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City joins anti-casino forces

BY BRAD MONASTIERE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

The Bay Mills Indian Tribe came up snake eyes against the Clarkston city council Monday.

That's because the council, at its regular meeting, joined a growing group of municipalities which have come out against a proposed casino in Auburn Hills at I-75 and Joslyn Road. By a 5-0 vote (David Savage and Doug Roeser were absent), the council passed a resolution opposing the construction of a casino in Auburn Hills.

"Casinos attract a certain element to a community. An element that deals in cash," said Jeff Gallant, spokesman for the anti-casino group. "Cash attracts criminals like telemarketers and people who deal in fraud. A local community should decide how it lives."

Another spokesperson for the group, Libby Liimatta, said tribes such as the Bay Mills propose to be good neighbors, but come in and become bad neighbors.

"It isn't a good neighbor that lets you gamble your home away," she said. "We can't afford to lose any of our good neighbors."

The council members, including Walt Gamble, said casinos would be a bad idea.

"The only ones that benefit from this are the Indians fortunate enough to be born into that nation," Karen Sanderson said.

In other council business

● The council approved Oktoberfest to take place once again at the Clarkston Union. Co-owner Curt Catallo said last year's event was successful and passed without any incidents. He said this year's event will take place Saturday, Sept. 27.

Repaving White Lake

Road won't halt travel

BY EILEEN McCARVILLE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Just when you thought you'd seen the last of orange on White Lake Rd., another construction project's underway. But additional repairs will affect motorists only slightly, says the Road Commission for Oakland County. And in the long run, it'll make for smoother traveling.

The RCOC approved more than \$3 million for county road repair Aug. 20. Locally, White Lake will be repaved from Clement to Dixie Highway.

There are really "two projects out there," said Kent Rubley, RCOC director of engineering. Rubley referred to a recent project where a realignment of

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One last hug

Nancy Rogers and baby Rebecca give Hope Rogers, 7 a goodbye hug as she begins her first day back to school Monday at Clarkston Elementary School. Most students and their parents were glad the new year was getting underway. For more photos, see the back page.

Liquor store robbed at gunpoint

BY BRAD MONASTIERE
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A liquor store on Dixie Highway was robbed of nearly \$1,000 in cash at gunpoint Wednesday night.

According to Det. Mike Key of the Oakland County Sheriff's Department Independence Substation, The Liquor Cabinet, located at 6450 Dixie, was robbed at approximately 10 p.m. Aug. 20.

Key said a white male, around 6-foot-2 inches tall

wearing a black cap and a long sleeved black shirt, walked into the store requesting a bottle of Jack Daniels. When the clerk had his back turned, the man pulled a stainless steel gun out of a paper bag and demanded all the money in the store. The clerk complied and the man left.

There were no witnesses and no vehicle was seen in the area at the time of the robbery. Key said cash and a .38 Smith-Wesson gun were stolen from the store.

No arrests have been made and there are no suspects at this time. Key said the investigation is ongoing.

Parade, pancake breakfast Monday

The last hurrah of summer will take place Monday as downtown Clarkston hosts the only Labor Day Parade in Oakland County.

Lineup is at Clarkston Elementary School beginning at 8 a.m. The parade route will be Church St. to Main St. to Miller Rd. to St. Daniel's Church. The festivities begin at 10 a.m. and are sponsored by Clarkston Rotary.

Before the parade, the Independence Township Firefighters Association will hold a pancake breakfast in a new location--Depot Park. Hours are 7 a.m.-10 a.m. Monday. Cost is \$5 for adults, \$3.50 for children under 12. All proceeds benefit local charities.

Also on Monday the Lawrence Family will be hosting a bake and popcorn sale to benefit Children's Miracle Network. The event will take place in the yard

of Floyd and Dawn Tower at the corner of N. Main St. and Miller Rd. before, during and after the parade.

Children's Miracle Network provides equipment and services for hospitalized children. The Lawrences have been conducting fund-raising for the organization for the last four years.

Allison Lawrence was 4 when she contracted toxic shock syndrome and went into cardiac arrest. She was resuscitated after 41 minutes of CPR. The equipment used to transport her from one hospital to another was purchased using Children's Miracle Network funds. Allison is now fully recovered.

In other Labor Day fun, the Michigan State Fair winds up Monday. For more weekend activities, see our Around Town page, inside.

The News in Brief

ILC celebrates 25th anniversary

After 25 years of work that's "dedicated to the quality of wildlife habitat, preserving the character of the landscape and protecting the natural resources of our community," as defined in its mission statement, the Independence Land Conservancy is celebrating its silver anniversary.

A picnic honoring the milestone is set for Saturday, Sept. 6 from noon to 3:30 p.m. at Bay Court Park, 6970 Andersonville Rd. The event is open to the public. Hamburgers, hot dogs, buns, chips and soft drinks will be provided. Please bring a side dish — vegetables, relishes, salads, side dishes or desserts — to pass. Reservations are required. Call (248) 625-3841 for more details. Donations to the ILC are appreciated.

All-church picnic scheduled

Sashabaw United Presbyterian Church in Clarkston will be hosting a three-church picnic with Atonement Presbyterian Church and Lakeland Presbyterian Church, both of Waterford Township, this Sunday, Aug. 31 from 8:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Bay Court Park, 6970 Andersonville Rd. in Independence Township.

A worship service is scheduled for 11 a.m. in the pavilion; the pot-luck picnic will follow. Everyone is welcome. There will be horseshoes, volleyball, Frisbee, swimming, the playscape and other activities. The churches will supply grilled meat and soft drinks; bring a dish to pass. In case of bad weather, the picnic will be held at Lakeland Presbyterian, 7325 Maceday Lake Rd. For more information, call Sashabaw Presbyterian at (248) 673-3101.

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Council reappoints ZBA, planning members

The Clarkston city council Monday unanimously approved the reappointment of seven members to various boards.

Martha Johnson, Barbara Thompson and Monica Ward were reappointed to the city planning commission.

Jim Huttenlocher, Tom Hunter and Peg DaCosta were reappointed to the zoning board of appeals, and Les Haight was reappointed to the historic district commission.

All the appointments will run through 1999.

Food distribution coming

Free food from the Temporary Emergency Food Assistance program (TEFAP) will be distributed by the Oakland Livingston Human Resources Agency locally in September.

The program comes to the Independence Township Senior Center inside Clintonwood Park on Wednesday, Sept. 10, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Food will also be distributed at Davisburg United Methodist Church, 803 Broadway the same day from 10 a.m. to noon.

You must be income eligible to participate. If you think you are and are not already registered, bring the following to the site on the day of distribution: Social Security cards, photo ID and verification of income for all household members.

Call 858-5126 for more information.

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The last straw

Drag-racing drunk driver sends neighborhood back to Road Commission for stop signs at a corner that's become popular with speeders

BY ANNETTE KINGSBURY
Clarkston News Editor

Residents of one Independence Township subdivision are wondering if someone has to get killed before they can get stop signs installed at an intersection that has become a popular place for speeding.

On Aug. 18 tempers reached a boiling point when an 18-year-old Davisburg man was drag racing his white Mustang with another car on Chestnut Hill Dr., a residential street. According to witnesses, he had to swerve to avoid an oncoming car, drove across a lawn and into the driveway of a house owned by Curtis and Kathy Sims, where he struck their parked car and pushed it into another one.

The driver was arrested at the scene for drunk driving when he failed sobriety tests. His passenger, a 17-year-old boy who lives in the neighborhood, is expected to be ticketed for underage consumption of alcohol. The second car fled.

Only moments before, Curtis Sims and his two children, ages 4 and 6, had been standing in the driveway. They had just gone into the garage to pump air into a bicycle tire in preparation for a ride when the accident occurred. They were not injured.

The Sims and their neighbors say this is just the latest in an unending string of speeding incidents since they moved in. The street is often used as a cut-through between Maybee and Waldon. A hill starts north of the Sims' home and with no stop signs between it and Maybee, drivers pick up speed without being able to see the curve ahead.

The neighbors say they've asked the Road Commission for Oakland County to install speed bumps, or at the very least, a stop sign at the corner of Chestnut Hill and Mockingbird. They say they've been denied. Meanwhile, the street has been designated as a bike route and signs have been posted to that effect.

"This is as close as we want to get," said Kathy Sims last week. "My family was close; my neighbor was close."

The whole neighborhood lives in fear now, she said. "On a nice night there are always people running, walking." To make matters worse, the intersection of Chestnut Hill and Mockingbird is a schoolbus stop. It's marked only with a yield sign facing Mockingbird.

The Chestnut Hills Farms Homeowners Association is offering a reward for information on the car that fled the scene after the accident. It's described as dark in color, possibly a Camaro.

Sims and Terry Sheridan, who lives across the street, say they've both lost mailboxes repeatedly in the



This photo, taken by Terry Sheridan, shows neighbors gathered around the white Mustang that hit one Sims car, pushing it into another in their driveway. Three members of the family were nearby but managed to get out of the way. An 18-year-old Davisburg man has been charged with drunk driving in the incident, which has galvanized the neighborhood into a push for stop signs.

five years they've lived there. Terry's wife Dianne, who witnessed the accident, said her family has installed boulders across the front of their lot to try to deter the drivers.

"This past Christmas eve and day our lawn was torn up," she said. "Kids go up one drive way and then cut across."

Dianne Sheridan said she's been told by Oakland County Sheriff's deputies that they can't set up radar due to the hill, but they could ticket people running a stop sign, if one were installed.

The neighbors think the offending traffic comes from both within and without their subdivision. They are organizing a petition drive to let the Road Commission know, once again, how they feel. And they've enlisted the help of Independence Township Supervisor Dale Stuart, who has written to the RCOC requesting a study.

Anne Dutton, the grandmother of the two Sims children who also lives in the subdivision, was shaken up by the accident. "It was absolutely terrible," she said. "They purposely made a speedway out of it from

the top of the hill... I've lived in this sub for 10 years and it's been a continuing problem."

Scott Kingan, a spokesman for the road commission, said Tuesday the request is under investigation.

"We've had some people go out and look at this area preliminarily and they saw some rather long skid marks," he said. "It's under study."

Kingan said state guidelines must be consulted to see if the intersection qualifies for a stop sign based up such things as the amount of traffic, site distances and more. There are reasons not to install the signs, he added, saying drivers ignore them or speed up in between signs if there are too many.

"We will come up with a recommendation soon," he said.

"We tried last year and they (the road commission) told us no way. Now it's time," Kathy Sims said. "I hope they don't wait until somebody gets killed... I think everybody in the sub's going to pull together on this one."

Repaving White Lake Road won't halt traffic

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White Lake with Nelsey Rd. from Clement to Andersonville Rd. improved the Andersonville-White Lake intersection, which had a long history of traffic accidents. Funded in part federally, the stretch has been completed and a traffic light's been installed at the corner.

That portion is getting "one final surfacing" this week along with repaving from Clement to the railroad tracks, Rubley said. Next week the road commission will pave the remainder—the portion from Clement to

Dixie, approximately one mile.

The good news is there won't be any detours. "One lane will be done at a time so traffic will be able to get through there. But there will be delays of course," Rubley said, referring to workers who "stop and go" traffic each way. Weather conditions could also slow things down, he added. Motorists are advised to plan extra traveling time.

Rubley said a recent bill signed by Gov. John Engler allowed interest to be taken from "the rainy day

fund, and that's where the \$3 million came from."

The Independence Township Board of Trustees recently rejected an extension of the Downtown Development Authority which would have collected tax monies to widen White Lake from two to three lanes. The RCOC was willing to contribute \$200,000 to the million-dollar project.

"The money we were going to kick in is the money we're going to spend now to do the repaving," Rubley said.

Lieutenant sounds alert for more tornado sirens

BY EILEEN McCARVILLE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Most people can't escape the blare of a tornado warning siren, but folks in new developments might be better alerted if more are added, says Oakland Sheriff's Department Independence substation commander Lt. Dale LaBair.

LaBair approached the Independence Township Board of Trustees Aug. 19, asking them to consider additional sirens in north and east areas that border with Orion and Brandon townships where many new neighborhoods are being built.

His idea grew out of a federal assistance program that made Independence Township eligible for disaster mitigation funding following the July 2 tornado that killed one Springfield Township woman and left other people injured and homes devastated in the Detroit Metro area.

However, that possibility fell through when LaBair learned the money was specified for training and flood control. And "We don't have any flood problems in this county," he said.

If federal funding had been approved it would have paid 75 percent and Oakland County 12.5 percent, leaving the township responsible for the remainder. The cost of each siren is less than \$17,000.

But after LaBair met with county emergency representatives, he learned that even without federal assistance the county would absorb a quarter of the cost. The township's portion would be approximately

\$12,750 per siren.

LaBair thinks it's still a good deal. Neighboring communities are purchasing additional sirens, he said, naming Brandon, Groveland and Springfield townships. Because existing sirens are already located in the "core" of communities, LaBair feels splitting the cost with other municipalities would be mutually beneficial, adding more sirens along their shared borders.

The request produced mixed reviews.

Supervisor Dale Stuart feels more information is needed before LaBair's proposal is even considered. "We don't know if (other communities) would be involved in any location advantageous to us, or if they'd share the cost," he said. "Obviously it won't do us any good if it's located in (the north end of)



Lt. Dale LaBair

Brandon."

"I think it's something that we should explore," said trustee Neil Wallace, supporting the Clintonville Rd. corridor as one area LaBair suggested.

