowing down? Did I cut it more, before?

And what happened to spring? I don't want to seem like a whiner or complainer, but what's up with the weather? For the Memorial Day weekend it's cool and cloudy. On the first day back to work, it's 80 degrees and sunny. Am I wrong, or does this not seem fair?

I didn't have all these questions 3,649 days ago. Heck, I didn't have these questions yesterday. Why all of a sudden am I thinking about them now?

And why would you read a column with 24 questions without any answers? Make that 25.

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## Heritage Hunt II by Virginia Block

Taking time to smell the roses, we found new ways to encourage the pursuit of family history. Following the latest workshop for teaching, we had two queries that require researching for people who are limited in time and ability to get to libraries, travel from place to place, or even find time, at home, to pursue their quest.

We envision the possibility of newer plans to reach out to those whose "societies," "groups," or even one person, are confined to the home, through illness or handicap. So much is available via your computer, but it can be costly to travel the Bulletin Board route, and we miss the personal "contacts," by phone or meeting in the meetings of the Society.

The June meeting of the Pontiac Area Historical and Genealogical Society will be "One for the Money, Two for the Show, Three to Get Ready, and Four to Go," (as it applies to family history and researching).

Since family reunions are coming up for so many, we decided to share information from newsletters we receive, if you'd care to let us know the ones you'd like to have info on, or send a message about your own.

We have located some family charts on the Moon/Johnston family of Indiana and are pleased to

know that the Knight, Price, McLean and other lines connect with these.

We hope you saw the fine article in Life Magazine in April on the vital need to do a medical family history, and based on the response to our class in April at the Morman Family Center in Grand Blanc, it will be in everyone's interest to join us in our project of getting the project of gathering family health histories.

The newest approach to teaching the very young has, at this point, been including teaching family history at the kindergarten stage. We have a small supply of "children's" guidebooks available at \$3 each, to get teachers and parents working together with these fresh young minds. You can call me at 373-2629, for more information. It could change your family's relationship and role in parenting.

In referring earlier, to taking time to smell the roses, we were referring to taking into consideration the impact of the Oklahoma disaster on all of us, and how short the notice of life's end can be — and upon acting now to teach trust — once more.

It is a time for reflection, cherishing the child or children in our lives, and thanking God for the blessing of their being. They are because of us.  
Happy Hunting.

## More letters

### Who to believe

Recently there has been a lot published about the "need" for a new high school. Clarkston News runs a weekly column to explain and answer questions regarding this, flyers are handed out, and this topic comes up in many discussions with neighbors and Independence Township residents.

Have reports been prepared on the possibility of expanding and refurbishing the current high school? Brick and cinder block buildings rarely "wear out" if they are maintained. When a house becomes too small for its owners, they usually look at the possibility of remodeling and expanding before incurring the much greater expense of building a new home. If these reports exist, who compiled them and where can we obtain a copy?

All this discussion and propaganda reminds us of a similar situation not too long ago. The subject was Proposal A and how its passage (though a blessing for property taxpayers) would destroy the schools, hurt our children, lower education, etc., etc. The same opponents of Proposal A seem to be the proponents of a new high school.

The March/April issue of "Parent Line" published by Clarkston Community Schools had an article that described all the recent improvements being made to the school system. The article read, "How are all these improvements possible? You can thank Proposal A for most of them."

Proposal A? The downfall of our children's education? Who and what do we believe?

As soon as we had our property taxes cut, the barrage to increase taxes began with a vengeance. Is a brand-new high school really necessary? Again, who and what do we believe?

Dennis & Pat Goldsworthy

### Need new school we can be proud of

Recently Sashabaw Middle School presented a Student Project Night in which students interpreted the theme, "Transitions," in a variety of ways. Transitions of the earth, geographical and environmental changes and various writing activities about transitions in their own lives were displayed.

I couldn't help but think of the transitions that

have taken place in the Clarkston community over the past five years.

Like it or not, our community has and continues to grow, bringing more and more children to our aging schools. Our current high school was built in the late '50s, when Clarkston was primarily a rural and farming community and Clarkston Middle School was built post World War I.

Many transitions have occurred in the demands on our children and their educational needs. Think of the technical advancements. Today, even your local auto mechanic needs greater technical skills than ever before as automobiles become more computerized systems.

It's definitely TIME to take care of our children and the facility needs that face every growing community. Can you remember the old A & P? Small and without the offerings of a modern food center such as In Store Bakery, Deli, or adequate produce. We can't imagine a grocery store without these things and our school facilities need to offer our community the things befitting a Class A school district.

Please vote "Yes" on June 12 and build a new high school capable of educating students by today's standards, one we as a community can be proud of!

Sheri Griffith  
Clarkston

### Supports proposal

We are writing to express support for the new high school proposal. This facility would provide a tangible benefit to every property owner in the district.

The benefit in increased property value will far exceed the cost. Regrettably, it cannot be built without some cost. We must all see that a far greater benefit is providing a quality facility in which to train students to enter their adult lives and carry on for us.

The district's residents can make a difference. As we approach the year 2000 it is important to do what we can to support strong education.

Zac Bell  
Corena Bell

More letters on page 17A

# HUG

The committee to promote the school bond issue

Between now and the June 12 election, HUG will answer questions about the upcoming school millage election. If you have a question you'd like to see answered, call The Clarkston News.

**Q. Is it true that the school district is going to buy the land on Flemings Lake Rd. even if the bond proposal doesn't pass?**

A. Yes. The Board of Education has publicly stated its intent to purchase land for a new high school regardless of the outcome of this election. This reflects the Board's commitment to provide adequate facilities for the district's students.

The choice for location for a new high school is based on several factors, including size, location and access to utilities and roads. An independent real estate consultant has advised the district that this is the only remaining property in the area that will meet our needs. Since the property was first considered for a high school, the appraised value has jumped from under \$500,000 to over \$2 million. The need for a new high school is real and immediate — to wait any longer would only further increase the inevitable costs.

**Q. Can any of this bond issue be used to give out pay raises?**

A. No money from this bond issue proposal can go for any operational expenses, including pay raises or hiring new personnel. Money for salaries comes from state funding. A bond issue, on the other hand, is like a mortgage the school district must use to build new facilities. It cannot, by law, be used to pay for anything except for what it was voted — in this case, a new high school.

Voting against the bond proposal may result in diverting operational funds to buy portable classrooms instead of being used for instruction. The Board just purchased four additional portables for the high school with \$160,400 from the General Operating Fund, bringing the total at the high school to 8 units. Voting for the proposal is one of the few ways you can generate new funds for something that can directly benefit the students without taking money away from classroom use.

## Senior spotlight

### Senior Center Activities

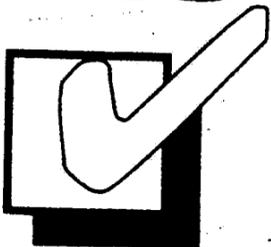
A monthly listing of the activities and programs held at the Independence Township Senior Center can be obtained by calling 625-8231, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. through 5 p.m., or drop in to the center at 5980 Clarkston Road, in the Clintonwood Park (between M-15 and Sashabaw Road) and pick one up.

### This Week's Lunch Menu

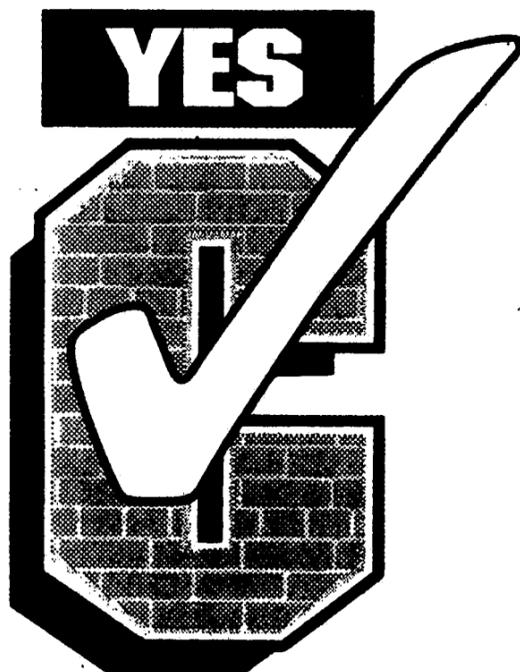
The Independence Township Parks & Recreation Department nutrition program is held at noon, Monday through Friday, at the Senior Center. Reservations are needed by noon the day prior to your scheduled visit. A donation of \$2 is requested from those age 60+, there is a charge of \$3 for anyone under age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

- June 1 — Cheese Ravioli
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how many little goslings each set of parents are nurturing. Photo by Annette Kingsbury.



Sunny Beach on Eston Rd. seemed to beckon sun lovers one day recently. With the cool spring we've experienced so far, the waters are sure to be chilly. Photo by Angela Smith.

# Spring scenes

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## Around town

● The annual garage sale of Neighbor for Neighbor will be held June 1-3 at the Hart Community Center in Davisburg's Mill Pond Park. Books, craft supplies, dolls, games, toys and a bake sale are included. Clothing will be \$1 a bag. Special prices take over after 3 p.m. on Saturday. All proceeds support Neighbor for Neighbor, which provides food, clothing and emergency assistance to those in need. Hours are 9 a.m.-6 p.m.

● The Clarkston Eagles and Knights of Columbus will present a combined 1995 summer festival

June 10 at 5640 Maybee Rd. Kids games begin at noon, followed by a ventriloquist from 3-7 p.m. Food begins at noon, with steak and chicken dinners beginning at 3 p.m. There will be a 50-590 raffle and fun is promised for the whole family, including par-3 golf, water balloon toss, egg toss, horseshoes, volleyball and more. For more information call 625-3772.

● Where's your World War II buddy? A contest for the most interesting and heart-warming stories will attempt to reunite the winning entry with his buddy. Send a typed or printed letter (no more than two pages long) to WWII Contest, MIE Publishing, P.O. Box 5143, Burlington, NC 27216. Winners will be announced on V-J Day, Aug. 14. Entries are due by July 31.

● The Oakland County Genealogical Society

will meet June 6 for a program on "Unusual Tombstones" by Clyde Chamberlin. The meeting begins at 7 p.m. at the Baldwin Public Library, 300 W. Merrill, Birmingham. Call 335-4061 for more information.

● Volunteers are needed by Baldwin Church and Center in Pontiac for summer activities for neighborhood children. High school students and senior citizens are encouraged to participate. Call Jo Ann Crossman at 332-6101 or 332-3280 for more information.

● The Creative ARTS Center of Pontiac will host the opening reception of "Significant Others" on Friday, June 2 from 5-8 p.m. The exhibition runs through August 12. Hours are 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Tuesday-Saturday. The gallery is located at 47 Williams St. Call 333-7849 for more information.

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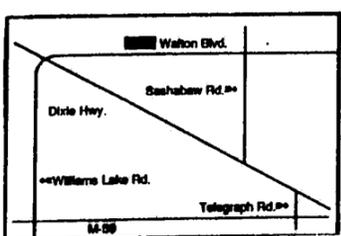
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● Over 90 artists will exhibit at the 11th annual juried arts and crafts show of the Women of Bloomfield on Wednesday, June 14 at First United Methodist Church, 1589 W. Maple, Birmingham. Hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. All proceeds benefit Clinton Valley Center. Donation is \$1.

● The 18th annual arts and crafts show of the Washington Historical Society will be part of "Super Sunday" in Washington (MI) June 5 from 6:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Events include a pancake breakfast at the fire house; pony rides, dulcimer music and face painting at the historical museum; a carnival on school grounds; an antique tractor show and chicken barbecue and concert behind the township hall; and a geranium, antique and bake sale at the Octagon House. For more

information call 652-2458 or 781-2963.

● A major exhibition on the Motown sound will open at Henry Ford Museum May 27. Learn to dance like the Temptations, be a "mixing maniac" sound engineer, and sound like a DJ in this interactive exhibit. The show, along with a restored Hitsville USA house in Detroit, is a collaboration between the museum and the Motown Museum. Call (313) 271-1620 for more information.

● The first annual Royal Oak Clay Invitational will be held June 10-11 in downtown Royal Oak. The event will feature over 100 clay artists as well as a folk music festival and a taste fest featuring local restaurants. There will also be a kids art area. Admission to the festival is free. Call 547-4000 for

more information.

● Serious ballet students are being sought to audition for a December production of "The Nutcracker." Auditions will be held Sunday, June 11 at the Dance Shoppe in Waterford. Call (810) 666-1971 for specific times and required dress.

● The United Way of Oakland County is seeking 1,000 volunteers for a Saturday morning in September to help make a better community. Projects will include painting, landscaping, delivering food, donating blood, school supply and food distribution and providing outings for disabled, abused or seriously ill children and adults. The fourth annual Day of Caring will be held Sept. 9 in northern Oakland County. For more information call (810) 456-8805, ext. 112.

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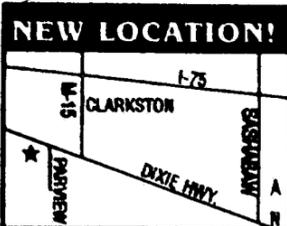
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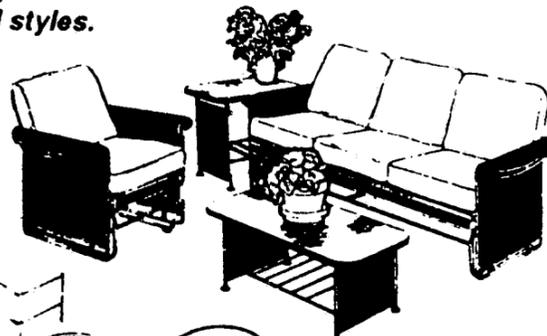
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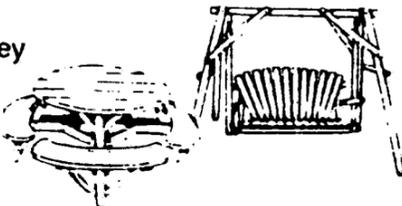


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The James family, which includes company President Douglas Graham, Sr., and Vice President Thomas James, has been in the lumber business since early this century. The tradition started with John R. James, who operated several lumber businesses in the Midwest, in places like Sioux City, Iowa, and Duluth, Minn., before making a permanent home in Flint.

The first store opened in Flint in 1926.

A second Flint location was added, then the Grand Blanc store and one in Clio.

One of the ingredients for their long-standing success is their customer service. Employees try to greet a customer and recognize them by name within 10 seconds after they enter the store. Every customer is asked to put their name on invoices so after the second or third visit they should be on a first-name basis with employees.

