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Len Loveless in his classroom Monday. His students hadn't yet heard the news about his promotion to principal at Pine Knob Elementary

and wondered why he was getting his picture taken.

Teacher promoted to principal

Len Loveless takes the helm at Pine Knob

BY ANNETTE KINGSBURY
Clarkston News Editor

Though the Pine Knob Elementary School family was shocked and saddened when they learned their principal of only one year, Mike Dillon, had taken a job in another district, they were apparently overjoyed to learn this week that one of their own was being promoted to fill the job.

Fifth-grade teacher Leonard (Len) Loveless was announced at Monday night's board of education meeting as the new principal at Pine Knob. He was chosen from over 50 applicants by a committee consisting of parents, teachers and administrators.

A longtime Clarkston resident, Loveless has spent his entire teaching career in Clarkston. After graduation in 1975 from Michigan State University, he began teaching fourth grade at North Sashabaw Elementary. In 1982 he moved to Pine Knob, where he taught sixth grade; in 1984 he switched to fifth grade. Along the way he earned an MA in educational administration, also from MSU.

The Pine Knob PTA will host a reception in Loveless' honor Thursday at 6:30 p.m. at the school, prior to the PTA meeting.

Helen Carson, a Pine Knob parent, was thrilled

with the selection and was among those cheering the announcement at Monday's board meeting.

"All the parents are so excited," she said. "I hear the staff cheered so loud. We think you made a good decision. We think we have someone that's dedicated."

Superintendent Gary Haner said Loveless is the first elementary teacher promoted to principal in Clarkston since the 1960s, and the second-to-the-last man hired as an elementary teacher in the district. That fact concerns Loveless.

"We need to begin to look at the gender question for teachers at the elementary schools; perhaps work through the universities to let them know there are openings for qualified male teachers," he said.

Loveless, 45, and his wife Jane, a speech therapist in Clarkston, have three sons, Jeff, 16, Tim, 14 and Michael, 11. Loveless will remain in his classroom for two more weeks and an interim principal will remain on the job to help ease the transition.

Loveless has worked on the North Central Accreditation Committee at Pine Knob, the School Improvement Committee and district curriculum committees on health, physical education and social studies. He was also at one time a member of the bargaining team and the building representative for the Clarkston Education Association, the teachers' union.

Church members vocal about bar

BY DARREL W. COLE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

The concern was noted, but it may all be too late. Some members of the Clarkston Free Methodist Church gathered at the Independence Township Board of Trustees meeting Sept. 5 to publicly speak out against Couples, Inc. opening a bar at the corner of Maybee and Sashabaw roads.

Ten people told board members that they don't want this bar coming in because it will be bad for their neighborhood. The board took no action on the issue because a liquor license request, recommending approval, has already been forwarded by them to the state Liquor Control Commission.

The LCC will determine for itself whether a resort license will be granted to the establishment.

Rev. Roger Allen told board members his congregation wasn't aware of the previous meetings on the subject, but handed in a petition listing people who are against the liquor license request.

"We are opposed to Couples going in there and the concerns we have are many," said Allen.

Lisa Martin, who lives near the site, said, "We moved here a year ago looking for a nice, residential area and I'm appalled this is going to come in. If you want entertainment, please go find it somewhere else."

Other residents shared Martin's sentiments, saying things like, "We have an obligation of maintaining the quality of life," "I won't feel safe," and "Bridgewater Apartments has already increased the traffic and a bar

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Facilities committee gets its charge; now needs members

The Clarkston board of education announced Monday the job description for a soon-to-be-seated facilities committee. Now all it needs are people to get the job done.

The committee will be charged with looking into physical space at the elementary schools, how that space is used and equity between the buildings.

The board is hoping for a mixture of parents and non-parents from all geographic areas of the district, including members of the business community and civic organizations. The board and administration will act as resources to the committee but will not be active members.

Monday night the board set a kick-off meeting for the committee for Thursday, Sept. 21 at 7 p.m. at the administration building on Clarkston Rd. The board is hoping the facilities committee will come back with a recommendation later this fall.

Anyone interested in serving on the committee should contact a school principal or call central office at 625-4402 before Sept. 21.

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The news in brief

Boosters need muscle

The Clarkston High School boosters—both athletic and band—will be putting up bleachers for 800 people Saturday at the CHS athletic fields and are looking for help.

Booster/teacher Tom Brown said the work is expected to take all day Saturday and could go over into Sunday, depending on how much help shows up. Everyone is invited to help.

Free shots

Free immunizations for kids will be offered by the Oakland County Health Division at the Independence Woods Mobile Home Park, located on Mann Rd. in Clarkston, on Wednesday, Sept. 27 from 1-5 p.m. A parent or guardian must accompany each child and must bring immunization records. For more information call (810) 424-7146.

Gallery grand opening

The Clarkston Fine Arts Gallery will hold a grand opening Friday, Sept. 22 from 6-10 p.m.

The gallery, located in the Clarkston Crossings building, 7151 N. Main, just south of the I-75 interchange, represents 30 area artists who have combined to form a co-op. They come from all over northern Oakland County, including Clarkston, Brandon, Holly, Lake Orion, Oxford, and White Lake.

Entertainment at the grand opening will be provided by local musician Dan Hazlett and refreshments will be served. For more information call 625-8439.

Village Players debut "Murder"

The Clarkston Village Players' first production of the new season will premier Friday, Sept. 29.

"A Murder has been Arranged" is described as Hitchcockian in the way it unfolds the story of a big inheritance, the long-lost relative and the "accident" waiting to happen.

The play is directed by Verne Vacaro. Performances will be Sept. 29-30, Oct. 5-7 and Oct. 12-14. Showtimes are 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, with tickets priced at \$8. On Thursdays, showtime is 7:30 p.m. and tickets are \$6.

Depot Theatre is located on White Lake Rd. one mile southwest of Dixie Highway, right at the railroad tracks.

Auditions announced

The Clarkston Village Players have issued a casting call for an upcoming production of "The Cemetery Club," a tragi-comedy with parts for four women and one man.

Director for the production will be Donna Ellis. There are three choice roles for women, one smaller role for a woman, and a sizeable and important role for a man.

Auditions will be held Sunday, Sept. 19 at 4 p.m. and Wednesday, Sept. 20 at 7 p.m. at Depot Theatre, located on White Lake Rd. one mile southwest of Dixie Highway.

For more information on the auditions, call 625-1826.

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Farmers hold out against development

Roadside stands are the last of a vanishing breed

BY EILEEN OXLEY
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Farms are moving out. Development's moving in.

A sign of the times, some say, but not a welcome one. For small-scale area growers who sell their bounty at roadside stands each year, encroaching civilization means an end to the hard but idyllic life they've endured for years against the mellow backdrop of farmland and fruit trees.

Dennis Ashton's not sure what the future holds for his orchards in Independence Township and Ortonville. A family business since 1965, when he and his wife Sharon bought 10 acres in Independence, Ashton added 24 more in Brandon Township and sells a variety of fruit and other homemade edibles at his Ashton Orchards store, located at the second orchard on Seymour Lake Road.

"Primarily apples, but we do have peaches, pears, plums, sweet corn, winter squash, tomatoes...." Sharon Ashton said. People also make autumnal pilgrimages to buy baked goods, honey and cider.

The Ashtons are one of the few, small, family-owned produce businesses left in this part of Oakland County. Though larger farms have turned over valuable land to developers — for a price they couldn't refuse — little farms the size of the Ashtons' can survive if they have a strong buyers' market. But every year development increases in the surrounding areas, it gets harder, says Bob Tritten, district horticultural agent for Michigan State University Extension in Flint.

Tritten differentiates between large farms and



Fresh from the orchard, the peaches Sharon Ashton picks will be sold right at the little store she and her husband Dennis operate on Seymour Lake Road.



Nick Nichols, a builder-turned-farmer in Groveland Township, sells produce to some customers at his roadside stand in front of

Bordine's in Springfield Township. He describes corn season as "feeding frenzy at the shark pool."

what he calls farm markets, "where a farm is selling directly to the public or consumer" — at a roadside stand or small store located right at the farm (or somewhere else where there's an arrangement with another property owner). Labeled "farm-fresh produce," it's exactly that. It passes directly from field to consumer with no middleman.

But "if development moves in, it's harder and harder for farms to continue farming when the new residences surround them." Britton said, citing complaints from homeowners who can't put up with the everyday situations of your average farmer.

"Reasons include spraying with pesticides or, if there's animal operation, spreading manure which would have some aroma to it. Or tractor work at night, noise ..."

Another big factor that ends such businesses, said Tritten, is the lure of selling the farm to a developer who can offer the small grower more than his profit. Land gets even more valuable every year.

"When they can sell their property for 10 to 20 times the value of what they make, it's quite a temptation," Tritten said, pointing specifically to older growers. "Most farmers don't have retirement programs. Their land is their retirement program, their land is their pension. That's their opportunity to cash in."

In addition, taxation is an issue which makes it hard to survive, says Tritten. "Because in some areas where development is high, there is a possibility that the local assessors treat it more as residential land than agricultural land." That's because some townships ended their agricultural zoning years ago, said Independence Township planner Dick Carlisle.

"Many years ago Independence Township did abandon an exclusive agriculture zone. A few communities developed a rural/residential category (R1R) where agricultural uses are permitted." But, he added, the higher-taxed residential category is a reality and doesn't help the farmer, who once relied on the lower tax rate of agricultural zoning. "The problem is agri-

cultural usage pretty much has ceased to exist."

A fourth reason for the decline of small farms is perhaps the biggest: The children aren't interested. Therefore, if someone doesn't buy the business Mom and Dad have worked to prosperity, development usually wins.

"In our case, so far, I don't think any of the kids want it," said Dennis Ashton, whose four daughters have gone into professional careers like engineering and social work. "Unless we can sell it for a business, it'll probably be split up as development ... They'll come in here and rip these trees out and build houses."

Another area grower who faces development pressure is Nick Nicols, a former builder who ironically traded sawdust for the blood, sweat and tears of farming — gladly.

"I always said I'd never have a garden when I grow up because I hate to weed. I still hate to weed," Nicols said. But the product — a peaceable, fulfilling lifestyle — is so rewarding. Nicols first moved from Waterford to his newly purchased acreage in Groveland Township to raise horses with his wife Pam. A friend suggested that they plant a little sweet corn to sell as well.

"I'd go out and put corn in front and a coffee can out and they were on the honor system. The next year I added a few more things, then tomatoes, peppers, cantaloupe, watermelon ... It kept getting bigger and bigger. I guess it was the success we'd been looking for."

Every fall people flock to his farm for "Harvest Days," where he offers horse-drawn hay rides, a petting farm and hay mazes, among other activities. His two roadside stands are located at the farm and in front of Bordine's on Dixie Highway in Springfield Township, where he sells his own homegrown produce as well as other products from area farmers.

"Fruit we don't raise. That comes from local orchards. My cousin raises my melons for me. He can

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Courthouse to move back October 2

BY ANNETTE KINGSBURY
Clarkston News Editor

Though it seems the building which will house 52-2 District Court has been rebuilt relatively quickly, it wasn't fast enough for the employees who had to relocate to Pontiac.

The courthouse, located at the end of Citation Drive in Independence Township, burned beyond saving last Devils' Night. Along with the court, a number of small businesses and the Chamber of Commerce lost much of their records and were forced to find other accommodations.

Now, the court is preparing to move back in. Court operations will shut down on Friday, Sept. 29 and reopen Monday, October 2. According to court administrator Jill Palulian, the space will be similar but slightly larger than the former Clarkston location, about 2,800 square feet more.

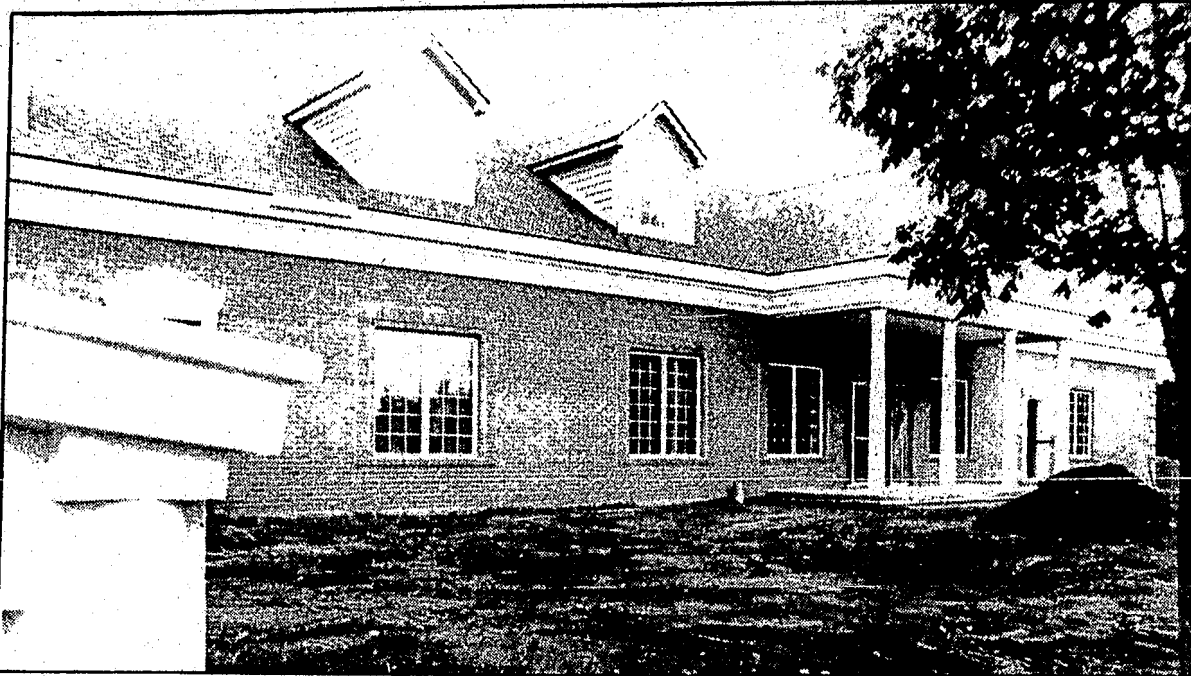
The extra space will accommodate the additional staff needed for a visiting judge, as well as a larger probation department.

"They were already on site with us," Palulian said, and were being forced to use spaces that had been designated for use by the public.

In the interim, the court has been located in Pontiac, near Summit Place Mall in a space owned by Oakland County. In addition to the court, former tenants Barry Breidenbaugh and the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce will be moving back in.

As of presstime, the new building, which will be leased by the county, had sprinklers installed but an agreement on paying for water to the area had not yet been reached.

The township water system runs past Citation Drive on M-15, but it will cost \$86,200 to bring it back to the courthouse and the other new buildings planned



The new 52-2 District Court building on Citation Drive was receiving finishing touches last week.

for construction on the site, including new police and fire offices.

An agreement for a special assessment to pay for the water hook-up has been drawn up by the township and a public hearing was held June 6, but the agreement has not yet been signed.

The building which burned was only equipped with sprinklers in the mechanical room. The fire started elsewhere.

Palulian said the court has learned a few lessons from the fire. Though personal mementos can never be replaced, they know now that any paperwork that hasn't been logged on computer at the end of the day

goes in the safe overnight.




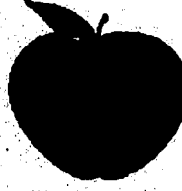

In addition, workers learned they must keep information on the county mainframe computer longer. After the fire, some material was purged from the computer during the first couple of days, when the court was basically out of business. Now, they'll store information for a week.

"We were a lot more fortunate than others in the facility," Palulian said. "But it's all the personal things we lost."

She herself lost an old newspaper article about her mother, who has since died.

"That's gone and I feel bad about that. I had read the article at work and just left it in my desk."

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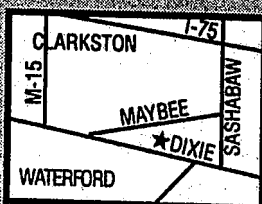


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Doing something about national debt

BY ANNETTE KINGSBURY
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The national debt is something a lot of people would rather not know about.

Scary numbers showing how much each of us, as Americans, owe on the debt are staggering. The thought of it all escalating even more for the next generation is mind-boggling.

A few people are trying to do something about it. A three-year-old group known as the Concord Coalition is organizing the Ninth Congressional District and invites local residents to its first meeting, Monday, Sept. 25 in Davison.

The Concord Coalition was formed by two former Senators, Paul Tsongas (D., Massachusetts) and Warren Rudman (R., New Hampshire). It is a non-profit group dedicated to reducing the federal deficit. J. James Reed and Barbara Reed of Clarkston are leading the effort to form the new chapter.

"Basically it's grass-roots people that are trying to get Congress to bite the bullet and get rid of the deficit, not just deficit spending," said Barbara Reed. "It's not political, not Democrats or Republicans."

Mike Present, state coordinator for the Concord Coalition in Michigan, said the group got its name from the battles of Concord and Lexington, the sites of the first battles of the American Revolution.

"We are not calling for the overthrow of the government," he said, referring to those revolutionary roots. "This really came out of the Tsongas for President effort. He knew Rudman from the Senate. They were put together by Peter Peterson, a former Nixon Secretary of Commerce."

Present said he was moved to become a member after seeing Tsongas and Rudman on a news broadcast. There are now about 4,500 Michigan residents on

the mailing list. Local chapters are organized along congressional district lines.

Jamie Ridge, spokesman for the Concord Coalition in Washington, D.C., said there are about 150,000 members all over the country, including all 50 states. They are perhaps best known for their travelling "debt clock," a sort of scoreboard that ticks off the national debt in graphic form.