Trustee Dan Travis said it seems tornados always pick trailer parks. "They're the first and worst hit. I don't know, it's like a magnet for these storms." There are several such parks in the township.

LaBair said each siren is audible within approximately a one-mile radius. But "We all know, in practicality, during the day, even if you live over here, you may hear three or four go off," he said.

The board took no action.

On Friday LaBair said seven township sirens exist at the following locations: Whipple Lake Rd., east of Princeton Rd.; Sashabaw and Clarkston roads;

Oakland County would absorb one-fourth of the cost of installing new tornado warning sirens, according to Oakland County Sheriff's Lt. Dale LaBair.

Maybe Rd. and Pine Knob Lane; Pelton Rd., east of Waterford Rd.; Dixie Highway, north of White Lake Rd.; M-15 and Church St.; and Reese Rd. and Deer Forest Ct.

If the township purchases more sirens, LaBair's plan is to "first look along the Clintonville/Eston/Orion area, and perhaps up in the M-15/Hadley/Brandon area." He's worked with township fire chief Gar Wilson on target locations.

Many communities locate sirens on golf courses, and Morgan Lake could be a future site, he said.

It's especially effective if you live near a "primary" siren, he said. "These are probably the ones that are going to wake you up out of a dead sleep and alert you," he said. Weather conditions and topography can affect audibility, he added.

It's too soon to tell if the township will back LaBair's idea. That's OK, he says.

"When I made the presentation it was kind of off the cuff. I'm at the township's disposal on that. If they want me to approve (the sirens) I'd be happy to. But I don't think it's critical at this point," he said. "If they can get it to fly and it can be entertained — great. But it's not for me to make those decisions."



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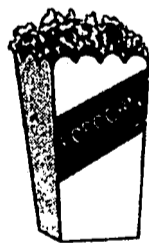
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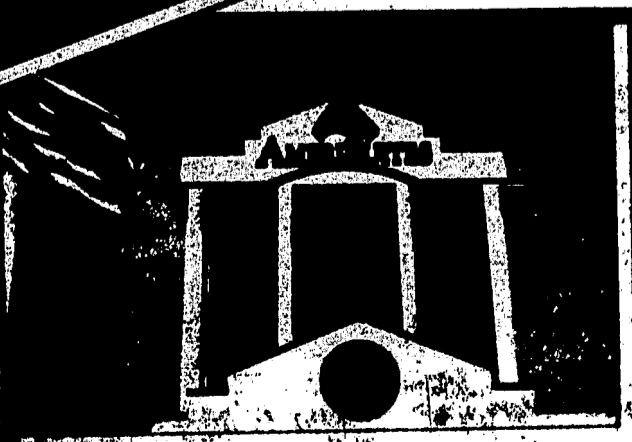
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State appeals POH's permission to build here

BY ANNETTE KINGSBURY
Clarkston News Editor

As expected, Michigan Attorney General Frank Kelly filed an appeal last week in the state Supreme Court against a lower court decision that would allow Pontiac Osteopathic Hospital to build in Independence Township.

POH owns land at the northwest corner of Dixie Highway and White Lake Rd., right across the street from a new outpatient medical facility being built by Clarkston orthodontist Dr. Charles Munk. POH's request is for a state-issued Certificate of Need (CON) for an inpatient, 112-bed hospital.

POH has repeatedly declined to talk about its plans for the property. Since the initial request for the CON was made, POH has built a brand new hospital tower in downtown Pontiac, right across the street from its aging original facility. All in-patient beds were moved to the new building.

In a prepared statement, Kelly said "The hospital planning area that includes Clarkston was found on the hearing record to have substantially more hospital beds than are needed. Hospital beds in that area are now underutilized by 37 percent. Building a new branch of POH will unnecessarily increase health care costs. This is particularly true because the hospital has recently built a new facility in downtown Pontiac to replace its old hospital."

Ron Styka of the Attorney General's office said the basis of the latest appeal is, in essence, a legal technicality. The case has already made its way to the state Supreme Court and back down once before. Most recently, the Court of Appeals ruled in favor of POH and against six other hospitals asking to build. If approved, the requests would have added 1,000 new

State officials say hospital beds in northern Oakland County are underutilized by 37 percent. Seven hospitals want to add 1,000 more beds between Clarkston and West Bloomfield.

beds in Oakland County alone.

The state argues that with about a 60 percent occupancy rate in Oakland County, more beds are not needed. Empty beds cost money, since private insurance companies and Medicaid determine how much they will pay hospitals by including some of the hospitals' capital costs.

"If a bed is there unused, that also adds to the cost they have to charge per procedure," Styka said. "So unused beds contribute to the cost of health care."

The state Department of Community Health "determined that none were needed because we already have too many empty beds," Styka said. POH's appeal to a review board reversed that, but that was before the new hospital tower in Pontiac was built.

At that time, "POH had an old hospital it couldn't renovate," Styka said. "It seemed like the only way out was to move half their beds to Clarkston."

Things have obviously changed since then. But after an Ingham County Circuit Court found against POH, the Court of Appeals reversed the decision on a

technicality. A year ago the state Supreme Court sent the case back to the appeals court, which again ruled in favor of POH, even though by then the new tower was under way.

"In fact it (the tower) was done by the time they ruled," Styka said. The attorney general is now appealing the basis for that ruling.

A similar appeal is pending regarding an application by Providence Hospital to build in Novi. That part of the county is experiencing a similar occupancy rate for hospital beds.

"The certificate of need process was designed by the legislature to protect all Michigan citizens from excess health care costs. Excessive health care costs hurt our economy and ultimately cost Michigan jobs," Kelly stated.

Munk said he wouldn't see a new POH across from his Mid-Oakland Medical Center as competition.

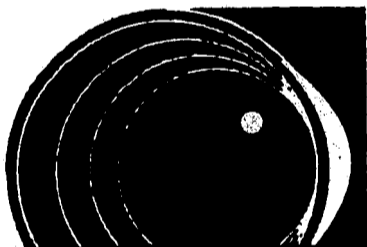
"My feeling is anything that comes to the Clarkston area that increases care for the people of Clarkston is a plus," he said. "I wouldn't see it as competition."

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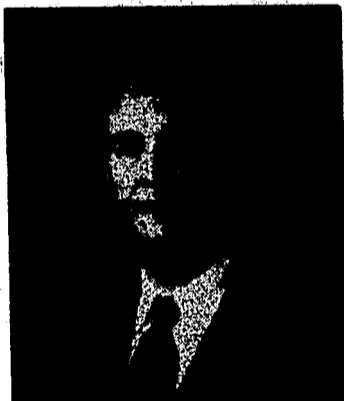
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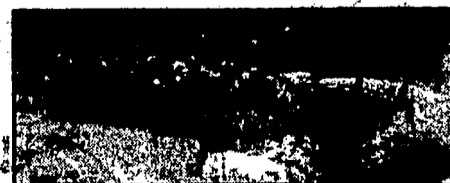
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In Focus

by Annette Kingsbury

The fur flies

You know that old saying: Look what the cat dragged in? Well, being a cat owner, over the years I have put up with all sorts of unwanted things being dragged in by The Resident Feline. But the latest visitors came in of their own accord.

The Feline has, for many years, had his own door so he can come and go as he wishes. In our neighborhood, where every house in on a couple of acres, this works out well and no one is bothered.

But everyone knows cats are hunters (they are biologically required to eat meat) and sometimes a bird or mouse falls prey, much to our chagrin. But hey—cats must do what cats must do.

Things became so bad this spring, as they generally do each spring, that for awhile we were locking The Feline out at night. We put his food and water out on the front porch, near the door, and let him in each morning. When his spring fever appeared to have worn off, we resumed our old discipline.

Well, sometime during that stint, raccoons, also great hunters, must have found the food dish. And when it disappeared inside, so, eventually, did they.

A couple of times we were suspicious. Food would disappear in greater quantity than usual. One time water was spilled all over the kitchen floor. Another time the food storage canister was found on the living room floor. We wondered if we had visitors.

Then, recently we spent a Saturday night overnight in Ann Arbor. We left out lots of food and water, and when we returned on Sunday, it was all gone. The self-serve feeder was in pieces on the floor.

We locked the door the next couple of nights. Then, on a Tuesday, we opened it again. Sure enough, about 3 a.m., "there arose such a clatter I sprang from my bed to see what was the matter."

"Stay back!" The Dennis whispered as we inched our way down the stairs, turning on the light.

By now the culprits knew the jig was up. First one, then another furry butt was seen high-tailing it out the swinging pet door. Raccoons. A pair of them. Yikes!

We know we were lucky the cute little guys didn't tear up our entire house while we were away. But now the problem is this: Why should The Feline have to change his lifestyle so the raccoons can be kept at bay? It's useless to try to trap them; where we live they are in unlimited supply, along with opossums, skunks, rabbits, groundhogs, etc. What's an animal lover to do?

For now The Feline seems to be adjusting to the changes OK. I'm not so sure about me. Several times I've awakened in the dead of night, sure something was banging on the swinging door, trying to get in. Each time I've checked, I've found nothing.

With the coming of winter, I fear more problems. After all, we can't lock The feline out in the cold.

Do raccoons hibernate?

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City's opposition to museum questioned

Dear editor,

We have learned from news articles that Clarkston City Council, at its meeting on Monday, August 11, discussed potential uses of the building on Main Street that will be vacated by NBD when it closes this branch in September and approved a resolution articulating its desire to see an office or retail business occupy the site. The purpose of this letter is to respond to issues raised in these articles regarding the use of NBD building and to further explain the many community benefits of having a local history museum housed in a significant historic structure located in the center of a historic village. Since we have not been informed about or invited to the council meeting, we are relying on the accuracy of the press reports.

The primary arguments conveyed in the above-mentioned articles as given by the city council for their preference for a commercial use of the building were to: 1) increase pedestrian traffic, 2) contribute to village property tax revenues and 3) maintain a "village" atmosphere. We believe that a local museum and a gift shop at this site would attract an annual attendance of approximately 15,000 persons. These individuals and groups intending a 30-60

minute visits, will not require directly adjacent parking and will create both considerable pedestrian traffic and an interest in nearby retail and food services in conjunction with their trip to the museum or its gift shop. Certainly, office use of the building would not likely generate substantial pedestrian traffic.

Regarding property tax revenues, which may be generated by a commercial business at the site, our understanding is that this building is valued at \$367,270 and contributes \$2,262.34 annually to the City of the Village of Clarkston. This must be weighed against many community benefits of a local history museum, especially the advantages to the growing population of school children who will have the opportunity to learn history in an exciting, interactive manner through the material evidence of the past. Finally, a history museum could best serve to preserve a "village" atmosphere by entertaining, educating and inspiring with the history of the village district and its neighboring areas. The city council may be misinformed or lacking knowledge regarding museums, as these arguments are not convincing.

In our polling of local area businesses, service

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Don't Rush Me

By Don Rush

Amazing news for you



The other day I was leaving some building, somewhere — don't ask when, or where 'cause I cannot remember. But it was last week (gosh, a mind is a terrible thing to lose). Anyway, as I left the building I looked into the trash and saw the August 19, 1997 edition of the *Weekly World NEWS* — you know, that mecca of journalistic endeavors.

I couldn't let it go to waste so I picked it up, rolled it up and stuck it in my back pocket for later reading. How can you not read something with a headline that is one and a quarter inches tall that screams, "ELVIS' TOMB IS EMPTY." Or an almost two-inch tall headline declaring, "ROSWELL ALIENS' LAST WORDS — CIA recovered 'black box' from UFO wreckage!"

This is exciting stuff.

On the conspiracy front, apparently a source told another source the recording was found in 1947. In 1988 scientists figured out how to play the tape and it wasn't until 1991 linguistics experts deciphered alien-speak.

Crewman One: No!

Captain: Keep your heads. We're not down yet, we're still —

Crewman Two: I don't want to

Crewman One: My wife, my —

Captain: Shut up. Don't panic. Keep your eyes on the gauges. Concentrate, both of you, we-

Crewman Two: die like this, so far from home, alone. Oh God no!

Crewman One: (Screams in fear)

Crewman Two: It's over. It's —

Captain: God help us.

Crewman One (who has regained his composure and stopped screaming): God forgive me for

my sins.

Then the crash. Pretty riveting dialogue, I just have one question: when the captain said, "keep your heads" did this mean the aliens had more than one each? I'm sure the true story will come out on the *X-Files* this new season.

In other headlines: "HARRY TRUMAN'S GHOST IS HAUNTING HIROSHIMA!"

And, "Jacques Cousteau Buried Wearing Mask & Flippers!"

(Why does everything have an explanation point after it?)

Or, "Exterminator loses 9-hour battle with 7 million roaches . . . as terrified mom takes child & flees home!"

And, hold on to your dreams, this is part one of a four-part shocker, "TOP SECRET GROUP STUNS WASHINGTON WITH UNCANNY PREDICTIONS . . . They're called the Nostradamus 10 after the 15th-century prophet & what they see for the future could change your life forever! THE MILLENNIUM PAPERS!"

Predictions from the N-10 aren't that fun — as a matter of fact they're downright depressing. Much of what they predict is: total chaos, economic upheaval and that China will push the United States aside as the new world power-broker. Oh yeah, and "Millions of Japanese commit suicide after economic disaster."

Advice from Don: get that fixed mortgage rate now.

I have just picked up the copy of the August 19, 1997 *Weekly World NEWS*, rolled it up and pitched it in my office trash can. If anybody wants to read it, garbage day is Thursday.