That atmosphere of familiarity also applies to the organization of the business, which has about 50 employees. Everyone from the company president to the stock assistants knows each other closely.

What separates them from everyone else is their customer base, divided equally among the big commercial contractors and the little do-it-yourselfers.

They also thrive on helping people as much as possible. They boast that customers will never receive blank stares from employ-

ees when asking questions about home improvement or how to build a deck or locating just the right grade of lumber. Each year every employee is required to undergo training for four months.

The company is also proud of its distinction as "King of Power Tools." They handle six major lines of power tools, including DeWalt. Other items that they offer include all grades of lumber, plywood, cedar decking, ceilings, paneling, Andersen windows, roofing, kitchen cabinets, fencing and exterior doors.

"Our goal is to make the store better," he said. "I think we're going to have to maintain a good level of materials in stock. We will carry excellent quality, make sure people can use what they buy. We just want to continue serving the customers and bring our friendly way of doing business to northeast Oakland County."

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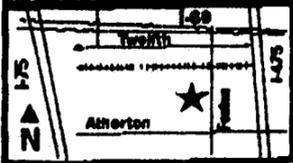
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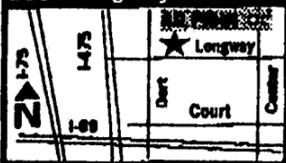
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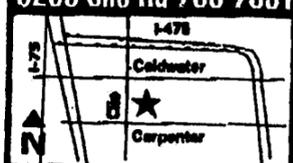
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## Milestones



Mr. and Mrs. John Reading

### Schechinger-Reading wed at Pine Knob

John T. and Karen (Schechinger) Reading were married May 25, 1995. The bride was given away by her parents during a ceremony held at the Pine Knob Carriage House. A reception, also at the carriage house, followed.

Karen is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Schechinger of Wichita, Kansas. She attended Iowa State University and St. Louis University, graduating with a law degree.

John is the son of Chris and Gail Reading of Clarkston. He is a 1986 graduate of Clarkston High School and graduated from Michigan State University with an engineering arts degree.

The couple work and reside in Atlanta, Georgia.

## In service

● Marine Staff Sgt. Stephen Finch, son of Barbara Finch of Clarkston, recently returned from a six-month overseas deployment that included duty off the coast near Bosnia-Herzegovina while serving in the 22nd Marine Expeditionary Unit (MEU).

Finch went to the Adriatic Sea near Bosnia early in the deployment in response to rising tensions in the area, leaving Toulon, France on short notice after an amphibious exercise with French troops was cut short so the MEU could support UN and NATO forces. In less than 33 hours, the 2,200 MEU Marines and Sailors and their equipment were loaded on board the ships and were headed to the Adriatic.

While off Bosnia, the 22nd MEU was prepared to rescue downed pilots, evacuate civilians and provide support to the international efforts in the former Yugoslavian republic.

Finch is a 1978 graduate of Clarkston High School. He joined the Marines in August, 1978.

● Marine Pvt. Quentin Slater, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Slater of Davisburg, recently completed 11 weeks of intensive training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, SC. He is a 1993 graduate of M.B. Smiley High School in Houston.

## Honors

● Oakland County Probate Judge Eugene A. Moore has been named to the new Lt. Governor's Children's Commission. The commission will review federal statutes, rules and policies in a number of areas including protective services, foster care and parents' rights and recommend possible changes. It is to function until July 1, 1996. Moore is also a member of the Governor's Task Force on Children's Justice.

● Danielle Blanchard, a music teacher at Clarkston Middle School, will appear on a WDIV-TV special Saturday, June 3 at 7:30 p.m. The program honors the top teachers of the year as selected by the ninth annual Newsweek-WDIV contest. Blanchard was named the outstanding middle school teacher for Oakland County. During the show, which was taped May 10, each teacher will receive \$2,000 and a crystal apple.

● A number of Clarkston High School students were honored for their writing with awards in the Detroit Free Press Writing Award contest. They are:

Kristen Wiklund, award of excellence, short story and poetry;

Robert Vance III, award of excellence, poetry;

Audrey Schlaff, award of excellence, poetry;

Anne Druskinis, commendation, poetry;

Angela Eickhorst, commendation, poetry;

Kerry Kelly, commendation, poetry;

Timothy Szykula, commendation, essay;

Kristy Barefoot, award of excellence, sketch;

Amber Gebrowsky, award of excellence, sketch.



## Molzon-Crowe

Bill and Jeanne Molzon of Clarkston announce the engagement of their daughter, Sheryl Lynn, to Craig Scott Crowe, son of Bill and the late Jan Crowe of Brighton. The bride-to-be is a 1988 graduate of Clarkston High School and earned a bachelor of arts in international studies at Michigan State University in 1992. The prospective groom is a 1988 graduate of Brighton High School and received a bachelor of science in packaging from Michigan State University in 1992. A June 1995 wedding will be held at Baypointe Golf Club.

## At school

● Timothy Szykula of Clarkston and Carey Redman of Ortonville have been selected to receive the Regents-Alumni merit awards from the University of Michigan. The awards are based on grades, class ranking and test scores.

● Dale Chon of Clarkston, a senior at Phillips Academy in Andover, Mass., was a featured soloist in a spring concerto concert with the school's orchestra. Chon played Weber's Clarinet Concerto No. 2 in E-flat Major. He is also a football letterman, 1995 National Merit Scholarship commended scholar, and the winner of the Bassett Watts Hough wind instrument prize. He is the son of Choon Taik and Young Shin Moon Chon and plans to attend MIT in the fall.

● Heidi Schapman of Clarkston and Lori Haslock and Brian Iveson of Davisburg have been named to the Dean's List at Grand Valley State University. Each earned at least a 3.5 GPA during a minimum 12 hours of enrollment.

● Robin June, a former student at Clarkston Elementary and Junior High schools, has graduated magna cum laude from the Life Chiropractic College of Atlanta, GA. She will open a private practice in Marietta, GA in September. June is a graduate of Fairview High School in Boulder, CO. Her parents, Pat and Gene Sherwood, lived in Clarkston 1971-78. They now reside in Palm Desert, CA.

● Derek Alan Hackbardt received his BS in computer science and computer engineering from Michigan State University May 6. He begins work May 24 with Cargill Fertilizer Inc. in Tampa, FLA in computer system administration. His parents, former Clarkston residents Phil and Lorrie Hackbardt, recently moved to Harriman, New York.

● Sean Halleran, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Halleran of Clarkston, made the Dean's List with distinction at Duke University for the academic year. The honor requires a GPA of 3.6 or better.

● Amy Davis of Clarkston was scheduled to participate in spring graduation at Abilene Christian University in Texas.

● Lisa Rotundo of Clarkston made the winter Dean's List at Saginaw Valley State University. The list requires at least a 3.4 GPA.



Mr. and Mrs. Scott Stephen Reagan

### Irwin-Reagan wed in Clarkston

Together with their parents, Lori Anne Irwin and Scott Stephen Reagan announce their marriage of March 18, 1995. Their vows were spoken with family members present at Clarkston United Methodist Church.

Lori is a 1988 graduate of Clarkston High School and received her bachelor's and master's in communications from Central Michigan University. She is a publication and editorial manager for the National Safety Council in Chicago.

Scott is a 1993 Central Michigan University graduate in engineering and is currently a medical student attending National College of Chiropractic in Chicago.

The couple reside in Carol Stream, Illinois.

# Obituaries

## Former supervisor James Smith

Former Independence Township supervisor James Burgess Smith, 78, of Clarkston died May 22, 1995.

He was preceded in death by his wife Mary Elizabeth (Betty).

Mr. Smith was born in Detroit and lived in Royal Oak before coming to Clarkston 25 years ago. He was chairman of Howard and Smith, Inc., a supplier of technology educational systems in Madison Heights which he founded in 1948. He attended Wayne State University.

Mr. Smith was past president of the Detroit Area Council, Boy Scouts of America and recipient of the Silver Beaver and Silver Antelope Awards. He was past president of Ferndale Rotary and district secretary. Mr. Smith was also a Paul Harris Fellow, a former senior warden of St. John's Episcopal Church of Royal Oak and a member of the long range planning steering committee for Oakland Schools.

Township deputy supervisor Rita Burdick remembers Mr. Smith with fondness.

"He was a perfect gentleman, tremendously respected by the employees who worked with him and are still here. He did a tremendous amount for the township. There were numerous task forces he helped set up involving seniors, the library, police services,

transportation, cable TV, the widening of M-15..."

One of the things that stands out to Burdick is Mr. Smith's efforts to halt the Levy gravel mining operation in the early '80s.

"He spearheaded groups and organizations across the state to protect the environment. (The gravel mining operation) would have had an impact on the whole community," she said.

Mr. Smith is survived by two daughters, Laura (Richard P.) Weld of Rockford and Kathy Smith of Birmingham; two sons, James A. (Jane) Prescott-Smith of Winnetka, IL and Wesley J. (Jill) Smith of Piedmont, CA; 12 grandchildren, Peter, Betsy, Matthew, Albert, Richard, Theodore, Daniel, Tammie, Carrie, Timothy, Amanda and Jessica; and friend Barbara Thomson.

A memorial service was held Saturday at St. John's Episcopal Church of Royal Oak, officiated by the Rev. Dr. David C. Moore, rector of St. John's, and the Rev. Christine A. Humphrey of St. Mary's Episcopal Church of Lake Orion. The interment in Woodlawn Cemetery of Detroit will be private.

Memorials may be made to James B. Smith Campership Endowment Fund, Detroit Area Council, Boy Scouts of America, 1776 West Warren Avenue, Detroit, Michigan, 48208-2291.

## Elmer Dunlap

Local contractor Elmer J. Dunlap, 62, of Clarkston died May 24, 1995.

While a high school student in Pontiac, Mr. Dunlap attended a trade school where he learned the skills of bricklaying and cement work. After graduation he started his own business. As owner and operator of E.J. Dunlap, Inc. Custom Builder for 44 years, he constructed homes, commercial buildings and four mobile home parks across Oakland County. He helped build his first home when only 14 years old.

Mr. Dunlap also built First Baptist Church of Pontiac in White Lake Township and was a member for several years. There he worked with young people and became a father figure to many of them. Most recently, he attended Five Points Community Church in Auburn Hills.

Clarkston resident Scott Morse spent four years of his life with Mr. and Mrs. Dunlap after his own father passed away.

"Elmer and my father grew up together. All our lives we referred to them as aunt and uncle... When my father died in '83 I lived with Betty and Elmer for four years after my mom went to Ecuador to be a missionary."

Morse remembers Mr. Dunlap as being "honest, outspoken, with a lot of integrity.

"He had a sense of humor that would relax the situations of everyone else." But most of all, Morse remembers him as the man who "stepped right up and filled my father's shoes."

Mr. Dunlap is survived by his wife, Betty; his father, Lawson of Pontiac; three brothers, Gerald (Patricia) and James (Marie), both of California, and Ronald (Susan) of Clarkston. He was a surrogate father to Kevin (Wendy) Morse of Seattle, Scott (Pam) Morse of Clarkston, Shawn (Michael) Davis of Los Angeles and three grandchildren, Ryan, Kelsey and Matthew.

Funeral services were held Saturday at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Trust 100 Funeral Home in Clarkston with pastor Tom Norton and the Rev. Reynolds White officiating. Interment was in White Chapel Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Cranbrook Hospice or St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

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## Thomas Brown

Waterfall Jewelers founder Thomas F. Brown Sr., 73, of Waterford Township, died May 21, 1995.

Thomas F. Brown Jr., who helped his father establish the family jewelry business, said his father always aspired to put the most important things in his life above all else.

"I think the main thing about my father was his commitment to his family, the community and God," he said.

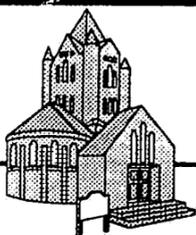
Mr. Brown spent 50 years in the jewelry business and founded Waterfall Jewelers in 1979. Three generations of the Brown family currently operate the business.

Mr. Brown had been a Waterford Township resident since 1956. He was a graduate of Catholic Central High School in Detroit and a member of Our Lady of the Lakes Catholic Church in Waterford.

He is survived by his wife Betty; four daughters, Judith A. (Larry) Ettinger, Christine E. (John III "Joe") Strong, Suzanne E. (Mark) Shelton of Clarkston and Reito (James) Hanson; four sons, Thomas F. Brown Jr. of Clarkston, Richard T. (Ruth) Brown, William J. (Barbara) Brown of Clarkston and Randy E. (Lysa) Brown; 16 grandchildren, Mark (Michele) Ettinger, Christopher Ettinger, Steven, Jill, Lauren, Andrew, Joshua, Sarah, Rachel, Devon and Kyle Brown, John F. "Joey" and Adam Strong, Katie and Amanda Shelton and Michael Hanson.

A funeral mass was held May 24 at Our Lady of the Lakes Catholic Church in Waterford. Interment was in All Saints Cemetery in Waterford.

Memorials may be made to Project Concern, the Waterford Foundation for Public Education or the Rainbow Connection.



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## Obituaries

### Eleanor Sage

Eleanor E. Sage, 87, of North Carolina, formerly of Clarkston, died May 27, 1995.

She was preceded in death by her husband Howard and her son Bruce Watson.

Mrs. Sage was a member of Clarkston United Methodist Church for over 40 years. She was a member of the Women's Society of the United Methodist Church, Beta Beta Phi Society and enjoyed playing bridge.

She is survived by two daughters, Maxine (Jack) Dickerson of NC and Carol (Larry) Faust of VA; five grandchildren, Scott (Mary) Dickerson of NC, Susan (Mike) Pandich of PA, Nancy (Paul) Welles of NC, Mark (Sonya) Faust of VA and Kelly Faust of VA; six great-grandchildren, Michael, Taylor, Ashley, Hunter, Caroline and Jacqueline; and several nieces, nephews and friends.

A funeral service will be held Friday at 10 a.m. at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Trust 100 Funeral Home in Clarkston with the Rev. Douglas R. Trebilcock officiating. Interment will be in Ottawa Park Cemetery. Visitation is at the funeral home Thursday from 3 to 5 and 7 to 9 p.m.

Memorials may be made to the Clarkston United Methodist Church or the American Diabetes Association.

### Leone Vaughn

Leone M. Vaughn, 77, of Pontiac died May 27, 1995.

She was preceded in death by her husband Norris.