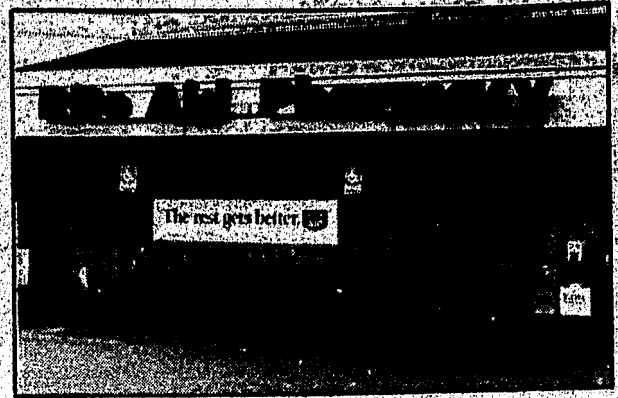
The Coalition also holds what Ridge called "debt-busters" seminars in which individuals try to balance the budget for themselves, "to show how difficult it really is so they in turn will support the members of Congress who supports the cuts," Ridge said. "You show that the only equitable way to do this is for everyone to pitch in . . . But it will be a sacrifice for everyone."

Right now, according to Concord Coalition figures, every family in the country owns \$79,300 as their share of the national debt. Interest is over \$500 per month. Every year since 1967, no matter which party has been in power, federal spending has exceeded income.

The Concord Coalition encourages its members to meet with their Congressmen and hold local forums in which experts are brought in to talk about the debt.

"A lot of our efforts are geared toward the younger generations that are going to bear this burden," Ridge said. "But interestingly enough, the majority of our members are over 50 . . . These people understand the consequences to their kids and grandkids."

The Concord Coalition meeting will be held at First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall, 208 E. Fourth St, Davison from 7:15-9 p.m. Concord's state chairman, Mike Present, will attend.



The name, it is a'changin'

Years of history came down as the old Perry's sign was scrapped at Store #4592 at the corner of Dixie and M-15 over Labor Day weekend. Former Perry's store manager Jim Gibbs will keep his position, as well as his employees, at the new Rite-Aid location. "About the only thing changing is the name," said Gibbs, who is waiting to sell the last remnants of Perry stock before Rite-Aid merchandise fully replaces it. The nationwide chain bought out Perry last year. But people can still expect to find the same prices as well as favorites like Russell Stover candies, American Greetings cards, up-to-midnight service and a pharmacy. A sign out front reminds them: "The best of Perry stays. The rest gets better — Rite Aid."

Corrections

● Jerome (Jerry) Carter was incorrectly identified as an architect in last week's Clarkston News story about the new Thomasville Furniture store. Carter is a certified professional building designer and as such is not allowed to use the designation "architect."



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Editorial



In Focus

by Annette Kingsbury

Aging is not for sissies

It seems like every time I turn around now, I have some new ache or pain. Getting old—what a drag. It can't be happening—not to me!

When I look at the older generations in my family—those from whom I've inherited some wonderful trait or disease—I think, "Gee; I wonder if that will be me in 25 or 50 years." It's not a pleasant thought to look ahead and not like what you see.

But I have this friend. I won't say her name because she doesn't allow her name and age to be used together. She turned 90 earlier this year and she's as feisty as ever. Once in awhile things do get her down. But she struggles to keep her head above that psychological black water that ebbs over all of us from time to time, no matter what our age.

My friend no longer drives as much as she used to, which bothers her. She's used to being active in the community. A widow whose only child lives some distance away, she has no interest in climbing onto her rocking chair and staying there for the duration. No siree.

Rather, she cares passionately about culture, and about kids getting the proper upbringing. A former teacher and social worker, she hasn't lost the fire that drove her into those helping professions in the first place.

But it just isn't that easy to get around any more. And gosh darn it, it just isn't fair. Life for a woman alone has never been easy, and adding old age to that just makes it more difficult. My friend has been making me think about that a lot lately.

Unfortunately, most of us who are still in the working world are far too busy these days to get out and do the kinds of things we might really like to do. Like getting a carload of friends together to go to the theater or art museum—you get the picture. I used to do those things on a whim until recently. Suddenly, somehow, there's no time anymore.

It seems a pity that now we all have to carry around our planners; we have to schedule in our friends. We can't "do lunch" without at least a month's notice. One friend and I just exchanged Christmas presents this summer; it had been that long since we'd gotten together.

Growing up in the '60s, it was popular to talk about stopping to smell the roses. Nowadays, I've got the roses planted along my very own walkway, but I never have time to take a whiff.

My friend has the time now, but no one else does. It bothers her sometimes. I like that. If it ever stops bothering her, I'll worry. But I wonder; when I am 90, will I regret not taking the time now?

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Making the best of a bad situation

Citizens, including those of us in the press, should be wary of Independence Township's investment problems. But we should also be fair and understand that arbitrations, derivatives, and the many other facets of this predicament are no easy matter to handle.

Whenever a problem of this magnitude and complexity arises, people naturally doubt those in charge because, oftentimes, we don't understand. And when we get confused, we become even more cynical.

Here at The Clarkston News, we've investigated, researched and discussed countless aspects of the investment problems with sources in and out of the township. When we have written stories, we've based them on documents, facts and what we are being told.

For over a year The Clarkston News has tried to keep citizens on top of this story by doing our homework and trying to understand the issues. We think we've done that.

And throughout all this, we have also come to believe officials in Independence Township are doing all they can to get out of this derivative-securities mess that treasurer John Lutz and two brokers got them into.

Some may say the township is taking too long to end these problems or paying too much in attorney and consultant fees (by now over \$100,000), or that hiring an investment manager isn't the right thing to do.

Those concerns are legitimate and should be discussed, but what are the options? Putting limits on attorney fees, rushing the arbitration cases or not hiring a money manager to help get rid of the four bad investments would only hurt the township in the long run and, ultimately, mean doing the job only half-way. We don't expect everyone to agree all the time on

the many issues involved. And over the past year, differences have come up. In the end, however, township officials have been focused on ending this battle.

We have found supervisor Dale Stuart and clerk Joan McCrary, two people who don't always see eye-to-eye, to be upfront and candid about the investment problems, both on and off the record.

Although we have had disagreements on how to cover particular aspects of this continuing story, we have not once been misled or deceived by them, or for that matter, board trustees.

Treasurer John Lutz on the other hand hasn't said too much of anything, except that he was given bad advice when he originally invested over \$5 million in risky securities.

No doubt some readers will still be wary, despite the progress that has been made, and despite what we write in this editorial. And they are not alone because we also have our doubts.

* We have to question, as McCrary does, whether hiring a money manager takes away some of the duties Lutz was elected to do.

* We don't like the fact Dykema Gossett attorneys recommended the township accept a secret settlement (although we have since found out what it is) with PaineWebber, which put township officials in the tough position of explaining why.

There are other questions, but on the whole, they don't add up to much considering how big the investment problem is.

And we've also reported facts that made some uneasy. About a month ago, we reported that the

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Jim's Jottings

By Jim Sherman

How did the dirt get there? and more

I can still hear my Mother saying, loudly, "Don't forget to wash behind your ears!"

That demand came back to me recently when, while washing an ear, I thought, 'Gee, this really feels good.' The difference is that I was washing inside an ear, not behind one.

Of course, Mother's ear cleaning command, like many others (clean up your plate, get your feet off the sofa, don't slam the door, etc) is still obeyed.

I did a small, office-wide survey of Mothers, asking if they instruct their children to wash behind their ears. I think it was a unanimous 'yes!'

Then I asked why they demanded their children to wash behind their ears and again I think the answer was unanimous, "Because I've seen dirt behind their ears."

How did it get there?

Think about it. Behind ears is not easy to get to, unless dirt knows something I don't know, and that's possible.

Was it put there by dirty hands after an urge to itch? Is it wind-blown? Is it really important to have it removed? Does anyone besides that Mother even look behind their child's ear?

Show me a person who looks behind a non-

family member's ears and I'll show you a gossiping busy-body whose house is a mess, whose husband drinks, who never goes to church and has halitosis.

Another thing about dirt, that we all have noticed: As soon as your hands get dirty two things happen:

1. One of your eyes itch.
2. You have to go to the bathroom.

Tomato ripening season may be my favorite time of year. It certainly is the greatest time of year to eat bacon and tomato sandwiches. I learned a lesson this season about cooking bacon that I had not heard nor learned in my other multiple years of cooking bacon: Never fry bacon without a shirt on! Wow, I've got little red spots above my belt that may never go away.

I have no idea why someone sent me a "Detroit Metropolitan Woman" magazine, but I don't think it was for the article "Tips for buying a bra." Maybe it was so I could see the two most prominent and colorful ads were for the Windsor Casino on the back and the Leelanau Sands Casino inside the cover.

The publishers should take another look at the map of Detroit.

A look back

15 YEARS AGO (1980)

The latest proposal from Pine Knob Investment co-owners Gary Francell and Joseph Locricchio is a ski ramp that would rest 185 feet above Pine Knob's highest peak. The 4,000-foot-long ski ramp will be presented to the Independence Township planning commission for conceptual review this month. "Essentially, it's everything, less the hotel," says Timothy Palulian, head of the township building and planning department.

The sixth annual Crafts and Cider Festival is finally here. It will be sponsored by the Clarkston Community Historical Society and will be held at the Clarkston Village Park on Depot Road, just west of Main Street. This year's festival features over 70 craftsmen who will sell a variety of wares.

Fresh from a 43-0 cake walk with Swartz Creek last week, the Clarkston Wolves pass a critical test Friday evening with the Clintondale Dragons. They celebrate a well-earned 14-7 victory over a team with a hard-hitting line, backfield speed and experience Swartz Creek lacks. "We're 2-0, but we start the season all over again Friday," says CHS football coach Walt Wynimeko.

25 YEARS AGO (1970)

The Oakland County Board of Commissioners votes to put a 3-mill property tax hike on the November general election ballot. Voters in Independence Township and others throughout Oakland County will be asked to increase the non-voted tax limit to 18 mills. The current limit is 15 mills. If approved by county voters, the County Tax Allocation Board would be eliminated.

The Clarkston Women's Club wins top honors in the Labor Day Parade, taking second place is the Clarkston Rotary Club with Senior Girl Scout Troop 206 coming in third. The theme of this year's parade was "Michigan, the 4-season state."

The 5th annual Deer Lake Sail Regatta attracts 23 entries with Bill Pfahlert and his son sailing out on their Pintail to win top honors. Second place goes to Al Schaller who sails his Marilyn's Mink, with third place won by Mark Howell and his Sunfish.

50 YEARS AGO (1945)

News from "By the Way": Smoke could be seen coming from many chimneys around town the last few days. The weather turned so chilly this week after such a warm weekend that many of the school classrooms have vacant seats. A great many children are confined to their homes with severe colds... Seems good to hear of our boys, and girls too, returning from overseas. Mr. Gassick had a letter from Mary saying she is heading for the USA... How about all of us getting in on the "kick-off" by attending the Clarkston High School's first football game of the season, with Goodrich, here, next Friday, Sept 21, and then attending the seniors' kick-off in the school auditorium that night... Have you noticed the beautiful flower gardens about town? The late blooms seem more colorful this year than ever before. The gardens at the Glenn Howland home and the home of Ada Scrace are really worth seeing.

Clarkston Public School opens its doors to 468 students the first day of school. Some students have not reported yet and some are still attending fairs. The total enrollment is nearly the same as last year, although some of the elementary classes are smaller and the upper grades slightly larger. Coach Thayer has about 20 boys show up for football practice but he wishes that some of the big fellows who signed up will come out for training.

60 YEARS AGO (1935)

A comparison of inquiries at Michigan State College from readers of bulletins, journals and weekly papers shows Michigan weekly newspapers furnish their subscribers not only with the hometown happenings. The comparison also shows that weeklies keep readers informed with the latest developments in farming.

Movies at the Holly Theatre this week include "Public Hero No. 1" with Chester Morris and Jean Arthur, and "Don't Bet on Blondes," starring Warren William, Guy Kibbee and Claire Dodd.

Specials at Waterbury's Home Market this week include short ribs (steer beef), 14 cents a pound; Fels Naptha Soap, five bars for 23 cents; Defiance Salad Dressing, 29 cents a jar, and pink salmon, two cans for a quarter.

If It Fitz

by Jim Fitzgerald

A drinking problem: Milk's too hard to get



A committee of experts assembled by the National Institutes of Health proclaimed that Americans should drink more milk because we need more calcium to keep our bones from getting brittle.

Tell that to restaurants. Tell it to grocery stores. Tell it to my wife.

I want milk with my meals. I'm irked by restaurants that don't want to sell me milk. I want to kill waitpersons who remember to bring 15 different wines from France and Germany but forget to bring one glass of milk from the kitchen.

Most restaurants hand you a cup of coffee when you walk in the door, whether you want it or not. An empty cup is always at hand, and if you don't want it filled, you'd better sit on it. Restaurants never run out of coffee. They'd rather run out of forks.

I once attended a big banquet on the campus of an agricultural college. There was a coffee cup and a wine glass included in every setting. If you wanted milk, you had to put in a special order.

The milk came in a half-pint carton, along with a soda straw. To open the carton, you had to be a safe-cracker. The purpose of the banquet was to honor leaders of the dairy industry. Honest to God.

Restaurants often run out of milk because they don't keep an adequate supply on hand for fear a carton or two might turn sour before it can be sold. The theory behind this brilliant marketing is that it's better for customers' bones to break than to risk losing a few cents on dumped milk.

When milk is available, the trick is to get it when you want it. I want it with the main course. I don't want it with the soup and salad, because then the milk grows warm before I'm ready to drink it.

I don't want it with dessert because that's when I'm busy sobbing and endangering brittle hand-bones by pounding the table because waitpersons never deliver milk when you want it, although they'll pour coffee down your gullet every two minutes.

OK, buy your milk in a supermarket. Bring along a magnifying glass so you can read the turn-sour date on the cartons. Many stores display milk on a slide, with the oldest milk in front, and the freshest way up in back. That's so the oldest milk will be sold first, and the store won't get stuck with sour milk, but maybe you will, unless you risk an avalanche.

Because I'm the only milk drinker in my home, and a half-gallon lasts a long time, I want to buy the freshest milk in back. So I have to temporarily remove the older milk in front until fresher milk slides into reach. This makes me feel furtive and foolish, especially when the cartons careen out of control and fall on my feet. The customer is always squashed.

So anyway, I get the milk home in time for dinner and I want to put the carton in front of me on the dining room table so I can drink exactly the amount of milk I desire. To me, this makes such more sense than repeated refill trips to the kitchen and back.

It also eliminates the risk of milk being spilled from an open glass carried by a man with bones embrittled by an unreasonable wife. You see, my wife is unalterably opposed to my strengthening my bones in this reasonable manner.

She goes nuts whenever anyone places an ordinary carton of milk within convenient reach of the people who want to drink it. She insists that nothing in this messy world looks worse than a carton of milk in the middle of a dinner table.

The last time she insisted this, her ironing board had been up in the middle of the family room for two weeks.

The National Institutes of Health committee concluded: "Recent nutrition surveys have shown that the average diet of Americans has a calcium intake considerably below the recommended daily allowance."

What with restaurants, supermarkets and wives, is it any wonder? I ask you.

Don't Rush Me

By Don Rush

Pennies from the Planet of the Apes



First things first: If I were to take a picture of one thing in this town that represents this town, what would I take a picture of?

Is there a playground, a pond, park, Natural Beauty Road that sums up living in this community? Put your thinking caps on and pass on your ideas to me. You have one week. Write down your idea and send it to me at PO Box 108, Oxford, MI 48371.

Recently, I had cause to take another trip down memory lane. Where I stopped Christmas music, cigarette smoke and laughter all fought for what little space there was at Grandma and Grandpa McDonald's house.

The 1960s were fast coming to an end, this would be the last Christmas Eve celebration before the decade of the 1970s. The little house on Bentler Street, on Detroit's west side, was packed with adults, teens and kids. It was loud and space was sparse.

I was a kid, so the air around knee level was clean enough to breath without coughing.

I remembered back to that Christmas Eve celebration because that was the year my Uncle Jim gave me a two-foot tall, brown plastic Planet of the Apes bank.

Two weeks ago my bride and I spilled the bank's innards.

I had been anticipating this moment for over 20 years. I wanted to see what I had put in the dang thing. We filled a five-gallon bucket with pennies (there were a few dime-slugs, nickels, dimes and quarters, but less than three bucks worth).

Desiree went to the bank and picked up a sack full of paper penny rolls -- this was going to be the fun part. The only instructions I had for Des was to look for wheat-back pennies and put them aside.

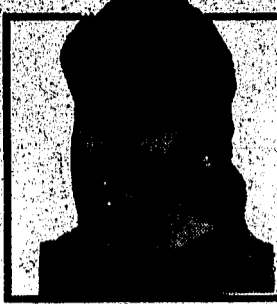
And then we started... until I heard: "Tell me you are not looking at every single penny."

What could I say? I smiled and tried to work a reply that would make me look good. "Well, I, er, I'm looking for wheaties, birth years of members of the family and I'm saving pennies from 1976."

My reply didn't quite get me off the hook as I had hoped. Des was -- what's a good word -- exasperated. She rolled her eyes as only a wife can and said, "I can't believe you."

She then proceeded to count and chuck the pennies faster than before. I went back to my task, but then added a new twist. I decided to keep a set of pennies from each year available.

She lasted about another 15 minutes. Needless to say I now pre-sort the pennies before she can lay her mitts on them.



Ei-liners by Eileen Oxley

The peaceable kingdom

This is yet another one of those "I Remember When" stories, but bear with me. Most of you, I'm sure, have similar memories.

It was many years ago (I won't say HOW many) when one of my favorite pastimes was hitting the old apple orchard that lay beyond our Holland, Michigan property.

As a youngster, I couldn't wait to scamper back there and shimmy to the top of the heavy-laden trees to sample nature's sever-new harvest. Although I couldn't identify the numerous varieties, it didn't matter. All I knew was they tasted good. There were big ones, little ones, striped ones and solid red ones. I even found a few yellow apples which were probably Golden Delicious.

My friends and I enjoyed taking a few bites — spitting the worm holes out — just to savor the experience. I guess there was something alluring and romantic about tromping through the high, grassy fields and the rows and rows of apple trees. If anybody owned the rambling orchard in those days, they obviously didn't care about childhood's intrusion. It was uncared for and left to fend for itself. That, of course, was its charm.

Many times I came home with an upset stomach after eating too many green apples in the first burst of golden summer because I was impatient for their ripening. But that was part of the yearly ritual.