15 YEARS AGO (1982)

Tensions continue to escalate between Pine Knob Investment Co. and Independence Township, with township director of building and planning Kenneth Delbridge tiptoeing to patch things up. In his words: "We're going through divorce right now." The latest explosion concerns the township's push to pin down Pine Knob co-owner Joseph Locricchio on the "intent" of the controversial 2.5-mile road network under construction at the complex.

Stewart McTeer is named ad director of the Clarkston News by publisher Jim Sherman.

Plans for Clarkston's Labor Day festivities include a parade and a three-day Old Fashioned Country Fair with an appearance by the Clarkston Village Players and events by local merchants, such as the Rotten Sneakers Contest where the winner gets a new pair of tennies.

25 YEARS AGO (1972)

Thieves steal the Clarkston Jaycees brand-new television set that was to be given to a lucky ticket holder during the annual Labor Day celebration.

Powell Disposal, a local garbage and trash collection company, is cited for failing to comply with state regulations governing landfills. Mrs. Ben Powell, who operates the business with her son, says she has attempted to comply. "Contrary to reports, our operation is covered at the end of each day," she says.

Clarkston varsity football is raring to go, after completing its second annual football camp.

50 YEARS AGO (1947)

Clarkston School opens Sept. 3 and several improvements have been made. Some classrooms have been painted in pastel colors. The gym has been painted white, improving lighting. Other additions include new blackboards and windows, 65 tablet arm chairs and the athletic department has a new rotary mower which "Doc" Thayer has been pushing around the field.

Bill O'Roark and Ed Conklin hook up in a pitching duel, taking Clarkston's baseball team to a narrow victory with a 4-3 score against Fenton. Conklin is very effective, holding Clarkston to six hits while striking out 13 batters.

Specials at Kroger's include whole hams, 67 cents a pound; Kroger bread, two loaves for a quarter; haddock fillets, 49 cents a pound; Pepsi or Coke, a carton of six for a quarter; and Libby's fruit cocktail, 38 cents a can.

60 YEARS AGO (1937)

Clarkston State Bank has been enlarged and remodeled into a modern bank building. Business is open in the new quarters which allows more room for customers and office force.

Repair work has begun on the Clarkston School chimney which was damaged during a recent storm. Two weeks ago lightning struck the south side and scattered a great many bricks on the ground below.

Playing at the Holly Theatre are Shirley Temple and Victor McLaglen in "Wee Willie Winkie" and Fred MacMurray and Frances Farmer in "Exclusive."

Ei-liners

By Eileen McCarville

Let freedom sing



It's interesting. You never know who you're going to run into at a Pine Knob concert.

As a part-time "Guest Services Hostess," employed by The Palace which owns Pine Knob, I've been pleasantly surprised.

Let's see. At Wayne Newton I saw Randy Lincoln, head of "Beefcarver, Inc." which owns the Clarkston Cafe. Jethro Tull drew local developer Mike Clark, who must have been in a '70s time warp.

A couple of years ago I saw the entrepreneurial Curt Catallo, of Clarkston Union fame, at some alternative fest at Meadowbrook, which is managed by The Palace. Independence Township treasurer Jim Wenger took a breather from taxes at a winter Pistons game. Township planner Dick Carlisle admits to enjoying Jimmy Buffet. And township supervisor Dale Stuart, I'm told, watched an entire shock-rock Marilyn Manson concert — of course in behalf of the township, keeping tabs on problems impacting a future Knob ordinance.

Stuart did not deviate from his customary suit and tie, an observer told me. But his conservative duds seemed to add a dash of spice to the eccentric crowd of spiked do's, body-piercing and tatoos. He told Stuart, "Dale, you look so out of place you're in place."

The latest incident at a Bryan Adams concert made me misty-eyed. And thoughtful.

Down my aisle came a smiling threesome — Mom, Pop and Teenage Daughter. They looked like any other group of patrons but there was something different. I couldn't put my finger on it until the young lady talked.

"Please, could you tell me what this karaoke means?"

After drawing a little more conversation, I was told the entire family was from the Ukraine, currently living in Rochester and hoping to acquire U.S. citizenship.

Their eyes were bright with hope, eagerness. Their faces reminded me of this line from poet Sara Teasdale: "Children's faces looking up, holding won-

der like a cup." Paradise found.

I spent a long time explaining to the girl what karaoke is. You get on stage, sing the song — with only the background music, I said. But she was worried about going to "the bar" because she heard they were dangerous. Even through her American friends flocked there every weekend.

I pointed her to "Mr. B's." That would be safe, I said. Heck, there was even one in her neighborhood.

What impressed me as I got to know the family was their gratitude, their graciousness — their joie de vivre. I had the feeling they'd be just as happy at a Pearl Jam concert as they would be at Travis Tritt or Barbra Streisand.

I looked down the row. Their faces were flushed, they were on their feet, dancing. There was no generation gap. There was certainly no angst. Mom, Dad and Teenage Daughter were enjoying every minute.

It made me happy, sad. Definitely guilty. We Americans take so much for granted. We complain if our eggs aren't over easy or the carpet cleaner's late.

I guess seeing them restored my faith. It made me proud to be an American — most of the time. Yeah, we're not perfect. There are definitely some Big Brother types still out there, and some embarrassments.

Tragedies like civil rights issues that make us rethink the lines "And crown thy good with brotherhood." Hypocrisy that turns hymnal pages while singing, "Jesus loves the little children, ALL the children of the world" while we cross our fingers behind our backs, bashing gays.

Then there are prices so high you can barely afford to buy a new home, roads that don't get fixed, new gas taxes, child-care expenses that make it too costly to work, homeless people and animals, traffic, domestic violence, ATM and car-jacking murders, tainted beef ...

Hmmmm ... Are things so great after all? Maybe we should ask my new Ukrainian friends a few years from now.

People poll

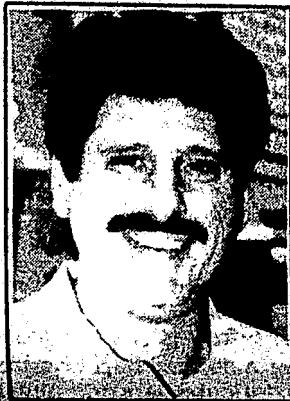
By Eileen McCarville

What can be done to improve downtown business?

B U C K KOPIETZ, TIERRA; MILLPOND INN: It would be nice if the city would consult the businesses before making decisions that would affect the businesses. An example is the master plan. I don't know of any businesses that have been consulted, by the city planners or by the master plan committee.



D A V E CHIAPPELLI, CLARKSTON HAIR DESIGN: I think the most important thing would be to try to put together a more optimistic team attitude downtown... If the city would capture the nostalgia theme of this town and draw the businesses into that, that's what they're doing all over the nation.



JOHN MORGAN, MORGAN'S SERVICE: It's going to take more than one retail business to draw people downtown. Of course, everybody says parking ... But there's no place to come here for now. We've lost the drug store, NBD... That was one reason people came to town, to do their banking.



D A V E M c N E V E N, COACH'S CORNER: One thing might be to somehow encourage other businesses that are retail to come here, and to try to get the businesses that don't need street exposure to find alternate places to have their businesses, like real estate offices and lawyers.



ANNBERISHAJ, OLDE VILLAGE CAFE: Parking is needed badly. That's why you don't get too much business, because there's nowhere to park around here. My customers and employees have gotten tickets because there's not enough room to park all day.



All are downtown Clarkston business owners

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and/or civic organizations, and residents, members of the Board of Directors of the Clarkston Community Museum Foundation have produced the documented, overwhelming support for a museum in the NBD building. Like the area's new library, schools, parks and churches, the museum would add to the needed cultural offerings to the burgeoning Independence Township population. We could only assume that the city's government would strongly encourage organizations that serve to provide engaging and meaningful educational and cultural experiences to its residents and visitors.

The Clarkston Community Museum Foundation is developing plans for a local history museum to preserve historical objects and use them to help interpret the area's past. The museum's lively programs will include interactive school field trips and in-class programs, adult lectures, special thematic exhibits, interpretations of history through drama, music and dance performances, and outreach programs to be conducted at the locations of community organizations. All of these programs will involve the effort of volunteers of all ages, including youth and senior citizens.

As a way to both generate revenues and further distribute its information and images, the museum will operate a gift shop in the building selling both souvenirs related to the museum's collections, such as jewelry, notecards, and other reproductions of artifacts, as well as work of local artists and craft persons. In addition, to offer visitors an opportunity for refreshments, the museum will consider operating a coffee shop or an ice-cream parlor using old historical Clarkston recipes.

If First Chicago-NBD were to donate this fitting and perfectly located historic structure, valued near \$400,000, to found a local history museum, the museum could be open to the public by the fall of 1999, as all financial and human resources could be directed to the readying of the building and installation of exhibits. It is anticipated that this incredible opportunity will not present itself anytime soon. For the city council to refuse to support a tremendously generous donation of the NBD building for a local history museum for the community is difficult to justify. All arguments presented against support for the museum hold little merit when viewed in the light of the benefits for the community that the museum

will bring.

The members of the Board of Directors of the Clarkston Community Museum Foundation would hope that the council revise its resolution by voicing its support for First Chicago-NBD's donation of its Main Street building to found the Clarkston Museum, or propose some other, financially viable alternative. Letters of support for the donation of the building should be sent to the: Clarkston Community Museum Foundation, P.O. Box 905, Clarkston, Michigan 48347.

Lisa Ashby, Chair
Public Relations Committee CCMF and
Executive Director - Meadow Brook Hall
Lubomyr O. Hewko, Chairman
Clarkston Community
Museum Foundation

Former bank president supports museum idea

Dear editor:

I would like to see the dignity and reputation of the Clarkston Branch Bank preserved by having it donated to the Clarkston Community Museum Foundation. It would be a shame to have this dignified building be degraded by turning it into a plain commercial building.

Clarkston is a grand old community and has always been proud of its business district. Although we have lost most of the shopping center type businesses, we still hold our heads up high and are very proud. To have this building house the museum would keep the area the center of activity as it always has been when the bank was there.

As a bit of personal history: I worked at the bank 40 years. At age 15, I was the janitor; after graduation from high school in 1931, I started as teller. In 1945 I became the CEO and was the top boss for 20 years.

Again, please seriously consider donating our bank to the Museum Foundation. It will preserve this grand building and greatly benefit the community and the downtown business section.

Very truly yours,
Robert Jones

Around town

● A free eating disorder/weight control support group will meet Thursdays, Aug. 28 and Sept. 4 at 7 p.m. at the Independence Township Library. The group meets twice a month on a different topic each meeting. For more information call Denise Meisner at 620-6879.

● The Clarkston Fine Arts Gallery will celebrate its second anniversary with a free reception on Friday, Sept. 26, 7-9 p.m. at the gallery, 7151 N. Main St. New decor and the additions of pottery and floral work will be highlighted and refreshments will be served. For more information call 625-8439.

● CHADD of the Oxford Area (Children and Adults with Attention Deficit Disorder) will meet Tuesday, Sept. 9, 7-9 p.m. at the Oxford Public Library, 20 W. Burdick St. for a support group discussion. Anyone interested in learning about attention deficit is welcome. Call 391-0113 for more information.

● Parenting classes through the STEP and STEP/teen programs will be offered this fall in Rochester. Pre-register through Rochester Community Services; call 650-5747 for more information.

● The Hubbard Dianetics Foundation in Holly is presenting a free Dianetics workshop on Sunday, Sept. 7, 8-4 p.m. Get firsthand experience in

using Dianetics to help yourself and others. Call 634-5281 for more information.

● The Clarkston CROP Walk will be held Sunday, Sept. 28 at 2 p.m. departing from Calvary Lutheran Church. The annual event raises money to stop hunger around the block and around the world. To be a walker or sponsor call Clarkston Community Church at 625-1323, Calvary at 625-3288, Clarkston United Methodist Church at 625-1611 or St. Daniel Catholic Church at 625-4583.

● The Anderson Gallery in Pontiac will present two fiber artists in a dual show Sept. 5-Oct. 31. The work incorporates traditional fiber techniques such as embroidery and resist dye processes, as well as photography. Both artists are graduates of the Cranbrook Academy of Art. Opening reception is Friday, Sept. 5, 7-10 p.m. at the gallery, located at 7 N. Saginaw. Call 335-4611 for more information.

● Celebrate Labor Day at Crossroads Village in Flint with a historical re-creation of women's struggle to get the vote. Anyone presenting a union membership card will receive a discounted admission, and 25-cent refreshments will be served. Hours are 11 a.m.-6:30 p.m. this weekend. Call 810-736-7100 for more information.

Fit for life

By Heather Haepers

Excuses



This is the first column by a new writer for The Clarkston News. Heather Haepers will appear monthly to talk about fitness.

Haepers is a 1994 graduate of Ferris State University, where she received a degree in communications. She has primary certification from the Aerobics and Fitness Association of America and is employed as an exercise specialist for the Internal Revenue Service Corporate Fitness Center in Detroit. There she conducts fitness assessments, teaches aerobics and designs wellness programs. She also has experience in radio and television.

If you have questions you'd like Haepers to address, send them to The Clarkston News, 5 S. Main St., Clarkston, MI 48346.

Excuses, excuses. We all use them at one time or another when we do not feel like exercising. I have heard everything from not having enough time, to the dog ate my gym shorts. Below are the five most popular excuses not to work out, along with five responses as to why exercise is usually the better option.