Mrs. Vaughn was a member of Victory Baptist Church in Clarkston.

She is survived by a daughter, Norma J. (Richard) Shore of Pontiac; two grandchildren, Kimberly (Frank) Tavarez of Waterford and Rick Anderson of CA; and a great-grandchild, Ryan Tavarez.

Funeral services were today (Wednesday) at Victory Baptist Church with Pastor Robert Nogalski officiating. Interment was in Ottawa Park Cemetery.

## Reunions

● The 15th annual Pontiac St. Frederick's memorial mass and all-class reunion will take place September 17. Mass begins at 11:30 a.m. at St. Vincent de Paul, and a luncheon will follow at St. Thomas Hall on Wide Track Drive. Tickets are available at the Madonna Shop on W. Huron in Pontiac (681-3964) or by calling Kathleen Widdis at 674-2730. Advance ticket sales only.

● The Clarkston High School Class of 1975 has a long list of class members that have not yet been located. The 20th reunion of the class is scheduled for Saturday, July 29 at Mitch's II beginning at 6 p.m. Cost is \$30 per person/\$60 per couple. Checks are due by June 28 to Cindy Slade, 7619 Pontiac Lake Rd., Waterford, MI 48327. If you haven't been contacted or can help locate classmates, call Jill Breckenridge Pointer at 625-8125, Vivian Love Roy at 627-5965 or Gale Bratt Hyde at 625-4771.

## Sports shorts

● The eighth annual Rainbow Run will be held June 10 to benefit the Children's Leukemia Foundation of Michigan and the Rainbow Connection.

Runners, walkers and wheelchair athletes of all fitness levels may participate in one of three "fun runs," including a 10k run, a 5k run/walk, or a mile run/walk. Routes begin on the grounds of Prescription Fitness on Highland Road in Waterford at 8 a.m.

Registration for the 10k and 5k events is \$10 before June 1 and \$13 after that date. The mile registration fee is \$6 up to the day of the event. To register call Prescription Fitness at 674-8855.

● A free in-line hockey day will be sponsored by Waterford Parks and Recreation on Saturday, June 3, 1-4 p.m. at Mott High School, corner of Pontiac Lake Rd. and Scott Lake Rd. Ages 6 and up are welcome and equipment will be provided. A seven-week clinic will be held June 18-August 7. Registration is \$75 (\$79 for non-Waterford residents). For more information call 674-5441.

● Sharpen your skating skills with Marilyn Turner, honorary chairperson of the Rainbow Connection, at a Family Fun Skate June 18 from 2-5 p.m. at the Rolladium, 4475 Highland Rd. Cost is \$7

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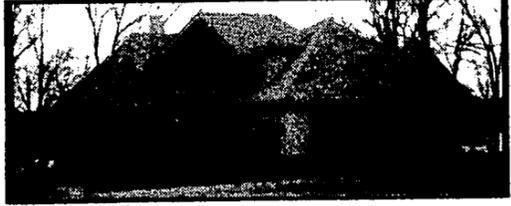
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**Letters to the editor**

**Hoping for help on Michigan report**

Dear Editor,

My name is Adib Contractor, and I am in the fifth grade at Franklin Elementary School in Bloomfield, N.J. We are doing state reports, and I chose Michigan. The only thing I know about Michigan is that the Wolverines play there, so I picked it to learn more about it.

I am writing to your newspaper to ask if you could publish my letter. I am hoping some of your readers could write to me and tell me about their traditions, history, or any other important things about life in Michigan. Also, if any readers find the time to reply, it would be great if they send me a copy of my published letter.

Thank you for taking the time to read my letter. I would really appreciate any information or post-cards you could send.

Sincerely,  
Adib Contractor  
93 Irving Terrace  
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**It's time for 'yes' vote**

It's time! When I think about the positive impact a new high school will have on the Clarkston community, the list is endless. Not only is the need greater than ever before (just walk into the current high school during class changes or during the lunch hour), but by solving two problems with one building (a new high school as well as a "new" middle school), it is also the most economically responsible thing to do.

Whatever your personal feelings happen to be with regard to any other current controversy, the fact remains: WE NEED A NEW HIGH SCHOOL NOW! That need is NOT going to go away, it will continue to grow as the student population grows.

Your small investment today will be returned hundreds of times over with each graduating class of the future. Please say YES on June 12 — IT'S TIME!

Karen Manvel

**New high school addresses problems now**

On Monday, June 12, the voters of our community will be asked to support a school bond issue to construct a new high school. We have been very involved and informed of the school district needs, its facilities and administration ever since we moved to Independence Township nine years ago. We have thoroughly reviewed and examined the current facilities, curriculum pressures, student population projections and, most importantly, the bond proposal details very carefully.

Our conclusion and recommendation to friends and neighbors is to support this bond proposal request for the following reasons. It addresses the growing population in time to prevent a crisis situation. It addresses the aging and antiquated Clarkston Middle School dilemma, which all very young students will be facing very soon. And lastly, because it brings modern science, technology, athletics and fine arts to the entire population of the Clarkston community. It doesn't matter how old or young you are, this new high school will be a facility we can all use and all be proud of.

Our hearts and minds are for the children, parents and grandparents of this community.

Please join us and vote yes on Monday, June 12.  
Bruce and Marcia Mercado

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# OTC students take awards

Continued from 4A explained Wycoff.

Next Kenny will compete in the national VICA competition in Kansas City, Missouri at the end of June.

Both young men grew up with family members who were obviously talented in carpentry — and both plan to make construction their career.

Kenny's dad is in the construction trade.

"I started working at age 10. It gave me a lot of experience," Kenny said. When he arrived at OTC, "Mr. Wycoff showed me what I didn't know, different techniques and stuff." Now, he says, he hopes to someday become a contractor and do the "rough construction" he prefers.

Jason, who worked under building trades instructor Dick Moscovic while at OTC, can't remember a time he wasn't building something. He learned construction tips from both his great-grandfather and grandfather. The latter worked as a maintenance man at a camp in Holly.

"I would go with him and just see things get done. It was better than any classroom experience I ever had, by far," he said.

Jason will attend Flint's Baker College in the fall, majoring in architectural construction technology. He spends time "doing side jobs and carpentry."

Dunn says the building trades students who come to ABC from OTC are top notch.

"I'd have to say that OTC's building trades program is one of the best in the state. I've been working with Steve (Wycoff) and Dick (Moscovic) for

six years. They built two houses this year, they're beautiful homes. That's primarily why the kids are a success in our program — because they have so much experience."

Moscovic, who had Wycoff as an assistant when Jason was his student, thinks the building trades program is one of Clarkston's best-kept secrets. Many people don't know the exquisite homes in Birdland (on Goldfinch Street) have been built by OTC students — and all have been sold. Even those awaiting fine finishing are spoken for.

"We'll be starting the foundation for next year this summer," Moscovic said.

The first house was built in 1981 when the program was based at Clarkston High School, but construction came to a halt for several years during the recession.

"In 1988 it came back and went to the Tech Center. We resurrected the program," Moscovic said.

Presently, the building trades program serves students in seven area high schools — Holly, Brandon, Clarkston, Mott and Kettering in Waterford, as well as Springfield Christian and Our Lady of the Lakes. Next year homes will be built in Waldon Woods.

Moscovic is proud of his kids — and proud of the building trades program and the two houses built each year. Though he feels college is important, it may not be for everyone.

"Sometimes the 'C' kids slip through the cracks. They just need something else to light their flame other than a classroom."

Moscovic told a story about a former student whose parents weren't happy about him not going to college. He finally found his niche in building at OTC and ABC. Now the young man is working for a construction company in Clarkston.

"He's 23 years old and he owns his own house, his own vehicle ..."

In building, Moscovic says, "Kids have hands-

on experience. They learn from the fingertips out — It's just a different style of learning."

Just ask Jason and Kenny about the houses they've built.

"You're involved in every phase of (building)," Jason said.

"I like it because you can create something from nothing. You can see everything from beginning to end. You see what you do and it'll stay there for years," Kenny added.

# OTC marketing student wins DECA award

Jamie Kinnison, a second-year student in the marketing program at Oakland Technical Center Northwest, competed at the national DECA Career Development Conference in St. Louis April 29-May 2. Jamie and OTC marketing instructor Maria Foster were among the 10,000 delegates from all 50 states, Ontario and Guam who attended the 49th national conference.

Jamie qualified for the state conference in Dearborn March 10-12. There she finished in the top five for the Vehicles and Petroleum Marketing Event and advanced to the nationals.

In St. Louis she competed against 200 other students in her event. She also took time to visit Six Flags Amusement Park and the Gateway Arch.

DECA is an association of marketing students which helps them prepare for careers in the field. Nine OTC students participated in the national conference this year.

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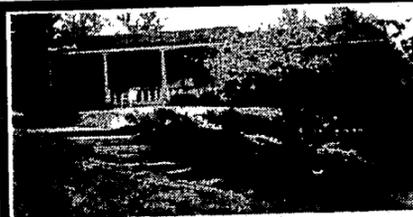
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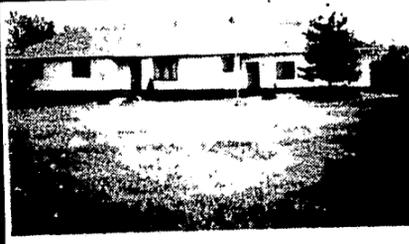
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# Juniors do good deeds for ILC

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

Being involved is nothing new for Clarkston High juniors Brandon Williams and Peter Bertling. They say it's just part of who they are. But their recent volunteer efforts sure made an impression on the Independence Land Conservancy. The two boys took four pickup loads of various debris from ILC property on Clement Road.

For that effort, ILC member Gini Schultz said Williams and Bertling went way beyond the call of duty. "Those kids were wonderful," she said. "They cleaned up much more than we ever expected."

But the two, who have been friends since the sixth grade, said they just cleaned up what was there. "We started out cleaning up bottles and cans then went back for carpets that were thrown there and then we picked up a washing machine. After that, we went back and got old tires," said Williams. "They (the ILC) did tell us we did much more than anyone expected." The Clement property apparently was the site of

many illegal dumpings.

While their efforts were much appreciated by ILC members, the close friends say they volunteer for many things and belong to several school organizations.

They were asked to do the clean up by assistant principal Ron Santavicca. "It does seem like whenever Mr. (Brent) Cooley or Mr. Santavicca need someone to help out they always hit us up for it," laughed Williams, who is a member of Interact Club, Blue and Gold, Spanish Club, Jazz Band, Marching Band, Wolf, Boy Scouts, and is the Drama Club chairperson.

Bertling, who belongs to the Interact Club, Blue and Gold, Boy Scouts and Spanish Club, said staying involved is just something they've grown into.

"Ever since I can remember the older kids always have said how important it is to get involved," said Bertling, who is also running for senior class president. "So that's what we've done."

Cooley, the CHS principal, said Williams and Bertling are excellent students who continually stay involved and never turn down special assignments.



Brandon Williams, left, and Peter Bertling.

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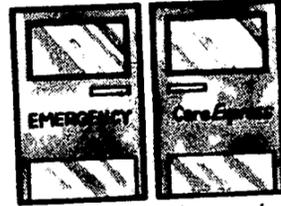
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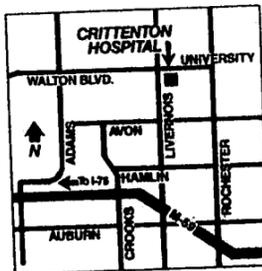
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# Tiny tot makes medical history

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pleased with the outcome.

"The doctors were just beaming after the surgery," said Stacey.

Though Ginny experienced one severe rejection, she still has the transplant and is, presently, her parents report, a bright, active and happy baby. But she still faces a difficult road ahead. The oldest living transplant is four years — performed on an adolescent in 1991 — which has increased the rate for survival.

"There's basically an 80 percent survival rate," said Webb, during a phone conversation from Miami last week. He said Ginny's was an exceptionally severe case but that she's also lucky. Sometimes victims with Hirschprung's have to have other organ transplants in addition to the intestinal transplant.

"Most people who undergo this treatment need other organs, multi-visceral, like liver and stomach. Those operations are more risky. The best survival is in patients who get intestinal transplants alone." Ginny needed no other transplants. Her odds are also better because she is a child. But Webb's prognosis is realistic.

"The statistics and the track record just aren't there. It's still on the cutting edge of transplant surgery. Sometimes we have to remove the intestine and put the patient back on TPN. And sometimes the post-transplant condition can be pretty rocky."

Other roadblocks can be cirrosis of the liver where the patient can become jaundiced, multiple infections from intravenous lines which could be life-threatening, and scarring of and clotting of veins from intravenous catheters.

"But (whereas) there were so many failures in the '80s, so many drugs have come along and led to a real advance," Webb said.

Ray, who describes his daughter's life as "a roller coaster ride" has continued to be optimistic, as

has his wife. They take turns doing double shifts at Ginny's hospital bedside while she's recuperating. Doctors say she may be released in a couple of weeks.

"She's doing marvelous. She's really recovering

**'The statistics and the track record just aren't there. It's still on the cutting edge of transplant surgery.'**

Dr. Marc Webb

every day. She was real wild before the surgery. Now she's more like her real self," Ray said.

Ginny "nibbles on things like green beans" says her mother, but "she hasn't really learned what it's like to chew and swallow." The tubes and ostomies are still in place, but if Ginny fully recovers they will be removed in a year.

Meanwhile Garza, who is really Ginny's great uncle (Ray's uncle), Haskins and other family members and friends continue to support the Trevinos, trying to raise money for their \$500,000 medical bill and a Miami hotel bill which has so far cost them \$3,000. Everything from car washes to candy sales will help, family members feel, for the couple who are now in the process of looking for a place to rent in Miami while Ginny begins her year of recuperation.

From June 1-4 Garza and Haskins are hosting a giant multi-family garage and yard sale at their home in Clarkston.

"It was 10 families. I think now it's 50," Haskins says with a laugh. "We're getting so many donations."

Help for the Trevinos has also come from the unexpected.

At the GM Orion plant where Garza and Haskins work, Garza says co-workers he doesn't even know very well have been "handing me \$100 bills and asking me, 'Who can I make this check out to?'"

Local businesses have been touched as well. Ultimate Detailing in Clarkston lent its parking lot for a car wash last week and Burke's Lumber "donated all the hardware for the picnic tables Jose is making (for the yard sale)," Haskins said.

The manager, Garza adds, "handed me a bag of nuts, bolts, nails and said, 'This is my part.'"