We built tree houses and ran through the fields, breathless in the wide-open spaces, seeking adventure, chasing butterflies and looking at the creepy branches when the moon took over. We'd lay on our backs, singing snatches of songs, telling each other what we saw in the clouds.

Though I was part princess/part tomboy, I never felt so fully myself as when I tripped down the field, pigtails waving, in my Keds and the jeans my mom was

forever sewing patches on. My friends and I played we were either wild ponies or orphans and took our shoe-box lunches and dolls to "The Field." To us, it was truly a kids' kingdom that no grownups could enter.

And, as we explored and grew up, we found other treasures — pears, plums, berries and grapes. I never stopped to think that someone must have planted them and worked the land hard at one time. For the neighborhood kids, it was a place of imagination and a place to uncover wonder, bugs and baby birds. A place we created for ourselves.

I even had one tree I used for "thinking." I climbed to the top where I could see all over the neighborhood, and contemplated my life at four-and-a-half years old. It was my special place throughout the years. No one knew that, not even my best friend. I perched there to solve my young problems — boy-friends, school, parents, why I had to clean my room and why I couldn't have a dog.

A few years ago I returned to Holland and was shocked to see a home had been built back there. Gone were the apple trees and secret places where I once played "hide-and-seek" and "Moses-in-the-bullrushes." Soon there were more houses and more development. Bulldozers came in and their steady hum overpowered the peaceful chirping of birds and crickets.

This week I interviewed local growers for a story on disappearing roadside stands and the inevitable encroachment of subdivisions and apartment dwellings upon farmland and orchards. With those interviews, my idyllic world came floating back.

We can't stop progress, that's true. Folks move north, out of the city and into the country. And, ironically, the city follows them.

But, hopefully, the child of today can have a chance to play at being the country mouse — whether it be in an old apple orchard, field or woods. Before the bulldozers move in.

Heritage Hunt II by Virginia Block

It's difficult for lots of folks to get out and about for researching purposes and we'd address this also to those non-travelers via the computer.

We spent our "holiday" locating many resource books that we have in our home library and found to our surprise that we needed to review much we had gathered early in our beginning of the Apperson, Newell and Leiman research.

In 1976, we were fortunate to be able to purchase a copy of "The Apperson Family in America" by Vera Apperson English. Now, nearly 20 years later, we find much more of interest that adds lines some of you may be seeking.

Hundreds of surnames are indexed, especially Poindexter, Norman, York, Sprinkle, plus the Johnsons, Taylors, Jgnes and Smiths, plus "southern" lines that began in New Kent Co., Va., and spread from coast to coast.

We have located our "First Landowners of St Clair Co., Mich," many issues of quarterlies (Lost in Canada), we have the copy of Federal Land Patents of Kent Co., Mich., and a copy of the history of Union Co., Ohio. The Ohio book lists military lists of soldiers from Union Co. killed in service, and might be helpful in identifying a soldier to obtain military records.

We have the family histories of Aaron Webster (back to the Constitution Governor), Moses Wisner lines back to England, many large family tree charts of the families of Lake, Denison, Moon and too many

to list, for this time.

If you have a connection to the Warren line, Mary Wilson of Flushing has traced her connection back to the Revolution on that line, as well as the Marvin line.

Ann Crawford has added much info on her Clapp, Tucker and Patchin lines since visiting the Pontiac Area Historical and Genealogical collection. The society begins its regular fall meetings Sept. 14, 1995 at 7:30 p.m. in the lower level of the library, 60 E. Pike St.

"Coming Home" will feature the adventures of four members who this summer made special trips both here and abroad to rediscover family ties and histories. Beginners are offered help, the public is welcome at no charge.

We hope you'll come pay us a visit, and learn how fast we can help your research. As president of the Society, I guarantee you'll be happy you came. Happy Hunting.

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People poll

By Eileen Oxley

What's your favorite pig-out food?

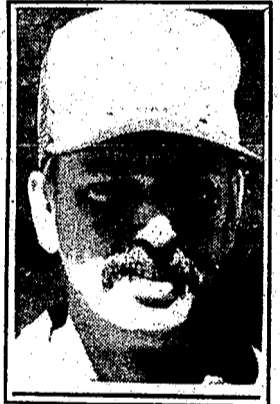
MARQUIS HARRIS, CLARKSTON: Crackers and cheese. But, to be truthful, I'm not a pig-out person. I try to watch what I eat. I avoid sweets, chips and run four to five miles every day.



LESLIE CASCONI, CLARKSTON: Chocolate, anything chocolate ... candy ... Snickers!



MIKE HARRIS, CLARKSTON: I don't (pig out). I like sweets and stuff, but if you eat too much it's not good for you.



RITA ROBERTS, ORTONVILLE: I like those Little Debbie's -- You know, like the striped zebra cakes



GERALD N. HEAD, MACEDAY LAKE: Barbequed pork. I'm from Tennessee. You probably know that from my accent.



Balloon festival returns to Springfield Oaks

Balloon races and a Festival of Light are just two of the events scheduled during the 10th annual Springfield Oaks Hot Air Balloon Festival Sept. 22-24.

For the first time the festival will include races sanctioned by the Balloon Federation of America. They are scheduled, weather permitting, at 7:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Sept. 23-24.

Other activities will include the Pugh Shows Carnival; a high-school band exhibition on Saturday, noon-3 p.m.; and a cheerleading exhibition Sunday,

noon-3; a petting zoo; Saturday demolition derby and a mini-tractor pull competition on Sunday. There will also be music, line dancing and an antique show (Sunday only).

The festival is sponsored by Oakland County Parks, Davisburg Rotary and the Oakland County 4-H Board. The park is located on Andersonville Rd. near Hall Rd. in Davisburg. For more information call 625-8133 (tdd 858-1684).

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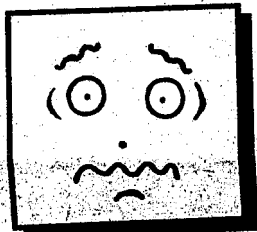
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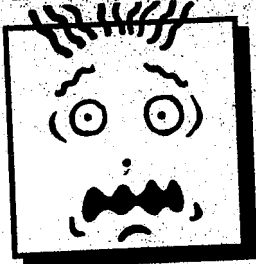
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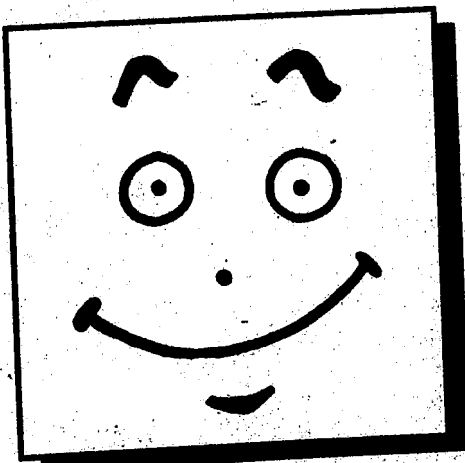
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Letters to the editor

This visitor will remember Clarkston

Dear Editor,

I am a designer for Thomasville Furniture Ind. and live in High Point, N.C. Recently, I was in Clarkston for a week setting up the new Thomasville Home Furnishings Store.

I am writing because I stayed at the Millpond Inn Bed & Breakfast. Since my job requires me to travel, I have stayed in many different kinds of places, from luxury hotels to roadside motels. Never, in 12 years of traveling across the United States, have I been treated like I was at the Millpond.

I arrived on Tuesday afternoon. On Wednesday morning, I mentioned to Joan, who owns the Millpond along with her husband Buck, that it was my wedding anniversary. I called my husband that morning at home, wished him a happy anniversary and went to the store to work.

That evening I came in at about 10. Joan said, "Oh, come in, you're just in time for your anniversary party." To my amazement, she had chocolate cake and hot tea ready and had put a beautiful rose in my room. It made the day so much more special to me. This story does not end there, however.

Every morning I enjoyed a very pleasant breakfast and talked with the other guests, who were usually there on business. We all had busy schedules and were out early.

I planned to leave on Saturday so I packed up and checked out. Later that day, Joan showed up at the Thomasville store with an article of clothing I had left in my room. By this time, I knew that I wasn't going to finish my work in time to fly out that afternoon, so I asked for a room for another night. There was going to be a party at the store that night but my dress was packed in my luggage. I asked Joan if she

would take it back to the Millpond Inn and hang it up. Then I realized that I had forgotten to bring jewelry to wear and asked her to pick some out for me.

When I returned to my room, only about an hour before the party, I went in my room and there was my rose, two necklaces, two pair of earrings to choose from, and my dress hanging up and ready to wear. There was also a couple there who were going to a concert that night but their car had broken down. Would you believe that Buck volunteered to drive them to the concert and go back to pick them up when it was over?

This letter is written to thank Joan and Buck Kopietz for a very pleasant stay and for all the little extras that made my visit so much easier. But this letter is also to let the community know how important this service is to your town.

I doubt very much that I would have felt as positive about Clarkston had I viewed it from a roadside motel or from a hotel 30 minutes away. My experience with the owners of the Millpond Inn was extremely gratifying as was my experience at the Thomasville Home Furnishings store. Everyone I met in Clarkston went above and beyond what was required. I will always remember the friendliness and help I received from the people in Clarkston.

Sincerely,
Teresa Childress

Consumers beware!

My wife and I recently purchased a home in Clarkston through a real estate firm. At their suggestion we hired a home inspection company and paid them \$200 for the inspection.

Our offer on the house was contingent on a good inspection report. The inspection company we hired distributes brochures that state they inspect heating and cooling systems. The report we received did not state furnace was unsafe to operate.

After moving into the house we had a heating contractor clean and service the furnace. At this time, the heating contractor discovered cracks in the heat exchanger and stated the furnace was unsafe to operate. When I called the inspector and told him the problem, he stated that he never checks heat exchangers in furnaces. He also stated to the real estate firm that since I signed accepting the inspection report, he has no legal responsibility.

The inspection company and the real estate firm both have stated they have papers I signed that relieve them of legal responsibilities.

I wonder if business people involved in this transaction feel they have any moral responsibilities to their customers.

Clifford W. Smart
Clarkston

PTA welcomes newcomers

Dear Editor,

As the school year begins, the Clarkston PTA Council would like to welcome everyone back and introduce ourselves to those who are new to the school district.

PTA supports and coordinates many valuable programs in our schools, and is an advocate for children nationwide.

Last year our school district had over 1,500 PTA members from seven different schools united in our concern for children. Five area businesses joined our PTA.

So as your local school begins their membership drive please give them your support.

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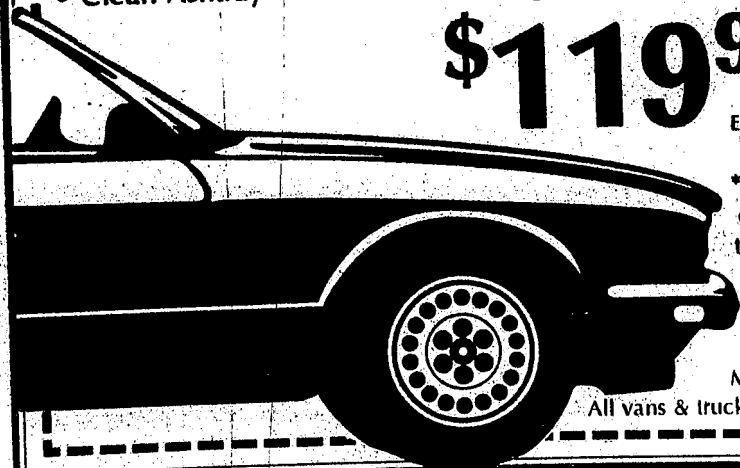
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More letters

It's that fall fund-raising time

You hear the running pater of young feet on your walkway. The doorbell rings. You know that on the other side of your door is the scariest sight of the fall season... the pleading eyes of the neighborhood munchkins, bags in hand, begging for your attention and... bucks.

No, it's not Halloween. It's Fall Fund-Raising Time for school, church, sports, band, pom-poms, etc., etc., etc. We are all besieged by a panorama of "opportunities" to buy light bulbs, magazines, candy, cheese, coupon books, and, of course, "Great Gift Ideas."

Before you follow your instincts and dive for

(that hiding place behind the couch, consider these two points: their keen sense of hearing can pick up the sound of your breathing, so don't bother, and, those goblins really don't want to be bugging you. They'd rather be playing, or practicing, or anything else besides "soliciting," but, they want to be in sports, go to camp, get computer and playground equipment or other neat stuff for their school.

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So, even if you have already over-spent on the

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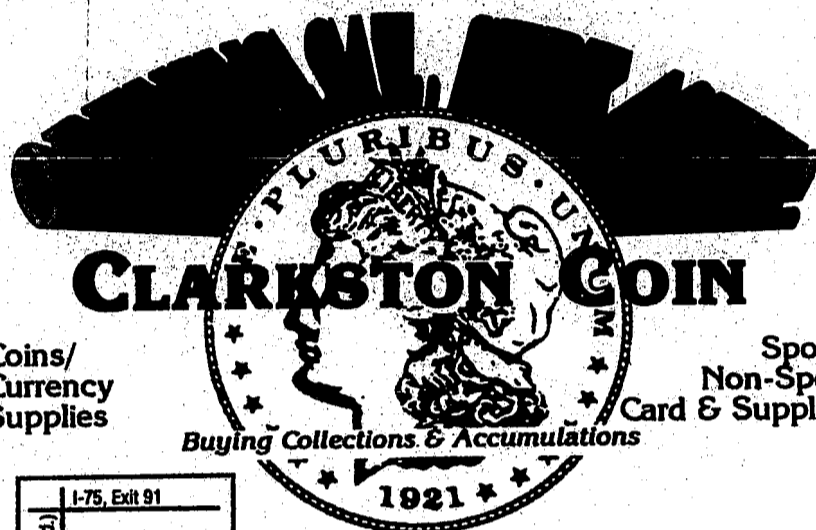
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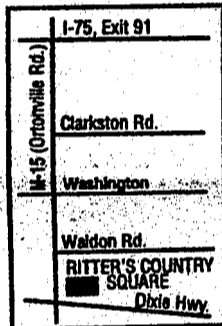
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Around town



Kurkowski-Castellon

Trisha L. Kurkowski and Roberto J. Castellon, both of Port Charlotte, FL, announce their engagement. Trisha is the daughter of Robert and Camy Wilson of Port Charlotte and Phillip and Zoe Kurkowski of Holly. She graduated from Port Charlotte High School in 1990 and currently attends the University of Florida in Gainesville. Roberto is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Mauricio Castellon of Port Charlotte. He graduated from Port Charlotte High School in 1988 and Duke University in Durham, NC in 1992. Roberto presently attends medical school at the University of Florida. A June 1996 wedding is planned at Saint Charles Borromeo Catholic Church in Port Charlotte.

New arrivals

● A new son, Adam Daniel Meyers, was born August 22, 1995 to Bruce C. and Cynthia M. (Traynor) Meyers of Enfield, CT. The baby's paternal grandparents are Richard Meyers of East Hartford and Joan Meyers of Enfield. His maternal grandparents are Jerry and Arlene Traynor of Oscoda, MI.

Reunions

● Lake Orion High School's Class of 1985 is planning a 10-year reunion to be held November 24 at the Main Event. For more information call Scott Furney at (313) 761-8184.

● The Clarkston High School Class of 1945 will hold a 50-year reunion Sept. 22 at Spring Lake Country Club and some classmates still haven't been located, including Ilene (Gibson) Strohkirch. If you can help call Sarah (Collins) Long at 674-4251. All classes are invited to a picnic Sept. 23 with the Class of '45. For more information on that, call Pat (Stites) Clark at 623-6832 or Jack Craven at 625-1548.

Purdy-Conley wed in Rogers City

Chris and Shelley (Purdy) Conley were married during a double-ring ceremony officiated by Fr. Jim Holtz at St. Ignatius Catholic Church in Rogers City June 17. The bride was given away by her parents, Gary and Joy Purdy of Clarkston.

Following the ceremony, which was attended by 200 guests, there was a reception that accommodated 225 people at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Rogers City.

The bride wore her mother's cream colored antique lace gown with hand-sewn beading and carried a fresh flower bouquet of bridal pink roses, rubrum lilies and dendrobium orchids.

Kelly Parker of Clarkston was maid of honor and bridesmaids included Heather Wilkinson of Brighton, Kay Johnson of Gaylord and Melissa VanZont of Glens Falls, NY. Junior bridesmaids were Megan Gaines of Clarkston and Erin McLain of Alpena. All wore burgundy crepe de chine dresses trimmed with Alpine lace.

The groom's attendants were Steve Spomer of Alpena as best man and Tom Scott of Holland, Brian McFalda of Rogers City and Eric Steinorth of Mundelein, IL as groomsmen.

Ushers were John Johnson of Gaylord and Jon McLain of Alpena. Ring bearer was Sean McLain of Alpena.

Delmar Conley, father of the groom, composed a special song for the couple.

Shelley is a 1988 Clarkston High School graduate and earned a BS in sports medicine from Central Michigan University in 1992. She is employed as a certified athletic trainer with Boyne Rehabilitation Center in Boyne City.

Chris graduated from Rogers City High School in 1988 and from CMU in 1992, where he received a BS in business administration. He works as an administrator for PIE, Inc. in Gaylord and is the son of



Mr. and Mrs. Chris Conley

Delmar and Virginia Conley of Rogers City.

Both Shelley and Chris are members of the Gaylord Area Jaycees. They spent a one week honeymoon in Traverse City and reside in Gaylord.



Honored by Rotary

Jim Huttenlocher of Clarkston was honored June 23 by the Rotary Club of Pontiac with its highest honor, the Paul Harris Award. A longtime member, Huttenlocher was honored as the member whose life best exemplifies the Rotary motto, "Service above self." A donation of \$1,000 was made in Huttenlocher's name to Rotary International, which will use the money for community service work. Huttenlocher (at left in photo) is shown with Pontiac Rotary president Larry Moss. Huttenlocher is a second-generation Rotary member; his father, Howard, was president in 1937. Jim was president in 1975.