- I am too tired: Regular exercise increases your overall energy level.
- I don't have the time: All it takes is 15 to 30 minutes per day, three to five days per week to benefit from exercise.
- Health clubs make me feel uncomfortable: Tour several health clubs to find the one that best suits your needs. Health clubs offer more workout options than at home, and professional assistance is available.
- Exercise is both exhausting and boring: Have a fitness professional design a program for you. You are probably tiring quickly because you are working too hard, too soon. If you are bored with your routine, consider your options such as aerobics, running, walking, dancing, or bicycling. Remember, as long as you are within your target heart rate, it doesn't matter what activity you are doing.

• I am not coordinated enough to do aerobics, and I am bored on the treadmill: Consider trying step aerobics, which is great for those of us with less coordination. Try getting to class early, and the instructor will be happy to show you the basic moves ahead of time. There are also several new types of group exercise classes such as boxing or spinning, neither of which require much coordination.

The bottom line is: Regardless of the excuses we come up with not to exercise, there is always an even better reason why we should. It helps to reduce stress, increase energy, improve body composition, and lower your resting heart rate. Remember, exercise should be fun. Experiment to find out what you enjoy.

Your opinion matters!

Letters to the editor should be addressed to 5 S. Main St., Clarkston, MI 48346. Letters must be received by noon on Monday for consideration for that week's paper.

Letters from candidates for public office will not be printed during election season. Otherwise, please limit letters to 350 words. You must include your name, address and phone number for verification; however, we will withhold your identity upon request.

Players kick off 37th season with 'Cat's Cradle'

BY EILEEN McCARVILLE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

All aboard for the Clarkston Village Players' 37th season, as the local community troupe takes off with a Leslie Sands mystery, "Cat's Cradle," premiering Friday, Sept. 5.

The Players will follow their usual performance schedule with three weekends and two Thursdays. Dates for "Cat's Cradle" are Sept. 5, 6, 11, 12, 13, 18, 19 and 20, with curtain times Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m., 7:30 p.m. for Thursday shows.

All performances are held at the little red Depot Theatre, 4861 White Lake Rd. in Independence Town-

ship.

According to a press release, the plot concerns an "almost-forgotten" kidnapping and an unresolved murder. The original inspector reopens the case, but his efforts are hindered by the mysterious past and a bunch of local folk, who seem to have formed a "conspiracy of silence."

"Cat's Cradle" stars Nancy Penvose, Mel Case, Melissa Breckenridge, Heather Miller, Linda VanNatta, Bruce Bishop, Tom Logan and Linda Killewald. Director is Players president Al Bartlett and Case is producer.

For more information, call (248) 625-8811. Season tickets are available; regular ticket prices are \$8 per person. The 1997-1998 lineup also includes "Twelve

Angry Men" (Nov 7-22), "Aspirin & Elephants (Jan. 9-24), "An Act of Imagination" (March 6-21) and "Fifth Stop" (May 1-16). An "express run" of "Memories in Blue Chiffon" is scheduled for Feb. 6-7 only.

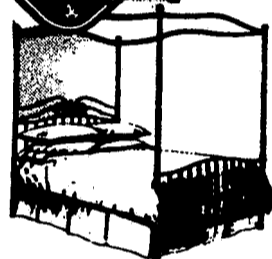
The fate of Depot Theatre, where the Players have held their performances since 1960, is still up in the air. "No new developments have happened in the land purchase deal," said Player and publicity manager Scott Rudd.

A decision is pending on whether the Canadian National Railroad will allow the Players to buy the property next to the railroad tracks on which their theater is based. "As of presstime, we are waiting to hear what the railroad is planning to do," said Rudd. The Players expect to be in the building for at least another year.

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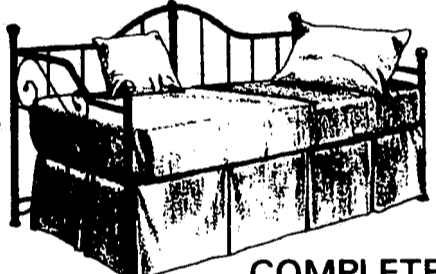
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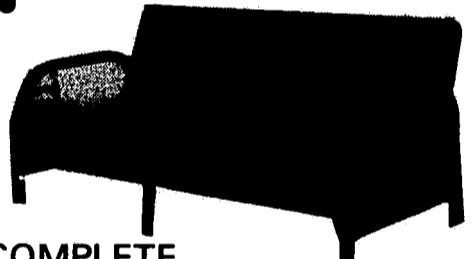
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Teachers, staff welcomed back

BY ANNETTE KINGSBURY
Clarkston News Editor

School superintendent Dr. Al Roberts sent his staff back to work Thursday using football.

Pointing out to the assembled faculty and staff of Clarkston schools that the high school football team had just been ranked 15th in the country by USA Today, Roberts challenged them to be worthy.

"We're trying to make this a school system our football team can be proud of," he said. Then, dismissing them to their classrooms, he said, "Go do what you do best."

Roberts spoke at what has now become a tradition for him in his second year as superintendent, a welcome back, kick-off breakfast and gathering of district staff at the CHS gym. After a welcome by school board president Karen Foyteck, he got right down to business.

"We are a very fortunate district with talent, top to bottom," he said. "Next year you'll be sitting in a brand new auditorium with comfortable seats. With that in mind I started to prepare today's comments."

Roberts went on to discuss the Phase III construction project that is now in the planning stages, having been approved by the voters in June. As for Phase II, the new high school, the project is "on time and on budget," he said. And the district doesn't plan to waste any time in getting renovations at the elementary schools under way.

"We've waited a long time to get our schools updated so we don't want to waste any time. At the same time, we don't want to be foolhardy," he said.

"Phasing of the project may be necessary but no schedule has been established. In fact we may not be able to remodel six buildings and build a seventh at one time." He promised that staff would be kept informed along the way.

Meanwhile, he urged the staff to keep what he called a system-wide perspective. "We cannot afford to get caught up in parochialism about what site we work at... We need to do the best job we can for all the youngsters."

Roberts also talked about the reorganization of the administrative team, which has occurred in recent months.

"We reorganized central office to have more of an instructional focus," he said. "We're trying to set up one-stop shopping... We attempt to do as much of the decision making as possible on site, but when those things come up you know who to go to."

As is his style, Roberts reminded everyone why they're in the education business--the kids. And kids have changed over the years, he said.

"I feel like saying we're not in Kansas any more."

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Chuck Keegan, a Clarkston Middle School teacher for 25 years, walks back to his seat after receiving a watch signifying his years of service.

SKIN DEEP

by Scott Friedman, D.O.



ASSESSING MELANOMA RISK

According to a new study conducted by researchers at the National Cancer Institute, a person's risk of developing malignant melanoma (the most lethal form of skin cancer) can be calculated on the basis of examining the number, size, and appearance of abnormal moles on the skin. This method was found to be far more accurate than the next best method - assessing lifetime sun damage. The moles the researchers looked for are called dysplastic nevi, the abnormal moles that have long been known to be powerful predictors of melanoma. Those with one abnormal mole were twice as likely to develop malignant melanoma as people with no abnormal moles. Ten such

moles indicated a 12 fold increase in risk.

Dermatologists are medical doctors, specializing in skin problems and diseases. We are best able to advise and treat various conditions ranging from wrinkle removal to cancers. If you have any questions or concerns about skin diseases call a dermatologist. Contact our offices located at 6330 Sashabaw, Clarkston (625-0692); and 3003 Baldwin, Lake Orion (391-9599).

P.S. Once the dermatologist detects the presence of dysplastic nevi during a thorough exam, he or she can identify those patients who can benefit from special surveillance for skin cancer.

THE LAW & YOU

by Robert E. Kostin
Attorney at Law

INJURY DIARY

As traumatic and painful as an accident and its resultant injuries may be, people tend to either forget or minimize these feelings. Because doing so can jeopardize an injured person's ability to receive full compensation for the injuries sustained, it is often a good idea to make notes of the pain and discomfort an injury causes in the days following its occurrence. This is especially important in cases where the injured person suffers from pain, anxiety, or loss of sleep that cannot be detected by visual inspection. Taking notes of injuries may help health care professionals diagnose delayed symptoms. They will also become a part of the

medical records that will later provide evidence in the case.

At our office, we believe that selfish interests seek to take advantage of those who have been victims of negligent conduct. Those unfortunate victims need a champion with the talent, skill, and integrity to fight for them in the courts. We pledge our skills and resources to the best interests of our clients always. To schedule a consultation, call 620-1030. Our office is located at 11 North Main Street.

HINT: It also helps to write down notes of the details you remember about an accident as soon after it occurs as possible.

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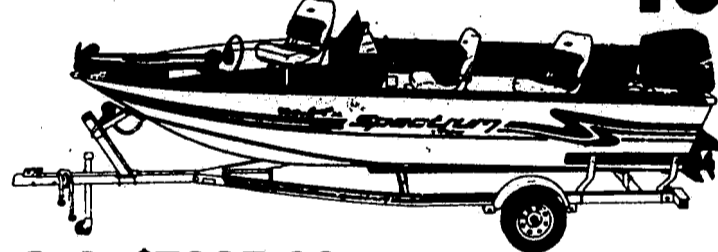
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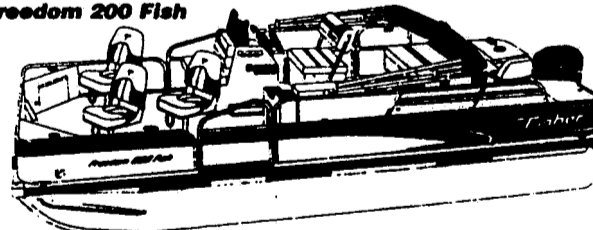


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In all cases, Roberts emphasized the importance of striving to improve and collaborating with other teachers.

"It's been said that by age 10 the pathways (in the brain) are hard-wired," he said. "What implications does that have for us as teachers?"

Emphasis these days is on results, and that means testing. "Not a popular topic," Roberts admitted. "The HSPT (High School Proficiency Test) and MEAP (Michigan Educational Assessment Program)

are not going to disappear... If that's so we need to emphasize doing it well, not doing it over."

After completing one full year in Clarkston, Roberts said he's learned a lot about the district.

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● A Health Awareness Fair and Harvestime Craft Festival will be sponsored by the Christian Women Today of the Apostolic Church in Pontiac on Saturday, Sept. 13, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Health care includes blood pressure, nutrition, mammograms (insurance accepted), HIV information, free blood profile screening, immunizations (10-2 only), fitness and much more. There will also be craft tables, entertainment and games for children, home-made apple pies and more. The event is open to the public; call 373-4500 during business hours for more information. The location of the event is 1410 University Drive, Pontiac.

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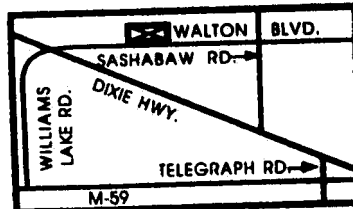
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Developer gets go-ahead for condos in southeast corner of township

BY EILEEN McCARVILLE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Local developer Forrest Milzow will finally be able to start bulldozing his latest project — thanks to a three-year-old court case amendment.

On Aug. 19 the Independence Township Board of Trustees unanimously approved an Oakland County Circuit Court consent judgment amendment that transfers approximately four acres of mobile home park property to an adjacent 40-acre parcel owned by Milzow, who wants to build 72 detached condos near Clintonville and Mann roads and I-75.

Known for years as the "Singer-Kaplan Trust", the total acreage includes mobile home park Independence Woods, Milzow's property and 10 acres deeded to the Independence Land Conservancy, said township attorney Gerry Fisher, who drew up the document.

The land has a long history of zoning disputes. In 1973 landowners Morris Singer and Phillip Kaplan sued the township because they wanted to build apartments on the acreage, then zoned single-family. The case was settled in their favor but the apartments were never built.

Twenty years later developer Greg Christopher sued the township, asking for the right to build a trailer park. He won in 1994 and built Independence Woods.

The transition from apartments to mobile homes had nipped the density in half, reducing it from 8.5 units per acre to 4.25, Fisher said. That reduction was "one of the inducements to allow the township to enter into the consent judgment of '94," he said. The Milzow development will slice it even further — from 4.25 to 2 units per acre.

Milzow needed the additional acreage for the type of development he was planning, township supervisor Dale Stuart said. "If he didn't have that extra property there's too much wetlands to make development economically feasible," he said.

The decision to transfer the land from one developer to the other was amicable, Fisher said. As agreed in the amendment, there will be a minimum of 20 feet between each condo. With preserved open space the property will be turned into "very desirable homesites and (be) very marketable," he said.

Trustee and planning commissioner Dan Travis said the land has been a long-time concern. "It's a very acceptable reduction of density in the area," he said.

Agreed trustee Larry Rosso, "It's an excellent use

of that land."

Milzow could not be reached for comment.

In other board action:

● Community Development Block Grant funds from Home Chore accounts of 1995 (\$28.17), 1996 (\$7,557) and 1997 (\$7,673) were reprogrammed to reimburse the senior citizens van driver, 7-0. Deputy supervisor Rita Burdick said the transfer will eliminate hours of documentation. Both Chore and the senior van driver fall into the same CDBG category. "It's just transferring funds to another account," she said.

● The board approved treasurer Jim Wenger's proposal to use the Drefus Fund, an SEC Pool Account, for tax investment purposes, 6-1, with trustee Neil Wallace objecting. Stuart said the action enables the township "to use another investment vehicle for short-term investments. It will be a mutual fund-like account to maximize short-term returns."