The Trevinos say they could never do it without all the support — financial and emotional.

"In Pittsburgh they told us it's so stressful. Lots of people have gotten divorced, but my husband and I have relied on each other. And a lot of people have been praying for us," says Stacey.

Though like most people, she adds that "you never expect this to happen to your child," when it did, the Trevinos never lost hope — and still haven't.

"What I'm hoping is when she's older, the medical technology will be so advanced. I'm kind of confident that the protocols are picking up," said Stacey.

"We never really thought things were not going to be successful. Ginny's so strong ... We're so lucky. If this would have happened 10 years earlier, we would have lost her.

"We're looking forward to throwing her into a pool."

A garage and yard sale will be held June 1-4 at 6445 Havelock in Clarkston. Directions are M-15 to Waldon, right on Havelock. Food and bake sales will also take place. All proceeds go to the Virginia Trevino Organ Transplant Donation Fund.

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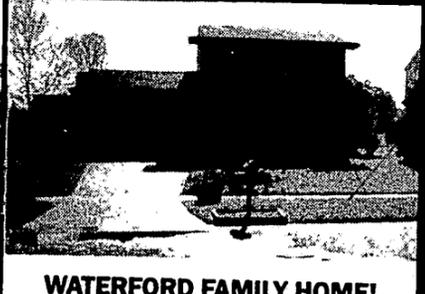



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# Living, breathing the OJ trial

CHS grad in LA for E! channel

BY ANNETTE KINGSBURY  
Clarkston News Editor

So you say you want to see the murder scene photos? Are intrigued by the DNA evidence? Can't get enough of Kato Kaelin?

If you're an OJ trial junky, you'll be jealous of Greg Longstaff, a 1989 Clarkston High School graduate who is responsible for court graphics of the trial for the E! Entertainment Network.

Longstaff, who after CHS graduated from the Specs Howard School of Broadcasting, specializes in computer-generated graphics for the gavel-to-gavel coverage of the trial on E! The 70-hour weeks have been exciting, if grueling.

"It's something I never dreamed of doing before," he said by telephone from California. "When I was doing radio I never dreamed I'd be in the middle of a big story. Sometimes I have to pinch myself."

Longstaff followed his brother Dan (CHS '87) into the job. (Their mom is Shannon Longstaff, owner of Plum Hollow Home Decor.) Brother Dan brought him to KCAL before leaving for NBC, where he does the same type of work. Greg had initially gone into radio after Specs Howard, and had worked as a disk jockey in Ohio and Florida before going to California and making the move to TV.

Now living outside Los Angeles in Burbank, Greg also works on other E! shows, two of which are Emmy nominated—"E! NewsDaily" and "Talk Soup."

As for the OJ trial, he said a phone poll E! conducted found that though 55 percent think OJ is guilty, a resounding 90 percent believe he won't be convicted.

"I try to be open," Longstaff said. "I believe he's guilty but I believe he's going to get off. The evidence is so overwhelming. They're trying to say the police framed him (but) why would you frame him?"

Longstaff has enjoyed watching OJ during the trial, as well as OJ pal Kato Kaelin. Less enjoyable was viewing the photos of the murder scene itself, which were accidentally broadcast over the network live feed for 30 seconds.

"It was something you never, ever dream of seeing," Longstaff said. "A lot of people complained, 'Why can't we see the photos?' It's something you don't want to see. It's too graphic."

Longstaff spends his days cooped up in a studio outside the courtroom, connected to the outside world by FAX machines, phones and 30 monitors.

"It gets real boring at times, especially like right now; they're talking about blood types, DNA, etc. When Kato was on the stand, it was interesting to hear what they say."



Greg Longstaff

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## Fire call

**MONDAY, MAY 22**, child with her leg stuck in a bicycle frame on Thornehill. Firefighters extricated the leg without injury.

Minor injury accident on Dixie; one to St. Joseph Mercy Hospital.

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

**TUESDAY, MAY 23**, medical on E. Church; one to St. Joe's.

Smoke detector malfunction on Lakeview.

Burning complaint on Longview.

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 24**, medical on Longview; one to POH.

Medical on Sashabaw; one to St. Joe's.

Possible electrical fire on Mary Sue.

Medical on Clintonville Rd.

Injury accident on Sashabaw.

A man was struck in the head with a baseball at Clintonwood Park. He was taken to St. Joe's.

**THURSDAY, MAY 25**, minor injury accident at Clarkston High School.

Injury accident at Pine Knob Elementary School.

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

Possible medical on northbound I-75.

**FRIDAY, MAY 26**, medical on Warbler.

Rollover accident on Pine Knob Rd.

Medical on Mann Rd.

Possible vehicle fire on southbound I-75.

Assist to Oakland County Sheriff's Department putting out a bonfire in the woods off Cranberry Lake Rd.

**SATURDAY, MAY 27**, minor injury accident on northbound I-75.

Grass fire on Sashabaw.

Vehicle fire on northbound I-75.

**SUNDAY, MAY 28**, medical on Ortonville Rd.; one to St. Joe's.

Medical on Clintonville Rd.

Medical on Ortonville Rd.; one to POH. Pedestrian injury accident on Maybee (see sheriff's log).

Building fire on Clarkston Rd. (see sheriff's log). Injury accident on Sashabaw. One patient was transported to an area hospital.

Medical on Ortonville Rd.; one to North Oakland Medical Centers.

**TUESDAY, MAY 30**, medical on Curtis.

*The Independence Township Fire Department has responded to 634 calls this year through 7:24 a.m. May 30.*

## Clarkston Police

**TUESDAY, MAY 23**, a hit-and-run accident was reported by a Clarkston man. The man found someone had backed into his car while parked at Main and Washington. There were no witnesses.

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 24**, an accident occurred at Middle Lake and Main when an Orion man broadsided a Clarkston man. The Orion man was found at fault and issued a citation.

**SATURDAY, MAY 27**, a Davisburg man was arrested for drunk driving at White Lake and Deer Lake roads. He was taken to Oakland County Jail where he was released on personal bond.

**MONDAY, MAY 29**, a Waterford man was ticketed for driving with license suspended. He was issued a ticket for disobeying a traffic signal.

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● Roger Craig of Roger Craig and Associates in Clarkston was one of five top registered representatives with Washington Square Securities, Inc. selected to participate in a meeting with Fidelity Investments Company, Inc., one of the largest mutual fund providers in the world. The meeting was March 30-April 1 in Boston.

● William Clogg of Clarkston recently learned that he passed the national CPA examination given in November. Generally only about 20 percent of those taking the exam pass.

● Barbara Kushmaul has joined the Michigan Group Realtors at 5980 South Main, Clarkston.

● Coldwell Banker The Michael Group was recently named by the company among the top five offices for Buyer Controlled Sales for the first quarter, 1995 for offices with 50 or more sales associates in Michigan.

● The Sashabaw Rd. Food Town market has been honored by Oakland County for securing a Small Business Administration loan.

Food Town received an SBA 504 loan for over \$1 million which was used to create or retain 111 jobs, according to the county. The loans are typically financed 50 percent by private lenders, 40 percent by the SBA and 10 percent by the business. They are used for acquisition or construction of fixed assets.

"Small businesses are responsible for a sizeable portion of the job growth in the county," said county executive L. Brooks Patterson. Since 1983, the SBA loan program and the Industrial Revenue Bond loan program are credited with creating or retaining over 7,000 jobs in the county.

Food Town is one of 15 Oakland County businesses honored May 16 at the 1995 Employer and Lender Awards Reception at the Oakland Hills Country Club in Bloomfield Hills.

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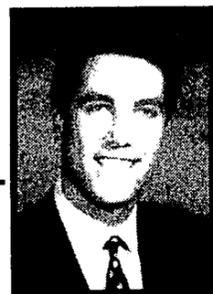
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# Sheriff's Log for Independence Township

**MONDAY, MAY 22, trespassing on Dixie.** A Pontiac man was caught inside the fenced yard of a business. After attempting to flee, he was caught at gunpoint. He was ticketed.

**Larceny of an \$800 gas grill from a deck on Mohawk.** The resident had a boat stolen just a few weeks earlier.

**An auto abandoned on I-75 was impounded.** A driver on Hadley who swerved to avoid a deer hit a tree. He was not injured.

**Felonious assault on Snowapple.** A 17-year-old Davison boy alleged that someone pointed a gun at him at a party.

**TUESDAY, MAY 22, a Flint man, 30, who was stopped for driving on I-75 without headlights was arrested after police found him to be in possession of about 112 grams of suspected crack cocaine.** The Narcotics Enforcement Team was called in to take over the case.

**A Holly man, 39, was arrested for drunk driving after witnesses saw his car hit three parked cars on Lancaster Hill.** The man was asleep at the wheel of his car when deputies arrived, and denied he had been driving. He was arrested after failing breath tests.

**Larceny of a \$200 garden cart on Shappie.** The cart was holding garbage cans at the time it was stolen. The garbage was strewn about the road; the cans were found one-quarter mile away.

**A Clarkston man, 36, stopped while driving on Maybee Rd. was cited for driving with a suspended license.**

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 24, breaking and entering of a car in a White Lake Rd. parking lot.** The door glass was smashed and a phone was gone.

**Assault and battery at Pine Knob Music Theatre.** A Clinton Township man was ticketed and ejected after he punched another patron in the mouth.

**Failure to pay for \$19 in gas on Dixie Highway.**  
**Aggravated assault at Pine Knob.** One man was

arrested after injuring two security guards. A second man was ticketed and ejected.

**Assault and battery during a melee on the lawn at Pine Knob.** The case is still pending.

**Non-injury accidents on Clarkston Rd. and on Sashabaw (two).**

**Disturbing the peace at Pine Knob.**  
**THURSDAY, MAY 25, family argument on Sashabaw.**

**A deputy checking buildings at a Dixie Hwy. shopping center pulled over a 17-year-old Clarkston man driving behind the buildings without headlights.** A bag of suspected marijuana was found under his seat and he was ticketed.

**Minor injury accident in the Clarkston High School parking lot.** An 18-year-old Davisburg woman was injured.

**Non-injury accident on Clarkston Rd.**  
**Four people received minor injuries in a three-car rear-ender on Sashabaw near Maybee.** None required a trip to the hospital.

**Employees of a Dixie Hwy. jewelry store reported seeing a man driving around in their parking lot for several days.**

**A 10-year-old boy was assaulted by three other juveniles at a bus stop on Hunters Creek Blvd.** All four were referred to Youth Assistance.

**Failure to pay for \$12.58 in gas on Sashabaw.**  
**Larceny of a case of cigarettes worth \$500 from a Dixie Highway store.**

**FRIDAY, MAY 26, car/deer accident on Holcomb on the I-75 overpass.** The deer was killed.  
**Non-injury accident on Dixie.**

**Harassing phone calls on Deepwoods Ct.** The resident reported 20 calls in a matter of days, allegedly from a police organization soliciting money.

**Failure to pay for \$24 in gas on Dixie.**  
**Fraud on Perry Lake Rd.** A resident gave a contractor a check for \$1,480 to do some work. The

check was cashed but the work never done.

**Reckless driving on Cecelia Ann.** A driver was ticketed after witnesses said he hit some garbage cans.

**SATURDAY, MAY 27, car/deer accident on Pine Knob Rd. near Stickney.** The deer was killed.

**Car/deer accident on the I-75 northbound ramp at M-15.** The deer was killed.

**Domestic assault and battery on Waldon.** A warrant has been requested on a man who allegedly punched his wife.

**A state refund check for \$557 was reported missing in a possible larceny on Flemings Lake Rd.**

**SUNDAY, MAY 28, one driver was ticketed after an accident in heavy traffic on northbound I-75 near Sashabaw Rd.**

**Non-injury accidents on White Lake Rd. and on Pinedale.**

**A boy who was riding on the hood of a car was thrown from the car as it turned into the North Sashabaw Elementary School driveway.** The 18-year-old Waterford girl who was driving was ticketed for reckless driving. The boy was taken to St. Joseph Mercy Hospital.

**Possible arson on Clarkston Rd.** The arson squad was called to assist the fire department after firefighters responding to a storage building fire found a door open and a pile of rubbish burning in the middle of the building. The fire had spread to other items inside the building, including a boat.

**Breaking and entering at a private club on Clintonville Rd.** The club had installed plywood after another recent break-in. This time, the plywood was removed but nothing appeared missing.

**Malicious destruction at the First Baptist Church on Paramus.** Someone climbed onto the roof and tore off some shingles and aluminum edging. The damage was discovered when the pastor got to work and found water leaking onto his desk.

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# SPORTS

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The Clarkston News

Section B

## CHS, Troy Athens tie for OAA title Girls 7th at county meet

BY DARREL W. COLE  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

After winning a league title for the 10th straight year, the Clarkston girls track team came back with a strong performance at the county meet.

The Wolves finished seventh out of 37 teams at the May 26 Oakland County meet. Earlier in the week, Clarkston finished second in the Oakland Activities Association Division II meet, but still tied for the overall OAA title with Troy Athens.

At the county meet, Clarkston finished with 27 points, behind first place Southfield's 69 points, Birmingham Marian's 46, Farmington Hills Harrison's 42, North Farmington's 38, Troy Athens' 36, and Rochester Adams' 29.

For the 10th time in 11 years, coach Gordie Richardson's squad either tied or won a league/division title. Clarkston went into the OAA meet undefeated in division dual meets at 5-0, while Athens was 4-1. Athens scored 139 points in the OAA meet, while Clarkston had 128. Lake Orion was a distant third with 91.

Richardson said both Athens and his team performed at their best, but the difference in the meet was Athens' domination in the sprints and ability to score a few points in field events.

"It was a good performance by the kids and we did all we could do to win," Richardson said.

Clarkston didn't stay down for long as they came back strong in the county meet, scoring in five events.

Junior Stefanie Burklow finished second in the 800 run, with a best-ever time of 2:19.3. "She ran real strong and has gotten better in each race," said Richardson.

The 3200 relay team also took second, but ran their best time of the season with a 9:34.9. That squad of Burklow, Lisa Herron, Jennifer Bauer and Leah Scharl lost to Athens.

Scharl finished third in the high jump at 5-3, her best jump of the season. She also was fourth in the 400 run in a time of 61.7.

The 1600 relay team of Liz Cook, Herron, Burklow and Scharl finished sixth with a time of 4:12.3.

Richardson said he considers this season very successful. The girls expected to do well, did so, and some of the younger athletes also came on strong and helped give the team depth.