At school

● Linda Osborne and Susan Siver, both of Clarkston, made the Dean's List at Baker College of Auburn Hills for summer quarter. The Dean's List requires a 3.5 GPA and full-time enrollment.

Clarkston native will advise U.S. House on environment

Dale K. Humbert, a 1965 graduate of Clarkston High School, has received a fellowship to serve as a committee staff scientist in the U.S. Congress for nine months.

Humbert, Regional State Government Affairs Manager for the Dow Chemical Company, got the award from the Society of Environmental Toxicology and Chemistry (SETAC). The intent of the fellowship is to bring environmental scientists and members of Congress together.

Humbert will be a staff scientist for the House Commerce Committee, which has jurisdiction over energy, public health and environmental protection issues. Superfund law is expected to be a major topic before the committee this fall.

Humbert is a graduate of Ferris State University and received his master's in chemistry from Western Michigan University. He has been with Dow since 1972, first in research and development, then issues management and public affairs. His interest in the environment led to an appointment as Global Issues Manager for Dow Plastics in 1988. He is the son of Inez and Keith Humbert of Clarkston.

Humbert will move to Washington, D.C. this month and return to Midland next spring.

Merit scholar semi-finalists announced

● Don Downey and Lisa Herron, both Clarkston High School students, have been named National Merit Scholarship Semifinalists for 1996. They are among 15,000 academically talented high-school seniors who are now eligible to continue in the competition for some \$26 million in scholarships, which will be awarded next spring.

Township will manage Bay Court construction

BY DARREL W. COLE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Two township parks and recreation employees will take on the burden of general contractor for Phase II of the Bay Court Park development.

Director Ann Conklin and chief of parks Mike Turk will coordinate the construction in order to save money and meet a \$500,000 budget. The township's board of trustees approved the move 6-0 (trustee Jeffrey McGee was absent) at its Sept. 5 meeting.

In late July, Conklin told board members she rejected eight bids for Phase II, which includes a multi-purpose building and beachfront renovation, because bidders either did not meet specifications or costs were too high. The only acceptable bid came in at \$677,000, way over what the township could afford, and the lowest bid of \$547,000 did not meet specifications.

At the most recent meeting, Conklin admitted the responsibility as general contractor will require an additional workload for herself and Turk. But she also said both are willing to do whatever it takes, and have received verbal support from area businesses which will offer their expertise.

The two took on similar responsibilities for the development of Clintonwood Park, a project that Conklin says turned out quite well.

"We feel pleased with the end product of Clintonwood Park and, although we know it will mean more work for us, we're confident we'll get the help from others just like we did with the first part of Bay Court," said Conklin.

The board unanimously supported Conklin's recommendation but also expressed some concern about her and Turk working too hard. Trustee Daniel Travis said, "I'm really pleased with your intuition and hard work but are you ready for this?"

Trustee Mel Vaara said the good intentions and hard work are admirable but, "This puts a lot more responsibility on Mike and Ann. How often can you go to the well?"

Conklin said by eliminating the general contractor cost and breaking the project into separate bids, the township could save as much as 25 percent. The several bid divisions would include site layout, site work, beach renovation, landscaping, concrete work, masonry, carpentry, exterior decks, roofing, doors and windows, tile and flooring, painting, mechanical work

and electrical work.

As each bid division is put out and received for Phase II, it will be reviewed and then submitted to the township board for approval.

Other board action

● A three-year-old bill of \$10,500 from the Road Commission for Oakland County will finally be paid up by the township.

The bill, originally sent to the township in Oct. 1993, comes from the overpass widening of Sashabaw Road and I-75, near Waldon Road, which was constructed around 1985. The township must pay the bill because it requested that an additional sidewalk be constructed in conjunction with the project.

In 1993, the road commission completed its final auditing report for the project and discovered the cost overrun for the sidewalk.

While the trustees discussed their options, they voted to approve payment out of the safety path fund.

"This is extra to what we expected but it would be difficult to go back and second guess it," said supervisor Dale Stuart. "It's one of those situations where we say we'll agree to pay this share ... or pay what it will eventually be."

● The proposed Mid-Oakland Medical Office Building, to be located on M-15 north of Dixie, is moving along.

The board originally approved the first reading of a rezoning for the 11-acre parcel at its June 6 meeting but one legal description was left out. At its most recent meeting the board also approved the first reading of the left-out property.

Second reading and adoption of the entire rezoning request could come before the board at its Sept. 19 meeting.

Developers Greater American Properties want the commercial (C-1) property rezoned to planned unit development, which will allow more flexibility in the design of the project for developers and the township. The proposed 120,000-square-foot office facility would incorporate the existing offices of Dr. James O'Neill and Dr. Charles Munk.

The primary use of the building, possibly three stories high in the back portion, will be medical office suites, taking up about 75 percent of the facility. An urgent care facility will take up about 16,000 square feet, x-ray lab 8,000 square feet, and a pharmacy about 1,000 square feet.

● What was to be the site of a gas station could now be a building that provides retail, office and service uses.

Four parcels of vacant property located at the southeast corner of Sashabaw and Maybee roads was planned for a service station, after a consent judgment in 1987. The judgment rezoned three of the parcels from highway commercial (C-3) to motor vehicle service station (MS).

At that time the petitioners finalized a site plan and a permit was issued to construct a Boron station. However, construction never took place and the project was abandoned.

Since then owners of the property have asked for a rezoning of the site to C-1, a commercial zoning that would fit in better with the surrounding residential areas, according to the master plan.

Township attorney Gerald Fisher said the rezoning request does not violate the original consent judgment so the board approved dismissal of the judgment and the second reading of the rezoning request.

The board approved the first reading of the rezoning at its Aug. 14 meeting. The township planning commission also recommended approval.

Neighboring zoning of the property is commercial and office use, including a shopping center, auto parts store, party store and service station.

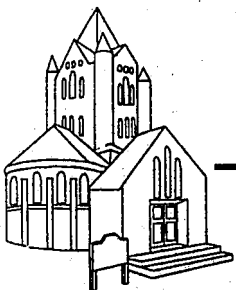
● The proposed Auto City Service Station car wash at Sashabaw and Dixie was allowed to extend its building size because of new and more efficient water recycling technology.

The decision had to be approved by the board because a consent judgment from April 1994 set specific construction guidelines for the station/car wash.

● Township clerk's office employee Sharon Howard recently received her degree as a certified municipal clerk. The three-year program includes week-long schooling each year at Michigan State University and other requirements.

● The board agreed with DPW director George Anderson's recommendation to sell the department's 1987 Chevrolet Celebrity for \$200 to the only person to bid on it.

● Approval of the Clarkston Office Center Subdivision Water Improvement special assessment district resolution was tabled to the board's Sept. 19 meeting.



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School board sets goals for year

The Clarkston board of education and administrators met for a "retreat" last week, and when it was over they emerged with four goal statements that they plan to act on this year, not just talk about.

"We're not going to study it this year; we're going to do something," said board vice president Janet Thomas.

The four goals are:

● Student performance standards will be agreed to and implemented in all curricular areas.

● Students will demonstrate growth in their informational reading skills as measured by the MEAP.

● In a timely manner, the district will identify and resolve Phase III facility restrictions while considering alternatives related to curriculum and equity.

● We will identify and implement strategies to increase the success of "at risk" students.

"What we need now to follow the goals is some action plans," said trustee Kurt Shanks.

Other action Monday

● The board approved additional teachers, based on enrollment growth. The positions are: one each for grades 1, 3 and 5 at Andersonville; one for grade 2 at Clarkston Elementary; half-time kindergarten teacher for North Sashabaw; first-grade teacher for Pine Knob; first-grade teacher at Springfield Plains; half-time physical education teacher for the elementary.

● The board approved continuing negotiations with MichCon over the company's right to lay a gas pipeline on some land behind North Sashabaw Elementary School. Officials said MichCon has offered \$8,990 to exercise its easement rights but has filed suit as part of the condemnation process. The district is seeking what it calls "fair market value" for the land.

● The second reading of a new policy on playground equipment purchasing was approved.

● Trustee Barry Bomier suggested the board increase its budget line item for attending conferences so the appropriate people can attend more conferences, especially those related to technology.

● After a parent who is moving into the new Bridgewater Apartments said she would not be able to pick her children up from Andersonville Elementary before latchkey closed, superintendent Gary Haner suggested looking into putting those children in latchkey at Pine Knob. The district would then bus the children after school from Andersonville to Pine Knob, where their parents would pick them up. Yet to be determined is whether there is space at Pine Knob for another section of latchkey.

● Haner said he has contacted Independence Township Supervisor Dale Stuart about a joint board meeting and planning is underway.

● Former trustee Kurt Karlstrom spoke about the board's recent approval of a private maintenance contract with ServiceMaster. He said it should not have been approved at a special meeting and without getting the contracts to the board members in advance. Board members have said they received the contract the same day as the meeting at which it was approved. He also pointed out the contract was approved, even though certain provisions remained to be worked out with ServiceMaster, and questioned whether there would be any actual dollar savings.

"I'm confused," he said. "The community is confused and the board has acted on something and presented it as a big savings."

Parent Helen Carson said other parents are concerned as well. "In the school everybody thinks

what you did is shady," she said. "You should have done it at a regular meeting."

● The board went into closed session to discuss the superintendent's annual evaluation, as well as negotiations. In response to a question, board president Bill Craig said if there is any decision to give Haner a raise, it will be voted on at the October board meeting.

Bank robber pleads guilty in local case

A Lapeer County man who stole his parents' car, then used it to commit two bank robberies, pled guilty in Oakland County Circuit Court Sept. 5 to one of the robberies.

Clinton James Dobson pled guilty before Judge Alice Gilbert to robbing the Clarkston/Brandon Credit Union at 8055 Ortonville Rd. on May 9. According to Det. Dirk Feneley of the Oakland County Sheriff's Independence substation, Dobson, 21, had already pled guilty to an earlier bank robbery in Lapeer County.

Dobson was driving a burgundy 1995 Cadillac Seville that belonged to his parents at the time of both robberies and there was already a warrant for his arrest at the time of the Clarkston hold-up. He was arrested after Detroit Police found the car outside a motel in the Grand River/6 Mile area May 10.

Dobson will be sentenced in the Clarkston case on September 28. In addition to the bank robbery charge, he also pled guilty to possession of a firearm in the commission of a felony. Sentencing guidelines show he could get six to 10 years in prison.

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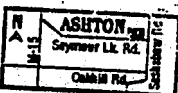
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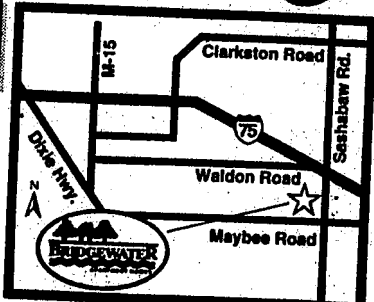
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Pointing fingers over Morgan Lake

BY DARREL W. COLE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Accusations were made and voices raised, but in the end developers of the Morgan Lake Golf Classic were directed to reduce the density on a 50-acre parcel.

After a lengthy and sometimes heated discussion between citizens, developers and township officials, the Independence Township Board of Trustees voted Sept. 5 to deny adding an 80-unit parcel to the 250-unit planned residential development, voting instead to send the amendment back to the planning commission for further discussion.

The motion also recommends that developer Michael Clark, township officials and planning commissioners all meet ahead of time to work on ways of reducing the density of the project.

The planning commission had already recommended that the amendment be denied because the lot density of the project is too high. Under current plans, each lot has about 12,600 square feet, which meets ordinance requirements. The board said a desirable figure would be around 15,000 square feet.

The board and planning commission said from the beginning that this addition is different than the rest of the development and the density has to be lowered.

Daniel Travis, a board and commission member, said, "This parcel is separate. It's the only part of the PRD not able to directly use the golf course and that's inescapable in the minds of the planning commissioners I talked to."

"What I thought the planning commission made very clear is the consideration of density needed to be lowered," said supervisor Dale Stuart. "If the petitioner would address that, there would be a better chance for approval."

Clark and Rudy Lozano, a project consultant who also happens to be chairman of the county's board of road commissioners, both said a joint meeting to discuss the issue is a good idea.

But Clark was also upset at the board's decision to pass the amendment back to the commission. After

The Clarkston (MI) News, Wed., September 13, 1995 15 A commissioners denied the amendment at their July 13 meeting. Clark said he was confident the board would look more favorably on the request and would leave it as is.

"All these things have been done at the direction of the township's staff," said Clark. "We have complied with the ordinance which calls for a certain density, so I'm hesitant to go back to the property owners and say we have to change. Their response is going to be 'Why, when we already meet the ordinance.'"

Stuart, upset at Clark's accusation that the delays are the township's fault, said the developer has known all along a less dense project is desired.

"You make it sound like our consultants and staff directed you to this, and that's not correct," he said. "You have not done all the things the planning commission and other bodies have required and you've come to many meetings not ready with information. We are not the reason for delays, this is a direct reaction to what you have done."



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At the regular Sept. 11 meeting of the City of the Village of Clarkston city council, the following took place:

● Councilman Bill Basinger checked on the Americans With Disabilities Act and learned the limestone walkway council hopes to implement in Depot park will meet ADA rules. The walkway, which will run from the park gazebo to the White Lake Safety Path, is expected to be covered by Community Development Block Grant funds. Estimates will be gathered.

● Councilman Steve Arkwright announced that Sgt. Scott Dickey has turned in his resignation in favor of a full-time job with the Southfield Police Department. Arkwright cited Dickey for his excellence as officer-in-charge after former Police Chief Robert DeVore resigned in December. Dickey has been with the CPD since its birth two years ago.

● Unpleasant odors coming from the pump station located in Depot Park were discussed by council members. The sewer pump serves both the city and Independence Township. City engineers Hubbell, Roth & Clark will study the problem and work on a solution.

● Council passed a proposal, 7-0, from property owners in Village West condominiums who want to move an envelope of vacant land 15 feet closer to White Lake Road for privacy and better lake viewing. The proposal was passed subject to a determination on whether or not a 100-percent consensus was needed from all lot owners. The condominium association has been unable to contact two of the owners. Clarkston's planning commission previously recommended approval.

● City attorney Tom Ryan has reviewed additions and amendments to the 1992 Historic District Ordinance and needs to check with state guidelines concerning its acceptance. He described the work as being a major undertaking. "It's really going to be a brand-new ordinance, just about," he said.

● Ryan reported that council neglected to vote to accept agreements concerning the White Lake Safety Path. The city will pay Independence Township \$5,000 a year for 11 years, with payments retroactive back in 1993. Council passed the agreements, 7-0.

● A domestic violence resolution, using the same language as Independence Township, was passed, 7-0. Copies will be sent to State Rep. Tom Middleton and State Sen. Mat Dunaskiss.

● Council expects to look at all bids for the Department of Public Works truck at its next meeting Sept. 25.

● Secatch said non-city workers are working on Surrey Lane around the apartment complex area. Ryan is looking into specifications concerning the repair work and will contact Surrey Lane Apartments owner Forrest Milzow.

● A Waterford church which has used Depot Park for Sunday evening church concerts wants to reserve four dates for next summer. Several council members suggested charges should be in order for the church and other organizations which want to use the park for general purposes. Currently the price for weddings is \$100, with an additional \$25 for City Hall restroom use. Councilman Doug Roeser says now, more than ever, a general park-use policy needs to be established. He will have information by the next council meeting.

● City manager Art Pappas said he has been attending meetings offered by Oakland County's Gypsy Moth Suppression Program for informational and identification purposes.

Teens admit they targeted car dealers

Two teenagers with an interesting way of refurbishing their car are expected to be charged this week in several thefts involving car parts from Clarkston-area dealerships.

Two 19-year-old men, one from Union Lake, the other from Waterford, were arrested on M-15 around 3:30 a.m. Sept. 3 after an Oakland County Sheriff's deputy saw their car, a 1980 Chevette, pull behind a restaurant and turn its lights out. When the car, pulled back out, the deputy stopped it.

Noticing new wheels on what he described as an "older, dirty car," the deputy also noted many hand tools and auto parts inside the car. A search also turned up four stereos, an amplifier, speakers and many CD's.

When questioned, the driver admitted stealing the wheels at a local dealership. He even brought cement blocks along so he could set the new car up on them to remove the tires. He then threw his old ones into a Dumpster some distance away.

He and his passenger admitted to robbing cars at dealerships of a number of parts, many of which were then installed on the Chevette. The two said they had been doing it since August 12. They also took the CD's from cars.

As of Monday, arraignment was expected on one man but the other could not be located after being released pending the issuance of warrants.

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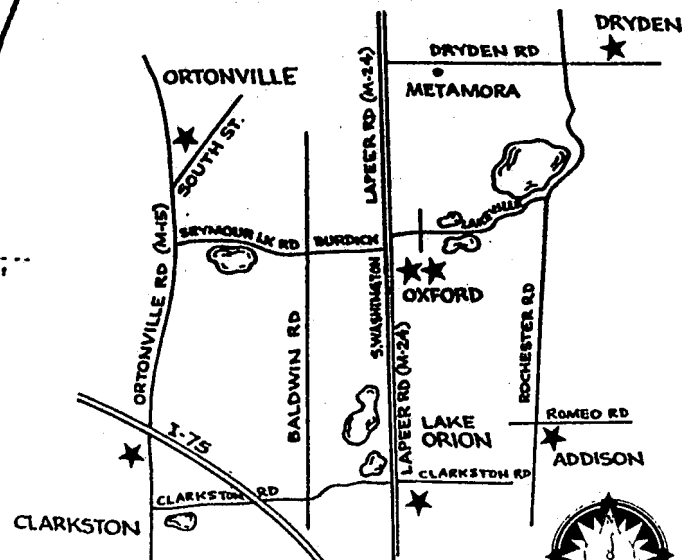
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Editorial

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board, unknowingly, didn't take a public vote on the Paine-Webber settlement, a violation of state law. When the error was discovered, the board did the right thing and took a formal vote Sept. 5 and complied with the law.

On the pages of The Clarkston News we've reported the controversies, questions, facts and concerns of this story. But after it's all said and done, we still believe township officials have done everything in their power to do the right thing.