● Clerk Joan McCrary's request to send a Worker's Compensation Ballot to Michigan Municipal Worker's Compensation Fund was approved unanimously. The ballot supports six trustees who will serve two-year terms starting Oct. 1.

● Proposed easement vacations for Clarkston Office Centre were approved unanimously.

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Severance-Bieber wed in Clarkston

Paula Severance of Clarkston and Edward Bieber of St. Clair Shores were married May 24, 1997 at First Congregational Church in Clarkston.

The bride is the daughter of Ernest and June Severance of Clarkston. The groom is the son of Edward and Frances Bieber of St. Clair Shores.

Their reception was at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Clarkston. The couple honeymooned on a cruise to Bahama and are now residing in Clarkston.

At school

● Karla Blair Schweitzer, a University of Chicago student, has been placed on the Dean's List for the 1996-97 school year. Students at U of C must have attained an annual grade point average of 3.25 or better. A 1994 Clarkston High School graduate beginning her fourth year at the university this fall, Karla is the daughter of Mike and Blair Schweitzer of Clarkston.

● Jennifer Shields of Clarkston, a part-time student at Madonna University, was named to the academic achievement list for the past term. She is a freshman studying social work.

● Anthony Knakal, an incoming freshman at Purdue University this fall, has received a dean's engineering scholarship. The one-time merit scholarship is based on high-school grades, rank, college board scores and activities in high school.

Knakal will participate in the freshman engineering honors program this fall. He is the son of Michael and Diane Knakal of Clarkston.

● Anthony Polidano, son of Ronald and Connie Thompson of Clarkston, received a BS in broadcast/cable production from Western Michigan University at the end of the spring session.

● Michele Betts and Candy DuBord of Clarkston and Sean Hill and Lisa Winston of Davisburg have received scholarships for the fall semester at Oakland Community College.



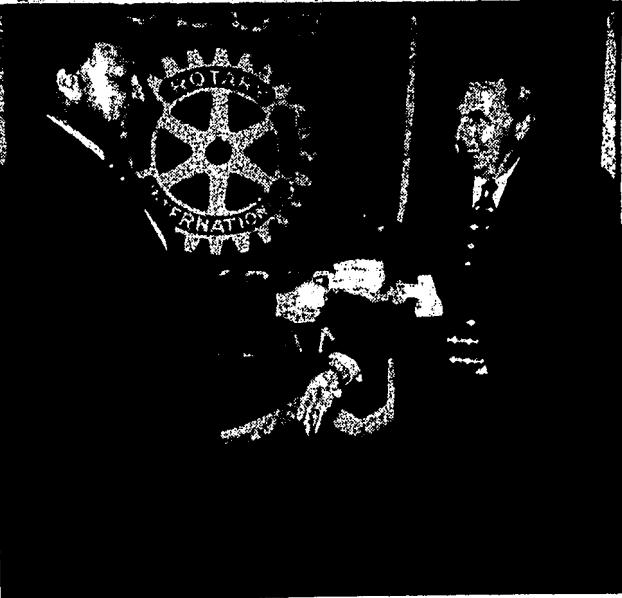
Tower - Lindsey

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mair of Fenton announce the engagement of their daughter Susan Lindsey to Michael James Tower, son of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd "Whitey" Tower. A Sept. 20 wedding in Clarkston is planned.

New arrivals

It's a girl for Hans and Karen (Chupa) Brueggeman.

Alexandra Danielle Brueggeman was born July 19, 1997 at 9:12 a.m. at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital-Oakland. She weighed 8 pounds, 5 ounces and was 21 inches long. Grandparents are Dan Chupa of Clinton Township and Susan Brueggeman of Bad Axe. Aunts and uncles include Brian Chupa and Carl and Colleen Chupa, all of Sterling Heights.



Barry Hranach (left), incoming Clarkston Rotary president, receives the gavel from outgoing president Robert Howse.

Clarkston Rotary installs new officers

New officers for the 1997-98 year were installed at the Clarkston Rotary Club's recent installation dinner at Pike Street Restaurant.

The new officers are Barry Hranach, president; Jeff Lichty, vice president; Marvin Zmudczynski, secretary; and Anita Hoyt, treasurer. Elected to serve on the board of directors were Bob Howse, Fred Johns, Lu Hewko, Larry Eberhardt, Don Ernst and Mark Deacon.

The club's main activities include sponsoring the Labor Day Parade, the annual Goodfellow newspaper sale, Shoes for Kids, Fun Daze, Main St. light decorations at Christmas, the planned historical museum, the SCAMP picnic, a senior citizens pig roast outing, scholarships, the Interact Club at Clarkston High School, international service, the Rotary Foundation and Youth Exchange.



● Navy Petty Officer 3rd Class Matthew Conlen, son of James and Sandra Conlen of Clarkston, recently departed on a five-month South American deployment aboard the guided missile frigate USS Dewert.

The ship, homeported at Mayport, FL, carries over 200 sailors who will participate in Unitas, joint exercises with ships and aircraft from 11 countries. The annual exercises have been conducted since 1959. The ship, which will circumnavigate the South American continent, is designed to protect amphibious expeditionary forces, replenishment groups and merchant convoys from undersea attack.

Conlen, a 1993 graduate of Brother Rice High school, joined the Navy in February, 1994.

Reunions

● The Clarkston High School Class of 1977 reunion planning committee will meet Tuesday, Sept. 2 at 7:30 p.m. at Mr. B's in Clarkston. For more information about the reunion, call Jill Vedder at 248-558-4119.

● The Hamtramck High School Class of 1977 is planning a 20-year reunion Saturday, Nov. 1 at the Northfield Hilton in Troy. The reunion planning committee is seeking missing classmates. For more information call 248-391-6250.



● Eleanor Cosselman, GRI has joined Coldwell Banker Professionals as a full-time sales associate. She has been in real estate for over 14 years and is a resident of Clarkston.

Pine Knob principal gets ready for new faces

By Jaime Shelton
Clarkston News Intern

She looks at the students' pictures and tries to memorize more than 600 names. But children change over the summer, and she's not sure if she will recognize them all.

"They might have changed since last year's picture. Some get haircuts or lose teeth, but I'm still going to try to know them," said new Pine Knob Elementary School Principal K. C. Leh. "Once I get through that, the rest is easy."

Leh starts the year in a new school in a new district. She was chosen to lead Pine Knob Elementary after former principal Len Loveless returned to teaching.

Previously, Leh was a principal for a total of five years at two elementary schools in Linden. She also taught 17 years as a third-, fourth- and fifth-grade teacher.

Linden, however, is a district about one-third the size of Clarkston, and Leh said the bigger school will bring more challenges for her.

Leh said until the year gets fully underway, she does not know what or if any problems will face her or the school. At this time, she is taking a positive attitude and trying to reflect the school in the same manner.

"I have to give everyone the benefit of the doubt that this is a positive school. I have to go in with a positive attitude," she said.

Leh said if a problem does come up later on, she



K. C. Leh

will deal with it at that time. She said she will even get advice from other administrators, as well, if needed.

"There is always some brain to pick," she said.

One of Leh's earliest goals is to promote Pine Knob as a great place to learn. She wants to get teachers, parents and students involved.

She said anytime the opportunity arises to show the school in a positive light, she will take it. "I'm the model. I set the example," she said. "If you want goals reached, you get people to buy in. It's a team effort."

As part of the school's new outlook, it recently received an interior face lift. Leh hopes the clean up and painting will make it "people and kid friendly."

Pine Knob will see other changes this year, including a new multiage classroom for first- and second-graders.

Two teachers will be in the classroom teaching areas geared towards the children's ability. This will challenge the students, rather than giving them information they already know.

More technology, as well, will be new for the school. Thanks to the bond issue passage, more computers will be in the classrooms.

Leh said implementing the technology is a lot like buying a house because once it's done, it's hard to turn back, even though there may be doubts.

"We have one chance to do it. We want to do it right," she said. "It's not my decision. It's collectively decided."

Leh's new position centers around the kids at Pine Knob, but when she returns to her Holly home after work, she has more kids waiting for her. Leh has two children, Heather who is in ninth grade, and A. J. who is in fifth grade.

Besides Leh, her husband Jim also has a career in education with 25 years of teaching experience at a middle school.

When free time comes, Leh spends time with her family. They have traveled to many national parks and states, including California, Florida and Virginia. They also like to bike and ski.

"We're a pretty normal family," Leh said.

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Letters to the editor

Ban un-Clarkston-like

Amid hope and enthusiasm, Clarkston's prep athletic teams recently began their fall season. As new residents to Clarkston five years ago, we quickly realized how seriously Clarkston residents support their sports teams, particularly basketball. We soon became a part of the "following" as our oldest daughter started playing basketball and intramural volleyball in middle school.

Much to our amazement and disappointment however, is the fact that we live in a planned unit development that prohibits basketball hoops unless you have a side entrance garage which does not face the street. Many neighbors have purchased the "portable" hoops on wheels, but we were told they were dangerous and parts are not easy to replace. A sports store employee told us about a sleeve that makes regulation style units "portable." Thinking this was finally a solution, we purchased the sleeve and basketball unit for our youngest daughter's birthday so she could begin practicing like her friends, and more importantly, like all the coaches emphasize in the camps and clinics both daughters have attended. In almost two years since, we have realized that not everyone in Clarkston supports basketball.

In February we received a certified letter from our Homeowners Association Board informing us that we were in violation of the by-law restriction regarding basketball hoops. At that time the pole was not in the ground but stored in our basement. At our annual association meeting in April, a neighbor wanted to know why his daughter couldn't have a basketball hoop (his is a portable with wheels). The

board explained who could and couldn't have them according to the bylaws (only 7 out of 105 homes qualify) and went on to say they ruin the "integrity" of the neighborhood.

In order to change a bylaw we would need 90% of the homeowners to sign a petition. Where in this county, state or country does it require a 90% majority? Bound by this unreasonable requirement, a petition was taken door to door by concerned residents including one new board member who recently moved here thinking her children could have a basketball hoop. Despite getting 81 out of the 90 needed signatures, an overwhelming majority, the board, most of whom would not sign, refused to consider the petition.

Recently, we were informed via a personal letter sent and paid for by a board member and basketball supporter, that the board privately met and voted to hire a property management company to enforce the bylaws as the board deems necessary at a cost of \$2,400 a year paid for by homeowners dues. Those who don't comply with the bylaws will be fined, and a lien will be put on the property if fines aren't paid. We feel the hiring of a property management company and its costs should be decided by a neighborhood vote. As homeowners in this development we don't want to change all the bylaws but this is Clarkston, and Clarkston is synonymous with basketball!

We have seen clotheslines strung, air guns used, garages so full that cars have to be parked in driveways or the street every night, and unkempt lawns and landscaping. We have endured verbal harassment, a stink bomb thrown at our daughter's new Clarkston basketball bag, slingshots, a rotting fence

and a vehicle parked in our driveway while someone boldly trespassed on and across our property to take Polaroid pictures of our basketball hoop. The sheriff's deputy filing the report couldn't believe that a person was actually sent out to take pictures of a basketball hoop...especially in Clarkston! When 81% of the neighborhood agrees, we feel the board should cooperate, instead of resisting to the point of hiring a property management company to do their job. The board's job should be to represent us, not out patrolling the neighborhood selectively with a note pad calling the property management company whenever they see a violation.

Having two daughters, we are thankful for the passing of Title IX twenty-five years ago, but question whether our association board is aware of it. Gone are the days where the only sports for girls in high school was through the unorganized play in the Girls Athletic Association or cheerleading. Now instead of being entitled to a place on the sidelines to watch and cheer for boys at play, girls too can participate and play most of the same competitive sports.

We're proud Clarkston High School acknowledges this achievement by celebrating a National Girls and Women in Sports Day sponsored by the Athletic Boosters. Now if only our association board (most with elementary-age children) could just give the same bit of affirmative action to our daughters, and other children in our neighborhood. Perhaps our board should look through our clear backboard to help them see clearly that there are many other more important issues that threaten the "integrity" of our neighborhood than the use of basketball hoops by our children.

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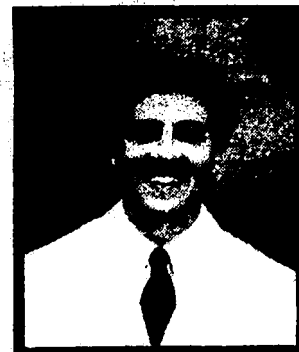
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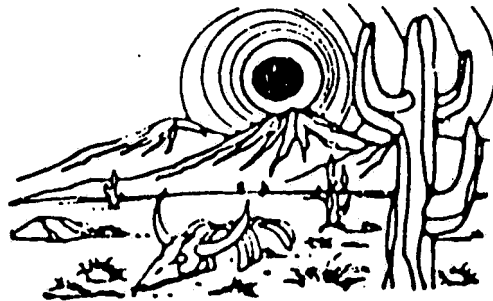
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Mrs. Stasiuk was a beauty representative for Vanda Beauty Co. for more than 30 years and was co-owner with her husband of Oxford Mattress Co.

She is survived by daughters Diana L. Hill of Nevada, Beverly J. Lund of Clarkston, Deborah H. (Jerry) Miracle of Waterford and Vickie (Bruce) Wilder of Lake Orion; grandchildren Scott (Cathy) and Kirt (Jeanne) Glynn, Jason (JoAnn) and Nichole Lund, Amy and Sara Miracle and Rebecca and Christopher Wilder; great-grandchildren Connor, Mark and Tanner; mother-in-

law Anna Stasiuk of Sandusky; brother Harry (Irma) Ross of Marlette; sister-in-law Theobel Ross of Marlette; brother-in-law Bob (Charlene) Stasiuk of Sandusky; and many special nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband William and brother Kenneth Ross.