"We got good, steady performances from all the kids and when you can count on several kids and know what they can do it makes it easier to put them in," the coach said. "We ended up having a real team, not just a group of kids. It was a successful season in all aspects."

The only athletes still competing are those that qualified for the state meet, scheduled for June 3 at Saginaw High School. Qualifiers are the 3200 relay team of Burklow, Herron, Bauer and Scharl, Scharl in the high jump and 400 dash, and Burklow in the 800 run.

The meet begins at about 10 a.m. and the 3200

relay race will begin about 11:15.

### Freshmen second at county

The Wolves freshmen athletes showed why they helped the varsity squad to a division title as they finished second in the Oakland County Freshmen meet May 27.

The Wolves scored 58 points, just behind Pontiac Central's 63.

Points came in seven events, led by three first-

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## High scores lead to two wins

BY DARREL W. COLE  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

In two wins last week, the Clarkston softball team averaged 13 runs.

That scoring outburst was enough to allow the



Alesha Ulasich winds up against West Bloomfield.

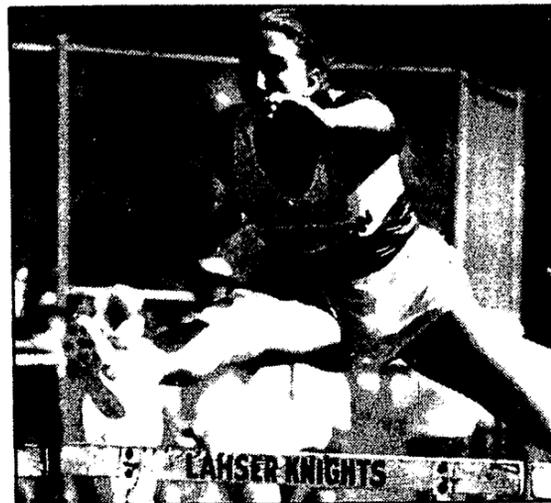
Wolves to win two of three games, finishing the regular season at 12-23 overall.

Clarkston beat West Bloomfield 12-1 May 24 and split a May 26 doubleheader against Rochester Adams, losing the first game 5-4 and winning the second 14-7.

Districts were scheduled to begin Tuesday, May 30 for the Wolves as they faced Lakeland.

While the team had an easy win against West Bloomfield, Rochester Adams proved a big test.

In the first game, CHS was leading 4-1 going into



Liz Murphy at the county meet.

the bottom of the seventh but couldn't hold on. It was the sixth time in 12 games over a three-week period that Clarkston has lost a game in the final inning after leading.

"This time we lost because of a couple of errors," said coach Al Land. "That's what started Adams' run."

Land credited junior pitcher Alesha Ulasich with a strong performance. "She threw a real nice game and really should have won that one."

Despite the Wolves' final-inning letdown in the first game, Land said they came back strong to start the second game.

"We scored six runs in our first at bat," the coach said. "Here we were in the first game losing in the final inning and then we come right back and score a bunch of runs in the first inning of the second. It was good to see them come back."

The Wolves had little trouble with West Bloomfield, scoring five runs in the first inning and six in the fifth.

The scoring began in the first when junior Amanda Jenkinson led off with a walk, then stole second. Junior Crystal Lemke then singled to right field as Jenkinson scored.

After a Clarkston strikeout, freshman Tiffany Honey was safe at first on a throwing error. Senior Kiley Maitrott then crushed a long double to right center field that scored Lemke and Honey.

Junior Nikkie Hard's pop fly was dropped, and Maitrott scored when West Bloomfield overthrew third base.

The score ended at 5-0 as Hard scored on a fielder's choice.

West Bloomfield scored its only run in the second inning after a bases-loaded single.

Ulasich and the Wolves defense then held tight the rest of the game while the offense stayed hot.

Land, whose team has won three of four, said scoring a lot of runs is the key.

"We're hitting the ball better and cutting down on the walks and errors. But the key for us is hitting. When we get our eight runs we'll beat most teams."

Clarkston had to play last week's games without centerfielder Stephanie Giroux. The junior has a slight groin pull, but is expected back for districts.

Filling in was sophomore Sue Naboychik, who was moved up to the varsity at the end of April.

# Knob notes

By Eileen Oxley



Billy Ray Cyrus

## Hunk with a heart

He's hot.  
He's handsome.

But there's more to country singer Billy Ray Cyrus than just his drop-dead physique.

Cyrus, who rose to popularity with the smash single "Achy Breaky Heart" from 1992's "Some Gave All" — an album that sold 10 million and nabbed five Grammy nominations — puts a lot more into his songs than a sexy strut.

"It Won't Be the Last" is his most recent album. Cyrus is proud of its polish and the fact that it addresses important issues.

His "Storm In The Heartland" is a stirring account of the Mississippi flood last year suffered by a Midwestern farmer. Cyrus played several concerts in the flood-ravaged area and saw nature's destruction first-hand. But, he says, the song alludes to much more.

"Storm in the Heartland" is about all of America today. It represents the sirens you hear when you're in downtown Nashville, New York ... Even in Small Town USA you can see somebody pull a gun ... There IS a storm in the heartland and if America doesn't take hold of the problems at hand, the future's not bright for our children."

Taking that concern about children one step further, Cyrus addresses child abuse. He recently previewed "Enough is Enough" for radio station B-93 of Grand Rapids as part of a benefit to raise money for the Children's Trust Fund of Michigan.

But the tone of "It Won't Be The Last" isn't completely serious. It includes songs with the same fun-lovin' attitude of earlier times.

"I think 'Roll Me Over' could be the surprise of this album. We've been playing it live and little kids, people of all ages, they've just fallen in love with it, like people did to 'Achy Breaky Heart' when I was playing it in the bars. As soon as we start it, they start dancing and getting into it."

**This week's concerts:**

June 1-2: The Music of Andrew Lloyd Webber with Sarah Brightman.

June 4: Frankie Valli.

# Effort, injuries sum up week

BY DARREL W. COLE  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Despite a solid effort, the Clarkston boys track team's season ended with a fourth-place finish at the division meet.

The Wolves probably would have finished higher in the May 23 Oakland Activities Association Division II meet but were slowed by injuries to two key athletes.

As it was, the Wolves finished with 73 points, behind Lake Orion with 98, Troy Athens with 115 and Waterford Mott with 131.

Seniors J.R. Kirk and Jason Graves were both slowed by injuries in the meet, hurting their chances and the team's chances of a title.

Kirk, who did win three events at the OAA meet, injured his knee in the long jump and couldn't compete in the county meet on May 26. Coach Walt Wynnemko said results of an MRI should be available this week.

Graves has been hampered by pain in his leg for a few weeks and last week it was confirmed he has a slight stress fracture. Although he did finish sixth in the 200 dash and competed in a relay, the pain prevented him from competing in other events.

Wynnemko said he doesn't think the two will be able to compete in the June 3 state meet. Kirk qualified for states in the high jump and long jump while Graves qualified in the long jump.

They were the boys team's lone qualifiers. Wynnemko said those injuries hurt the team but he is proud of the effort all the athletes gave this season.

"We took fourth overall in a year that we felt with a healthier Kirk and Graves we could have been right there," he said. "We probably would have scored a few more points in the meet, but we gave a good effort all year and I'm proud of the kids for that."

Wynnemko said the seniors were strong leaders for the team while some young athletes also came on strong towards the end of the season.

"Our seniors were the backbone of this team," the coach said. "Josh (Preston) really came on strong in the shot put, (Jeff) Dengate improved in the mile, (Watt) Warner and (Matt) Wenger were also tough for us ... You go through the whole list of those seniors and they all showed work ethic and other intangibles."

That leadership came through in the OAA meet, led by Kirk's wins in the high jump (6-1), long jump (20-6) and 110 high hurdles (14.1).

Preston also came up big with a second-place finish in the shot put, throwing 44-2, and a sixth place in the discus with a throw of 126-5 1/2.

Dengate ran a strong 1600 run in 4:46, good for sixth place, while Wenger was fourth in the 800 run in a time of 2:06.3.

## Three firsts for CHS

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place finishes. Jennifer Bauer won the 800 run in 2:26.7, the 1600 relay team of Liz Cook, Gretchen Pitser, Heather Brown and Bauer won in 4:25.9, and the 3200 relay team of Cook, Megan Plante, Emily Hogan and Bauer won with a blazing time of 10:21.

Latisha Hawley finished second in the discus with a throw of 88-9, and took fourth in the shot put with a throw of 28-5. Both were personal bests.

Cook ran a 5:38.9 in the 1600 run to finish third, and took fourth in the 800 run in a time of 2:36.7.

The 400 relay team of Adrienne Brown, Heather Brown, Pitser and Erica Holman took third with a time of 55.1.



Chris Evans hurdles at the county meet.

Junior Dan Slavin finished fifth in the 200 run in a time of 23.8 while sophomore Chris Evans was sixth in the 110 hurdles in 15.9.

The 800 relay team of Slavin, seniors Rich Bevins, Shane Collier and Graves finished third, as did the 1600 relay team of Bevins, Dengate, Wenger and Collier.

The 400 relay team of Slavin, J.D. Zuchelkowski, Evans and Collier was fourth.

Because of the injuries to Kirk and Graves, Evans was the only other Clarkston runner to qualify for the Oakland County meet. He didn't place but made it to the finals in the 110 high hurdles.

## Frosh finish 14th of 25 teams

The freshman competing on the varsity track team got a chance to show their stuff in the Oakland County Freshmen meet May 27.

The Wolves freshmen came up with some personal-best performances and finished 14th out of 25 teams.

Those giving personal-best efforts were Marc Venegoni in the long jump and Curtis Brewer in the 110 high hurdles. Venegoni took third with a leap of 18-3 3/4, while Brewer was sixth in the hurdles in 17.5 seconds.

Other placers were James Holst, taking 6th in the 400 run in 55.3, John Burklow, 5th in the 800 run in 2:11, and the 1600 relay team of Jeff Long, Burklow, James Holst and Brenton Bergkoetter took fourth.

## Baseball team gets no hit

The Clarkston varsity baseball team was swept by Rochester Adams in a doubleheader May 26.

The Wolves, now 7-12 overall and 3-7 in the Oakland Activities Association Division I, were crushed by Adams 20-2 in the first game and then lost a close second game, 1-0.

Adams, with a 19-7 overall record and undefeated in the OAA at 10-0, didn't give up any hits to the Wolves in the first game.

Clarkston regrouped in the second game and played a hard fought, scoreless game into extra innings. In the eighth inning, Adams got a hit with a man on base and won the game.

The Wolves were scheduled to play Lakeland in the district opener May 30 at Clintonwood Park. With a win, the Wolves play Milford June 3.

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# Jv sports

By Mike Romeln

## Softball

The JV softball team closed out the season with a tough week, winning twice and losing four difficult league games. The Wolves finished the season at an impressive 15-10 and went 8-7 in league games, finishing behind Rochester Adams in the OAA.

On May 22, Clarkston had two tough games at Troy, and had to win at least one to stay in the title hunt. The Wolves began very strong, taking a 7-1 lead into the bottom of the third inning. However, poor defense allowed Troy to score 10 third-inning runs. The Wolves came back to regain the lead, but blew it again in the bottom of the fifth and ended up losing, 14-13. Allison Prudhomme was the losing pitcher.

In the second game of the double header, the Wolves' bad luck continued. Clarkston never had the lead and lost again by a single run, 7-6. This time, Rachel Fuller was the losing pitcher.

On May 23, the Wolves came back to take a 14-4 mercy against Holly. Prudhomme was the winning pitcher. Stephanie Vogler had an excellent game, and finished only a home run short of hitting for the cycle. She was 4-4 with four RBIs. Hope Manuel also had a good game, going 3-4 with a double, and Beth Tuttle and Megan Bjurman were both 2-3.

On May 24, Clarkston played at home against West Bloomfield. Neither team could get much offense going, and it took three runs in the bottom of the seventh to give the Wolves a 6-5 win. Fuller was the winning pitcher, striking out seven.

Down 5-2 in the sixth inning, Prudhomme and

Tami Angel combined for one run, and in the bottom of the seventh, Fuller, Tuttle and Vogler started the inning with singles. Prudhomme then singled to right with a runner on third and two out to give the Wolves the victory.

On May 25, The Wolves were scheduled to play a double-header at Rochester Adams, but rain caused it to be moved to May 26. In the first game, the Wolves were mercied 12-2. They only managed two runs on only six hits. "Our bats were silenced," said head coach Karen Czamecki.

In the second game, the score was tied at 5-5 after five innings. The game went into extra innings, and the Wolves got on the board in the top of the seventh. Beth Bills led off with a walk, and then Jenny Walters came through with an awesome bunt to give the Wolves runners on first and second with no one out. Walters had two bunts in the game. Bjurman walked to load the bases, and Tuttle and Vogler both singled to score two runs. But in the bottom of the seventh, Adams scored three runs and prevailed, 8-7.

## Baseball

The JV baseball team went 1-2 last week but still had a 9-7 record overall, with one game left to play.

The Wolves played a double header with Rochester, losing both games. In the first game, they lost 4-2. They only managed two hits, by Jason Ramsey and Jason Frack. Ramsey had the team's only RBI.

Marc Teague pitched a good game, although he was the losing pitcher. He pitched seven innings while only allowing one earned run and four hits. He struck

out four.

In the second game, the Wolves lost 12-2, the first time the team had been mercied all season. Eric Knake had the only hit for the Wolves, a two-out single. Travis Pegg had the only RBI.

The pitchers took a beating in this one. Chad Bailey started and went five and one-third innings, giving up eight runs on seven hits. Mike Gray pitched the final two-thirds inning, giving up four runs on four hits.

On Friday, the Wolves had better luck, winning a close game with Rochester Adams 10-9. Clarkston trailed 7-2 in the sixth inning, but came back for the victory.

The big hits in the game came from Jason Ostrom and Teague. Ostrom had a three-run homer and was 2-4 on the day, and Teague had a two-run homer while going 2-3 on the day. Jason Craven also played a nice game, going 3-4, and Ramsey had the game-winning hit, a two-out single.

"This was a really good win for us," said head coach Jerry Ostrom.

Knake was the winning pitcher. He came in in the top of the seventh and struck out three batters he faced. Dennis Busch went six innings, giving up nine runs on 11 hits and striking out four.

## Youth Assistance golf outing

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# Lessons learned in karate

BY CAROLYN WALKER  
Special to The Clarkston News

*"Champions come in all different forms"*  
— Joe Sanders, master Tae Kwon Do.  
"What," I asked my 7-year-old son the other night just after karate class, "do you kids think when you watch your mothers fighting?"  
I had been considering the question, indeed the concept, for at least two weeks before I dared to ask it.