There is no magic solution in all this. For everyone involved, it comes down to trust. We trust that the township is being upfront and we hope the public trusts us enough to know we will do our best to make sure we report the truth. DWC

Free classes for adult children of alcoholics

There's still time to register for a series of three, free classes designed to help adult children of alcoholics cope with the past and move on with their lives.

The classes will be held at Clarkston United Methodist Church on Thursday nights, Sept. 21, 28 and Oct. 5 from 7:30-9 p.m. They will be led by Pat Sullivan and Jim Blundo, certified social workers and licensed professional counselors who have a practice in Troy.

Their series, called "The Missing Piece" is designed to help adults who grew up in alcoholic families get "unstuck" in their recovery. It is designed for those with previous counseling experience and those just beginning.

Blundo and Sullivan have 12 years experience in the field and believe they have a unique approach. Call them at ACT Counseling at (810) 816-9799 to enroll.


Clarkston kids exhibit wares at Detroit Festival of the Arts

Two Clarkston children, Katy and Sandy Richardson, ages 9 and 13 respectively, will be showing and selling their artworks at this weekend's Detroit Festival of the Arts in the University Cultural Center.

Now in its ninth year, the festival is adding the Youth Artists' Market for the first time this year. Kids from ages 8 to 18 from a diversity of cultures will offer their creations at prices ranging from \$5 to \$20, including watercolors, drawings, baskets, stuffed animals, doll clothing, clay pots, hair accessories, silk scarves, jewelry and painted wooden stools.


The festival overall includes a wealth of activities, including music entertainment on three stages, a poetry festival, theater, dance, storytelling and much more. The event is free; hours are 11-7:30 Friday, 11-7 Saturday and noon-6 Sunday. Call (313) 577-5088 for program times and locations.

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Sheriff's log for Independence Township

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, a furnace was stolen and a well destroyed at a house under construction on Longview.

A new portable classroom was damaged extensively inside by someone who pulled down light fixtures and ceiling panel tracks and punched holes in the walls. Damage was estimated at \$1,400.

Someone entered a home on Foster via a window, ransacked some drawers, found some car keys and took a 1995 Ford pickup joy-riding. There was some damage to the truck.

A Clarkston man said someone stole the phone from his car while he was paying for gas on Sashabaw.

Non-injury accidents on Dixie and on the I-75 exit ramp at Sashabaw.

Car-deer accident on Clarkston Rd. near Sashabaw.

Injury accident on M-15 near Hubbard.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, a 14-year-old Clarkston boy said he was hit over the back of the head, knocked out and robbed of \$5 on a path in the woods between Edgewood and Mary Sue.

A 19-year-old Clarkston man pointed out to deputies a baggie of suspected marijuana he found in the substation parking lot.

Larceny of three gold chains, a ring and a watch from a house on M-15.

A patron at Pine Knob said he lost his wallet to a pickpocket.

Non-injury accident on Sashabaw.

Car/deer accident on Maybee near Sheringham.

One person was taken to St. Joseph Mercy Hospital after a three-car rear-ender on Dixie near M-15.

Injury accident on Maybee.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, six windows and a doorwall were broken at a home under construction on Pine Breeze.

A window was broken on a 1989 Toyota and a CD player and radar detector were stolen.

Hang-up phone calls on Wood Lane.

A Pontiac man was arrested after he fell asleep at the wheel on Dixie and drove off the road. Deputies found he was wanted on an outstanding warrant from Waterford.

Non-injury accident on M-15 near I-75.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, a Pontiac man stopped on Waldon Rd. for driving without tail lights was arrested on a retail fraud warrant out of Troy.

A 47-year-old man obtained the PIN number of a Deer Forest woman's ATM card under false pretenses and charged over \$1,000 to her account. He also took checks and \$40 from her purse before fleeing.

Breaking and entering of a pop machine at Clintonwood Park.

Injury accident on Dixie.

Non-injury accidents (two) on Ortonville Rd.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, assault and battery on Longview.

Harassment on Mann Rd. and on Marshbank.

A window on a Chevy pickup was broken and a wallet containing ID and credit cards was stolen on Delmus.

A car window was broken on Valley Park Dr. and a phone stolen.

A 1984 Toyota's window was broken and two radios stolen on Pine Knob Rd.

A Pine Knob patron reported she was pushed and

injured by a security person.

Someone entered a 1984 Pontiac via a sunroof and stole two speakers on Maple.

Injury accidents on Sashabaw and on Dixie. In each case, one person was taken to a hospital.

Hit-and-run accident on Sashabaw near Maybee; no injuries.

Non-injury accident on the I-75 southbound ramp at Dixie.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, the driver of a 1993 pickup on I-75 said his windshield was damaged by a rock thrown by a passing car.

A 20-year-old Flint man was arrested on a Friend of the Court warrant on Mann Rd.

Harassing phone call and threats on Pine Knob Rd.

Larceny of a ladies bike from outside a home on Maple.

A 10-year-old girl called police when she heard her mother arguing with her step-father.

Shortly after 3:20 a.m. a deputy tried to pull over a car going 80-85 MPH on Dixie with no lights on. The driver refused to pull over, then jumped out of the vehicle and fled on foot. Deputies were able to identify him by his license plate but were not able to find him and don't know why he fled.

Hit-and-run injury accident on southbound I-75.

A 45-year-old Pontiac man said he was rear-ended, lost control of his car and it rolled in the median. He was taken to Pontiac Osteopathic Hospital.

The Oakland County Sheriff's Independence substation has responded to 8,499 calls this year through Sept. 10.

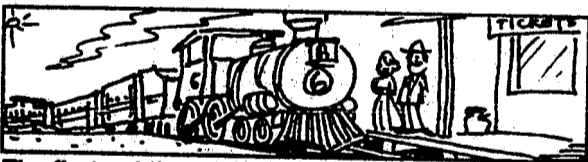
Clarkston Police

TUESDAY, SEPT. 5, police and the Independence Township Fire Department responded to a medical on Church St. An elderly woman fainted, was treated and transported to St. Joe's Hospital.

Reported larceny from a parked auto during the Clarkston Labor Day parade. A hood ornament was taken.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 6, a two-car minor accident between an Ortonville man and a Clarkston man occurred on Main St. south of Clarkston Rd. The Ortonville man was cited for failure to stop at an assured clear distance.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 10, a drunk-driving arrest was made at Main and Miller roads. A Clarkston man was taken to Oakland County Jail and has since posted bond.



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TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, medical on E. Church.

Chemical spill on White Lake Rd. About five gallons of antifreeze spilled during an accident.

Burning complaint on Pine Knob Rd. The owner had a permit but a warning was issued.

Fuel leaking from a vehicle on Klais Ct.

Injured person on Flemings Lake Rd.

Medical at Clarkston Middle School.

Burning complaint at a different address on Pine Knob Rd.

Slip and fall on Huron.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, medical on E. Church.

Accident on Maybee.

Accident on Dixie at M-15. One person was taken to an area hospital.

Injury accident on N. Main; no transport.

Medical on Mann Rd.

Medical on E. Church.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, medical on Perry Lake Rd.; one to an area hospital.

Medical on E. Church; one to an area hospital.

Medical on Caribou; one to St. Joseph Mercy Hospital.

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

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

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

Possible field fire on Ascension; this call turned out to be a resident burning brush.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, propane grill fire on St. Andrew Dr. No damage to the home.

One patient was taken to a hospital after an accident on Dixie.

Medical on Middle Lake Rd.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, injury accident on Sashabaw at Oakvista.

Refuse fire on Reese.

Injury accident on Dixie at White Lake; one patient was taken to St. Joe's.

Medical on Ennismore; one to North Oakland Medical Centers.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, rollover accident on I-75; one to an area hospital.

Suicide on Lancaster Hill Drive.

Medical on Ortonville Rd.

Medical on Elk Run Ct.

Trash can on fire on Maybee Rd.

Medical on I-75. The person was gone by the time the fire department got there.

Assault on I-75.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, medical on Longview.

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Farmers hold out against development's pressures

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do a better job than I can." Nichols scoots his business out of the Bordine's parking lot before pumpkin season hits, because Bordine's also sells them. But by then, business is already in full bloom with seasonal gigs at parades, September Fest in Ortonville and Cranbrook's Fall Festival, just to name a few.

And, of course, there's the charm of the setting as well.

"It's a nostalgia trip," Nichols says, speaking of the many visitors, including schoolchildren, from near and far. "People drive for miles and miles to come out to the farm."

But he's aware that may vanish someday. Recently Nichols was offered a price for his farm from a developer. He asked that the amount not be printed — but it was very large.

"It was beyond my wildest expectations. I had a headache for three days. I never said no to that much money before." He'll accept an offer — someday.

Planner Carlisle said, "I think probably in areas like Springfield and Independence Township it's been primarily the development pressures" that have led to the decrease in small roadside stands and farms. "They're in the path of development and get sold to the developer ...

"The small family farm is a thing of the past. It's hard to farm 40 acres — even 100 acres is not considered viable for farming. Sometimes the small farm is gobbled up by larger corporate-type farming."

Like the Ashtons, the Nichols also have children who aren't interested in living off the land. But Nichols, in his early 50s, has yet to meet his price.

"In 10 years I'll be here, or hope to be, and it'll be worth that much more."

Unlike Dennis Ashton who was raised on a farm ("My father gave all of us an acre and a cow and said, 'There's your 4-H project'"), Nichols calls himself "a city boy."

"I didn't even know how to spell farmer till I came out here. But I finally found something I love to do."

Though he describes winter as "starving to death" — a time when he and his wife pay all the bills so they have money to start anew in the spring — he has more dreams for the future. "I would like to build an ice cream parlor and cider mill someday," he said.

"We always say we kind of create memories, you know. We'll be there every year. It's kind of neat you have a part of someone's growing up. So, I guess we're part of history."

For now, But Nichols knows that may change someday. He's prepared.

"We're going to be a thing of the past," he said.



Andrea Sorenson, 5, of White Lake finds a comfortable spot on a pumpkin at Nichols' roadside stand.

agreeing with Carlisle. "Subdivisions bring a bigger tax base ... But what can you do? I know that day and time will come.

"Nobody wants to run a little truck farm out of business. That's just the way it is."

Enjoy Harvest Days at Oak Haven Farm from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturdays and Sundays, until the end of October. Pumpkin sales start Sept. 30, with full Harvest Days activities, including horse-drawn hayrides, hay mazes, old-fashioned kettle-glazed popcorn, cider and doughnut, the following weekend. Plow Day is scheduled for Oct. 14 where 20 teams of workhorses will give plowing demonstrations. Oak Haven Farm is located at 7515 Grange Hall Road in Holly. For more information, call 634-KIDS (634-

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Church members vocal about bar

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will only create more."

Couples representatives said they run respectable businesses, including one in Rochester, that offer a bar on one side and a restaurant on the other.

According to an Aug. 30 full-page paid advertisement in The Clarkston News, the church said the concerns include:

- * Close proximity to Pine Knob School and Sashabaw Middle School.

- * Too close to Bridgewater Apartments on Maybee Road.

- * The intersection on Maybee and Sashabaw is already dangerous.

- * Having a bar will not be a good influence on the surrounding neighborhood.

- * Late night noise and traffic will increase.

- * Pine Knob traffic may be drawn south on Sashabaw, creating worse traffic problems.

The lone supporter of Couples at the Sept. 5 meeting was Richard Kolano. "What I see is a currently vacant building that needs maintenance and I think this would put it to good use. The Clarkston community needs quality food and dining facilities like this."



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Best theme: Habitat for Humanity of North Oakland.

Second-place theme: Derek and Danielle Weddle children's village Christmas gift project.

Third-place theme: bagpiper and wagon

(Macys).

Best float: Knights of Columbus, Clarkston.

Second-place float: 1923 model Depot body antique car.

Third-place float: Shriners of North Oakland.

Best Costume: Oak-Down clowns, Oakland County Parks and Recreation.

Second-place costume: freshman cheerleaders, Clarkston High School.

Third-place costume: Clarkston flags—high school color guard.

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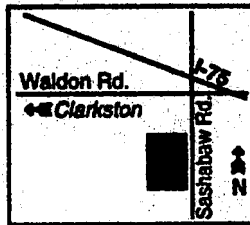
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The Clarkston News

Section B

State-ranked Pontiac Central falls

Fourth-quarter domination leads to OT win

BY DARREL W. COLE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

In the end, the Clarkston Wolves wanted victory more than previously state-ranked Pontiac Central.

For three quarters of the Sept. 8 home game it looked like the young and inexperienced Wolves were no match for Central's stellar runners. But, as coach Kurt Richardson and his staff always like to tell players, you only lose when you stop giving an effort.

The Wolves mounted an impressive veteran-like comeback in the fourth and won 21-20 in overtime with senior Ryan Schapman's extra point kick.

The game heroes came from all sides: sophomore Jeff Long's punishing running, Schapman telling Richardson he wanted the chance to kick for the win, sophomore quarterback Dane Fife's composure despite getting drilled early on, and senior Tim Wisser's intense defensive play.

But it was a team win most of all, Richardson said. The kind that can change a season around.

"I don't like comparing this team to last year's but we had a similar win against Lansing Sexton in the second game and it propelled us," said the coach. "It's the type of win that gives the kids confidence and pulls everyone together. Now we can say we did this before. It's something to build on."

Leading up to the comeback, CHS never stopped trying and, despite Central controlling the ball for much of the first three quarters, the Wolves were only down 14-6 at the half.

While Central had some opportunities to score,

'I think we all felt we could win in the fourth. The kids really showed their character.'

Coach Kurt Richardson

they also had three turnovers. And Clarkston's defense held Central's running game in check except for a 50-yard TD run in the second quarter.

The Wolves also had their chances to score early, including a dropped pass in the end zone.

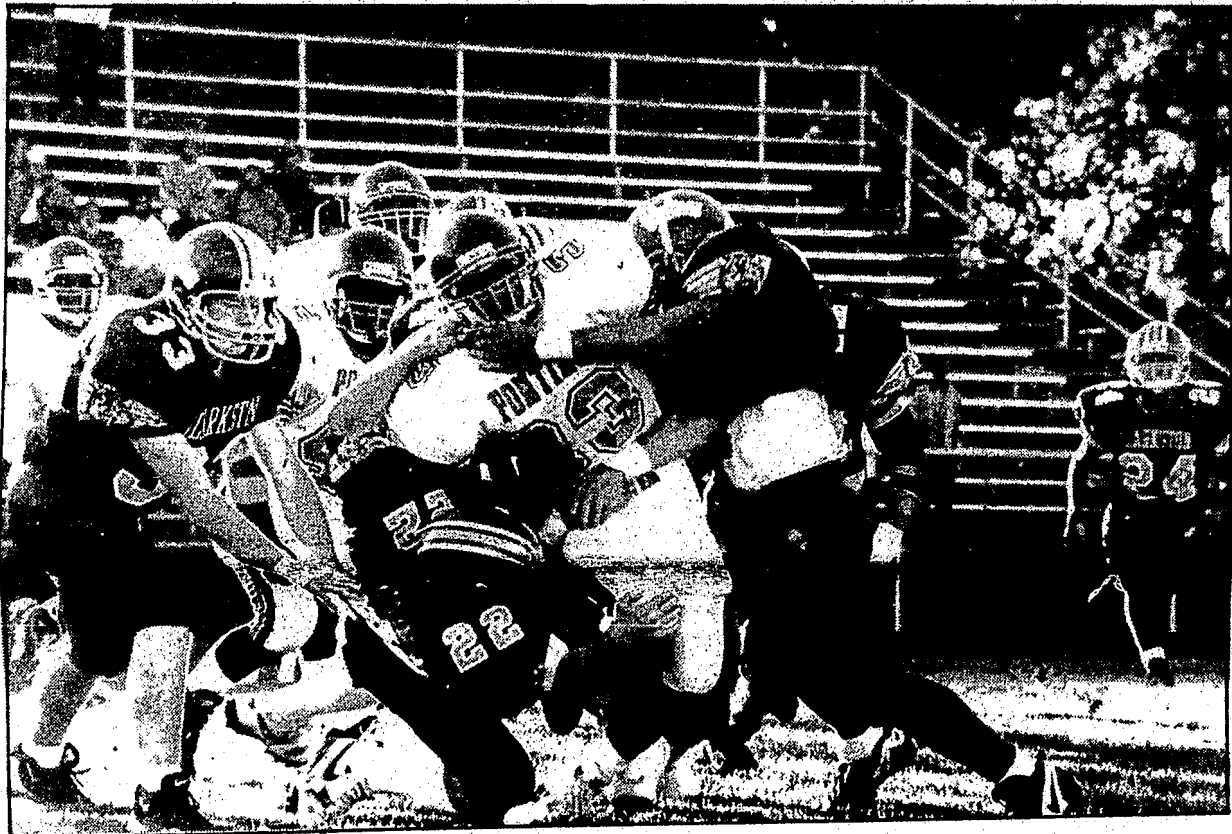
"At the half we talked about how our conditioning would help us and if it was close at the end we could win," Richardson said. "We had our chances early but we didn't score so we were very positive with the kids."

"I think we all felt we could win in the fourth. The kids really showed their character."

After a scoreless third, Clarkston began showing signs of life with a 40-yard drive that took up almost four minutes of the fourth quarter.

Central went three plays and punted on fourth down, giving the ball to the Wolves at the 11-yard line.

With 6:40 left to play in the fourth, the march to victory began. It started with senior fullback Joe DeGain gaining four hard yards and didn't end until Long punched it in from one yard out with 59 seconds



This scene was common Sept. 8 in CHS' big OT win over Pontiac Central. The Wolves defensive philosophy was to swarm all over Central rushers, like the one above (#33).

left in regulation.

In the 89-yard drive, the Wolves rushed 13 times for 79 yards. A Central penalty accounted for the other 10 yards.

The ground attack flourished in the fourth as Clarkston's well-conditioned offensive line wore down Central's line, which had dominated early. Leading the way was Long with 38 yards rushing (7 carries) on the drive, including six straight carries leading up to the touchdown. Schapman, who gained 101 yards on 18 carries in the game, gained 26 yards on four carries.