A funeral service took place Monday at the Lewis E. Wint and Son Trust 100 Funeral Home in Clarkston with Dr. James G. Keough officiating. Interment was at Ottawa Park Cemetery. Memorial donations can be made to Hospice of Southeast Michigan in Southfield.

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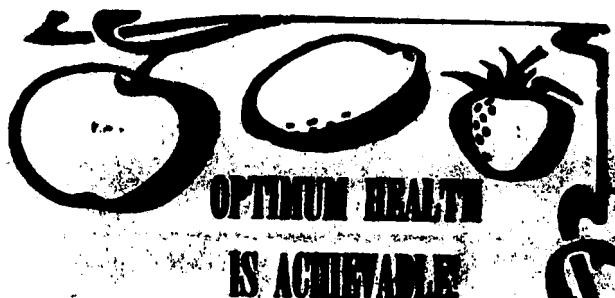
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BY ANNETTE KINGSBURY
Clarkston News Editor

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The 5-and-a-half-month-old Labrador mix came to the attention of Dr. Cathy Anderson of the Independence Animal Hospital in a roundabout way. She was working as a substitute vet in her home community of Livingston County when the pup came into the local animal shelter after being hit by a car.

For two days, the dog lingered until his owners found him. But his injuries were more than they could afford to pay for, and he was about to be put down.

"I couldn't put her to sleep," Anderson said. "She's got the nicest personality."

As she spoke, the puppy she's name Lucky Dog wagged his tail ferociously and seemed to be enjoying himself immensely. One rear leg was bandaged but it didn't seem to be hampering him one bit.

"The leg was badly infected and swollen," Anderson said. Lucky Dog has been living with her and her family, which includes a 3-year-old daughter and



Dr. Cathy Anderson tries to get Lucky Dog to pose for a picture.

four other dogs. That's why Anderson says she can't keep the dog.

Lucky Dog needs "a home where they're going to spoil her rotten and they have kids. She loves kids and she loves to play."

Anderson thinks Lucky Dog may have some shepherd in her due to her coloring—black with some white around the throat—but she said her "personality and build are lab."

Now weighing around 40 pounds, she'll probably

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grow to about 60 pounds, Anderson estimates. Other than her leg injury she's in good health. She's been vaccinated and is on heartworm preventative but it will be a couple of weeks before her leg is fully healed and she's ready for a new home.

"She needs lots of attention and has lots of energy," Anderson said. "She's a stinker. She'll sleep with me in bed if she can sneak up there."

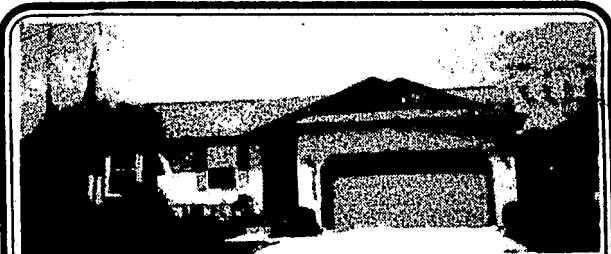
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CHS gets new assistant principal

BY ANNETTE KINGSBURY
Clarkston News Editor

On her first day as the new assistant principal at Clarkston High School, Janice Meagher was hired at 7:15 a.m. and at her first meeting by 8 a.m. Within a day she was having her photo taken for the fall sports program and fielding questions from the media.

"This has been a long two days," she laughed Friday from her office. "I'm not overwhelmed, but I could be if I was smarter."

Meagher (pronounced mah-her) was hired at a special meeting of the Clarkston board of education Thursday morning to fill the last vacancy in the high school administrative office, fulfilling principal Brent Cooley's wish to do so before school started Monday.

Meagher comes to the district from Waterford, where she has worked her whole career. This is her first administrative position.

From 1983 until last week she was a history, government, English and student leadership teacher at Kettering High School, where she also served as a student council sponsor for 12 years and a pom-pom and varsity softball coach.

Before that she taught the same subjects at Mott High School, starting there in 1970. There she also sponsored student council and coached volleyball, basketball and softball. She holds a BA from Western Michigan University, where she majored in history. She then went on to earn English certification at Wayne State University and earn a master's in secondary administration from the University of Southern Mississippi.

Meagher's interest in administration goes way back. In the 1970s she served as an interim assistant principal at Mott while a position was vacant.

"It's always been an interest but it's taken a long time to get to it," she said.

Having said that, Meagher is hopeful she can maintain the same connection with students she had as



New CHS assistant principal Janice Meagher stands with her boss, principal Brent Cooley.

a teacher/coach. Coming to a new, bigger school will make that hard.



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"I have spent my entire career involved with athletics and student activities," she said. "Kids have always been so much a part of my life. I'll be at the games; I'll be at the activities. I didn't become an administrator just to become a disciplinarian."

Meagher, the mother of a grown daughter, said what students can expect from her is respect, if it's given in return.

"I think my style of operating with kids is that I will treat all students with respect as long as I get it back from them." Not knowing any of the students, "We all start with a clean slate. Respect is key."

In her non-working hours, Meagher is a member of the Waterford Parks and Recreation Board and vice chair of the Hess-Hathaway Park Committee. She is a voracious reader, especially fiction, and enjoys golf and travel.

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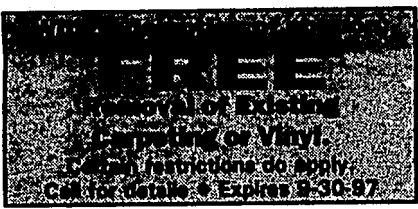


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Section B

The Clarkston

Kickers settle for tie in season opener

BY BRAD MONASTIERE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Clarkston 1, Utica Ford II 1

Despite clearly outplaying its hosts Saturday afternoon, the Clarkston boys soccer team could not open the new season with a win.

Not that a 1-1 tie against a traditionally strong Utica Ford II team is something to fret about. On the contrary, Wolves coach Dan Fitzgerald said he was very happy with how his team played.

"We played well enough to win today," he said. "The intensity and effort were there, but we just couldn't finish on all our chances. I was very satisfied with the boys' performance."

Clarkston was in control of the play throughout the game, consistently winning all the loose ball battles that define soccer games.

Early in the second half, the Wolves appeared to be ready to assume the lead when senior Mike Gabriel had two goal kick opportunities in a six-minute span. Both shots hit the upper crossbar and bounced away.

Just three minutes later, the Falcons scored directly off a throw-in. Fitzgerald described it as a soft goal, but Clarkston didn't stay down for long.

Just 44 seconds later, Dan Jackson was stopped point-blank by the Falcon goaltender, who played a superb game. But Jackson found redemption 39 seconds after that when his corner kick was directed in off the head of senior Shawn Verlinden. The designed play worked to perfection and the Wolves tied the game at 1-1.

"That's exactly how Shawn gets all his goals," Fitzgerald said. "He can really head the ball and we try to get it to him in those corner kick opportunities."

The Wolves kept pouring the pressure on the rest of the way, as Ford appeared to quit trying to play offense and played a defensive style, playing for the tie.

Clarkston's Eric Klemm had a goal disallowed in the first half because of an offsides call.

Senior goaltender Rean Turner was rarely tested, making only three saves, but he came up big when called upon, making a key save in the last minute of the game.

"I thought our defense was solid all day," Fitzgerald said. "We only gave them one or two real chances to score and we got good support from guys all over the field. I'm pretty happy with this game."



Using his head

Senior Shawn Verlinden (23) shows off one of his best skills, the header, during Saturday's game at Utica Ford II. Verlinden scored the Wolves' only goal in their season opening 1-1 tie.

For it being the opening game, the contest took on a physical tone, especially in the second half. Tempers on both teams flared as hard slide tackles and jersey pulling were common in midfield play.

"I'd say it was above average in a physical sense," Fitzgerald said. "We always had them under

pressure and it became an aggressive game."

After an OAA crossover game at Rochester Tuesday, Clarkston's home opener is Wednesday night against Southfield. This is a change from the original schedule, which showed the game Thursday. The JV game starts at 5:30.

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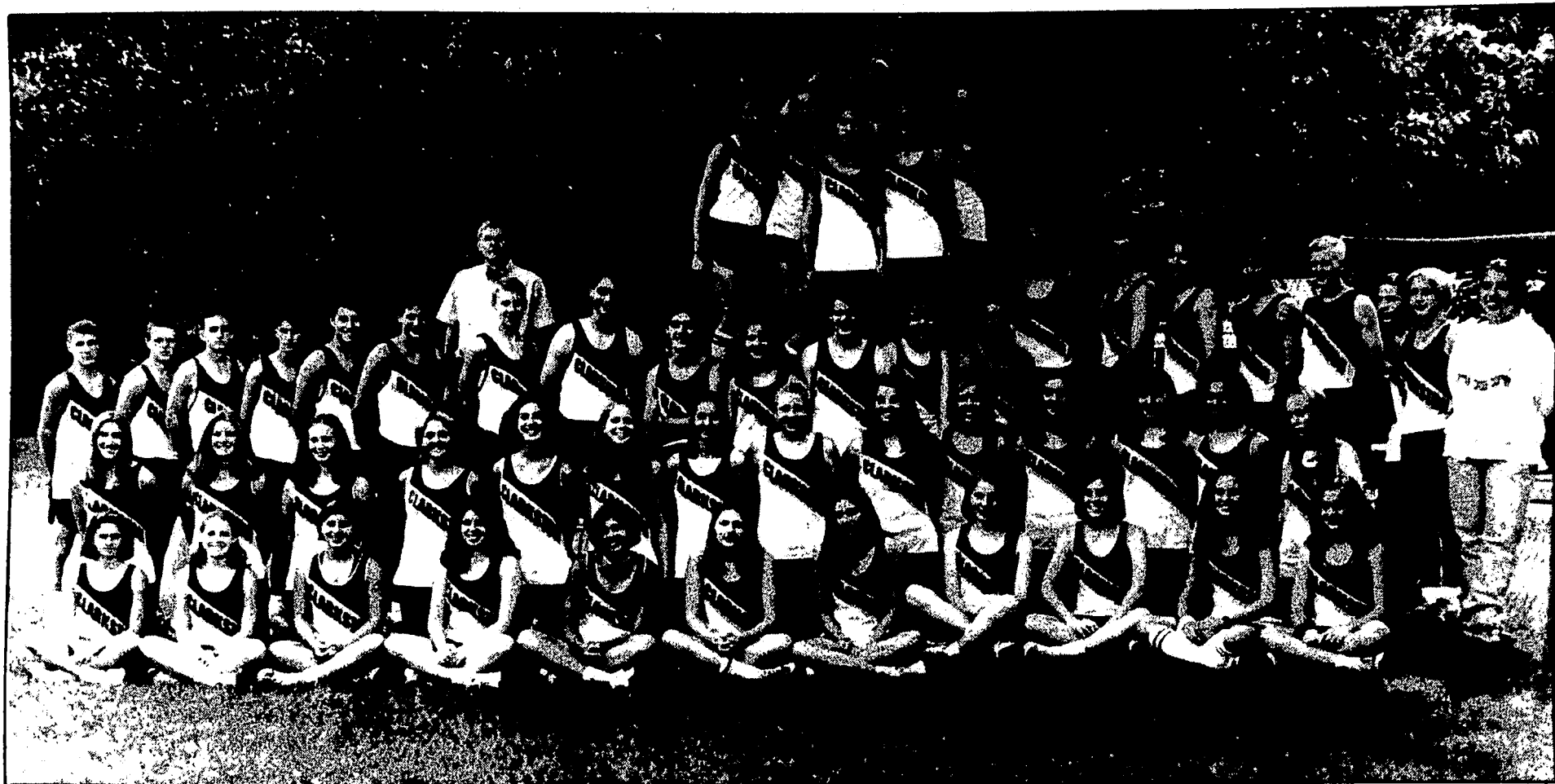
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Boys and girls running for the top in '97

BY BRAD MONASTIERE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Girls

Upholding a successful tradition, last year's girls cross country team rolled through the OAA Division I, going 5-0 in dual meets and capturing the league championship.

This year's team could be even tougher to beat, losing only state-qualifier Kristin Maine to graduation among the main contributors.

Coach Deb Zonca said she has high expectations for the team in 1997, but expects it to measure up just fine.

"We've got six of the seven girls that went to states back this year," Zonca said. "All the girls came into the first practice in great shape and they want to do well."

The six returning state-qualifiers are seniors Emily Hogan, Liz Cook, Megan Plante, Shannon Carry, Lissa Lukens and junior Jennifer Rooding. Plante and Rooding were also participants in the state track finals last spring.

Zonca also said junior Katie Bills and junior sisters April and Christina Rooding (triplets along with Jennifer) will make their presence felt at most meets.

"Katie has really been coming on strong and did a great job with her mileage," Zonca said. "April and Christina are starting to get more competitive with their

sister and they came into practice in great shape also."

As usual, the Wolves throw a lot of runners out there at meets. Zonca said this year's 39-member team is the biggest of the historically big teams Clarkston has in cross country.

"We've got 16 first-timers out here," she said. "That's one thing other schools always remark to me about is how big our teams are. All the girls get along and really pull for each other."

The girls will certainly pile up the mileage this fall and not just in the running. The team only has one home meet all season, Sept. 30 against Rochester at Independence Oaks Park.