He looked back at me with his big brown eyes and, with all seriousness, said, "You need to improve your kicking techniques."

And he launched an experienced foot heavenward, toes pointed, body erect, by way of demonstration.

I have, I realized with a start, long under-appreciated this child's capacity for tact.

There were no unkind remarks about how we look in our helmets, mouth guards and shin protectors. And he didn't bring up the fact that our hairdos fall when we sweat.

I'm finding that, 27 years out of high school, there are still a lot of lessons to be learned in the gym.

And more than a few of them are being taught by children who, like my son, come up barely past my waist.

Take the case of Courtnie Sinclair — the 8-year-old novice with the big heart.

Courtnie wanted in the worst way to compete in Park's 1995 Tae Kwon Do/Karate/Kung Fu Invitational in Ohio on April 29.

With only a few months of practice under her belt, Courtnie envisioned herself the winner of the

girls mini pee wee first-place fighting and form trophies. They would be her first.

Then the unexpected happened. Courtnie's mother, Wendy, a karate beginner herself, fell down the stairs at home, breaking her tailbone.

Knowing she would be unable to compete because of her injury, Wendy left to Courtnie a choice: They could attend the competition and Courtnie could still participate, or they could use the \$235 they'd saved toward hotel and tournament costs for some other purpose.

Courtnie made the champion-sized decision to send the money to the organization Feed the Children, which used it to benefit the families of the Oklahoma City bombing victims.

On May 4, after formally presenting his pupils with their tournament trophies, Joe Sanders, the sixth-degree black belt founder of Sanders Martial Arts, gave a special trophy to Courtnie.

And amid appreciative applause from the spectators, Courtnie, a shy third-grader from Andersonville Elementary School, could only beam a smile and utter a series of "thank you's."

Even a week later, she would say only that she feels "good" about her decision and her trophy.

Courtnie is a shining example of what the martial arts have to offer: Dedication. Commitment. Integrity. Responsibility.

Standing on the gym floor, resplendent in my fighting gear, sweat pouring down my cheeks, I look at the other three mothers — and the occasional father — who stand with me in the crowd of children as we work on our kicking techniques.

I am fascinated by the very real truth that



Courtnie Sinclair, 8, daughter of Wendy and Jim Sinclair, poses with her special trophy following a weeknight karate class at North Sashabaw Elementary.

there is a lot of the child still lingering in those of us adults who believe that we will some day do perfectly beautiful flying side kicks.

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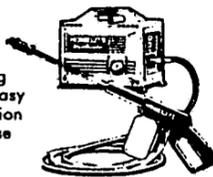
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# Karate school brings home 55 trophies

**BY CAROLYN WALKER**  
Special to The Clarkston News

The trophy count for Sanders Martial Arts grew to 1,306 recently as students from the tae kwon do school returned to Clarkston from two tournaments bearing 55 new awards.

Twenty-five students, ranging in age from seven to 44, took 39 trophies at the Park's 1995 Tri-State Invitational Karate/Tae Kwon Do/Kung Fu Championship near Youngstown, Ohio on April 29.

The tournament was sponsored by Kiel Soon Park's Judo and Karate School of Ohio and featured teams from West Virginia, Pennsylvania, Ohio, New York and Michigan.

Clarkston's students, pupils of Master Joe Sanders, who holds a sixth-degree black belt in tae kwon do and who has taught karate through Clarkston Community Schools for 10 years, participated in fighting, form (a series of choreographed karate moves) and breaking events.

They took 16 first-place, 14 second-place, six third-place and three fourth-place trophies.

A week later, on May 6, 11 of Sanders' more advanced students went on to do a perfect, high-degree-of-difficulty board-breaking demonstration and to compete with some 300 individuals in S.Y. Lee's 15th annual Tae Kwon Do Karate Open in Pontiac.

Nine of the 11 students won 16 trophies including eight first-places, four second places and four third places.

Following is a list of the competitors who received trophies from Park's Invitational:

Amber Czar, first place fighting.  
Marcia Czar, second place, form, first place fighting.

Nancy Gilmore, third place form, third place fighting.

Cameron Giroux, first place form, second place, fighting, first place breaking.

Erin Gochenour, first place fighting.  
Jill Gougeon, first place form, second place fighting.

Kristen Hamilton, second place form, first place fighting, first place breaking.

Stacey Hamilton, third place form, second place fighting.

Chris Jaroneski, fourth place fighting, first place breaking.

Jason Kuhn, third place form, second place fighting.

Aaron Lund, first place form, first place fighting, second place breaking.

Nick Lund, fourth place fighting.

Greg Mace, first place fighting.  
Teddy Pierce, first place fighting.  
Edward Shaw, fourth place fighting, second place breaking.

Rachael St. Peter, first place form, first place fighting.

Jeff Taylor, second place form.  
Jimmy Turner, second place fighting.

Vincent Ventimiglia, third place fighting.  
Nick Verhey, second place fighting.

Carolyn Walker, first place form, second place fighting.

Christian Walker, second place form, third place fighting.

Kenny Williams, second place fighting.  
Also participating were Michael Gochenour and Adam Burstein.

Trophy winners at S.Y. Lee's Open were:  
David DeClerck, second place form, first place fighting.

Cameron Giroux, first place form, second place fighting.

Aaron Lund, third place fighting.  
Nick Lund, third place form, second place

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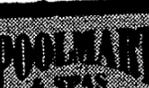


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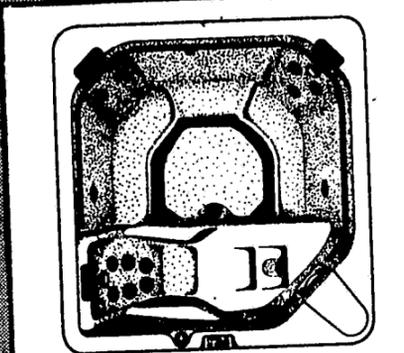
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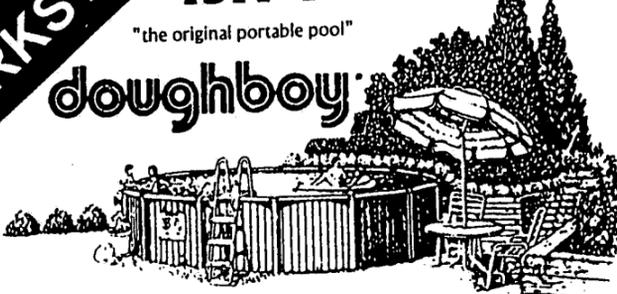
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Both sports are holding free tryouts for anyone interested in participating.

The Select Soccer teams will be competing in the Michigan Youth Soccer League and anyone wanting to play must attend at least one of the free tryout sessions. If you are picked for the team, there is a \$130 registration fee. To pre-register for the tryouts, call 625-8223.

Tryout dates, locations, times and age groups are as follows:

Girls under 12, June 5, 6 from 5:30-7 p.m. at Clintonwood Park fields; Girls under 14, June 5, 6 from 7-8:30 p.m. at Clintonwood; Girls under 16, June 14, 15 from 5:30-7 p.m. at Sashabaw Middle School;

Girls under 19, June 14, 15 from 7-8:30 p.m. at Sashabaw; and, Boys under 14, June 5, 6 from 5:30-7 p.m. at Clintonwood.

Federation baseball team rosters will be chosen by coaches for the 15-16 age group and 17-18 age group. The teams play 30-40 games from June to August and there is a \$120 fee for each player who makes a team. Each player receives a uniform. Registration forms can be picked up at Parks and Rec office at 625-8223.

Interested players must attend at least one of the two tryouts, which will be held at Clarkston High's baseball field.

The first tryout date is May 31 at 7 p.m. and the second is scheduled for June 1 at 7 p.m.

### CMS/SMS track clash

The annual Clarkston Middle School vs. Sashabaw Middle School track meet clash ended in a split.

The May 18 dual meet saw the CMS boys win 85-43 and the SMS girls win 84-44.

The CMS boys won 12 of 16 events on the day, led by the dual win from Frank El-Chaer in the 70-meter dash and shot put. The 3200 relay team of Ryan Thomas, Mick Grusnick, Kevin Breen and David Sage set a school record with a time of 10:17, beating the record they set two days before by one second.

The SMS girls were just as dominating as they won 11 of 16 events, led by dual wins from two girls. Truly Render won the 3200 and 1600 runs while Michelle Erickson won the 70-meter dash and long jump.

CMS' Michelle Wilson was the most dominant athlete as she won three events, including the 55-meter hurdles, 200-meter hurdles and the high jump.

In a May 16 CMS meet vs Mason, El-Chaer set a school record in the shot put with a throw of 40-5.

The boys team won easily 83-44.

The girls team also ran strong and defeated Mason 69-59. The 3200 relay team of Catie Baetens, Katie Bills, Sarah Wallace and Eileen Hart set another school record with a time of 13:51.

## Freshman sports

By Michael Romein

### Softball

The freshman softball team finished the season at 8-3 after splitting a double header with Lake Orion.

In the first game Clarkston lost 16-10. Courtney Krull and Angie Thompson both doubled and Abbey Wiley and Stacy Tegler both tripled. Amber Mitchell and Sam Hardenburgh were the pitchers.

In the second game, The Wolves were victorious 17-10. Thompson doubled and Krull and Mitchell tripled. Again, Mitchell and Hardenburgh were the pitchers.

The team's MVP for the season was Angie Thompson. MIP was Liz Harlton.

### Baseball

The freshman baseball team closed out the season with three wins and a final record of 8-5.

On May 22, the Wolves won 13-3 against Brandon. Josh Clark pitched a solid game with three strikeouts. Kelley Meyers and Nick Giroux were both 2-2, and Brian Herzog was 3-3 with three runs and two RBIs. Bryant Caudill was 2-3 with three RBIs.

The Wolves also won both games of a double header against Lake Orion, 10-3 and 7-3.

## Top finishers list

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fighting.

Chris Jaroneski, first place fighting.

Edward Shaw, second place form, third place fighting.

Kenny Williams, first place form, first place fighting.

Vincent Ventimiglia, first place form, first place fighting.

Erin Gochenour, first place form, third place fighting.

Also participating were P.J. Boissonneau and Christian Walker.



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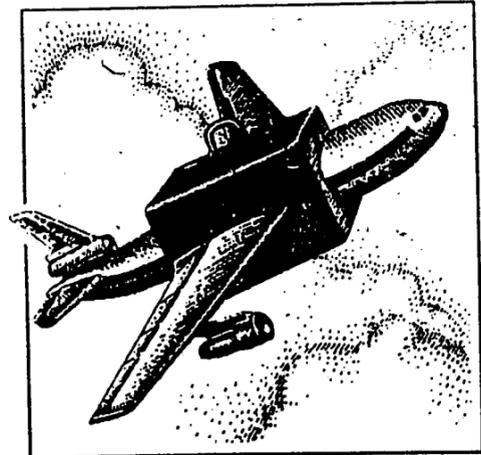
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# Gettin' their Z-z-z's

*"O sleep! O gentle sleep!  
Nature's soft nurse, how have I frighted thee,  
That thou no more wilt weigh my eyelids down"*  
—Shakespeare

Kindergarten students of Mary Zurbruggen at Clarkston Elementary School capped off a week of learning about sleep with a pajama party in their room May 25.

With their teacher and aide Peggy Strutz both decked out in oversized animal slippers, students felt right at home in their PJs and nightgowns. Some brought pillows and favorite stuffed animals as well.

The students talked about what they do before they go to bed and even tried to capture their nightmares in artwork. The lessons appear to have had the hoped-for effect.

"By the end of this week a lot of them said, 'I'm not afraid of having a nightmare or someone in my closet,'" Strutz said.

By Annette Kingsbury



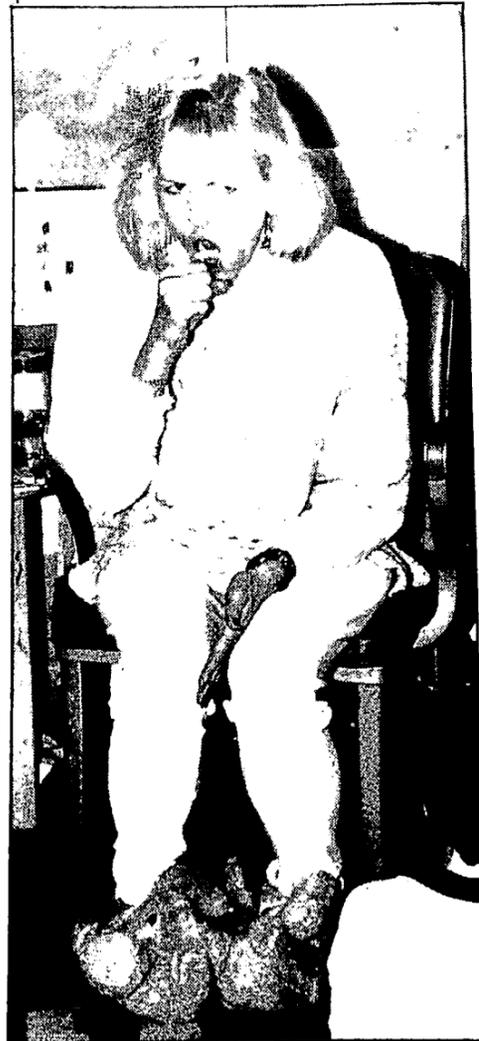
From left, Jillian Wendorf, Kate Prbyscein and Katie Vanderveen practice flossing their teeth



Sean Settles brought the biggest teddy bear.



Philip Voorheis snuggles up for bedtime on the floor.



Teacher Mary Zurbruggen

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# SCAMP home tour shows off Clarkston

BY ANNETTE KINGSBURY  
Clarkston News Editor

A farmhouse on the Independence Township register of historic buildings; a contemporary with its own bridge and pond; a new house made to look old—all are part of this year's SCAMP home tour of special Clarkston houses.

For the thirteenth year, SCAMP, which offers summer camping opportunities to children and young adults with special needs, had coaxed the owners of some of the town's best homes to open their doors for a good cause. The tours take place June 3-4, with a special champagne reception on Friday night and a luncheon at Mesquite Creek on Saturday. Tickets are \$50 for June 3, \$20 for June 4. Call 698-6957 for ticket information.