For the game, Long carried 15 times for 86 yards.

Even with the touchdown, CHS still needed a two-point conversion to tie the game. Fife took the snap and rolled right, hitting an open Justin Morgan to tie the game at 14.

After Central failed to score with 48 seconds left, the game went into overtime. In overtime, each team is allowed four plays from the 10-yard line.

Central started first and scored on third down from three yards out, but they failed on a two-point conversion.

Clarkston got the ball and went right back to Long, the fourth-quarter workhorse. On the first two plays he gained six yards. On third down, it was Schapman's turn and he powered the ball to the left side to score the TD.

Coach Richardson then had to decide whether he should kick an extra point or go for two. The decision wasn't difficult.

"Schappy came up to me earlier and said, 'Coach, if it comes down to one kick, I'll make it.' When a kid says that to you, you don't have much choice."

He did make it and the Wolves proved to themselves and everyone that they can compete with the best.

The Wolves, now 1-1 overall, had 268 total yards compared to Central's 262. Besides Long (two rushing TDs) and Schapman's rushing, sophomore Brad Phalen rushed four times for 13 yards. Fife was 8-of-24 for 60 yards and senior Tim Wasilk caught four passes for 40 yards, including a couple in heavy traffic.

Coach Richardson also credited Ryan Kulka and Chris Evans with good play at the defensive end spots. CHS travels to Pontiac Northern Sept. 15.

Hoops fundamentals camp

CHS girls varsity coach Larry Mahrle and his varsity team will teach basketball fundamental clinics on six consecutive Saturdays, beginning Oct. 7, for girls in grades 4-8.

The clinics will be held from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on each Saturday and cost is \$35 per child. The first clinic will be held at Clarkston High's gym.

A special sign up will be held from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. before the girls' varsity game on Sept. 21 in the gym lobby. Sign up can also be done at the CHS athletic director's office. For more information call the office at 625-0906.

SPORTS

Tuned for OAA with 3-0 start

BY DARREL W. COLE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Bigger doesn't always mean better and the Clarkston girls basketball team proved it last week.

Playing against two taller teams, the Wolves used their quickness and defensive pressure to come away with two more wins, moving to 3-0 on the season. This week the girls will begin play in the tough Oakland Activities Association.

CHS beat Grand Blanc 57-34 Sept. 5 and then won a defensive struggle against Lapeer West 38-29 Sept. 7.

Coach Larry Mahrle's crew used a quicker lineup in both games to pull away for the victories. "Because we're smaller the kids know we have to pressure the ball and keep that up the entire game," he said.

As far as starting out at 3-0, Mahrle said his players are performing as expected.

"To be 3-0 I think is a direct result of having a great summer and the kids working hard. We're happy with the results and we're where we want to be but still have a lot of things to get better at."

After the first half of the Grand Blanc game, the Wolves realized they needed to play better in order to win. CHS was down 20-19 after the half but switched to a smaller lineup in the third quarter and pulled away with a 16-5 run.

In the fourth, Clarkston's full-court pressure continued to bother Grand Blanc and allowed them to score easy baskets.

The Wolves were led in scoring by junior Allison Richards with 14 points, but senior co-captain Leah Howard recorded a rare double-double with 11 points and 12 steals, to go along with six assists.

Sophomore Tiffany Honey also came up big with two important three-point baskets early in the decisive third quarter.

"We did a great job defensively with that smaller lineup and our conditioning really paid off," said Mahrle. "We realize that we have to be the best conditioned team."

Against West, the Wolves found themselves battling 6-4 center Emily Berman all night. Although Clarkston couldn't stop her (she scored 22 of her



Girls basketball team captains Leah Howard and Nickie Winn have shown solid leadership in the Wolves' fast start.

team's 29 points) they did shut down the other players.

"They wanted to slow down the game by using up 20-30 seconds on each possession, taking away our quickness advantage. We were ahead only 14-12 at the half and although we didn't shoot well West did a good job of controlling the game tempo."

The Wolves picked up their defensive pressure even more in the third quarter and scored better as well, taking a seven-point lead. CHS kept West at bay with 13-11 fourth quarter.

Senior co-captain Nickie Winn played a strong all-around game for Clarkston and scored 13 points. Howard was next in scoring with nine points, followed by Richards and Honey with seven each.

Junior point guard Sue Naboychik had four assists but her defensive pressure on the opposing point guard (who only scored one point) was the key to the game.

In order to continue the winning streak in OAA Division I play, Mahrle said his squad must continue to play with intensity. But he also said it's vital his smaller team rebounds better.

"With a smaller lineup we do press better but it's a trade-off because teams might score inside on us," he said.

The Wolves get their first real test of the season in a Sept. 14 OAA matchup at Rochester.

Tennis team gets first division win

BY DARREL W. COLE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

The Clarkston girls tennis team is 4-0 to start the season. But more importantly, the Wolves won their first Oakland Activities Association Division II match.

The 7-1 win over Lake Orion Sept. 6 puts CHS on the right track at 1-0 in the OAA. Coach Dick Swartout's squad also beat Milford 6-2 Sept. 8 in a non-division match.

"We're on track now and have a real good chance to beat Royal Oak Kimball (Sept. 15)," said Swartout. "We already know we can beat teams like Kettering, Mott and Lakeland but we'll see what we do in the division."

The coach said he's not kidding himself about the 4-0 start. He said the team realizes the OAA is much more difficult to win in, but hopefully they can upset some squads.

Against Lake Orion, winners were: Mary Schmidt, #1 singles, Sam Schubering, #2 singles,

Kristy Cade, #4 singles, Jocelyn Stock and Becky Olsen, #1 doubles, Kim Deacon and Katie Atkinson, #2 doubles, Chris Maynard and Kristen Atkinson, #3 doubles, and Loren Bogart and Alaina Dodds at #4 doubles.

Winning against Milford were Schubering, Renee Van Klavern at #3 singles, Cade, Stock and Olsen, Maynard and Kristen Atkinson, and Bogart and Dodds.

Swartout said Schubering has been a standout at #2 singles so far this season.



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CHS cheer clinic

For \$5 youngsters interested in cheerleading can attend the Clarkston High School varsity cheer team's cheer clinic Sept. 16.

The clinic runs from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the CHS gym and is for children in grades K-9. Girls should bring athletic shoes, gym clothes and a sack lunch. Hair must be in ponytails and no jewelry can be worn.

The varsity cheerleaders will help coach at the camp, directed by cheer coach Debbie Hool.

For more information contact Hool at 623-0958.

Punt, Pass & Kick

Boys and girls ages 8-15 can compete in the local competition of the Punt, Pass & Kick at Clintonwood Park Sept. 23.

Winners of the local competitions go on to compete at one of 11 sectional competitions.

All participants must present a birth or baptismal certificate proving date of birth upon registration. Registration takes place on site and there is no charge.

Children ages 8-10 need to register at 8:30 a.m. because competition starts at 9 a.m. sharp.

No football shoes or cleats of any kind are allowed.

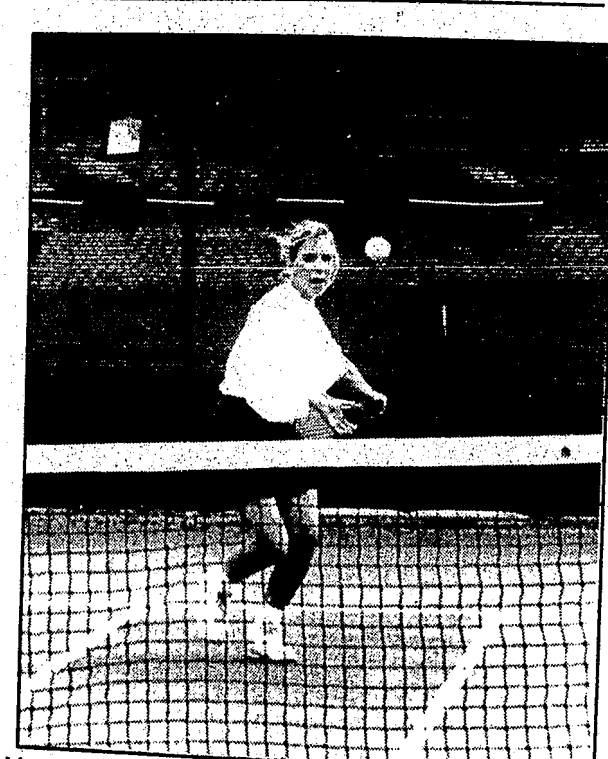
CHS grad earns PGA card

Randall K. Nelson, a 1988 Clarkston High graduate, recently graduated from Ferris State University's Golf Course Management program, one of only four offered in the nation.

In addition to his Ferris degree, Nelson also earned his Professional Golfer's Association membership, for when he qualified during two-day play, which means he can golf in professional tournaments.

Nelson, a former member of the CHS golf team, now lives in Hilton Head, South Carolina where he works at Harbor Towns Golf Links. His parents, Gary and Sandy Nelson, are formerly of Clarkston but now live in Lake City, Michigan.

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Number 4 singles player Kristy Cade, a junior, gets ready to hit this shot against Lake Orion Sept. 6.

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Wolves playing teams tough but wins elusive

Scoring becomes a concern after 0-5 start

BY DARREL W. COLE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Three losses in one week won't boost the confidence of any team.

And it's no different for the Clarkston varsity boys soccer team. But despite an 0-5 start, coach Dan Fitzgerald says his team knows they are good.

"It's been frustrating because we have been in these games," said the coach. "They all have a good work ethic and, really, they know we are playing well right now. We keep getting better but we still have nothing to show for it."

Last week the Wolves lost 3-0 on Sept. 5 to Rochester Adams, then lost a close 5-4 overtime decision to Rochester Sept. 7. On Sept. 9, CHS played well in a 5-0 loss to eight-time state champion Detroit Country Day.

"Right now we really need to play a team we can beat, so we can gain some confidence and get a win. We know we can compete against the Rochester schools and (Royal Oak) Kimball," said Fitzgerald.

Against Adams, the Wolves carried play for most of the game but couldn't score after being down only 1-0 at the half.

The Wolves showed their character against Rochester. They were down 4-1 at the half but came back with a furious rally and scored three straight goals in the second.

"That's another game we dominated but gave up three goals we shouldn't have," the coach said. "By the time we got to overtime we had little energy left." Scoring for the Wolves were Phillip Ratliff, Ben



Despite Clarkston's 5-0 loss to powerhouse Detroit Country Day Sept. 9, the Wolves played well. Above right, Clarkston's Chris Carr chases down DCD's Ben Upward.

Gabriel and Shawn Verfinden, who scored twice.

Against Country Day, CHS had chances early on to score but couldn't put the ball in when they were close to the goal. Country Day took a 2-0 lead after the

half and never looked back.

Senior midfielder Derrick Spires bruised his foot and didn't return in the second half. He's expected to miss at least two games.



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Golf team runner-up in Ohio

Coach pleased with team's early-season wins and attitude

BY DARREL W. COLE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

The Clarkston varsity golf team is showing signs it is a team to be reckoned with.

After beating Birmingham Groves by five strokes Sept. 6 they traveled to an Ohio Tournament Sept. 8-9 against eight quality teams and finished a strong second.

While coach Jim Chamberlain is pleased with his team's good start, he said his golfers expect even better results.

"They really aren't happy with where we are, but the kids are working real hard and the good sign is they are taking care of the mental parts of the game," he said.

The Wolves beat Groves 166-171 at Spring Lake Golf Course, led by junior Tim Klimek's 36, junior Jeff Cumberworth's and senior Eric Rood's 43, and senior David Barth's 44.

"It was extremely windy that day and the greens were really tough for the kids, but Tim managed to shoot a real strong score," Chamberlain said. "He finished the final two holes with birdies and earlier made a great putt 50 feet uphill that really sparked him."

The real confidence booster for the team came in Ohio. For never having played the courses before, the coach said his golfers did a real good job.

After finishing the first day in sixth place, the team responded the second day on a much tougher course to move up to second place. The tournament winner was Hudson, a perennial power in Ohio. Besides Clarkston, Birmingham Brother Rice was the highest-placing Michigan school in fourth place. Other state schools competing were Bloomfield Hills Lahser and West Bloomfield.

CHS had a two-day total of 658, behind first-place Hudson's 642.

Klimek once again led the Wolves, shooting 77 on both days and finishing second overall.

On the first day, Rood was next-highest with an 82, Barth shot an 84, and Cumberworth and Bob Schultz shot 85s. On the second day, Cumberworth and Schultz tied for second on the team with 84s, Rood

shot an 85 and Barth an 87. "We really couldn't have done much better," Chamberlain said.



Rood

Klimek

Golfers of the Week

Tim Klimek and Eric Rood are CHS golfers of the week for their performances in the Kent, Ohio tournament Sept. 8-9.

Klimek, who was co-golfer of the week two weeks ago, once again was a model of consistency for the Wolves. He took second in individual play at the tournament, shooting 77 on both days. On Sept. 6 he shot a 36 at Spring Lake against Birmingham Groves in windy, difficult conditions.

"The guys in my golf league had just finished playing the course that day and the best they could do was a 37," said Chamberlain. "So Tim's score was real impressive. In Ohio he finished second to a kid from there who has played those courses before."

"Tim's really golfing well for us."

Rood is a senior who sat out last season, but played for CHS as a freshman and sophomore. Chamberlain said he was real impressive on the second day of the Ohio tourney. He struggled on the first half of the course, shooting a 45, including two triples and a quadruple bogey.

"Then he came back with a 40 on the backside and that shows a strong mental game," said Chamberlain.

On the first day, Rood shot an 82. His combined score was good enough for 13th overall.

---Selected by Coach Jim Chamberlain

Girls CC places five in top 25 of Cavalier Classic

BY DARREL W. COLE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Five Clarkston girls cross-country runners placed in the top 25 of the Cavalier Classic, leading the team to a second-place finish.

For the 77-point effort, the girls team earned a trophy at the Sept. 1 season-opening meet. Flushing won the meet with 59 points, while Grand Blanc took third with 115 points.

Leading the way for CHS was senior Stefanie Burklow with an impressive third-place finish in a time of 19:42. But four other runners also came up strong, coming in with times ranging from 20:38 to 21:32. Junior Kristin Maine took 11th in 20:38, sophomore Elizabeth Cook was 15th in 21:03, senior Stacie Iezzi 23rd in 21:20 and senior Lisa Herron 25th in 21:32.

All five girls earned medals for their top-25 finishes.

Also running on the varsity were sophomore Emily Hogan, 51st in 22:40, and Lissa Lukens, 86th in 24:07. Junior Stacey DeVos made the varsity team with a reserve race time of 22:42.

Co-coach Mike Taylor said he thought his team could win the meet, but Flushing, with five runners between 20:40 and 21:00, is a better team at this point in the season.

The boys didn't fare quite as well but Taylor said he was pleased their times were an improvement from earlier time trials.

The boys finished ninth of 10 teams and were led by junior Chaz Claus, who earned a medal for placing 24th in a time of 18:18. Freshman Jon Burklow (18:51) and sophomore Jeff Hopcian (18:53) also ran strong races, according to Taylor.

Sophomore Curt Brewer, in his first cross-country meet, ran well with a time of 19:02.

Juniors Jayson Scheiderer (19:15) and Jeff Deevey (19:20) also made the varsity team with strong times in the reserve race.

The Wolves were scheduled to host a quad meet Sept. 12 at Independence Oaks with Rochester Adams and Birmingham Groves. That is followed by a Sept. 14 meet in the Chesaning Invitational, which the girls team won last season.

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Sports

By Mike Romeln

JV Golf

Clarkston's JV Golf team lost a close match to Lake Orion last Friday, but nevertheless, Coach Kaul was impressed.

"We didn't do that bad," Coach Kaul said about the close 190-193 loss to the Dragons. "We shot a little better than I had thought we would. This is probably the most inexperienced team that I have ever coached. We are going to struggle quite a bit, so we cannot gauge our season entirely on wins and losses. We just have to keep making progress, and this was a very good start."

Ben Neff, Adam Tate, and Ryan Leech all shot 48, and Matt Williams shot 49 in their first outing at Spring Lake.

This week, Clarkston plays on Sept. 14, at Oakland Hills against Brother Rice.

JV Girls Basketball

The Wolves advanced to 3-0 after earning two more victories this past week.

On Sept. 5, Clarkston defeated Grand Blanc 35-25. Cathy Eby led the Wolves with 13, and Abbey Wiley added 12, including two triples. Amie Giroux put in six. The team also rebounded very well. They outrebounded Grand Blanc 40-25.

"We played a very good defensive game," said head coach Brian Ray. "Our goal was to hold them under eight points a quarter, and we basically accomplished that."

The Wolves also shot pretty well from the floor. On Sept. 7, Clarkston came from behind to beat Lapeer West 45-34. Once again, Eby paced the Wolves with 13 points. Kristi Tippen added 10, and

Georgia Senkyr had 7. Lapeer West jumped out to a 17-12 halftime lead, but Clarkston outscored them 33-17 in the second half to come away with the victory.

"We did not play real well early in this one," said Coach Ray, "but we played well enough to win on the road."

Clarkston plays next on Sept. 14 at Rochester.

JV Soccer

The Wolves salvaged a disappointing week with an impressive 2-0 victory over a strong Detroit Country Day team.

On Sept. 5, Clarkston lost 8-0 to Rochester Adams and then lost 5-0 to Rochester on Sept. 7, before their big win over the Yellow Jackets.

"We played a great game," said JV player Brent Bergkoetter. "We dominated on both offense and defense in the first half."

This week Clarkston plays at home Sept. 15 against Royal Oak Kimball, and then hosts Holly on Sept. 16.

JV Football

Just like the varsity, the JV team played Pontiac Central. Just like the varsity, Pontiac Central had a late lead. And just like the varsity, the Wolves had an impressive drive late in the fourth quarter to pull out a 16-12 victory Sept. 7.

Clarkston got behind early when Central jumped out to a 12-8 lead. Kevin Mason scored on a quarterback sneak for the Wolves' first score. But then, with time running down in the final quarter, Clarkston put together the kind of drive that can turn both a game and a season around. They drove the

length of the field and, on fourth down and nine from the 10, capped off the drive with a Jeff Rieman touchdown reception from Mason to give the Wolves a 16-12 lead.