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Clarkston Sports Previews

Strength in juniors for girls tennis team

BY BRAD MONASTIERE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Clarkston girls tennis coach Dick Swartout sees 1997 as a year for reloading, not rebuilding.

After losing seven significant players from last year's 7-5 team, Swartout said he is excited about a young crop of players that will make up this year's Wolves.

"We've got a junior-dominated team, and one that is very gifted athletically," he said. "I think that this is a team that will get better as the year goes on."

Junior Lauren Bogart will see significant time at #2 singles, Swartout said. A former gymnast, Bogart's biggest strength is her overall athletic ability and her ground stroke game.

"Her biggest thing is her improved confidence," Swartout said. "She can cover the court well and she also improved a lot for us from last year."

The #1 singles slot is still up in the air, Swartout said.

Clarkston will field a new #1 doubles team in juniors Kristen Atkinson and Alaina Dodds. This team is another example of talented athletes playing together; Atkinson was one of the top three skiers in the state last year, and Dodds figures to be a key player on next spring's soccer team.

"We want to find people for our doubles teams that get along and Kristen and Alaina do," Swartout said. "They have a significant hole to fill, since our #1 doubles team last year had the best record of anyone on our team."

Two newcomers to the team that could have an impact are junior Kim Lytle, a transfer from Pontiac Notre Dame Prep, and sophomore Emily Tate. Lytle had to sit out the 1996 season as a transfer student and Tate just joined the team this year.

Swartout said the OAA Division II will be tough to gauge early, because some top teams like Troy Athens lost key players from a year ago.

"But they have a good program and you know they will be strong again," Swartout said.

Holly Invitational

In their first action of the new season, the Wolves brought a revamped lineup into Holly Saturday.

The team of Atkinson and Dodds compiled a 2-1 record and lost to a strong Rochester team in the tournament finals. Swartout said the #1 doubles team showed a lot of character in the way it played at the tournament.

"They were down 3-0 in the third set in the semis against Farmington Hills Mercy, but came back to win



The 1997 Clarkston girls tennis team

1997 Clarkston Girls Tennis Schedule

9-2	at Lapeer East	9-19	Brandon
9-3	Waterford Mott	9-22	Troy Athens
9-4	at Southfield Lathrup	9-24	Birmingham Seaholm
9-8	at Birmingham Groves	9-25	at B.H. Andover
9-10	Royal Oak Kimball	9-29	at Waterford Kettering
9-13	at Fenton Invitational	9-30	at OAA II Meet
9-15	at Lake Orion	10-2	Lapeer West
9-17	at West Bloomfield	10-10	Regionals
		10-17	State Finals

6-4," he said. "It was exciting. They played well all throughout the tournament."

Clarkston also received an unwelcome visit from the injury bug, as senior Amber Mitchell hurt her knee while competing in the #4 singles bracket.

The rest of Clarkston's players went 1-2 in the tournament.

"It was good exposure for our younger players," Swartout said. "But we've got all this week to practice and it will take that time for us to get into sync."



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1997 Fall Sports Previews

Killer B's take charge on links

BY BRAD MONASTIERE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Just three years removed from a state championship, the Clarkston varsity golf team is faced with a rebuilding job.

But that job - unlike local road construction - appears to be running ahead of schedule.

Coach Jim Chamberlain has guided a young team to a few high finishes so far this season. At the team's opening tournament in Traverse City Aug. 14 and 15, Clarkston finished second out of 27 teams.

Then Aug. 18 at the Huron Valley Tournament in Milford, the Wolves again took second, only one stroke behind top-10 Hartland. Just as importantly, Clarkston finished ahead of league rivals Lake Orion and West Bloomfield.

These solid performances came as a surprise to Chamberlain, who went into the season not sure what to expect from his young team.

"I am pleasantly surprised to this point," Chamberlain said. "With our depth, we've been able to go from an average team to a competitive team."

Leading the way for Clarkston are the Killer B's; seniors Bryan Haggard and Bob Schultz, junior Ben Ness and sophomore David Benner. Ness was the medalist at the Milford tournament with a 73, in what Chamberlain called his best competitive round ever.

"Ben has been playing very well," he said. "He doesn't dwell on what just happened. He keeps looking ahead to the next hole. That's a tough skill to learn, but Ben's got that."

Schultz has also stepped up in this early season, taking third at Milford with a 75 and netting All-Tournament honors in Traverse City with a two-day score of 157.



The 1997 Clarkston golf team: (front L-R) Peter Brookes, Pat Cook, (back L-R) Derek Hool, Ben Ness, Bob Schultz, Bryan Haggard, Dave Benner and Mark Churay. Not pictured is Mike Becchelli.

1997 Clarkston Golf Schedule

8-29	at Troy Athens	9-9	Rochester Adams	9-30	Rochester
9-3	Troy	9-16	Waterford Kettering	10-2	Lake Orion
9-5	Tri-State Invitational	9-25	at West Bloomfield	10-10	Regionals
9-6	Tri-State Invitational	9-26	at Oakland County	10-14	OAA Tournament
				10-17	State Finals

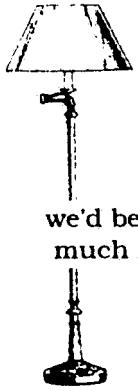
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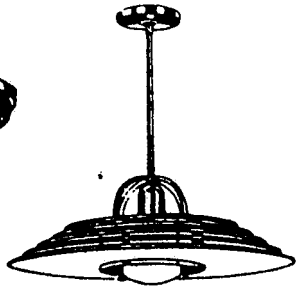
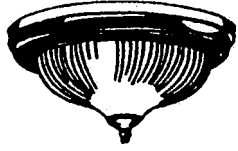
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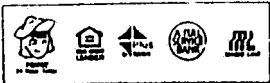
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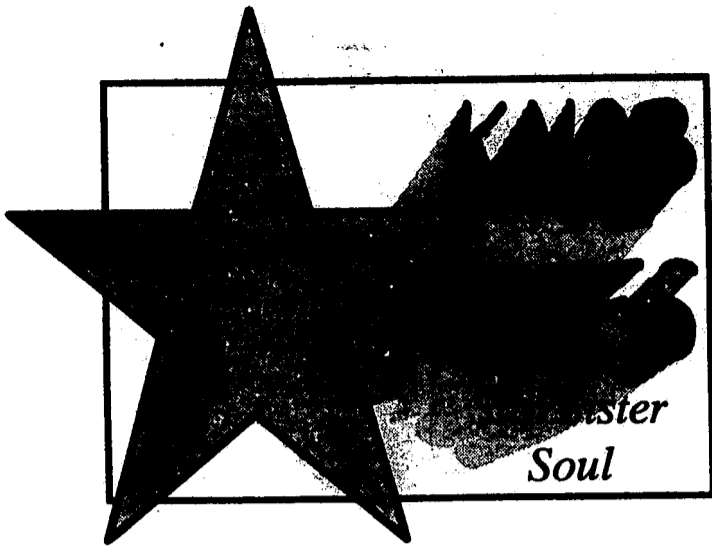
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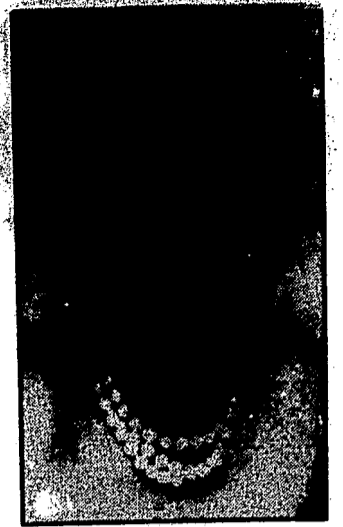
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Cross country

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Zonca sees Rochester Adams and Troy offering the Wolves their toughest competition for the league crown this year.

"Both have very tough teams with a lot of talent coming back," Zonca said.

Boys

The boys cross country team will have that fountain of youth working for it this season.

That's because coach Mike Taylor guides a very talented sophomore class, along with the rest of the Wolves into a 1997 season that comes with big expectations.

"We have one of those teams where the top 10 runners just pick everyone else up," Taylor said. "We have a smart group of young men who are looking forward to realizing their full potential."

Headlining that sophomore class are David Sage,

Chris Weber and Matt Haver. Sage finished second in the state meet compared to other freshmen and looks to have a monster season, Taylor said. Haver is an excellent runner, but needs just a little more consistency, Taylor said. And Weber is a goal-oriented runner and achieves those goals.

But Taylor said Sage will be one of those near the front of most every race.

"He was as good as I've ever seen a freshman," Taylor said. "He has high expectations for himself and he just enjoys running."

Adding another round to the loaded chamber of sophomores is Kevin Breen, who runs a 2:03 mile according to Taylor, making him one of the team's better runners just on that time.

Seniors Curt Brewer and Scott Watson give this group just the right leadership it needs with their experience. Brewer's strength is his foot speed, as he was a top hurdler on the track team in the spring.

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9-6	at West Bloomfield Inv.
9-11	at Chesaning Inv.
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9-23	at Troy
9-30	Rochester Adams
10-4	at Oakland County Inv.
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On the field, Shawn scored Clarkston's only goal in Saturday's 1-1 tie with Utica Ford II. He directed a corner kick into the net with a header shot just minutes after Ford took a 1-0 lead. That play shows that Shawn can really use his head on and off the soccer field. He was also on the All-OAA team in 1996.

Coach Dan Fitzgerald on Shawn: "Shawn is a super competitive player and person. He just hates to lose and expects the same from all of his teammates. He's one of our leaders and has been a starter on varsity for three years."

Shawn on Shawn: "I'm the kind of player that hates it when our team gets scored on. I want to get into the attack and be a force on the field. I really want this to be a winning team and I think we can do it this year. All the guys are a lot closer and we don't have the cliques we had last year. We can definitely win the league and then make a nice run in districts."



Knob Notes

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her career in the gospel circuit. Her secular career led to contracts with several prominent record companies, among them Columbia and Atlantic.

During the years she's done covers as diverse as the Rolling Stones' "Jumpin' Jack Flash" to "I Dreamed a Dream" from the Broadway musical "Les Miserables." She's performed with an eclectic array that includes George Michael, George Benson, Luther Vandross, Bonnie Raitt, Gloria Estefan and long-time admirer Whitney Houston.

And who can forget her classic cameo and natural flair for comedy in the John Belushi-Dan Ackroyd flick "The Blues Brothers?"

But out of the limelight she's Any Woman, she claims. You can find her brushing up on her French, sampling new recipes, dancing at Detroit hot spots — even watching addictive soaps like "The Bold and the Beautiful."

In "a non-theatrical light" she's perceived as "a good friend, a good mother, an aunt and a sister — the woman next door ..."

"When I'm home, I cook, iron and sew with the best of 'em," chuckles Aretha. But "I don't do windows."

Aretha Franklin appears with special guest Keith Ruff this Sunday at 7:30 p.m. This profile ends this season's Knob Notes.

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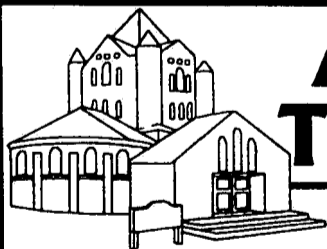
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OXFORD: Completely remodeled dollhouse! Ranch with 2 bdms, 1 bath, first floor laundry, garage, only \$114,500

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OXFORD: Beautiful & Peaceful 5 acres w/ cape cod, featuring 3 bdms, 1 bath, basement, perfectly landscaped! only \$139,900.

OXFORD: Sharp ranch w/ nice fenced & landscaped yard, spacious floor plan has 3 bdms, 1 bath, garage, basement, have to see, only, \$134,900

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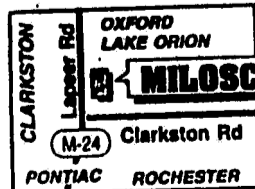
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PUBLIC NOTICE

Because the People Want to Know

CLARKSTON

CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON
SYNOPSIS OF THE CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON
CRIMINAL CODE
ORDINANCE NO. 126

An Ordinance to prohibit the commission of certain acts and offenses within the City of the Village of Clarkston; providing penalties for the violation thereof and repealing all ordinances or parts of ordinances conflicting or inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance.

Specifically repealed are Ordinances Nos. 23, 46, 52, 64, 64-1, 74, and 77.

CRIMINAL CODE INDEX

- Article 1 Definitions
- Article 2 Offenses Involving Personal Conduct
- Article 3 Interference with Police Department and Related Offenses
- Article 4 Offenses Concerning Minors
- Article 5 Offenses Concerning Property
- Article 6 Fraud and Related Offenses
- Article 7 Control Substances and Drug Paraphernalia
- Article 8 Pornography
- Article 9 Offenses Against Public Safety
- Article 10 Firearms and Hunting
- Article 11 Anti-Litter
- Article 12 Yard Sales

The above Ordinance was passed by the City Council on July 28, 1997, and becomes effective twenty days after publication of this notice which is September 16, 1997.

Copies of this Ordinance are available for review at the City Hall, 375 Depot Road, Clarkston, MI 48346 during regular office hours.

Artemus M. Pappas
City Manager

PUBLIC NOTICE

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INDEPENDENCE TWP.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

SYNOPSIS

TAKEN BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD

Supervisor Stuart called the August 19, 1997 meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. at the Independence Township Hall Annex.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Present: McCrary, McGee, Rosso, Stuart, Travis, Stuart, Wallace, Wenger.

Absent: None.

There is a quorum.