Here is a peak at the five houses on this year's tour:

## The Walker house

Charlette and Walter Walker got both a historic home and some modern conveniences when they moved to Main Street in 1993. Their home, built around 1856, had recently undergone major restoration and was in move-in condition. All that remained for them to do was to decorate to their own tastes.

The white wood-sided home has an updated kitchen with a skylight, but the high ceilings and wide mouldings seen in old homes remain. To furnish the house, the Walkers have combined antique, traditional and contemporary and the pieces they each owned before, as newlyweds, they moved into the house.

The house formerly belonged to a member of the Clark family for whom Clarkston is named, as well as the Holcombs. Henry Ford, who owned property nearby, is said to have been a frequent visitor.

"It's a real comfortable house," said Charlette Walker.

## The Lorimer House

Two doors south of the Walkers, builder Michael Lorimer, his wife Denise and their two children live in another historic house, one that has been added on to dramatically by its present owner.

Michael Lorimer was a new graduate of Lawrence Institute of Technology and a bachelor when he bought the 1870 house in 1987. After living in it for a year, he began a sweeping addition that included changing the existing rooms as well. What he ended up with is spacious, bright, and now home to his growing family.

He's satisfied that the old and new work well together, and remembers visitors on the 1990 SCAMP home tour who drove the point home.

"An older couple in their 60s or 70s sat on the (family room) couch and argued whether or not the fireplace was part of the original home. To me that's successful remodeling," he said.

Lorimer stuck with history as much as possible, even bringing in a hand-hewn oak timber from a former local barn for his mantelpiece.

"There's just a warm, comfortable feeling to this home," said Denise Lorimer.

## The Detkowski home

Cherri Detkowski set out to build her dream home on 10 acres close to town on a paved road. A year of acting as her own contractor and interior designer while living out of a cramped apartment appear to have



Charlette Walker takes in the view from the side of her Main Street home.

all been worth it.

The 2-year-old white-sided house on M-15 has the look of the old south, with columns, a wide porch and a white-fenced corral. And Detkowski said she's never leaving.

Wide hallways, oversized doors and access to the outdoors all give the house a comfortable feel. Antiques and reproductions all work together, and a collection of old signs adds a whimsical feel.

The finished basement includes a wrestling room, sauna and office for husband Rick, a large workroom/laundry room for Cherri and a family room with deep-cushioned furniture and a pool table. In all, 3,800 square feet over three floors make this home a comfortable one for the whole family.

"We just love where we live," Cherri Detkowski said. "This is really perfect."

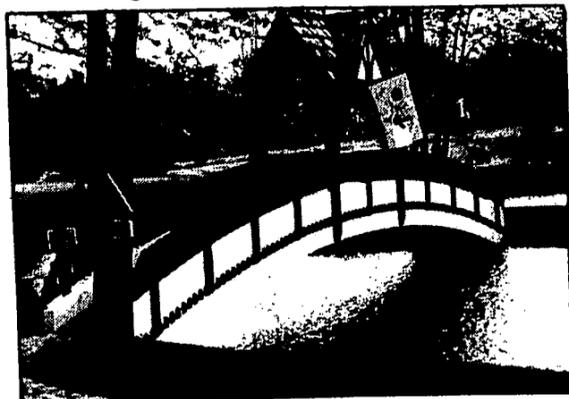
## The Riley House

The 130-year-old farmhouse of Bob and Carol Riley on Allen Rd. feels like country even though it's close to town. The fact that the Rileys have surrounded themselves with animals on their eight acres complete with waterfall, pond and outbuildings just adds to the feeling.

The Rileys came to their home from Kentucky



The Detkowski house



The McMichael house



The Riley house

same year ago. Bob found the house and told Carol she didn't need to look any further. "He said it was a little different and a little strange," Carol remembered.

The family has undertaken some renovations to make the house their own. A side porch was converted into part of the master bedroom, eliminating a clutter of doors in the process. The kitchen was updated with white cabinets and commercial-grade appliances. A spacious dining area overlooks the waterfall, pond and fenced pasture.

Trips overseas have helped fill the home with interesting pieces. A mantel had been in Carol's possession for 20 years before finding a home here. A figural teapot came from England, and a jester mask from Florence. Six cat teapots lined up on the mantel contain the ashes of cats past.

Outside, a bunk house has been converted to an apartment for son Aaron, with its own fireplace, kitchen, bedroom and bath.

Carol, who takes care of the grounds and a menagerie of animals which includes a pair of peacocks, a miniature horse and a camel, likes to refer to herself as "the farmer."

## The McMichael house

The first thing you notice pulling into the long driveway of Chuck and Judy McMichael's Hubbard Rd. home is the bridge.

The bridge straddles a pond with a small island and had to be helicoptered in when it was added a couple of years ago. It's just the first of many wonders that await on the property.

The McMichaels' 3,000 square-foot home on three-and-a-half acres was custom built 18 years ago but updated recently to include the latest in high technology. It's so unique it has been featured in a national electronics magazine.

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With their children grown, the family has made the home an "up north" getaway they don't have to drive to. "In the summer we don't go anywhere because we don't need to," said Judy McMichael. The grandchildren enjoy swimming in the pond, making popcorn just like at the theater, and grandpa's grilled breakfasts on special weekends.

"It's a homey place—we really use it," Judy McMichael said.

Writers Julie Campe, Deborah Dzewit and Catherine Passmore contributed to this report.

Tickets to the SCAMP home tour are \$50 for the June 3 preview, \$20 for the June 4 tour. They may be purchased at the Special Services building behind Clarkston High School or by calling 698-6957.



The Lorimer house

# Local band hopes for HUGE -ness

BY EILEEN OXLEY  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

If success can be measured by a band's name, Rich DeCiantis may have to change his.

Shessohuge may become "They're So Huge."

In just two years the alternative music group has risen from local garage band status to gigs at the popular Blind Pig in Ann Arbor and Pontiac's Industry and Griff's Grill nightclubs. They have toured from Michigan to Florida, their EP "Mary's Face" has received airplay on 89X and Z-Rock, they're getting ready to release their first full-length CD—and, to top it off, they were one of five bands nominated for outstanding local alternative group at Detroit's Motor City Music Awards this year.

Actually the earnest DeCiantis, who's likely to use expressions such as "Sweet!" and "Excellent" when he's happy with something, describes the shessohuge sound as "r & r, sort of punk rock."

"We're kind of like Black Sabbath but with a lot more feminine quality. It wouldn't be full-blown testosterone metal—it's got psychedelic qualities to it," says DeCiantis, 23, who provides lead vocals and bass.

After listening to "Mary's Face," one might agree. The five songs included in the recording definitely reek of minor-key Sabbath as well '60s psychedelic bands like Led Zeppelin and The Doors. But though DeCiantis' scream/sing voice eerily resembles the late Jim Morrison's, it also echoes with the alternative ring of Eddie (Pearl Jam) Vedder or Chris (Soundgarden) Cornell. The basic delivery is clearly alternative, lending itself to moshing, slamming, surfing and head banging—required concert body language of the modern rock crowd.

DeCiantis' strong voice wails over relentless primal drum rhythms—interestingly syncopated at times—and corrosive grunge guitar. Lyrics, which like the music are original, range from innocent to philosophical.

"Teddy Bear" promises cuddling to a yearned-for lover: "So lonely. She'll put her arms around me... I will love you, I'll take you anywhere. I can love you, just like a teddy bear."

"Birth" speaks to a current one: "You say your life is but a dream. I try to make it what it seems..."

A Clarkston resident for 10 years and a 1989 graduate of Clarkston High School, DeCiantis picked up guitar at age 11. He switched to bass later because "I fell in love with it. You can do so much out of the traditional bounds."

Soon he was forming "little local bands and stuff" with two CHS pals during an era which bore the Seattle sound.

"Things started to shape up around the area. Bands were getting pretty good," he said. By 1992 DeCiantis, with two CHS pals, including lead guitar player Kyle Thatcher, had formed shessohuge. The name evolved partially from a reference to "Mother Earth," subject of the "Mary's Face" cover. DeCiantis says its also "representative of the heaviness of the music."

The group began playing local digs, then expanded to Pontiac, Royal Oak, Detroit and Hamtramck. They recently played in Ypsilanti and out-of-state in



SHESSOHUGE at the Detroit Motor City Music Awards, left to right: Rich DeCiantis, Ron Tippin and Kyle Thatcher.

Chicago and Cleveland. College fraternity gigs were and continue to be a part of their itinerary. Presently they're readying for a fall '95 frat tour that will take them south for several months.

Before recording their soon-to-be-released CD, DeCiantis and Thatcher hooked up with new drummer Ron Tippin whom they knew from gig circling. He maintains the driving beat shessohuge is known for.

Though he tried college at OCC and OU, DeCiantis soon traded his business/communications concentration ("I couldn't handle it") for a musical future.

Now he takes his band very seriously, devoting most of his time to cultivating its success.

"You have to be 100 percent involved with this

"I'm prejudiced," says Lou, who also notes his son's Jim Morrison sound. "I grew up with Motown. By 1969 it was anti-war and flower stuff. I can't compare (shessohuge) with anything we had. It seems (Rich is) right on with what the kids are into today."

Jeri, too, liked Motown musicians like the Temptations and the Supremes, and still prefers easy-listening rhythm and blues. But she admits a fondness for shessohuge.

"You should hear their NEW stuff," she gushes. "I was upstairs cooking and I had to run downstairs and say, 'Guys, I LOVE those songs!'"

She probably remembers her son's first musical inklings better than anyone. She felt he was "pretty serious" right from the beginning.

"I've got a picture of Rich when he was one-and-a-half or 2 and he had a little plastic guitar... He's taking a bow. He's always had to have a guitar. He plays in front of the TV every day—it's a part of him."

Apparently, Rich agrees.

"I really wanted to play guitar," he says. Though he expects to go all the way—even to the point where he can embellish his sound with "a philharmonic orchestra" as groups like Collective Soul have done—he wouldn't regret the experience if it ended tomorrow.

"If it didn't follow through and end up working... as long as I know I went for this and gave it all I had, I would be happy."

Perhaps the band's excellent adventure is best described using a phrase from the "Mary's Face" jacket—which might remind listeners of The Doors' classic "Break on Through." It too offered a message about creating your own destiny.

"Focus your energy—and break free."

Get together with shessohuge at the "No Bummer Summer Bash," a second semi-annual yard party in Clarkston June 10. Also appearing are Gearhead, Sometimes Why and I Stand Muse. The place is Backwoods Beach on Rattalee Lake Road—just follow the signs once you get to Rattalee. An \$8 donation covers the evening's activities which are sure to include dancing, moshing, swimming and a bonfire. Call (810) 625-5975 and ask for Nathan.

## Class of '89 reunion

The Clarkston High School Class of 1989 may be a year late, but they'll hold a reunion June 10 at Backwoods Beach.

The fun begins at 3 p.m. and admission is \$8. The reunion is part of the No Bummer Summer Bash, which will feature several bands including shessohuge, which features several Class of '89 members. Signs will be posted directing traffic to the beach from Rattalee Lake Rd.

Organizers had some difficulty finding all their classmates, so if you haven't received an invitation and want more information, call Nathan Bûrge at 625-5975, ext. 4.

life more than anything else. It's such a competitive and aggressive lifestyle. You can't be part-time at it. If you want to make your noise heard, stir it up and make a message."

Even his girlfriend is supportive.

"She knows I'm completely committed. It's an art form, it's a full-time thing," he says.

Though admittedly not of the alternative scene, DeCiantis' parents Lou and Jeri are two of his biggest fans. But like many of the baby boom generation, they grew up with the Beatles and Motown.

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# Great expectations

Calling it a career, teacher hopes she instilled love of language, doing one's best

BY ANNETTE KINGSBURY  
Clarkston News Editor

"A teacher affects eternity; he can never tell where his influence stops."

—Henry Brooks Adams

Thirty-seven years in teaching have not dulled Barbara Glover's enthusiasm.

The Clarkston Middle School language arts teacher, who is retiring at the end of the school year, wishes now she'd tried high school. She just experienced eighth-graders this year and is delighted with the experience. "If I had it to do all over again . . ." she mused last week.

Glover has spent the last 26 years teaching in Clarkston after stints in California, Detroit and Ferndale which included elementary and special education. A wooden plaque hanging over her classroom door, a quote from Aristotle, sums up her philosophy: "The roots of education are bitter but the fruit is sweet."

"This philosophy is truly what I have, for all the years, taught. That 'A,' that pat on the back, is worth all the work."

As befits a language arts teacher, she quotes the great authors of the world in explaining her beliefs. In addition to Aristotle, her other guiding principle comes from Moliere: "It's nice to know a thing or two."

"Kids really do want to know," she said. At different ages, they want to know different things, need different things from a teacher. But it's clear all the ages she's come to know have delighted her. Whether they were gifted children or struggling, she's equally thrilled when they respond to her style.

"Older kids really want an adult to talk with, and so we spend time. We have these sidebar educational moments," she said. She will draw from students' everyday life to bring home a lesson. It may be quotations on popular T-shirts they're wearing, or bad grammar on TV—anything to get them to think about language.

"I hope I've instilled in some of my students a love of our beautiful English language," she said.

Glover's students found themselves in the spotlight a few years ago when they decided to go after popular game-makers Parker Brothers. A student brought in a game called "Careers for Girls" and the class decided to write to the company protesting the item. After national media coverage and a not-so-nice award from Women In Communication, Inc., Parker Brothers took the game off the market.

"This was picked up by the wire service and we got fan letters," Glover said. "It showed that one person can make a difference. These young people were instrumental in bringing a corporation up short."



Norma Stallions.



Barbara Glover (center) is surrounded by friends Maryann Seyfarth (left) and Ruth Duling

at last week's school retirement party at Deer Lake Racquet Club.

Though some might wonder what the exercise had to do with language, it was a magical lesson for those involved.

"You have to know as a teacher—here is that magic moment," Glover said. "A teacher is orchestrating, is really a conductor. In one class there are 33 intellect levels, 33 interest levels. And every day there is this person standing up in front of this group . . . It's quite a task and it's an incredible experience."

Glover's own love of language has led her to travel extensively, including many trips to England to take in the theater. On one such trip, she saw 23 plays. But she hasn't yet fulfilled her dream of seeing Richard II.

"I want to hear an actor say, 'This sceptered island, this England,'" she said. A former member of the Clarkston Village Players, she also enjoys the backstage part of the theater. Her students were scheduled to take a trip to Stratford this week to experience her favorite pastime.