"That was quite an inspiring drive," said assistant coach Tony Miller.

But the game was far from over. Central got the ball with slightly under a minute to go. With the help of Clarkston penalties, they moved the ball down to the Clarkston 35 yard line. That is where Dan Neubeck made a spectacular diving interception to assure the Wolves' victory.

"We did not play real well," said Mason, who was solid on both sides of the ball. "But we brought it together at the end, and we did what we had to do to win."

Jared Thomas and Andy Sutherland also played well for the Wolves.

Clarkston's next game is Sept. 14 at home against Pontiac Northern.

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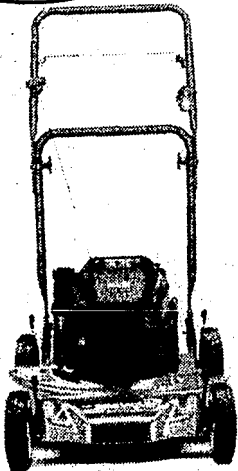
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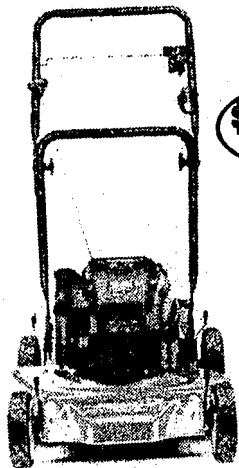
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Information compiled by Rick Piechura



NOTE: The Clarkston Shadows girls soccer club, consisting of four age levels, is part of the Michigan Youth Soccer League, playing home games at Independence Township's Clintonwood Park. Coaches should get their information to Rick Piechura (394-0503) on Sunday nights for publication in The Clarkston News. The Shadow Box will be a weekly feature.

Under 12

Sept. 9: The Shadows tied the PGSA Mustangs 1-1, despite dominating the game throughout. A fluke goal secured the tie in the first game of the MYSL season.

Lauren Hosner scored (Lauren White assisted) the Shadows' goal late in the second half but the team had several other opportunities, outshooting the Mustangs 34-12.

Kalin Thomas, Christina Roeder and Jamie Gove played strong defense while Jennifer Carlson and Megan Renda were strong in the net.

Lauren Welbourn was a force offensively.

Under 16

Sept. 9: The Shadows tied Grosse Pointe 0-0 in a tough battle. The Shadows withstood a late second-half rally by the Mustangs and were unable to score themselves, despite a solid effort. Goalkeeper Crystal Wilkerson made several spectacular saves late in the game and first-half goalie Cara Forney made seven saves.

Sept. 10: The Shadows came back to stomp Brandon 6-0, led by Jenny Kerney's early first-half goal that bounced past the Brandon goalie. The Shad-

ows scored five more times in the first half, led by Amy Coughlin's two goals and one goal each from Alaina Dodds, Kara Bergkoetter and Charity Brown. Goalkeepers Courtney Braiser and Lauren Stout recorded the shutout.

Under 19

Sept. 9: The Shadows beat the Bloomfield Strikers 3-1 with goals from Beth Forbes and Allison Grieme. Natalie Vaughn, Forbes and Stephanie Morgan also played well on offense while Sarah McKecknie and Tracy Warner were solid on defense.

Sept. 10: A defensive struggle led to a 2-2 tie with St. Anne McNamara. Goalkeeper Erin Forney made five saves in the first half while Amanda Yarber, Jackie Trippi, McKecknie and Nora Kammer were strong on defense. Grieme and Vaughn scored for the Shadows.

Sports shorts

● **The Fall Classic Mountain Bike Race** will be held at Addison Oaks County Park on Sunday, Sept. 24. Early registration ends Sept. 13; on-site registration begins at 9 a.m. or 30 minutes prior to each race. Racers will traverse five miles of steep inclines, rolling hills and wooded trails with the number of laps set by class. Two kids' courses will be set up with length determined by age. For more information call 693-2432 (TDD 858-1684).

Clarkston Chiefs

Vs. Lake Orion Dragons Sept. 3

Team	Score	
	Chiefs-Them	
Freshmen	0-26	
JV	6-14	
Varsity	6-26	

Vs. Brandon Hawks Sept. 10

Team	Score	
	Chiefs-Them	
Freshmen	0-13	
JV	26-8	
Varsity	6-13	

Freshman sports

By Michael Romein

Freshman Football

Tim Loveless rushed for 161 yards in the first half, as the Wolves completely dominated Birmingham Groves, 48-6.

"I have to give the credit to the offensive line," Loveless said. "They did a heck of a job blocking for me."

In total, three Clarkston rushers, Loveless, Andy Stutzman and Ronnie Wells, combined to rush for over 300 yards, and Eric Jenks hooked up with Steve Bradford for a 40-yard touchdown pass to lead the Wolves.

Mark Whiteman led the team on defense, as the Wolves allowed a meager six points.

This week, Nick Holland is the honorary captain for the Wolves. Clarkston's next game is Sept. 14, at West Bloomfield.

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Country singer has busy summer

BY ANNETTE KINGSBURY
Clarkston News Editor

It's been a busy summer for Scott Davis. Clarkston's own up-and-coming country singer-songwriter has appeared at most of this summer's big free outdoor concerts, polishing the act that first appeared publicly last March.

Davis and his band appeared at Detroit's Downtown Hoedown, at Wyandotte's Hot Country Jam, at the Michigan State Fair, Tiger Stadium and Sunday in the Country at Freedom Hill in Sterling Heights. Most of the events were sponsored by local country radio stations and included local acts as well as national stars.



Scott Davis

Davis said the summer started out rough when he had technical difficulties on the first song at the Downtown Hoedown and was also suffering from a cold.

"The first show, in my opinion, was horrible," he said. "I wasn't nervous. I had technical difficulties with my guitar right off the bat. I was rattled."

About the time he got the problem worked out, his voice began to give out, even though he'd been babying it for three days. "If I hadn't had water to drink on stage I don't think I'd have made it," he said.

But after that things got better and by the end of the summer, a fan club had formed and enlisted over 150 members—40 of them at one show alone.

"The audience response has been real good," he said. "We're getting a lot of cooperation from radio stations."

Davis was especially surprised at the response he got at Freedom Hill in August. "That was kind of an overwhelming show. I sat out in the sun and signed autographs for two-and-one-half hours."

This week Davis gets a showcase at Diamonds and Spurs in Pontiac. He was scheduled to open Thursday night for Marcus Hummon, who has re-

cently signed a recording contract. But Hummon has scratched so Davis will get the stage all to himself. Showtime is 9 p.m.

"It should be kind of interesting," Davis said. "I think it's going to be a real opportunity for me to showcase closer to home. It should be a pretty good show. We're working real hard..."

"We fell like we have everything in order and we're ready to go. Since the beginning of the year things have really taken a turn for the better."

Davis, 23, still maintains a full-time job with EDS, sometimes putting in long days there before heading to a band rehearsal. But he said it's still fun.

"It's a whole lot of work; it's like a second job (but) it's worth it," he said. "We're still plugging away. I don't plan on quitting any time soon."

Diamonds and Spurs is located at 25 S. Saginaw in downtown Pontiac. For more information on the show call 334-4409.

Arts & crafts

● "Spotlights," a 100-booth arts and crafts show, will return to Oakland University's Shotwell-Gustafson Pavilion Sept. 23-24. Admission is \$2; hours are 10-5 Saturday, 11-5 Sunday. The event is sponsored by the Meadow Brook Theatre Guild and will include informal costume modeling from past Meadow Brook productions. Call 651-3568.

● The Lawrence Street Gallery's sixth annual Invitational Exhibit runs Sept. 13-Oct. 14 and will feature works of 50 well-known and emerging artists. Media include photography, painting, sculpture, prints, calligraphic works and pottery. Opening reception is Sept. 15, 6-9 p.m. Gallery hours are 11-4, Wednesday-Saturday and 11-8 Friday. Call 334-6716 for more information. The gallery is located at 6 N. Saginaw in downtown Pontiac.

Young men think old men are fools but old men know young men are fools.

—George Chapman

The D'Anne & Don Review

'The Giver'
By Lois Lowery
Review by D'Anne Witkowski


(1993 Bantam Doubleday Dell Books for Young Readers, 180 pages)

It is no wonder that Lois Lowery was awarded the 1994 Newbery Medal for her excellent children's novel, *The Giver*. Rich in both literary intent and entertainment merit, *The Giver* shows readers what a life without truth would be like.

The story follows the life of young Jonas, an "Eleven" about to attend his "Ceremony of Twelve" at which he will be assigned his role in adult society and start functioning in "The Community" as an adult. Unlike the other Elevens, who are assigned such positions as Recreation Director and Laborer, Jonas is selected to be The Community's next "Receiver of Memory." It is during his training that Jonas learns the truth about life through the past and realizes that his will no longer be "the life without color, pain or past."

The Giver reminds me of a children's "1984" or "Brave New World" as it deals with a controlled society in the future where freedom of choice has been taken away along with the ability to think. This is a book that should be in the hands of every boy and girl with the ability to think for themselves.

The Giver is light years ahead of today's popular children's books; this is no "Babysitter's Club" or "Mighty Morphin Power Rangers." *The Giver* gives readers of all ages something very important to think about and is an excellent introduction to good literature that young readers will not only enjoy, but learn from.



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Obituaries

Robert Adams

Robert V. ("R.V.") Adams, 27, of Clarkston, died Sept. 9, 1995.

Mr. Adams graduated from Waterford Our Lady of the Lakes High School in 1986.

He is survived by his parents, Robert and Susan of Fowlerville; two sisters, Kristy of Columbus, OH and Kelly of Fowlerville; friend Lisa Yeager of Clarkston; grandparents Jim and Bonnie Chartier of Florida and Paul and Aretta Adams of Clarkston; an uncle, Tom Berden of Waterford; a cousin, Amanda Berden of Waterford; and great-uncle and great-aunt Andy and Grace Adams of Waterford.

Mass of the Resurrection was held Wednesday at Our Lady of the Lakes Catholic Church in Waterford with the Rev. David Lesniak officiating. Interment was in Andersonville Cemetery.

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

Memorials may be made to the WOLL Booster Club.

Robert Wiand

Robert Jay Wiand, 79, of Clarkston died Sept. 4, 1995.

He is survived by his wife Bea; a daughter, Judy (Ray) Heaton of Clarkston; stepchildren Tedd and Carol Bridgman and Louis and Diane Zahn; grandchildren Jaye, Robert, Keri, Scott, Jane and Mark; 11 great-grandchildren; many nieces and nephews; and a brother, Lloyd (Dorothy).

A funeral service was held Sept. 7 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Trust 100 Funeral Home in Clarkston with Pastor Todd Vanaman officiating. Interment was in Lakeview Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Michigan Cancer Foundation.

Saundra St. Croix

Saundra "Tracy" (Artinian) St. Croix, 32, of Ortonville died September 8, 1995.

Mrs. St. Croix received an associate's degree in mental health from Oakland Community College and a master's in social work from the University of Michigan. She founded Point of Change AIDS Prevention Coalition, Inc. and was vice chairperson of Southeastern Michigan HIV/AIDS Council.

She is survived by her husband Bud; a son, Beau Tomlinson; stepchildren Woody and Kihara St. Croix, her parents, Robert and Gail Hipple Artinian; grandparents George and Eleanor Hipple; a brother, Brad Artinian; sister-in-law Deniese Artinian; and many dear and loving friends.

A funeral service was held Sunday at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Trust 100 Funeral Home in Clarkston.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made directly to the family to further Tracy's work in the fields

of AIDS Prevention, mental health and substance abuse.

Patricia MacCartey

Patricia A. MacCartey, 55, of Clarkston, formerly of Cincinnati, OH, died Sept. 10, 1995.

Family members say Mrs. MacCartey devoted her life to being a wife and mother.

She is survived by her husband Ed; two children, Dana (Tony) MacCartey Arrasmith of Cincinnati and Shawn MacCartey of Grand Rapids; parents Joseph and Elizabeth Cushing of Greenhills, OH; and a brother, Joseph (Dorian) Cushing Jr. of Newnan, GA.

A funeral service was held Wednesday, Sept. 13 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Trust 100 Funeral Home in Clarkston with Tom Ross officiating. Interment was in Oakhill Cemetery in Glendale, OH.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Ola Sines

Former coal miner Ola M. Sines of Ortonville, formerly of Oakland, MD died September 10, 1995. He was 92.

Mr. Sines retired from the coal mines of West Virginia and later from Pontiac Motor division. He was a charter member of Lake Louise Church of the Nazarene in Ortonville whose greatest joy was found in transporting carloads of children to Sunday School each week.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Alta Branigan and brothers Pete and Lloyd. He is survived by his wife of 43 years, Berta Mae; a daughter, Carolyn (Charles) Johnston of Goodrich; grandchild-

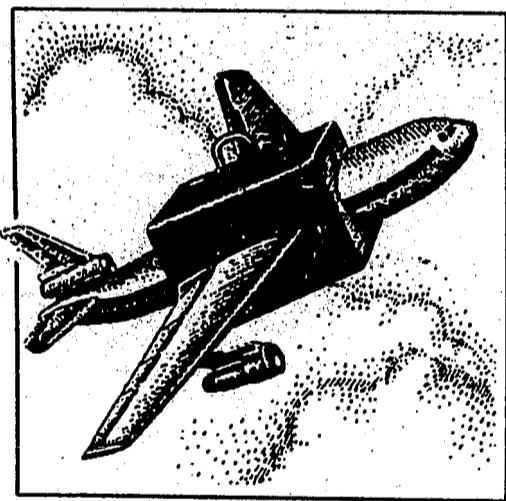
dren Michael Johnston, Stephen Johnston and Angela (Jimmy) Evans; a brother, Edgar Sines of Maryland, and a sister, Edna Low of Pennsylvania.

Funeral services will be Thursday at Lake Louise Church of the Nazarene with Dr. Masters and Rev. Wilson officiating. Interment will be in Ortonville Cemetery. Funeral arrangements are by Lewis E. Wint & Son Trust 100 Funeral Home, Clarkston.

Memorials may be made to Lake Louise Church of the Nazarene.

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Thursday, September 21, 1995

5 - 8:30 p.m.
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● "Planning for College," a program for students and parents, will be offered at the Independence Township Public Library on Tuesday, September 19, 7:30-9 p.m. Sheryl Krasnow of Career Counseling Associates will describe strategies and timetables students need to know for selecting and applying to colleges. Topics will include college visits, applications, interviews, testing, and academic records. The program is free and is aimed at students in grades 10-12 and their parents, and adults returning to college. To register call 625-2212.

● The Pontiac/Waterford Area branch of American Association of University Women (which includes Clarkston residents) will hold its first meeting of the year Thursday, Sept. 21 at Mitch's Restaurant on Cass Elizabeth Rd. in Waterford. Nancy Smith, Waterford Public Library Director/School Media Centers Director will speak on the topic "The Public

Library—Community School Connection: Innovative Delivery of Service." Dinner is at 6 p.m., program at 7:30. AAUW promotes equity for women, education and self-development over the life span and positive societal change. Guests are welcome; to RSVP or for more information call Carol at 623-6493.

● Clarkston Pine Knob Cub Scout Pack 199 will host an open house/ice cream social on Tuesday, Sept. 19 at 7 p.m. at Pine Knob Elementary School. The purpose of the event is to make boys and their parents aware of the many benefits of Cub Scouting. For more information call Paul Maxwell at 625-7859.

● Divorce hurts. Find help at a Divorcecare seminar and support group meeting Thursday nights at Lake Louise Church of the Nazarene, W. Seymour Lake Rd. at M-15. For more information call 627-3171.

● The Clarkston Community Women's Club will meet Thursday, Sept. 21 at 7:30 p.m. at the Independence Township Library. The program will feature a history of Clarkston given by Kim Huttenlocher of the Clarkston Historical Society.

Women in the community are invited to attend. Call 625-5275 for more information.

● Anyone interested in participating in a multiple sclerosis support group is asked to call Clarkston United Methodist Church at 625-1611. An organizational meeting has been scheduled for Wednesday, Sept. 27 at 7 p.m. at the church.

● A barbershop show will be held Saturday, Oct. 14 at 8 p.m. at Brandon High School's Wilson Performing Arts Center. The show will feature the state champion quartet, Genuine Blend, and High Bid, an out-state quartet. Impulse, a local Sweet Adelines' quartet, will also perform, along with other local barbershop quartets and choruses. Tickets are \$9.50 and may be purchased at Carol's Village Grill and the Independence Senior Center or by calling 673-8655 or 623-7452.

● "Keys to Effective Parenting" will be offered by Waterford Youth Assistance Monday, Sept. 18, 7-9 p.m. at the Waterford School Board office, 6020 Pontiac Lake Rd. Presenter is James Windell, Continued on page 10B

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● Bloomfield Hills Women's Aglow will meet Sept. 25 at 9:30 a.m. at the Holiday Inn on Telegraph Rd. in Bloomfield Hills. A video on "Lifting the Lonely" will be shown. There will also be a leadership conference in Ann Arbor Sept. 22-23. For more information call 623-7004.

● The Women's Survival Center will host an open house for the new Legal Access Resource Center on Wednesday, Sept. 20, 5-8 p.m. A United Way funded service, the Resource Center is a self-serve area for access to information about state law on domestic violence, divorce, custody, landlord-tenant, bankruptcy, discrimination, wills, personal protection orders and sexual harassment. Call 335-2685 for more information.

● Tuesday Musicals of Pontiac's Women's Chorus will begin rehearsals for the new season on Wednesday, Sept. 20 at 9:30 a.m. at Central United Methodist Church, 3882 Highland Rd., Waterford. Experienced choral singers are invited. Call 332-4975 for more information.

● The widowed support group will meet Oct. 5 at 7 p.m. at Clintonwood Park for a talk on microwave cooking, food safety and purchasing for one with Lois Theileke of the Oakland County Cooperative Extension Service. The group is open to the recently widowed and is free. Call 625-5231.