1. The agenda was approved with the addition of Consent Judgment Amendment Christopher Property and the deletion of Munder Capital Management Review and Investment Policy Discussion.
2. Approved the Regular Township Board minutes of August 5, 1997 as amended.
3. Approved the issuance of purchase orders in the amount totaling \$31,565.80.
4. Public hearing on CDBG reprogramming was held.
5. Approval of the Consent Judgment Amendment on the Christopher property as amended.
6. Approved the use of the Drexel Fund Account for Tax Investment purposes.
7. Approved the Consent Judgment for the proposed easement vacations in the Clarkston Office Centre subject to confirmation by Hubbell Roth and Clark.
8. Consensus of the Board to further look into additional tornado sirens.
9. Approval of the reprogramming of the CDBG funds.
10. Approved the submission of a ballot for the Worker's Compensation Fund.
11. Adjourned the meeting at 8:42 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Joan E. McCrary
Township Clerk

PUBLIC NOTICE

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CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON

PUBLIC NOTICE
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
HEARING

Thursday, September 11, 1997

On Thursday, September 11, 1997, at 7:30 p.m., the City of the Village of Clarkston Zoning Board of Appeals will hear Case B-61 and B-62 at the City Hall, 375 Depot Road, Clarkston, MI 48346.

Case B-61 is a request for a temporary permit to hold an outdoor Oktoberfest at the Clarkston Union, 54 South Main Street on Saturday, September 27, 1997.

Case B-62 is a request by Dennis Kacy for a review of the parking easement requirement established in Case B-59 that was heard on June 19, 1997.

James Schultz, Chairman
Zoning Board of Appeals

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INDEPENDENCE TWP.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

TOWNSHIP BOARD

AGENDA

7:30 p.m.

DATE September 2, 1997

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Opening Statements and Correspondence

Approval of Agenda

Minutes of Previous Meeting

Approval of Accounts Payable Check Run

Approval of Purchase Orders

Public Forum

Presentation: Detroit Edison Deregulation

Old Business

1. Final Plat Approval - Sheringham Woods Subdivision

New Business

1. Munder Capital Management Review

2. Investment Policy Discussion

3. Resolution to set Public Hearing - Townsend Lake S.A.D.

4. Resolution to set Public Hearing - Woodhull Lake S.A.D.

5. Permission to Post Full-Time Clerical Position - DPW.

6. Heating, Venting and Air-Conditioning Town Hall - Bid Award.

7. Request Waiver from Art. V. Storm Sewers Sec. 8.1-42.1 - Clarkston Ridge

8. Rezoning Request IOP to OS2, Part of Parcel 08-27-201-006, Sashabaw Road.

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

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INDEPENDENCE TWP.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

NOTICE OF PROPOSED
ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

At a regular meeting of the Independence Township Board held on August 5, 1997, the Board authorized a Second Reading and Adoption of an Amendment to the Township's Zoning Ordinance No. 83 regarding Wireless Communication Facilities as follows:

The motion to approve this amendment was offered by McGee, supported by Travis, the vote on the motion was as follows: Ayes: McCrary, McGee, Rosso, Stuart, Travis, Wallace and Wenger. Nays: None. The motion carried.

This ordinance amendment is effective immediately upon publication.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on August 5, 1997, the Charter Township of Independence Board adopted Amendments to Zoning Ordinance No. 83 for the purpose of providing regulations for the application, review, construction and maintenance of wireless communication facilities. Section 2 of the Ordinance provides that except as modified, the Zoning Ordinance will remain in full force and effect, with Section 3 providing for when the Ordinance Amendments will take effect. Section 1 of the proposed Ordinance amends Section 5.11 by replacing the current title and text with a new title and text, including Definitions, with those Amendments summarized herein. A true copy of the proposed Amendment to Ordinance No. 83 can be inspected or obtained at the office of the Charter Township of Independence Clerk, 90 N. Main Street, P.O. Box 69, Clarkston, MI 48347.

SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE

SECTIONS AND CATCHLINES AND SUMMARIES

- SECTION 5.11 Television, Radio and Microwave Towers. This title and the existing text of Section 5.11 are deleted, to be replaced with the following.
- SECTION 5.11 WIRELESS COMMUNICATION FACILITIES
- Subsection (1) Purpose and Intent. States general purpose and intent and specified goals, objectives and findings upon which Ordinance is based.
- Subsection (2) Definitions. Provides definitions of the phrases wireless communication facilities, attached wireless communication facilities, wireless communication support structures, colocation and Planning Official.
- Subsection (3) Authorization. Allows for permitted use and special land use approvals of wireless communication facilities.
- Subsection (3)(a) Permitted Uses. Specifies the situations and areas in which wireless communication facilities will be considered a permitted use by text and overlay zone map.
- Subsection (3)(b) Special Land Use Approvals. Specifies by text and overlay zone map the situations and areas where wireless communication facilities may be approved by the Planning Commission as a special land use.
- Subsection (3)(c) Special Land Use Approvals Outside Permitted And Special Land Use Overlay Zones.

Allows for Planning Commission consideration and possible approval of wireless communication facilities as a special land use outside permitted and special land use overlay zones provided special additional showings, standards and conditions are met.

Subsection (4) General Regulations
Standards And Conditions Applicable To All Facilities

Establishes standards and conditions to be considered and complied with for all wireless communication facilities.

Subsection (4)(b) Standards and Conditions Applicable To Special Land Use Overlay Zone

Establishes additional standards and conditions to be considered and complied with where the wireless communication facility is not a permitted use and requires a special land use approval by the Planning Commission.

Subsection (5) Application Requirements. Specifies the type and form of information which must be included as part of applications for approval of wireless communication facilities.

Subsection (6) Colocation. Statement of Policy.

Describes the reasoning behind a described policy of minimizing the overall number of support structures by use of existing structures and encouraging and requiring multiple use of structures whenever feasible.

Subsection (6)(b) Feasibility of Colocation. Defines situations when colocation will be considered as feasible for purposes of the Ordinance.

Subsection (6)(c) Requirements For Colocation. Makes colocation a special land use consideration, requires all new facilities to accommodate colocation, makes existing structures where colocation is feasible but not allowed nonconforming and prohibits persons who refuse to allow feasible colocations from receiving approvals for new facilities, for five years in certain situations.

Subsection (6)(d) Incentives. Provides for expedited review of applications for colocation facilities.

Subsection (7) Removal. Makes adequate provision for removal of a wireless communication facility a condition of every approval, defines the situations in which removal is required, identifies the persons responsible for removal and provides for Township enforcement.

Subsection (8) Effect and Renewal. Specifies duration of approvals and provides for potential earlier expiration of approvals.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing Ordinance was duly adopted by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Independence at a meeting of the Board duly called and held on the 5th day of August 1997.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

By: Joan E. McCrary, Clerk

INTRODUCED: 07/01/97
ADOPTED: 08/05/97
EFFECTIVE: 08/27/97
PUBLISHED: 08/27/97

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CLARKSTON

CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON

SUMMARY

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

August 11, 1997

Meeting called to order by Mayor Catalo. Anne Clifton, newly-appointed Councilperson, was sworn in. Present: Basinger, Catalo, Clifton, Gamble, Rosser, Sanderson, Savage.

Minutes of July 28, approved. Agenda approved. Bills in the amount of \$36,623.48 approved for payment.

A subcommittee was created for recommendations to the Council with regards to sidewalk repairs and storm sewer repairs.

Resolved that the City Council accept Chief Ormiston's recommendation to discontinue the position of Crossing Guard with notification to the Board of Education as well as notification to the affected residents, with a copy of the T.I.A. report attached when the improvements are made to the M-16/Walton crossing.

Received that the bid from King Bros. in the amount of \$1,318 be accepted for the purchase of a 6800 Watt generator.

A subcommittee was formed to meet with Mr. Kacy and David Chispeal to make a recommendation to the Council and ZBA with regards to parking adjacent to their buildings. The subcommittee will consist of Rosser and Savage.

Mr. Frank Litwala was present to request that City Council pass a resolution showing disfavor to Coakle Gambling in Auburn Hills. Tabled until next meeting.

Resolved that the building on Main Street currently known as the NBD building remain a retail or office environment and not be used as a charitable facility, i.e. museum, and the Council wants to make it clear that the Museum in our general community would also be an asset as the Council is not opposed to a museum. The Council feels that the particular building is a viable structure that is an enhancement of the City of Clarkston downtown area and is a limited resource whereas a location for a museum is not; and therefore, the City Council takes this position.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted
Artemus M. Pappas
City Clerk

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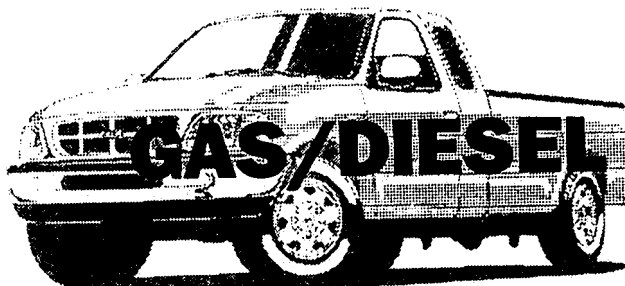
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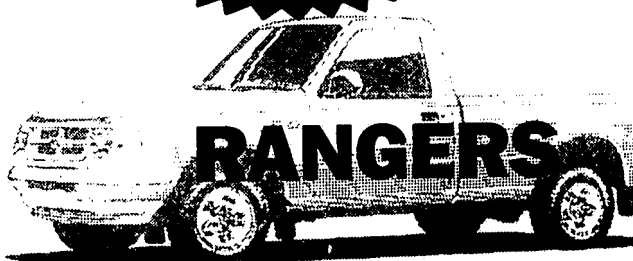


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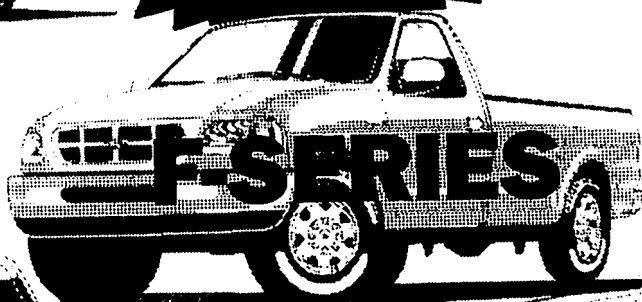
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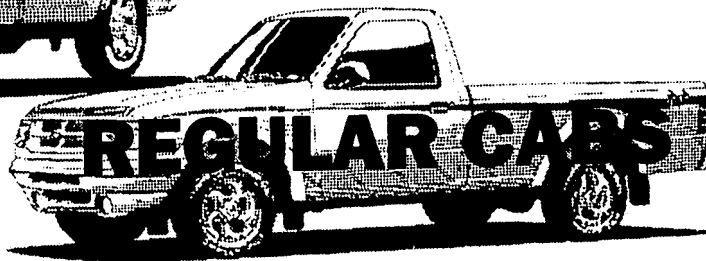
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They're ba-ack!

Kids, parents ready for new school year

BY ANNETTE KINGSBURY and
EILEEN McCARVILLE

Smiles were on most of the faces Monday morning as Clarkston kids returned to school, some accompanied by Mom or Dad.

Dylan Frankel, 6, was rubbing his eyes at 8 a.m. in front of Pine Knob Elementary. He admitted he "wasn't used to getting up this early."

But after nearly three months of summer vacation, most of the little folks who waited in their driveways came to school with their parents or hopped off the school bus looked ready.

There were new friends, new clothes, new books, new teachers, and a brand-new Pine Knob principal, K. C. Leh, who warmly greeted as many children as she could with the help of staff and volunteers in front of a festively decorated front door.

Art Carino waited patiently with his two boys, second-grader Timmy and fifth-grader Dominic. "They've been looking forward to going back to school for weeks," he said.

Then there was Brigitte Limbrunner, who came to Pine Knob towing a neighbor, Jesse Livezey, and three sons of her own, Florian, Tobias and Maxie. When asked if he was excited, big brother Florian responded with a simple "no." Quipped Mom, "For me, too long. For them, too short."

At Clarkston El. the most popular new item for back to school was a great big backpack. Chris Kotcher and Stephen and Megan McIsaac, among the first to arrive, each had new backpacks stuffed with—well—stuff.

Chris had a pair of gym shoes taking up most of the room, along with a long list of school supplies: notebooks, folders, pens, pencils, scissors, markers and a bookmark. Stephen had 96 crayons, 10 markers, 24 colored pencils, five folders, four notebooks, three pens, glue and a sharpener. He'll probably need that. Meghan had a box of graham crackers among her supplies inside a pink plaid backpack.

One student brought a bouquet of flowers for her teacher. As more and more students arrived they greeted each other with smiles and the invariable question: "Who'd you get?"

Fourth-grader Kate Mozer admitted, when asked, that she was nervous about the first day back. Her friends Dayna Hallman and Alyssa Vermeulen said they were too, but it wasn't unusual for the first day of school.

However, most kids, once they found their classrooms, got busy unpacking and loading their new "stuff" into their new desks.

Photos by Annette Kingsbury taken at Clarkston El.



Sophia Angelis, a first-grader, carries a bouquet of wildflowers for her new teacher.



Clarkston El. Principal Mike Kehoe introduces a student to her new teacher, Mrs. Fox, after escorting the little girl through the halls to her new room.



Second-grader Megan McIsaac goes through her new pink plaid backpack outside Clarkston El. Monday morning. School supplies and a box of graham crackers were packed inside.