Glover feels she owes her students "an interesting class and an interesting teacher." While acknowledging she's "not cool, not cute, not a size 6," she said she's been blessed to share a mutual admiration with her students. And having said that, she's afraid it will sound—well—syrupy.

"I have always had great expectations for all students. Children really will rise to your expectations . . . It may be a struggle, but they'll do it."



Teacher Kay Samuel (left) gets a corsage pinned on by Jeanne Molzon at the school district retirement party last week.

## 1995 school retirees

employee	job	total years
Nancy Bartlett	teacher	27
Bernard Bidinger	teacher	29
Elizabeth Bisbikis	teacher	34
Patricia Brewer	para-pro	22
Beverly Bronson	teacher	28
Mary Lynn Colwell	teacher	31.5
Sally Curry	office	19
Joann Eaton	teacher	26
Jan Gabier	administrator	33
Barbara Glover	teacher	37
Gail Hess	cafeteria	14
Janice Inman	teacher	22
Sally Lindeman	teacher	34
Herbert May	custodian	24.5
Kay Samuel	teacher	25.5
Nora Schmidgall	bus driver	25
Martha Schultz	bus driver	18.5
Marlene Sewick	teacher	35
Norman Stations	teacher	26

## Sashabaw Middle School All A Honor Roll

Grade 6:  
Andrew Dixon  
Jessica Dufresne  
Daniel Holody  
Justin Krause  
Lyndsey McCleary  
Heather Murphey  
Jonathon Shanks

Grade 7:  
Meliza Cruz  
Nicole Fischer  
William Freed  
Laura Gilbert  
Brent Griffith  
Erin Henderson  
Kacie Hines  
Kiersten Kerby  
Rebecca Lynch  
Elizabeth Milam

Lindsey Prudhomme  
Emily Tate  
Kathryn Zarzycki  
Karen Zynda

Grade 8:  
Julie Berendt  
Jason Cabra  
David Dixon  
Jennifer Gifford  
Brandon Griffith  
Kathryn King  
Scott Krull  
Tara Matkosky  
Jonathan Moniaci  
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April Roofing  
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**INDEPENDENCE TWP.**

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**PUBLIC ACCURACY TEST**  
The Charter Township of Independence announces a Public Accuracy testing of the computer program for the Clarkston Community Schools General Election and Oakland Community College Special Election held on June 12, 1995.  
This testing will be held on Monday, June 5, 1995, 10 a.m. at the Independence Township Clerk's Office, 90 North Main Street, Clarkston, Michigan.  
Joan E. McCrary, Clerk  
Charter Township of Independence

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**STATE OF MICHIGAN**  
**COUNTY OF OAKLAND**  
**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE**  
**CLARKSTON OFFICE CENTER WATER IMPROVEMENT**  
**PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**

Date: June 6, 1995  
Time: 7:30 p.m.  
Place: Township Hall (Annex)  
90 N. Main Street  
Clarkston, Michigan  
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on June 6, 1995, at 7:30 p.m., in the Township Hall (Annex) of the Charter Township of Independence, 90 North Main Street, Clarkston, Michigan, the Township Board shall meet for the purpose of hearing comments and objections to the proposal for the Clarkston Office Center water improvement, and to the proposed special assessment district contemplated to finance such water improvement.  
The proposed water improvement involves the construction and installation of water facilities to service the several lots within the Clarkston Office Center subdivision.  
The cost estimate for the improvement is in the amount of \$86,200.00.  
The tentative special assessment district consists of the several lots within the Clarkston Office Center subdivision.  
A copy of the plans and cost estimate for the water improvement are on file at the Township offices, 90 North Main Street, Clarkston, Michigan for public examination during normal business hours.  
Appearance and protest at the hearing is required in order to appeal the matters to be considered at the hearing to the State Tax Tribunal. An owner or party in interest or his or her agent may appear in person at the hearing to protest the Special Assessment Roll, or shall be permitted on or before the hearing to file his or her appearance or protest by letter and his or her personal appearance in such case shall not be required.  
Joan McCrary, Township Clerk  
Publish May 24 and May 31, 1995

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

TOWNSHIP BOARD AGENDA  
7:30 P.M., JUNE 6, 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.
- Presentation — Emergency Medical System and CPR
- Public Hearing — Cranberry Lake Sewer Assessment Roll

- SAD
    - Clarkston Center SAD Hearing of Necessity.
  - OLD BUSINESS
    - 1. Cranberry Lake Sewer SAD — Resolution Approving Special Assessment Roll.
    - 2. Clarkston Center SAD — Resolution Approving Special Assessment Roll.
    - 3. Second Reading and Adoption — Bluffs of Pine Knob from R1R to R2.
    - 4. Request to Amend Coin Operated Amusement Center Ordinance.
    - 5. Discussion of Potential Investment Manager and Custodian.
  - NEW BUSINESS
    - 1. First Reading to Rezoning Parcel 08-29-328-013 Dixie from C1 to PUD.
    - 2. Final Preliminary Plat Approval — Independence Valley Phase III.
    - 3. Amendment to the Development Design Standards Ordinance.
    - 4. Selection of Interior Furnishing Contractor — Fire.
    - 5. Resolution Designating Project Plan for Pontiac Coil — EDC.
    - 6. Road Graveling — Tri-Party.
    - 7. Modern Pool Purchase — Library.
    - 8. Employee Upgrade — Sheriff Sub-Station.
    - 9. Discussion Street Lighting — Thendara
- Closed session — Pending Litigation.  
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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**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON**  
**SPECIAL MEETING**  
**CITY COUNCIL**  
**JUNE 7, 1995, 7 P.M.**  
The City of the Village of Clarkston Council will hold a special meeting on Wednesday, June 7, 1995 at 7 p.m. for the purpose of interviewing candidates for the position of Chief of Police.  
The meeting will be held at the City Hall, 375 Depot Road, Clarkston, MI 48346, at 7 p.m.  
Jenne Selander Miller  
Clerk  
Please note this meeting will start at 7 p.m. instead of the usual 7:30 p.m. starting time.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
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**INDEPENDENCE TWP.**

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE**  
Registered voters may vote absentee ballot in the June 12, 1995 Clarkston Community Schools General Election and Oakland Community College Special Election if they qualify in one of the following categories:  
I expect to be absent from the community in which I am registered for the entire time the polls are open on election day.  
I am physically unable to attend the polls without the assistance of another.  
I cannot attend the polls because of the tenets of my religion.  
I have been appointed an election precinct inspector in a precinct other than the precinct where I reside.  
I am 60 years of age or older.  
I cannot attend the polls because I am confined to jail awaiting arraignment or trial.  
Independence Township residents who qualify and wish to vote absentee ballot should call the Clerk's Office at 625-5111 or write the Clerk at 90 North Main St., PO Box 69, Clarkston 48347 for an application which must be signed and returned before a ballot can be issued.  
The deadline for ballots to be mailed is Saturday, June 10, 1995 at 2 p.m. However, those qualified to vote absentee may vote in the Clerk's Office until 4 p.m. on Saturday, June 10, 1995.  
Joan E. McCrary  
Township Clerk

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**STATE OF MICHIGAN**

**COUNTY OF OAKLAND**  
**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE**  
**CRANBERRY LAKE ESTATES**  
**SANITARY SEWER IMPROVEMENT**  
**AND SPECIAL ASSESSMENT**  
**PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**  
Date: June 6, 1995  
Time: 7:30 p.m.  
Place: Township Hall (Annex)  
90 N. Main Street  
Clarkston, Michigan  
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on June 6, 1995, at 7:30 p.m., in the Township Hall (Annex) of the Charter Township of Independence, 90 North Main Street, Clarkston, Michigan, the Township Board shall meet for the purpose of hearing comments and objections to the proposed Special Assessment Roll prepared and filed with the Township Clerk in connection with the Cranberry Lake Estates Sanitary Sewer Improvement and Special Assessment.  
The proposed improvement involves the construction of sewer lines, manholes and other facilities to provide public sanitary sewer service to all of the lots in the Cranberry Lake Estates subdivision not previously served with sanitary sewer, and to three acreage parcels having frontage on state highway M-15, all of which property is described on the list of parcels numbers below: 17-401-010, 17-451-024, 025, 007.  
The cost estimate for the improvement shall be in the amount of \$950,000.00.  
A copy of the proposed Special Assessment Roll is on file at the Township offices, 90 North Main Street, Clarkston, Michigan for public examination during normal business hours.  
Appearance and protest at the hearing is required in order to appeal the matters to be considered at the hearing to the State Tax Tribunal. An owner or party in interest or his or her agent may appear in person at the hearing to protest the Special Assessment Roll, or shall be permitted on or before the hearing to file his or her appearance or protest by letter and his or her personal appearance in such case shall not be required.  
Joan McCrary, Township Clerk  
Publish May 24 and May 31, 1995

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
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**INDEPENDENCE TWP.**

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
There will be a special meeting of the Independence Township Board at the Library, 6495 Clarkston Road, on May 31, 1995 at 7:30 p.m.  
**AGENDA**  
1. Consideration to close July 3, 1995.  
2. Closed session — pending litigation.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
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**CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON**  
**CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
**MAY 22, 1995**  
The meeting was called to order by Mayor Catalo at 7:40 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.  
Roll: Present-Arkwright, Basinger, Catalo, Roeser, Sanderson, Schultz, Secatch.  
Moved by Arkwright, supported by Sanderson, "That the minutes of the meeting held on May 8, 1995 be approved as submitted." Motion carried.  
Moved by Basinger, supported by Schultz, "That the agenda be approved with the following additions: Public Hearing for the Community Development Block Grant Funds, the June 12, 1995 School Election, a lot split, and the library meeting." Motion carried.  
Secatch indicated that the DPW had installed the playground slide and that they were waiting for the sprinklers to be installed prior to laying the sod. Secatch will ask the DPW to get the picnic tables out.  
Sanderson indicated that she had spoken to Jasso Tree Service and that they have proposed spraying the one tree with Gypsy Moth nests twice. The spraying is proposed for late May and then again one month later. The spray which they use has been approved by the US Department of Agriculture. The cost associated with the spraying total \$136.00. Pappas will contact Jasso to arrange for the spraying.  
Arkwright indicated that the police chief search had narrowed the field of candidates. The entire Council will interview the final candidates at a special meeting on Wednesday, June 7, 1995 at 7 p.m.  
Resolved by Arkwright, supported by Roeser, "That the City of the Village of Clarkston adopt the City of Birmingham's resolution regarding the funding for school crossing guards." roll: Yeas-7, Nays-0. Resolution passed. Resolution is attached.  
Mayor Catalo opened the Public Hearing to discuss the Community Development Block Grant Funds at 7:53 p.m.  
Pappas stated the 1991-92 funds had previously been allocated for an area which was designated as low income. The City no longer has any areas which are designated low income, so these funds need to be reallocated. There are currently \$1870 and \$1735 from 1991-92 which need to be reallocated and \$2600 from 1993-94 which needs to be reallocated.  
There were no public comments.  
The public hearing was closed at 7:59 p.m.  
Resolved by Roeser, supported by Schultz, "That a subcommittee, consisting of two Council members and Attorney Tom Ryan, be established to meet with a subcommittee of the Independence Township Board to negotiate the final changes in the asset division contracts. The subcommittee will bring the contracts back to the Council for final approval." Roll: Yeas-7, Nays-0. Resolution passed.  
Arkwright and Basinger were appointed to this subcommittee. They were requested by the Council to make a provision in the beach contract requiring the Township to give 180 days notice if they do not intend to operate the Deer Lake Beach. The Council also requested a list of beach improvements made and the associated costs of those improvements. The Council feels there is no reason the repayment for the White Lake Safety Path belongs in the asset division contracts. This should be a separate contract.  
The Downtown Parking Committee has not met yet.  
The Budget Hearing which was scheduled for Monday, June 12, 1995 has been changed to Tuesday, June 13, 1995 at 7:30 because the Village Hall will be used for the school election.  
The Village will not be providing a leaf pick up service this fall as this service is available through Smith Disposal.  
Permits for burning are available through the Independence Township Fire Department. The fire department will be responsible for enforcing the fire ordinance. There is no leaf burning in the Village.  
Moved by Arkwright, supported by Schultz, "In an effort to assure that people have their final building inspection, that there will be an increase in the construction bond fee from \$50 to \$100." Motion carried.  
Resolved by Roeser, supported by Secatch, "That a new pay scale for the DPW workers be established, effective July 1, 1995. Level I-\$6.00 per hour, Level II-\$7.00, Level III-\$7.50, Level IV-\$8.00, Level V-\$8.50. Advancement from one level to the next is by recommendation of the DPW Supervisor and the approval of the City Manager." Roll: Yeas-7, Nays-0. Resolution passed.  
Resolved by Roeser, supported by Basinger, "That the DPW supervisor's wages be increased to \$9.00 per hour plus \$50.00 per pay period for supervision." Roll: Yeas-7, Nays-0. Resolution passed.  
The lot split for the Kelley property was referred to the Planning Commission.  
Arkwright stated he would like to see the buildings drawn on lot split diagram.  
Secatch attended a meeting to consider different configurations for the Independence Township Library. This group will continue meeting to prepare a proposal for the Independence Township Board with their recommendations on how the library should be organized and aligned and funded.  
Moved by Roeser, supported by Schultz, "That the meeting be adjourned." Motion carried.  
The meeting was adjourned at 9:35 p.m.



# Lest we forget

As a silent crowd listened patiently in a soft rain, the roll call of names of all the departed veterans who have called Clarkston home, from Jeremiah Clark to Ivan Rouse, was read aloud, one name at a time.

It was a long list and it made one realize how many people, even in such a small town, have given part of their lives to make sure their country remained free. It was a fitting tribute as Clarkston celebrated Memorial Day Monday.

The reading was part of the services at Lakeview Cemetery after the American Legion and the Clarkston High School band had marched from downtown Clarkston. Rev. Dr. Robert Walters of Calvary Lutheran Church read the Gettysburg Address, and a men's choir sang "Tenting on the Old Camp Ground," which recalled wartime of old.

Independence Township Supervisor Dale Stuart said he remembered when the holiday was called Decoration Day, a name traced back to the Civil War when veterans' graves were decorated.

"Many in the prime of their lives have made the ultimate sacrifice so you and I could be free," he said. "May we by our lives prove that what they believed in was worth defending."

*By Annette Kingsbury*



The Clarkston High School marching band provided the music for the solemn memorial service.



Wreaths are placed at the flagpole.



The color guard enters Lakeview Cemetery.



No walking: kids get the easy route as dad does the pulling.