● Fall drama workshops at the Flint Youth Theatre will be offered for students in grades 1-12 at Bower Theatre in the Flint Cultural Center. Classes including "The Young Actor Prepares" and a performance academy. Fee is \$45 per class and scholarships are available. Call (810) 760-1018.

● The Flint Youth Theatre has announced its 1995-96 season. Productions will include "Treasure Island," "The #14 Bus," performed by the Axis Mime

Theatre of Vancouver, "Where's Waldo," "Sleeping Beauty" and many more. For ticket information call (810) 760-1138; for programming call (810) 760-1018.

● Psychologist Dr. John Canine will present a workshop on "Handling Significant Losses" on Sept. 28 at The Sarvis Center, 1231 E. Kearsley St. in Flint. The talk is sponsored by Hospice for Communities. Registration is \$10; call (810) 733-7250 for more information.

● McLaren Hospice offers a monthly support group for those who have lost a loved one to suicide. The group meets the second Monday at 7 p.m. at 237 Davis Lake Rd., Lapeer. For more information call 1-800-206-4806.

● "Past Lives, Dreams and Soul Travel" will be the topic of a seminar Sept. 16-17 at the Royce Hotel in Romulus. For more information call the Royal Oak Eckankar Center at (810) 546-9224.

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Senior Center Activities

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A Day at Our Capitol — Thursday, Sept. 28, \$30 resident/\$32 non-resident.

Ms. Senior Michigan Pageant — Wednesday, Oct. 11, \$30 resident/\$32 non-resident.

"The South Pacific"/Turkeyville — Wednesday, Oct. 25, \$46 resident/\$48 non-resident.

Mystery Trip — Friday, Nov. 3, \$30 resident/\$32 non-resident.

Christmas at Writing — Saturday, Dec. 16, \$47 resident/\$49 non-resident.

"Christie" with Charlie featuring Charlie Prose at the Stranahan Theater in Toledo — Tuesday, November 21, \$55 resident/\$57 non-resident.

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This Week's Lunch Menu

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Sweet Adelines seek new voices

Life was tough for Carolyn Place before she discovered the Sweet Adelines.

Caring for her mother, who suffered from Alzheimer's disease, was taking its toll on the Clarkston resident. "Life was just getting very down and very depressing for me," she said. "I thought I've just got to find something to do."

Then she saw a notice about the Oakland Shores Sweet Adelines, a female barbershop singing group, in the newspaper. In November she attended her first rehearsal, "and from the first night I just couldn't wait to get back," she said. "It's just absolutely fun, and the fun part is the relationships I've developed with these other women."

The Sweet Adelines are now looking for some more women singers who would like to get in on the fun. A membership drive will begin Monday, Sept. 18 at 7 p.m. at Waterford Church of Christ on Williams Lake Rd. just west of Dixie Highway.

The group of 37 women under the direction of Judy Mellen, another Clarkston resident, will offer a series of classes beginning that night focusing on the fundamentals of singing, including breath control and posture, as well as four-part harmony and barbershop terms. Though the Oakland Shores Sweet Adelines were named "most improved" at the regional convention, they plan to keep on improving through the use of the classes and the recruitment of new voices.

Barbershop is a uniquely American style of music. It uses close, unaccompanied four-part harmonies and ringing chords. Whether it is sung by men or women, the parts are called tenor, lead, baritone and bass.

Barbershop history doesn't reveal exactly where or when it began, but it appears to have sprung from popular music of the 1860s to 1920s in which sentimental lyrics and uncomplicated melodies typically harmonized with a variety of four-part chords. Barbershop follows the pattern of many early American hymns in that the lead voice is below the tenor harmony. The music was forever memorialized by the film industry in "The Music Man."

Today barbershop harmony is popular among both men and women and has evolved into a highly stylized art form. Sweet Adelines International is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year with over 600 choruses and almost 30,000 members in North America and 12 other countries. It was aided along the



From left, Sweet Adelines members include Warren, Pat McGowan of Clarkston and Carolyn Place, of Clarkston. Aree Coons of Waterford, Karen Ingram of

way by the men-only Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barber Shop Quartet Singing in America (SPEBSQSA). It's mission remains "committed to advancing the musical art form of barbershop harmony through education and performances."

Place, who started out in college as a music major and had private vocal lessons some years ago, said she was used to singing in a classical style, employing vibrato and only singing the lead, or melody. Now she sings tenor and says it's a lot harder.

The Sweet Adelines use a number of techniques to help members learn to sing the harmony parts, whether they can read music or not. Place said tapes are available and "you just think of your part as the melody. You learn the song that way."

She admits that her voice had lost a lot over the

years when she didn't sing. "With family and so forth I had let it go, like the violin, which I also play," she said. "So I had to come back from a far piece. And you don't just stand up there and sing. You have to learn choreography too."

In her year with the chorus, Place has travelled with the Sweet Adelines to two international events where she's been amazed at the level of interest in the music. And she has enjoyed the camaraderie. There's no squabbling and all levels of musicianship are accepted. "Some are musicians; many just enjoy singing," she said. "Almost any person knows if they can sing or not."

Any woman who loves to sing is invited to attend the series of membership recruitment nights/singing classes beginning Sept. 18. For more information call Eileen at 681-2578 or Connie at 363-1929.

Crop Walk for hunger returns

Clarkston's annual Crop Walk for the relief of world hunger didn't meet its goal last year—not by a longshot. But organizers will try again for the tenth year in a row on Sunday, Oct. 8 beginning at 1 p.m. at Clarkston United Methodist Church.

Crop Walk is a community event in which people from various backgrounds gather to help end the vicious cycle of poverty and hunger in the local neighborhood and the world.



Twenty-five percent of the money pledged to the Crop Walk stays in the Clarkston area to help Lighthouse North continue its work. Also benefiting is Pathfinders to Opportunity, an organization which helps children with special needs.

Volunteers are now being sought to walk, sponsor a walker, make phone calls and even make cookies for the celebration after the walk. The goal is an ambitious \$10-\$15,000 this year.

To get involved call Mary White at 625-4918 or Cathy Sabo at 625-1897 or your local church. Or visit the Crop Walk table at this weekend's Crafts and Cider Festival in Depot Park.

It's cider festival weekend

When the Crafts and Cider Festival returns to downtown Clarkston's Depot Park this weekend, expect to find longtime potter Denise Szadyr there, as she has been in past years.

Szadyr, of Waterford, who has been working with clay for 18 years, said she's choosy now about which shows she attends but always returns to Clarkston. Some shows, like Rochester's Arts & Apples, cater to out-of-state artists and are no longer accessible to locals, she said, but that's not true here.

The festival, now in its 20th year, is sponsored by the Clarkston Community Historical Society. The Society expects the festival to be bigger this year than ever before, featuring over 90 artists from all over the country. In addition to Szadyr, local artists include Sue Baetens, who makes woven cotton afghans and quilted patchwork, and Richard Larsen, who works in watercolors.

The Society also plans to offer more food choices from more civic groups than ever before at the festival, as well as musical entertainment and free balloons for the kiddies.

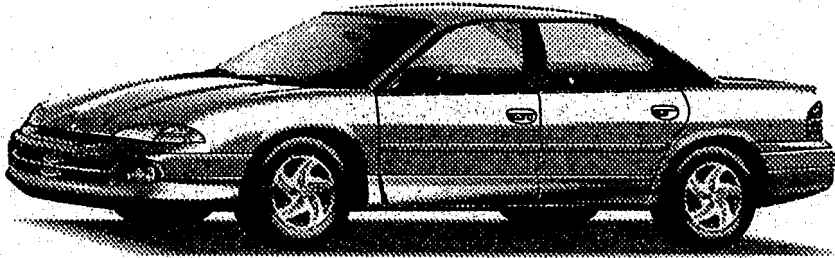
The Society will also mark the 20-year anniversary of the festival with new merchandise of its own, including sweatshirts, polo shirts and a baseball cap with a new Clarkston logo; Christmas ornaments etched with the Clark family homestead; and the recently published Clarkston history book, "Our Children's Heritage." There will also be a silent auction.

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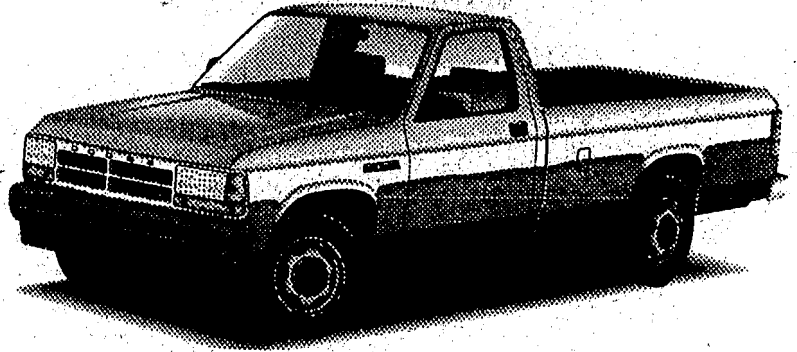


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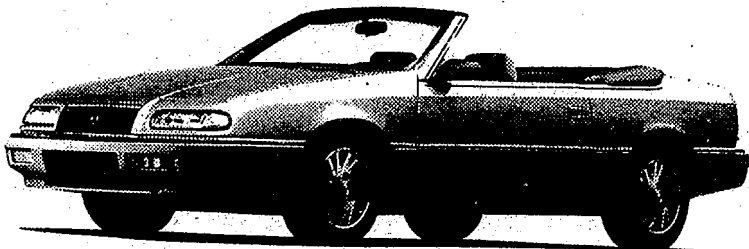


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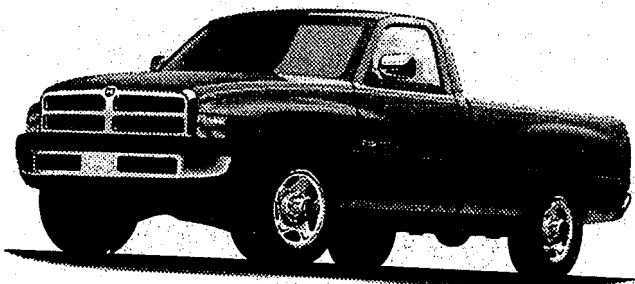


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- 1993 FORD THUNDERBIRD LX: Teal. Keyless entry, all power, rust proofed, tinted windows, AM/FM cassette, air. \$10,800. 693-6155. IILX37-4nn
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- 1994 GRAND AM SE: Must sell. Many options. Low miles. Excellent condition. Under warranty. Asking \$11,700 obo. 969-2085. IILX32-12nn
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- 1994 250 DUAL SPORT Kawasaki. Low miles. Extended warranty. \$2900 obo. 391-6625. IILX38-2
- 24R PONTIAC, 40 H.P. Excellent condition. \$3,500. 628-0331. IILX38-2
- 28' 1991 COACHMAN Catalina: Camping trailer complete. \$8900. 625-4938. IILX26-2
- 4-WHEELER, 1992 WARRIOR 350, electric start, reverse. Good condition. \$2200; Ski-Doo 340 snowmobile. Runs good. \$1200. 673-6260 leave message. IILX26-2
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PUBLIC NOTICE
CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 1995

On Thursday, September 28, 1995, the City of the Village of Clarkston Zoning Board of Appeals will hear Case B-47 at the City Hall, 375 Depot Road, Clarkston, MI 48346.

This is a request by Mr. Dean Hixson of 160 North Holcomb at the corner of Miller Road, Parcel I.D. No. 08-20-160-001, to increase his garage to a larger size. This would require a side setback variance.

This hearing replaces the one originally scheduled for July 27, 1995.

James Schultz, Chairman
Zoning Board of Appeals

PUBLIC NOTICE

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INDEPENDENCE TWP

SYNOPSIS OF ACTION TAKEN
BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF
THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

Supervisor Stuart called the meeting to order September 5, 1995 at 7:30 p.m. at the Independence Township Hall Annex.

Pledge of Allegiance
Roll Call: Present: Lutz, McCrary, Mercado, Stuart, Travis, Vaara.
Absent: McGee.
There is a quorum.

1. Approved agenda with the deletion of Resolution Approving Clarkston Office Center Water SAD and 1995 Budget Adjustment.
2. Approved minutes of the Regular Township Board meeting of August 15, 1995.
3. Approved payment of the list of bills totaling \$2,334,214.46 the Clarkston School's portion was \$534,603.19.
4. Approved the issuance of purchase orders in the amount of \$66,587.00.
5. Several residents spoke regarding "Couples" under the public forum segment of the agenda.
6. Approved the Second Reading and Adoption of rezoning Parcels 08-34-201-001, 002, 003 & 006.
7. Approved a First Reading on the Amended Rezoning from Commercial to PUD Parcels 08-29-328-014 & 005.
8. Approval to send the amendment for PRD back to the Planning Commission for further discussion on the Morgan Lake Golf Classic Parcel 08-25-376-003.
9. Approval to authorize the Township attorney to draft an amendment to the consent judgment — Auto City subject to later approval by the Township Board to include the wall sign, building extension and include a traffic discussion.
10. Approved the ratification of investment agreement that the Confidential General Release and Settlement Agreement and Addendum, executed by Dale A. Stuart as Supervisor of and on behalf of the Charter Township of Independence, and executed by Joseph F. Generelli, Esq., as First Vice President of and on behalf of Painewebber, Incorporated, is hereby ratified as the authorized agreement of the Charter Township of Independence as therein provided.
11. Approval to amend the DNR agreement to extend Phase I Bay Court Park.
12. Approval to bid Phase II Bay Court Park in the 14 phase segments as proposed.
13. Approval to sell the 1987 Celebrity to Ray Neubeck for the bid amount of \$200.
14. Approval to pay the 1993 Road Commission invoice for over-runs on the Sashabaw I-75 Safety Path in the amount of \$10,501.74.
15. Approval to adjourn the meeting at 9:50 p.m.

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ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 1995

On Thursday, September 28, 1995, the City of the Village of Clarkston Zoning Board of Appeals will hear Case B-48 at the City Hall, 375 Depot Road, Clarkston, MI 48346.

This is a request by Mr. and Mrs. Erwin Kopter, 98 North Holcomb, to erect a fence on the north property line from the east end of their home to the east end of their garage that is located in the front of their residence.

James Schultz, Chairman
Zoning Board of Appeals

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INDEPENDENCE TWP

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE
TOWNSHIP BOARD AGENDA
7:30 P.M., SEPTEMBER 19, 1995

Call to Order
Pledge of Allegiance
Roll Call
Opening Statements and Correspondence
Approval of Agenda
Minutes of Previous Meeting
List of Bills
Approval of Purchase Orders
Public Forum
Public Hearing - 1996 Budget

OLD BUSINESS

1. Resolution Approving Clarkston Office Center SAD
2. Second Reading and Adoption — Parcel 08-29-328-013, 014 & 005, Mid-Oakland PUD

NEW BUSINESS

1. 1995 Budget Adjustment
2. Safekeeping Resolution
3. Investment Manager Agreement
4. Mich' Con Agreement
5. Selection of 1995 Tri-Party Project
6. Approval of Phase I Morgan Lake Golf Classic
7. Tax Rates

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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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE
NOTICE OF PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

At a regular meeting of the Township Board held on September 5, 1995, the Board authorized a Second Reading and Adoption of an amendment to the Township's Zoning Ordinance as follows:
To rezone Parcels 09-34-201-001, 002, 003 & 006 from MS (Motor Vehicle Service Station) and C-3 (Highway Commercial) to C-1 (Local Commercial). Located at the southeast corner of Sashabaw and Maybee Roads.

The motion to approve this amendment was offered by Travis, supported by Vaara. The vote on the motion was as follows: Ayes: McCrary, Mercado, Stuart, Travis, Vaara Lutz. Nays: None. Absent: McGee. The motion carried.

This ordinance amendment is effective immediately upon publication.

Respectfully submitted,
Joan E. McCrary
Township Clerk

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

At a regular meeting of the Township Board held on September 5, 1995, the Board authorized a first reading of an amendment to the Township's Zoning Ordinance No. 83 as follows:
To rezone Parcels 08-29-328-014 & 005 from Commercial to Planned Unit Development. The site known as the Clarkston Professional Plaza.

Respectfully submitted,
Joan E. McCrary
Township Clerk



Anna Stevenson, 7, opens the music program with "And I Will Always Love You."



Paul Van Gamper piles a patron's plate high with fare from Mr. B's. The new restaurant served Spinach-Artichoke Dip, Cheese Quesadillas and

Caesar Salad. "We wanted to welcome them and Papa Romano's (another new restaurant featured) to Clarkston," Owens said.

A taste of summer's ending

Some came in tuxes. Some came in jeans. But all came to sample A Taste of Independence at Bay Court Park Sunday.

This is the second year the fundraiser for the Bay Court playscape has been held, said Maureen Owens, chairperson.

"We did all right last year and we wanted to make a really big improvement this year ... This year — plastic plates instead of china," she said, referring to one of the ways the fundraiser cut costs.

But the paper plates — though frugal — were basic black and accompanied other simple but elegant touches like floral arrangements, espresso, cheese and fruit trays and sparkling silver-and-gold-starred balloons that waved against the crisp blue sky.

While area restauraners cooked to order and served up scrumptious desserts like berry cheesecake and chocolate/peanut butter brownies, a full program of music from local artists kept tasters entertained.

Terry Stevenson, a professional singer who regularly performs at Mesquite Creek, acted as master of ceremonies, worked the crowd and sang everything from Frank Sinatra to the Diamonds to Alan Jackson — with a touch of humor.

"Last year near the end it was so cold and everyone was leaving. He brought everybody back. We said, 'We HAVE to have him again this year,'" Owens said.

Taste of Independence not only featured food and music, but a silent auction with items donated by 23 area organizations. Food Town donated non-alcoholic beverages but wine and beer were also available.

The afternoon was an opportunity to relax, pamper yourself a little and take a lazy stroll along the grassy grounds to sample a last taste of summer as well.

"We didn't recommend heels," quipped Owens. "We said to bring picnic blankets and lawn chairs."

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Like most kids, young Paul Van Gamper's plate is filled with desserts.



Fiddler Andrew Dabcynski and guitarist Rod Yeacher captivate the audience

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